

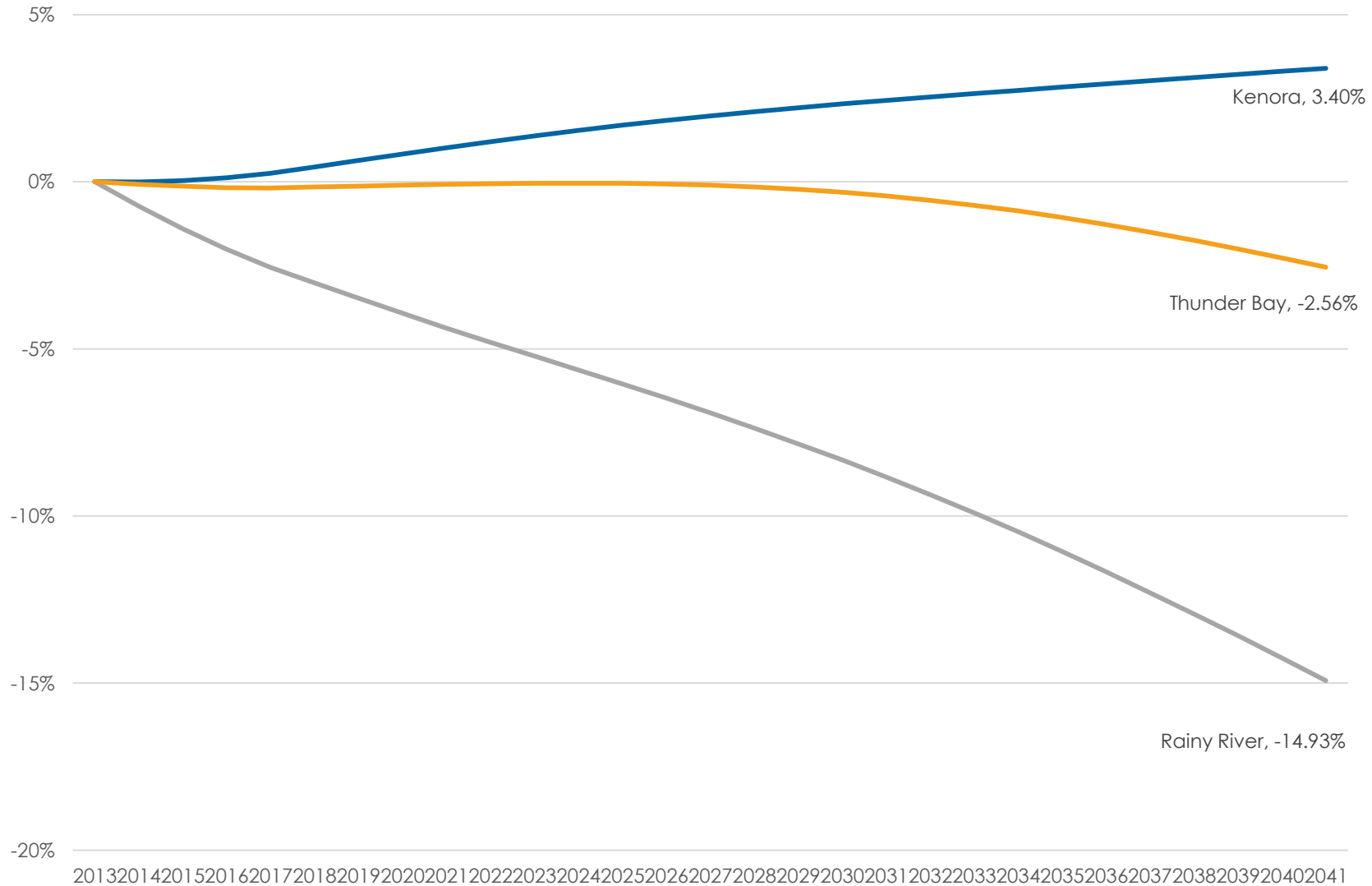
# “THE FUTURE OF NORTHWESTERN ONTARIO... BE PART OF THE SOLUTION”

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# Population Projections

Northwest districts - Cumulative population growth



Source: Author's calculations based on Ontario, Ministry of Finance, "Ontario Population Projections, 2013-2041" (Toronto, 2014).

