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# Language, Mobility and Migration

On December 10, 2002, Statistics Canada released the fourth of a series of announcements from the 2001 Census of Canada, which was conducted on May 15, 2001. Data regarding language composition, mobility status and migration patterns, with a focus on the City of Mississauga, are contained in this newsletter. For further information regarding the Census of Canada, please contact Statistics Canada at 416 973-6586 or 1 800 263-1136 or visit their website at www.statcan.ca.

## **LANGUAGE**

Statistics Canada reports language composition by many variables, including knowledge of official languages, mother tongue, and languages spoken at home. Data were collected from a 20% sample of the Canadian population.

Knowledge of an o language relates to person's abilility to a conversation in I and/or French. Sin Official Languages 1968, Canadians I been encouraged become bilingual. 2001, over 5.2 mil people in Canada indicated that they bilingual (represer 17.7% of the population

	Canada, Ontario, Toronto CMA and Mississauga Knowledge of Official Languages												
	Cana	da	Onta	rio	Toronto	CMA	Mississauga						
	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%					
Total Responses	29,639,035	100.0%	11,285,545	100.0%	4,647,955	100.0%	610,815	100.0%					
English only	20,014,645	67.5%	9,690,745	85.9%	4,069,010	87.5%	542,835	88.9%					
French only	3,946,525	13.3%	42,305	0.4%	4,070	0.1%	505	0.1%					
English & French	5,231,575	17.7%	1,319,715	11.7%	393,415	8.5%	48,110	7.9%					
Neither English nor French	446,290	1.5%	232,780	2.1%	181,460	3.9%	19,365	3.2%					

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nationally), compared to 2.9 million in 1971. The population reporting bilingualism was 11.7% in Ontario, 8.5% in the Toronto CMA and 7.9% in Mississauga. English only, however, was the predominant official language group for Canada (67.5%), Ontario (85.9%), the Toronto CMA (87.5%) and Mississauga (88.9%).

# **Mother Tongue**

Canada is a multilingual country with a growing number of

immigrants whose mother tongue is neither English nor French. Statistics Canada defines mother tongue as the first language learned at home in childhood and still understood by the individual at the time of the census. More than 100 languages were reported on the census questionnaire.

Of persons who provided a single response, allophones, or respondents whose mother tongue is neither English nor French, numbered over 5.2 million (17.6%) in Canada. The

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Knowledge of Official	
Languages	

fficial		29,257,885 98.7% 11,122,935 98.69 17,352,315 58.5% 7,965,225 70.69 6,703,325 22.6% 485,630 4.39 5,202,240 17.6% 2,672,085 23.79 381,145 1.3% 162,610 1.49 112,575 0.4% 37,135 0.39 age 219,860 0.7% 114,275 1.09 age 38,625 0.1% 8,000 0.19							
		Canada		Ontario		Toronto	CMA	Mississauga	
official		#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%
to a	Total Responses	29,639,035	100.0%	11,285,550	100.0%	4,647,960	100.0%	610,815	100.0%
o conduct	Single Responses	29,257,885	98.7%	11,122,935	98.6%	4,556,475	98.0%	596,125	97.6%
English	English	17,352,315	58.5%	7,965,225	70.6%	2,684,195	57.7%	332,645	54.5%
Since the	French	6,703,325	22.6%	485,630	4.3%	57,485	1.2%	7,910	1.3%
es Act in have	Non-official Language	5,202,240	17.6%	2,672,085	23.7%	1,814,795	39.0%	255,570	41.8%
to	Multiple Responses	381,145	1.3%	162,610	1.4%	91,480	2.0%	14,690	2.4%
. In	English & French	112,575	0.4%	37,135	0.3%	7,810	0.2%	810	0.1%
illion	English & Non-official Language	219,860	0.7%	114,275	1.0%	77,430	1.7%	12,885	2.1%
3	French & Non-official Language	38,625	0.1%	8,000	0.1%	4,585	0.1%	740	0.1%
y were enting	English, French & Non-official Language	10,085	0.03%	3,200	0.03%	1,655	0.04%	260	0.04%
ulation									

