



Socioeconomic Profile of the Côte-Nord Region November 2008

	Côte-Nord	Quebec	Proportion and Gap
Total population (2007)	95,668	7,700,807	1.2%
Net migration (2006-2007)	-953	22,221	**
Proportion of Aboriginals (2006)	13.4%	1.5%	11.9 pp
Employment (2007)* (Thousands)	49.0	3,851.7	1.3%
Labor force (2007)* (Thousands)	53.8	4,150.1	1.3%
Participation rate (2007) ¹	60.2%	65.7%	-5.5 pp
Employment rate (2007) ²	54.8%	61.0%	-6.2 pp
Unemployment rate (2007)*	8.7%	7.2%	1.5 pp
Nominal GDP (2007) (Millions)	\$4,634.4	\$279,100.0	1.7%
International merchandise exports (2005) ³ (Millions)	\$3,873.2	\$68,823.0	5.6%

Sources: Institut de la Statistique du Québec (ISQ) and Statistics Canada, *Labor Force Survey* (LFS).

* Including northern Quebec region.

1. The participation rate is defined as follows: total labor force divided by the number of people aged 15 and over.

2. The employment rate is defined as follows: total employment divided by the number of people aged 15 and over.

3. International merchandise exports data include Côte-Nord, Nord-du-Québec and Gaspésie-Îles-de-la-Madeleine regions.

Employment by sector*	%
Primary sector	7
Manufacturing	15
Trade	17
Commercial services	38
Non-commercial services	23
<i>Total</i>	<i>100%</i>

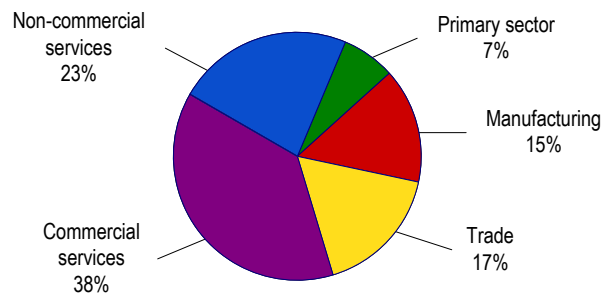
Source: Statistics Canada, LFS, 2007.

* Employment data for the Cote-Nord region includes Northern-Quebec region.

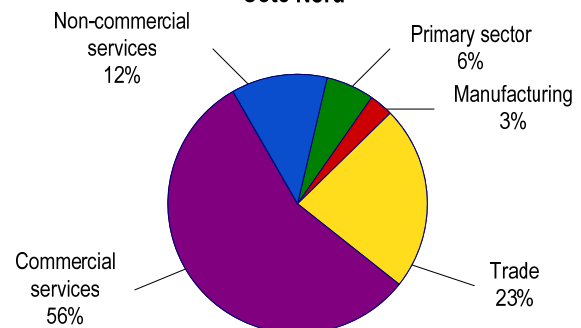
Number of establishments by sector	%
Primary sector	6
Manufacturing	3
Trade	23
Commercial services	56
Non-commercial services	12
<i>Total</i>	<i>100%</i>

Source: Statistics Canada, *Business Register* (BR), 2007.

Employment by sector
Côte-Nord



Number of establishments by sector
Côte-Nord



The three sub-sectors of manufacturing with the most establishments: food, wood products, fabricated metal products.

Definitions:

Primary: Forestry, logging and support, mining, oil and gas extraction, agriculture.

Manufacturing: Manufacturing sector.

Trade: Wholesale trade and retail trade.

Commercial services: Utilities, construction, transportation and warehousing, information and cultural industries, finance and insurance, real estate, rental and leasing, professional, scientific and technical services, management of companies and enterprises, administrative and support, waste management and remediation services, arts, entertainment and recreation, accommodation and food services, other services (except public administration).

Non-commercial services: Educational services, health care and social assistance, public administration.

Educational attainment (% population from 25 to 64 years old)	Côte-Nord	Quebec	Ranking out of 17 regions in Quebec
Postsecondary certificate or diploma	43.6%	41.0%	7 th
Bachelor's	7.0%	13.4%	16 th
Master's	2.5%	6.6%	15 th
Doctorate	0.2%	0.8%	13 th

Source: Statistics Canada, *2006 Census*.

Information relative to innovation	Côte-Nord	Quebec	Ranking out of 17 regions in Quebec
Firm investments in machinery equipment and material per capita (2005)	\$4,208	\$2,484	1 st
R&D internal expenses by firms (2004) (Thousands) *	\$11,405	\$4,186,547	15 th
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Sources: ISQ and *Tableau de bord des systèmes régionaux d'innovation du Québec*, Ministère du Développement économique, Innovation et Exportations du Québec (MDEIE), 2007.

* Data are ranked out of 16 administrative regions in Quebec; Côte-Nord and Nord-du-Québec are counted together.