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# 1996 Census Profile

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# Port Credit

#### **History**

The Port Credit area was long established by native peoples until the arrival of the French who established a trading post at the mouth of the Credit River in the 1720's. As a result of allowing the Mississaugas, an Ojibwa group to trade on credit, the river came to be known as the Credit River. Following a period of French occupation, the British arrived and soon negotiated land treaties which enabled them to control the region. The Mississaugas land base continued to shrink over time and in 1826 the British government constructed a 30 house village for them near the fledgling community. The first organized planning occurred in 1834 when the village of Port Credit was surveyed and a town site laid out west of the Credit River. The harbour was also improved and enlarged. Soon after, the Mississaugas were relocated to the New Credit Reserve near Brantford, Ontario.

The harbour development fuelled economic growth and commercial expansion for the village. Railway construction and a great fire in 1855 resulted in a period of decline for the harbour. Industrial and commercial expansion including the founding of the St. Lawrence Starch Company in 1889 signalled a rebirth and several decades of relative prosperity for the village. In the mid 1900's a Federal port was constructed from lake-fill at the mouth of the Credit River while to

the north of Lakeshore Road, a local landfill was capped and developed for municipal facilities including the Port Credit Arena (1959) and Library (1962).

The Town of Port Credit was incorporated as a town in 1961. In 1974 Port Credit was amalgamated into the City of Mississauga.

Table 1 - 1996 Total Population						
Total Population Male Female						
Port Credit	10,040	4,820	5,235			
Mississauga	544,380	268,205	276,180			
Port Credit as a % of Mississauga	1.8%	1.8%	1.9%			

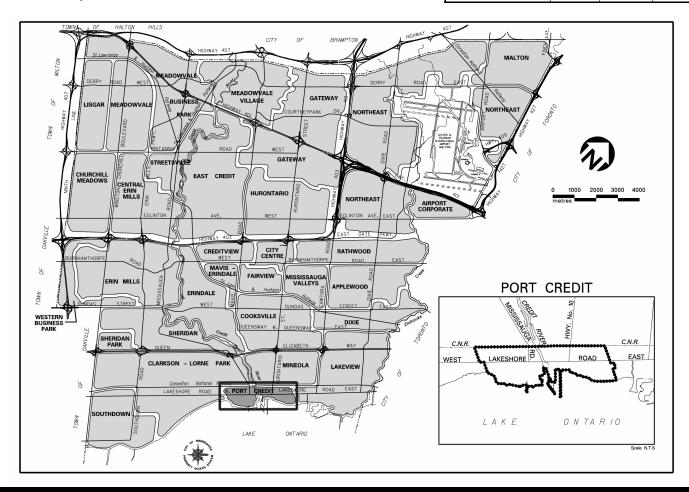


Figure 1 - Population Pyramid



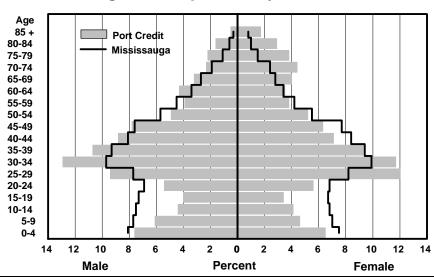


	Table 2 - Age Groups						
	Port Credit		Missis	Port Credit as a %			
Age Groups	#	%	#	%	of Mississauga		
0-4	705	7.0	42,580	7.8	1.7		
5-9	535	5.3	40,025	7.4	1.3		
10-14	425	4.2	38,820	7.1	1.1		
15-19	375	3.7	37,910	7.0	1.0		
20-24	555	5.5	37,295	6.9	1.5		
25-29	1,085	10.8	43,535	8.0	2.5		
30-34	1,235	12.3	53,155	9.8	2.3		
35-39	1,000	10.0	50,905	9.4	2.0		
40-44	795	7.9	44,895	8.2	1.8		
45-49	705	7.0	41,495	7.6	1.7		
50-54	505	5.0	30,295	5.6	1.7		
55-59	390	3.9	23,480	4.3	1.7		
60-64	390	3.9	18,540	3.4	2.1		
65-69	365	3.6	14,975	2.8	2.4		
70-74	340	3.4	11,725	2.2	2.9		
75-79	305	3.0	7,195	1.3	4.2		
80-84	225	2.2	4,480	0.8	5.0		
85+	115	1.1	3,075	0.6	3.7		
TOTAL	10,040	100	544,380	100	1.8		

# **Table 3 - Population by Ethnic Origin (Single Responses)**

**Ethnic Origin** refers to the ethnic or cultural group(s) to which an individual's ancestors belonged and the ancestral roots or origins of the population. It is not the same as place of birth, citizenship or nationality. People who responded to more than one category were counted as multiple responses.

