

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

## **Profile of Skeena-Queen Charlotte Regional District**

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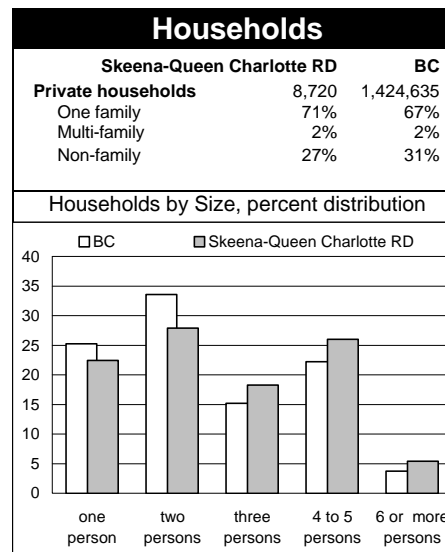
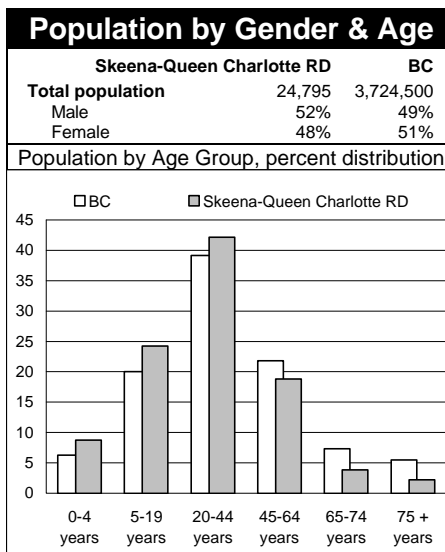
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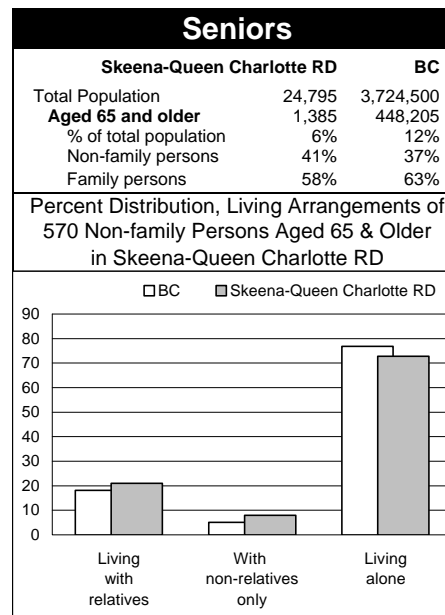
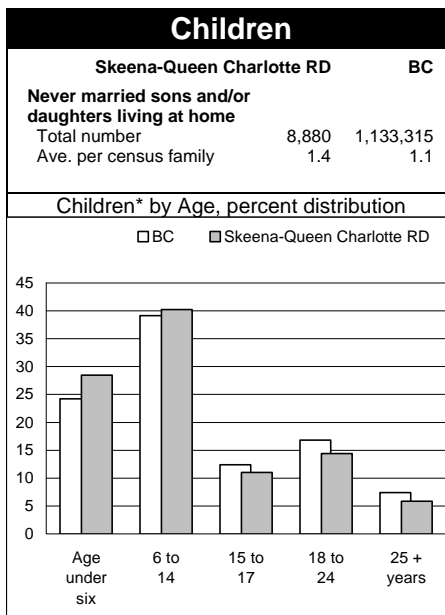
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Summary		
Skeena-Queen Charlotte RD	BC	
<b>Total population</b> (as of May 14, 1996)	24,795	3,724,500
Share of BC	0.7%	100.0
<b>1991 Census Population</b> (as of June 4, 1991)	24,287	3,282,061
Percent change 1991-1996	2.1%	13.5%
<b>Land area 1996</b> km <sup>2</sup>	20,028.17	892,677
Skeena-Queen Charlotte Regional District		
<b>Top 3 industries</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percent</b>
Experienced Labour Force	13,160	100%
Manufacturing	2,365	18%
Government services	1,435	11%
Retail trade	1,395	11%
<b>Top 3 occupations</b>		
Experienced Labour Force	13,160	100%
Sales & service n.e.c.	1,095	8%
Forest, mining, gas & fish	1,005	8%
Clerical	950	7%

