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2001 Census Update

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Age and Sex

On July 16, 2002, Statistics Canada released the second of a series of announcements from the 2001 Census of Canada, which was conducted on May 15, 2001. Data regarding age and sex, 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.

The 2001 Census reported the median age of the Canadian population as 37.6 years. Median age is that age where one-half the population is older and the other half is younger.

The median age has been increasing throughout the last century, dipping down only in the 1960s before proceeding with its upward trend. It is forecast that this upward trend will continue and the median age of Canadians will reach 41.0 years in 2011.

Throughout the last century the median age of the working age population, those age 20 to 64, has been more variable, however, in 2001 it reached a high of 41.3 years and is expected to reach 43.7 in 2011.

Compared to other countries, Canada's median age is lower than that of Japan (41.2), Italy (40.2), Germany (40.1) and the United Kingdom (37.7). It is higher than

Year	Total Population	Working Age Population**
1901	22.7	35.5
1911	23.8	34.7
1921	23.9	36.6
1931	24.7	37.4
1941	27.0	37.3
1951	27.7	37.7
1961	26.3	38.7
1971	26.2	38.5
1981	29.6	36.5
1991	33.5	38.1
2001	37.6	41.3
2011*	41.0	43.7

* forecast median age

** refers to population age 20 to 64

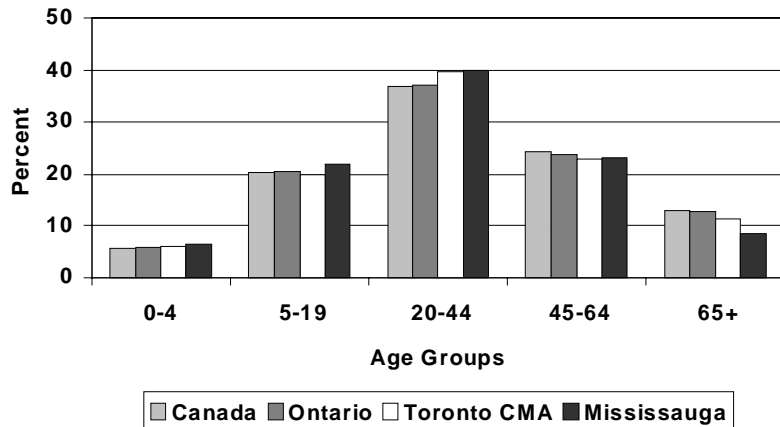
that of Mexico (23.3), Australia (35.2), the United States (35.5),

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Canada, Provinces and Territories Age Groups

	Age Groups						Total	Median Age
	0-4 # (%)	5-19 # (%)	20-44 # (%)	45-64 # (%)	65+ # (%)			
Canada	1,696,280 (6%)	6,082,580 (20%)	11,052,370 (37%)	7,287,305 (24%)	3,888,555 (13%)	30,007,095 (100%)	37.6	
Newfoundland and Labrador	24,815 (5%)	103,405 (20%)	185,635 (36%)	136,020 (27%)	63,050 (12%)	512,935 (100%)	38.4	
Prince Edward Island	7,550 (6%)	29,320 (22%)	46,520 (34%)	33,320 (25%)	18,565 (14%)	135,290 (100%)	37.7	
Nova Scotia	47,455 (5%)	179,315 (20%)	323,830 (36%)	230,845 (25%)	126,570 (14%)	908,005 (100%)	38.8	
New Brunswick	37,690 (5%)	143,085 (20%)	263,720 (36%)	186,065 (26%)	98,930 (14%)	729,500 (100%)	38.6	
Quebec	375,765 (5%)	1,377,890 (19%)	2,653,175 (37%)	1,870,855 (26%)	959,820 (13%)	7,237,475 (100%)	38.8	
Ontario	671,250 (6%)	2,330,915 (20%)	4,236,425 (37%)	2,699,270 (24%)	1,472,170 (13%)	11,410,045 (100%)	37.2	
Manitoba	70,675 (6%)	243,460 (22%)	393,155 (35%)	255,870 (23%)	156,420 (14%)	1,119,590 (100%)	36.8	
Saskatchewan	60,940 (6%)	224,600 (23%)	330,385 (34%)	215,440 (22%)	147,565 (15%)	978,935 (100%)	36.7	
Alberta	186,430 (6%)	654,125 (22%)	1,163,865 (39%)	661,990 (22%)	308,400 (10%)	2,974,800 (100%)	35.0	
British Columbia	205,655 (5%)	770,690 (20%)	1,418,845 (36%)	979,465 (25%)	533,090 (14%)	3,907,730 (100%)	38.4	
Yukon Territory	1,695 (6%)	6,630 (23%)	11,090 (39%)	7,520 (26%)	1,735 (6%)	28,670 (100%)	36.1	
Northwest Territories	3,005 (8%)	10,055 (27%)	15,545 (42%)	7,115 (19%)	1,635 (4%)	37,375 (100%)	30.1	
Nunavut	3,355 (13%)	9,105 (34%)	10,150 (38%)	3,545 (13%)	600 (2%)	26,750 (100%)	22.1	

