

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

Profile of Powell River Regional District

Standard Geographic Classification
59027000

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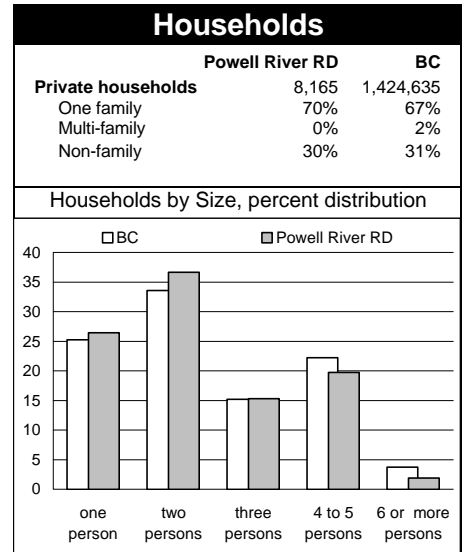
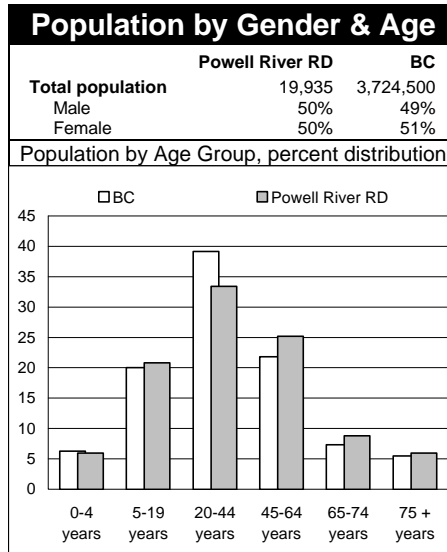
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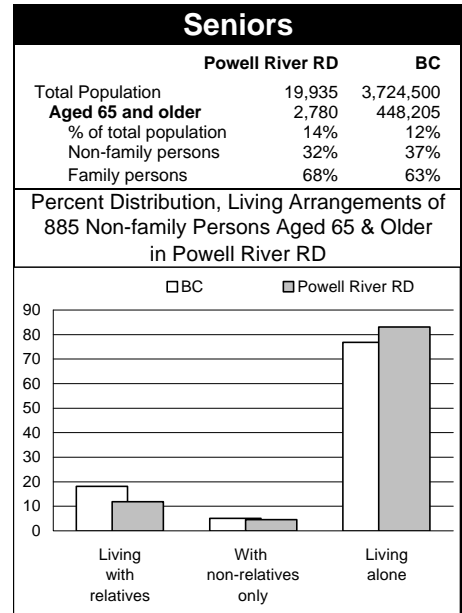
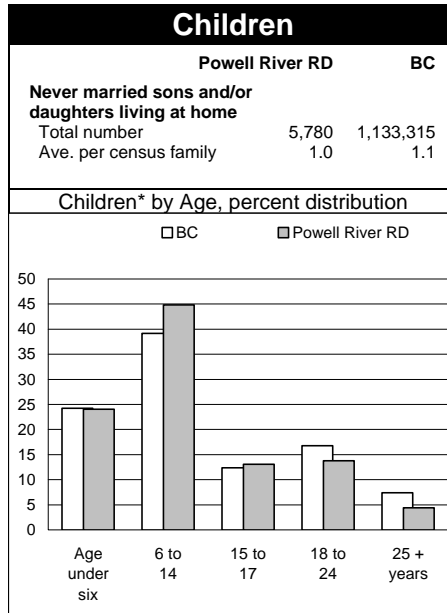
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| Summary | | |
|---|-----------------|----------------|
| | Powell River RD | BC |
| Total population (as of May 14, 1996) | 19,936 | 3,724,500 |
| Share of BC | 0.5% | 100.0 |
| 1991 Census Population (as of June 4, 1991) | 18,477 | 3,282,061 |
| Percent change 1991-1996 | 7.9% | 13.5% |
| Land area 1996 km ² | 5,101.02 | 892,677 |
| Powell River Regional District | | |
| Top 3 industries | Number | Percent |
| Experienced Labour Force | 9,335 | 100% |
| Manufacturing | 1,670 | 18% |
| Retail trade | 1,315 | 14% |
| Health, social services | 1,095 | 12% |
| Top 3 occupations | | |
| Experienced Labour Force | 9,335 | 100% |
| Sales & service n.e.c. | 840 | 9% |
| Clerical | 690 | 7% |
| Machine ops in manuf. | 455 | 5% |

