



1996 Census Profile of British Columbia's Census Subdivisions (CSD)

Profile of Comox-Strathcona Regional District

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59025000

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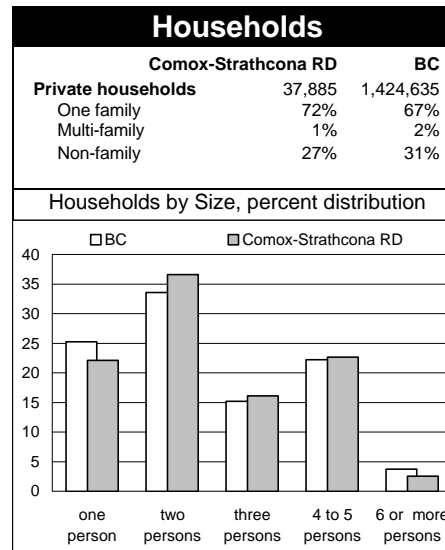
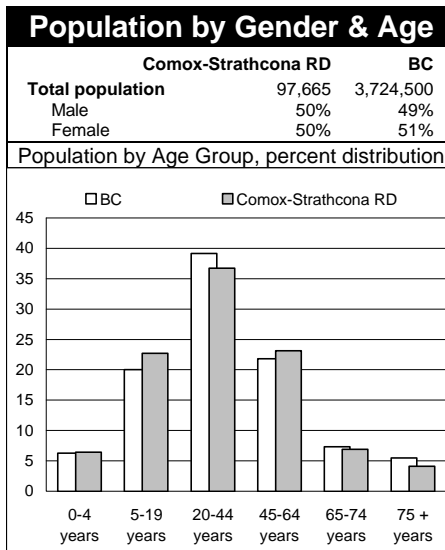
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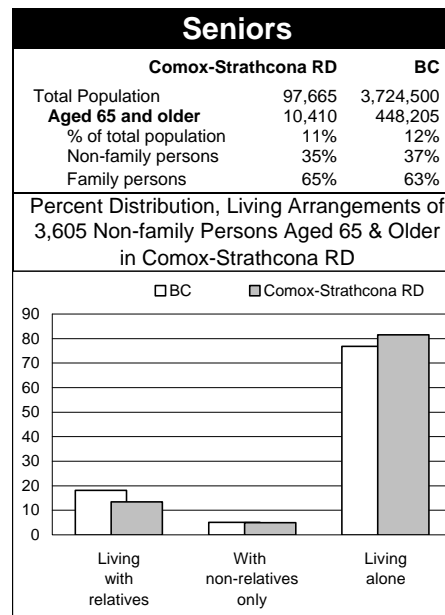
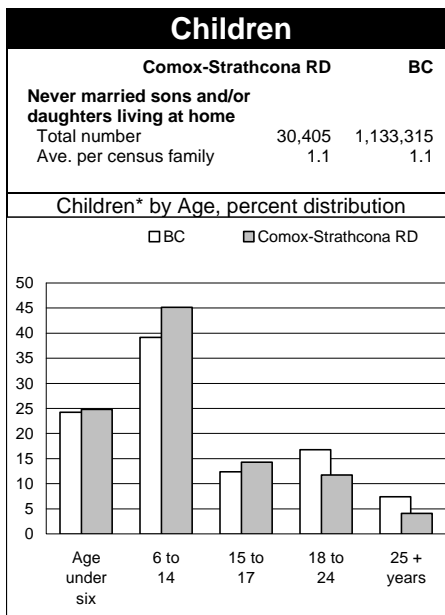
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Summary		
Comox-Strathcona RD	BC	
Total population (as of May 14, 1996)	97,666	3,724,500
Share of BC	2.6%	100.0
1991 Census Population (as of June 4, 1991)	82,729	3,282,061
Percent change 1991-1996	18.1%	13.5%
Land area 1996 km ²	19,851.16	892,677
Comox-Strathcona Regional District		
Top 3 industries	Number	Percent
Experienced Labour Force	48,850	100%
Retail trade	6,710	14%
Manufacturing	4,830	10%
Accom, food & beverage	4,325	9%
Top 3 occupations		
Experienced Labour Force	48,850	100%
Sales & service n.e.c.	4,305	9%
Clerical	3,375	7%
Forest, mining, gas & fish	2,570	5%

