

# The Regional Municipality of Durham Information Report

From: Commissioner of Planning and Economic Development

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#### Subject:

2016 Census of Population – Age, Gender and Dwelling Type Release, File: D01-03

#### Recommendation:

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# Report:

## 1. Purpose

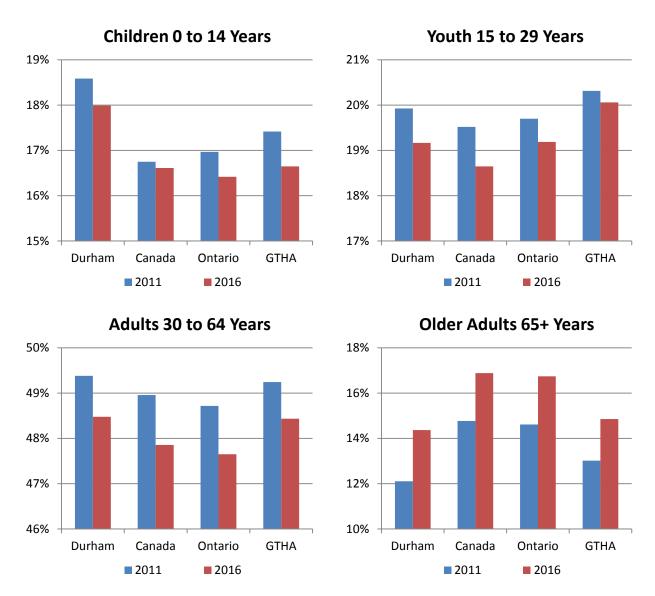
- 1.1 On May 3, 2017, Statistics Canada released the second 2016 Census of Population data set of statistics (age, gender and type of dwelling) for municipalities across Canada.
- 1.2 This report highlights changes in the characteristics of Durham Region's population and dwellings. Attachment 1 summarizes key statistics related to age, gender and type of dwelling for Durham Region, the Greater Toronto and Hamilton Area (GTHA), Ontario and Canada.

#### 2. Age

2.1 Children under the age of 15 comprised 18% of Durham's population in 2016, compared to 16.6% across Canada and 16.4% in Ontario. In the GTHA, Halton (19.6%) and Peel (18.3%) had a larger proportion of children under the age of 15 than Durham, while York (17.6%), Hamilton (16.2%) and Toronto (14.6%) had a lower proportion of children than Durham. Among Durham's area municipalities, Whitby had the highest percentage of children (19.9%) and Scugog had the lowest (14.5%).

- 2.2 The proportion of Durham residents aged 15 to 29 was 19.2% in 2016, which was consistent with Ontario (19.2%) and a relatively higher percentage compared to Canada (18.6%). In the GTHA, only Toronto (21%) and Peel (20.9%) had a larger percentage share of youth than Durham. The percentage of young persons among Durham's area municipalities ranged from 20.3% in Ajax, to 16.0% in Brock.
- 2.3 Adults aged 30 to 64 accounted for 48.5% of Durham's population in 2016. This is higher than the national (47.9%) and provincial levels (47.7%), and it was also slightly higher than the GTHA average (48.4%). Within the GTHA, only Toronto (48.8%) and York (48.8%) had a higher percentage. In Durham, Ajax had the highest percentage of adults aged 30 to 64 with 49%, while Brock had the lowest with 47.1%.
- 2.4 Durham had a lower proportion of residents aged 65 and older (14.4%) compared to Canada (16.9%) and Ontario (16.7%). In the GTHA, only Peel (12.8%) had a lower proportion of adults aged 65 and older than Durham. Hamilton had the highest percentage of older adults (17.3%). The proportion of adults aged 65 and older within Durham ranged from 21.1% in Scugog to 11% in Ajax.
- 2.5 Figure 1 illustrates the changes within the above four age groups from 2011 to 2016 for Durham, the GTHA, Ontario and Canada. Notably, the only category to show an increase was the proportion of residents aged 65 years and older.

Figure 1
Age Groups in Durham, GTHA, Ontario and Canada



#### 3. Gender

- 3.1 In 2016, the proportion of males and females in Durham was 48.7% male (314,750) and 51.3% female (331,245). Durham's male and female population share was consistent with the national (49.1% male and 50.9% female) and provincial (48.8% male and 51.2% female) shares.
- 3.2 Within the GTHA, the proportion of males to females ranged from 48.1% males and 51.9% females in Toronto to 49.1% males and 50.9% females in Peel.

3.3 Consistent with the results at the national, provincial and GTHA level, the majority of the population in each of Durham's area municipalities was female, ranging from 50.7% in Scugog to 51.5% in Pickering.

