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Dear Mayor and Council,

Please see attached memo from Gil Kelley, GM - Planning, Urban Design and Sustainability, with highlights of the 2016 Census Population and Dwelling Count released today.

A short summary of the memo is below:

- This memo summarizes the 2016 Census Population and Dwelling results for the City of Vancouver, released by Statistics Canada today.
- City of Vancouver's 2016 population is 631,486 people. The City's population grew by 4.6% (27,984 people), while the Vancouver CMA grew by 6.5% (150,103 people)
- City of Vancouver's 2016 total private dwelling count is 309,418 dwellings. The City increased by 7.9% (22,676 dwellings), while the regional grew by 8.2% (78,048 dwellings)

If you have any questions or require further information please contact Randy Pecarski, Acting Assistant Director for City-Wide & Regional Planning, at 604-873-7810 or [randy.pecarski@vancouver.ca](mailto:randy.pecarski@vancouver.ca).

Best  
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**MEMORANDUM**

February 8, 2017

**TO:** Mayor and Council  
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**SUBJECT:** City of Vancouver 2016 Census Population and Dwelling Counts

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Below are the highlights of the 2016 Census Population and Dwelling Count Release today:

**Population**

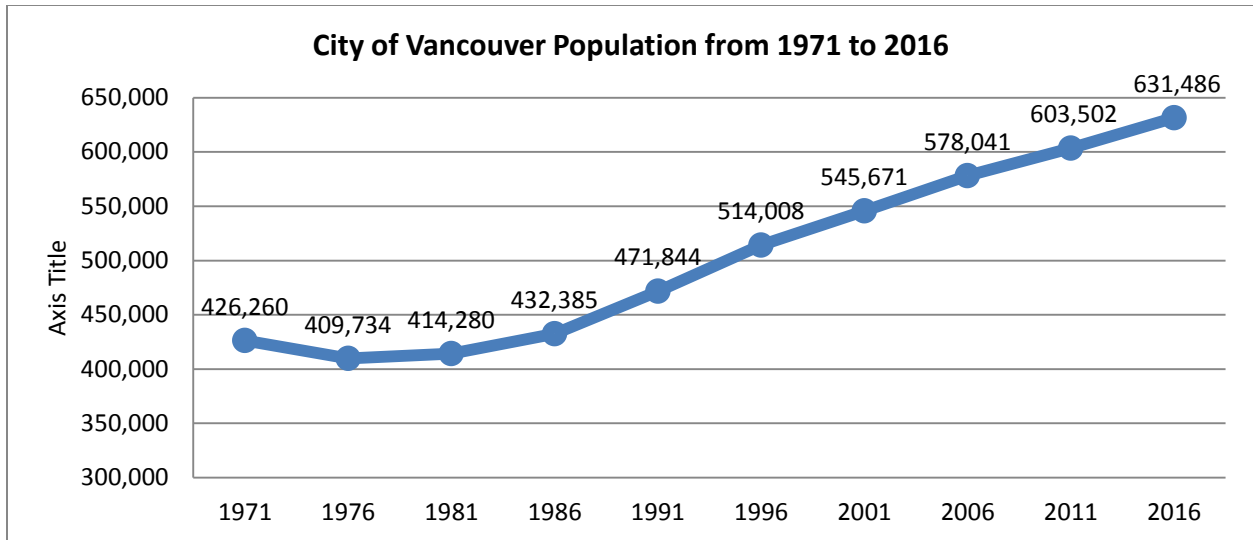
The 2016 Census population for the City of Vancouver is 631,486. This is a population increase of 4.6% (27,984 people) from the City's 2011 population of 603,502. This is higher than the City's growth rate of 4.4% (25,461 people) from 2006 to 2011. The overall growth rate of Vancouver's Census Metropolitan Area (CMA) was 6.5% (150,103 people) between 2011 and 2016.

The City's share of Vancouver's CMA population remains the highest at 25.6%. This is followed by the city of Surrey (21.0%, 517,887 people), City of Burnaby (9.4%, 232,755 people), and City of Richmond (8.1%, 198,309 people).

