

DATE: April 29, 2003

TO: Chairman and Members of the Planning and Development Committee

FROM: Thomas S. Mokrzycki, Commissioner of Planning and Building

SUBJECT: **2001 Census Update - Education and Earnings**
MEETING DATE: May 20, 2003

ORIGIN: Planning and Building Department

BACKGROUND: On May 15, 2001 Statistics Canada conducted the 2001 Census of Canada. The seventh data release from the 2001 Census occurred on March 11, 2003 and provided information regarding school attendance, highest level of schooling, major field of study, and earnings. Attached under separate cover is a newsletter with information from that data release. This report presents highlights from the newsletter.

Previous data releases from Statistics Canada were as follows:

March 12, 2002	Population and dwelling counts;
July 16, 2002	Age and sex;
October 22, 2002	Marital status, common-law status, families, dwellings, and households and collectives;
December 10, 2002	Language, mobility and migration;
January 21, 2003	Citizenship, immigration, birthplace and birthplace of parents, ethnic origin, visible minorities and Aboriginal peoples; and
March 11, 2003	School attendance, education, field of study, highest level of schooling and earnings.

Newsletters and staff reports with information from these releases were presented to the Planning and Development Committee on April 15, 2002, September 3, 2002, December 2, 2002, February 17, 2003, March 17, 2003, and April 14, 2003, respectively. An additional data release is planned by Statistics Canada as follows:

May 13, 2003	Religion, income of individuals, families and households, social and economic characteristics of individuals, families and households and shelter costs.
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As data are released, information newsletters and staff reports will be prepared and presented to the Planning and Development Committee. These will also be posted on the City website.

COMMENTS:

Attached under separate cover is a newsletter titled "*2001 Census Update: Education and Earnings*" which provides information from the seventh data release of the 2001 Census.

Highlights from the newsletter are as follows:

- In Canada, 56.8% of persons 15 to 24 years of age were attending school full-time in 2001. Mississauga had a higher proportion of full-time students at 62.8%;
- In 2001, 53.4% of Canadians aged 25 to 64 had an education beyond high school, including 12.9% with a trades certificate or diploma, 17.9% with a college education, and 22.6% with a university education. The proportion of those who didn't complete high school was at 22.7%. Compared to the national percentage, Mississauga had a higher proportion of post-secondary graduates at 58.9%, including 9.5% with a trades certificate or diploma, 18.7% with a college diploma, and 30.7% with a university degree. The proportion of those who didn't complete high school was lower than the national percentage at 17.2%;

- Of the total population ages 15 years and over with post-secondary qualifications in Canada, the three most common fields of study were commerce, management and business administration (21.9%), applied science technologies and trades (21.3%) and health professions and related technologies (11.1%). In Mississauga, commerce, management and business administration was the most common field of study (26.1%), followed by applied science technologies and trades (17.5%), and social sciences and related fields (10.5%);
- Earnings reported in the 2001 Census are based on earnings for the year 2000. The average earnings of the 16,415,785 Canadians who worked in 2000 was \$31,757. The average income of total persons with earnings in Mississauga was higher than the national average at \$37,215;
- According to Statistics Canada, the national average earnings in 2000 increased by \$2,161 since 1990. This increase was attributed to the demand for highly skilled workers, a labour force composed of ageing baby boomers who saw significant increases in their incomes, and more Canadians with university educations;
- Despite increases in earnings in the last decade, women continue to earn less than men. In 2000, the average earnings of females in Canada was \$24,390, compared to \$38,347 for males. In Mississauga, the average incomes of persons with earnings was \$29,035 for females and \$44,668 for males;
- The average full-time earnings for all Canadians was \$43,231. Women working in full-time jobs earn, on average, 70 cents for every \$1 that men earn. In Mississauga, the gender gap in full-time earnings was slightly smaller than the national figures, with women making 71 cents for every \$1 that men earn;

- There were 10.0% of Canadians who reported earnings of more than \$60,000 working full-year and full-time in 2000. At the other end of the earnings scale, 9.0% of full-time workers were making less than \$20,000 a year. The \$20,000 to \$59,999 earnings group was reported by 33.2% of Canadians. Compared to the national percentages, Mississauga displayed a higher proportion of persons working full-time with earnings of \$60,000 and more at 13.9% and a smaller proportion of full-time workers making less than \$20,000 at 6.8%. Workers making \$20,000 to \$59,999 consisted of 37.4% of total persons working full-time;
- In Canada, the three most commonly held occupations by young men who graduated from university were computer and information systems (\$54,052 average income), financial auditors and accountants (\$42,913), and sales marketing and advertising managers (\$56,440). The three most common occupations in Canada held by university-educated women aged 25 to 29 were elementary school and kindergarten teachers (\$35,535 average income), computer and information systems (\$45,915), and financial auditors and accountants (\$39,990).

CONCLUSION:

The seventh data release from the 2001 Census of Canada occurred on March 11, 2003 and provided information regarding education and earnings. An information newsletter with highlights from that data has been prepared. As additional data are released information newsletters and staff reports will be prepared and placed on the City website.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the report titled *"2001 Census Update - Education and Earnings"*, dated April 29, 2003, from the Commissioner of Planning and Building be received for information.

Original Signed By:

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