

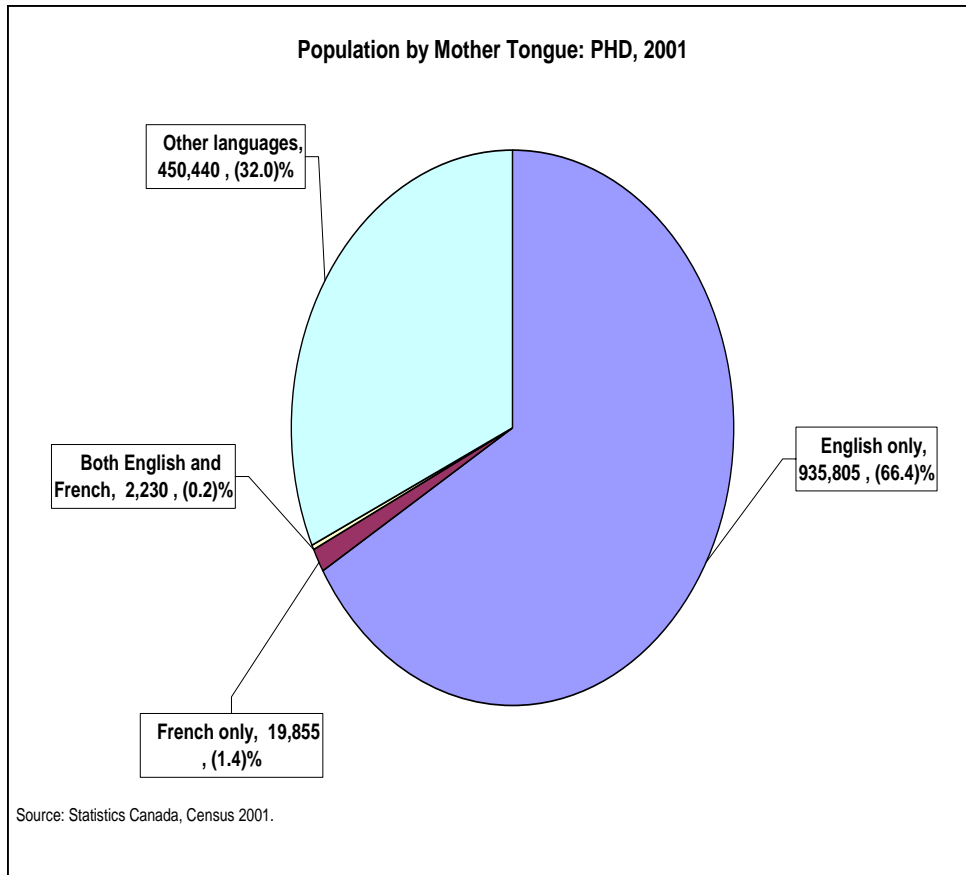
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Languages in PHD

This newsletter provides information on the population by mother tongue language in Peel Halton Dufferin (PHD) by using official data from the 2001 Census of Canada (Statistics Canada). Mother tongue language refers to the first language learned at home in childhood and still understood by the individual at the time of the census. For more information about the mother tongue, please visit the Statistics Canada 2001 Census dictionary available at: <http://www12.statcan.ca/english/census01/Products/Reference/dict/pop082.htm>

Figure 1



Highlights for the Peel-Halton-Dufferin Area

- ◆ Compared to Canada, PHD has a higher proportion of people whose first language is English (58.5% vs. 66.4%).
- ◆ Compared to Ontario, PHD has a lower proportion of people whose first language is English (70.6% vs. 66.4%).
- ◆ Compared to Canada and Ontario, PHD has a lower proportion of people whose first language is French (22.6% and 4.3% vs. 1.4%).
- ◆ In 2001, 32% of the PHD population reported speaking a mother tongue other than English or French.

Implications for Human Services Sector

- ◆ Increased demand for language training.

WE NEED YOUR INPUT!

PHDTB is currently collecting input about the labour market. Please take a few minutes to respond to our online survey at: <http://www.surveymonkey.com/s.asp?u=559612383510>

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Labour Force in Manufacturing Industry

Did you know?

How many persons in PHD speak English as their Mother Tongue?

- ◆ 935,805 or 66.4% of the PHD population have English as their mother tongue.
- ◆ Compared to Canada, PHD has a higher proportion of people whose first language is English (58.5% vs. 66.4%).
- ◆ Compared to Ontario, PHD has a lower proportion of people whose first language is English (70.6% vs. 66.4%).
- ◆ Within the PHD area, Peel has the lowest proportion of people whose first language is English (59.1%) compared to 82.4% in Halton and 92.3% in Dufferin.

How many persons in PHD speak French as their Mother Tongue?

- ◆ Compared to Canada and Ontario, PHD has a lower proportion of people whose first language is French (22.6% and 4.3% vs. 1.4%).

How many persons in PHD speak other language as their Mother Tongue?

- ◆ In 2001, 32% of the PHD population reported speaking a mother tongue other than English or French.

Table1. Population by Mother Tongue Language: Canada, Ontario and the PHD Area, 2001

NUMBER						
	Canada	Ontario	PHD	Peel	Halton	Dufferin
Total - All persons	29,639,030	11,285,545	1,408,335	985,565	372,410	50,360
English only	17,352,320	7,965,225	935,805	582,350	306,980	46,475
French only	6,703,330	485,630	19,855	12,350	6,900	605
Both English and French	112,580	37,135	2,230	1,340	820	70
Other languages	5,470,815	2,797,555	450,440	389,525	57,705	3,210
PERCENT						
	Canada	Ontario	PHD	Peel	Halton	Dufferin
Total - All persons	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
English only	58.5%	70.6%	66.4%	59.1%	82.4%	92.3%
French only	22.6%	4.3%	1.4%	1.3%	1.9%	1.2%
Both English and French	0.4%	0.3%	0.2%	0.1%	0.2%	0.1%
Other languages*	18.5%	24.8%	32.0%	39.5%	15.5%	6.4%

**Includes single responses of a non-official language and multiple responses. Multiple responses include cases where one of the languages is either English or French, in combination with one non-official language.*

Source: Statistics Canada, Census 2001.