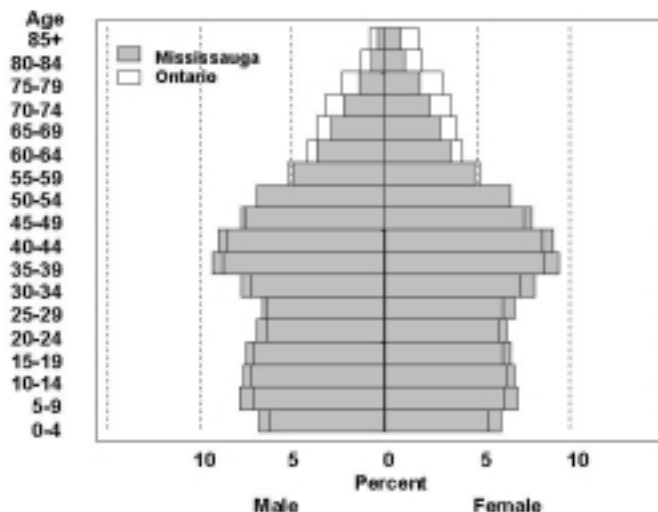
Canada, Ontario, Toronto CMA and Mississauga, Major Age Groups



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.

Mississauga and Ontario, Age-Sex Pyramid



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Russia (36.9) and the same as France (37.6). The World's median age is estimated to be 26.5 years.

The increase in Canada's median age has implications for the labour force, the economy and services. Median age impacts policy considerations regarding matters such as immigration, retirement age, pensions and health care services.

The working age population is getting older. This is largely due to the baby boom population, those born between 1946 and 1965. The older members of the baby boom were the 45 to 64 age group. This age group increased almost 36% in the last decade. It now forms one-quarter of the population compared to approximately 20% in 1991. In the next ten years all of the baby boom population will be age 45 to 64 resulting in one-third of Canada's population being concentrated in this age group.

With a median age of 37.2 years, Ontario's population is younger than that of Canada as a whole. The median age in Ontario is lower than the Atlantic Provinces, Quebec and British Columbia, but higher than the Prairie Provinces and the Territories. The Northwest Territories and particularly Nunavut have a markedly younger population than the rest of Canada.

A comparison of the major age groups for Canada and Ontario, indicates that Ontario has slightly higher shares of its population in the 0 to 44 age range and slight lower shares in 45 plus age range than does Canada. The Toronto CMA has larger shares of population in the 0 to 4 and 20 to 44 age ranges than does Canada and Ontario.