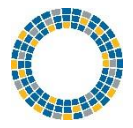
# Understanding DDR

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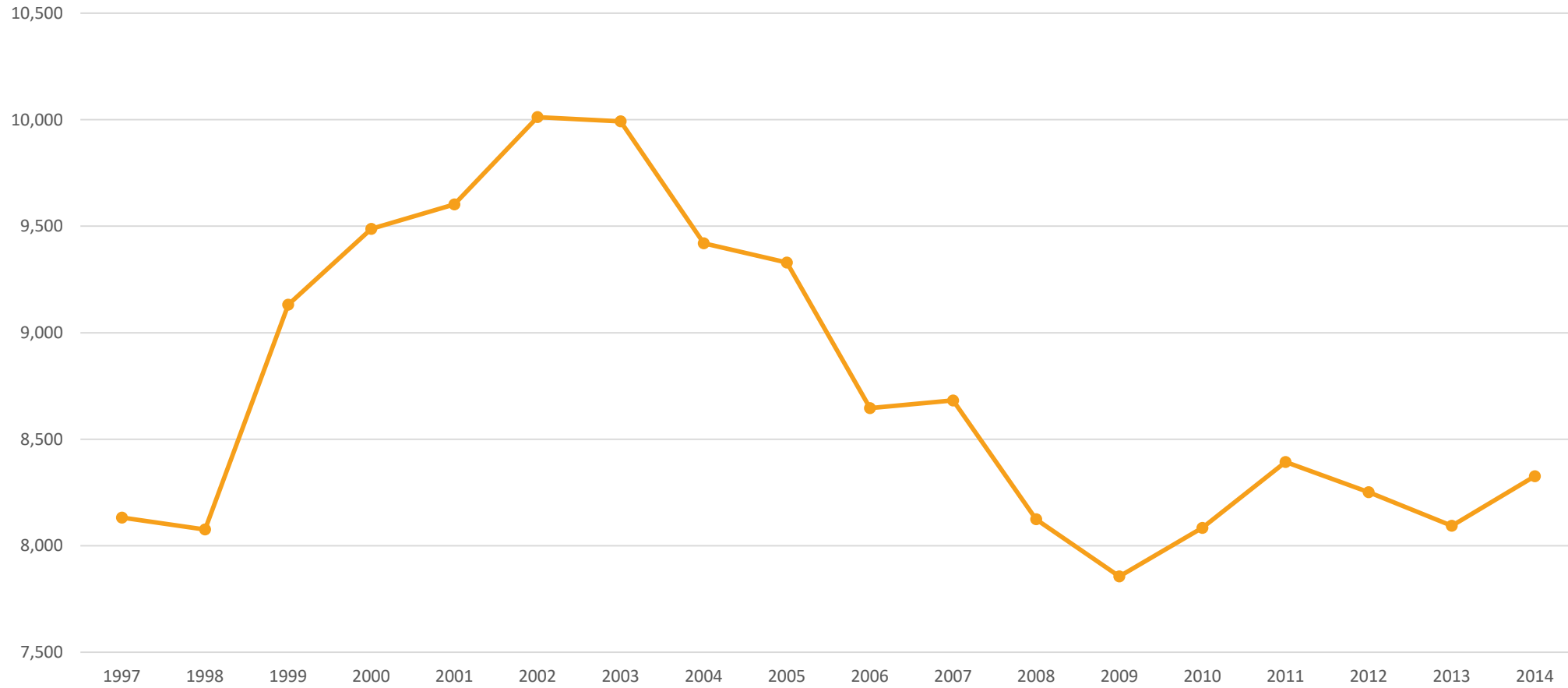
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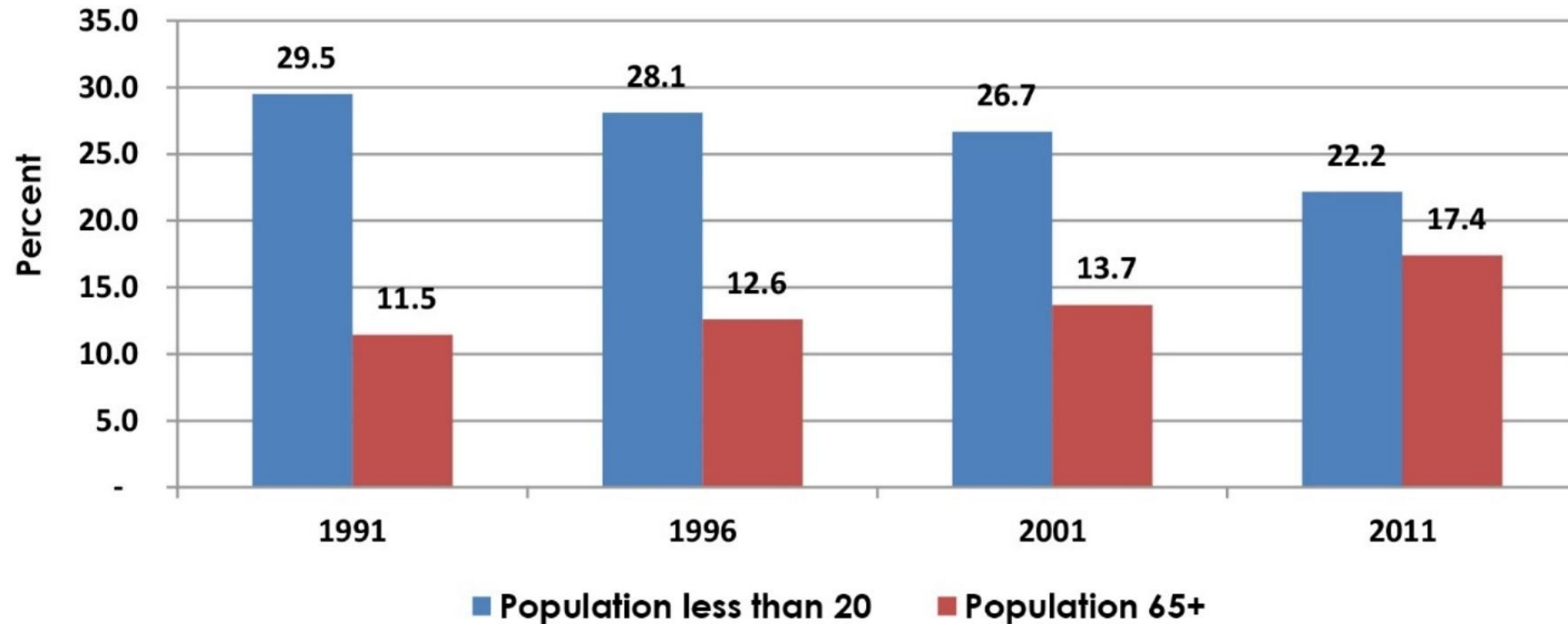
# But things are going, better, aren't they?

