

Newsletter for Communities

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In the news

[The evolution of English-French bilingualism in Canada from 1961 to 2011](#)



According to the 2011 Census, 17.5% of the Canadian population, or 5.8 million Canadians, reported being able to conduct a conversation in both English and French. Between the 2001 and 2011 censuses, this proportion declined slightly for the first time after four successive decades of growth.

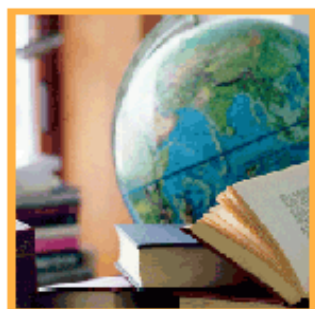
In 1961, the English–French bilingualism rate was 12.2%. Subsequently, it rose in every decade to a peak of 17.7% in 2001.

In the last decade, the total population increased faster than the bilingual population for the first time since 1961.

As a result, although the number of bilingual Canadians increased from 5.2 million in 2001 to 5.8 million in 2011, their share as a percentage of the total population declined slightly over the period, from 17.7% to 17.5%.

[Education Indicators in Canada](#)

Report of the Pan-Canadian Education Indicators Program, May 2013



The Pan-Canadian Education Indicators Program (PCEIP) provides a statistical portrait of the elementary, secondary and postsecondary education systems through the following products:

[Tables](#) – These tables update or add to those published in previous issues of *Education Indicators in Canada: Report of the Pan-Canadian Education Indicators Program*.

[Fact sheets](#) – This series provides an "at-a-glance" overview of particular aspects of education in Canada and summarizes key data

trends in selected tables.

[An International Perspective](#) – This annual report combines international statistics from the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) with comparable provincial and territorial figures. The first report was published in September 2009.

[Handbook for the Pan-Canadian Education Indicators Program](#) – This handbook provides brief, general descriptions of the data sources and methodology behind the indicators.



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[Residential property assessment values, 2006 to 2011](#)



Which of Canada's 33 Census Metropolitan Areas (CMA) experienced the highest growth in total property values from 2006 to 2011, and which CMA had the highest per dwelling value in 2011?

This is Statistics Canada's **first** release of estimates for residential property assessment values.

Residential property comprises all types of property categorized as residential for assessment purposes in the majority of provinces. It includes single and multi-family properties, farm residences, cottages and vacation homes, mobile homes, institutional and communal residences, and vacant lands that are lawfully usable for residential purposes.

Data for Canada, the provinces and the CMAs are available!

[Principal field crop areas, March 31, 2013](#)



Planting intentions for 2013 show increases in spring wheat and durum wheat compared with 2012 as well as a possible decrease in canola acreage. Indications are that both corn for grain and soybean areas could reach new records nationally.

Farmers may modify their plans prior to planting time as a result of environmental conditions. Some farmers reported that they were still undecided about their final strategies for 2013 as snow lingered in fields in most parts of Canada at the time of the survey.

[Father's Day... by the numbers](#)

June 16 was Father's Day! Facts on fathers in Canada are posted online.

[Recent releases from *the Daily*](#)

The Daily is Statistics Canada's official release bulletin. Recent releases include the following:

- Consumer Price Index
- Employment Insurance
- Labour Force Survey



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Other news

[Chat with an expert](#)



On June 26, 2013, Statistics Canada will release the second set of results from the 2011 National Household Survey (NHS). This release will cover labour, education, place of work, commuting to work, language of work, mobility and migration.

We will host a "Chat with an expert" session on June 28, 2013, from 12:30 p.m. to 1:30 p.m., EDT. Sign up for the session so that you will be able to ask Statistics Canada experts questions in real time!

[Video: 'Statistics: The invisible made visible'](#)

2013 is a big year for statisticians.

Statistics Canada, along with more than 2,000 national and international statistical organizations, universities, elementary and secondary schools around the world, are joining together to celebrate the International Year of Statistics (IYS).

The goal of the IYS is to mark the significant contribution that statistics make to the success and progress of societies.

But don't just take our word for it. You can watch a video featuring experts in journalism, business, academia and international affairs talking about the undeniable value that statistics have to their understanding of the world.

Watch the video on our YouTube channel.

[Video: Tutorial for communities – Finding local census data](#)

You have told us that it is not always easy to find data on our website. We listened! We are pleased to launch the first of a series of tutorials that will help you find the information you need on the website. We hope you will enjoy this brief tutorial about finding local census data.

[StatCan Blog](#)

In June, the StatCan Blog explores how Statistics Canada is updating its website through the new dissemination model. The blog, launched in January, showcases Statistics Canada's future initiatives and allows readers to ask questions or offer feedback. Each month features a new topic.

You can also vote on the blog's impact on the Consulting Canadians' [Question of the Month](#).



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- Stay informed about the latest Statistics Canada releases that are relevant to municipalities and community organizations. The releases explain how to access related information.
- Learn about upcoming events and activities that will help you get the most from Statistics Canada data.

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Statistics Canada surveys

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