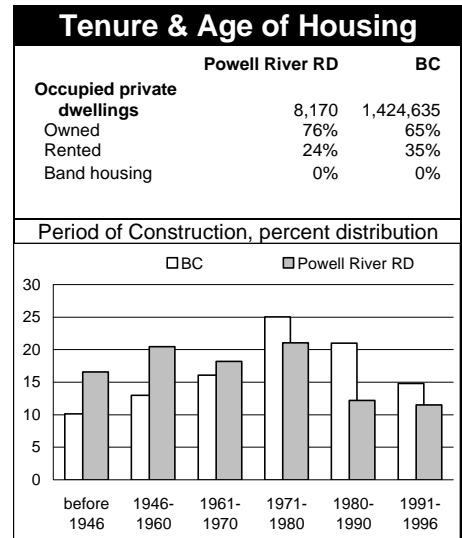
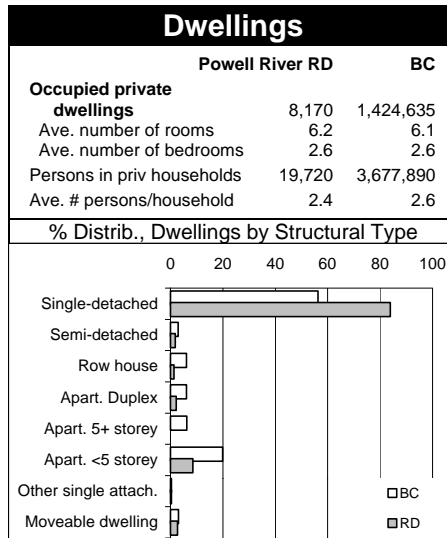


| Marital Status & Families | | |
|----------------------------------|-----------------|-----------|
| | Powell River RD | BC |
| Population 15+ years | 15,865 | 2,989,325 |
| Single, never married | 25% | 31% |
| Legally married | 55% | 52% |
| Separated | 4% | 3% |
| Divorced | 9% | 8% |
| Widowed | 7% | 6% |
| Census Families by Structure | | |
| Number of census families | 5,770 | 1,008,440 |
| Husband-wife families | 5,040 | 869,430 |
| Now-married couples | 4,335 | 765,565 |
| Without child* at home | 50% | 43% |
| With children* at home | 50% | 57% |
| Common-law couples | 705 | 103,865 |
| Without child* at home | 53% | 62% |
| With children* at home | 47% | 38% |
| Single-parent families | 725 | 139,010 |
| Male parent | 21% | 17% |
| Female parent | 79% | 83% |

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



| Affordability | | |
|---|-----------------|-----------|
| | Powell River RD | BC |
| Average value of occupied private dwellings | \$153,353 | \$239,745 |
| Occupied dwellings | 8,170 | 1,424,635 |
| Regular maintenance | 58% | 69% |
| Require minor repairs | 29% | 24% |
| Require major repairs | 13% | 8% |
| Tenant 1-family households, non-farm, non-reserve, without extra persons | 900 | 211,925 |
| Average gross rent | \$643 | \$772 |
| Gross rent spending 30% or more of hh income on shelter | 430 | 89,820 |
| Above as % of tenants | 48% | 42% |
| Owner 1-family households, non-farm, non-reserve, without extra persons | 4,260 | 623,225 |
| Average owner's major payments | \$584 | \$840 |
| Owners major payments spending 30% or more of hh income on shelter | 470 | 111,685 |
| Above as % of owners | 11% | 18% |