Northwest Ontario – GDP 2007 chained dollars, millions



Source: Author's calculations based on Statistics Canada, CANSIM database, tables 282-0125 and 379-0030.

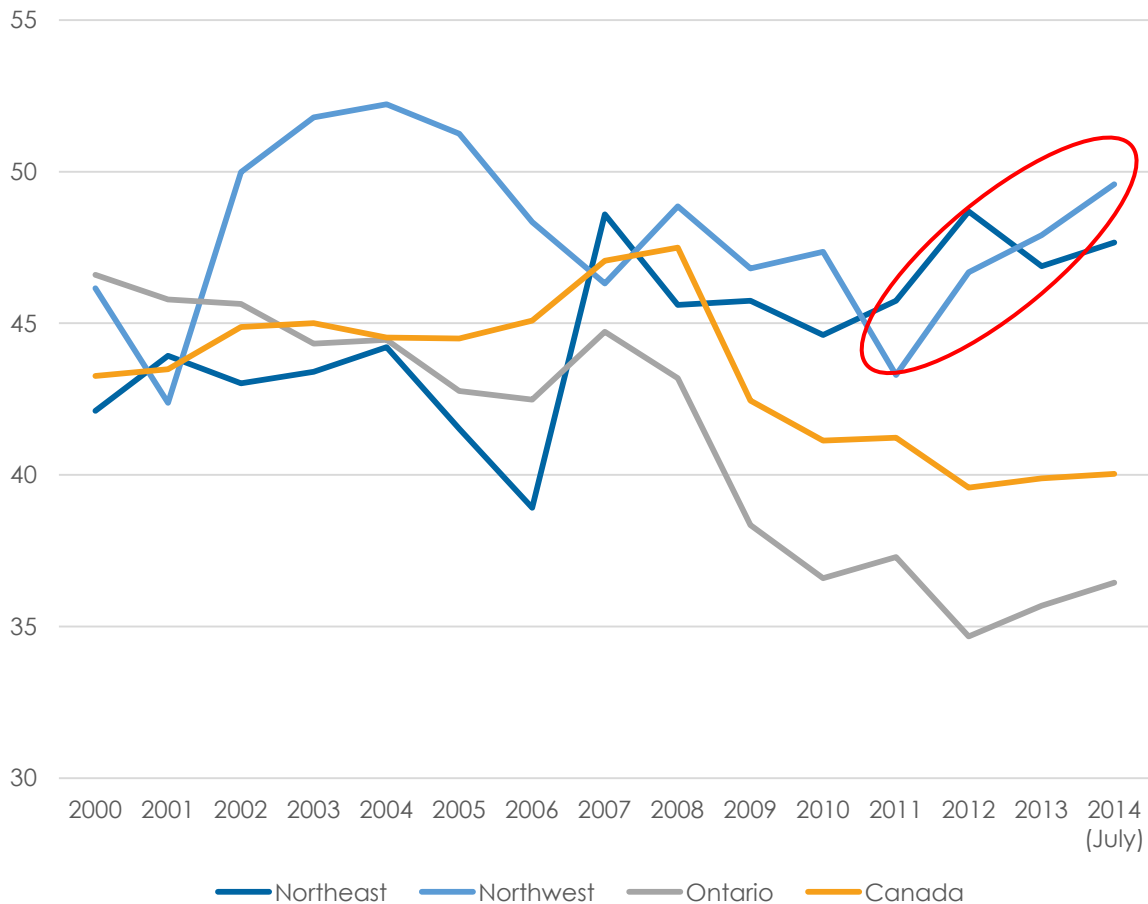
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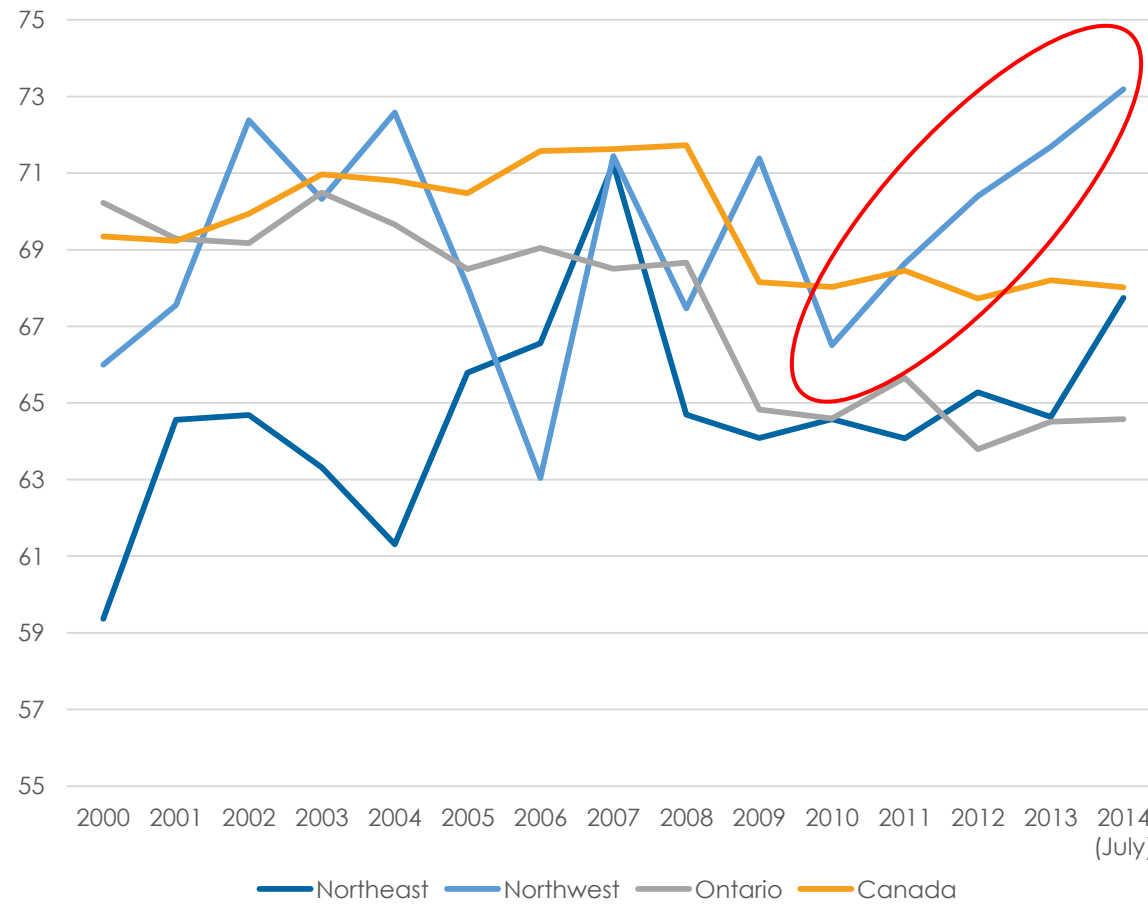


