

# IMMIGRATION & LANGUAGE: PEEL REGION, 2006

## Population

Total Population (2006)	1,159,405
Total Population (2001)	988,958
Population Growth 2001 - 2006	17.2%

## Immigrant Population\*

Total Immigrant Population	561,235
% of Total Population	48.6%

## Immigrants by Period of Immigration

Total Immigrants by Period of Immigration:	561,235
Before 1961	30,870 5.5%
1961 to 1970	49,310 8.8%
1971 to 1980	78,890 14.1%
1981 to 1990	102,925 18.3%
1991 to 2000	181,005 32.3%
2001 to 2006	118,220 21.1%

## Immigrants by Age at Immigration

Total Immigrants by Age at Immigration:	561,235
Under 5 years	42,635 7.6%
5 to 14 years	98,835 17.6%
15 to 24 years	134,710 24.0%
25 to 44 years	226,625 40.4%
45 years and over	58,430 10.4%

## Immigrants by Place of Birth (Top 5)

Total Immigrants by Place of Birth:	561,235
Southern Asia	168,750 30.1%
Southern Europe	63,380 11.3%
Southeast Asia	53,130 9.5%
Caribbean and Bermuda	52,330 9.3%
Eastern Europe	42,860 7.6%

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

Total Recent Immigrants by Place of Birth:	118,220
Southern Asia	60,665 51.3%
Southeast Asia	10,830 9.2%
Eastern Asia	9,195 7.8%
West Central Asia & the Middle East	8,440 7.1%
Eastern Europe	5,555 4.7%

## Generation Status

Total Population 15+ by Generation Status:	909,145
1st generation	534,340 58.8%
2nd generation	186,755 20.5%
3rd generation or more	188,030 20.7%

## Language (Mother Tongue\*\*)

Total Population by Mother Tongue:	1,154,070
Multiple Responses	27,895 2.4%
<b>Single Responses</b>	<b>1,126,165 97.6%</b>
English	603,445 52.3%
French	11,975 1.0%
<b>Non-official Languages</b>	<b>510,760 44.3%</b>
Punjabi	92,820 8.0%
Urdu	42,975 3.7%
Chinese	41,850 3.6%
Polish	34,830 3.0%
Portuguese	31,790 2.8%
Other languages	266,495 23.1%

## Home Language \*\*\*

Total Population by Home Language:	1,154,070
Multiple Responses	52,420 4.5%
<b>Single Responses</b>	<b>1,101,645 95.5%</b>
English	781,855 67.7%
French	5,180 0.4%
<b>Non-official languages</b>	<b>314,610 27.3%</b>
Punjabi	75,320 6.5%
Chinese	32,705 2.8%
Urdu	29,615 2.6%
Polish	22,585 2.0%
Spanish	14,800 1.3%
Other languages	139,585 12.1%

## 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).