

- ◆ Major Field of Study by Gender

Major Field of Study: Peel-Halton, 2006

This newsletter provides the major field of study of residents in the Peel and Halton area by using official data from the 2006 Census of Canada (Statistics Canada). According to Statistics Canada, the major field of study refers to the predominant discipline or area of learning or training of a person's highest postsecondary certificate, diploma or degree. For more information about the major field of study, please visit the Statistics Canada 2006 Census dictionary available at: <http://www12.statcan.gc.ca/english/census06/reference/dictionary/>

**Table 1. Population by Major Field of Study:
Ontario & PH, 2006**

| Major Field of Study | Peel - Halton | | Ontario | |
|---|------------------|---------------|------------------|---------------|
| | # | % | # | % |
| Total Population 15 Years and Over | 1,256,655 | 100.0% | 9,819,420 | 100.0% |
| No postsecondary certificate, diploma or degree | 574,070 | 45.7% | 4,812,200 | 49.0% |
| Education | 39,740 | 3.2% | 335,715 | 3.4% |
| Visual and performing arts, and communications technologies | 24,585 | 2.0% | 193,790 | 2.0% |
| Humanities | 42,305 | 3.4% | 292,845 | 3.0% |
| Social and behavioural sciences and law | 77,130 | 6.1% | 576,100 | 5.9% |
| Business, management and public administration | 171,090 | 13.6% | 1,061,210 | 10.8% |
| Physical and life sciences and technologies | 29,395 | 2.3% | 181,250 | 1.8% |
| Mathematics, computer and information sciences | 39,515 | 3.1% | 254,440 | 2.6% |
| Architecture, engineering, and related technologies | 148,245 | 11.8% | 1,089,310 | 11.1% |
| Agriculture, natural resources and conservation | 8,765 | 0.7% | 91,965 | 0.9% |
| Health, parks, recreation and fitness | 72,015 | 5.7% | 665,490 | 6.8% |
| Personal, protective and transportation services | 29,755 | 2.4% | 264,620 | 2.7% |
| Other | 35 | 0.0% | 480 | 0.0% |

Source: Statistics Canada, Census 2006.

Highlights for the Peel-Halton Area

- ◆ In 2006, the top 3 field of study of residents in the Peel and Halton area were business, management and public administration (13.6%); architecture, engineering, and related technologies (11.8%); and social and behavioural sciences and law (6.1%).

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Did you know?

What was main field of study of PH males with postsecondary qualifications in 2006?

In 2006, the main field of study of PH males with postsecondary qualifications was architecture, engineering, and related technologies (22.1%), followed by business, management and public administration (11.9%); and social and behavioural sciences and law (4.2%).

What was main field of study of PH females with postsecondary qualifications in 2006?

In 2006, the main field of study of PHD females with postsecondary qualifications was business, management and public administration (15.2%), followed by health, parks, recreation and fitness (8.9%); and social and behavioural sciences and law (7.9%).

What were some of the main differences between men and women in PH's field of study in 2006?

Out of 11 specializations, females were out numbered in eight (8) specializations in 2006.

Out of 11 specializations, males were out numbered in only three (3) specializations in 2006 such as: mathematics, computer and information sciences; architecture, engineering, and related technologies; and agriculture, natural resources and conservation.

**Table 2. Population by Major Field of Study and Gender:
PH, 2006**

| Major Field of Study | MALES | | FEMALES | |
|---|----------------|---------------|----------------|---------------|
| | # | % | # | % |
| Total Population 15 Years and Over | 609,570 | 100.0% | 647,075 | 100.0% |
| No postsecondary certificate, diploma or degree | 270,885 | 44.4% | 303,180 | 46.9% |
| Education | 8,485 | 1.4% | 31,250 | 4.8% |
| Visual and performing arts, and communications technologies | 11,020 | 1.8% | 13,565 | 2.1% |
| Humanities | 13,870 | 2.3% | 28,435 | 4.4% |
| Social and behavioural sciences and law | 25,765 | 4.2% | 51,360 | 7.9% |
| Business, management and public administration | 72,750 | 11.9% | 98,350 | 15.2% |
| Physical and life sciences and technologies | 14,205 | 2.3% | 15,185 | 2.3% |
| Mathematics, computer and information sciences | 24,020 | 3.9% | 15,495 | 2.4% |
| Architecture, engineering, and related technologies | 134,465 | 22.1% | 13,775 | 2.1% |
| Agriculture, natural resources and conservation | 5,190 | 0.9% | 3,580 | 0.6% |
| Health, parks, recreation and fitness | 14,350 | 2.4% | 57,665 | 8.9% |
| Personal, protective and transportation services | 14,545 | 2.4% | 15,210 | 2.4% |
| Other | 15 | 0.0% | 15 | 0.0% |

Source: Statistics Canada, Census 2006.