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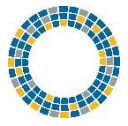
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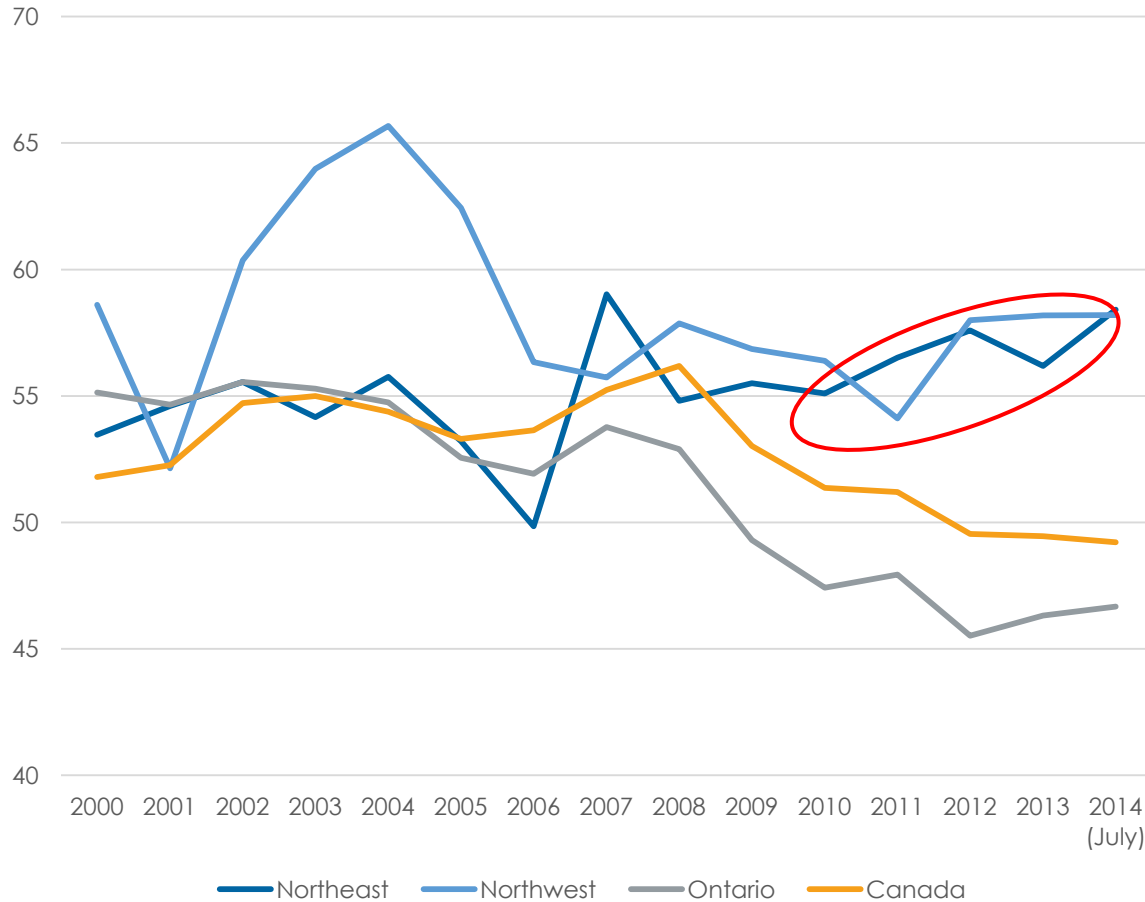


