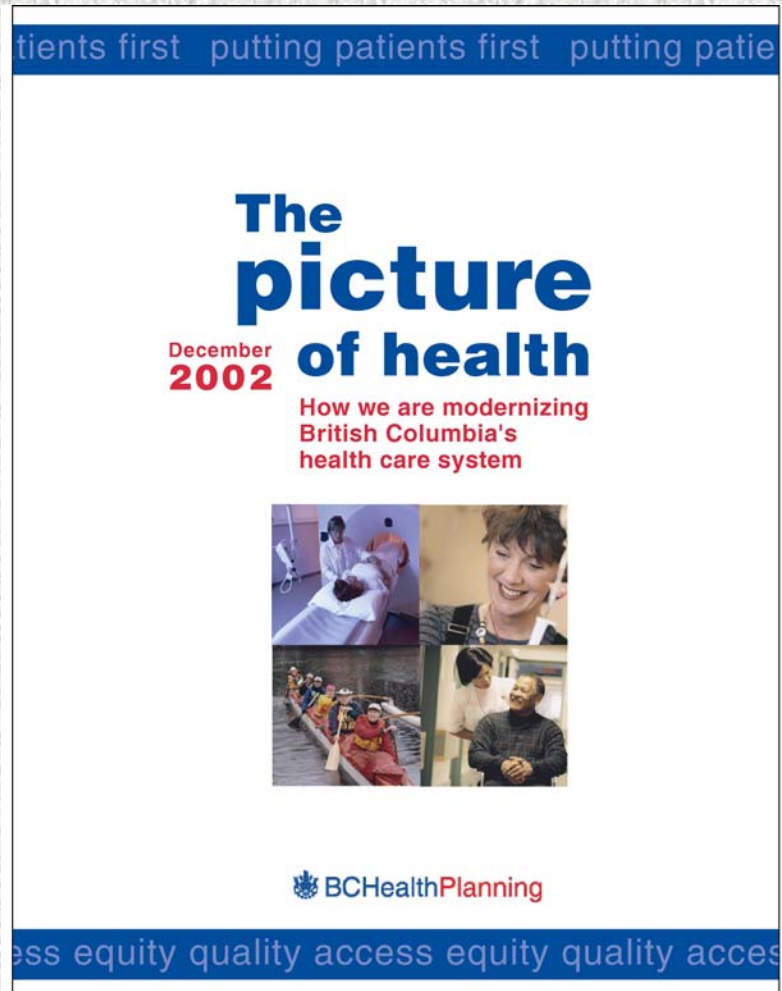


# The Picture of Health



## Long-Term Goals

- Accessible, high-quality health care
- Patient-centred public health care
- Improved health and wellness
- Sustainable, affordable health care

