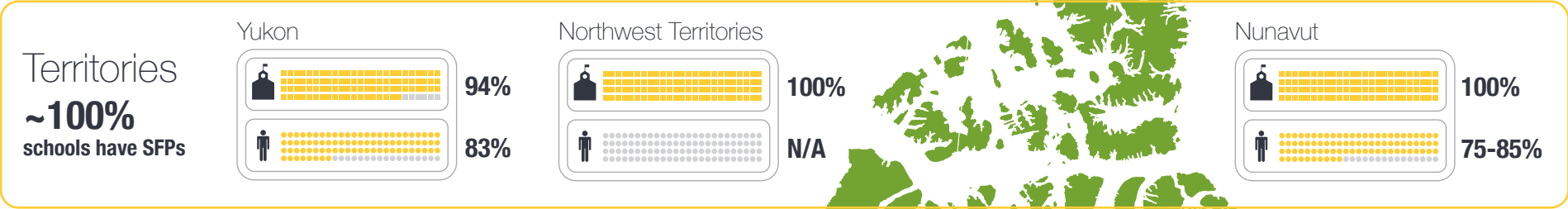


SCHOOL FOOD PROGRAMS: INEQUITY ACROSS CANADA

School food programs (SFPs) exist coast to coast to coast in Canada, but there is more room left at the table. There is an inequitable access to SFPs and provincial and territorial funding often only covers 25% or less of the cost. There is a huge opportunity to bring the "farm-to-school" model in to support both our agri-food sector and students.



PROVINCIAL SFP STATISTICS MAP

Percent of schools with SFPs

Percent of students who participate in SFPs

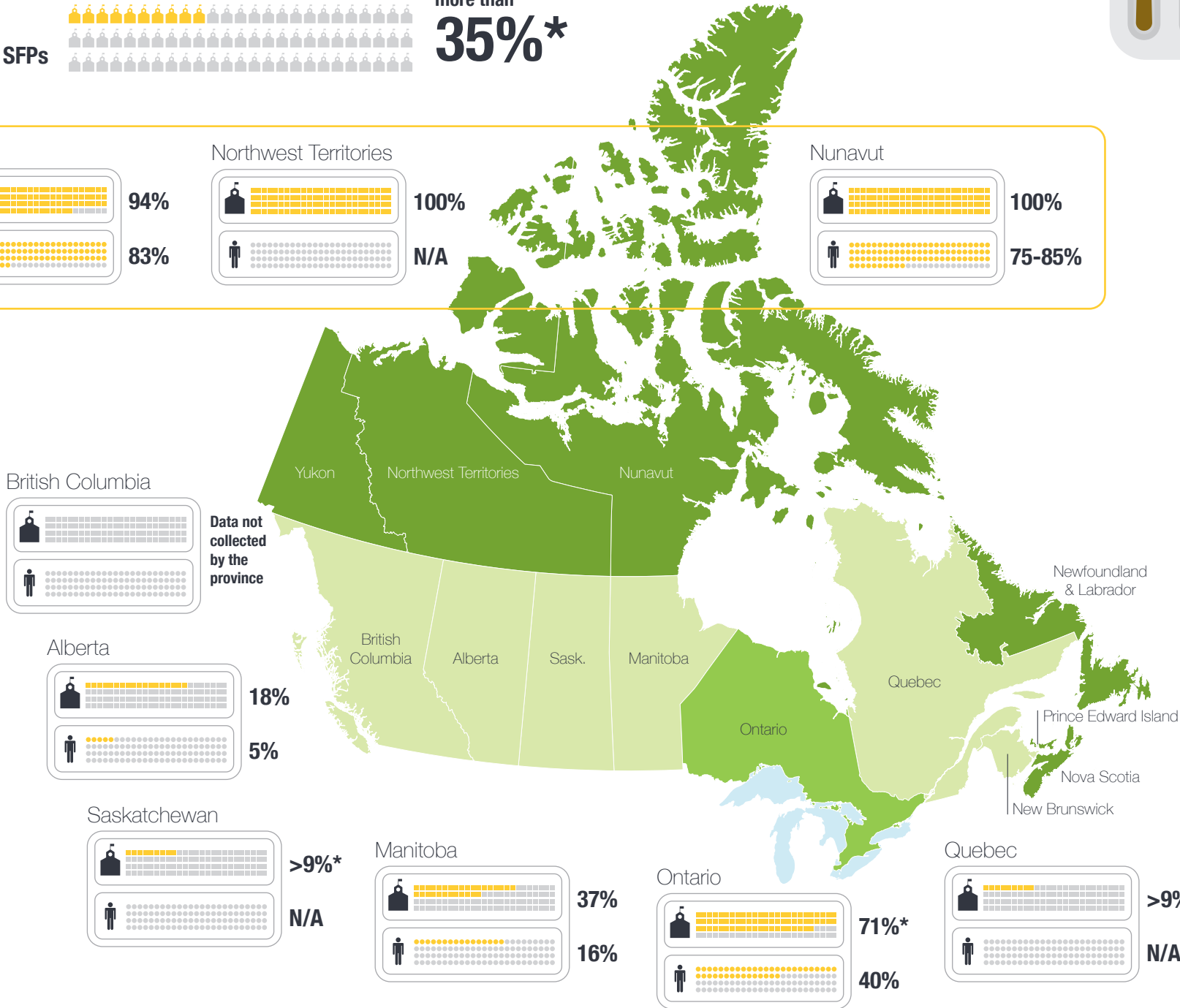
Level of SFP accessibility:
(% of schools with SFPs)

<50%

50-75%

>75%

* Only partial data available
2018/2019 Data



Atlantic Canada
(excluding New Brunswick)

90-96% schools have SFPs

Newfoundland & Labrador

		96%
		48%

Prince Edward Island

		90%
		51%

Nova Scotia

		91%
		31%

New Brunswick

		Government-funded pilot program started in 2020/21

WHAT'S NEXT?

Pre-pandemic, there was already inequitable access to school food programs across Canada. In 2019, the Government of Canada pledged it would "work with the provinces and territories towards a National School Food Program". It's time to work together to expand programming, monitor progress, and explore how to bring the 'farm-to-school', in collaboration with ministries of agriculture across Canada.