



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

Profile of
Comox, T

Located in Comox-Strathcona Regional District

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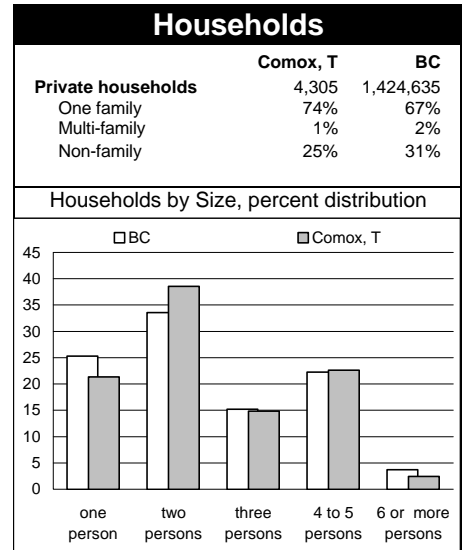
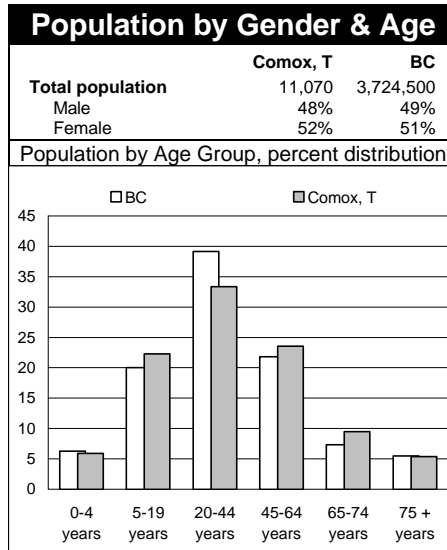
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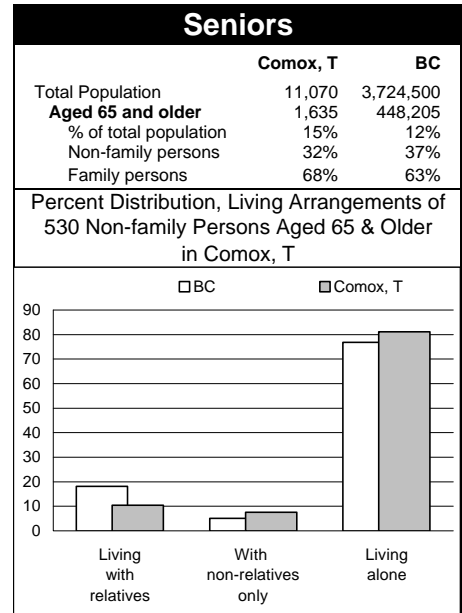
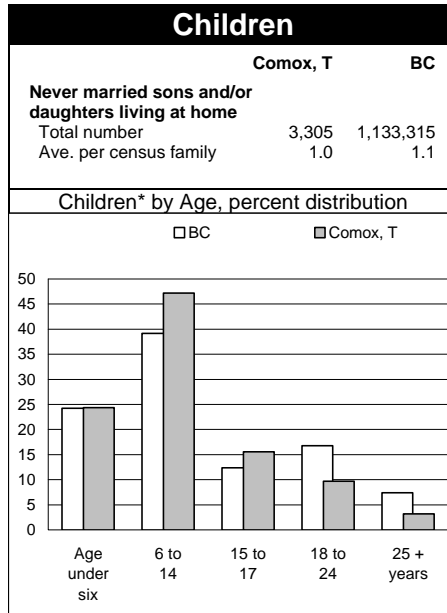
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Summary		
	Comox, T	BC
Total population (as of May 14, 1996)	11,069	3,724,500
Share of Regional District	11.3%	-
1991 Census Population (as of June 4, 1991)	9,477	3,282,061
Percent change 1991-1996	16.8%	13.5%
Land area 1996 km ²	14.47	892,677
Comox, T		
Top 3 industries	Number	Percent
Experienced Labour Force	5,170	100%
Government services	1,080	21%
Retail trade	765	15%
Health, social services	575	11%
Top 3 occupations		
Experienced Labour Force	5,170	100%
Protective services	530	10%
Sales & service n.e.c.	425	8%
Clerical	390	8%

