



# Where is the Cache? Relevant Science in Nunavut

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# Demography & Economy

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- 26,000 people
  - 85% Inuit
  - 56% under 25 yr
- 350,000 km<sup>2</sup> of land
  - 23 communities
- Territorial budget of 960M
  - 80% transferred from Federal Government

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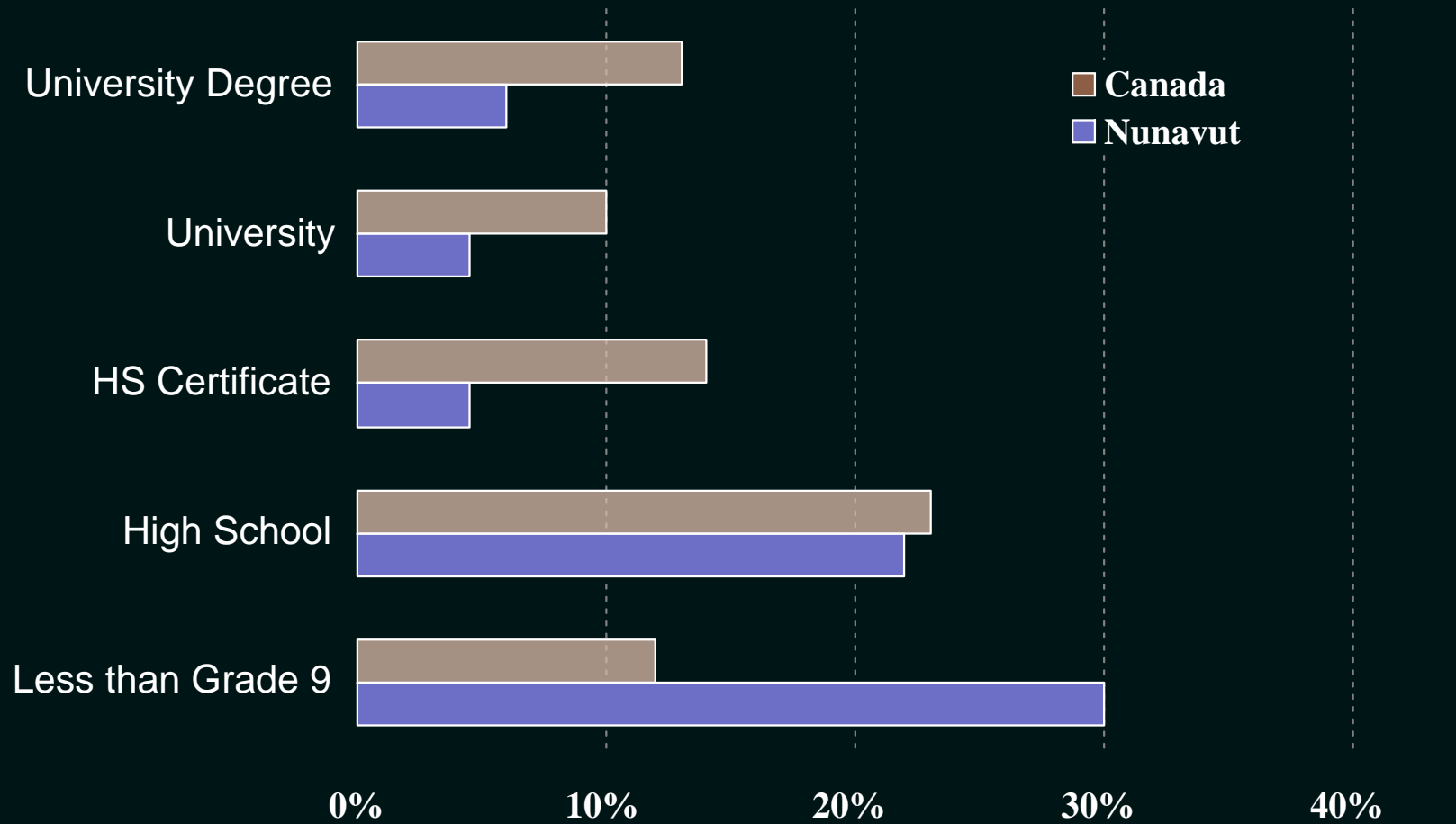
# Health

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- The Inuit & First Nations suffer more than twice Canada's average rates in:
  - Infant mortality,
  - Lung cancer,
  - Respiratory illnesses,
  - Unintentional injury,
  - Disability,
  - Suicide.



