

# Workforce Today

From the Peel-Halton-Dufferin Training Board  
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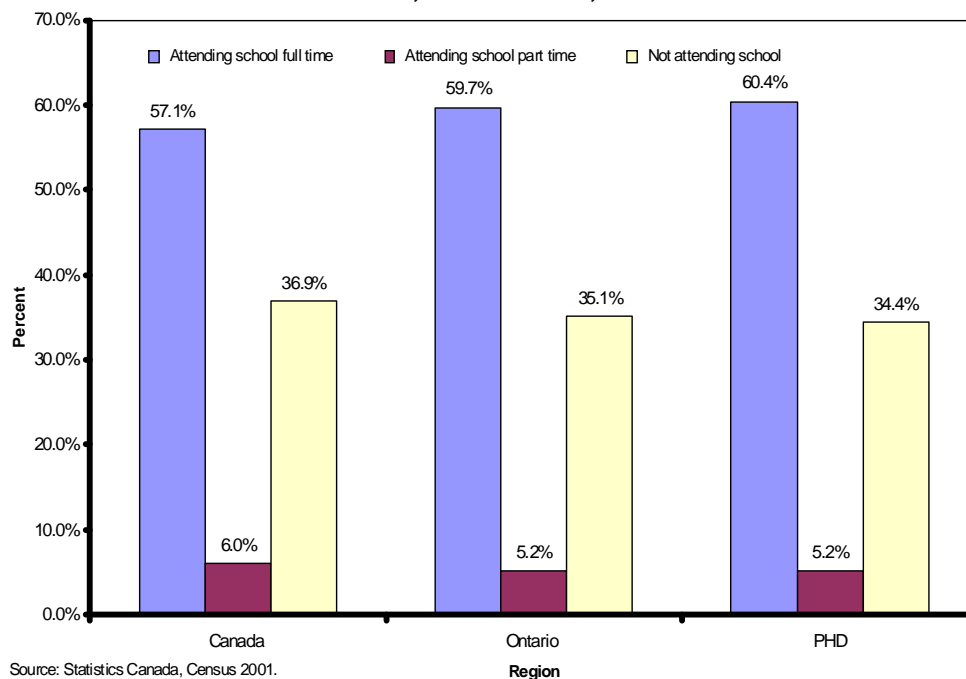
**School Attendance and Field of Study of Residents in PHD**

This newsletter provides the school attendance and field of study of residents in Peel Halton Dufferin (PHD) by using official data from the 2001 Census of Canada (Statistics Canada). According to Statistics Canada, school attendance refers to either full-time or part-time (day or evening) attendance at school, college or university during the nine-month period between September 2000 and May 15, 2001. Attendance is considered to be full-time if the person was taking 75% or more of the normal course load in the grade or year in which the person is registered. Short-term courses of six weeks or less taken during the day are considered to be part-time attendance. For more information about the above indicators, please visit the Statistics Canada 2001 Census dictionary available at: <http://www12.statcan.ca/english/census01/Products/Reference/dict/index.htm>.

**Highlights for the Peel-Halton-Dufferin Area**

- ◆ Compared to Canada and Ontario, PHD has a higher proportion of people ages 15-24 years attending school as full-time.
- ◆ Compared to Canada, PHD has a lower proportion of people ages 15-24 years attending school as part-time.
- ◆ Top field of study of PHD (males): Applied Science Technologies and Trades (32.8%).
- ◆ Top field of study of PHD (females): Commerce, Management and Business Administration (30.0%).

**Population Ages 15- 24 Years by School Attendance:  
 Canada, Ontario and PHD, 2001**



**Implications  
 for Human Services Sector**

- ◆ Increased demand for specializations in Applied Science Technologies and Trades; Engineering and Applied Sciences; and Mathematics, Computer and Physical Sciences for males in PHD.



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 Visible Minorities in PHD**

## Did you know?

### What is the school attendance of PHD's Population ages 15-24 years?

60.4% of PHD population ages 15-24 years had a full-time attendance at school compared to Ontario figure of 59.7%, and the Canadian figure of 57.1%.

5.2% of PHD population ages 15-24 years had a part-time attendance at school compared to Ontario figure of 5.2%, and the Canadian figure of 6.0%.

### What is main field of study of PHD males with postsecondary qualifications?

In 2001, the main field of study of PHD males with postsecondary qualifications was Applied Science Technologies and Trades (32.8%), followed by Commerce, Management and Business Administration (21.7%); and Engineering and Applied Sciences (11.6%).

