

# Community Newspaper Readership

*Slave River Journal*

Fort Smith, NWT

# *Fort Smith Slave River Journal* **Newspaper Readership**

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# Study Overview

**Source:** ComBase 2004/2005 National Study

**Base:** Fort Smith 2 Yr Data \*

**Demo:** Adults 18+

**Weighted Population:** 1,700

**Competitive Data:** compares three highest read publications in each market, Adults 18+

*ComBase 2004/2005 is a combination of interviews from Wave 1 (October 2002 to June 2003) and Wave 2 (October 2004 to June 2005).*

*ComBase is conducted by Maritz Research.*

\*in future this area will be referred to as Fort Smith

**ComBase**  
COMMUNITY NEWSPAPERS – DEFINITELY

# What is ComBase?

The Most Comprehensive Print Study in the World!

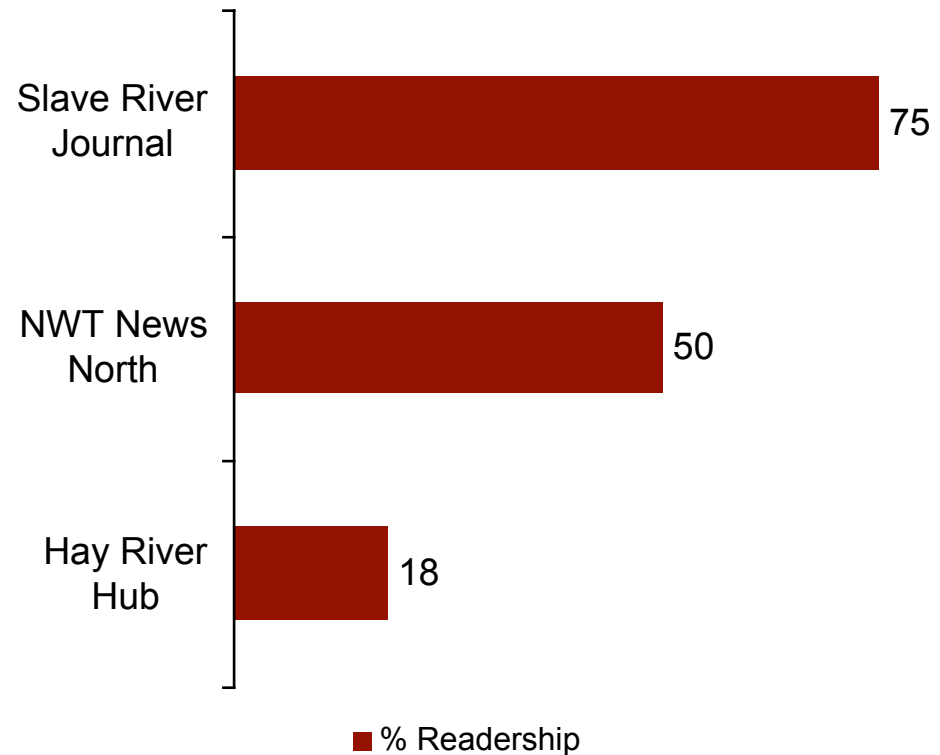
## ComBase = Community Newspaper Database

- Both the Research Bureau and the study
- Initiative of CCNA and its members
- Stand-alone incorporated company
- Governed by an independent, fully tri-partite Board
- Arms-length relationship to the industry
- Completely funded by 300+ member papers
- Support from independents and large groups
- Small and large papers across Canada
- 400+ markets and sub-markets
- 25,000+ interviews per wave
- 50,000+ total interviews
- 2-year rolling study
- All provinces represented
- 800+ publications – community and daily newspapers, ethnic, alternative, shoppers, and agricultural publications
- Title- and market-specific
- 900+ radio stations
- Demographics and readership

# Newspaper Readership Overview

## (Fort Smith, NWT)

- Readership of the *Slave River Journal* is **75%**
- Readership of the *NWT News North* is **50%**
- Readership of the *Hay River Hub* is **18%**



Source: ComBase 2004/2005 National Study  
\*Base Population – Fort Smith Canadian 2 Yr Data (1,700)