		Port Cred	it	Mississ	sauga	Port Credit as a
Ethnic Origin	Rank	#	%	#	%	% of Mississauga
English	1	1,135	11.4	31,600	5.8	3.6
Canadian	2	1,080	10.8	39,010	7.2	2.8
Polish	3	440	4.4	23,755	4.4	1.9
Italian	4	355	3.6	32,990	6.1	1.1
Scottish	5	330	3.3	10,605	2.0	3.1
Irish	6	220	2.2	8,745	1.6	2.5
Chinese	7	175	1.8	28,325	5.2	0.6
French	8	150	1.5	4,805	0.9	3.1
German	9	130	1.3	6,655	1.2	2.0
Ukrainian	10	120	1.2	6,330	1.2	1.9
Jamaican	11	105	1.1	14,080	2.6	0.7
Croatian	12	105	1.1	7,420	1.4	1.4
East Indian	13	100	1.0	40,000	7.4	0.3
Bosnian	14	85	0.9	660	0.1	12.9
Lebanese	15	80	0.8	2,440	0.4	3.3
Russian	16	75	0.8	465	0.1	16.1
Serbian	17	65	0.7	2,000	0.4	3.3
Japanese	18	60	0.6	1,715	0.3	3.5
Filipino	19	60	0.6	15,685	2.9	0.4
Portuguese	20	60	0.6	22,355	4.1	0.3
Other Single Responses		910	9.1	82,245	15.2	1.1
Multiple Responses		4,110	41.2	160,565	29.6	2.6
Total Responses		9,965	100	542,450	100	1.8

Table 4 - Place of Birth for Immigrants						
	Port Credit		Mississ	sauga	Port Credit as a % o	
Place of Birth	Rank	#	%	#	%	of Mississauga
United Kingdom	1	685	22.6	19,980	8.5	3.4
Poland	2	390	12.9	19,570	8.3	2.0
Italy	3	135	4.5	13,780	5.9	1.0
Germany	4	100	3.3	4,060	1.7	2.5
United States	5	95	3.1	3,475	1.5	2.7
Jamaica	6	85	2.8	11,855	5.0	0.7
Trinidad and Tobago	7	80	2.6	6,455	2.7	1.2
Yugoslavia	8	70	2.3	3,280	1.4	2.1
Philippines	9	70	2.3	14,310	6.1	0.5
Romania	10	65	2.1	750	0.3	8.7
All Other Places of Birth		1,250	41.3	137,345	58.5	0.9
Total Immigrants		3,025	100	234,860	100	1.3

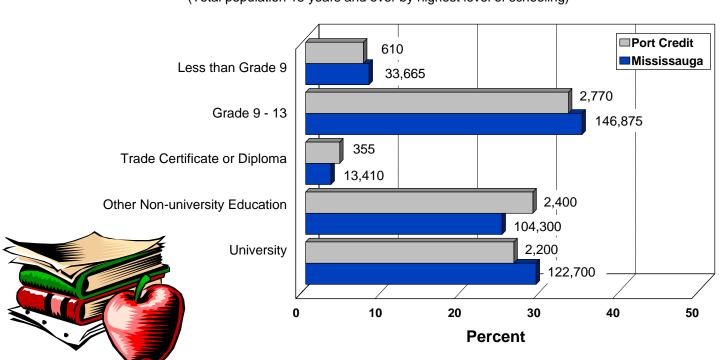
Table 5 - Immigrants Arriving Between 1991 and 1996						
		Port Credi	it	Mississ	Port Credit as a % of	
Place of Birth	Rank	#	%	#	%	Mississauga
Poland	1	190	26.2	5,815	10.2	3.3
Bosnia and Herzegovina	2	100	13.8	765	1.3	13.1
Yugoslavia	3	50	6.9	1,235	2.2	4.0
Lebanon	4	40	5.5	805	1.4	5.0
Philippines	5	30	4.1	4,495	7.9	0.7
Iran	6	30	4.1	510	0.9	5.9
Guyana	7	25	3.4	1,415	2.5	1.8
Ukraine	8	20	2.8	100	0.2	20.0
United States	9	20	2.8	735	1.3	2.7
Egypt	10	20	2.8	905	1.6	2.2
India	11	20	2.8	8,585	15.0	0.2
AllOther Places of Birth		180	24.8	31760	55.6	0.6
Total Immigrants		725	100	57,125	100	1.3

## **Table 6 - Visible Minority Population**

**Visible Minority** is defined in the Employment Equity Act as "persons other than Aboriginal peoples, who are non-Caucasian in race or non-white in colour."