## Then vs. Now

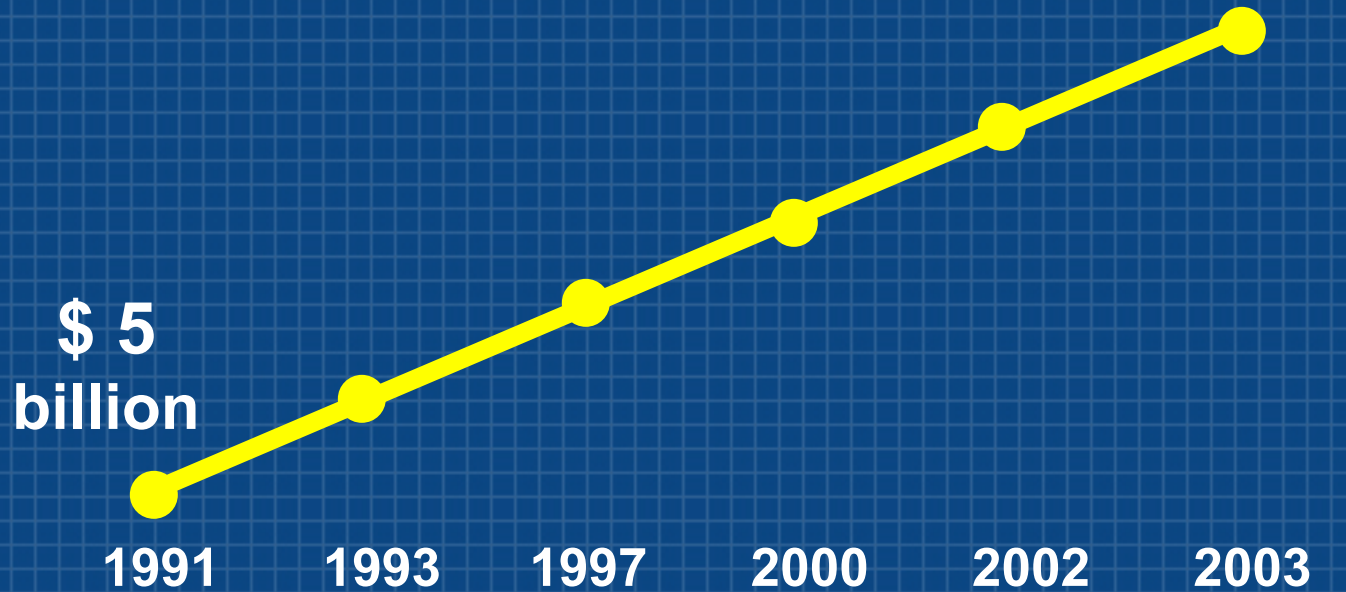
1965

- Hospital Insurance

2002

- Hospital Insurance
- Pharmacare
- Ambulance
- Telehealth
- Prevention & Wellness
- Home & Community Care

