



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

Profile of  
**Colwood, C**

Located in Capital Regional District

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*59017041*

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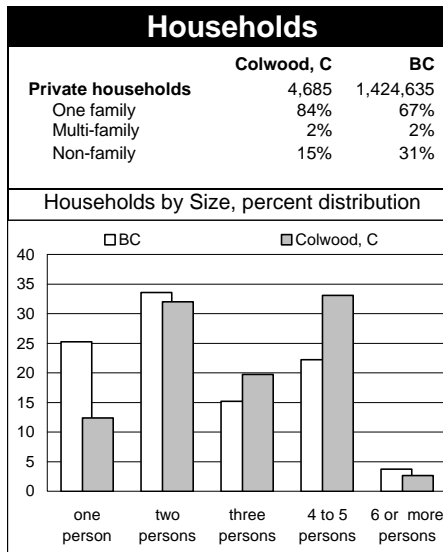
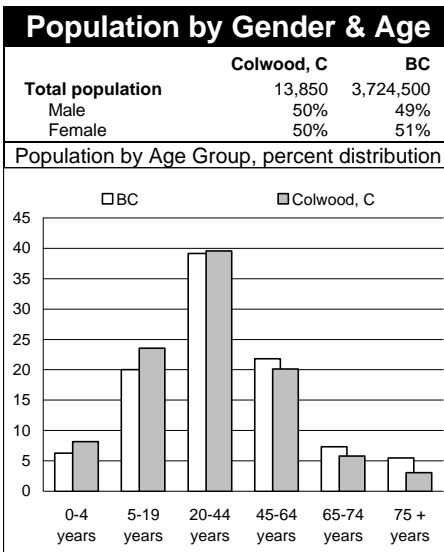
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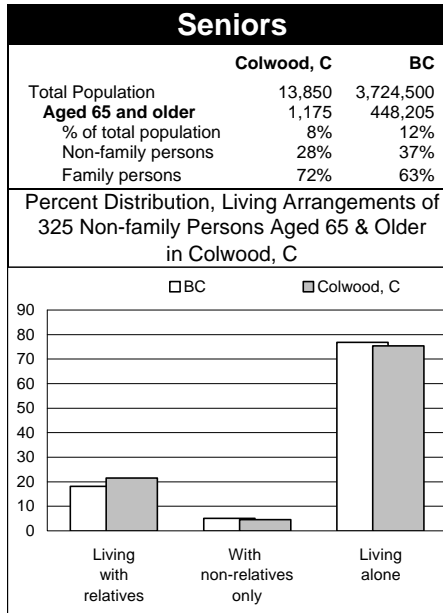
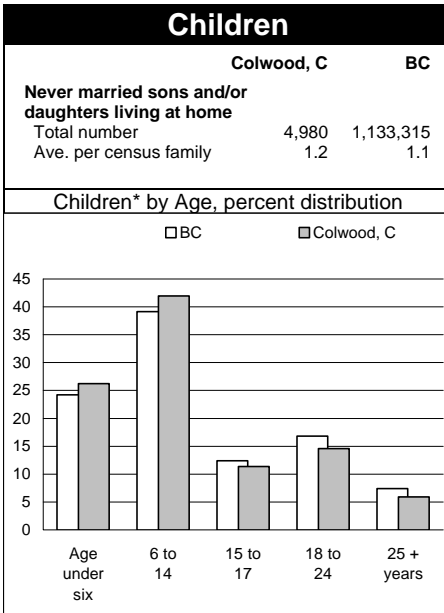
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Summary		
	Colwood, C	BC
<b>Total population</b> (as of May 14, 1996)	13,848	3,724,500
Share of Regional District	4.4%	-
<b>1991 Census Population</b> (as of June 4, 1991)	13,468	3,282,061
Percent change 1991-1996	2.8%	13.5%
<b>Land area 1996</b> km <sup>2</sup>	17.87	892,677
Colwood, C		
<b>Top 3 industries</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percent</b>
Experienced Labour Force	7,320	100%
Government services	1,740	24%
Health, social services	1,010	14%
Retail trade	920	13%
<b>Top 3 occupations</b>		
Experienced Labour Force	7,320	100%
Clerical	995	14%
Sales & service n.e.c.	685	9%
Protective services	595	8%