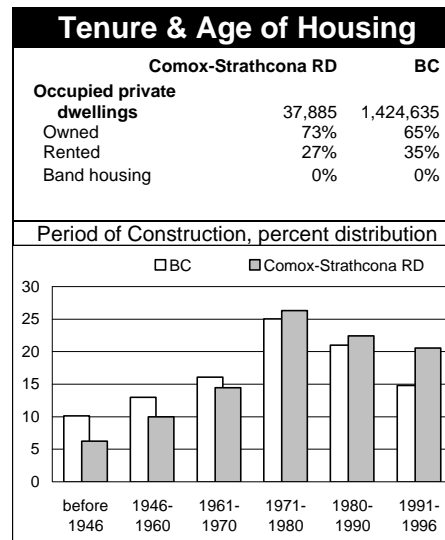
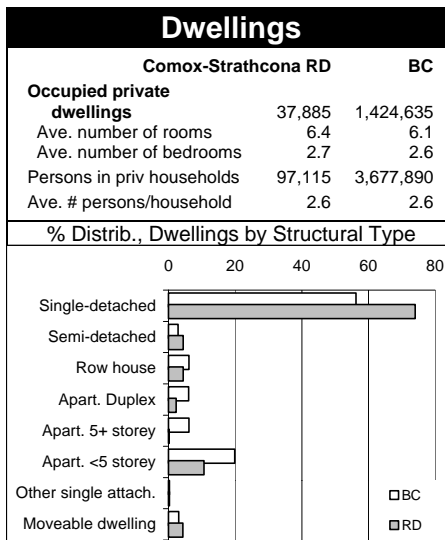


Marital Status & Families		
Comox-Strathcona RD	BC	
Population 15+ years	76,025	2,989,325
Single, never married	26%	31%
Legally married	55%	52%
Separated	4%	3%
Divorced	10%	8%
Widowed	5%	6%
Census Families by Structure		
Number of census families	28,030	1,008,440
Husband-wife families	24,210	869,430
Now-married couples	20,680	765,565
Without child* at home	47%	43%
With children* at home	53%	57%
Common-law couples	3,530	103,865
Without child* at home	54%	62%
With children* at home	46%	38%
Single-parent families	3,820	139,010
Male parent	15%	17%
Female parent	85%	83%

child*/children* - defined as never married sons and/or daughters at home



Affordability		
Comox-Strathcona RD	BC	
Average value of occupied private dwellings	\$170,392	\$239,745
Occupied dwellings	37,885	1,424,635
Regular maintenance	67%	69%
Require minor repairs	24%	24%
Require major repairs	9%	8%
Tenant 1-family households, non-farm, non-reserve, without extra persons	5,080	211,925
Average gross rent	\$670	\$772
Gross rent spending 30% or more of hh income on shelter	2,125	89,820
Above as % of tenants	42%	42%
Owner 1-family households, non-farm, non-reserve, without extra persons	20,000	623,225
Average owner's major payments	\$694	\$840
Owners major payments spending 30% or more of hh income on shelter	2,795	111,685
Above as % of owners	14%	18%