### What is main field of study of PHD females with postsecondary qualifications?

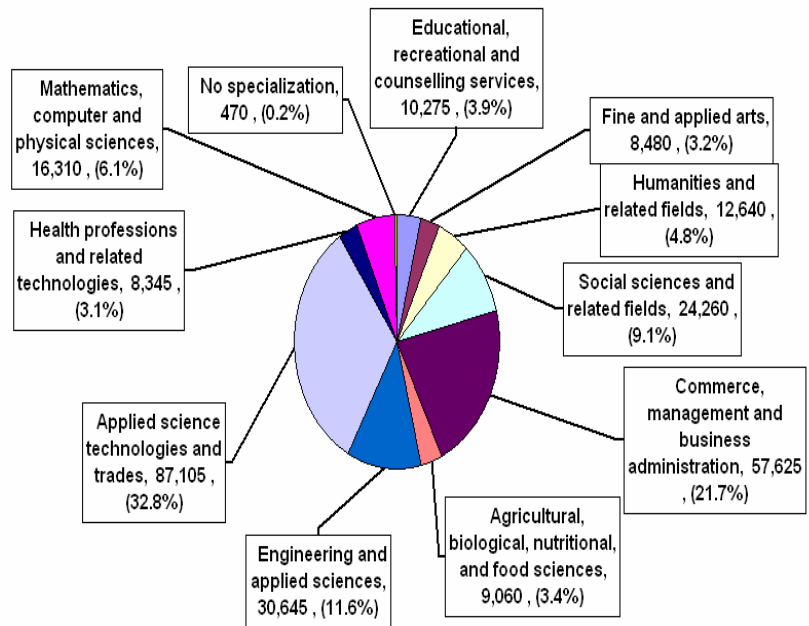
In 2001, the main field of study of PHD females with postsecondary qualifications was Commerce, Management and Business Administration (30%), followed by Health Professions and related Technologies (14.4%); and Educational, Recreational and Counselling Services (14.1%).

### What are some of the main differences between men and women in PHD's field of study?

Out of 10 specializations, females are out numbered in seven (7) specializations.

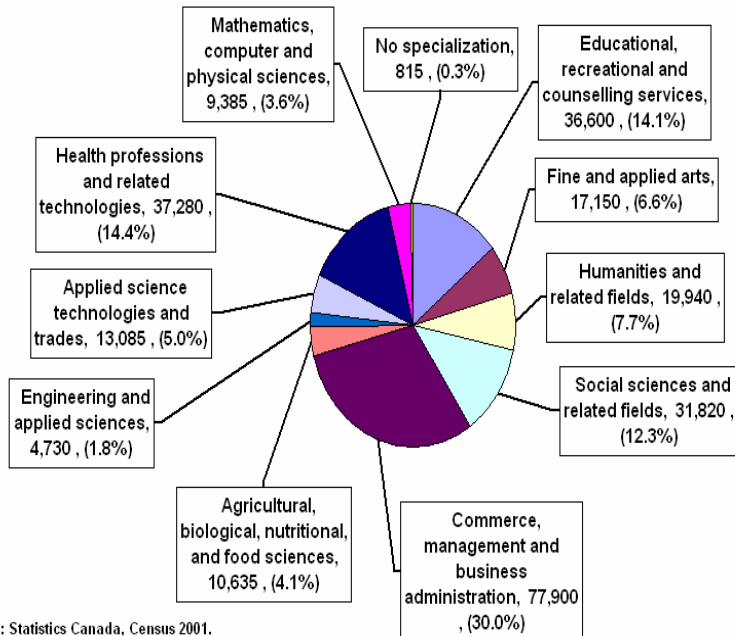
Out of 10 specializations, males are out numbered in only three (3) specializations such as: Applied Science Technologies and Trades (32.8%); Engineering and Applied Sciences (11.6%); and Mathematics, Computer and Physical Sciences (6.1%).

Males with Post Secondary Qualifications by Major Field of Study:  
PHD, 2001



Source: Statistics Canada, Census 2001.

Females with Post Secondary Qualifications by Major Field of Study:  
PHD, 2001



Source: Statistics Canada, Census 2001.

PHDTB recently conducted a research study of the employment issues and challenges facing Brampton's youth. The report titled "Brampton Youth: Ready, Willing and Able" can be accessed at :

[http://www.powersitefactory.com/PHDTB/pdf/PHDTB\\_Youth\\_Report.pdf](http://www.powersitefactory.com/PHDTB/pdf/PHDTB_Youth_Report.pdf)

While the research was conducted on youth from Brampton, the findings and recommendations may be useful for other areas.