## Costs since 1991



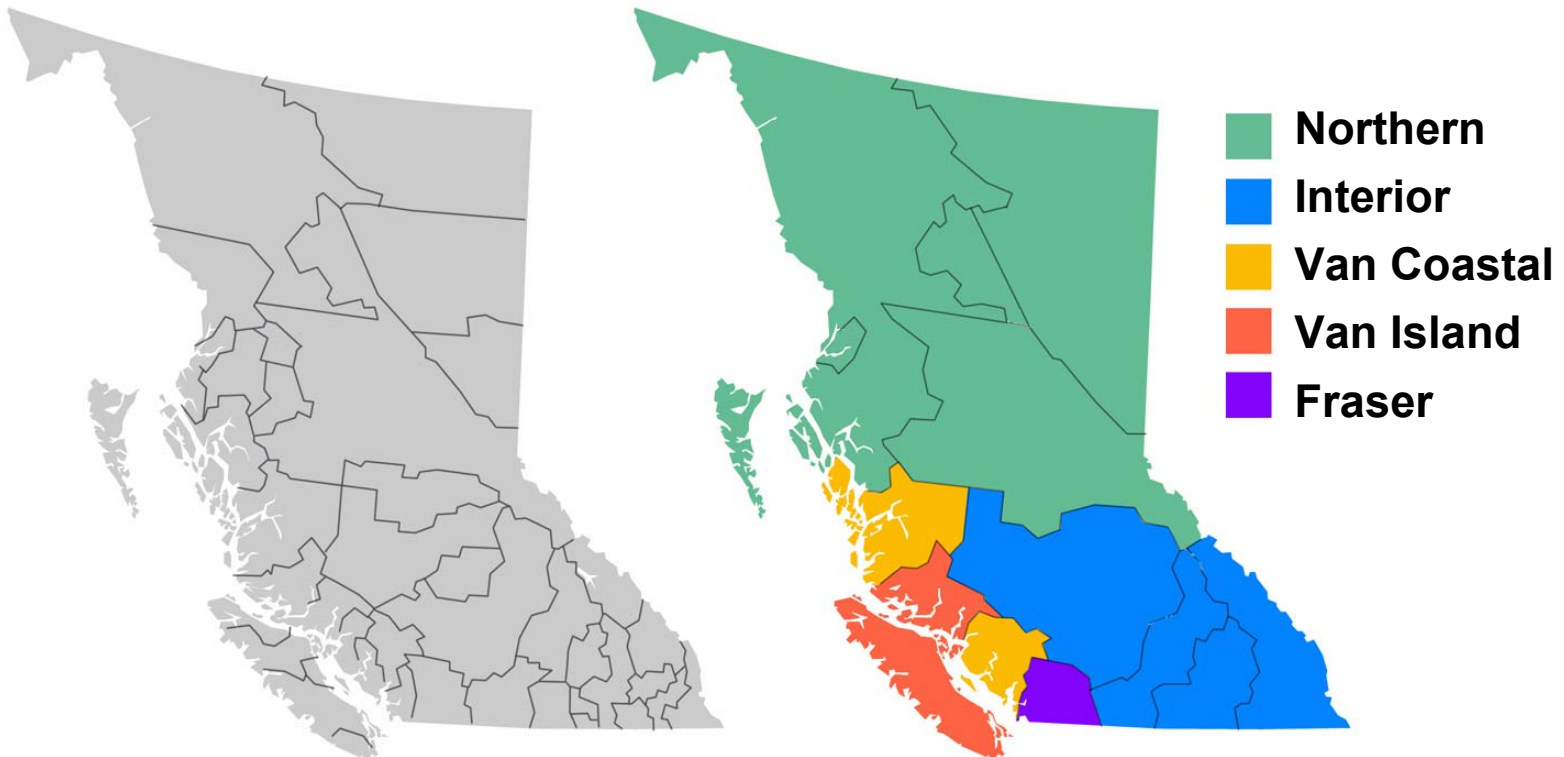
## Health Spending/Taxes

### Health Spending of \$10.4 billion takes all of:

- Personal Income Tax \$4.8 billion
- Social Services (sales) tax \$3.8 billion
- MSP Premiums \$1.3 billion
- Lottery \$0.5 billion

# Health Authorities

## Fragmented to Manageable Regions



## **Private sector in Public Health care**

- **Payments to doctors**
- **Pharmacy payments**
- **Private Lab payments**
- **Longterm care facilities**

## Primary Health Care

Provides patients with comprehensive, one-stop shop for health services:

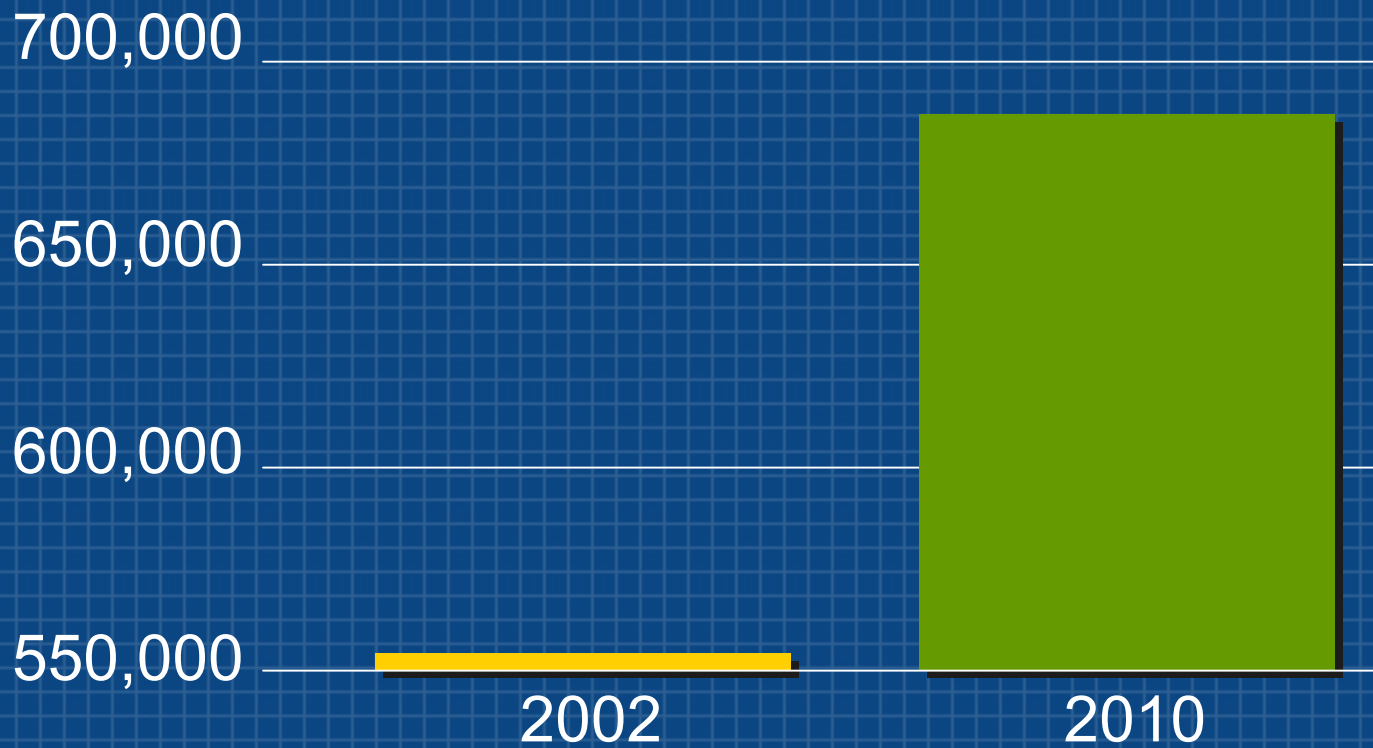
- Doctors
- Nurse practitioners
- Labs
- X-rays, ultrasounds, mammograms
- Nutritionist
- Counselor / Social worker
- Education / Prevention workers
- Pharmacy