# Education

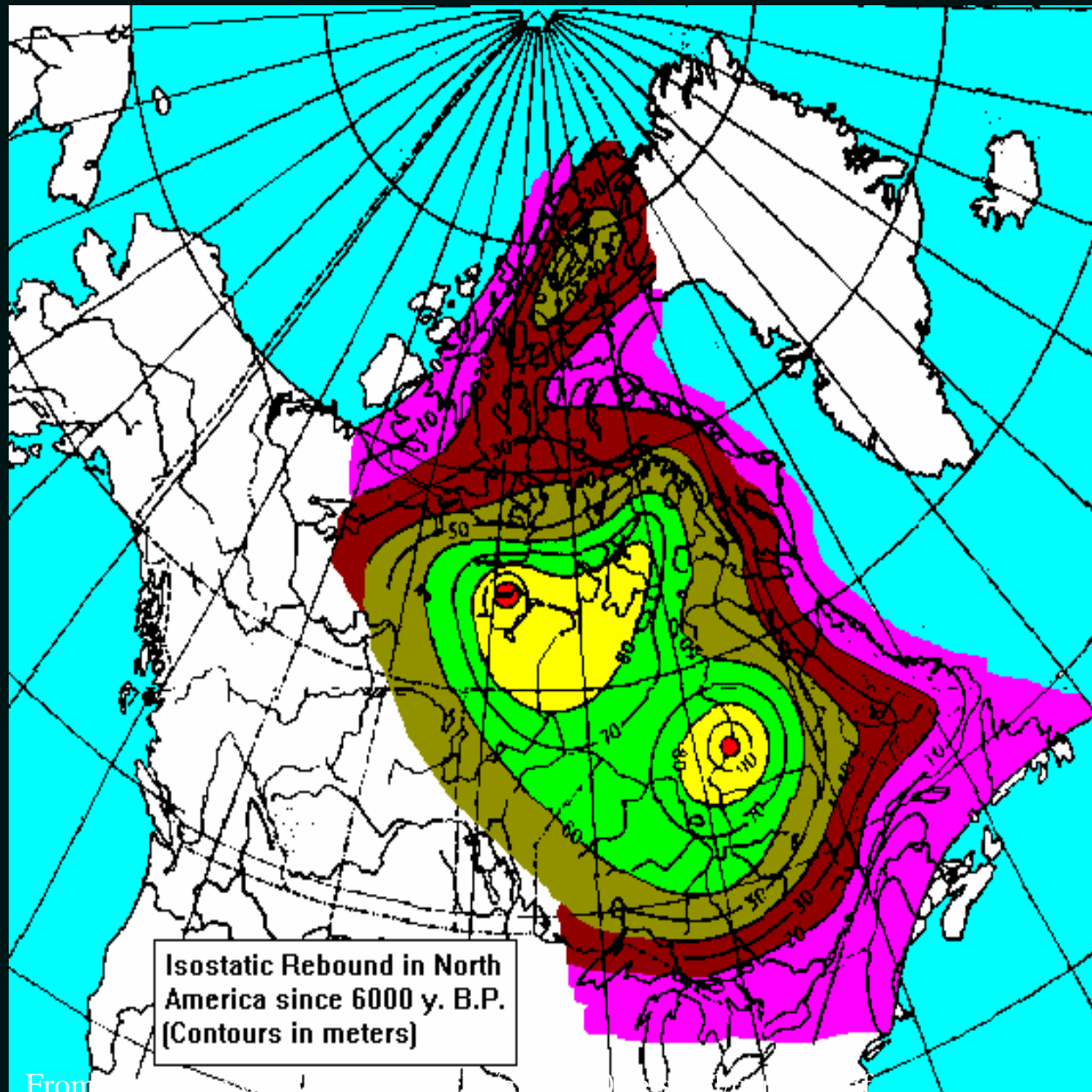


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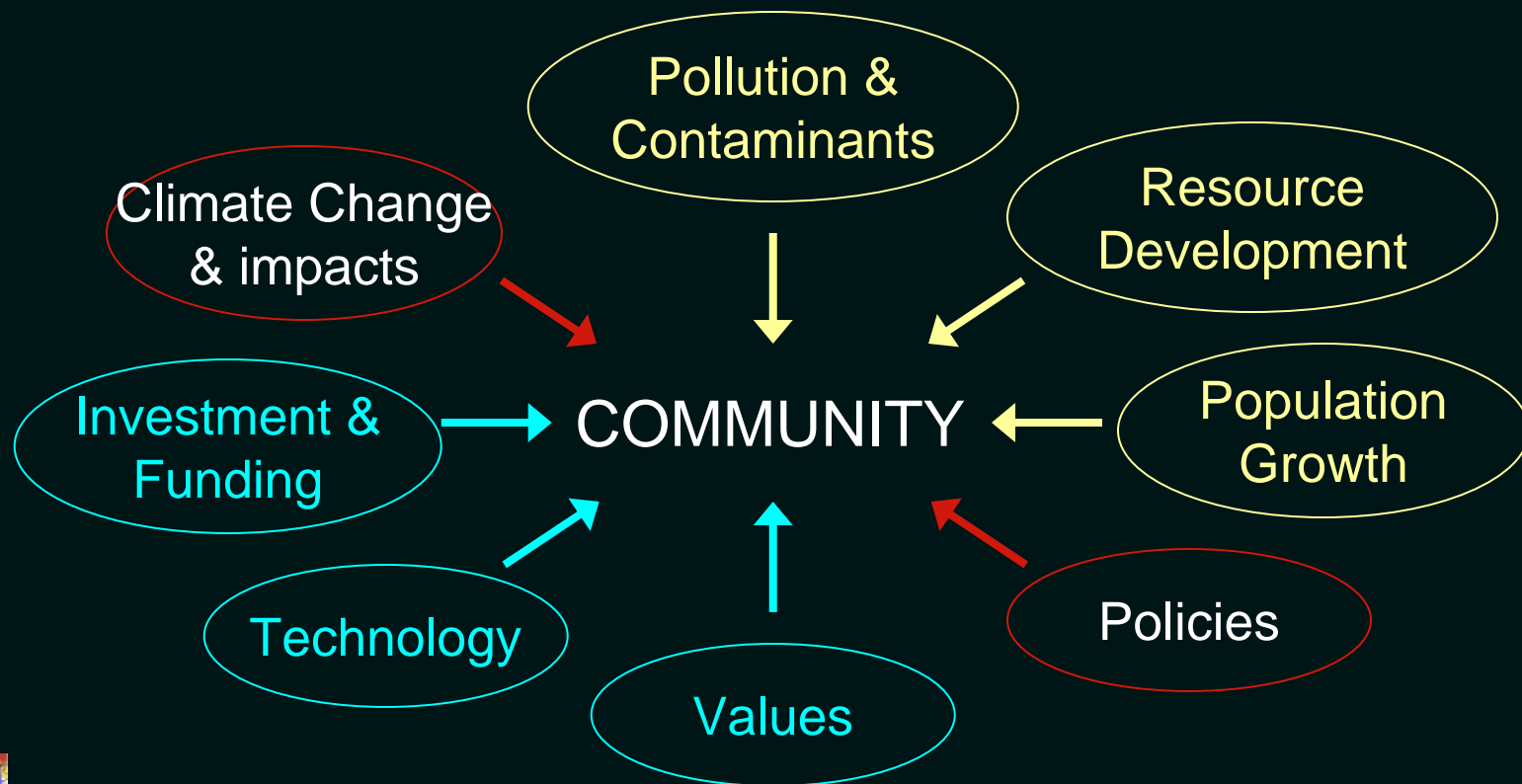
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# Climate change Is not a separable focus of effort



# Relevant Engagement

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- Basic needs of the communities are not being met. Their priorities are: employment, housing, health and education.
- Scientists can engage with the communities in a sustained effort to increase the human capacity of Nunavut.
- An engaged and well educated youth is the cache of greatest value to the future.



# Questions

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