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Prosperity Plan – Regional Data Set Update

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The EWOC has always worked hard to ensure that its advocacy is based upon timely and accurate information. One of our key achievements in creating solid and informative data was the publication of *A Profile of Eastern Ontario (Regional Data Set)* as part of our development of the *Prosperity Plan for Eastern Ontario*.

The publication of the *Regional Data Set* on March 31, 2007 was made possible through the generous support of the Minister Dombrowsky's RED program.

The document provided valuable information on such topics as key demographic themes, territorial, human, financial, and lifestyle capital across Eastern Ontario. This information has been used not only by the EOWC but other organizations to formulate informed opinions and recommendations on a host of policy and program initiatives.

In large part the raw data used was based on 2001 Stats Canada information. It is now time to update this valuable document.

Action Requested

The EOWC is going to prepare an application under the RED program and is hopeful that Minister Dombrowsky and her staff will look favourably on it. We believe that an updated Data Set will provide beneficial information for both parties.