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# 120,000 More Seniors



## Seniors Longer Active Life

- BC seniors, on average, live to age 69 disability free – 2<sup>nd</sup> longest in Canada
- BC seniors live longest – 4 years of life added in past 20 years
- People spend longer time as seniors and are more active than they were in the past

# **What do we need?**

## **A new option to fill the gap**

- To fill the gap between homecare and facility living in long-term care:
- To maintain health and wellness
- To give independence / choice
- To match seniors' lifestyles
- Health System gains from better match of needs with care

Independent Living		Facility Living	
Home Care	Intermediate Care		Long-Term Care
	Independent Housing	Assisted Living	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Personal care provided in individuals' homes</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Housing</li> <li>• Some meals</li> <li>• Some house-keeping</li> <li>• Social activities</li> <li>• Scheduled care</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Independent housing</li> <li>• Meals and laundry</li> <li>• Personal care</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• F/T professional care</li> <li>• Licensed</li> </ul>

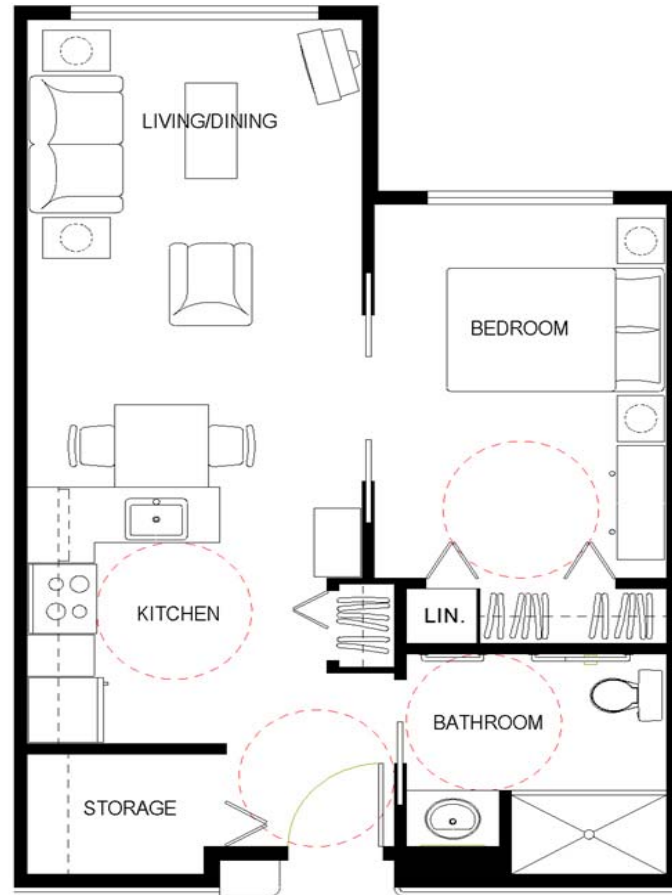
## **Dorothy - A Typical Assisted Living Client**

- Lives alone; over 75 years of age; lower income
- Needs help due to a disability or chronic condition
- Starting to use more health care resources (e.g. some admissions to hospital, visits to emergency)
- Needs help: grocery shopping, cooking, cleaning, and home maintenance

## Assisted Living Services

- “Your own front door”
- 2 meals per day
- laundry, housekeeping
- Help bathing, dressing, managing medications, transportation

# An Assisted Living Residence - Nikkei Home





## An Assisted Living Residence - Rose Manor



## **Assisted Living Benefits**

- Secure living environment
- Friends/social life – less isolation
- Regular contact with staff who monitor health and well-being
- Reduced stress for family care-givers

