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Specific Claims - Progress Report

In June 2007, the Government of Canada announced an action plan to speed up the resolution of [specific claims](#) in order to provide justice to First Nation claimants and certainty for all Canadians. Canada's [Specific Claims Action Plan](#) is delivering concrete results.

To learn more about the process for resolving these claims, read about the [key terms used in this report](#) and review the [Frequently Asked Questions About Specific Claims](#).

What is Being Measured?

This report tracks overall progress in resolving specific claims in Canada between April 1, 2009 and March 31, 2010.

Progress: At a Glance

During this time, Canada addressed a total of 141 specific claims across the country. This number includes:

- 12 claims settled through negotiation (Search the [settlement report](#) in the reporting centre for more details)
- another 66 claims that were not accepted for negotiation on the basis that the claims did not give rise to any lawful obligations
- 63 claims that were addressed by means of [file closure](#).

In addition, 43 claims were accepted for negotiation.

Past results

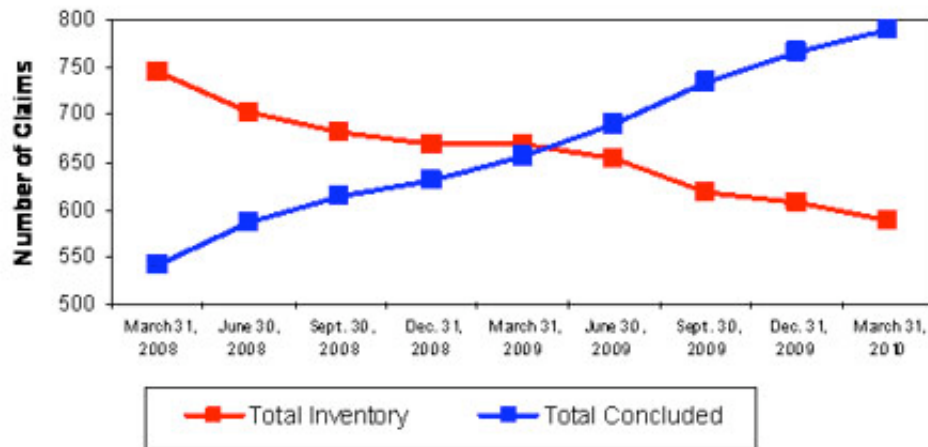
Compare this year's results with the record results from previous years.

Fiscal Year	No. of Claims Addressed
2007-2008	54
2008-2009	118
2009-2010	141

You Wanted to Know:

- [How many claims are still outstanding in Canada?](#)
- [What progress was made during the first half of the 2009-2010 fiscal year?](#)
- How many claims were in the inventory before the launch of the action plan? Review a graph showing the [growth in the inventory from 1993 to 2007](#).

Resolving Specific Claims Results from March 31, 2008 to March 31, 2010



This graph shows how the overall federal inventory (shown in red) is decreasing and the number of finalized claims (shown in blue) is increasing. These results were tracked at key points throughout the fiscal year.

[Text description of this chart](#) is available on a separate page.

Definitions

Specific claims

Specific claims deal with the past grievances of First Nations. These grievances relate to Canada's obligations under historic treaties or the way it managed First Nation funds or assets. ([return to source paragraph](#))

Inventory

Claims within the federal inventory are claims that are still being processed by the government and have not yet been resolved. This includes both claims that are under assessment and claims in negotiations. ([return to source paragraph](#))

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