

**Opportunities for Sustainable Prosperity
Annual Progress Report 2008–09**

**APPENDIX B
Useful Links**



USEFUL LINKS

This section includes links to organizational websites and documents of interest for each of the strategic focus areas in the strategy. We will continue to build this resource over time.

Opportunities for Sustainable Prosperity www.gov.ns.ca/econ/ofsp

Business Climate—Environment for Growth

Key Partners:

Economic and Rural Development www.gov.ns.ca/econ

Finance www.gov.ns.ca/finance

Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations www.gov.ns.ca/snsmr

Treasury and Policy Board www.gov.ns.ca/tpb

Atlantic Provinces Economic Council (APEC) www.apec-econ.ca

Links to Initiatives:

Better Regulation—Everyone's Business <http://www.gov.ns.ca/betterregulation>

Business Climate Index Economic Development-Business Climate Index

Comprehensive Tax Review <http://www.gov.ns.ca/finance/en/home/taxation/taxreview/default.aspx>

Construction Industry Compliance Portal www.gov.ns.ca/constructionportal

Food Safety Database <http://www.gov.ns.ca/agri/foodsafety/reports/>

Supplier Development Program www.gov.ns.ca/tenders/supplierdevelopment

Sustainable Procurement Policy TBA

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Productivity through Innovation

Key Partners:

Agriculture <http://gov.ns.ca/agri>

Economic and Rural Development www.gov.ns.ca/econ

Energy <http://gov.ns.ca/energy>

Environment <http://gov.ns.ca/nse>

AgriTECH Park www.agritechpark.com

InNOVAcorp www.innovacorp.ca

Nova Scotia Business Inc. <http://nsbi.ca>

Links to Initiatives:

Atlantic BioVenture Centre <http://www.atlanticbioventure.com>

Environmental Technology Program, ecoNova Scotia for Clean Air and Climate Change www.gov.ns.ca/ecoNovaScotia

Historic Places Initiative www.nshistoricplaces.ca

Trade and Competitiveness

Key Partners:

Agriculture www.gov.ns.ca/agri
Communications Nova Scotia www.gov.ns.ca/cmns
Economic and Rural Development www.gov.ns.ca/econ
Fisheries and Aquaculture www.gov.ns.ca/fish
Intergovernmental Affairs www.gov.ns.ca/iga
Tourism, Culture and Heritage www.gov.ns.ca/tch
ACOA Nova Scotia www.acoa.ca
Export Development Canada www.edc.ca
InNOVAcorp www.innovacorp.ca
Nova Scotia Business Inc. <http://nsbi.ca>

Links to Initiatives and Strategies:

Agreement on International Business Development (IBDA) <http://mediaroom.acoa-apeca.gc.ca/e/ibda/index.shtml>
Come to life <http://www.novascotialife.com>
Going Global, Staying Local: A partnership strategy for export development <http://www.gov.ns.ca/econ/exportstrategy>
Mining Matters 2009 Conference <http://www.gov.ns.ca/natr/meb/oh>
Nova Scotia Tourism: The Business Advantage www.gov.ns.ca/tourisminvestment
Team Canada Atlantic www.teamcanadaatlantic.com
Trade Team Nova Scotia www.tradeteamnovascotia.com

Financial Capital

Key partners:

Economic and Rural Development www.gov.ns.ca/econ
InNOVAcorp www.innovacorp.ca
Nova Scotia Business Inc. www.nsbi.ca
Nova Scotia Cooperative Council www.nasco-opcouncil.ca

Links to Initiatives:

Analysis of Economic Impacts of the Industrial Expansion Fund 2001–02 to 2006–07
www.gov.ns.ca/econ/IEFreport/impacts07
Community Economic Development Investment Fund www.gov.ns.ca/econ/cedif
Credit Union Small Business Loan Guarantee Program www.ns-credit-unions.com/default.asp?mn=1.19.33.45
Early Stage Commercialization Fund (InNOVAcorp) <http://innovacorp.ca/about-us/early-stage-commercialization-fund>
Strategic Infrastructure Investment Fund (AG) www.gov.ns.ca/agri/prm/programs/afidf.shtml

Natural Capital

Key partners:

Conserve Nova Scotia www.conservens.ca

Energy www.gov.ns.ca/energy

Environment www.gov.ns.ca/nse

Natural Resources www.gov.ns.ca/natr

Dalhousie University's Eco-Efficiency Centre: www.eco-efficiency.management.dal.ca/index.htm

Links to Initiatives and Strategies:

2009 Energy Strategy and Climate Change Action Plan www.gov.ns.ca/energy/energy-strategy

ecoNova Scotia for Clean Air and Climate Change www.gov.ns.ca/econovascotia

Environmental Goals and Sustainable Prosperity Act (EGSPA) www.gov.ns.ca/legislature/legc/bills/60th_1st/1st_read/b146.htm

Nova Scotia EnerGuide for Houses/ecoENERGY Retrofit for Homes www.conservens.ca/energiguide

Online Wind Atlas www.nswindatlas.ca

Power of Green Conference 2008 www.thepowerofgreen.ca

Second Nature <http://secondnature.gov.ns.ca>

Select Nova Scotia Marketing Campaign www.selectnovascotia.ca

A Treasured Past, A Precious Future (2008) Heritage Strategy www.gov.ns.ca/tch/heritage_strategy.asp

Water Resource Management Strategy www.gov.ns.ca/nse/water/WaterStrategy.asp

Built Capital

Key Partners:

Economic and Rural Development www.gov.ns.ca/econ

Transportation and Infrastructure Renewal www.gov.ns.ca/tran

Atlantic Canada Airports Association www.acairports.ca

Halifax Gateway Council www.halifaxgateway.com

Port of Halifax www.portofhalifax.com

Strait of Canso Superport Corporation www.straitsuperport.com

Links to Initiatives and Strategies:

Broadband for Rural Nova Scotia www.gov.ns.ca/econ/broadband

Canada's Atlantic Gateway www.theatlanticgateway.ca

Canada-Nova Scotia Municipal Rural Infrastructure Fund www.nsinfrastructure.ca/pages/MRIF.aspx

Charting the Course: Atlantic Canada Transportation Strategy 2008-2018 <http://www.gov.ns.ca/tran/publications/chartingcourse.pdf>

Green Mobility Capital Grants Program www.conservens.ca/on-the-road/green-mobility.asp

Human Capital

Key Partners

Labour and Workforce Development www.gov.ns.ca/lwd
Office of Immigration www.novascotiainmigration.com
Education www.ednet.ns.ca

Links to Initiatives and Strategies

Apprenticeship Training and Skill Development Division <http://www.nsapprenticeship.ca>
<http://BrightCareerFutures.com>
Career Options www.nscareeroptions.ca
Invest in Youth Program www.investinyouth.ca
Nova Scotia School for Adult Learning (NSSAL) www.gonssal.ca/
Options and Opportunities www.ednet.ns.ca/O2/
Opportunities Nova Scotia www.opportunitiesns.ca
Parents As Career Coaches www.parentsascareercoaches.ca
Skills Nova Scotia <http://skillsnovascotia.ednet.ns.ca>
TechPort Jobs—The ICT Career Resource for Nova Scotia www.techportjobs.com
Targeted Initiative for Older Workers www.olderworker.ca
Workit (Youth Apprenticeship) www.workitns.ca/
Workplace Education www.nsworkplaceeducation.ca

Social Capital

Key Partners

Economic and Rural Development www.gov.ns.ca/econ
Regional Economic Development Authorities www.gov.ns.ca/econ/rda

Links to Strategies and Initiatives

Business Development Pilot Program www.gov.ns.ca/econ/nsbdp
Centre for Entrepreneurship Education and Development www.ceed.info
Coastal Communities Network Rural Gateway www.coastalcommunities.ns.ca
Community Access Program (CAP) <http://www.nscap.ca/>
Community Counts www.gov.ns.ca/finance/communitycounts
Community Development Policy Initiative www.gov.ns.ca/econ/rda
Community Economic Development Online www.ced.gov.ns.ca/
Nova Scotia Historical Vital Statistics Online www.novascotiagenealogy.com
Nova Scotia's Official Tourism Website www.novascotia.com
Students in Business Program www.studentsinbusiness.ca