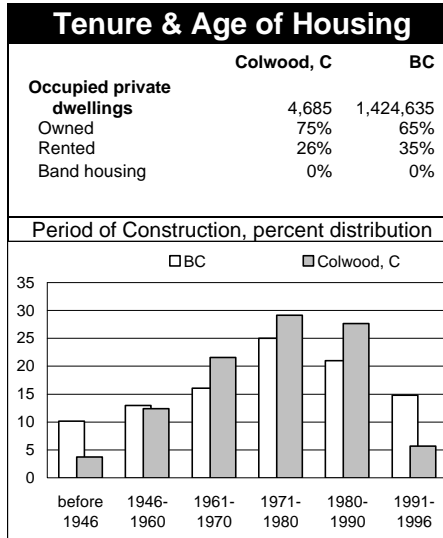
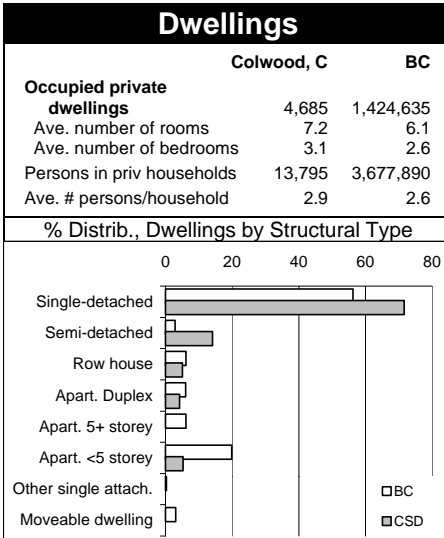


Marital Status & Families		
	Colwood, C	BC
<b>Population 15+ years</b>	10,365	2,989,325
Single, never married	23%	31%
Legally married	64%	52%
Separated	3%	3%
Divorced	7%	8%
Widowed	4%	6%
Census Families by Structure		
<b>Number of census families</b>	4,085	1,008,440
<b>Husband-wife families</b>	3,575	869,430
Now-married couples	3,275	765,565
Without child* at home	38%	43%
With children* at home	62%	57%
<b>Common-law couples</b>	295	103,865
Without child* at home	47%	62%
With children* at home	53%	38%
<b>Single-parent families</b>	510	139,010
Male parent	18%	17%
Female parent	82%	83%

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



Affordability		
	Colwood, C	BC
<b>Average value of occupied private dwellings</b>	\$226,405	\$239,745
<b>Occupied dwellings</b>	4,685	1,424,635
Regular maintenance	70%	69%
Require minor repairs	25%	24%
Require major repairs	5%	8%
<b>Tenant 1-family households, non-farm, non-reserve, without extra persons</b>	905	211,925
Average gross rent	\$788	\$772
Gross rent spending 30% or more of hh income on shelter	215	89,820
Above as % of tenants	24%	42%
<b>Owner 1-family households, non-farm, non-reserve, without extra persons</b>	2,755	623,225
Average owner's major payments	\$905	\$840
Owners major payments spending 30% or more of hh income on shelter	445	111,685
Above as % of owners	16%	18%