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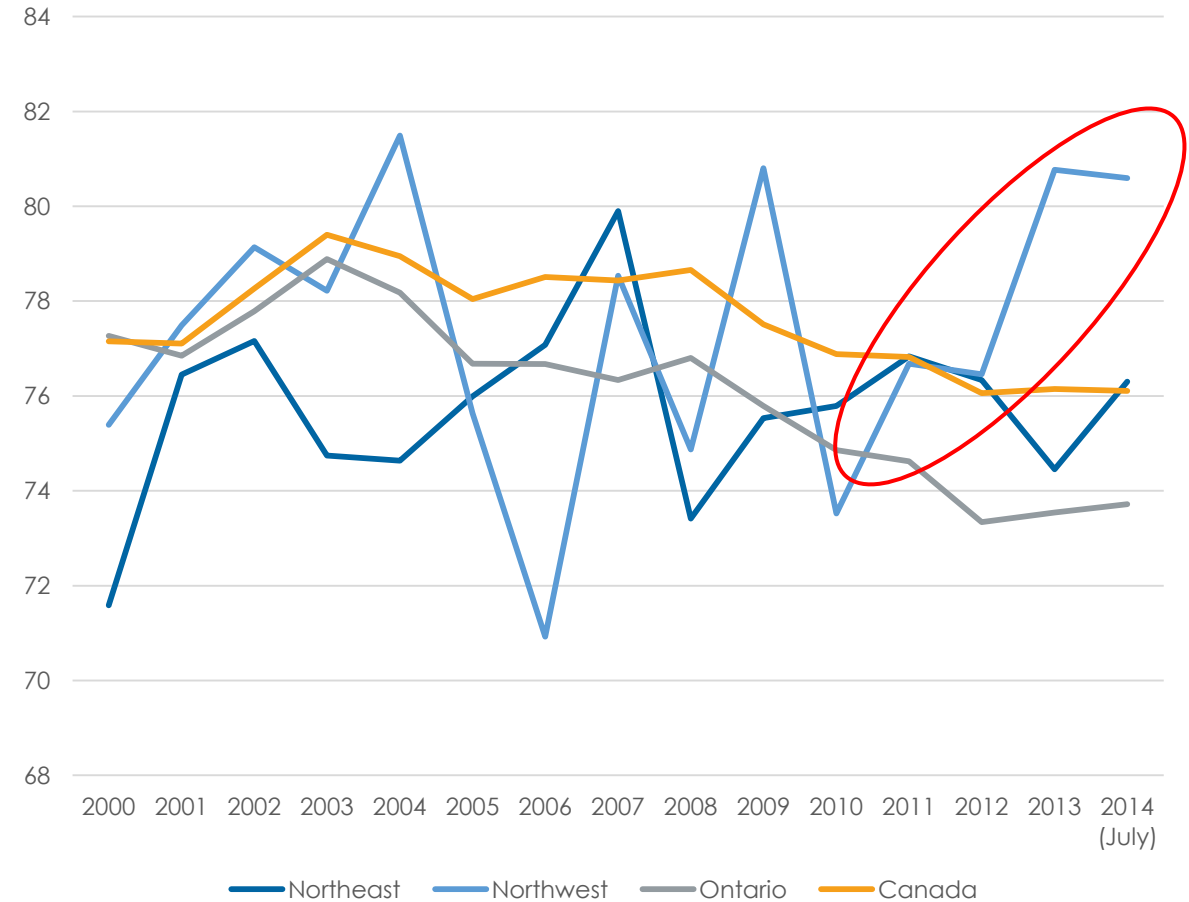