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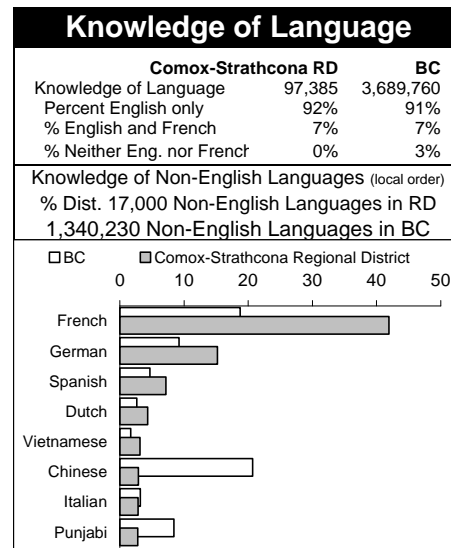
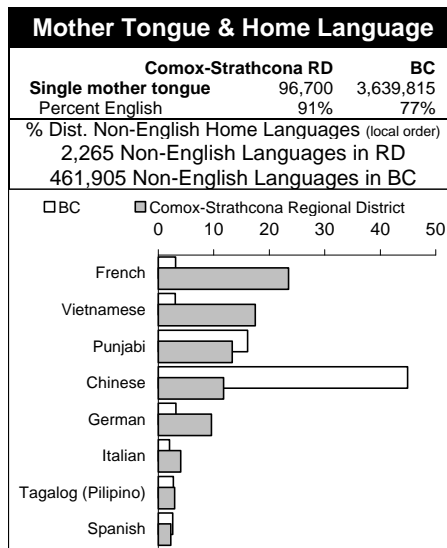
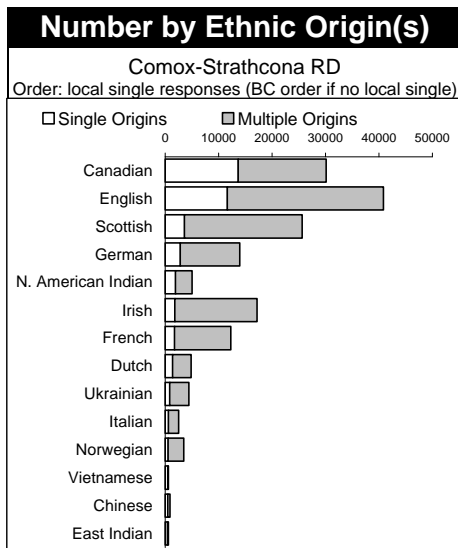
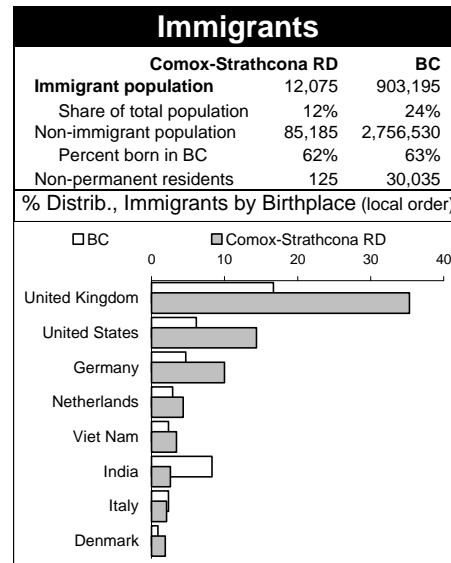
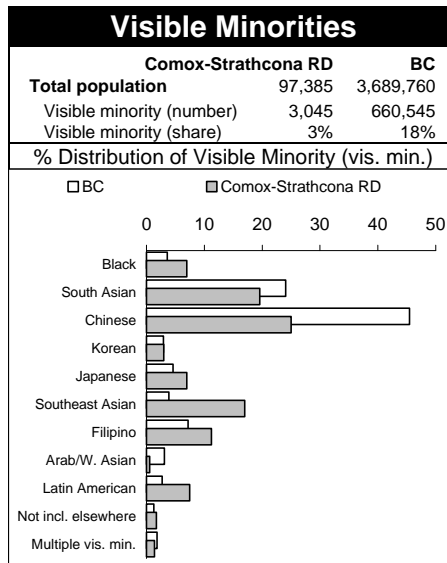
First Nations

	Comox-Strathcona RD	BC
Total population	97,385	3,689,755
Aboriginal identity	4,220	139,655
Share of total population	4%	4%
North American Indian (*si...	3,375	107,370
Metis (*single response)	690	25,575
Inuit (*single response)	15	740
Multiple Aboriginal response	30	1,205
Other Aboriginal response	110	4,765