# Readership Overview

- **75%** of Fort Smith adults report reading the *Slave River Journal* – this represents 1,200 readers
- The *NWT News North* reports **50%** readership (900 readers)
- The *Hay River Hub* reports **18%** readership (300 readers)

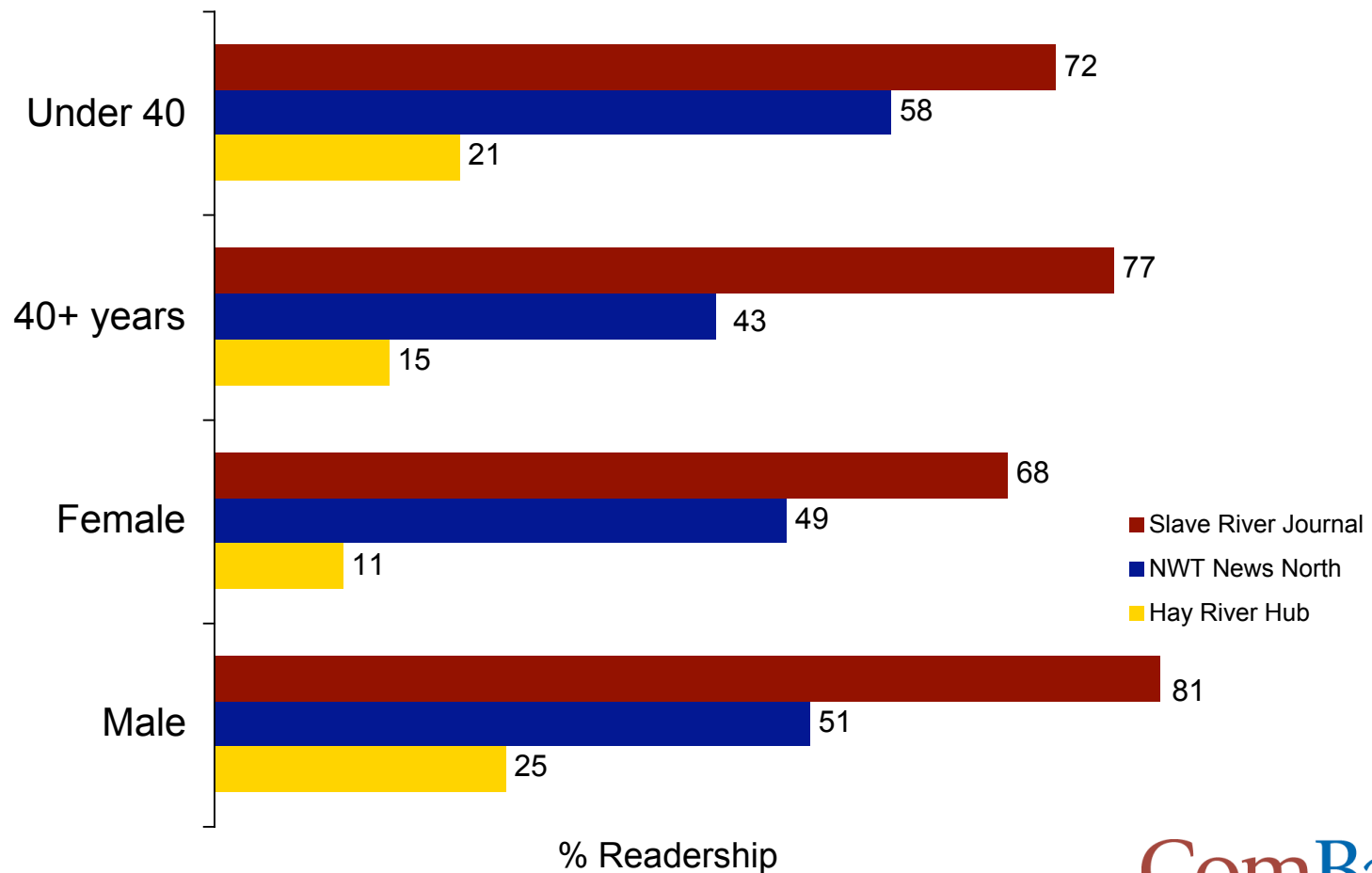
# Demographics Overview

**Because of their high reach, community newspapers attract a desirable audience comprised of:**

- Home owners
- Educated consumers
- Professionals
- High income earners
- Ethnic populations, including aboriginals
- More women than other mass media