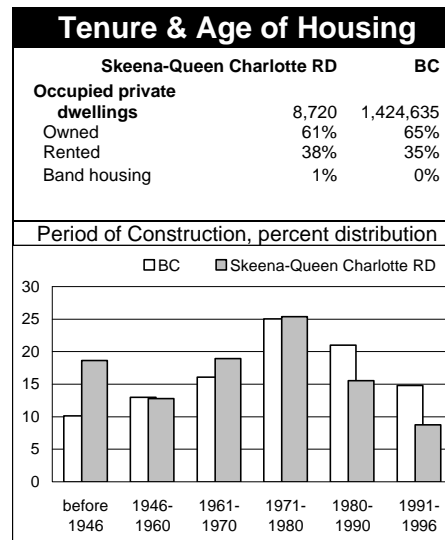
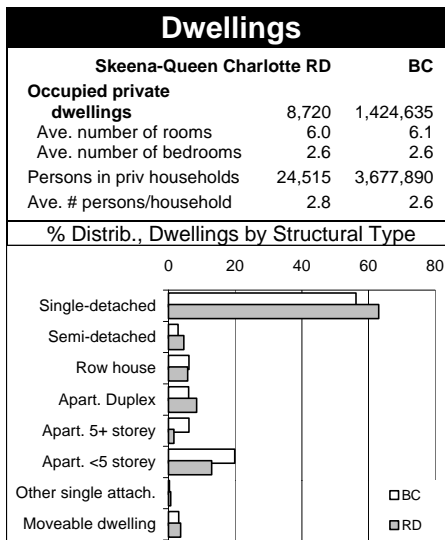


Marital Status & Families		
Skeena-Queen Charlotte RD	BC	
<b>Population 15+ years</b>	18,415	2,989,325
Single, never married	37%	31%
Legally married	47%	52%
Separated	4%	3%
Divorced	8%	8%
Widowed	5%	6%
Census Families by Structure		
<b>Number of census families</b>	6,510	1,008,440
<b>Husband-wife families</b>	5,385	869,430
Now-married couples	4,205	765,565
Without child* at home	32%	43%
With children* at home	68%	57%
Common-law couples	1,180	103,865
Without child* at home	43%	62%
With children* at home	57%	38%
<b>Single-parent families</b>	1,120	139,010
Male parent	26%	17%
Female parent	74%	83%

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



Affordability		
Skeena-Queen Charlotte RD	BC	
<b>Average value of occupied private dwellings</b>	\$134,977	\$239,745
<b>Occupied dwellings</b>	8,720	1,424,635
Regular maintenance	53%	69%
Require minor repairs	31%	24%
Require major repairs	15%	8%
<b>Tenant 1-family households, non-farm, non-reserve, without extra persons</b>	1,785	211,925
Average gross rent	\$607	\$772
Gross rent spending 30% or more of hh income on shelter	550	89,820
Above as % of tenants	31%	42%
<b>Owner 1-family households, non-farm, non-reserve, without extra persons</b>	3,140	623,225
Average owner's major payments	\$789	\$840
Owners major payments spending 30% or more of hh income on shelter	350	111,685
Above as % of owners	11%	18%