Aboriginal ethnic origin

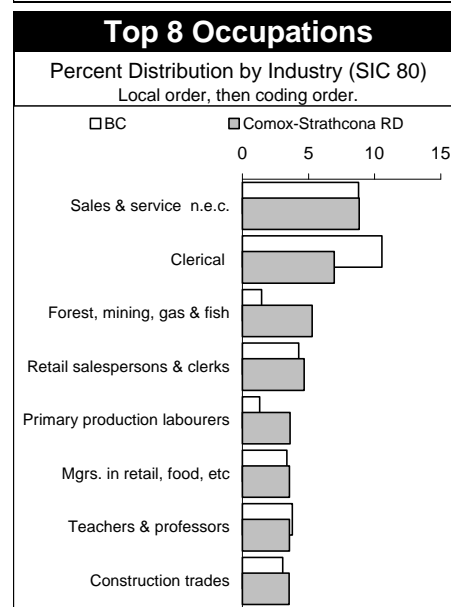
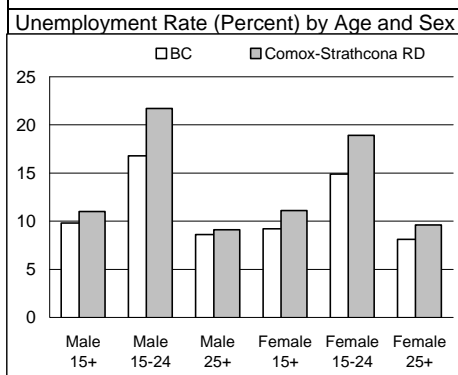
	Comox-Strathcona RD	BC
Single response	2,030	76,430
North American Indian	96%	94%
Metis	4%	6%
Inuit	0%	0%
Multiple response	3,900	112,665
North American Indian	79%	76%
Metis	19%	22%
Inuit	2%	1%

The 1996 Census had a question on Aboriginal identity. Origin data is more comparable with previous censuses.



Labour Force Activity

	Comox-Strathcona RD	BC
Pop 15+ in labour force	50,305	1,960,660
Employed	44,750	1,773,285
Unemployed	5,555	187,375
Not in labour force	25,425	994,040
Participation rate	66.4	66.4
Unemployment rate	11.0	9.6



