
Non-metro migration: 25 to 44 years of age

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Highlights

- Six of 27 non-metro census divisions (CDs) attracted more young adults (individuals 25 to 44 years of age) due to in-migration from another CD in Canada than they lost due to out-migration from July 1, 2011 to June 30, 2012.
- Seven non-metro CDs lost more than 1% of their young adults in this 12-month period.

Why census division migration?

The **Focus on Rural Ontario** “Components of census division population change” indicated that migration¹ into and out of a region was the largest component of population change for most non-metro. census division (CDs).

The **Focus on Rural Ontario** “Census division migration: All ages” reviewed the size of migration for all age groups into and out of Ontario CDs. This fact sheet focusses on the population 25 to 44 years of age - the younger workforce. This is also the age range of people having children and raising families. Household formation rates are highest among the young adult age cohorts which affects housing and consumer goods demand².

Findings

In the period from July 1, 2011 to June 30, 2012³, only 6 of the 27 non-metro CDs gained more young adults (from 25 to 44 years of age) due to in-migration from another CD in Canada than they lost from out-migration (Table 1). 21 of 27 non-metro CDs lost young adults to another CD, on a net basis. Among the six non-metro CDs with the greatest decline in total population due to net out-migration⁴ from July 1, 2011 to June 30, 2012, four were the same CDs that ranked with the highest rate of loss of

young adults due to out-migration – the CDs of Huron, Sudbury, Haldimand-Norfolk and Chatham-Kent.

The five non-metro CDs with the highest rate of net in-migration for the total population (Haliburton, Oxford, Kawartha Lakes, Manitoulin and Muskoka) were also among the top seven in terms of the rate of net in-migration of individuals 25 to 44. See Table 1 for additional information⁵.

15 non-metro CDs lost 0.2% or more of their young adults in this 12-month period due to net migration between other CDs. For each of these CDs, the CD receiving the most out-migrants was the same CD sending the most in-migrants with one exception. This exchange was always with a neighbouring CD.

Summary

A majority of non-metro census divisions (21 of 27) lost young adults 25 to 44 years of age) due to net migration from July 1, 2011 to June 30, 2012.

Seven non-metro CDs lost more than 1% of their young adults due to net migration in this 12-month period.

¹ “Migration” is defined by Statistics Canada as a change in the address of a resident within Canada. The address for each year is derived from the address on income tax forms, typically filed in April of each year. The address of dependents is assigned on the basis of the address of the income tax filer. See “Migration Estimates From Tax Records For Census Divisions” at http://www23.statcan.gc.ca/imdb-bmdi/document/4101_D3_T1_V10-eng.htm#a3. The arrival from and the departure to international locations is shown in **Focus on Rural Ontario** “Components of census division population change”.

² See reference <http://www.cmhc.ca/odpub/pdf/67512.pdf>

³ This is the most recent period for which annual migration data are available.

⁴ See **Focus on Rural Ontario** “Non-metro census division migration: All ages”.

⁵ For each CD, Table 1 shows the name of the CD contributing the largest in-migration and the name of the CD receiving the largest out-migration for the given CD. Typically, the largest exchange is with a neighbouring CD. However, in most non-metro cases, the named neighbouring CD is implicated in less than one-third of the gross flow (in-migrants or out-migrants). The other two-thirds of non-metro migrants move to a wide range of other CDs. Most migrants moved to or from another CD within Ontario (see **Focus on Rural Ontario** “Components of census division population change”)

Table 1

Migration of POPULATION 25 TO 44 YEARS OF AGE into & out of each census division, July 1, 2011 to June 30, 2012