Mississauga has larger shares than Canada, Ontario and the Toronto

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**Canada, Ontario, Toronto CMA and Mississauga
Age and Sex**

	Canada		Ontario		Toronto CMA		Mississauga	
	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%
<i>Males</i>								
0-4	868,075	5.9%	343,340	6.2%	148,010	6.5%	20,485	6.8%
5-9	1,011,465	6.9%	396,385	7.1%	163,375	7.2%	23,580	7.8%
10-14	1,051,450	7.1%	404,970	7.3%	159,355	7.0%	23,030	7.6%
15-19	1,052,145	7.2%	394,915	7.1%	156,360	6.8%	22,660	7.5%
20-24	982,280	6.7%	359,645	6.4%	152,415	6.7%	20,955	6.9%
25-29	935,510	6.4%	356,180	6.4%	161,270	7.1%	20,005	6.6%
30-34	1,031,250	7.0%	404,515	7.3%	185,295	8.1%	23,175	7.7%
35-39	1,244,995	8.5%	487,605	8.7%	212,215	9.3%	28,145	9.3%
40-44	1,271,725	8.6%	476,230	8.5%	197,690	8.7%	27,050	9.0%
45-49	1,151,155	7.8%	419,475	7.5%	169,510	7.4%	23,395	7.7%
50-54	1,033,360	7.0%	382,065	6.9%	152,290	6.7%	20,820	6.9%
55-59	789,205	5.4%	288,120	5.2%	110,355	4.8%	14,750	4.9%
60-64	621,570	4.2%	232,445	4.2%	87,955	3.9%	11,205	3.7%
65-69	543,830	3.7%	205,785	3.7%	76,220	3.3%	8,660	2.9%
70-74	461,785	3.1%	177,845	3.2%	63,555	2.8%	6,505	2.2%
75-79	338,820	2.3%	130,435	2.3%	45,615	2.0%	4,260	1.4%
80-84	192,640	1.3%	71,835	1.3%	24,930	1.1%	2,210	0.7%
85+	125,580	0.9%	45,260	0.8%	16,255	0.7%	1,295	0.4%
Total	14,706,850	49.0%	5,577,055	48.9%	2,282,665	48.7%	302,190	49.3%
Median Age/ % age 15+	36.8	80.1%	36.4	79.5%	35.4	79.4%	34.4	77.8%
<i>Females</i>								
0-4	828,205	5.4%	327,910	5.6%	140,650	5.9%	19,535	6.3%
5-9	964,675	6.3%	376,265	6.5%	154,170	6.4%	22,220	7.2%
10-14	1,001,665	6.5%	383,880	6.6%	150,590	6.3%	21,615	7.0%
15-19	1,001,180	6.5%	374,500	6.4%	147,580	6.1%	21,205	6.8%
20-24	973,530	6.4%	358,775	6.2%	154,190	6.4%	20,640	6.6%
25-29	962,690	6.3%	373,475	6.4%	173,420	7.2%	21,600	7.0%
30-34	1,065,490	7.0%	424,325	7.3%	198,160	8.3%	25,270	8.1%
35-39	1,277,860	8.4%	502,235	8.6%	218,570	9.1%	29,360	9.4%
40-44	1,307,040	8.5%	493,440	8.5%	207,070	8.6%	28,215	9.1%
45-49	1,182,380	7.7%	439,655	7.5%	182,225	7.6%	24,545	7.9%
50-54	1,052,395	6.9%	394,080	6.8%	160,690	6.7%	21,200	6.8%
55-59	805,030	5.3%	296,375	5.1%	115,195	4.8%	14,800	4.8%
60-64	652,210	4.3%	247,055	4.2%	95,605	4.0%	11,315	3.6%
65-69	589,800	3.9%	225,095	3.9%	84,655	3.5%	9,270	3.0%
70-74	547,430	3.6%	209,445	3.6%	76,520	3.2%	7,555	2.4%
75-79	474,850	3.1%	183,360	3.1%	64,955	2.7%	6,035	1.9%
80-84	323,495	2.1%	118,300	2.0%	39,715	1.7%	3,475	1.1%
85+	290,325	1.9%	104,810	1.8%	36,270	1.5%	2,885	0.9%
Total	15,300,245	51.0%	5,832,990	51.1%	2,400,235	51.3%	310,730	50.7%
Median Age/ % age 15+	38.4	81.7%	38.0	81.3%	36.9	81.4%	35.6	79.6%

