

Ontario Demographic Quarterly

Highlights of fourth quarter, 2018

Population growth

Ontario's population reached 14,446,515 on January 1, 2019, with an increase of 35,091 people during the fourth quarter of 2018. This compares to an increase of 36,874 in the same quarter of the previous year.

Population growth, Ontario, Q4 2018

Thousands

Population, October 1, 2018	14,411.4
Plus Births	35.3
Minus Deaths	27.9
Plus Immigrants	31.2
Minus Emigrants*	7.4
Plus Net Change in Non-Permanent Residents	0.4
Plus Interprovincial Arrivals	15.9
Minus Interprovincial Departures	12.4
Population, January 1, 2019	14,446.5

* Emigrants plus net change in temporary emigrants minus returning Canadians.
Source: Statistics Canada.

Births and deaths

There were 35,341 births and 27,914 deaths during the fourth quarter of 2018, representing increases of 2.4% and 3.7% respectively from the same quarter of 2017.

Natural increase (births minus deaths) was 7,427 in the quarter, down slightly from 7,588 in the same quarter of 2017.

International migration

Immigration to Ontario was 31,191 in the fourth quarter of 2018, down slightly from 31,385 in the same quarter of the previous year. Ontario received 43.9% of all immigrants to Canada in the quarter, down from 47.9% in the same quarter of 2017. Over the last 12 months, Ontario received 137,410 immigrants, up from 111,957 during the previous year.

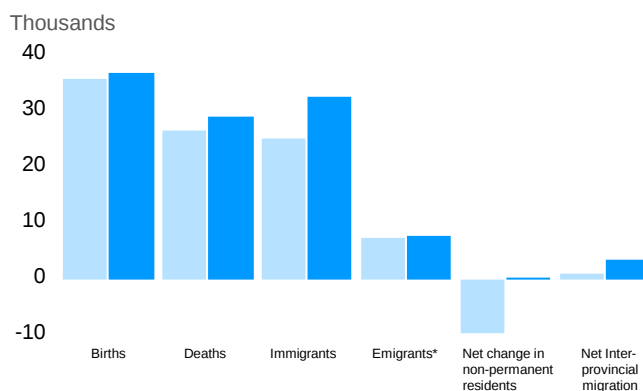
There were 7,430 emigrants from Ontario in the quarter, similar to the same quarter of the previous year. Ontario accounted for 45.1% of all emigration from Canada in the quarter.

The number of non-permanent residents in Ontario (NPRs – i.e. foreign students, visa workers, refugee claimants) increased by 401 to 540,949 in the fourth quarter.

In summary, there was a net international migration gain of 24,162 in the fourth quarter, down slightly from a net gain of 25,334 in the same quarter of 2017.

Components of population growth, Q4 2018 and average for 2013-2017

■ Average of fourth quarters, 2013-2017 ■ Q4 2018



* Includes emigrants plus net change in temporary emigrants minus returning Canadians.
Source: Statistics Canada.

Interprovincial migration

In the fourth quarter of 2018, Ontario had a net inflow of 3,502 people from other provinces and territories compared to a net gain of 3,952 people in the same quarter of 2017. Ontario experienced net gains in its exchanges with seven of the 12 other provinces and territories. The largest gains came from Quebec (1,419) and Manitoba (879). The largest losses were to Nova Scotia (-191) and New Brunswick (-163). Over the last 12 months, Ontario's total net interprovincial migration gain was 17,886, compared to a net gain of 14,605 during the previous year.

Year-over-year growth

Over the last 12 months, Ontario's population grew by 255,835 or 1.8%, higher than growth of 220,022 during the previous year. Among the provinces, Ontario had the second fastest population growth rate, after Prince Edward Island (2.1%). Canada's population grew at a rate of 1.4% over the period.

