



INDIGENOUS-OWNED BUSINESSES

in Canada, 2018

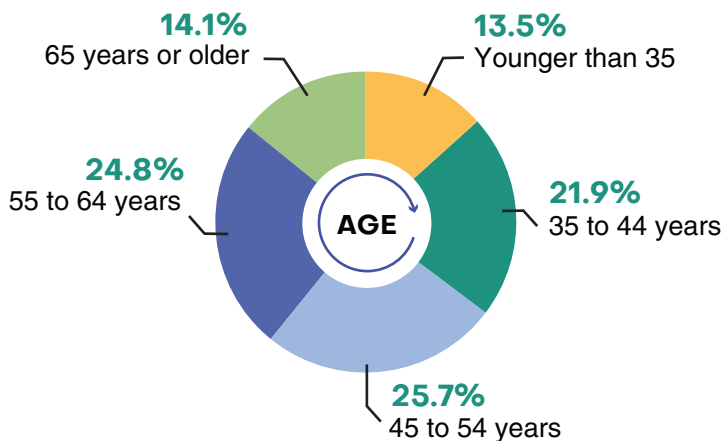


In 2018, there were an estimated **17,363** Indigenous-owned businesses in Canada, accounting for **1.3%** of all private businesses¹ in the country.

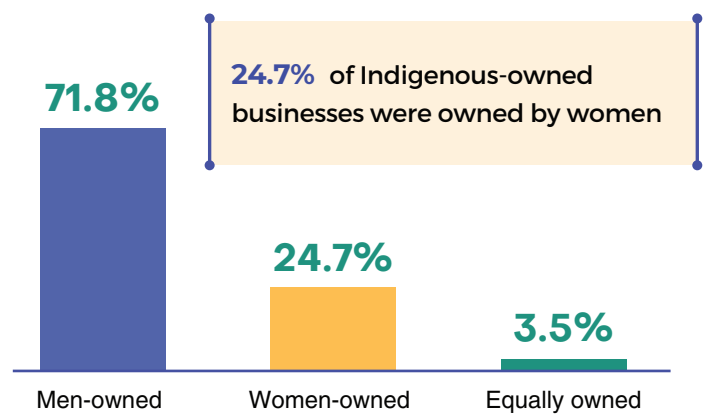
→ Distribution of Indigenous-owned businesses, by Indigenous identity of the owner(s)

FIRST NATIONS	45.7%
MÉTIS	47.1%
INUK (INUIT)	1.9%
OTHER INDIGENOUS OWNERSHIP ²	5.3%

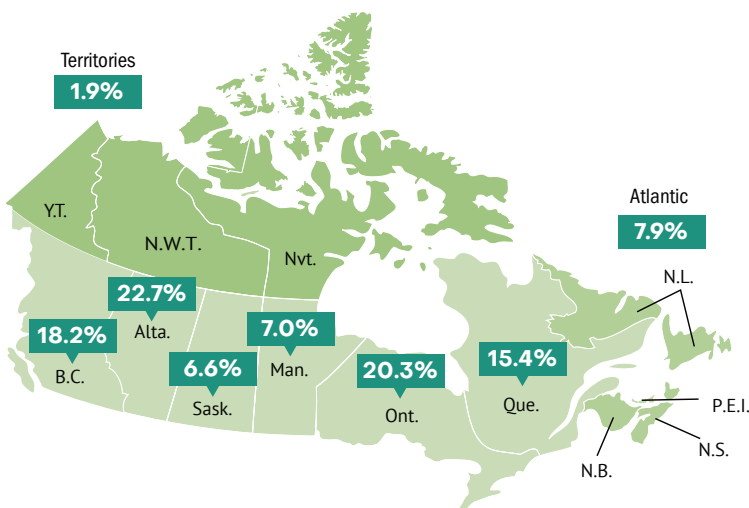
→ Distribution of Indigenous-owned businesses, by age of primary owner



→ Distribution of Indigenous-owned businesses, by sex of owner(s)

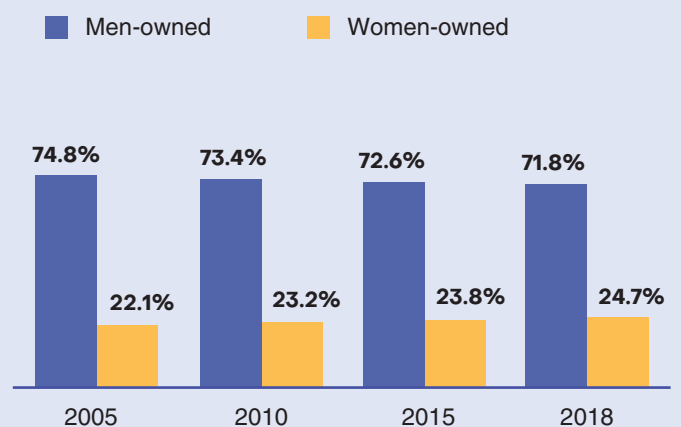


→ Distribution of Indigenous-owned businesses, by province or region



Alberta (22.7%) had the highest number of Indigenous-owned businesses, followed by **Ontario (20.3%)** and **British Columbia (18.2%)**.

From 2005 to 2018, the share of women-owned businesses among Indigenous-owned businesses increased



1. "Private businesses" refers to Canadian-controlled private corporations or unincorporated employers for which the owners' age and gender, the province and the employment size can be defined.

2. "Other Indigenous ownership" refers to businesses belonging to individuals with multiple Indigenous identities or jointly owned by individuals who identify with one of the three Indigenous groups but no one group controls more than 50% of the shares.

Sources: Statistics Canada, table 33-10-0631-01- Private enterprises by sex and Indigenous identity of ownership, province or region and enterprise size, table 33-10-0632-01- Private enterprises by sex and Indigenous identity of ownership, age group of primary owner and enterprise size.

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