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Saskatchewan Farm Owner & Young Farmer Stream – Permanently Closed

Saskatchewan permanently closed its Farm Owner/Operator pathway on 27 March 2025, alongside all SINP entrepreneur categories.

At a glance

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This programme is permanently closed

The **Saskatchewan Farm Owner & Young Farmer Stream** no longer exists. Effective **27 March 2025**, the SINP permanently closed all Entrepreneur and Farm immigration pathways. No new applications are accepted, no new expressions of interest are considered, and no further invitations to apply are issued.

Why it closed

In October 2024 the federal government halved Provincial Nominee Program allocations for 2025, from 110,000 to 55,000. Saskatchewan's share fell to **3,625 nominations — its lowest since 2009**. The province responded by permanently closing its entrepreneur and farm pathways, saying so explicitly in its news release of 27 March 2025.

PNP allocations were partly restored for 2026, to 91,500 nationally. Saskatchewan has not reopened these pathways, and described the closure as permanent rather than a pause.

What it required, for reference

These figures are historical: a minimum farm investment of CAD \$150,000, net worth of CAD \$500,000 for the Farm Owner route or CAD \$300,000 for the Young Farmer route, and a refundable good-faith deposit of CAD \$75,000.

Is there another farm route into Canada?

Alberta's Farm Stream is still technically open, at CAD \$500,000 net worth and CAD \$500,000 equity. But Alberta has allocated only **60 nominations across all its entrepreneur streams for 2026, against 217 applications already in process**. Read that page's risk note before treating it as a realistic route.

Routes into Canada that are still open

Canada has not closed down — the money-based federal routes closed, while the skills and provincial routes grew. For 2026 the federal government raised Provincial Nominee Program admissions to **91,500** (up from 55,000 in 2025) and held total permanent residence at 380,000.

Provincial business streams still accepting applications:

- British Columbia — Entrepreneur Immigration, Base stream — from CAD \$200,000
- British Columbia — Entrepreneur Immigration, Regional stream — from CAD \$100,000
- Prince Edward Island — Work Permit Stream — from CAD \$150,000
- Newfoundland & Labrador — International Entrepreneur — from CAD \$200,000
- Nova Scotia — Entrepreneur stream — from CAD \$100,000
- Northwest Territories — Business Stream — from CAD \$100,000
- New Brunswick — Business Immigration Stream — from CAD \$150,000
- Manitoba — Business Investor Stream, Entrepreneur Pathway
- Yukon — Business Nominee Program — from CAD \$300,000

Skilled and employment routes:

- Express Entry — four new occupation categories were added for 2026
- Provincial Nominee Program
- Global Talent Stream — two-week work permit processing

Speak to a XIPHIAS adviser about which of these fits your profile.

Questions clients ask

Is the Saskatchewan Farm Owner stream still open?

No. It was permanently closed on 27 March 2025 along with every other SINP entrepreneur and farm pathway.

Can I still get my CAD \$75,000 deposit back?

Deposit arrangements are governed by the agreement you signed with Saskatchewan. Contact the SINP directly about an existing file.

Why did Saskatchewan close it?

The federal PNP allocation cut for 2025 left Saskatchewan with 3,625 nominations, its lowest since 2009. It closed its lowest-volume streams in response.

Is there another farm immigration route into Canada?

Alberta still runs a Farm Stream, but with only 60 nominations across all its entrepreneur streams for 2026 against 217 applications already in process. Read that page carefully before relying on it.

What happens to applications already filed?

Saskatchewan continues to process applications it had already accepted.

Important notes

- This stream is permanently closed, not paused. Saskatchewan has given no reopening date.
- XIPHIAS is not accepting new clients for this pathway.
- Alberta's Farm Stream is still open but severely rationed — see the note on that page before treating it as a realistic alternative.

Compliance

- Saskatchewan's official wording: effective 27 March 2025 the SINP permanently closed all Entrepreneur and Farm immigration pathways. No new applications are accepted, no new expressions of interest are considered, and no further invitations to apply are issued.
- The Government of Saskatchewan news release of 27 March 2025 confirms the Entrepreneur, International Graduate Entrepreneur and Farm Owner/Operator categories are permanently closed.
- The province cited the federal 50% allocation cut, which left Saskatchewan with 3,625 nominations, its lowest since 2009.
- Applications already in the system continue to be processed.

Official sources: Government of Saskatchewan — SINP Entrepreneur EOI system (closure notice); Government of Saskatchewan — news release, 27 March 2025; IRCC — Notice: Supplementary Information for the 2025-2027 Immigration Levels Plan.



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