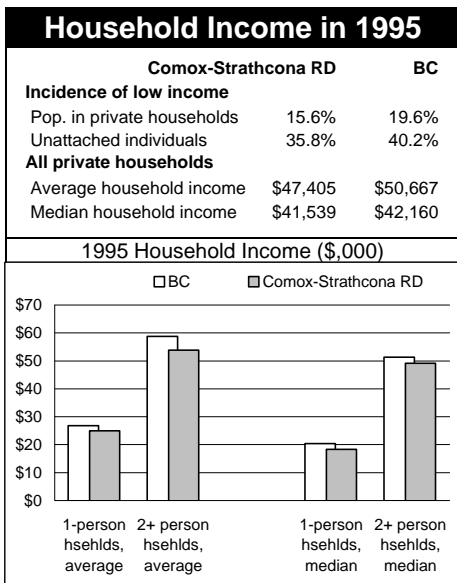
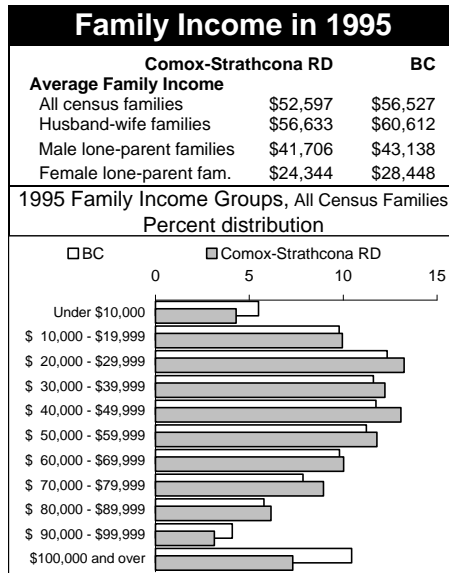
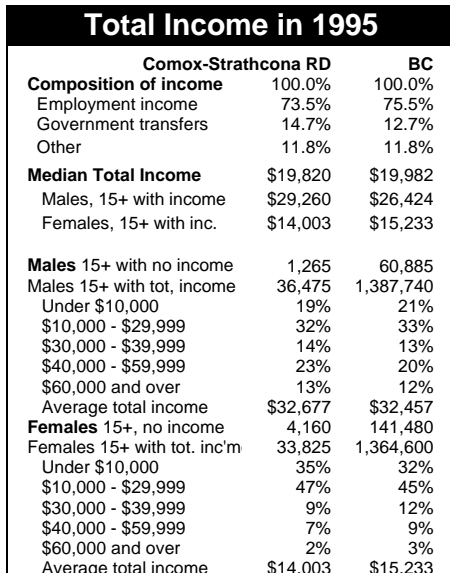
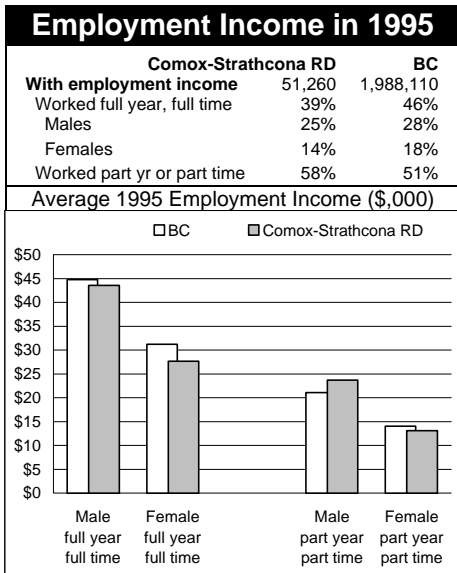
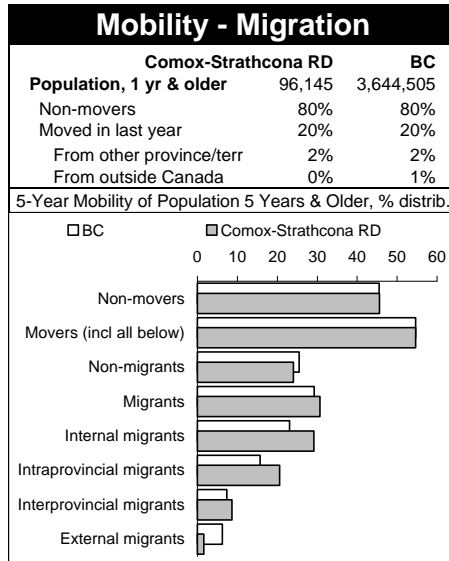
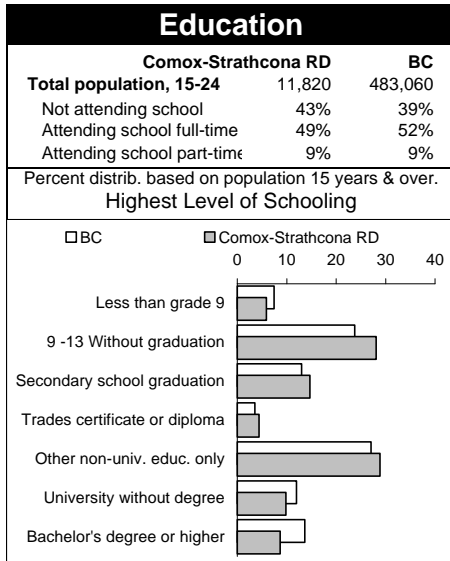
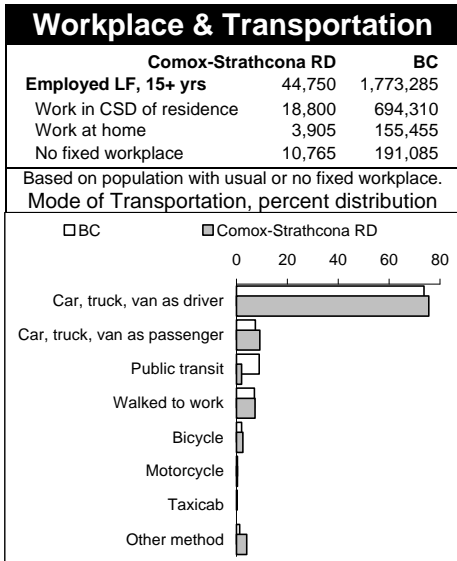
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Notes