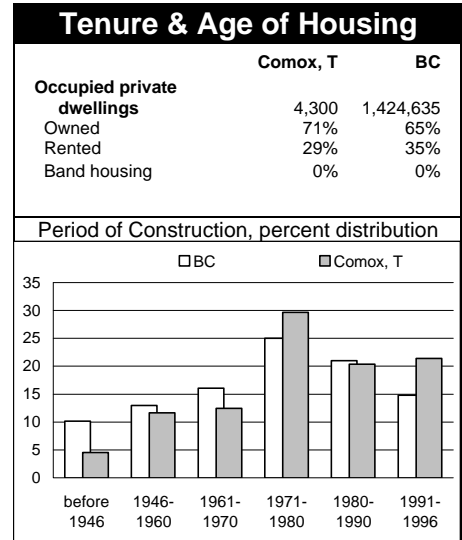
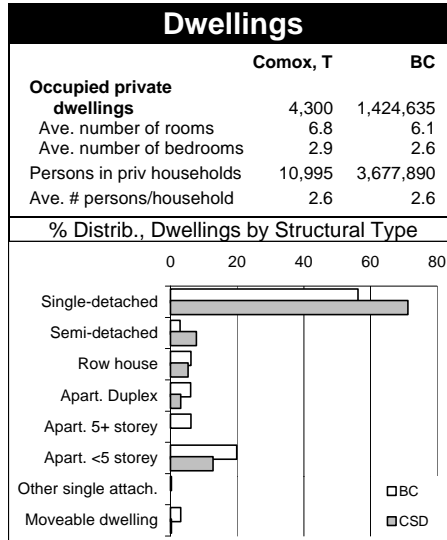


Marital Status & Families		
	Comox, T	BC
Population 15+ years	8,665	2,989,325
Single, never married	20%	31%
Legally married	63%	52%
Separated	3%	3%
Divorced	8%	8%
Widowed	6%	6%
Census Families by Structure		
Number of census families	3,285	1,008,440
Husband-wife families	2,930	869,430
Now-married couples	2,685	765,565
Without child* at home	52%	43%
With children* at home	48%	57%
Common-law couples	245	103,865
Without child* at home	53%	62%
With children* at home	45%	38%
Single-parent families	355	139,010
Male parent	8%	17%
Female parent	92%	83%

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



Affordability		
	Comox, T	BC
Average value of occupied private dwellings	\$164,251	\$239,745
Occupied dwellings	4,300	1,424,635
Regular maintenance	73%	69%
Require minor repairs	19%	24%
Require major repairs	8%	8%
Tenant 1-family households, non-farm, non-reserve, without extra persons	680	211,925
Average gross rent	\$681	\$772
Gross rent spending 30% or more of hh income on shelter	170	89,820
Above as % of tenants	25%	42%
Owner 1-family households, non-farm, non-reserve, without extra persons	2,320	623,225
Average owner's major payments	\$677	\$840
Owners major payments spending 30% or more of hh income on shelter	305	111,685
Above as % of owners	13%	18%