## 4. Dwelling Type

- 4.1 The majority of households<sup>1</sup> in the Region lived in low density forms of housing in 2016. In Durham, a total of 152,675 households lived in single-detached houses (67%) and 12,430 lived in semi-detached homes (5.5%). Row homes accounted for 24,470 dwellings (10.7%), while 38,390 households were apartments (16.8%). The household shares were similar to 2011 when 67.7% lived in single-detached homes, 5.6% in semi-detached, 10.1% in row homes and 16.5% in apartments.
- 4.2 For Durham, the average number of persons per household in 2016 was 2.83, compared to 2.85 in 2011. The average household size in Durham was higher than in the GTHA (2.75), Ontario (2.6) and Canada (2.5).

#### 5. Conclusion

- 5.1 The Census is an essential source of data on the demographic characteristics over time. Statistics Canada expects to release the following additional data this year:
  - August 2 Families, households and marital status, language;
  - September 13 Income;
  - October 25 Immigration and ethnocultural diversity, housing, Aboriginal peoples; and
  - November 29 Education, labour, journey to work, language of work, mobility and migration.
- 5.2 The 2016 Census information will be used as input to various Regional projects, including the upcoming Municipal Comprehensive Review (Regional Official Plan Update), Development Charges Study, annual Five-year Servicing and Financing Study and updating the Durham Region Profile.
- 5.3 A copy of this report will be forwarded to the area municipalities and be made available on the Region's website.

<sup>1.</sup> A household refers to a person or group of persons who occupy the same dwelling and do not have a usual place of residence elsewhere in Canada or abroad. The dwelling in which the household lives may be either a collective dwelling or a private dwelling.

# 6. Attachments

Attachment #1: Statistics Canada 2016 Census of Population, Second Release

Respectfully submitted,

Original signed by

B.E. Bridgeman, MCIP, RPP Commissioner of Planning and Economic Development Statistics Canada 2016 Census of Population, Second Release (Age, Gender and Dwelling Type)

Table 1
Age Groups by Municipality in Durham

Age Group	Ajax	Brock	Clarington	Oshawa	Pickering	Scugog	Uxbridge	Whitby
0 to 14 years	23,660	1,875	17,155	26,575	14,915	3,140	3,315	25,535
	19.8%	16.1%	18.6%	16.7%	16.3%	14.5%	15.7%	19.9%
15 to 29	24,335	1,865	17,500	30,340	18,465	3,535	3,875	23,830
	20.3%	16.0%	19.0%	19.0%	20.1%	16.4%	18.3%	18.6%
30 to 64	58,555	5,490	44,740	76,195	44,950	10,385	10,230	62,480
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	48.9%	47.1%	48.6%	47.8%	49.0%	48.0%	48.3%	48.7%
65 & older	13,135	2,410	12,615	26,350	13,445	4,555	3,750	16,530
	11.0%	20.7%	13.7%	16.5%	14.6%	21.1%	17.7%	12.9%

Table 2 Age Groups in the GTHA

Age Group	Durham	Halton	Peel	Toronto	York	Hamilton
0 to 14 years	116,185	107,215	253,525	398,135	195,575	87,120
	18.0%	19.5%	18.3%	14.6%	17.6%	16.2%
15 to 29	123,795	94,535	288,350	573,220	210,735	104,560
	19.2%	17.2%	20.9%	21.0%	19.0%	19.5%
30 to 64	313,100	264,865	663,040	1,333,280	541,670	252,340
	48.5%	48.3%	48.0%	48.8%	48.8%	47.0%
65 & older	92,790	81,810	176,820	426,945	161,925	92,910
	14.4%	14.9%	12.8%	15.6%	14.6%	17.3%

Table 3
Dwelling Type by Municipality in Durham

Dwelling Type	Ajax	Brock	Clarington	Oshawa	Pickering	Scugog	Uxbridge	Whitby
Single-detached	24,710	3,950	26,065	34,935	18,810	7,395	6,340	30,420
	65.8%	87.0%	79.4%	55.8%	60.8%	89.4%	82.8%	69.9%
Semi-detached	2,135	70	1,035	5,285	2,345	180	110	1,260
	5.7%	1.5%	3.2%	8.4%	7.6%	2.2%	1.4%	2.9%
Row house	5,660	120	2,740	5,650	4,295	95	375	5,530
	15.1%	2.6%	8.3%	9.0%	13.9%	1.1%	4.9%	12.7%
Apartment	5,050	410	2,995	16,720	5,465	610	830	6,315
	13.5%	9.0%	9.1%	26.7%	17.7%	7.4%	10.8%	14.5%

Table 4
Dwelling Type in the GTHA

Dwelling Type	Durham	Halton	Peel	Toronto	York	Hamilton
Single-detached	152,675	113,165	196,545	272,630	228,190	122,030
	67.0%	58.6%	45.7%	24.5%	63.9%	57.7%
Semi-detached	12,430	10,140	51,040	71,230	21,945	6,490
	5.5%	5.3%	11.9%	6.4%	6.1%	3.1%
Row house	24,470	33,815	56,145	61,630	43,890	24,720
	10.7%	17.5%	13.1%	5.5%	12.3%	11.7%
Apartment	38,390	35,850	126,440	707,445	63,060	58,360
	16.8%	18.6%	29.4%	63.6%	17.7%	27.6%