

DATA SOURCES

The majority of the information found on NBjobs.ca's "Demographic Trends" page is based on Statistics Canada's "Quarterly Demographic Estimates" and "Annual Demographic Estimates" programs.

These statistical programs provide estimates on not only the total population, but also the following components of population growth: births, deaths, immigration, emigration, returning emigration, net temporary emigration, net non-permanent residents and inter-provincial migration. Additionally, these estimates are available by age, sex, and sub-provincial geography on an annual basis.

These estimates are based on data from a combination of sources, including: the Census, birth and death records, tax filer data and immigration records. Currently, these estimates use the 2016 Census as their base. In late-2023/early-2024, data from the 2021 Census will be used to re-calibrate and revise the quarterly and annual demographic estimates.

TERMINOLOGY¹

International Migration: Movement of population between Canada and a foreign country which involves a change of the usual place of residence. A distinction is made with regard to immigrants, emigrants, returning emigrants, net temporary emigration, and net non-permanent residents. Net international migration is obtained according to the following formula: Immigrants + returning emigrants + net non-permanent residents – (emigrants + net temporary emigration).

- **Emigrant:** A Canadian citizen or immigrant who has left Canada to establish a residence in another country. Emigration may be either temporary or permanent. Net emigration is the balance of emigrants, minus returning emigrants, plus net temporary emigrants.
- **Immigrant:** A person who has been granted the right to live in Canada permanently by immigration authorities. Immigrants are either Canadian citizens by naturalization (the citizenship process) or permanent residents under Canadian legislation. Some immigrants have resided in Canada for a number of years, while others have arrived recently.
- **Non-Permanent Resident:** A person who is lawfully in Canada on a temporary basis under the authority of a valid document (work permit, study permit, Minister's permit or refugee) issued for that person along with members of his family living with them. Net non-permanent residents represents the variation in the number of non-permanent residents between two dates.

Interprovincial Migration: Movement of population from one province or territory to another, involving a change in usual place of residence. Net interprovincial migration is the difference between the number of in-migrants and the number of out-migrants.

Intraprovincial Migration: Movement from one region to another within the same province or territory involving a permanent change of residence. Net intraprovincial migration represents the difference between in-migrants and out-migrants in a given intraprovincial region.

Median Age: The exact age where half the population is older, and half is younger.

¹ Source: Statistics Canada