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### First Nations

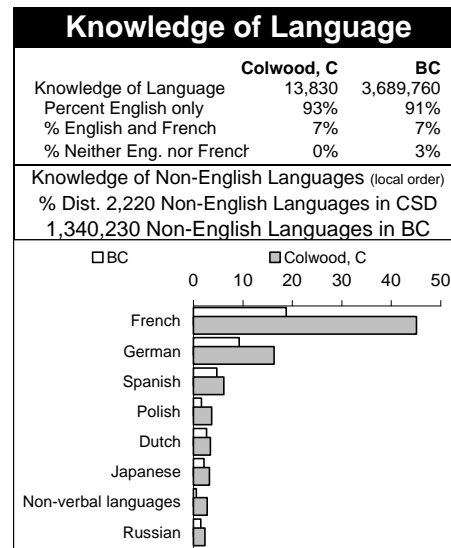
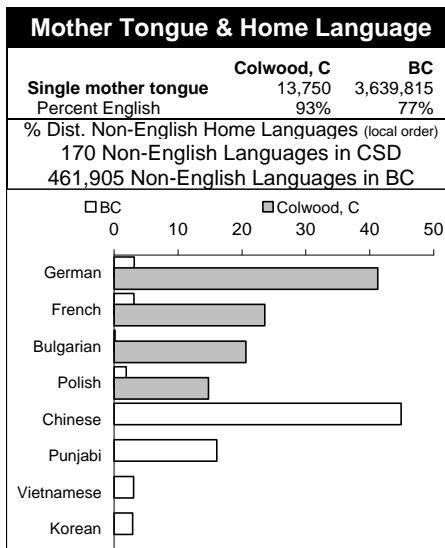
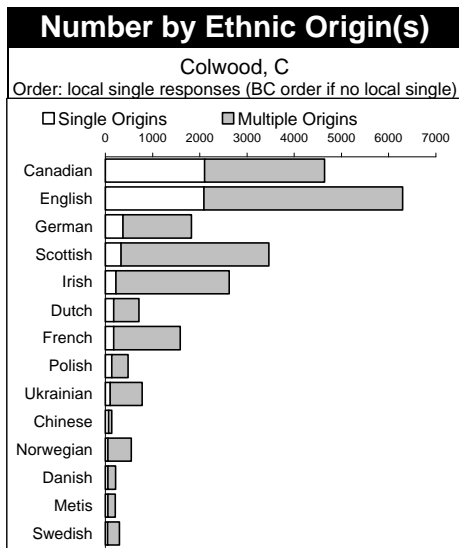
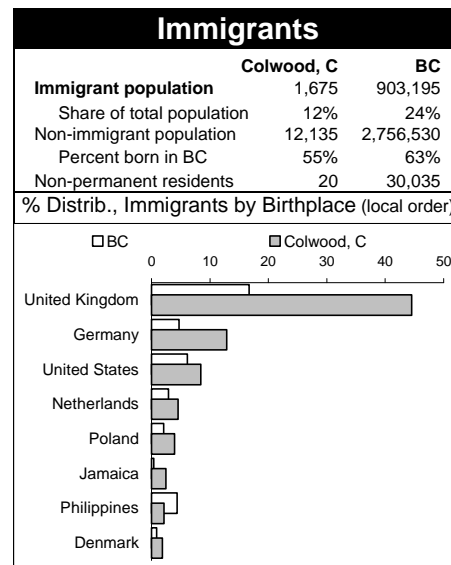
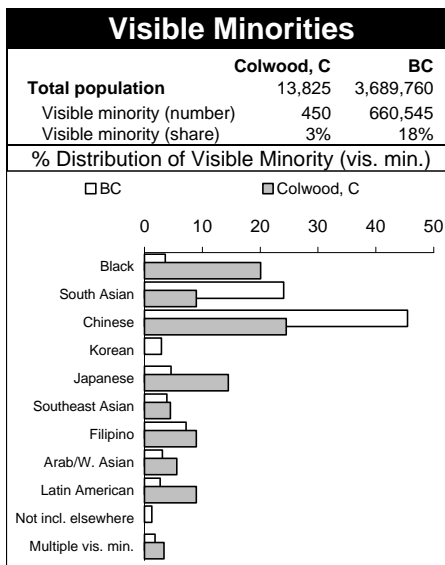
	Colwood, C	BC
Total population	13,825	3,689,755
<b>Aboriginal identity</b>	255	139,655
Share of total population	2%	4%
North American Indian (*si...	110	107,370
Metis (*single response)	130	25,575
Inuit (*single response)	0	740
Multiple Aboriginal response	0	1,205
Other Aboriginal response	10	4,765