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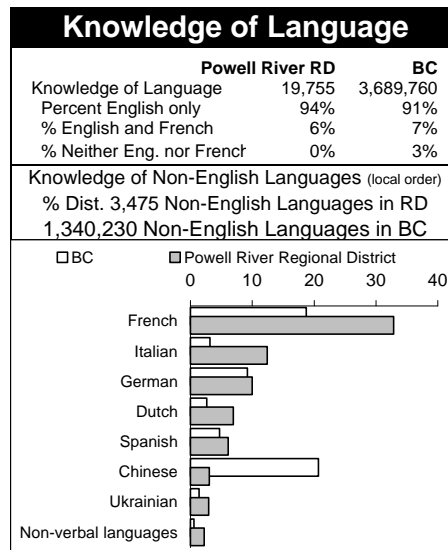
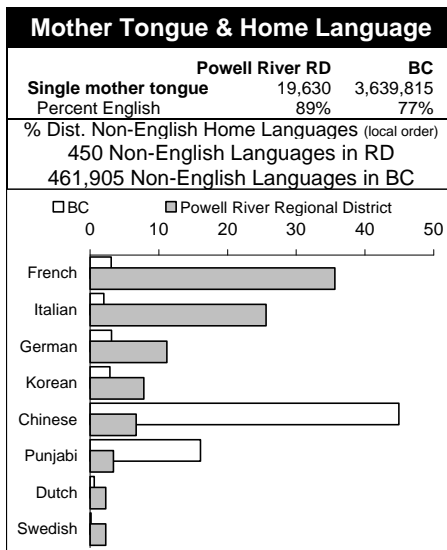
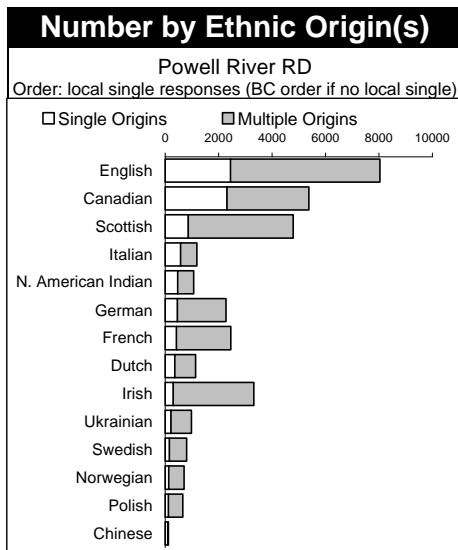
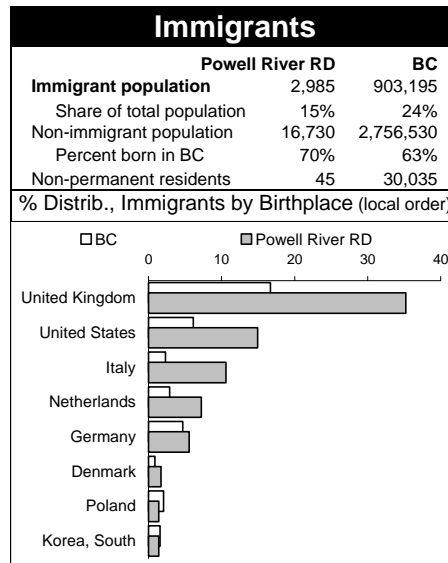
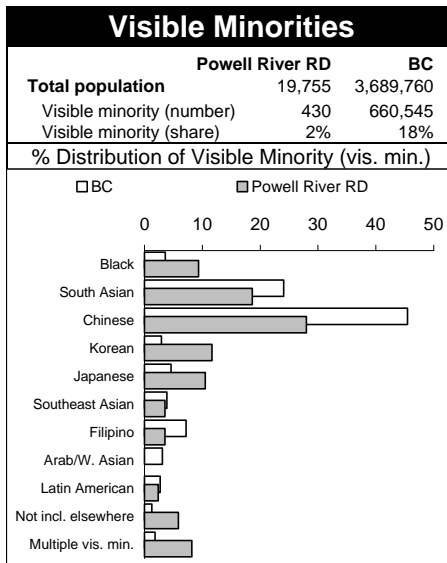
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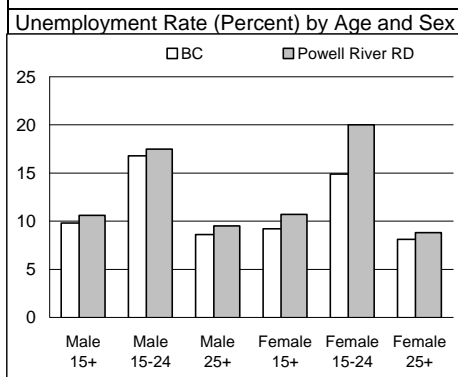
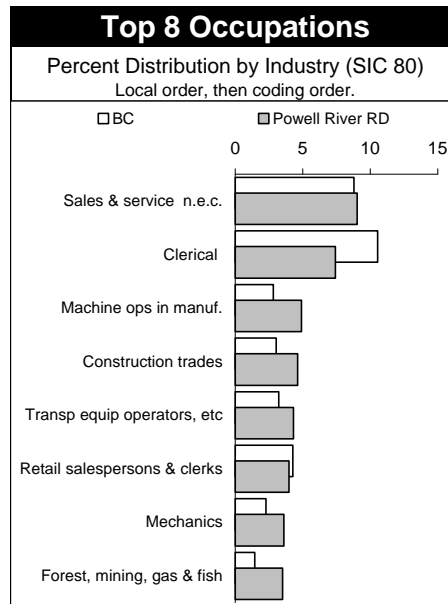
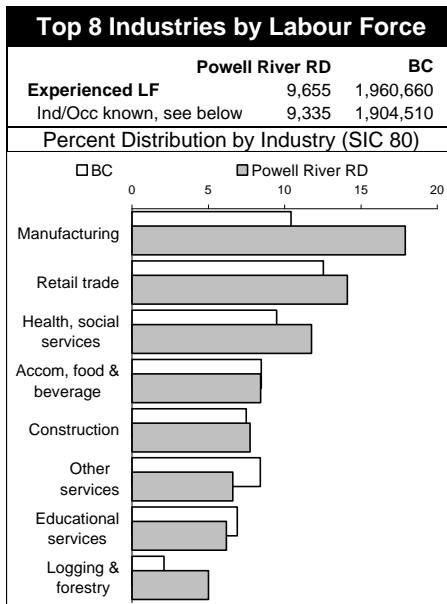
| First Nations | | |
|---------------------------------|-----------------|-----------|
| | Powell River RD | BC |
| Total population | 19,760 | 3,689,755 |
| Aboriginal identity | 845 | 139,655 |
| Share of total population | 4% | 4% |
| North American Indian (*si... | 685 | 107,370 |
| Metis (*single response) | 95 | 25,575 |
| Inuit (*single response) | 15 | 740 |
| Multiple Aboriginal response | 0 | 1,205 |
| Other Aboriginal response | 40 | 4,765 |
| Aboriginal ethnic origin | | |
| Single response | 490 | 76,430 |
| North American Indian | 96% | 94% |
| Metis | 2% | 6% |
| Inuit | 2% | 0% |
| Multiple response | 800 | 112,665 |
| North American Indian | 74% | 76% |
| Metis | 21% | 22% |
| Inuit | 4% | 1% |

