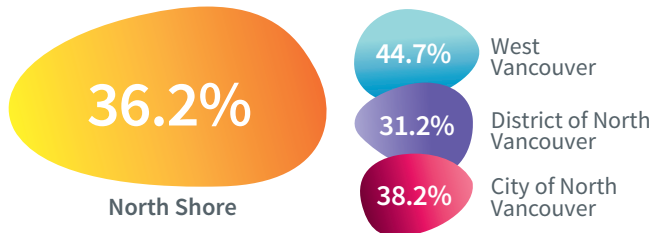


# THE NORTH SHORE A COMMUNITY OF NEWCOMERS



According to the 2016 Census, more than one fifth (21.9%) of Canada’s population is foreign born. Within Canada, Ontario and B.C. lead all provinces, and among cities Metro Vancouver’s proportion of 40.8% is second to only Greater Toronto’s. The three North Shore communities are well above the national average and close to the regional average at 36.2%.

Source: 2016 Census

## OUR INCREASINGLY DIVERSE POPULATION

Between 2011 and 2016, the population of the North Shore increased by 6,004 people to 181,306. During the same period 9,925 new immigrants arrived, adding to our growing diversity.

Source: 2016 Census of Population

## NEWCOMERS COME FOR MANY DIFFERENT REASONS

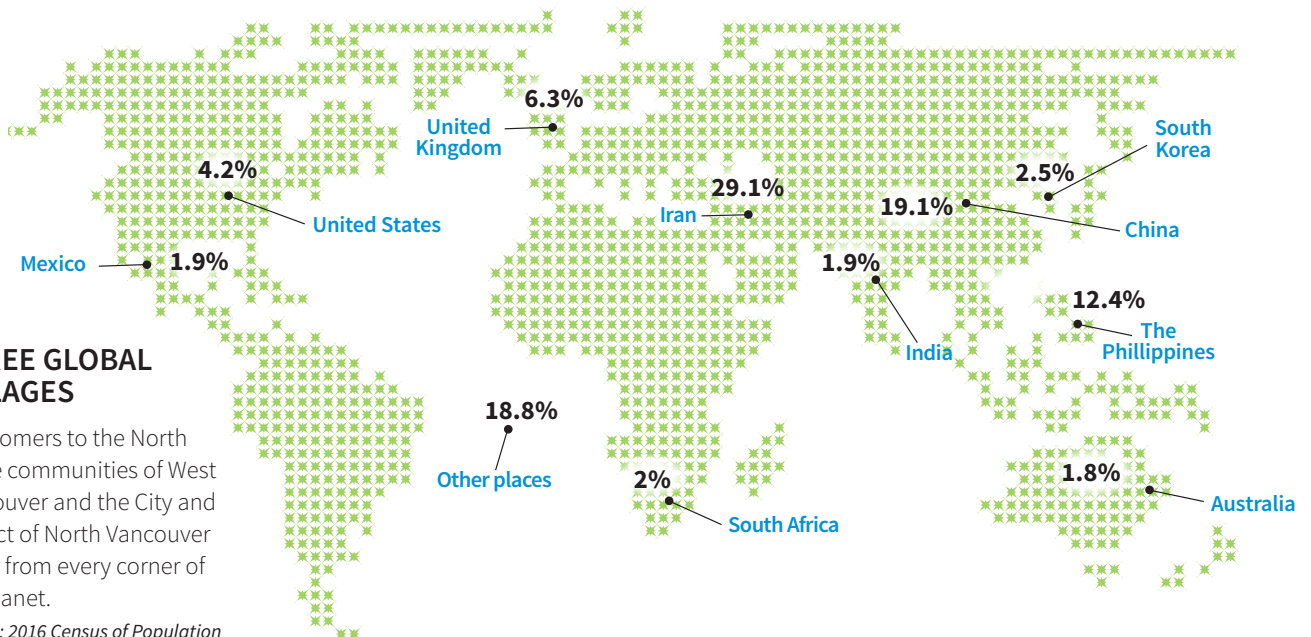
On the North Shore, 80% of immigrants were admitted under the economic immigration category between 2011 and 2016, compared to 60% nationally. Approximately 17% arrived as family members reuniting with their relatives. Just under 3% came as refugees, fearing persecution or threats to their lives.