### Aboriginal ethnic origin

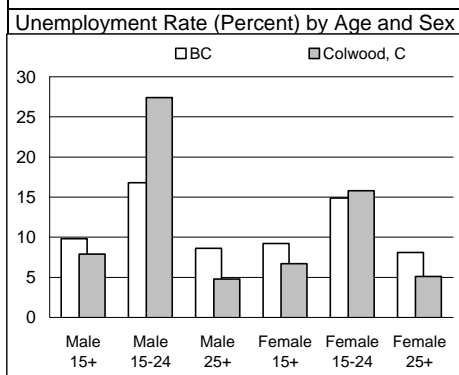
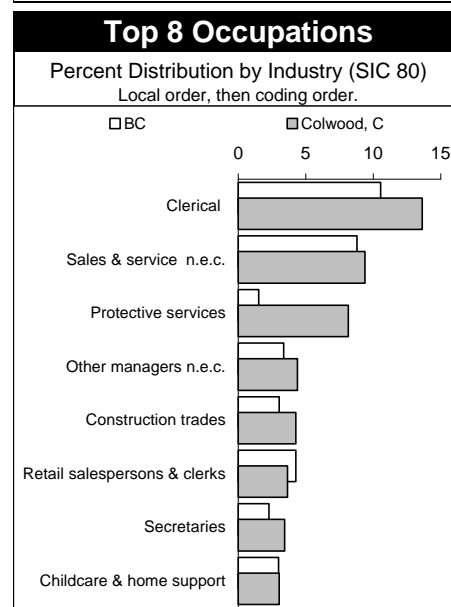
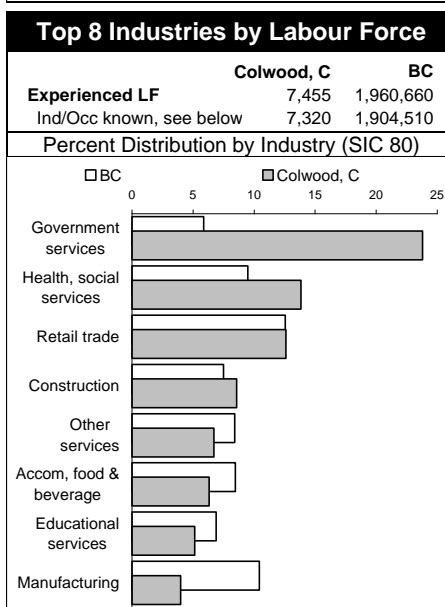
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<b>Single response</b>	90	76,430
North American Indian	39%	94%
Metis	61%	6%
Inuit	0%	0%
<b>Multiple response</b>	550	112,665
North American Indian	70%	76%
Metis	28%	22%
Inuit	2%	1%

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



### Labour Force Activity

	Colwood, C	BC
Pop 15+ in labour force	7,460	1,960,660
Employed	6,910	1,773,285
Unemployed	550	187,375
Not in labour force	2,880	994,040
Participation rate	72.2	66.4
Unemployment rate	7.4	9.6