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



Labour Force Activity

| | Powell River RD | BC |
|-------------------------|-----------------|-----------|
| Pop 15+ in labour force | 9,655 | 1,960,660 |
| Employed | 8,620 | 1,773,285 |
| Unemployed | 1,030 | 187,375 |
| Not in labour force | 6,040 | 994,040 |
| Participation rate | 61.5 | 66.4 |
| Unemployment rate | 10.7 | 9.6 |

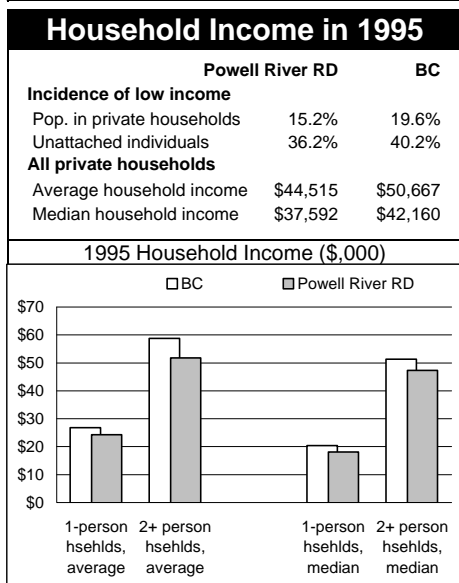
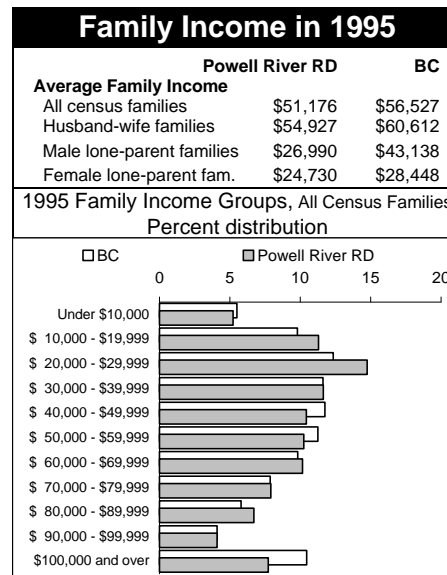
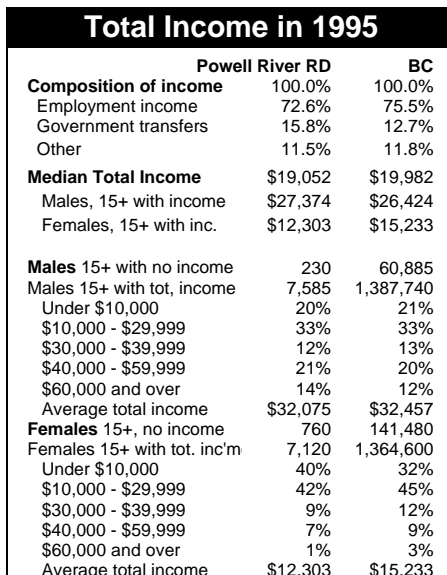
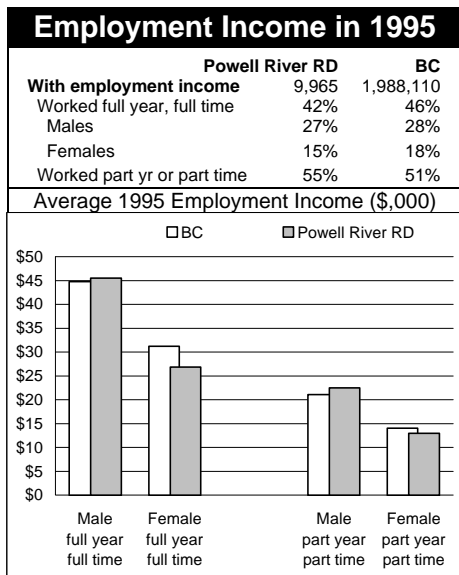
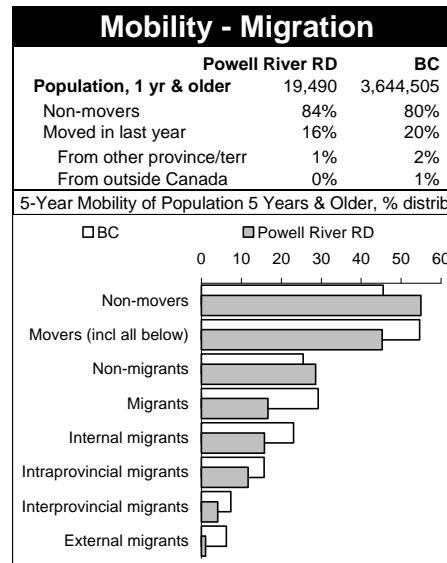
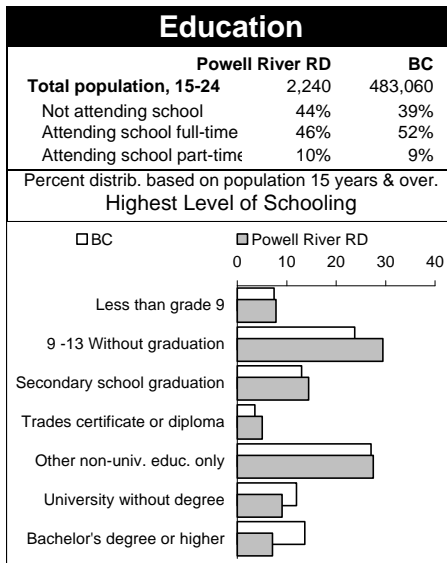
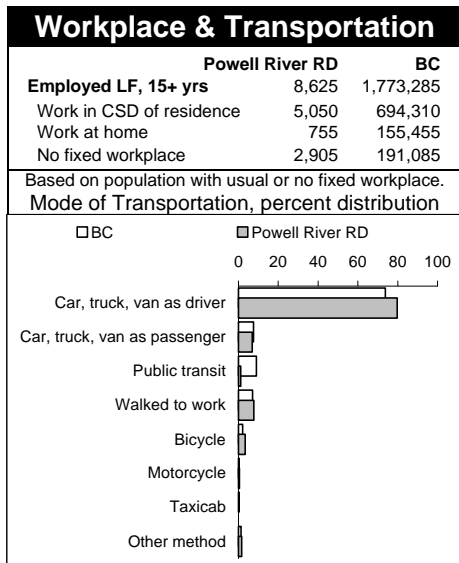


