

Income gap narrowing but women still receive less

In this report, dollar figures are expressed in 2015 constant dollars. Income is based on total income before taxes and deductions, and median income refers to the level of income at which half the population had higher income and half had lower.

- Incomes have climbed over the past decade. Compared to 2005, the median income of individuals in New Brunswick rose 18.8% in 2015. The national increase was 12.7%.
- The median income of New Brunswickers in 2015 was \$30,961. This represented 90.5% of the Canadian median of \$34,204.
- Between 2005 and 2015, the median income for women in New Brunswick increased by 23.9% and for men by 13.0%. Nevertheless, women and men had the second lowest median incomes among the provinces in 2015—after Newfoundland and Labrador for women and Prince Edward Island for men.
- Women in New Brunswick continued to receive less than men but the disparity between their incomes is narrowing. Women’s median income was 68.8% of men’s in 2015 compared to 62.7% in 2005. In dollar terms, women’s median income in 2015 was \$25,796 and men’s was \$37,516, a difference of \$11,720. This was smaller than the \$12,391 gap between them in 2005.

