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Census Results

Mobility and Migration

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On December 4, 2007, Statistics Canada released the fourth of a series of announcements from the 2006 Census of Canada, which was conducted on May 16, 2006. The release reported language, mobility patterns and immigration. Data regarding mobility and migration are contained in this newsletter. For further information regarding the Census of Canada, please contact Statistics Canada at 1-613-951-8116 or 1-800 263-1136 or visit their website at www.statcan.ca.

MOBILITY AND MIGRATION

Mobility and migration reports on movers, persons who were living at a different address five years ago, and non-movers. Within the movers category, a further distinction is made between non-migrants and migrants. Non-migrants are movers who moved within the same City. Migrants include internal migrants who are persons now residing in a different City in Canada and external migrants which refers to persons living outside of Canada. Internal migrants are again divided and include intraprovincial migrants who moved to another City within the province and interprovincial migrants who moved to another province or territory.

Migration Between Ontario and Other Provinces and Territories, 2001-2006					
Province or Territory of Origin or Destination	In-migrants to Ontario		Out-migrants from Ontario		Total Exchange*
	#	%	#	%	#
Newfoundland & Labrador	9,060	4.9%	10,160	4.8%	-1,100
Prince Edward Island	2,125	1.1%	2,680	1.3%	-555
Nova Scotia	19,450	10.5%	19,245	9.0%	205
New Brunswick	11,395	6.1%	11,200	5.3%	195
Quebec	52,770	28.4%	44,535	20.9%	8,235
Ontario
Manitoba	13,975	7.5%	11,125	5.2%	2,850
Saskatchewan	7,060	3.8%	6,050	2.8%	1,010
Alberta	29,800	16.1%	49,455	23.3%	-19,655
British Columbia	38,120	20.5%	56,035	26.3%	-17,915
Yukon	355	0.2%	545	0.3%	-190
Northwest Territories	900	0.5%	1,090	0.5%	-190
Nunavut	775	0.4%	580	0.3%	195
Total	185,785	100.0%	212,700	100.0%	-26,915

* Total Exchange refers to net migrants.

Canada, Ontario, Toronto CMA and Mississauga								
Mobility Status 5 Years Ago (Movers within the Last Five Years)								
Mobility Status	Canada		Ontario		Toronto CMA		Mississauga	
	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%
Population 5 Years and Older	29,544,485	100.0%	11,354,360	100.0%	4,771,650	100.0%	625,580	100.0%
Non-movers (have not moved within the last five years)	17,457,165	59.1%	6,660,315	58.7%	2,630,150	55.1%	342,850	54.8%
Movers (moved within the last five years)	12,087,315	40.9%	4,694,045	41.3%	2,141,500	44.9%	282,730	45.2%
Non-migrants (moved within the same city)	6,507,905	22.0%	2,542,885	22.4%	1,137,535	23.8%	143,520	22.9%
Migrants (moved beyond the same city)	5,579,410	18.9%	2,151,160	18.9%	1,003,960	21.1%	139,210	22.3%
Internal Migrants (moved within the province or country)	4,419,370	15.0%	1,584,450	13.9%	592,640	12.5%	73,340	11.7%
Intraprovincial Migrants (moved within the province to another city)	3,566,795	12.1%	1,398,665	12.3%	532,935	11.2%	66,285	10.6%
Interprovincial Migrants (moved from a different province)	852,580	2.9%	185,785	1.6%	59,700	1.3%	7,050	1.1%
External Migrants (moved from a different country)	1,160,035	3.9%	566,715	5.0%	411,320	8.6%	65,865	10.6%

Movers

Movers continue to decline in Canada. The 2006 census reported movers in Canada at 41%. This has been on a downward trend since 1991 when the percentage of movers was 47%. In Mississauga movers were 45%, down marginally from 2001.

Interprovincial Migration

Ontario is experiencing a loss of population from inter-provincial migration. Between 2001 and 2006, 27,000 Ontario residents moved from Ontario to other provinces, the highest loss of any of the provinces.

British Columbia, Alberta and Quebec were the provinces of choice for Ontario out-migrants, as well as the provinces where most in-migrants came from. Ontario's population growth is attributed to international immigration.¹

Migration by Age Group

For most of the provinces, the largest source of migrants is the population between 15 and 29 years of age. This is true for Ontario as just under 8,000 persons in this age group migrated from the Province. Quebec and British Columbia are the exceptions.

Quebec had the largest out-migration in the population between 30 and 44 years of age while British Columbia had the largest in-migration in the population between 45 and 64 years of age.

Census Metropolitan Areas (CMAs) in Ontario

Within Ontario, the Toronto CMA had the largest decline in population due to internal migration out of the area, losing just over 100,000 persons to other CMAs in Ontario. The Oshawa CMA had the largest gain. The Toronto CMA is, however, the most popular destination for migrants not living in Canada.

¹ There were 566,715 migrants from outside of Canada between 2001 and 2006.

Provinces and Territories						
Net Migrants By Age Group, 2001-2006						
Province or Territory	Age Groups					
	Total	5-14	15-29	30-44	45-64	65 +
	#	#	#	#	#	#
Newfoundland & Labrador	-6,240	975	-7,935	860	-315	175
Prince Edward Island	595	250	-900	215	865	165
Nova Scotia	-8,000	-620	-6,465	-1,530	265	350
New Brunswick	-10,600	-625	-7,285	-2,090	-825	225
Quebec	-11,620	-2,855	-1,645	-3,025	-1,750	-2,345
Ontario	-26,925	-1,440	-7,820	-6,885	-7,405	-3,375
Manitoba	-20,740	-2,720	-6,880	-5,025	-4,440	-1,675
Saskatchewan	-25,385	-1,975	-12,605	-5,305	-3,990	-1,510
Alberta	88,170	10,420	48,645	21,285	6,065	1,755
British Columbia	22,140	-770	1,935	2,125	12,360	6,490
Yukon	-345	-100	0	-5	-245	5
Northwest Territories	-675	-355	725	-275	-540	-230
Nunavut	-330	-175	250	-345	-25	-35

Note: Net migration is the difference between the number of persons who moved into a province or territory and the number of persons who moved out.

Migrants To and From CMAs in Ontario, 2001-2006				
CMA	Internal migration			Migrants not living in Canada in 2001
	In-migrants	Out-migrants	Net migration	
Ottawa-Gatineau	90,305	85,585	4,720	39,780
Kingston	21,550	21,730	-180	3,685
Oshawa	50,215	31,365	18,850	4,885
Toronto	179,060	283,820	-104,760	411,325
Hamilton	60,370	60,450	-80	21,690
St. Catharines-Niagara	25,580	25,985	-405	9,265
Kitchener	47,250	42,460	4,790	18,095
London	41,510	41,585	-75	15,070
Windsor	17,815	20,750	-2,935	13,350
Greater Sudbury	14,725	14,910	-185	895
Thunder Bay	9,895	10,270	-375	1030

Numbers in tables may not add due to rounding.