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2001 CENSUS: POPULATION AND DWELLING COUNTS

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- The first data from the 2001 Census are available today; they cover population and dwelling counts. A detailed analysis of growth rates, demographic trends and geographic distribution is found in the report, A profile of the Canadian population: Where we live, available on Statistics Canada's Web site.
- Canada has experienced one of the smallest census-to-census growth rates in its population. From 1996 to 2001, the nation's population increased only 4.0%. The Census counted 30,007,094 people on May 15, 2001, compared with 28,846,761 on May 14, 1996.
- Only three provinces and one territory had growth rates above the national average. Alberta's population soared 10.3%, Ontario gained 6.1% and British Columbia, 4.9%. Nunavut's population rose 8.1%. The population of Newfoundland and Labrador declined for the second consecutive census period.
- Urbanization continued. In 2001, 79.4% of Canadians lived in an urban centre of 10,000 people or more, compared with 78.5% in 1996. Outside the urban centres, the population of rural and small-town areas declined 0.4%.
- In 2001, just over 64% of the nation's population, or about 19,297,000 people, lived in the 27 census metropolitan areas (CMAs), up slightly from 63% in 1996. Seven of these 27 CMAs saw their populations grow at a rate of at least double the national average. The strongest rise, by far, occurred in Calgary.
- From 1996 to 2001, the nation's population concentrated further in four broad urban regions: the extended Golden Horseshoe in southern Ontario; Montréal and environs; British Columbia's Lower Mainland and southern Vancouver Island; and the Calgary–Edmonton corridor. In 2001, 51% of Canada's population lived in these regions, compared with 49% in 1996.

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2001 Census: Population and dwelling counts

The first data from the 2001 Census is now available; today's release takes full advantage of the electronic capabilities of Statistics Canada's Web site (www.statcan.ca). On the home page, choose Census.

Detailed analysis of the new census data, which cover population and dwelling counts, is available in a full-colour on-line report, *A profile of the Canadian population: Where we live*.

Today's *Daily* is essentially an electronic gateway to data and analysis. This slight departure from previous practice is designed to better serve the public. With this release, more census data on population than ever before are available via the Agency's Web site.

A profile of the Canadian population: Where we live contains an extensive analytical text in HTML format, illustrated by numerous full-colour maps, tables, charts and photographs. Readers can print it in part or in whole.

This report provides clear, insightful and useful information and analysis on population counts, as well as trends in Canada's population growth and the factors behind it, with historical perspective. It analyses changes in the populations of the provinces and territories; developments in metropolitan areas and cities and towns; and details on the urbanization of the population.

The report also links to various products and services available from the 2001 Census population,

dwellings and geography module on Statistics Canada's Web site. This module has been designed to provide easy access to census data using new electronic tools. Information in the module is organized into four broad categories: analysis, data, maps and reference material.

Analysis contains analytical documents, such as *A profile of the Canadian population: Where we live.*

Data offers population and dwelling counts for a wide range of standard geographic areas, available either in the population and dwelling count tables or in the 2001 community profile.

Maps provides a view of the standard geographic areas of Canada with GeoSearch, an interactive mapping tool. Use GeoSearch to find any place in Canada and display a map of the place with its population count. Also available in this section is a large collection of reference maps and thematic maps in PDF format.

Reference links to various reference documents, including an illustrated glossary.

This is the first in a series of data releases from the Census, which was conducted on May 15, 2001. Future announcements, appearing from July 2002 through May 2003, will provide information on the population's age structure, education, ethnic origin, language groups, labour market activity, income, religion, marital status and many other social and economic characteristics.

For more information, contact Media Relations (613-951-4636), Communications Division.

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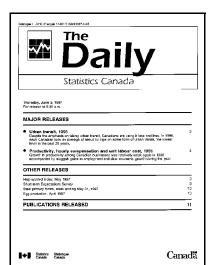
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