Census Division identifier	Census division (CD) name	Population, 25 to 44 years of age, July 1, 2011	Net migration with other CDs: July 1, 2011 to June 30, 2012	Net migration as percent of population 25 to 44 years	Migrants INTO & OUT OF the census division (CD)					
					Total number of IN-migrants	IN-migrants from CD from which the most IN-migrants have come		Total number of OUT-migrants	OUT-migrants to CD to which the most OUT-migrants have moved	
						Number	Name of SOURCE CD		Number	Name of DESTINATION CD
Metro census divisions (sorted by net migration as a percent of population)										
3524	Halton	143,815	2,901	2.02	11,869	5,079	Peel	8,968	1,921	Hamilton
3529	Brant	35,387	176	0.50	1,881	342	Hamilton	1,705	303	Hamilton
3525	Hamilton	139,064	667	0.48	7,136	1,921	Halton	6,469	1,148	Halton
3506	Ottawa	258,811	1,106	0.43	11,598	1,148	Toronto	10,492	1,423	Toronto
3553	Greater Sudbury	42,143	131	0.31	1,811	196	Sudbury	1,680	159	Sudbury
3519	York	292,619	839	0.29	19,797	14,009	Toronto	18,958	10,722	Toronto
3520	Toronto	852,787	-7,466	-0.88	40,146	10,722	York	47,612	14,009	York
3521	Peel	389,051	-4,044	-1.04	19,224	10,246	Toronto	23,268	7,496	Toronto
Partially-non-metro census divisions (sorted by net migration as a percent of population)										
3543	Simcoe	114,016	1,914	1.68	7,440	1,721	York	5,526	982	Toronto
3511	Lennox & Addington	9,995	158	1.58	856	473	Frontenac	698	345	Frontenac
3518	Durham	165,178	2,381	1.44	9,995	5,547	Toronto	7,614	3,143	Toronto
3522	Dufferin	14,739	140	0.95	1,120	452	Peel	980	162	Peel
3502	Prescott & Russell	21,554	177	0.82	1,410	789	Ottawa	1,233	647	Ottawa
3523	Wellington	56,327	364	0.65	3,651	733	Waterloo	3,287	823	Waterloo
3510	Frontenac	39,617	84	0.21	2,953	345	Lennox & Addington	2,869	473	Lennox & Addington
3530	Waterloo	151,150	102	0.07	6,691	903	Toronto	6,589	1,063	Toronto
3539	Middlesex	120,784	-26	-0.02	5,468	629	Toronto	5,494	884	Toronto
3526	Niagara	103,966	-251	-0.24	3,511	681	Hamilton	3,762	641	Toronto
3558	Thunder Bay	36,262	-98	-0.27	1,234	188	Kenora	1,332	156	Kenora
3515	Peterborough	30,648	-104	-0.34	1,549	252	Durham	1,653	240	Toronto
3534	Elgin	21,818	-114	-0.52	1,210	563	Middlesex	1,324	587	Middlesex
3537	Essex	102,699	-985	-0.96	2,344	310	Toronto	3,329	427	Toronto
Non-metro census divisions (sorted by net migration as a percent of population)										
3546	Haliburton	2,760	38	1.38	251	60	Kawartha Lakes	213	36	Kawartha Lakes
3532	Oxford	26,758	190	0.71	1,644	350	Waterloo	1,454	326	Middlesex
3516	Kawartha Lakes	14,842	96	0.65	999	366	Durham	903	229	Durham
3551	Manitoulin	2,655	13	0.49	147	30	Greater Sudbury	134	44	Greater Sudbury
3554	Timiskaming	7,359	13	0.18	351	42	Cochrane	338	44	Nipissing
3514	Northumberland	16,572	27	0.16	888	233	Durham	861	142	Hastings
3544	Muskoka	12,949	-2	-0.02	724	134	Simcoe	726	161	Simcoe
3542	Grey	19,193	-8	-0.04	1,246	227	Bruce	1,254	217	Bruce
3507	Leeds & Grenville	21,842	-32	-0.15	1,233	347	Ottawa	1,265	353	Ottawa
3501	Stormont, Dundas & Glengarry	25,049	-37	-0.15	984	286	Ottawa	1,021	333	Ottawa
3531	Perth	18,304	-28	-0.15	892	251	Waterloo	920	198	Waterloo
3541	Bruce	14,174	-27	-0.19	817	217	Grey	844	227	Grey
3512	Hastings	31,640	-71	-0.22	1,942	195	Prince Edward	2,013	180	Frontenac
3548	Nipissing	20,687	-47	-0.23	1,149	182	Parry Sound	1,196	196	Parry Sound
3560	Kenora	16,963	-44	-0.26	609	156	Thunder Bay	653	188	Thunder Bay
3549	Parry Sound	8,453	-24	-0.28	626	196	Nipissing	650	182	Nipissing
3509	Lanark	14,494	-48	-0.33	936	410	Ottawa	984	387	Ottawa
3556	Cochrane	20,285	-107	-0.53	737	97	Greater Sudbury	844	137	Greater Sudbury
3547	Renfrew	24,975	-136	-0.54	1,607	369	Ottawa	1,743	393	Ottawa
3538	Lambton	29,315	-246	-0.84	1,010	209	Middlesex	1,256	252	Middlesex
3559	Rainy River	4,578	-52	-1.14	152	50	Thunder Bay	204	59	Thunder Bay
3536	Chatham-Kent	24,100	-278	-1.15	865	158	Essex	1,143	289	Essex
3557	Algoma	25,659	-298	-1.16	749	80	Greater Sudbury	1,047	148	Greater Sudbury
3513	Prince Edward	4,537	-56	-1.23	339	145	Hastings	395	195	Hastings
3528	Haldimand-Norfolk	24,285	-337	-1.39	1,271	330	Hamilton	1,608	315	Hamilton
3552	Sudbury	4,414	-77	-1.74	336	159	Greater Sudbury	413	196	Greater Sudbury
3540	Huron	12,614	-328	-2.60	556	130	Middlesex	884	238	Middlesex

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