## Progress to date

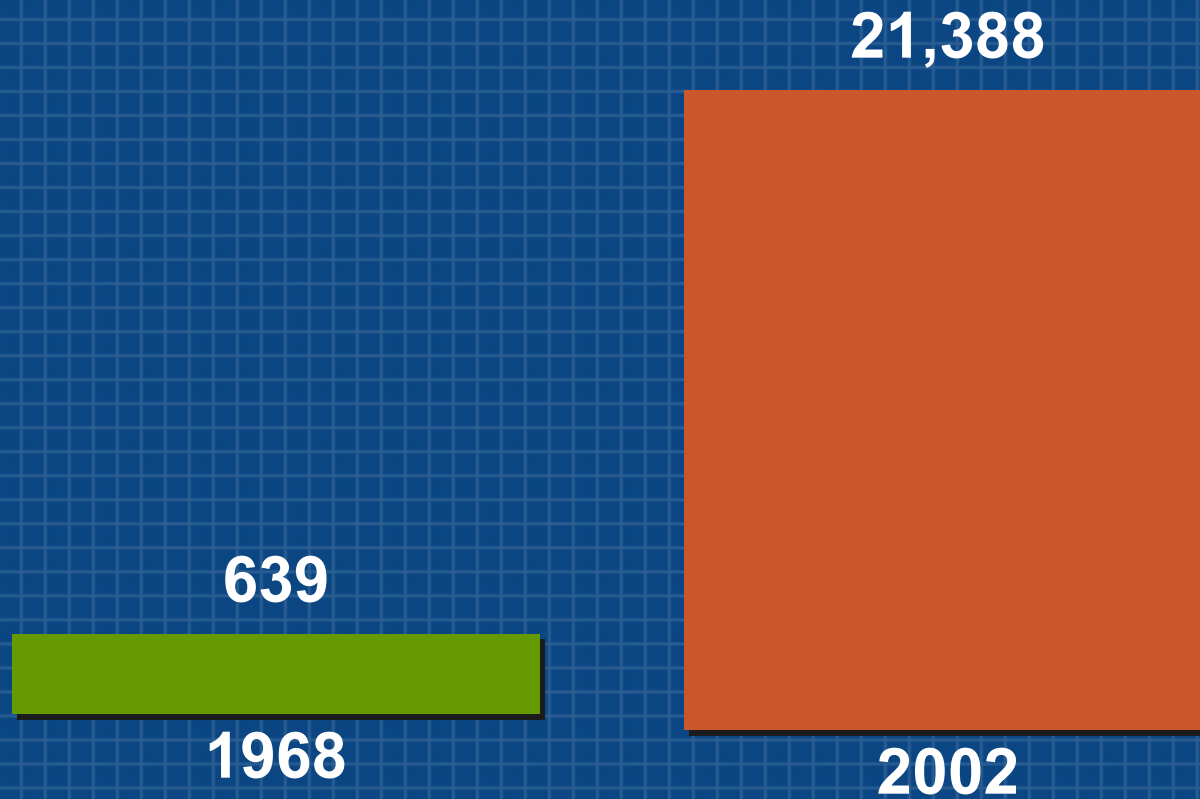
- Assisted living policy framework is in place
- Health Authorities are delivering
- Good start to meeting our 5,000 new intermediate and long term care beds by 2006