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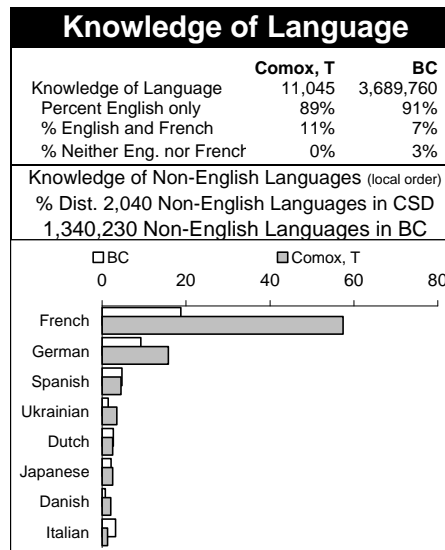
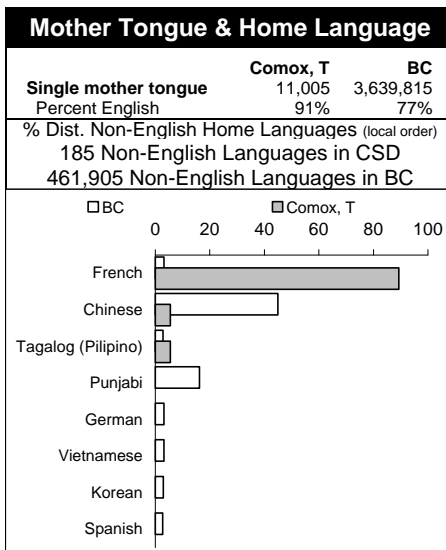
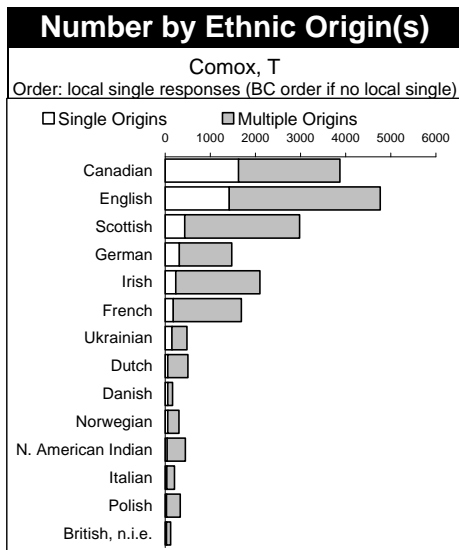
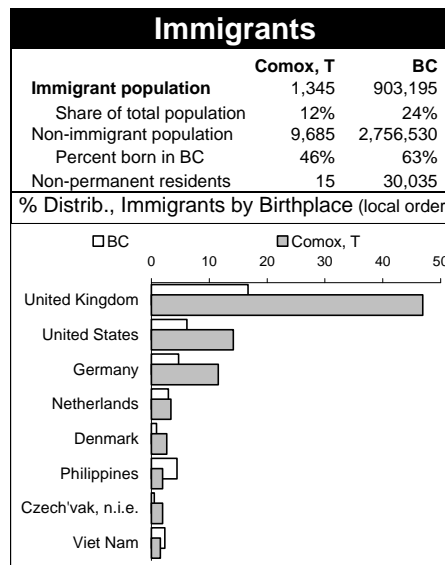
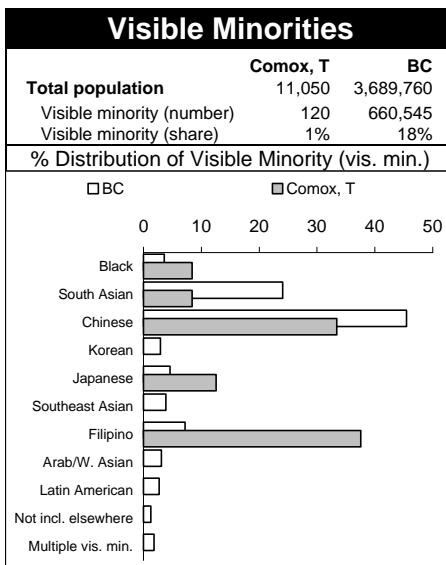
First Nations

	Comox, T	BC
Total population	11,050	3,689,755
Aboriginal identity	240	139,655
Share of total population	2%	4%
North American Indian (*si...	125	107,370
Metis (*single response)	100	25,575
Inuit (*single response)	0	740
Multiple Aboriginal response	10	1,205
Other Aboriginal response	10	4,765