Population - effective for 1991 & 1996 Census, non-permanent residents included in total population.

1991 Census population - based on 1996 boundaries.

Family - refers to two or more persons living in the same dwelling, related to each other by blood, marriage, common-law or adoption.

Experienced labour force - includes persons who worked since Jan 1, 1995 and who were employed or unemployed during the reference week.

Non-movers - on Census Day were living at the same address as one or five years previous.

Non-migrant movers - lived at a different address but in the same census subdivision (CSD).

Average - or arithmetic mean is calculated by dividing the sum of included categories by the number of included categories.

Median - an alternate measure of 'averageness'. Median income of a specific group is that amount which divides their income size distribution into two halves (below and above the median).

Incidence of low income - the percentage of a specific group below Statistics Canada's low income cut-offs (LICO).

More Information

Our own website contains sections devoted to census and regional statistics.
www.bcstats.gov.bc.ca/census.htm
www.bcstats.gov.bc.ca/regions.htm

Statistics Canada offers community profiles.
<http://CEPS.statcan.ca/english/profil/PlaceSearchForm1.cfm>

The British Columbia Ministry of Multiculturalism and Immigration offers extensive profiles.
www.gov.bc.ca/mi/rpts/profiles.htm

Indian and Northern Affairs Canada has a growing statistics site.
www.inac.gc.ca/pr/sts/index_e.html

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Gender & Age	
Total pop. by sex & age groups	
Male, total	97,665
0-4	48,950
5-9	3,140
10-14	3,870
15	4,045
16	770
17	745
18	740
19	630
15-19	600
20-24	3,485
25-29	2,505
30-34	2,710
35-39	3,795
40-44	4,410
45-49	4,270
50-54	4,015
55-59	3,025
60-64	2,395
65-69	2,220
70-74	1,900
75-79	1,435
80-84	930
85+	505
Female, total	275
0-4	48,715
5-9	3,120
10-14	3,635
15	3,825
16	3,825
17	765
18	690
19	715
15-19	625
20-24	530
25-29	3,320
30-34	2,485
35-39	2,735
40-44	4,045
45-49	4,660
50-54	4,245
55-59	3,840
60-64	2,825
65-69	2,235
70-74	2,030
75-79	1,730
80-84	1,670
85+	1,155
	695
	465

Households	
Total number of occupied private dwellings by structural type of dwelling	
Single-detached house	37,885
Semi-detached house	28,000
Row house	1,655
Apartment, detached duplex	1,655
Apartment building, five or more storeys	835
Apartment building, less than five storeys	45
Other single attached house	4,010
Movable dwelling	75
Total number of private households by household size	1,615
1 person	37,885
2 persons	8,385
3 persons	13,865
4 - 5 persons	6,100
6 or more persons	8,580
Total number of occupied private dwellings	955
Average number of rooms per dwelling	37,885
Average number of bedrooms per dwelling	6.4
Average value of dwelling \$	2.7
Owned	170,392
Rented	27,610
Band housing	10,225
Regular maintenance only	45
Minor repairs	25,465
Major repairs	9,100
Period of construction, before 1946	3,320
Period of construction, 1946-1960	2,375
Period of construction, 1961-1970	3,780
Period of construction, 1971-1980	5,480
Period of construction, 1981-1990	9,965
Period of construction, 1991-1996	8,490
Total number of private households by household type	7,790
One-family households	37,885
Multiple-family households	27,455
Non-family households	290
Number of persons in private households	10,135
Average number of persons in private households	97,115
Tenant one-family households without additional persons	2.6
Average gross rent \$	5,080
Gross rent spending 30% or more of household income on shelter costs	622
Owner one-family households without additional persons	4,670
Average owner's major payments \$	20,000
Owner's major payments spending 30% or more of household income on shelter costs	652
	4,300