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Notes

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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| Ethnic Origins | | |
|--|---------------|-----------------|
| Total population by ethnic origin (single and multiple responses) | | 19,760 |
| | Single | Multiple |
| Total population | 9,830 | 9,925 |
| English | 2,440 | 5,590 |
| Canadian | 2,315 | 3,060 |
| Scottish | 865 | 3,925 |
| Italian | 580 | 610 |
| N. American Indian | 470 | 595 |
| German | 455 | 1,815 |
| French | 420 | 2,035 |
| Dutch | 365 | 775 |
| Irish | 295 | 3,025 |
| Ukrainian | 220 | 765 |
| Swedish | 150 | 655 |
| Norwegian | 130 | 575 |
| Polish | 120 | 540 |
| Chinese | 95 | 25 |

| Labour Force Activity | | |
|------------------------------|-------------|---------------|
| Unemployment rates | Male | Female |
| Age 15+ | 10.6 | 10.7 |
| Age 15-24 | 17.5 | 20.0 |
| Age 25+ | 9.5 | 8.8 |

| Employment Income in 1995 | | |
|--|-------------|---------------|
| All persons with employment income by work activity | | 9,965 |
| | Male | Female |
| With emp. income by work activity | 5,575 | 4,390 |
| Ave. emp. income \$ | 33,572 | 17,574 |
| Standard error of Ave. emp. income \$ | 651 | 441 |
| Worked full year, full time | 2,720 | 1,445 |
| Ave. emp. income \$ | 45,481 | 26,877 |
| Std. error of Ave. emp. income \$ | 843 | 760 |
| Worked part year or part time | 2,695 | 2,815 |
| Ave. emp. income \$ | 22,490 | 12,974 |
| Std. error of Ave. emp. income \$ | 806 | 458 |

| Total Income in 1995 | | |
|------------------------------|-------------|---------------|
| | Male | Female |
| Population 15+ by income | 7,815 | 7,880 |
| Without income | 230 | 760 |
| With income | 7,585 | 7,120 |
| Under \$1,000 | 280 | 495 |
| \$ 1,000 - \$ 2,999 | 285 | 495 |
| \$ 3,000 - \$ 4,999 | 210 | 465 |
| \$ 5,000 - \$ 6,999 | 255 | 585 |
| \$ 7,000 - \$ 9,999 | 500 | 830 |
| \$10,000 - \$11,999 | 315 | 545 |
| \$12,000 - \$14,999 | 365 | 585 |
| \$15,000 - \$19,999 | 595 | 775 |
| \$20,000 - \$24,999 | 650 | 610 |
| \$25,000 - \$29,999 | 595 | 470 |
| \$30,000 - \$34,999 | 445 | 370 |
| \$35,000 - \$39,999 | 435 | 270 |
| \$40,000 - \$44,999 | 370 | 230 |
| \$45,000 - \$49,999 | 370 | 120 |
| \$50,000 - \$59,999 | 885 | 175 |
| \$60,000 and over | 1,025 | 90 |
| Average income \$ | 32,075 | 16,964 |
| Median income \$ | 27,374 | 12,303 |
| Std. error of ave. income \$ | 526 | 349 |