Aboriginal ethnic origin

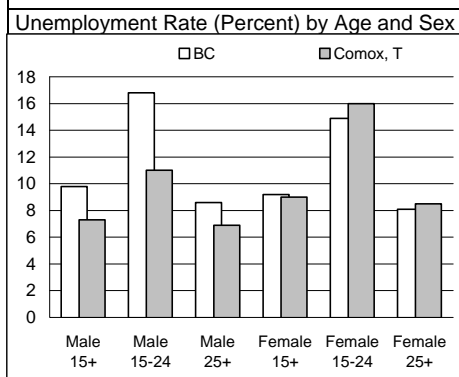
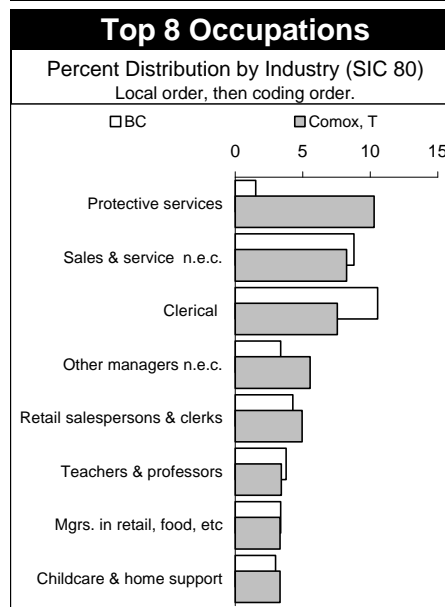
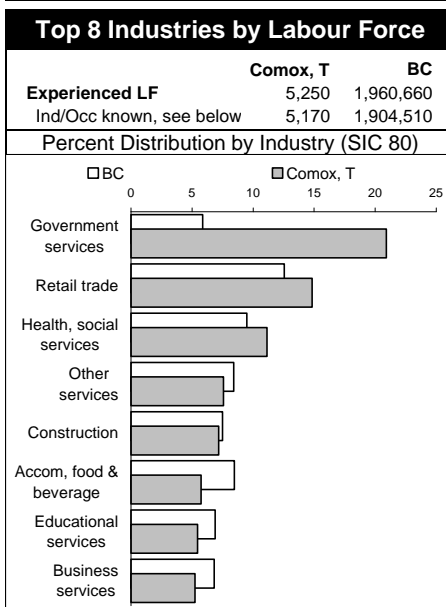
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Single response	40	76,430
North American Indian	100%	94%
Metis	0%	6%
Inuit	0%	0%
Multiple response	545	112,665
North American Indian	75%	76%
Metis	25%	22%
Inuit	0%	1%

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



Labour Force Activity

	Comox, T	BC
Pop 15+ in labour force	5,245	1,960,660
Employed	4,815	1,773,285
Unemployed	430	187,375
Not in labour force	3,395	994,040
Participation rate	60.7	66.4
Unemployment rate	8.2	9.6