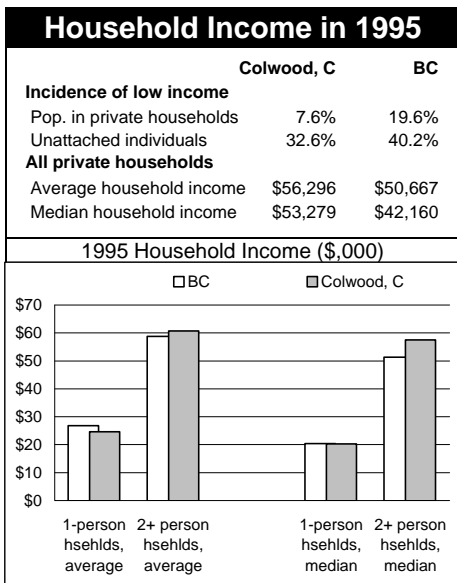
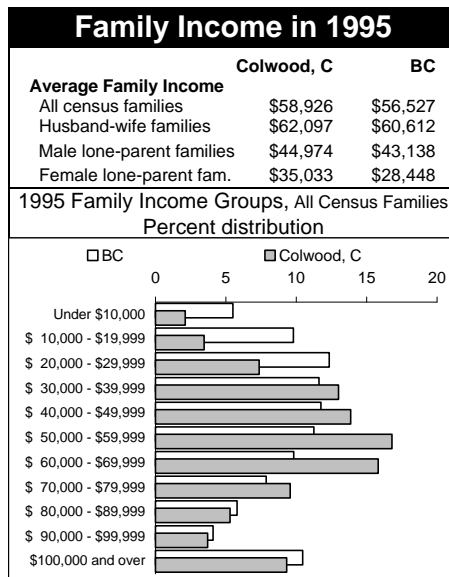
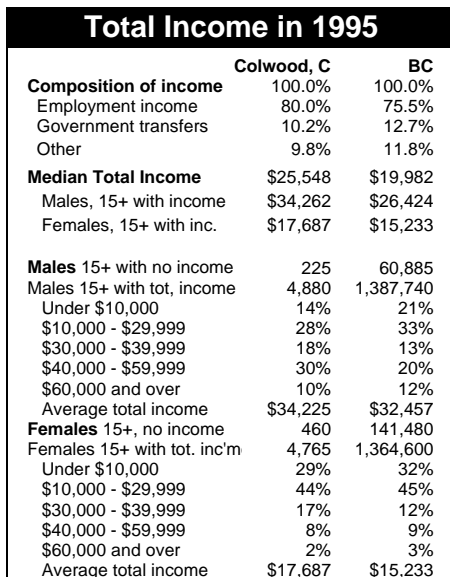
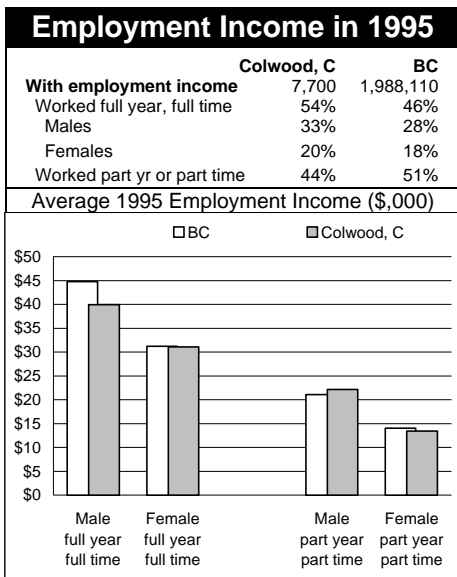
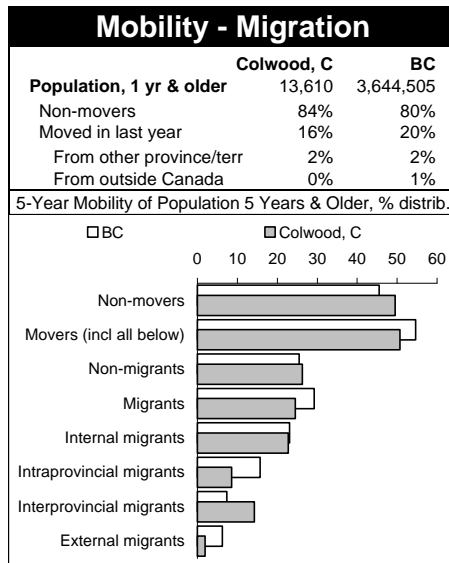
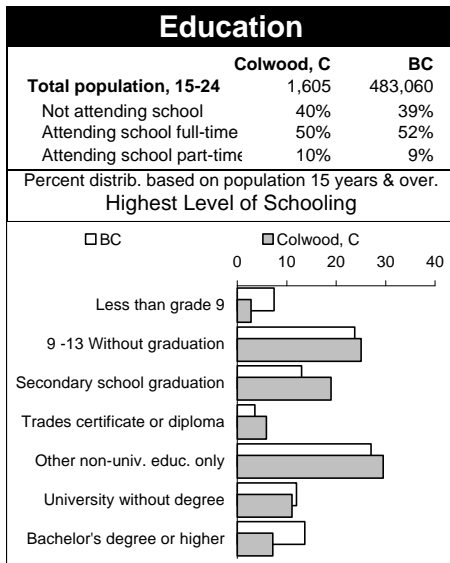
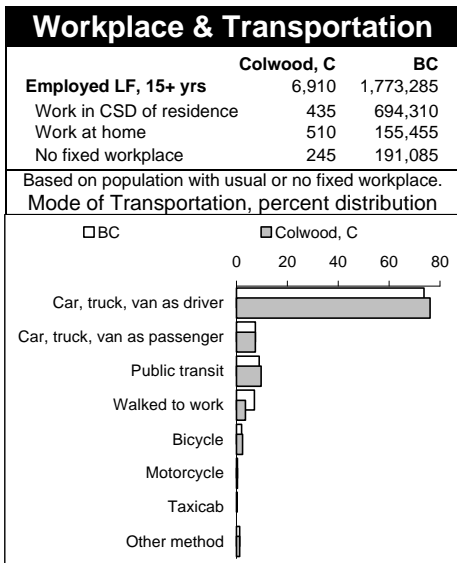


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### Notes

**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](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.  
[www.inac.gc.ca/pr/sts/index\\_e.html](http://www.inac.gc.ca/pr/sts/index_e.html)

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Source data for tables and charts