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Population (000s)	Estimates ¹						MOF Projections ²				
	2001	2006	2011	2016	2017	2018	2021	2026	2031	2036	2041
Canada	31,021	32,571	34,339	36,109	36,540	37,059	37,998	39,727	41,373	42,903	44,353
Ontario	11,898	12,662	13,261	13,875	14,071	14,323	15,054	15,929	16,795	17,642	18,478
Ontario as % of Canada	38.4	38.9	38.6	38.4	38.5	38.6	39.6	40.1	40.6	41.1	41.7
Ontario avg. annual growth rate (Over previous year shown)	1.4	1.3	0.9	0.9	1.4	1.8	1.7	1.1	1.1	1.0	0.9
Age distribution (%)											
0–4	5.9	5.5	5.4	5.2	5.1	5.1	5.1	5.2	5.0	4.9	4.8
5–14	13.5	12.3	11.2	11.0	10.9	10.8	10.3	10.2	10.2	10.2	10.0
15–24	13.4	13.8	13.7	12.9	13.0	13.1	12.2	11.7	11.5	11.5	11.6
25–44	31.6	29.4	27.1	26.5	26.5	26.7	27.6	27.4	26.6	25.6	24.5
45–64	23.2	26.0	28.3	28.1	27.9	27.4	26.4	24.7	23.5	23.6	24.3
65–74	7.0	6.9	7.6	9.2	9.4	9.6	10.4	11.3	11.9	11.2	10.1
75+	5.5	6.2	6.6	7.1	7.2	7.4	8.0	9.5	11.2	13.1	14.7
Selected age groups (%)											
0–14	19.4	17.8	16.6	16.1	16.0	15.8	15.4	15.3	15.3	15.1	14.8
15–64	68.1	69.2	69.1	67.6	67.4	67.2	66.2	63.8	61.6	60.7	60.4
65+	12.5	13.0	14.2	16.3	16.6	16.9	18.3	20.9	23.1	24.3	24.8
Other characteristics											
Total dependency ratio (%) ³	63.0	60.6	60.4	61.5	61.4	61.3	64.9	71.7	78.0	81.1	82.1
Median age (yrs.)	36.7	38.4	39.8	40.7	40.7	40.6	40.8	41.6	42.5	43.5	44.3
Age span of baby boom (yrs.)	36–55	41–60	46–65	51–70	52–71	53–72	56–75	61–80	66–85	71–90	76–95
Total fertility rate ⁴	1.53	1.55	1.56	1.52	n.a.	n.a.	1.48	1.49	1.52	1.56	1.60
Female life expectancy at birth (yrs.) ⁴	82.1	83.1	84.0	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	85.5	86.4	87.2	87.9	88.7
Male life expectancy at birth (yrs.) ⁴	77.5	78.8	79.8	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	82.1	83.3	84.5	85.5	86.6
Families (000s)	3,257	3,539	3,723	3,900	3,937	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
Households (000s) ⁵	4,219	4,555	4,888	5,169	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
Regional distribution (%)											
Greater Toronto Area	44.5	45.8	47.2	48.3	48.3	n.a.	49.2	50.1	50.8	51.6	52.3
Central	22.1	22.0	21.6	21.4	21.4	n.a.	21.3	21.2	21.1	21.0	20.9
Eastern	13.5	13.2	13.2	13.0	13.0	n.a.	12.9	12.8	12.6	12.4	12.3
Southwestern	13.0	12.6	12.0	11.6	11.6	n.a.	11.3	11.0	10.8	10.5	10.3
Northeastern	4.8	4.5	4.3	4.0	3.9	n.a.	3.7	3.5	3.3	3.1	2.9
Northwestern	2.1	1.9	1.8	1.7	1.7	n.a.	1.6	1.5	1.4	1.4	1.3

Components of change (000s) ⁶ – year beginning July 1

Period	Population, beginning of period	Total change	International migration						Interprovincial migration			
			Births	Deaths	Natural increase	Immigrants	Net emigrants	Net NPRs	Net	In	Out	Net
Five-Year												
2001–06	11,898	764	658	418	240	653	125	44	573	307	336	-30
2006–11	12,662	600	697	441	256	558	104	57	511	296	355	-59
2011–16	13,261	614	702	471	231	519	123	85	481	307	346	-39
Annual												
2016–17	13,875	196	142	101	41	98	25	69	142	72	58	13
2017–18	14,071	251	145	104	41	132	25	86	193	80	62	18

1. Statistics Canada's population estimates based on the 2016 Census. The regional distribution is based on the 2011 Census (shaded area).

2. Except for Canada, projections are produced by the Ontario Ministry of Finance (Spring 2018). Projections for Canada are from Statistics Canada (based on 2011 Census).

3. Total dependency ratio is the ratio of the population aged 0–19 and 65+ to the population aged 20–64.

4. Total Fertility Rates and life expectancy estimates are for calendar year, and projections are for census year. Life expectancy estimates represent three-year averages (e.g., 2006 reported life expectancy corresponds to the average recorded over 2005–2007).

5. Households are Census data.

6. In the "Components of Change" table, flows are for the 12-month period July 1 to June 30. Net international migration is calculated as the net balance of immigrants, net emigrants and net non-permanent residents (NPRs). Components may not add up due to existence of residuals.

Note: All population figures are for July 1st.

Sources: Ontario Ministry of Finance and Statistics Canada.