Canada, Ontario, Toronto CMA and Mississauga

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	Canada, Ontario, Toronto CMA and Mississauga Mother Tongue: Top 10 Non-official Languages											
		Canad	a	Ontario		Toronto CMA			Mississauga			
		#	%		#	%		#	%		#	%
Tota	l Responses	29,639,035	100.0%		11,285,550	100.0%		4,647,960	100.0%		610,815	100.0%
Tot	al Single Responses	29,257,885	98.7%		11,122,935	98.6%		4,556,475	98.0%		596,125	97.6%
	Non-official Languages	5,202,240	17.6%		2,672,085	23.7%		1,814,795	39.0%		255,570	41.8%
					Top 10 Non-O	fficial Lar	iguages					
1	Chinese	853,745	2.9%	Chinese	404,255	3.6%	Chinese	348,010	7.5%	Polish	29,550	4.8%
2	Italian	469,485	1.6%	Italian	295,200	2.6%	Italian	195,960	4.2%	Chinese	28,995	4.7%
3	German	438,080	1.5%	German	156,080	1.4%	Portuguese	108,935	2.3%	Punjabi	24,045	3.9%
4	Punjabi	271,220	0.9%	Portuguese	152,115	1.3%	Punjabi	95,950	2.1%	Portuguese	18,480	3.0%
5	Spanish	245,500	0.8%	Polish	138,940	1.2%	Spanish	83,245	1.8%	Italian	17,450	2.9%
6	Portuguese	213,815	0.7%	Spanish	118,690	1.1%	Polish	79,875	1.7%	Urdu	14,335	2.3%
7	Polish	208,375	0.7%	Punjabi	110,545	1.0%	Tagalog (Pilipino)	77,220	1.7%	Tagalog (Pilipino)	13,565	2.2%
8	Arabic	199,940	0.7%	Arabic	94,640	0.8%	Tamil	72,715	1.6%	Arabic	12,495	2.0%
9	Tagalog (Pilipino)	174,060	0.6%	Tagalog (Pilipino)	88,870	0.8%	Urdu	53,895	1.2%	Spanish	10,895	1.8%
10	Ukrainian	148,090	0.5%	Tamil	76,805	0.7%	Greek	50,165	1.1%	Vietnamese	7,745	1.3%
	Other Non-official Languages	1,979,930	6.7%	Other Non-official Languages	1,035,945	9.2%	Other Non-official Languages	648,825	14.0%	Other Non-official Languages	78,015	12.8%
Tot	al Multiple Responses	381,145	1.3%		162,610	1.4%		91,480	2.0%		14,690	2.4%

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percentage of allophones in Ontario, the Toronto CMA and Mississauga was higher than the national percentage at 23.7%, 39.0% and 41.8%, respectively.

The top non-official language was Chinese for Canada (2.9%), Ontario (3.6%) and the Toronto CMA (7.5%). In Mississauga there is a diversity of linguistics and a high degree of integration without any one dominant minority language. The top ranking non-official language was Polish, spoken by 4.8% of the population. Closely following is Chinese and Punjabi at 4.7% and 3.9%, respectively.

# Language Spoken at Home

Language spoken at home, or home language, refers to the language spoken most often or regularly at home. The census showed that the majority of people in Canada speak

either English or French at home. The proportion of the population that spoke only English at home was 61.6%, French was 19.8% and non-official languages was 5.7%. English was the dominant home language for Ontario (74.9%), the Toronto CMA (62.5%) and Mississauga (59.7%).

Chinese was the most common nonofficial language spoken at home in Canada, Ontario, the Toronto CMA and Mississauga at 1.5%, 1.9%, 4.1% and 2.3%, respectively.

### **MOBILITY AND MIGRATION**

Statistics Canada reports mobility and migration data, that is, the place of residence and place of origin for persons who moved within Canada in the five years prior to Census Day.

The 2001 Census reported movers in Canada at 41.9% (11,710,325 people). This was lower than the

levels reported in the previous two censuses, 43.3% in 1996, and 46.7% in 1991. In Ontario, the Toronto CMA and Mississauga, the percentages of movers were similar, 42.8%, 45.4% and 46.8%, respectively.

Only three provinces reports a population gain due to migration. Many Canadians who moved between provinces or territories between 1996 and 2001 headed west and settled in Alberta instead of British Columbia, previously a destination of choice. Alberta's economic boom, cheaper cost of living, and lower provincial income tax rates attracted many Canadians there, totalling a net gain of 119,420 migrants. Most of these migrants were young adults, aged 15 to 29 followed by those aged 30-44 with 51,955 and 33,790 migrants, respectively.