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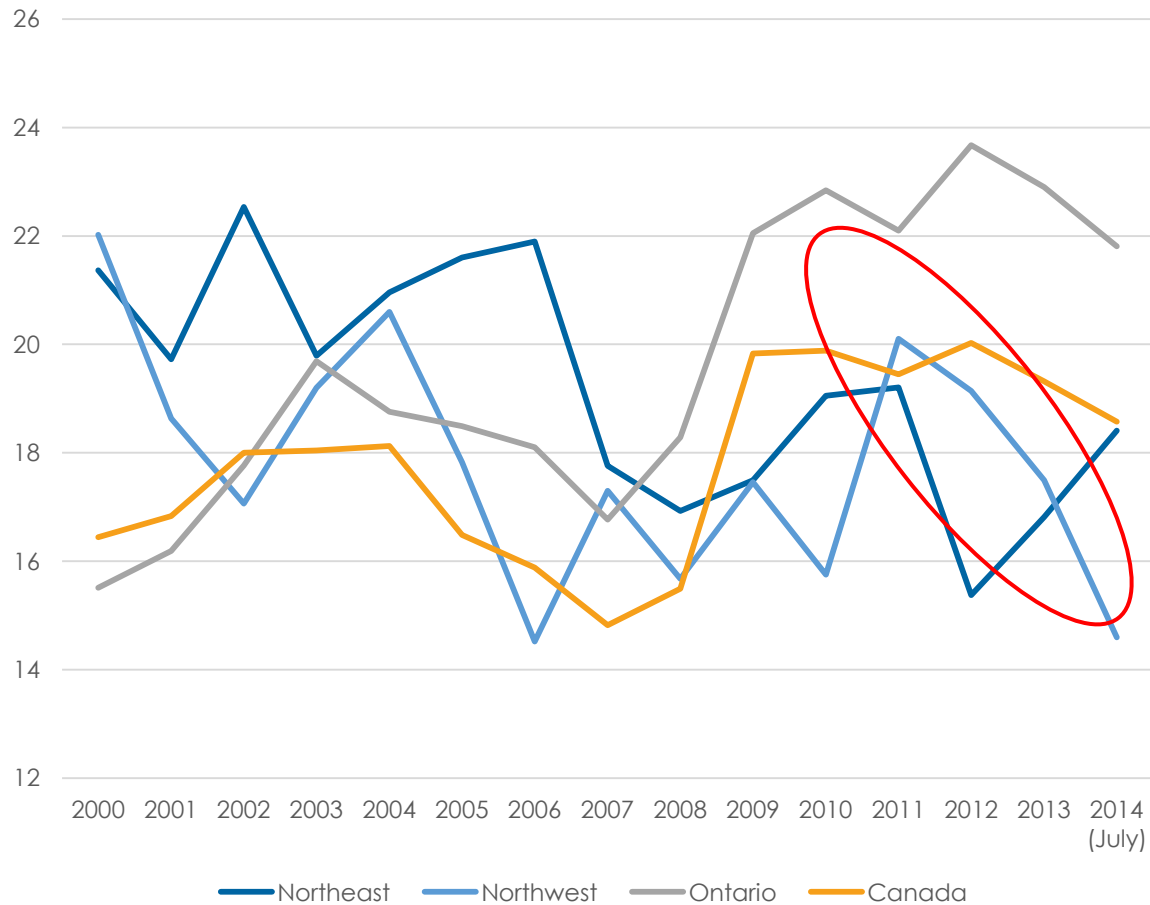