# Pharmacare

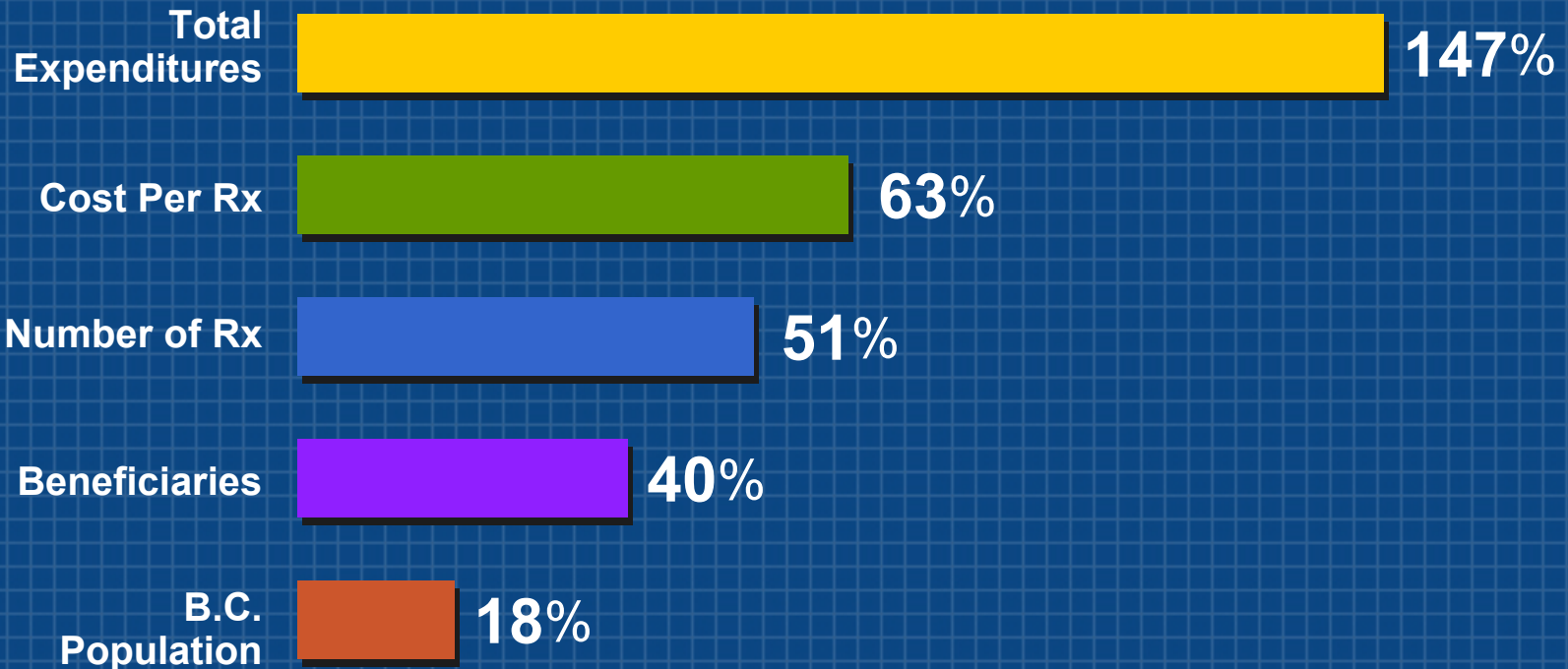
## **BC Pharmacare Plan**

- 50 percent of drugs are consumed by people over the age of 65

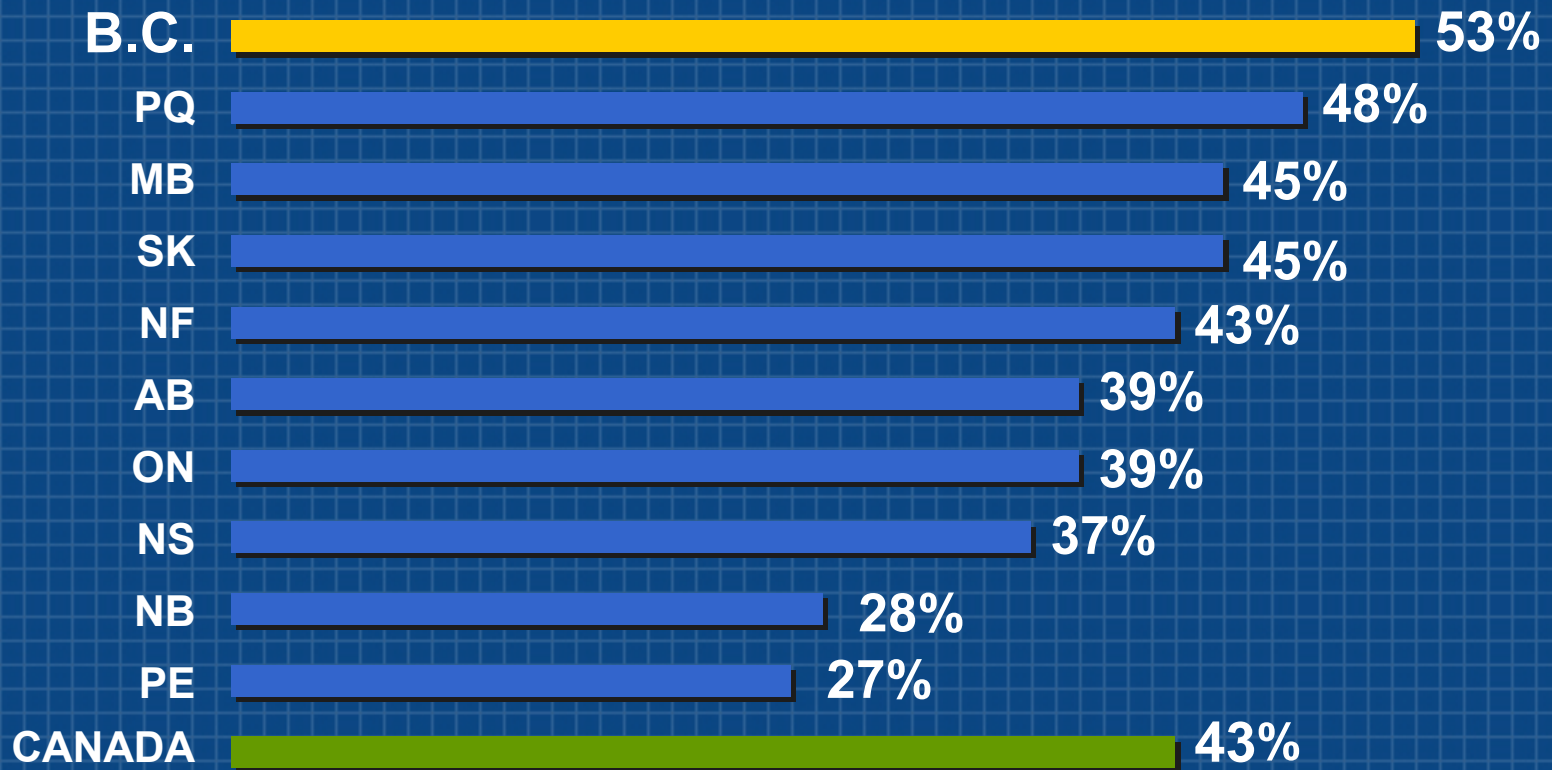
## Approved Drugs Since 1968



## A Decade of Pharmacare Growth



## Prescription Cost Coverage

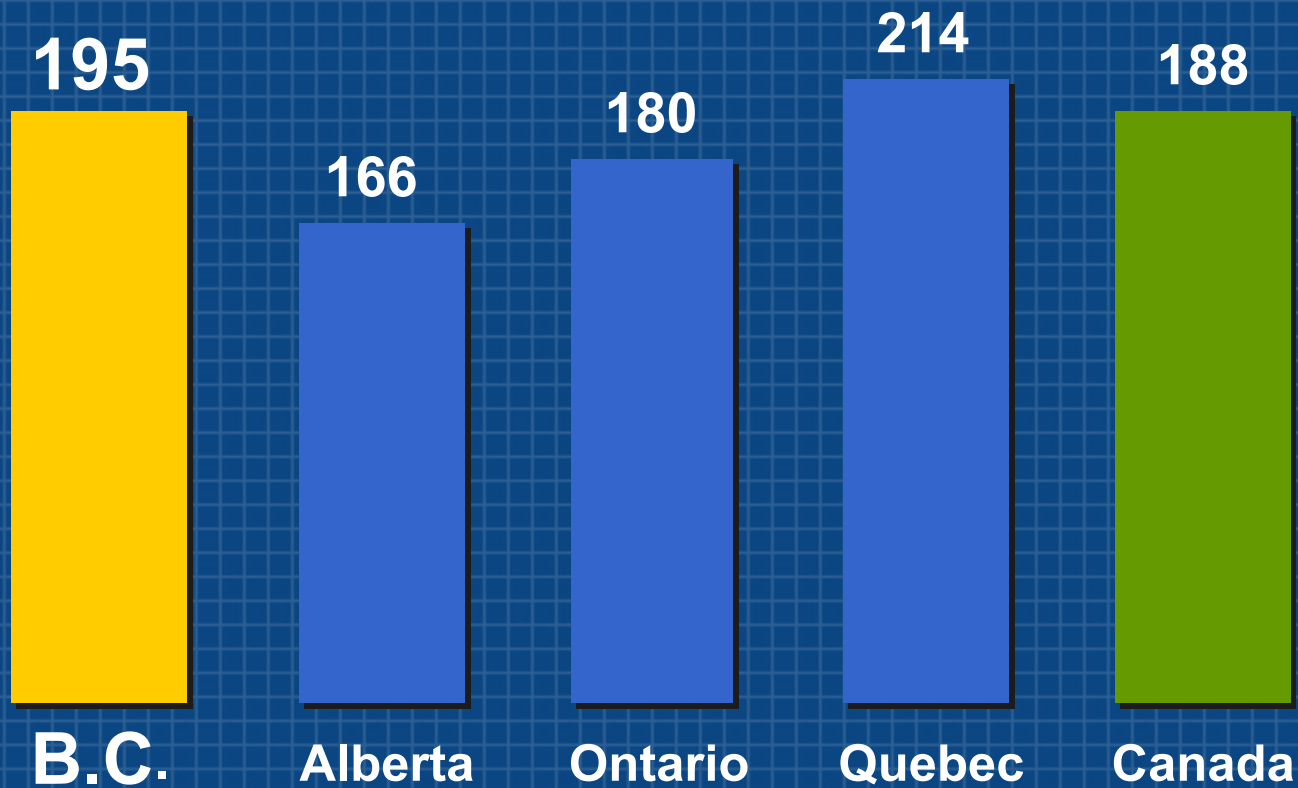




# Human Resources

## Doctors / Nurses

## Doctors per 100,000



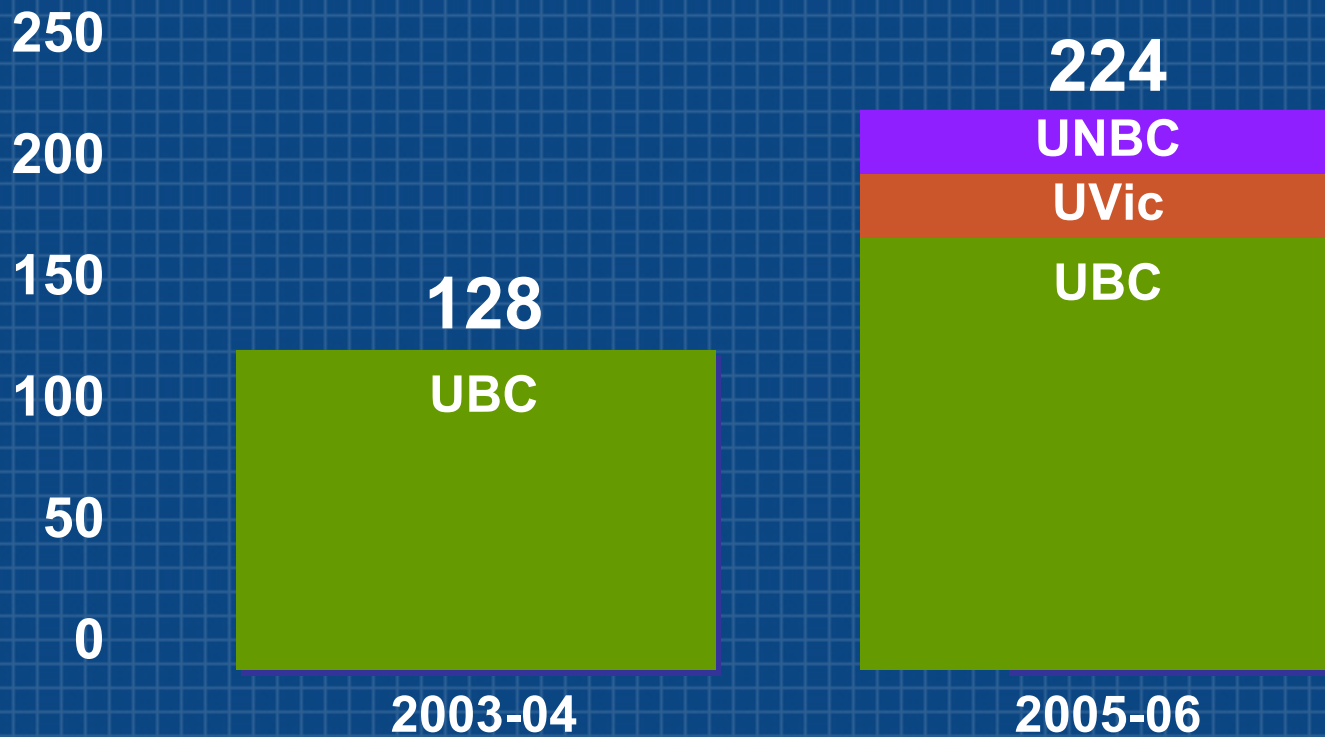
# Spending on Doctors

\$ Per Capita

<b>BC</b>	<b>\$609.41</b>
Ontario	\$509.69
Alberta	\$495.56
Sask	\$451.51
Nova Scotia	\$415.61
Quebec	\$342.40

\*Source: CIHI Report on Physician Compensation 2002

## Human Resources – Doctor Training



## **BC has the best compensated nurses in Canada**

### Starting Rates

BC	\$73,650
Alberta	\$71,675
Ontario	\$62,280
Quebec	\$50,200
Nova Scotia	\$66,010

## **Nursing Strategy Outcomes - Year 1**

- 400 non-practicing RNs recruited
- 40 foreign specialist nurses recruited
- 315 special training/upgrades
- vacancies cut from 1,000 by 600

## **The 2002 Nursing Strategy**

- \$8.8 million annualized nursing grants to Health Authority base budgets
- \$1.1 million to assist nurses to return to work
- \$1.0 million in new and continuing initiatives
- \$10.7 million to nursing education through AVED

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