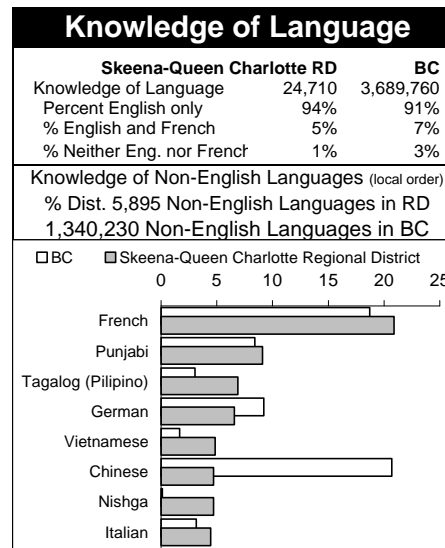
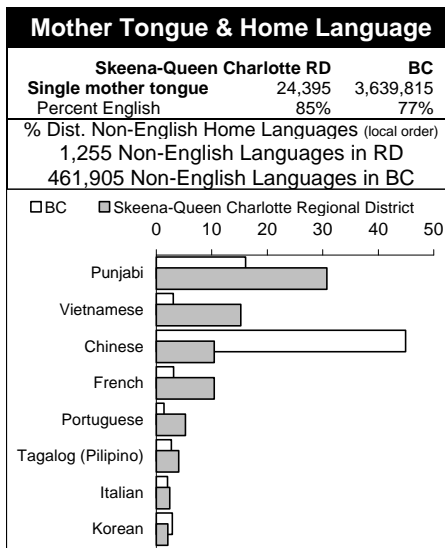
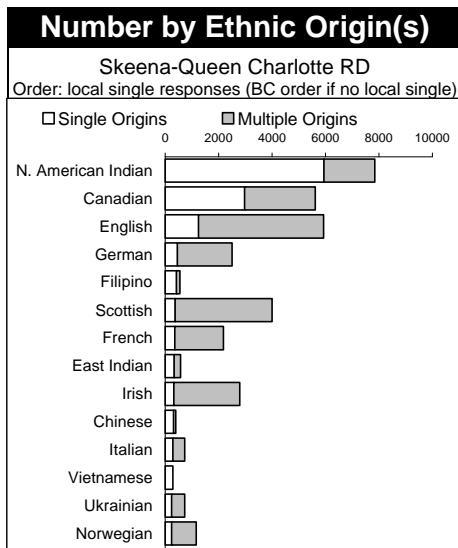
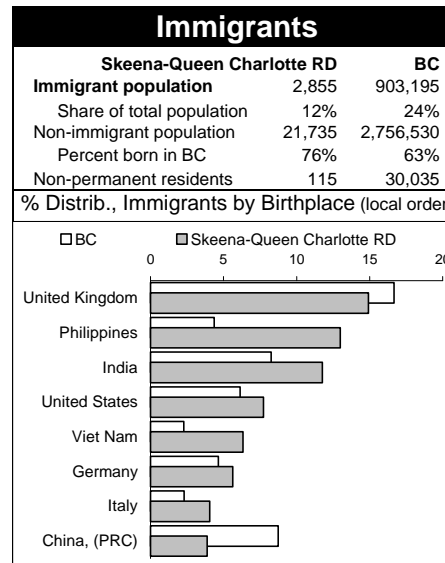
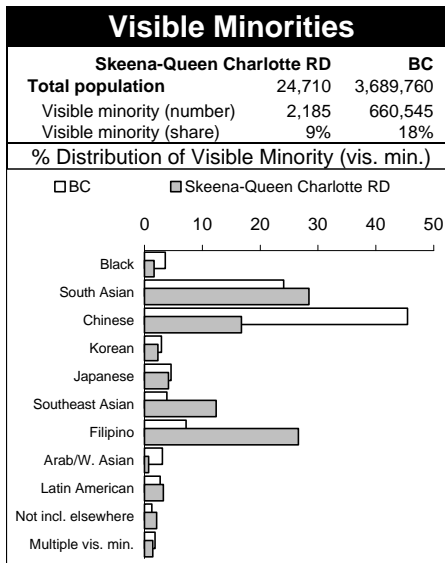
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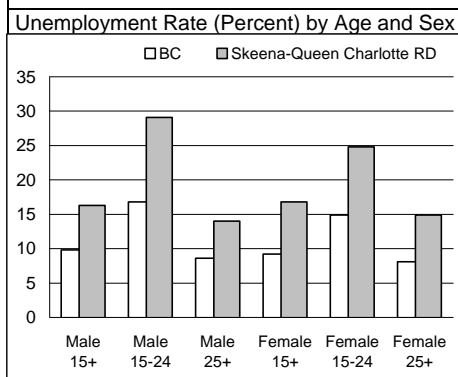
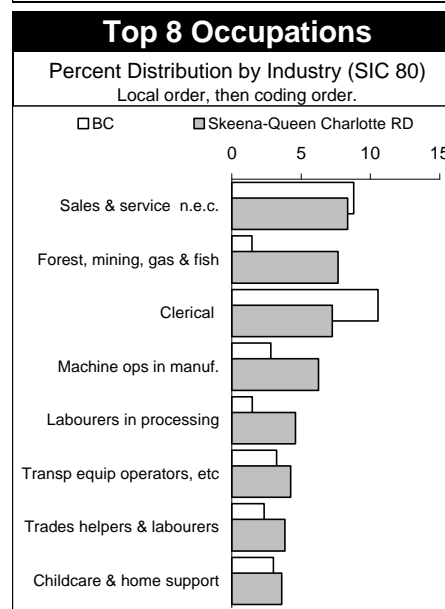
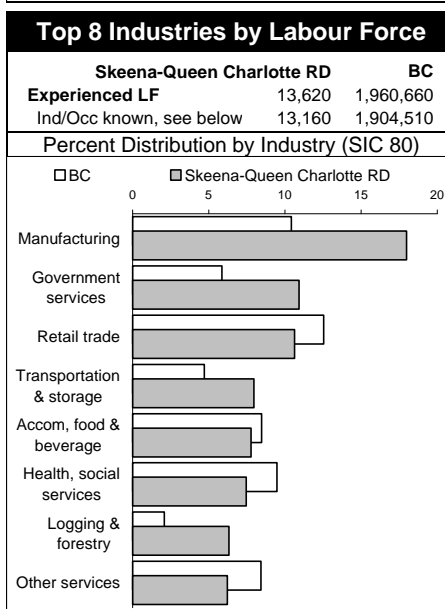
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First Nations		
Skeena-Queen Charlotte RD	BC	
Total population	24,705	3,689,755
<b>Aboriginal identity</b>	8,120	139,655
Share of total population	33%	4%
North American Indian (*si...	7,515	107,370
Metis (*single response)	165	25,575
Inuit (*single response)	15	740
Multiple Aboriginal response	15	1,205
Other Aboriginal response	415	4,765
<b>Aboriginal ethnic origin</b>		
<b>Single response</b>	5,955	76,430
North American Indian	100%	94%
Metis	0%	6%
Inuit	0%	0%
<b>Multiple response</b>	2,025	112,665
North American Indian	94%	76%
Metis	6%	22%
Inuit	0%	1%