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CMA in the 0 to 44 age groups and a significantly lower share of its population in the 65 plus age group. The population pyramid on page 2 which compares Mississauga and Ontario, clearly illustrates Mississauga's younger population structure.

As a growing city with many recent housing developments, Mississauga has been attractive to young families. This is reflected in its age structure, however, as Mississauga approaches full development in the next few

decades its population is expected to begin to more closely reflect that of Ontario.

The median age of women is consistently higher than that of men by approximately one and a half years for Canada, Ontario and the Toronto CMA. In Mississauga, women also have a higher median age but the difference is slightly less at 1.2 years.

Males tend to have larger proportions in the younger age groups, but smaller proportions in

the older age groups. Women have historically outnumbered men in the older age groups, however, the 2001 Census reported a narrowing of the gap. The ratio of men to women in the 65 plus age groups for Canada was 75 to 100 in 2001, compared to 72 to 100 in 1991. In Mississauga, the ratio in 2001 was 78 to 100.

Women outnumber men across Canada. For all age groups, the ratio of men to women is 96 to 100. At 97 to 100, the male to female ratio is slightly higher in Mississauga.

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Canada, Ontario, Toronto CMA and Mississauga Age and Sex								
	Canada		Ontario		Toronto CMA		Mississauga	
	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%
<i>Both</i>								
0-4	1,696,280	5.7%	671,250	5.9%	288,660	6.2%	40,020	6.5%
5-9	1,976,140	6.6%	772,650	6.8%	317,550	6.8%	45,800	7.5%
10-14	2,053,115	6.8%	788,850	6.9%	309,950	6.6%	44,645	7.3%
15-19	2,053,325	6.8%	769,415	6.7%	303,940	6.5%	43,865	7.2%
20-24	1,955,810	6.5%	718,420	6.3%	306,610	6.5%	41,595	6.8%
25-29	1,898,200	6.3%	729,655	6.4%	334,690	7.1%	41,605	6.8%
30-34	2,096,740	7.0%	828,840	7.3%	383,450	8.2%	48,445	7.9%
35-39	2,522,855	8.4%	989,840	8.7%	430,785	9.2%	57,505	9.4%
40-44	2,578,765	8.6%	969,670	8.5%	404,755	8.6%	55,265	9.0%
45-49	2,333,535	7.8%	859,130	7.5%	351,735	7.5%	47,940	7.8%
50-54	2,085,755	7.0%	776,145	6.8%	312,975	6.7%	42,020	6.9%
55-59	1,594,235	5.3%	584,495	5.1%	225,550	4.8%	29,550	4.8%
60-64	1,273,780	4.2%	479,500	4.2%	183,560	3.9%	22,520	3.7%
65-69	1,133,630	3.8%	430,880	3.8%	160,875	3.4%	17,930	2.9%
70-74	1,009,215	3.4%	387,290	3.4%	140,075	3.0%	14,060	2.3%
75-79	813,670	2.7%	313,795	2.8%	110,570	2.4%	10,295	1.7%
80-84	516,135	1.7%	190,135	1.7%	64,645	1.4%	5,685	0.9%
85+	415,905	1.4%	150,070	1.3%	52,540	1.1%	4,180	0.7%
Total	30,007,095	100%	11,410,045	100%	4,682,900	100%	612,920	100%
Median Age/ % age 15+	37.6	80.9%	37.2	80.4%	36.2	80.4%	35.0	78.7%