# % Reach by Demographic Sector (Fort Smith, NWT)

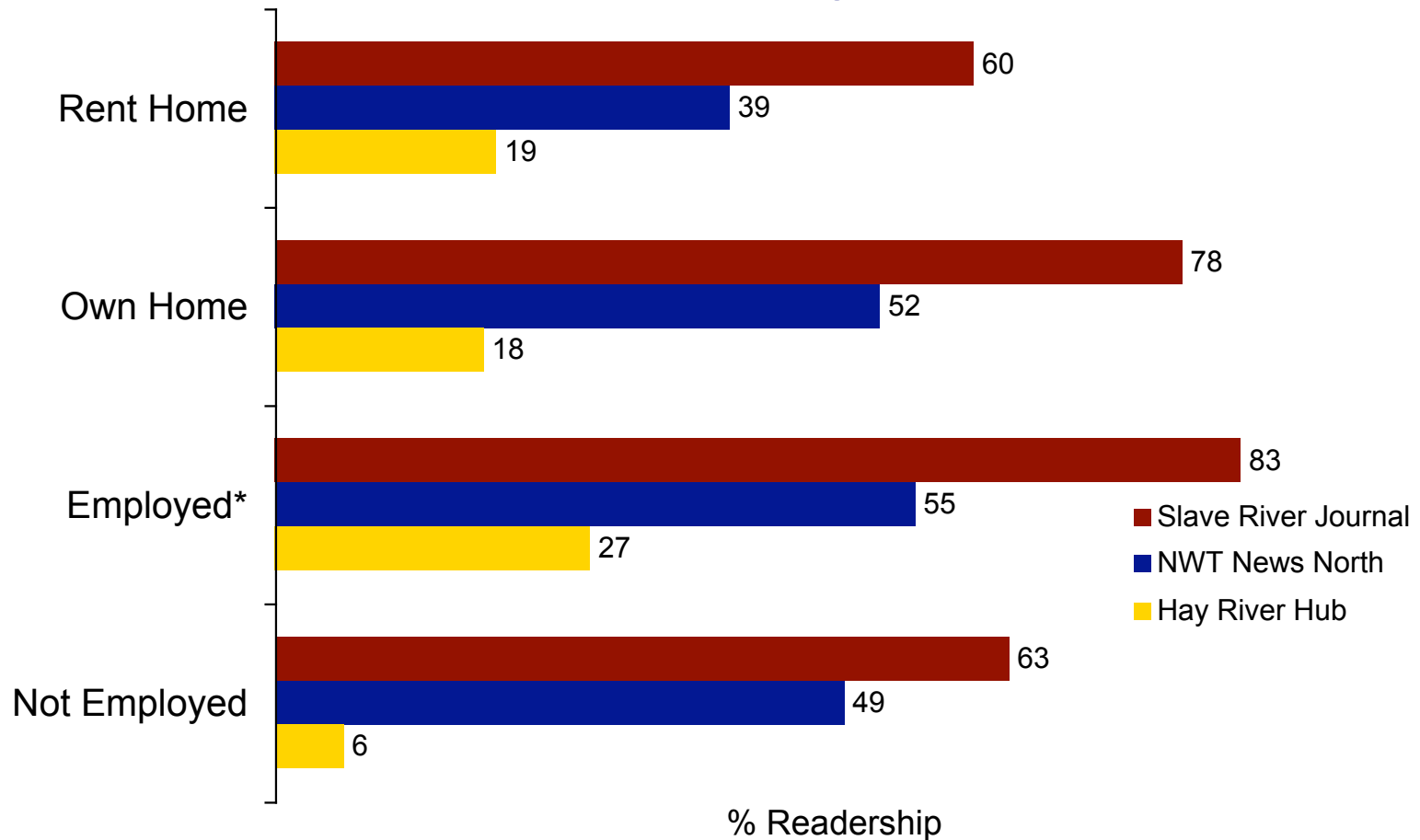
68% of women and 81% of men in Fort Smith are reading the *Slave River Journal*.