Ontario had the second largest net gain from interprovicial migration with

	Canada, Ontario, Toronto CMA and Mississauga Language Spoken at Home: Official Languages and Top 10 Non-official Languages											
		Canad	la	Oı	ntario		Toronto CMA		Mississauga			
		#	%		#	%		#	%		#	%
Tota	l Responses	29,639,030	100.0%		11,285,550	100.0%		4,647,955	100.0%		610,815	100.0%
Tot	al Single Responses	25,822,085	87.1%		9,526,905	84.4%		3,605,880	77.6%		452,050	74.0%
	English	18,267,830	61.6%		8,456,585	74.9%		2,902,975	62.5%		364,675	59.7%
	French	5,861,130	19.8%		164,555	1.5%		9,875	0.2%		1,560	0.3%
	Non-official Languages	1,693,120	5.7%		905,770	8.0%		693,025	14.9%		85,820	14.1%
		11			Top 10 Non	-Official La	anguages					
1	Chinese	444,395	1.5%	Chinese	214,545	1.9%	Chinese	190,290	4.1%	Chinese	13,785	2.3%
2	Punjabi	132,385	0.4%	Italian	70,350	0.6%	Italian	51,805	1.1%	Punjabi	11,875	1.9%
3	Italian	110,275	0.4%	Punjabi	54,710	0.5%	Punjabi	49,180	1.1%	Polish	10,545	1.7%
4	Spanish	70,355	0.2%	Portuguese	48,595	0.4%	Portuguese	37,060	0.8%	Urdu	4,795	0.8%
5	Vietnamese	64,665	0.2%	Polish	39,030	0.3%	Tamil	36,225	0.8%	Portuguese	4,275	0.7%
6	Portuguese	63,890	0.2%	Spanish	38,255	0.3%	Spanish	27,520	0.6%	Arabic	4,015	0.7%
7	Arabic	58,115	0.2%	Tamil	37,340	0.3%	Polish	25,535	0.5%	Vietnamese	3,815	0.6%
8	Polish	53,325	0.2%	Arabic	31,510	0.3%	Russian	22,910	0.5%	Spanish	3,460	0.6%
9	German	48,075	0.2%	Vietnamese	29,590	0.3%	Persian (Farsi)	21,020	0.5%	Tamil	3,300	0.5%
10	Tamil	45,865	0.2%	Russian	25,680	0.2%	Urdu	20,250	0.4%	Italian	3,200	0.5%
	Other Non-official Languages	601,775	2.0%	Other Non-official Languages	316,165	2.8%	Other Non-official Languages	211,230	4.5%	Other Non-official Languages	25,955	4.2%
Tot	al Multiple Responses	3,816,950	12.9%		1,758,640	15.6%		1,042,080	22.4%		158,765	26.0%

Numbers may not add due to rounding.

Canada, Ontario, Toronto CMA and Mississauga Mobility Status 5 Years Ago										
	Canad	la	Ontari	0	Toronto	СМА	Mississauga			
Mobility Status	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%		
Total Population	27,932,590	100.0%	10,609,760	100.0%	4,356,845	100.0%	570,495	100.0%		
Non-movers	16,222,260	58.1%	6,067,755	57.2%	2,377,470	54.6%	303,330	53.2%		
Movers	11,710,325	41.9%	4,542,005	42.8%	1,979,375	45.4%	267,165	46.8%		
Non-migrants	6,251,590	22.4%	2,460,305	23.2%	1,051,720	24.1%	138,880	24.3%		
Migrants	5,458,735	19.5%	2,081,700	19.6%	927,655	21.3%	128,290	22.5%		
Internal Migrants	4,482,775	16.0%	1,566,365	14.8%	553,470	12.7%	75,935	13.3%		
Intraprovincial Migrants	3,577,105	12.8%	1,323,870	12.5%	466,970	10.7%	64,415	11.3%		
Interprovincial Migrants	905,665	3.2%	242,495	2.3%	86,500	2.0%	11,520	2.0%		
External Migrants	975,965	3.5%	515,335	4.9%	374,185	8.6%	52,350	9.2%		

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51,905 migrants. The largest number of people who moved to Ontario were from Quebec (80,505), followed by British Columbia (46,955) and Alberta (32,275). Of the people who moved from Ontario, the largest groups

moved to British Columbia (52,825), Alberta (44,045) and Quebec (36,690). Most of Ontario's migrants were in the 30-44 age cohort, followed by young migrants, aged 15-29 with 19,215 and 17,935, respectively.

Mobility and migration data compares a person's place of residence on Census Day (May 15, 2001) to where they lived when the 1996 Census was conducted (May 14, 1996).

A person is a non-mover if there is no change in the place of residence on Census Day. A mover is a person who was living at a different address on Census Day.