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



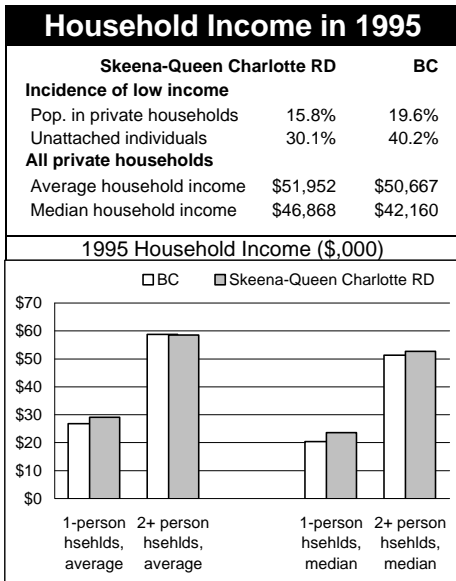
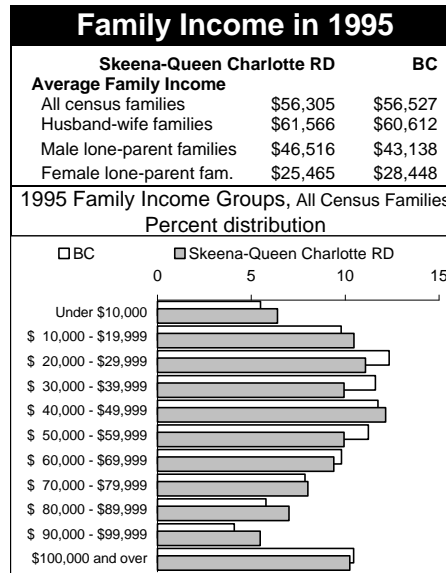
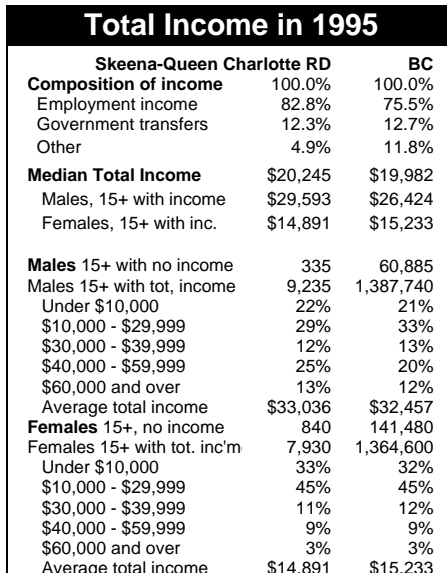
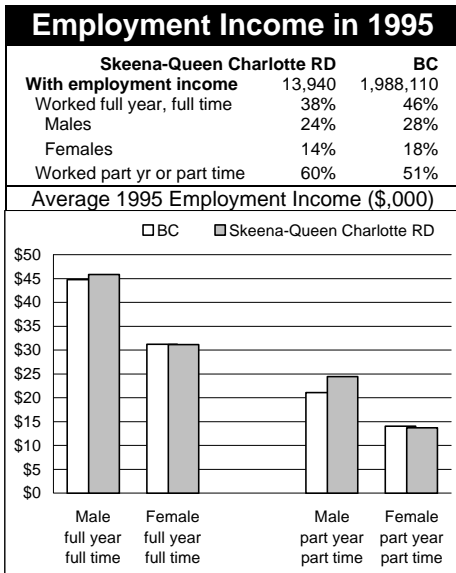
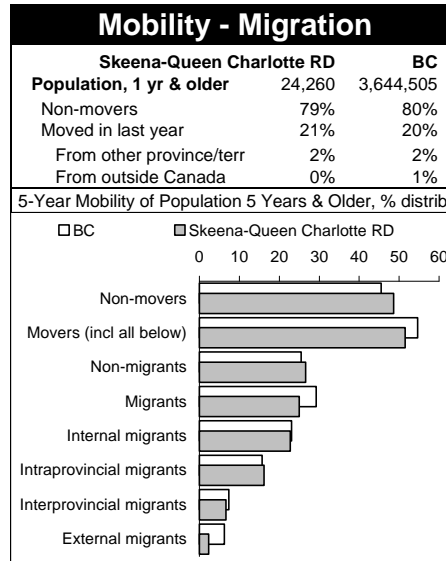
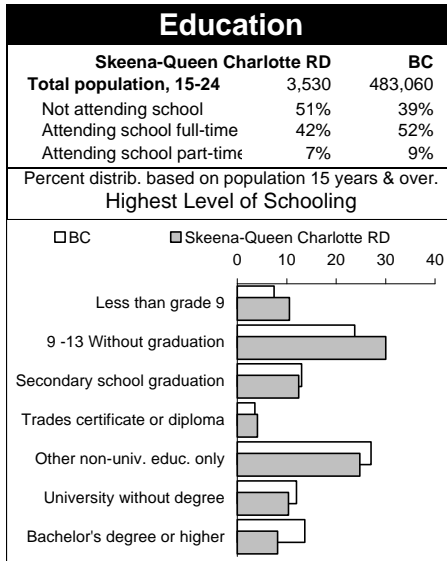
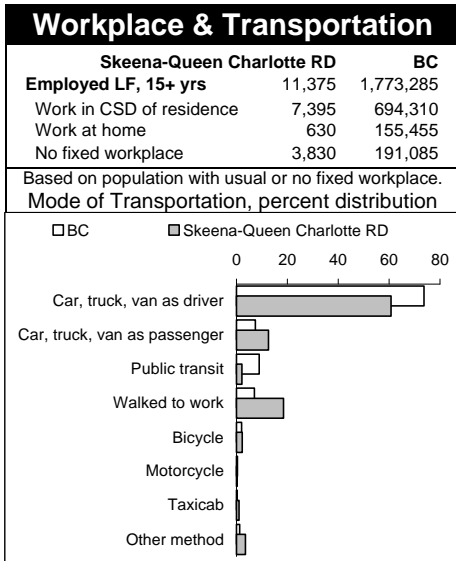
Labour Force Activity		
Skeena-Queen Charlotte RD	BC	
Pop 15+ in labour force	13,620	1,960,660
Employed	11,375	1,773,285
Unemployed	2,245	187,375
Not in labour force	4,725	994,040
Participation rate	74.2	66.4
Unemployment rate	16.5	9.6



