

The Visible Minority Population in Brampton, 2001 to 2006

CITY OF BRAMPTON	2001		2006		Rate of Change 2001 to 2006	
	#	%	#	%	#	%
Total Population	324,390	100.0	431,575	100.0	107,185	33.0
Non-Visible Minority Population	194,100	59.8	185,430	43.0	-8,670	-4.5
Visible Minority Population ¹	130,290	40.2	246,150	57.0	115,860	88.9
South Asian ²	63,205	19.5	136,750	31.7	73,545	116.4
Black	32,070	9.9	53,340	12.4	21,270	66.3
Filipino	6,965	2.1	11,980	2.8	5,015	72.0
Latin American	5,225	1.6	8,545	2.0	3,320	63.5
Chinese	5,445	1.7	7,805	1.8	2,360	43.3
Southeast Asian ³	3,005	0.9	6,130	1.4	3,125	104.0
West Asian ⁴	1,085	0.3	2,875	0.7	1,790	165.0
Arab	1,850	0.6	2,600	0.6	750	40.5
Korean	615	0.2	580	0.1	-35	-5.7
Japanese	535	0.2	545	0.1	10	1.9
Visible Minority n.i.e. ⁵	8,180	2.5	8,900	2.1	720	8.8
Multiple Visible Minority	2,110	0.7	6,095	1.4	3,985	188.9

Source: Statistics Canada, Census of Canada, 2001; 2006.

Note: All percentages are calculated using total population as the denominator.

Highlights:

- In 2006, there were 246,150 visible minority persons living in Brampton (compared to 130,290 in 2001).
- In 2006, 57.0% of Brampton's population was comprised of visible minorities (compared to 40.2% in 2001).
- The number of visible minorities in Brampton increased by 88.9% between 2001 and 2006.
- In 2006, the three largest groups of visible minorities in Brampton were South Asians (136,750), Blacks (53,340), and Filipinos (11,980).
- From 2001 to 2006, the three fastest growing visible minority groups in Brampton were the West Asians (165.0%), South Asians (116.4%) and Southeast Asians (104.0%).

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1. The Employment Equity Act defines Visible Minorities as 'persons, other than Aboriginal peoples, who are non-Caucasian in race or non-white in colour.'
 2. South Asian: for example, East Indian, Pakistani, Sri Lankan, etc.
 3. Southeast Asian: for example, Vietnamese, Cambodian, Malaysian, Laotian, etc.
 4. West Asian: for example, Iranian, Afghan, etc.
 5. n.i.e. means not included elsewhere and includes respondents who reported a write-in response such as Guyanese, West Indian, Kurd, Tibetan, Polynesian, Pacific Islander, etc.