Marital Status	
Total pop. 15 + by legal marital status	
Never married (single)	76,025
Legally married (and not separated)	20,115
Separated, but still legally married	41,700
Divorced	3,020
Widowed	7,270
	3,920

Children & Seniors	
Total number of never-married sons and/or daughters at home	
Under 6 years of age	30,405
6 - 14 years	7,535
15 - 17 years	13,720
18 - 24 years	4,340
25 years and over	3,570
Total number of persons 65 years and over	1,240
Number of non-family persons 65 years +	10,410
Living with relatives	3,605
Living with non-relatives only	485
Living alone	180
Number of family persons 65 years & over	2,940
	6,800

First Nations (identity and origin)	
Total population by Aboriginal groups and non-Aboriginal population	
Total Aboriginal population	97,385
North American Indian single response	4,220
Metis single response	3,375
Inuit single response	690
Multiple Aboriginal responses	15
Other Aboriginal response	30
Total non-Aboriginal population	110
Aboriginal Ethnic Origin	
North American Indian - Single responses	93,165
Metis - Single responses	97,385
Inuit - Single responses	4,220
North American Indian - Multiple resp.	3,375
Metis - Multiple responses	3,090
Inuit - Multiple responses	740
	70

Immigration	
Total population by place of birth	
Non-immigrant population	97,385
Born in province of residence	85,185
Total immigrants by selected birthplace	52,465
United Kingdom	12,075
United States	4,260
Germany	1,730
Netherlands	1,200
Viet Nam	520
India	405
Italy	305
Denmark	245
Philippines	220
Poland	200
Switzerland	150
China, (PRC)	145
Ireland, (Eire)	135
France	130
Hungary	130
South Africa, Rep	120
	110

Education	
Total population, 15 to 24 years by school attendance	
Not attending school	11,820
Attending school full-time	5,040
Attending school part-time	5,750
Total population 15 years and over by highest level of schooling	1,030
Less than grade 9	75,730
Grades 9 to 13	4,420
Without secondary school graduation certificate	32,310
With secondary school graduation certificate	21,235
	11,075

Trades certificate or diploma	3,270
Other non-university education only	21,815
Without certificate or diploma	5,530
With certificate or diploma	16,285
University	13,915
Without degree	7,405
Without certificate or diploma	3,400
With certificate or diploma	4,000
With bachelor's degree or higher	6,515

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Ethnic Origins		
Total population by ethnic origin (single and multiple responses) 97,385		
	Single	Multiple
Total population	46,355	51,035
Canadian	13,655	16,450
English	11,615	29,225
Scottish	3,610	22,020
German	2,805	11,145
N. American Indian	1,940	3,090
Irish	1,790	15,385
French	1,720	10,570
Dutch	1,350	3,515
Ukrainian	860	3,570
Italian	590	1,910
Norwegian	510	2,980
Vietnamese	495	95
Chinese	475	395
East Indian	405	170

Labour Force Activity		
Unemployment rates		
	Male	Female
Age 15+	11.0	11.1
Age 15-24	21.7	18.9
Age 25+	9.1	9.6

Employment Income in 1995		
All persons with employment income by work activity 51,260		
	Male	Female
With emp. income by work activity	28,295	22,970
Ave. emp. income \$	32,565	17,578
Standard error of Ave. emp. income \$	315	200
Worked full year, full time	12,830	7,375
Ave. emp. income \$	43,548	27,632
Std. error of Ave. emp. income \$	514	361
Worked part year or part time	14,825	15,000
Ave. emp. income \$	23,722	13,068
Std. error of Ave. emp. income \$	344	210