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\*Base Population – Fort Smith 2 Yr Data (1,700)

# % Reach by Demographic Sector (Fort Smith, NWT)

60% of Fort Smith homeowners are reading the *Slave River Journal*.

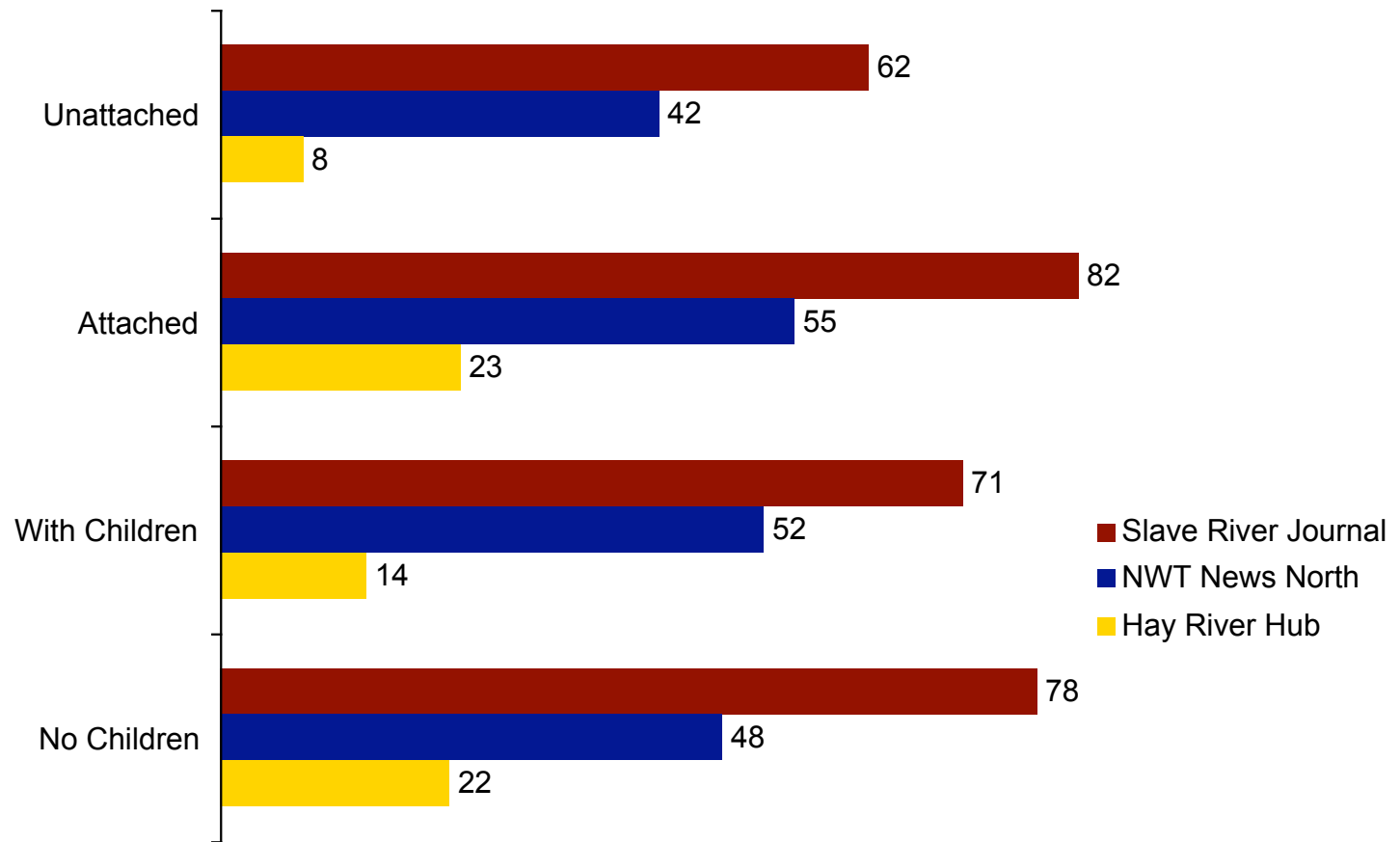


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\*Base Population – Fort Smith 2 Yr Data (1,700) \* Full/Part time or Self Employed

# % Reach by Demographic Sector (Fort Smith, NWT)

82% of attached Fort Smith adults are reading the *Slave River Journal*.