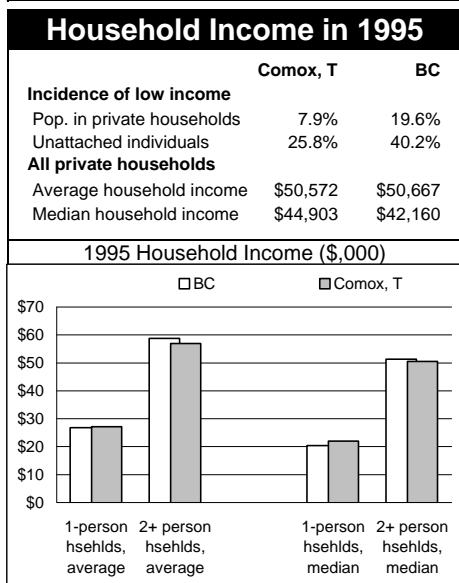
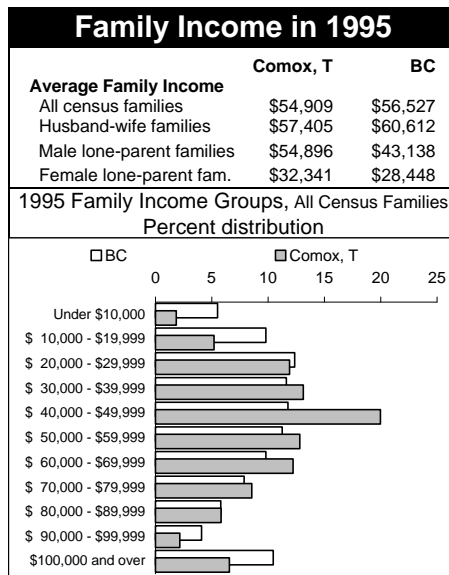
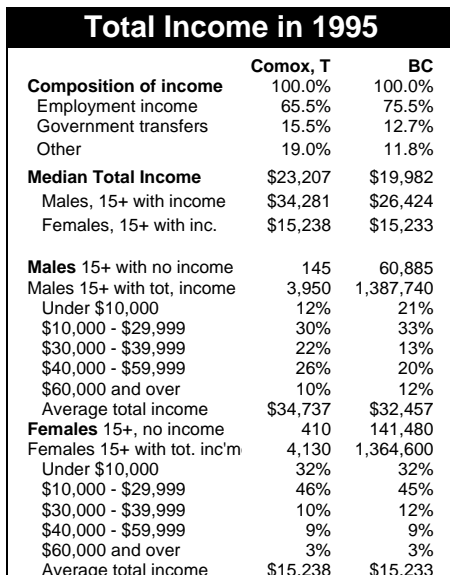
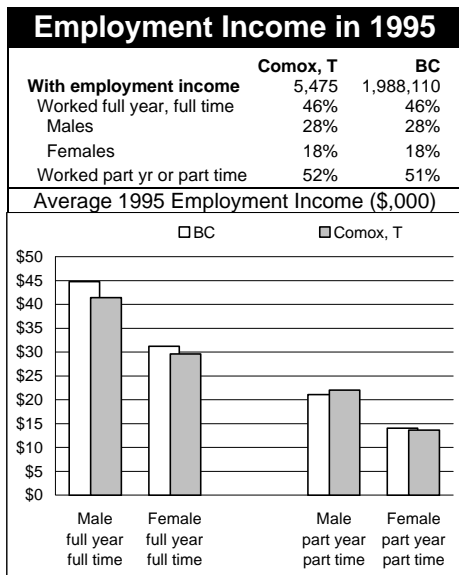
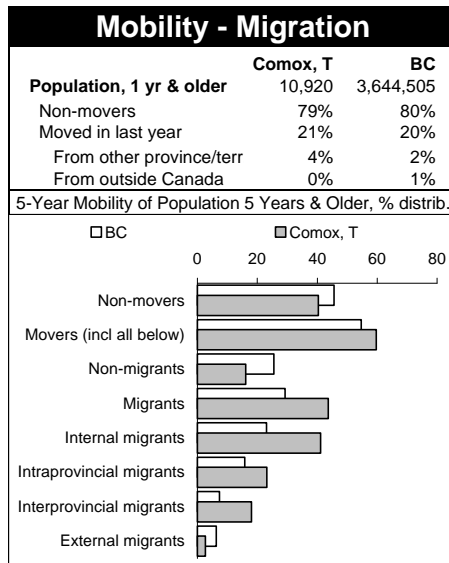
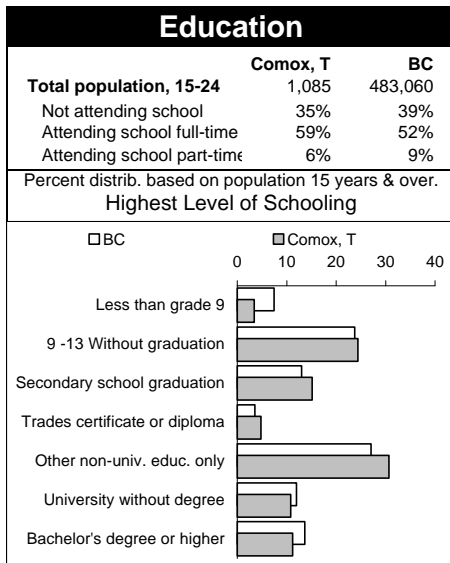
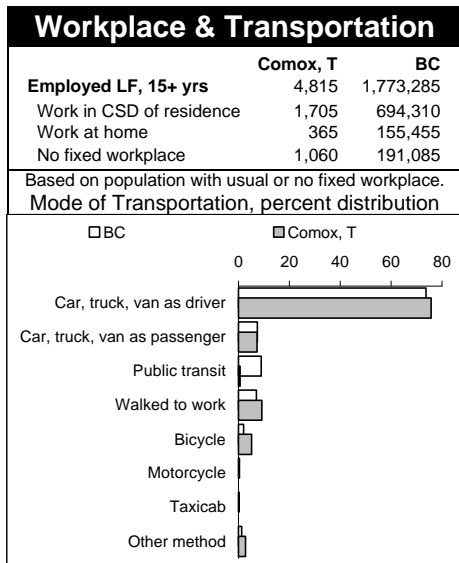
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Notes

