

IMMIGRATION & LANGUAGE: HALTON REGION, 2006

Population

Total Population (2006)	439,256
Total Population (2001)	375,229
Population Growth 2001 – 2006 (%):	17.1%

Immigrant Population*

Total Immigrant Population	107,920
% of Total Population	24.8%

Immigrants by Period of Immigration

Total Immigrants by Period of Immigration:	107,920
Before 1961	18,560 17.2%
1961 to 1970	17,825 16.5%
1971 to 1980	19,145 17.7%
1981 to 1990	15,820 14.7%
1991 to 2000	23,460 21.7%
2001 to 2006	13,100 12.1%

Immigrants by Age at Immigration

Total Immigrants by Age at Immigration:	107,915
Under 5 years	11,890 11.0%
5 to 14 years	21,770 20.2%
15 to 24 years	25,115 23.3%
25 to 44 years	42,410 39.3%
45 years and over	6,730 6.2%

Immigrants by Place of Birth (Top 5)

Total Immigrants by Place of Birth:	107,920
Northern Europe	27,230 25.2%
Southern Europe	15,185 14.1%
Eastern Europe	10,925 10.1%
Southern Asia	10,235 9.5%
Western Europe	7,930 7.3%

Recent Immigrants by Place of Birth (Top 5) [2001-2006]

Total Recent Immigrants by Place of Birth:	13,105
Southern Asia	2,485 19.0%
Eastern Asia	1,620 12.4%
Eastern Europe	1,420 10.8%
West Central Asia & the Middle East	1,145 8.7%
Northern Europe	1,125 8.6%

Generation Status

Total Population 15+ by Generation Status:	347,500
1st generation	105,530 30.4%
2nd generation	85,685 24.7%
3rd generation or more	156,290 45.0%

Language (Mother Tongue**)

Total Population by Mother Tongue:	435,395
Multiple Responses	4,865 1.1%
Single Responses	430,530 98.9%
English	341,670 78.5%
French	8,105 1.9%
Non-official Languages	80,750 18.5%
Polish	7,240 1.7%
Italian	7,120 1.6%
Portuguese	5,730 1.3%
Chinese	5,625 1.3%
German	5,115 1.2%
Other languages	49,920 11.5%

Home Language ***

Total Population by Home Language:	435,400
Multiple Responses	6,520 1.5%
Single Responses	428,875 98.5%
English	391,260 89.9%
French	3,110 0.7%
Non-official languages	34,510 7.9%
Chinese	3,690 0.8%
Polish	3,535 0.8%
Spanish	2,665 0.6%
Punjabi	2,660 0.6%
Portuguese	2,000 0.5%
Other languages	19,960 4.6%

DEFINITIONS

- * People who are or who have ever been landed immigrants. Landed immigrants are people who have been permitted by immigration authorities to live in Canada permanently; some will have lived in Canada for a number of years, while others have arrived recently.
- ** Refers to the first language learned at home in childhood and still understood by the individual at the time of the census.
- *** Refers to the language spoken most often or on a regular basis at home by the individual at the time of the census.

Note: Totals may not exactly equal the sum of their components due to rounding.

Source: The Social Planning Council of Peel, January 2008 (based on Statistics Canada, Census of Canada, 2006; results derived from the PCensus demographic analysis system).