

Workforce Today

From the Peel-Halton-Dufferin Training Board

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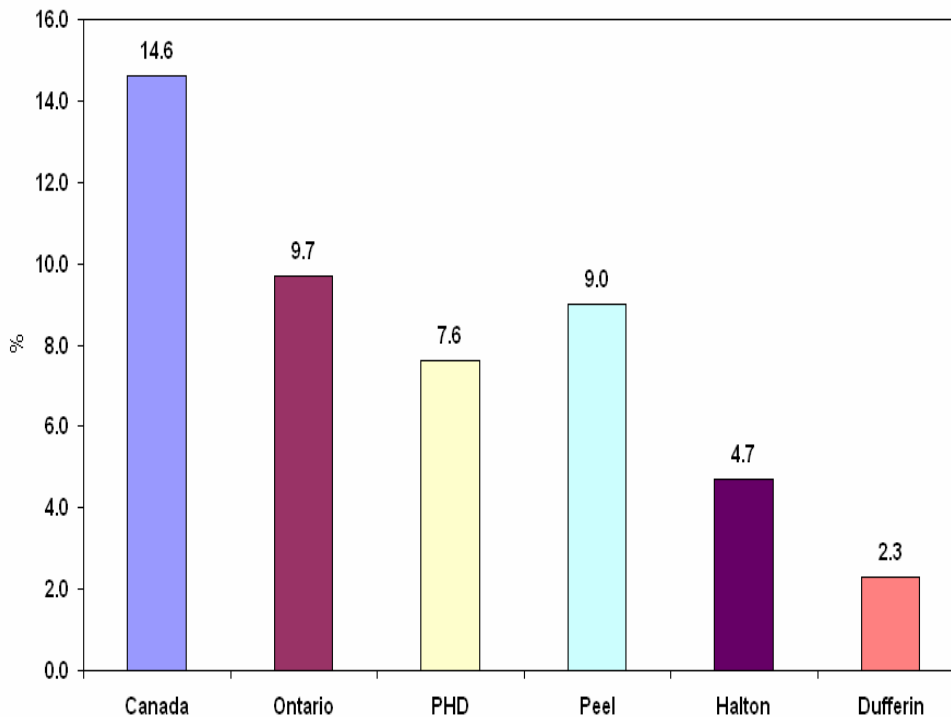
Language Used Most Often at Work

This newsletter provides information on the language used at work by using official data from the 2001 Census of Canada. According to Statistics Canada, language used most often at work refers to the language used most often at work by the individual at the time of the census. This newsletter also provides other languages used at work on a regular basis. The information was collected from the people who worked between January 1, 2000 and May 15, 2001. This type of information was collected for the first time in 2001. For more detailed information about the language of work, please visit the following website link:
<http://www12.statcan.ca/english/census01/Products/Reference/dict/pop067.htm>

Highlights for the Peel-Halton-Dufferin Area

- ◆ Compared to Canada and Ontario, PHD has a higher proportions of workers who used English most often at work.
- ◆ In PHD, the main non-official languages most likely to be used at work in 2001 was Punjabi.

**Proportion of workers* who use more than one language at work:
 Canada, Ontario and the Peel-Halton-Dufferin Area, 2001**
 (*People aged 15 years and over who worked between January 1, 2000 and May 15, 2001)



Implications for Human Services Sector

- ◆ Increased demand for cultural and racial harmony at workplace

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Mode of Transportation to Work



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Did you know?

How many workers in Peel-Halton-Dufferin (PHD) use English most often at work?

Compared to Canada and Ontario, PHD has a higher proportions of workers who used English most often at work [Canada (99.1%); Ontario (99.7%) versus PHD (99.8%)]

How many workers in Peel-Halton-Dufferin (PHD) use more than one language at work?

Compared to Canada and Ontario, PHD has a lower proportion of workers who used more than one language at work in 2001 Canada (14.6%); Ontario (9.7%) versus PHD (7.6%).

Which non-official languages are workers in Peel-Halton-Dufferin (PHD) most likely to use at work?

In PHD, the top three non-official languages most likely to be used at work in 2001 were Punjabi (0.21%), Chinese [0.15% (Cantonese, Mandarin & Chinese, not otherwise specified)] and Portuguese (0.08%).

Population 15 years and over by language used at work : Canada, Ontario and PHD, 2001

	Canada		Ontario		PHD	
	#	%	#	%	#	%
Population 15 years and over by language used at work	16,961,080	100.00	6,512,565	100.00	862,035	100.00
Single responses	14,481,880	85.38	5,878,170	90.26	796,270	92.37
English	11,918,110	70.27	5,787,225	88.86	788,920	91.52
French	2,433,570	14.35	31,935	0.49	840	0.10
Non-official languages	130,200	0.77	59,010	0.91	6,515	0.76
Chinese, n.o.s.	31,505	0.19	14,320	0.22	710	0.08
Cantonese	22,740	0.13	10,895	0.17	480	0.06
Punjabi	11,265	0.07	2,560	0.04	1,775	0.21
German	7,365	0.04	2,845	0.04	60	0.01
Mandarin	6,630	0.04	2,395	0.04	120	0.01
Portuguese	5,780	0.03	5,115	0.08	655	0.08
Spanish	5,380	0.03	3,270	0.05	270	0.03
Vietnamese	3,525	0.02	1,260	0.02	180	0.02
Korean	3,110	0.02	1,420	0.02	195	0.02
Italian	3,080	0.02	2,140	0.03	170	0.02
Other languages	29,825	0.18	12,795	0.20	1,895	0.22
Multiple responses	2,479,195	14.62	634,395	9.74	65,760	7.63
English and French	1,830,785	10.79	334,380	5.13	18,130	2.10
English and non-official language	556,835	3.28	285,015	4.38	45,755	5.31
French and non-official language	25,535	0.15	710	0.01	55	0.01
English, French and non-official language	66,045	0.39	14,285	0.22	1,830	0.21

English Language Use at Work: Canada, Ontario and PHD, 2001

	Canada	Ontario	PHD
Most often	99.1%	99.7%	99.8%
Regularly	0.6%	0.2%	0.1%
Never	0.3%	0.1%	0.1%

Canada

Source: Statistics Canada, 2001 Census

 Ontario

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