**Ethnic Origins**

Total population by ethnic origin (single and multiple responses)	13,830	
	Single	Multiple
Total population	6,415	7,415
Canadian	2,100	2,540
English	2,090	4,205
German	375	1,445
Scottish	330	3,130
Irish	225	2,395
Dutch	175	535
French	175	1,410
Polish	135	345
Ukrainian	105	675
Chinese	65	70
Norwegian	55	495
Danish	55	165
Metis	55	155
Swedish	45	255

**Labour Force Activity**

Unemployment rates	Male	Female
Age 15+	7.9	6.7
Age 15-24	27.4	15.8
Age 25+	4.8	5.1

**Employment Income in 1995**

All persons with employment income by work activity	7,700	
	Male	Female
With emp. income by work activity	4,010	3,685
Ave. emp. income \$	33,567	20,834
Standard error of Ave. emp. income \$	664	504
Worked full year, full time	2,575	1,545
Ave. emp. income \$	39,904	31,094
Std. error of Ave. emp. income \$	720	652
Worked part year or part time	1,340	2,070
Ave. emp. income \$	22,167	13,396
Std. error of Ave. emp. income \$	1,110	535

**Total Income in 1995**

Population 15+ by income	Male	Female
	Without income	225
With income	4,880	4,765
Under \$1,000	170	210
\$ 1,000 - \$ 2,999	105	300
\$ 3,000 - \$ 4,999	115	250
\$ 5,000 - \$ 6,999	90	250
\$ 7,000 - \$ 9,999	215	390
\$10,000 - \$11,999	130	310
\$12,000 - \$14,999	205	355
\$15,000 - \$19,999	275	470
\$20,000 - \$24,999	345	475
\$25,000 - \$29,999	400	465
\$30,000 - \$34,999	450	480
\$35,000 - \$39,999	420	320
\$40,000 - \$44,999	535	170
\$45,000 - \$49,999	380	75
\$50,000 - \$59,999	545	145
\$60,000 and over	490	85
Average income \$	34,225	20,412
Median income \$	34,262	17,687
Std. error of ave. income \$	627	447

**Household Income in 1995**

	Average	Median
One person households \$	24,610	20,332
Std. error of ave. income \$	1,261	
Two or more person households \$	60,766	57,469
Std. error of ave. income \$	923	

**Workplace and Transportation**

Total employed labour force 15 years and over by place of work status	6,910	
	Male	Female
Total employed labour force	3,685	3,220
Usual place of work	2,965	2,790
In CSD of residence	160	275
In different CSD	2,805	2,520
In same CD	2,710	2,490
At home	170	340
Outside Canada	10	-
No fixed workplace	535	85
Total employed labour force 15 years and over by mode of transportation	6,375	
	Male	Female
Total employed labour force	3,500	2,875
Car, truck, van as driver	2,665	2,175
Car, truck, van as passenger	220	245
Public transit	305	305
Walked to work	150	70
Bicycle	100.0	45.0
Motorcycle	10.0	10.0
Taxicab	-	-
Other method	45	30

**Mobility & Migration**

	1-year	5-year
Total by mobility status over period	13,610	12,675
Non-movers	11,435	6,260
Movers	2,170	6,420
Non-migrants	1,260	3,320
Migrants	905	3,100
Internal migrants	840	2,870
Intraprovincial migrants	530	1,075
Interprovincial migrants	305	1,795
External migrants	65	230

**Experienced Labour Force by Industry**

Total labour force 15 years and over by industry divisions	7,455
Industry - Not applicable	135
All industries	7,320
Division A - Agricultural and related service industries	15
Division B - Fishing and trapping industries	-
Division C - Logging and forestry industries	70
Division D - Mining (+ milling), quarrying & oil well ind.	75
Division E - Manufacturing industries	290
Division F - Construction industries	625
Division G - Transportation and storage industries	160
Division H - Communication and other utility industries	170
Division I - Wholesale trade industries	245
Division J - Retail trade industries	920
Division K - Finance and insurance industries	200
Division L - Real estate operator & insurance agent ind.	175
Division M - Business service industries	285
Division N - Government service industries	1,740
Division O - Educational service industries	375
Division P - Health and social service industries	1,010
Division Q - Accommodation, food & beverage service	460
Division R - Other service industries	490

**Top 10 Occupations**

Clerical	995
Sales & service n.e.c.	685
Protective services	595
Other managers n.e.c.	320
Construction trades	310
Retail salespersons & clerks	265
Secretaries	250
Childcare & home support	220
Professional, in sciences	210
Transp equip operators, etc	190