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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

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[www.bcstats.gov.bc.ca/census.htm](http://www.bcstats.gov.bc.ca/census.htm)  
[www.bcstats.gov.bc.ca/regions.htm](http://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](http://www.gov.bc.ca/mi/rpts/profiles.htm)

Indian and Northern Affairs Canada has a growing statistics site.  
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 Source data for tables and charts

<b>Gender &amp; Age</b>	
Total pop. by sex & age groups	24,795
Male, total	12,835
0-4	1,120
5-9	1,120
10-14	1,010
15	180
16	195
17	200
18	175
19	190
15-19	950
20-24	850
25-29	950
30-34	1,205
35-39	1,225
40-44	1,135
45-49	915
50-54	725
55-59	540
60-64	385
65-69	275
70-74	195
75-79	125
80-84	60
85+	45
Female, total	11,960
0-4	1,045
5-9	1,085
10-14	1,000
15	165
16	175
17	180
18	150
19	170
15-19	840
20-24	870
25-29	960
30-34	1,135
35-39	1,135
40-44	985
45-49	815
50-54	585
55-59	410
60-64	295
65-69	270
70-74	210
75-79	145
80-84	95
85+	85

<b>Education</b>	
Total population, 15 to 24 years by school attendance	3,530
Not attending school	1,805
Attending school full-time	1,490
Attending school part-time	230
Total population 15 years and over by highest level of schooling	18,345
Less than grade 9	1,925
Grades 9 to 13	7,765
Without secondary school graduation certificate	5,495
With secondary school graduation certificate	2,270