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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Gender & Age		Households		Children & Seniors	
Total pop. by sex & age groups		Total number of occupied private dwellings by structural type of dwelling		Total number of never-married sons and/or daughters at home	
	11,070		4,300		3,305
Male, total	5,360	Single-detached house	3,060	Under 6 years of age	805
0-4	355	Semi-detached house	330	6 - 14 years	1,560
5-9	450	Row house	225	15 - 17 years	515
10-14	435	Apartment, detached duplex	130	18 - 24 years	320
15	80	Apartment building, five or more storeys	-	25 years and over	105
16	75	Apartment building, less than five storeys	545	Total number of persons 65 years and over	1,635
17	75	Other single attached house	-	Number of non-family persons 65 years +	530
18	60	Movable dwelling	10	Living with relatives	55
19	50	Total number of private households by household size	4,305	Living with non-relatives only	40
15-19	345	1 person	920	Living alone	430
20-24	185	2 persons	1,660	Number of family persons 65 years & over	1,105
25-29	240	3 persons	640		
30-34	470	4 - 5 persons	975		
35-39	480	6 or more persons	105		
40-44	405	Total number of occupied private dwellings	4,300	First Nations (identity and origin)	
45-49	385	Average number of rooms per dwelling	6.8	Total population by Aboriginal groups and non-Aboriginal population	
50-54	295	Average number of bedrooms per dwelling	2.9	Total Aboriginal population	
55-59	280	Average value of dwelling \$	164,251	North American Indian single response	
60-64	320	Owned	3,070	Metis single response	
65-69	215	Rented	1,235	Inuit single response	
70-74	255	Band housing	-	Multiple Aboriginal responses	
75-79	150	Regular maintenance only	3,160	Other Aboriginal response	
80-84	55	Minor repairs	805	Total non-Aboriginal population	
85+	35	Major repairs	335	Aboriginal Ethnic Origin	
Female, total	5,710	Period of construction, before 1946	195	North American Indian - Single responses	
0-4	300	Period of construction, 1946-1960	500	Metis - Single responses	
5-9	415	Period of construction, 1961-1970	535	Inuit - Single responses	
10-14	455	Period of construction, 1971-1980	1,275	North American Indian - Multiple resp.	
15	90	Period of construction, 1981-1990	875	Metis - Multiple responses	
16	80	Period of construction, 1991-1996	920	Inuit - Multiple responses	
17	85	Total number of private households by household type	4,305		
18	60	One-family households	3,200	Immigration	
19	50	Multiple-family households	40	Total population by place of birth	
15-19	370	Non-family households	1,060	Total non-immigrant population	
20-24	205	Number of persons in private households	10,995	Born in province of residence	
25-29	240	Average number of persons in private households	2.6	Total immigrants by selected birthplace	
30-34	495	Tenant one-family households without additional persons	680	United Kingdom	
35-39	520	Average gross rent \$	644	United States	
40-44	455	Gross rent spending 30% or more of household income on shelter costs	450	Germany	
45-49	415	Owner one-family households without additional persons	2,320	Netherlands	
50-54	325	Average owner's major payments \$	654	Denmark	
55-59	300	Owner's major payments spending 30% or more of household income on shelter costs	430	Philippines	
60-64	285			Czech'vak, n.i.e.	
65-69	295			Viet Nam	
70-74	285			South Africa, Rep	
75-79	170			Ireland, (Eire)	
80-84	105			Ukraine	
85+	80			China, (PRC)	
				Portugal	
				Hungary	
				Russian Fed'tion	
				Switzerland	
				Trades certificate or diploma	
				Other non-university education only	
				Without certificate or diploma	
				With certificate or diploma	
				University	
				Without degree	
				Without certificate or diploma	
				With certificate or diploma	
				With bachelor's degree or higher	
Education		Marital Status			
Total population, 15 to 24 years by school attendance		Total pop. 15 + by legal marital status			
	1,085	8,665			
Not attending school	385	Never married (single)		1,725	
Attending school full-time	635	Legally married (and not separated)		5,420	
Attending school part-time	70	Separated, but still legally married		255	
Total population 15 years and over by highest level of schooling	8,645	Divorced		725	
Less than grade 9	290	Widowed		535	
Grades 9 to 13	3,415				
Without secondary school graduation certificate	2,105				
With secondary school graduation certificate	1,305				

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Ethnic Origins		
Total population by ethnic origin (single and multiple responses) 11,050		
	Single	Multiple
Total population	4,945	6,100
Canadian	1,625	2,250
English	1,420	3,345
Scottish	430	2,550
German	310	1,165
Irish	235	1,865
French	180	1,510
Ukrainian	150	330
Dutch	60	445
Danish	60	105
Norwegian	55	250
N. American Indian	40	410
Italian	35	170
Polish	30	300
British, n.i.e.	30	90

