

BUILDING A NORTHWEST TERRITORIES KNOWLEDGE ECONOMY

WHAT IS A KNOWLEDGE ECONOMY?

A knowledge economy is built from organizations and projects who work with and create knowledge and expertise.

A knowledge economy is essential for innovation. As natural resource extraction becomes more uncertain, the NWT will need to join the move toward knowledge-based green and technological innovations and built its knowledge economy.

BENEFITS

Healthier and more prosperous communities

Sustainable jobs and career opportunities

Increased capacity and opportunities for education

Centering the voices and knowledge of community members

Opportunities for Indigenous people to address local priorities

Improved programs and services based in Northern realities

ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY

While the knowledge economy is not tracked as a distinct sector, it is a significant part of:

89.3M	Information and cultural industries
97.4M	Professional, scientific and technical services
212.6M	Education services
302.8M	Health care and social assistance

National spending on research and development in 2016:

\$34B

WHAT DOES A KNOWLEDGE ECONOMY LOOK LIKE?



DOING RESEARCH

and putting results into action



using INDIGENOUS KNOWLEDGE

in programs and services



doing education, healing and research

PROGRAMS ON THE LAND



designing unique health SERVICES FOR COMMUNITIES



providing EDUCATION based in local strengths



supporting INNOVATION in cold climate and green energy



using TECHNOLOGY to improve programs and services



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