<b>Households</b>	
Total number of occupied private dwellings by structural type of dwelling	8,720
Single-detached house	5,490
Semi-detached house	395
Row house	495
Apartment, detached duplex	730
Apartment building, five or more storeys	130
Apartment building, less than five storeys	1,120
Other single attached house	50
Movable dwelling	310
Total number of private households by household size	8,720
1 person	1,955
2 persons	2,430
3 persons	1,595
4 - 5 persons	2,265
6 or more persons	470
Total number of occupied private dwellings	8,720
Average number of rooms per dwelling	6.0
Average number of bedrooms per dwelling	2.6
Average value of dwelling \$	134,977
Owned	5,305
Rented	3,340
Band housing	80
Regular maintenance only	4,660
Minor repairs	2,715
Major repairs	1,345
Period of construction, before 1946	1,625
Period of construction, 1946-1960	1,115
Period of construction, 1961-1970	1,650
Period of construction, 1971-1980	2,215
Period of construction, 1981-1990	1,355
Period of construction, 1991-1996	765
Total number of private households by household type	8,720
One-family households	6,195
Multiple-family households	150
Non-family households	2,375
Number of persons in private households	24,515
Average number of persons in private households	2.8
Tenant one-family households without additional persons	1,785
Average gross rent \$	578
Gross rent spending 30% or more of household income on shelter costs	1,030
Owner one-family households without additional persons	3,145
Average owner's major payments \$	727
Owner's major payments spending 30% or more of household income on shelter costs	600

<b>Marital Status</b>	
Total pop. 15 + by legal marital status	18,415
Never married (single)	6,825
Legally married (and not separated)	8,565
Separated, but still legally married	760
Divorced	1,400
Widowed	870

<b>Children &amp; Seniors</b>	
Total number of never-married sons and/or daughters at home	8,880
Under 6 years of age	2,530
6 - 14 years	3,575
15 - 17 years	980
18 - 24 years	1,280
25 years and over	520
Total number of persons 65 years and over	1,385
Number of non-family persons 65 years + Living with relatives	570
Living with non-relatives only	45
Living alone	415
Number of family persons 65 years & over	810

<b>First Nations (identity and origin)</b>	
Total population by Aboriginal groups and non-Aboriginal population	24,705
Total Aboriginal population	8,120
North American Indian single response	7,515
Metis single response	165
Inuit single response	15
Multiple Aboriginal responses	15
Other Aboriginal response	415
Total non-Aboriginal population	16,590
<b>Aboriginal Ethnic Origin</b>	
North American Indian - Single responses	24,705
Metis - Single responses	8,120
Inuit - Single responses	7,515
North American Indian - Multiple resp.	1,900
Metis - Multiple responses	125
Inuit - Multiple responses	-

<b>Immigration</b>	
Total population by place of birth	24,710
Non-immigrant population	21,735
Born in province of residence	16,610
Total immigrants by selected birthplace	2,855
United Kingdom	425
Philippines	370
India	335
United States	220
Viet Nam	180
Germany	160
Italy	115
China, (PRC)	110
Portugal	95
Netherlands	85
Poland	80
Hong Kong	50
Croatia	35
Trin. & Tobago	35
Korea, South	30
Hungary	30

Trades certificate or diploma	740
Other non-university education only	4,540
Without certificate or diploma	1,320
With certificate or diploma	3,220
University	3,375
Without degree	1,885
Without certificate or diploma	895
With certificate or diploma	990
With bachelor's degree or higher	1,485

<b>Ethnic Origins</b>		
Total population by ethnic origin (single and multiple responses) 24,705		
	<b>Single</b>	<b>Multiple</b>
Total population	15,190	9,520
N. American Indian	5,940	1,900
Canadian	2,975	2,645
English	1,245	4,680
German	460	2,040
Filipino	420	135
Scottish	375	3,625
French	365	1,820
East Indian	340	230
Irish	320	2,470
Chinese	310	90
Italian	290	445
Vietnamese	270	-
Ukrainian	245	490
Norwegian	245	920

<b>Labour Force Activity</b>		
Unemployment rates		
	<b>Male</b>	<b>Female</b>
Age 15+	16.3	16.8
Age 15-24	29.1	24.8
Age 25+	14.0	14.9

<b>Employment Income in 1995</b>		
All persons with employment income by work activity 13,940		
	<b>Male</b>	<b>Female</b>
With emp. income by work activity	7,760	6,180
Ave. emp. income \$	33,467	19,143
Standard error of Ave. emp. income \$	463	357
Worked full year, full time	3,305	1,960
Ave. emp. income \$	45,851	31,158
Std. error of Ave. emp. income \$	792	675
Worked part year or part time	4,310	4,030
Ave. emp. income \$	24,430	13,680
Std. error of Ave. emp. income \$	491	348