| Household Income in 1995 | | |
|----------------------------------|----------------|---------------|
| | Average | Median |
| One person households \$ | 24,288 | 18,085 |
| Std. error of ave. income \$ | 899 | |
| Two or more person households \$ | 51,776 | 47,360 |
| Std. error of ave. income \$ | 798 | |

| Workplace and Transportation | | |
|--|-------------|---------------|
| Total employed labour force 15 years and over by place of work status | | 8,625 |
| | Male | Female |
| Total employed labour force | 4,865 | 3,755 |
| Usual place of work | 3,705 | 3,110 |
| In CSD of residence | 2,705 | 2,345 |
| In different CSD | 1,000 | 770 |
| In same CD | 825 | 740 |
| At home | 325 | 430 |
| Outside Canada | 25 | 10 |
| No fixed workplace | 810 | 200 |
| Total employed labour force 15 years and over by mode of transportation | | 7,830 |
| | Male | Female |
| Total employed labour force | 4,515 | 3,315 |
| Car, truck, van as driver | 3,605 | 2,625 |
| Car, truck, van as passenger | 305 | 220 |
| Public transit | 35 | 35 |
| Walked to work | 240 | 350 |
| Bicycle | 210.0 | 45.0 |
| Motorcycle | 25.0 | - |
| Taxicab | - | - |
| Other method | 85 | 30 |

| Mobility & Migration | | |
|--------------------------------------|---------------|---------------|
| | 1-year | 5-year |
| Total by mobility status over period | 19,490 | 18,580 |
| Non-movers | 16,305 | 10,190 |
| Movers | 3,190 | 8,390 |
| Non-migrants | 2,155 | 5,305 |
| Migrants | 1,030 | 3,085 |
| Internal migrants | 975 | 2,910 |
| Intraprovincial migrants | 760 | 2,165 |
| Interprovincial migrants | 220 | 745 |
| External migrants | 60 | 175 |

| Experienced Labour Force by Industry | |
|--|-------|
| Total labour force 15 years and over by industry divisions | 9,655 |
| Industry - Not applicable | 315 |
| All industries | 9,335 |
| Division A - Agricultural and related service industries | 130 |
| Division B - Fishing and trapping industries | 180 |
| Division C - Logging and forestry industries | 465 |
| Division D - Mining (+ milling), quarrying & oil well ind. | 170 |
| Division E - Manufacturing industries | 1,670 |
| Division F - Construction industries | 720 |
| Division G - Transportation and storage industries | 385 |
| Division H - Communication and other utility industries | 125 |
| Division I - Wholesale trade industries | 205 |
| Division J - Retail trade industries | 1,315 |
| Division K - Finance and insurance industries | 210 |
| Division L - Real estate operator & insurance agent ind. | 130 |
| Division M - Business service industries | 210 |
| Division N - Government service industries | 350 |
| Division O - Educational service industries | 575 |
| Division P - Health and social service industries | 1,095 |
| Division Q - Accommodation, food & beverage service | 785 |
| Division R - Other service industries | 615 |

| Top 10 Occupations | |
|------------------------------|-----|
| Sales & service n.e.c. | 840 |
| Clerical | 690 |
| Machine ops in manuf. | 455 |
| Construction trades | 430 |
| Transp equip operators, etc | 400 |
| Retail salespersons & clerks | 370 |
| Mechanics | 335 |
| Forest, mining, gas & fish | 325 |
| Teachers & professors | 315 |
| Childcare & home support | 315 |