Labour Force Activity		
Unemployment rates		
	Male	Female
Age 15+	7.3	9.0
Age 15-24	11.0	16.0
Age 25+	6.9	8.5

Employment Income in 1995		
All persons with employment income by work activity 5,475		
	Male	Female
With emp. income by work activity	2,855	2,625
Ave. emp. income \$	32,482	19,461
Standard error of Ave. emp. income \$	934	659
Worked full year, full time	1,545	980
Ave. emp. income \$	41,388	29,590
Std. error of Ave. emp. income \$	1,305	1,052
Worked part year or part time	1,270	1,570
Ave. emp. income \$	22,016	13,614
Std. error of Ave. emp. income \$	1,101	700

Total Income in 1995		
	Male	Female
Population 15+ by income	4,105	4,540
Without income	145	410
With income	3,950	4,130
Under \$1,000	105	235
\$ 1,000 - \$ 2,999	115	260
\$ 3,000 - \$ 4,999	60	230
\$ 5,000 - \$ 6,999	85	260
\$ 7,000 - \$ 9,999	125	320
\$10,000 - \$11,999	85	245
\$12,000 - \$14,999	210	460
\$15,000 - \$19,999	235	545
\$20,000 - \$24,999	290	365
\$25,000 - \$29,999	370	295
\$30,000 - \$34,999	380	195
\$35,000 - \$39,999	480	205
\$40,000 - \$44,999	420	175
\$45,000 - \$49,999	250	80
\$50,000 - \$59,999	345	115
\$60,000 and over	400	140
Average income \$	34,737	19,887
Median income \$	34,281	15,238
Std. error of ave. income \$	770	562

Household Income in 1995		
	Average	Median
One person households \$	27,172	21,989
Std. error of ave. income \$	1,263	
Two or more person households \$	56,927	50,491
Std. error of ave. income \$	1,169	

Workplace and Transportation		
Total employed labour force 15 years and over by place of work status 4,815		
	Male	Female
Total employed labour force	2,550	2,270
Usual place of work	2,035	1,935
In CSD of residence	945	760
In different CSD	1,090	1,175
In same CD	960	1,115
At home	150	215
Outside Canada	10	-
No fixed workplace	350	115
Total employed labour force 15 years and over by mode of transportation 4,440		
	Male	Female
Total employed labour force	2,385	2,050
Car, truck, van as driver	1,750	1,600
Car, truck, van as passenger	140	180
Public transit	-	25
Walked to work	240	160
Bicycle	185.0	40.0
Motorcycle	-	-
Taxicab	-	-
Other method	70	45

Mobility & Migration		
	1-year	5-year
Total by mobility status over period	10,920	10,395
Non-movers	8,580	4,190
Movers	2,340	6,200
Non-migrants	865	1,665
Migrants	1,480	4,530
Internal migrants	1,465	4,260
Intraprovincial migrants	1,000	2,395
Interprovincial migrants	465	1,865
External migrants	15	270

Experienced Labour Force by Industry	
Total labour force 15 years and over by industry divisions	5,250
Industry - Not applicable	75
All industries	5,170
Division A - Agricultural and related service industries	75
Division B - Fishing and trapping industries	80
Division C - Logging and forestry industries	115
Division D - Mining (+ milling), quarrying & oil well ind.	10
Division E - Manufacturing industries	245
Division F - Construction industries	370
Division G - Transportation and storage industries	140
Division H - Communication and other utility industries	65
Division I - Wholesale trade industries	120
Division J - Retail trade industries	765
Division K - Finance and insurance industries	155
Division L - Real estate operator & insurance agent ind.	130
Division M - Business service industries	270
Division N - Government service industries	1,080
Division O - Educational service industries	280
Division P - Health and social service industries	575
Division Q - Accommodation, food & beverage service	295
Division R - Other service industries	390

Top 10 Occupations	
Protective services	530
Sales & service n.e.c.	425
Clerical	390
Other managers n.e.c.	285
Retail salespersons & clerks	255
Teachers & professors	175
Mgrs. in retail, food, etc	170
Childcare & home support	170
Construction trades	160
Wholesale, tech, insur., etc.	135