<b>Total Income in 1995</b>		
	<b>Male</b>	<b>Female</b>
Population 15+ by income	9,575	8,770
Without income	335	840
With income	9,235	7,930
Under \$1,000	355	475
\$ 1,000 - \$ 2,999	420	555
\$ 3,000 - \$ 4,999	290	515
\$ 5,000 - \$ 6,999	340	475
\$ 7,000 - \$ 9,999	595	600
\$10,000 - \$11,999	380	590
\$12,000 - \$14,999	480	770
\$15,000 - \$19,999	670	895
\$20,000 - \$24,999	555	760
\$25,000 - \$29,999	565	540
\$30,000 - \$34,999	555	550
\$35,000 - \$39,999	530	285
\$40,000 - \$44,999	640	340
\$45,000 - \$49,999	570	185
\$50,000 - \$59,999	1,055	185
\$60,000 and over	1,235	205
Average income \$	33,036	19,122
Median income \$	29,593	14,891
Std. error of ave. income \$	424	301

<b>Household Income in 1995</b>		
	<b>Average</b>	<b>Median</b>
One person households \$	29,106	23,648
Std. error of ave. income \$	832	
Two or more person households \$	58,556	52,658
Std. error of ave. income \$	781	

<b>Workplace and Transportation</b>		
Total employed labour force 15 years and over by place of work status 11,375		
	<b>Male</b>	<b>Female</b>
Total employed labour force	6,380	5,000
Usual place of work	4,840	4,380
In CSD of residence	3,570	3,825
In different CSD	1,265	550
In same CD	1,120	450
At home	270	360
Outside Canada	15	-
No fixed workplace	1,250	260
Total employed labour force 15 years and over by mode of transportation 10,730		
	<b>Male</b>	<b>Female</b>
Total employed labour force	6,090	4,635
Car, truck, van as driver	4,010	2,490
Car, truck, van as passenger	715	625
Public transit	60	150
Walked to work	765	1,200
Bicycle	170.0	55.0
Motorcycle	10.0	-
Taxicab	80	20
Other method	280	90

<b>Mobility &amp; Migration</b>		
	<b>1-year</b>	<b>5-year</b>
Total by mobility status over period	24,260	22,510
Non-movers	19,175	10,935
Movers	5,085	11,585
Non-migrants	3,035	5,965
Migrants	2,045	5,615
Internal migrants	1,970	5,110
Intraprovincial migrants	1,485	3,625
Interprovincial migrants	485	1,485
External migrants	75	505

<b>Experienced Labour Force by Industry</b>	
Total labour force 15 years and over by industry divisions	13,620
Industry - Not applicable	460
All industries	13,160
Division A - Agricultural and related service industries	65
Division B - Fishing and trapping industries	750
Division C - Logging and forestry industries	830
Division D - Mining (+ milling), quarrying & oil well ind.	-
Division E - Manufacturing industries	2,365
Division F - Construction industries	475
Division G - Transportation and storage industries	1,045
Division H - Communication and other utility industries	175
Division I - Wholesale trade industries	340
Division J - Retail trade industries	1,395
Division K - Finance and insurance industries	285
Division L - Real estate operator & insurance agent ind.	110
Division M - Business service industries	310
Division N - Government service industries	1,435
Division O - Educational service industries	765
Division P - Health and social service industries	980
Division Q - Accommodation, food & beverage service	1,020
Division R - Other service industries	815

<b>Top 10 Occupations</b>	
Sales & service n.e.c.	1,095
Forest, mining, gas & fish	1,005
Clerical	950
Machine ops in manuf.	820
Labourers in processing	600
Transp equip operators, etc	555
Trades helpers & labourers	500
Childcare & home support	470
Technical, sciences related	450
Retail salespersons & clerks	440