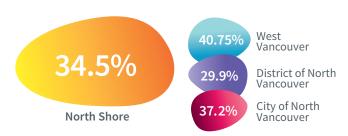


THE NORTH SHORE A COMMUNITY OF NEWCOMERS



Proportionate to population, Canada is home to more immigrants than any other country except Australia. Within Canada, Ontario and B.C. lead all provinces, and among cities Metro Vancouver's proportion of 40% is second to only Toronto's. The three North Shore communities are well above the national average and close to the regional average at 34.5%.

Source: 2011 Census

OUR PRIMARY SOURCE OF POPULATION STABILITY AND GROWTH

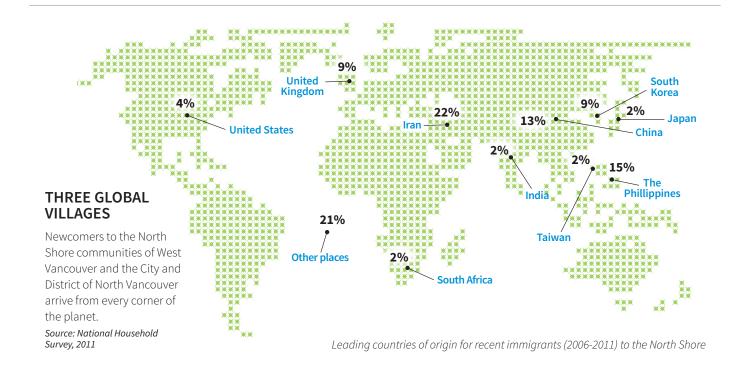
Between 2006 and 2011, the population of the North Shore increased by **5,442** people to **175,302**. During the same period 10,425 new immigrants arrived, more than compensating for a decline in the resident population.

Source: 2011 Census and National Household Survey

NEWCOMERS COME FOR MANY DIFFERENT REASONS

In B.C., in a typical year, about **60%** come as skilled workers who seek better economic outcomes while replenishing the labour market. Approximately **1** in **3** arrive as family members reuniting with their relatives. In B.C. only about **5%** come as refugees who fear persecution or threats to their lives.

Source: Citizenship and Immigration Canada





IN DETAIL

IMMIGRANTS ARE OF PRIME WORKING AGE

Percentage of residents aged 44 or younger

West Vancouver

48.5% Canadian-born population

75.8% Recent immigrants

District of North Vancouver

58.6% Canadian-born population

75.4% Recent immigrants

City of North Vancouver

61.7% Canadian-born population

82.7% Recent immigrants

Source: 2011 Census

THEY ARE WELL-EDUCATED

Percentage of residents aged 25-64 possessing a Bachelor's degree or higher

West Vancouver

53.4% Canadian-born population

63.7% Recent immigrants

District of North Vancouver

41.8% Canadian-born population

57.7% Recent immigrants

City of North Vancouver

33.2% Canadian-born population

61% Recent immigrants

Source: 2011 Census

THEY WORK HARD

Percentage participation rate in the labour force

West Vancouver

57.4% Canadian-born population

43.3% Recent immigrants

Leading occupational fields of recent immigrants:

9% 15.1% 9.5% Retail Professional Education Trade Services

District of North Vancouver

69.7% Canadian-born population

65.1% Recent immigrants

Leading occupational fields of recent immigrants:

15.4% 8.9% 11.7% Healthcare & Retail Professional Construction Trade Services

City of North Vancouver

74.3% Canadian-born population

75.4% Recent immigrants

Leading occupational fields of recent immigrants:

16%

Health Care, Retail Trade Professional Services & Accomodation

Source: 2011 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 Citizenship and Immigration Canada it is developing 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 engineeringrelated 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: CIC

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