Table 10-2 Payments to the higher education sector, by provincial governments — On research and development in the natural sciences and engineering

	2005/2006 ^r	2006/2007 ^r	2007/2008	2008/2009 ^r	2009/2010
_	thousands of dollars				
Total participating provinces New Brunswick	755,821 	666,006	796,212 575	730,195 459	766,110 116 ^E
Quebec	212,850	226,026	246,683	258,943	253,972
Ontario	352,256	262,584	302,968	207,658	245,636
Manitoba Saskatchewan ¹	13,494 	14,490 	14,882 23,854 E	14,945 31,459	14,172 21,909
Alberta	126,611	123,922	129,395	148,469	181,107
British Columbia	50,610	39,044	77,855	68,262 E	49,198

Saskatchewan conducted a limited pilot of seven ministries in 2007/2008. The difference in expenditures contributes to the differences between the 2007/2008 pilot survey and 2008/2009 data results including fifteen ministries. A large one time capital expenditure increased related scientific activities expenditures in 2008/2009. Research and development expenditures increased in 2009/2010 due to actual data being received for a ministry which previously provided estimates.