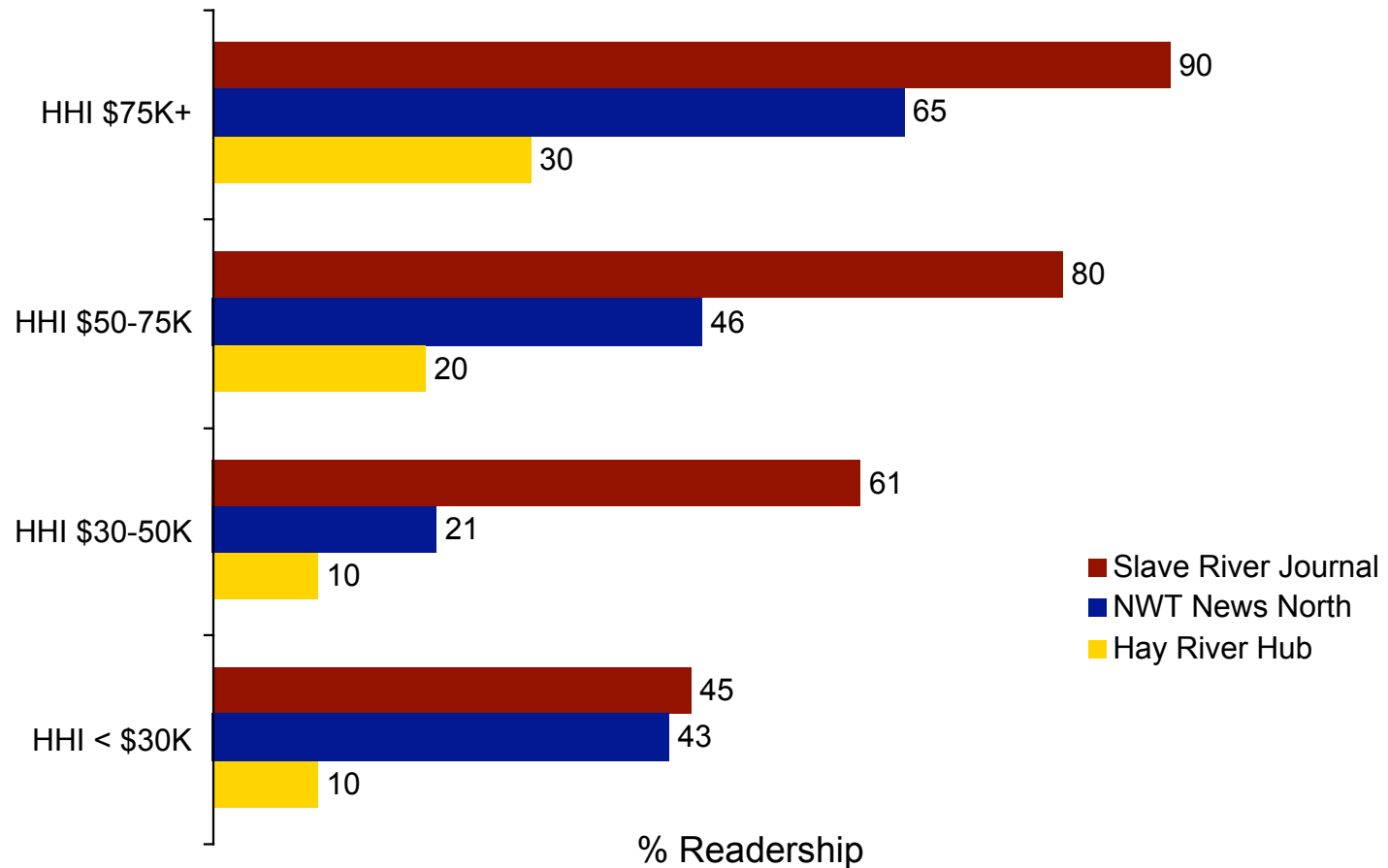


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% Readership

# % Reach by Demographic Sector (Fort Smith, NWT)

90% of Fort Smith adults with HHI \$75K+ are reading the *Slave River Journal*.



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