	Port Credit		Missis	sauga	Port Credit as a %
Visible Minority Group	#	%	#	%	of Mississauga
Black	340	3.4	33,805	6.2	1.0
South Asian	165	1.7	61,520	11.3	0.3
Chinese	165	1.7	29,435	5.4	0.6
Korean	15	0.2	2,695	0.5	0.6
Japanese	60	0.6	2,115	0.4	2.8
Southeast Asian	35	0.4	7,505	1.4	0.5
Filipino	80	0.8	18,425	3.4	0.4
Arab/West Asian	245	2.5	10,050	1.9	2.4
Latin American	70	0.7	7,715	1.4	0.9
Visible minority, n.i.e. <sup>1</sup>	35	0.4	6,790	1.3	0.5
Multiple visible minority	50	0.5	3,865	0.7	1.3
Total Visible Minority	1,295	13.0	183,925	33.9	0.7
Non-visible Minority	8,670	87.0	358,530	66.1	2.4
Total Population	9,970	100	542,450	100	1.8

Figure 2 - Education Levels
(Total population 15 years and over by highest level of schooling)



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> n.i.e. - not identified elsewhere

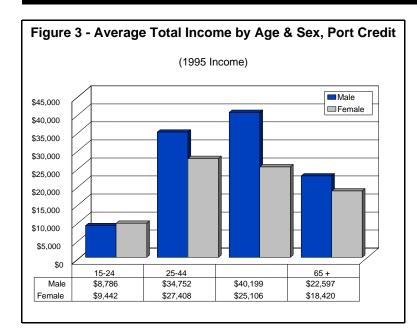
Table 7 - Total Labour Force by Industry Division					
	Port Credit		Mississauga		Port Credit as a %
All Industries	#	%	#	%	of Mississauga
Manufacturing Industries	765	13.5	55,850	19.1	1.4
Retail Trade Industries	715	12.6	35,400	12.1	2.0
Business Service Industries	620	10.9	28,585	9.8	2.2
Wholesale Trade Industries	505	8.9	25,335	8.7	2.0
Health and Social Service Industries	345	6.1	20,700	7.1	1.7
Other Service Industries	460	8.1	20,035	6.8	2.3
Finance and Insurance Industries	320	5.6	18,415	6.3	1.7
Accommodation, Food and Beverage Service Industries	285	5.0	15,860	5.4	1.8
Transportation and Storage Industries	385	6.8	15,555	5.3	2.5
Educational Service Industries	260	4.6	14,405	4.9	1.8
Construction Industries	305	5.4	12,805	4.4	2.4
Communication and Other Utility Industries	215	3.8	12,055	4.1	1.8
Government Service Industries	220	3.9	9,605	3.3	2.3
Real Estate Operator and Insurance Agent Industries	155	2.7	6,825	2.3	2.3
Agricultural and Related Service Industries	20	0.4	975	0.3	2.1
Mining (including milling), Quarrying and Oil Well Industries	0	0.0	360	0.1	0.0
Logging and Forestry Industries	0	0.0	50	0.0	0.0
Fishing and Trapping Industries	0	0.0	10	0.0	0.0
TOTAL	5,665	100	292,850	100	1.9

Table 8 - Total Labour Force by Occupation					
	Port Credit		Mississauga		Port Credit as a %
Category	#	%	#	%	of Mississauga
Business, Finance and Administrative Occupations	1,360	24.0	73,235	25.0	1.9
Sales and Service Occupations	1,375	24.2	69,720	23.8	2.0
Trades, Transport and Equipment Operators and Related Occupations	885	15.6	37,165	12.7	2.4
Management Occupations	645	11.4	34,100	11.6	1.9
Occupations Unique to Processing, Manufacturing and Utilities	340	6.0	26,770	9.1	1.3
Natural and Applied Sciences and Related Occupations	325	5.7	18,290	6.2	1.8
Social Sciences, Education, Government Services and Religious Occupations	350	6.2	14,790	5.1	2.4
Health Occupations	140	2.5	10,840	3.7	1.3
Art, Culture, Recreation and Sport Organizations	205	3.6	6,085	2.1	3.4
Occupations Unique to Primary Industries	50	0.9	1,860	0.6	2.7
TOTAL	5,675	100	292,850	100	1.9









Refers to the average total money received from the following sources during calendar year 1995 by persons 15 years of age

income from unincorporated business and/or professional practice; federal Child Tax benefits; Old Age Security pension

Quebec Pension Plan; benefits from Unemployment Insurance; other income from government sources; dividends, interest on

income; retirement pensions; superannuation and annuities, including those from RRSPs and RRIFs; other money income.

(Age 15 Years and Over)							
	Port Credit						
Male	\$32,209						
Female	\$23,641						

#### Census Family

Refers to a now-married couple (with or without never-married sons and/or daughters of

common-law (with or without never married sons and/or daughters of either or both

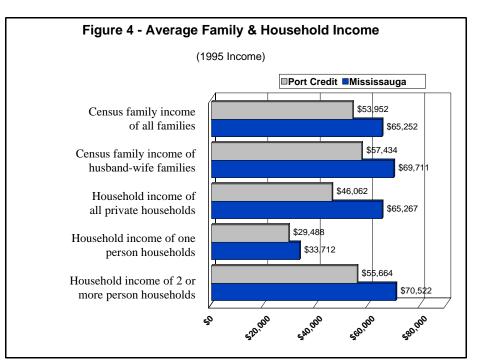
with at least one never-married son or daughter living in the same dwelling.

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Refers to a person or a group of persons (other than foreign residents), who occupy the same

residence elsewhere in Canada. It may consist of a family group (census family) with or

more families sharing a dwelling, of a group of unrelated person, or of one person living alone.



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