Movers are further subdivided into the following categories: A non-migrant is a person living at a different address, but in the same census subdivision (CSD); a migrant resides in a different address, in a different CSD. An internal migrant lives in a different CSD within Canada; an external migrant was living outside Canada prior to the census. An intraprovincial migrant is an individual living in a different CSD in the same province; an interprovincial migrant was living in a different CSD, in a different province.

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The only other province to gain more residents from interprovincial migration was Prince Edward Island (135 persons).

Provinces with significant population losses due to migrants were Quebec (-57,315), Newfoundland and Labrador (-31,055), Saskatchewan (-24,940) and British Columbia (-23,630).

Between 1996 to 2001, Toronto lost more migrants than it gained with a net migration of -44,540 while Ottawa-Hull, Oshawa and Hamilton had the largest net migration gains with 26,415, 17,420 and 16,635, respectively.

Of the CMAs in Ontario, Toronto, Ottawa-Hull and Hamilton attracted the most external migrants over the last five years.

Provinces and Territories Net Migrants By Age Group, 1996-2001										
Age Groups										
Province or Territory	Total	5-14	15-29	30-44	45-64	65 +				
	#	#	#	#	#	#				
Newfoundland & Labrador	-31,055	-3,365	-17,875	-7,330	-2,250	-180				
Prince Edward Island	135	95	-1,110	90	815	245				
Nova Scotia	-1,275	1,025	-5,125	-225	2,240	800				
New Brunswick	-8,425	-395	-6,840	-1,440	140	110				
Quebec	-57,315	-10,330	-13,640	-17,925	-10,085	-5,350				
Ontario	51,905	10,330	17,935	19,215	3,105	1,285				
Manitoba	-18,560	-1,960	-6,675	-4,610	-3,855	-1,495				
Saskatchewan	-24,940	-2,425	-12,255	-5,400	-3,030	-1,860				
Alberta	119,420	16,400	51,955	33,790	13,610	3,685				
British Columbia	-23,630	-7,745	-6,050	-13,695	960	2,915				
Yukon	-2,760	-420	-495	-750	-1,000	-65				
Northwest Territories	-3,170	-900	-120	-1,320	-735	-95				
Nunavut	-330	-310	295	-400	85	5				

Numbers may not add due to rounding.

Migration Between Ontario and Other Provinces and Territories, 1996-2001										
Province or Territory of Origin or Destination	In-mig	rants	Out-mig	Net migrants						
	#	%	#	%	#					
Newfoundland & Labrador	17,555	7.2%	6,550	3.4%	11,005					
Prince Edward Island	2,370	1.0%	2,345	1.2%	25					
Nova Scotia	22,140	9.1%	18,220	9.6%	3,920					
New Brunswick	14,080	5.8%	9,945	5.2%	4,135					
Quebec	80,505	33.2%	36,690	19.3%	43,815					
Ontario										
Manitoba	15,225	6.3%	12,805	6.7%	2,420					
Saskatchewan	8,850	3.6%	5,295	2.8%	3,555					
Alberta	32,275	13.3%	44,045	23.1%	-11,770					
British Columbia	46,955	19.4%	52,825	27.7%	-5,870					
Yukon	780	0.3%	565	0.3%	215					
Northwest Territories	1,205	0.5%	770	0.4%	435					
Nunavut	560	0.2%	540	0.3%	20					
Total	242,500	100.0%	190,595	100.0%	51,905					
Migrants from outside Canada	515,355		n/a		n/a					

Numbers may not add due to rounding.

Migrants To and From CMAs in Ontario, 1996-2001										
CMA		Internal migrati	Migrants not living							
	In-migrants	Out-migrants	Net migration	in Canada in 1996						
Ottawa-Hull	109,890	83,475	26,415	43,210						
Kingston	23,415	23,105	310	2,970						
Oshawa	46,895	29,475	17,420	2,760						
Toronto	213,745	258,285	-44,540	374,185						
Hamilton	67,135	50,500	16,635	21,530						
St. Catharines- Niagara	26,970	23,850	3,120	6,285						
Kitchener	46,895	39,265	7,630	14,515						
London	45,340	45,505	-165	11,730						
Windsor	24,500	18,375	6,125	13,300						
Sudbury	12,790	20,110	-7,320	660						
Thunder Bay	8,675	13,555	-4,880	600						

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Note: A census metropolitan area (CMA) is a very large urban area (known as the urban core) together with adjacent urban and rural areas (known as urban and rural fringes) that have a high degree of social and economic integration with the urban core. A CMA has an urban core population of at least 100,000, based on the previous census.

The boundaries of the Toronto CMA include all of the City of Toronto and the Regions of Peel and York and portions of the Regions of Halton and Durham and the County of Simcoe.

