Introduction

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The two articles relating to the State of the Aboriginal Economy provide different perspectives. The article by Ramsay focuses on the size of the Aboriginal communities in Quebec, both on and off-reserve. The case is made that the small population of many of these communities present significant limitations for their economic development. The article by Oppenheimer presents the employment, participation, unemployment and wage rates for Aboriginals and non-Aboriginals from 2007 through 2016. It shows the changes over this 10-year period and highlights the direct relationship between the education level completed and the rates of employment and wage levels for Aboriginals as well as for non-Aboriginals.