Source: Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada

## THREE GLOBAL VILLAGES

Newcomers to the North Shore communities of West Vancouver and the City and District of North Vancouver arrive from every corner of the planet.

Source: 2016 Census of Population



Leading countries of origin for recent immigrants (2011-2016) to the North Shore

# NORTH SHORE COMMUNITIES IN DETAIL

## TOP 20 PLACES OF BIRTH FOR WEST VANCOUVER RESIDENTS

Canada	21,765	51.2%
China	4,370	10.3%
Iran	3,630	8.5%
United Kingdom	2,510	5.9%
United States	815	1.9%
Hong Kong	655	1.5%
South Korea	565	1.3%
Germany	510	1.2%
South Africa	405	1.0%
Taiwan	375	0.9%
Philippines	325	0.8%
Poland	250	0.6%
India	205	0.5%
Australia	195	0.5%
Italy	195	0.5%
Japan	185	0.4%
Singapore	160	0.4%
Netherlands	155	0.4%
Mexico	140	0.3%
Kenya	135	0.3%
Other Countries (77 Total)	2,825	6.7%
Unknown or unavailable	2,103	5.0%
<b>Total Residents</b>	<b>42,473</b>	<b>100%</b>

## TOP 20 PLACES OF BIRTH FOR CITY OF NORTH VANCOUVER RESIDENTS

Canada	30,955	58.5%
Iran	4,215	8.0%
Philippines	2,665	5.0%
United Kingdom	2,125	4.0%
United States	840	1.6%
South Korea	705	1.3%
China	695	1.3%
India	660	1.2%
Germany	450	0.9%
Poland	405	0.8%
Japan	370	0.7%
South Africa	340	0.6%
Hong Kong	320	0.6%
Mexico	315	0.6%
Italy	270	0.5%
Slovakia	235	0.4%
Taiwan	230	0.4%
Russian Federation	215	0.4%
Australia	210	0.4%
Romania	195	0.4%
Other Countries (96 Total)	4,510	8.5%
Unknown or unavailable	1,973	3.7%
<b>Total Residents</b>	<b>52,898</b>	<b>100%</b>

## TOP 20 PLACES OF BIRTH FOR DISTRICT OF NORTH VAN RESIDENTS

Canada	56,925	66.2%
Iran	4,995	5.8%
United Kingdom	4,115	4.8%
China	1,760	2.0%
Philippines	1,350	1.6%
South Korea	1,285	1.5%
United States	1,235	1.4%
Hong Kong	925	1.1%
South Africa	910	1.1%
Germany	845	1.0%
India	555	0.6%
Poland	435	0.5%
Japan	430	0.5%
Taiwan	425	0.5%
Mexico	365	0.4%
Australia	335	0.4%
Kenya	295	0.3%
Czech Republic	280	0.3%
Netherlands	280	0.3%
Italy	260	0.3%
Other Countries (84 Total)	5,345	6.2%
Unknown or unavailable	2,585	3.0%
<b>Total Residents</b>	<b>85,935</b>	<b>100%</b>

Source: Population by Place of Birth, 2016 Census

## About the North Shore Immigration Inclusion Partnership

The NSIIP is a coalition of community agencies and institutions focused on improving the settlement outcomes of new immigrants. With funding from Immigrant, Refugees and Citizenship Canada it is implementing a Settlement Strategic Plan focused on reducing systemic barriers to immigrant integration at local and regional levels.

## GLOSSARY

**Immigrants** refers to persons born outside of Canada who have become landed immigrants and have permanent resident status.

The primary immigration classes of immigrants to the North Shore are:

**Skilled Worker** For those with language facility and at

least one year's experience in certain specified fields, mostly oriented toward management positions and health and engineering-related professions.

**Federal Skilled Trades**  
For those with language facility and at least two year's experience in specified trades.

**Family Class** For spouses and children of Canadian residents and for specified additional relatives, provided financial sponsorship is undertaken.

**Canadian Experience Class**  
For those with prior experience working or studying in Canada, and meeting additional criteria.

Source: IRCC