



WHAT MATTERS TO CANADIAN YOUTH?

At the **2019 Youth Summit in Ottawa**, we asked the Prime Minister's Youth Council,
"What do you want to know about your generation?"
We compiled data on the topics of most interest.

YOUTH ARE HIGHLY DIVERSE

In 2016,

27%

of youth identified
as members of a visible
minority group.

Percentage of persons who belong
to a visible minority group

	1996	2016
Age 15 to 30	13	27
Age 65 or older	6	13

From 2006 to 2016, the
number of First Nations, Metis,
and Inuit youth increased by

↑39%

40% of Canadian youth are
1st or 2nd generation
immigrants.

YOUTH ARE TECHNOLOGY USERS

Nearly

100%

of youth use the Internet
on a daily basis or own their
own smartphone; of these,
93% use social networking sites.

Technology use also brings new
challenges. **17%** of youth said they
were cyberbullied or cyberstalked
in the past 5 years.

YOUTH ARE SOCIALLY ENGAGED

67%

are members of a
group, organization,
or association.

48%

of youth volunteer, and
71% said that they gave
to a charitable or
non-profit organization.

YOUTH ARE EDUCATED

In 2017, **52.1%** of young men and
70.2% of young women had a
college certificate or diploma or
a Bachelor's degree.



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Note:
Unless otherwise specified, youth includes individuals who are between 15 and 30 years old.

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