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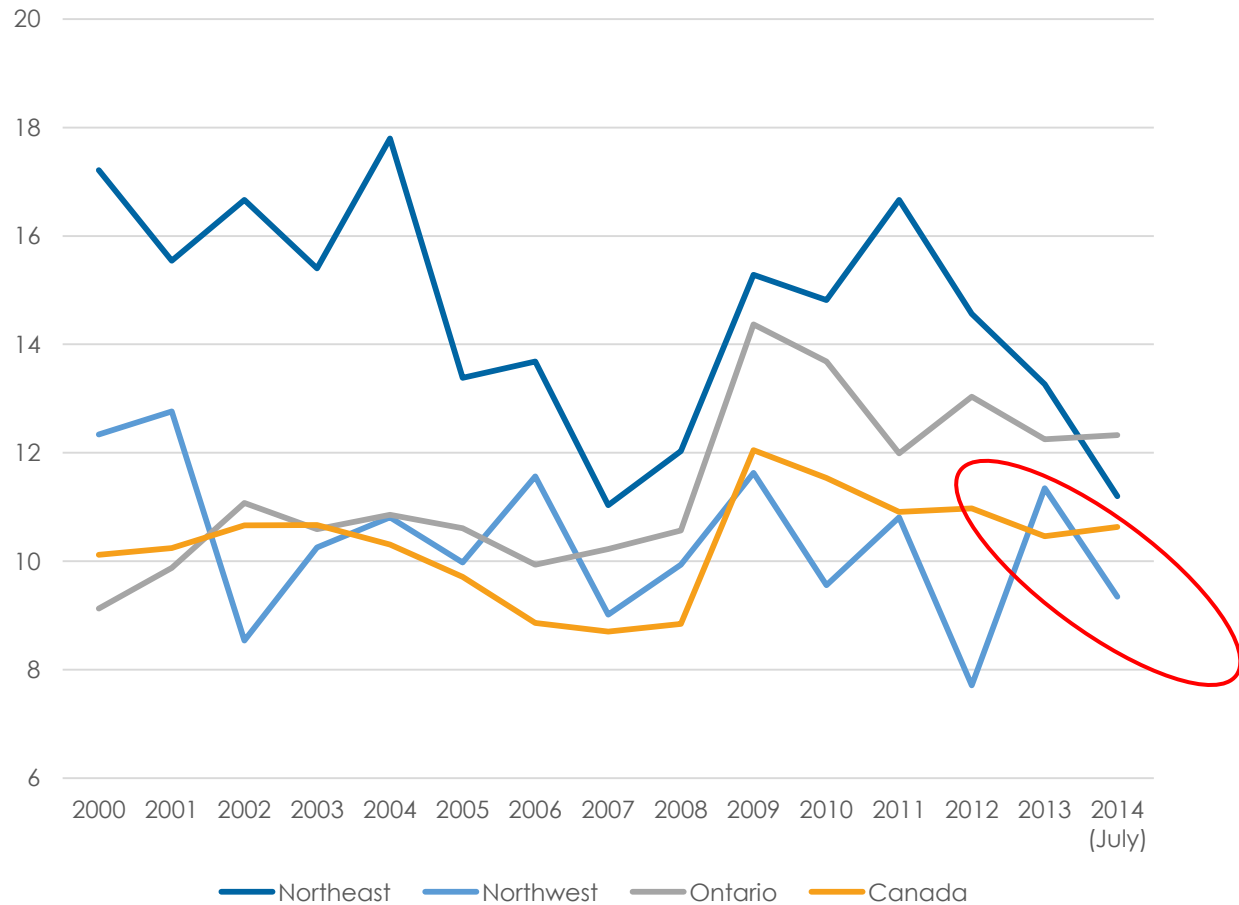


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participation rate	61.70%	61.70%	62.80%
unemployment	7.70%	7.70%	6.30%
employment rate	56.90%	56.90%	58.90%
15-64 actually working	25902	7326	59399
Actual DDR	1.70	1.73	1.52



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DDR with FE AND 65-69	0.44	0.43	0.36

Thank you. Merci. Miigwetch.

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