Total Income in 1995		
	Male	Female
Population 15+ by income	37,745	37,985
Without income	1,265	4,160
With income	36,475	33,825
Under \$1,000	1,475	1,990
\$ 1,000 - \$ 2,999	1,255	2,230
\$ 3,000 - \$ 4,999	1,060	1,950
\$ 5,000 - \$ 6,999	1,320	2,215
\$ 7,000 - \$ 9,999	1,870	3,440
\$10,000 - \$11,999	1,290	2,430
\$12,000 - \$14,999	2,025	3,540
\$15,000 - \$19,999	3,005	4,230
\$20,000 - \$24,999	2,725	3,195
\$25,000 - \$29,999	2,530	2,430
\$30,000 - \$34,999	2,650	1,830
\$35,000 - \$39,999	2,495	1,320
\$40,000 - \$44,999	2,490	935
\$45,000 - \$49,999	1,930	600
\$50,000 - \$59,999	3,790	845
\$60,000 and over	4,565	655
Average income \$	32,677	18,050
Median income \$	29,260	14,003
Std. error of ave. income \$	269	170

Household Income in 1995		
	Average	Median
One person households \$	24,941	18,327
Std. error of ave. income \$	443	
Two or more person households \$	53,791	49,125
Std. error of ave. income \$	394	

Workplace and Transportation		
Total employed labour force 15 years and over by place of work status 44,750		
	Male	Female
Total employed labour force	24,595	20,160
Usual place of work	17,885	16,455
In CSD of residence	9,355	9,445
In different CSD	8,530	7,015
In same CD	7,270	6,470
At home	1,650	2,255
Outside Canada	110	30
No fixed workplace	4,955	1,410
Total employed labour force 15 years and over by mode of transportation 40,705		
	Male	Female
Total employed labour force	22,840	17,870
Car, truck, van as driver	16,710	13,990
Car, truck, van as passenger	2,255	1,425
Public transit	355	395
Walked to work	1,410	1,510
Bicycle	745.0	235.0
Motorcycle	90.0	-
Taxicab	10	10
Other method	1,265	305

Mobility & Migration		
	1-year	5-year
Total by mobility status over period	96,145	91,095
Non-movers	76,480	41,440
Movers	19,665	49,660
Non-migrants	10,815	21,785
Migrants	8,850	27,870
Internal migrants	8,580	26,515
Intraprovincial migrants	6,790	18,710
Interprovincial migrants	1,785	7,805
External migrants	270	1,355

Experienced Labour Force by Industry	
Total labour force 15 years and over by industry divisions	50,310
Industry - Not applicable	1,460
All industries	48,850
Division A - Agricultural and related service industries	985
Division B - Fishing and trapping industries	1,550
Division C - Logging and forestry industries	3,470
Division D - Mining (+ milling), quarrying & oil well ind.	815
Division E - Manufacturing industries	4,830
Division F - Construction industries	4,090
Division G - Transportation and storage industries	1,715
Division H - Communication and other utility industries	750
Division I - Wholesale trade industries	1,455
Division J - Retail trade industries	6,710
Division K - Finance and insurance industries	1,030
Division L - Real estate operator & insurance agent ind.	935
Division M - Business service industries	1,915
Division N - Government service industries	3,555
Division O - Educational service industries	3,020
Division P - Health and social service industries	3,975
Division Q - Accommodation, food & beverage service	4,325
Division R - Other service industries	3,725

Top 10 Occupations	
Sales & service n.e.c.	4,305
Clerical	3,375
Forest, mining, gas & fish	2,570
Retail salespersons & clerks	2,270
Primary production labourers	1,755
Mgrs. in retail, food, etc	1,725
Teachers & professors	1,725
Construction trades	1,715
Childcare & home support	1,690
Transp equip operators, etc	1,595