











Did You Know?

Nearly one in five recent immigrants from 2016 to 2021 (18.6%) were born in India. For the first time since 1971, India took the top spot as the primary place of birth for new immigrants to Canada, followed by the Philippines (11.4%) and China (8.9%)

Top 10 places of birth reported by recent immigrants, Canada, 2016 and 2021

		2021	2016	Rank in 2016			2021	2016	Rank in 2016		
1	India		18.6%	12.1%	2	6	United States		3.0%	2.7%	6
2	Philippines		11.4%	15.6%	1	7	Pakistan		2.7%	3.4%	5
3	China		8.9%	10.6%	3	8	France		2.0%	2.0%	9
4	Syria		4.8%	2.5%	7	9	Iran		1.9%	3.5%	4
5	Nigeria		3.0%	1.4%	13	10	United Kingdom		1.7%	2.0%	8

Note(s): "Recent immigrant" refers to a person who obtained landed immigrant or permanent resident status in the five years preceding a given census. For the 2021 Census of Population, this refers to the period from January 1, 2016, to May 11, 2021.

Source(s): Census of Population, 2016 and 2021 (3901).