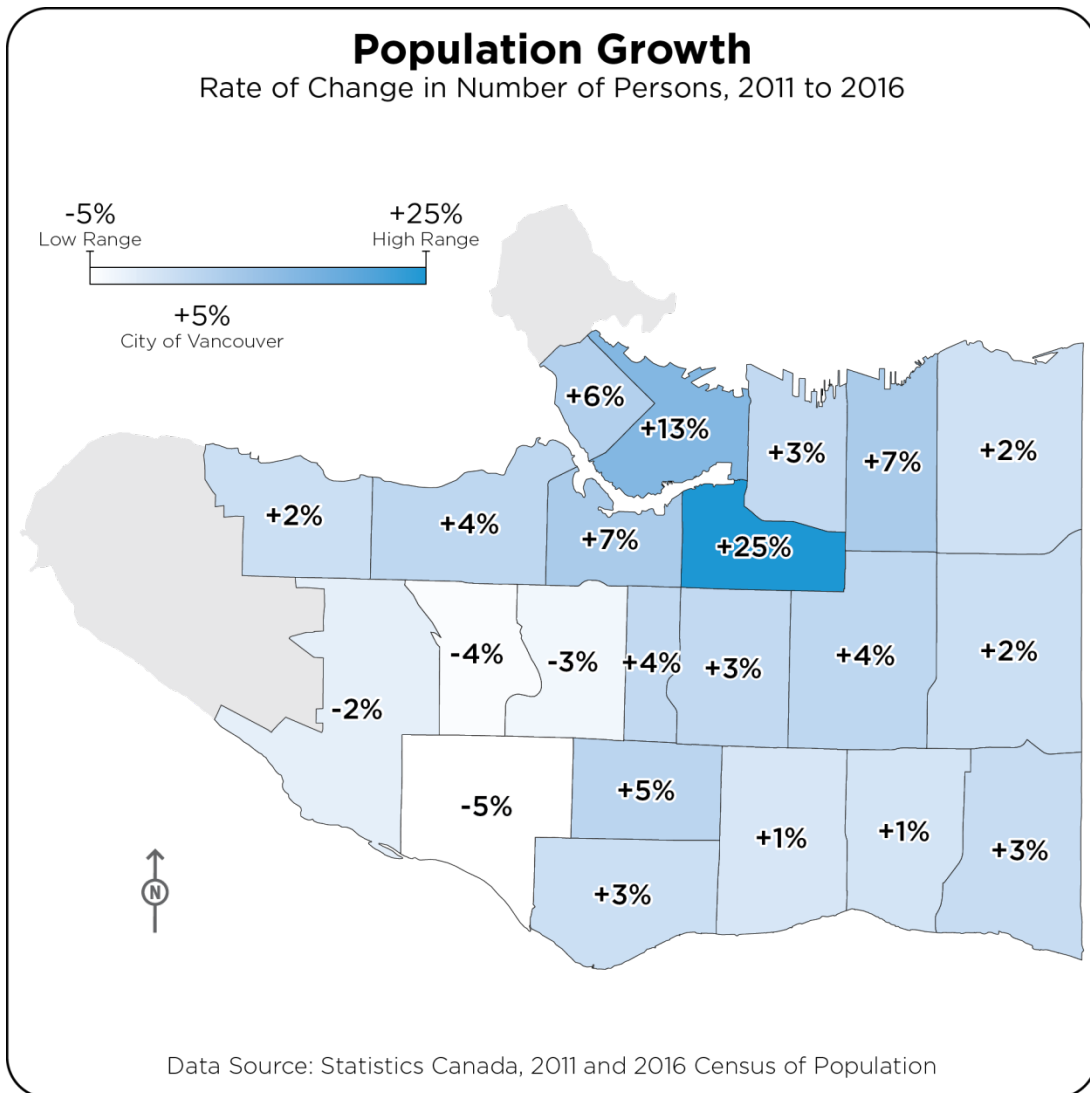
The Census shows the City has the highest population density in Canada with 5,493 people per square kilometre. Among larger municipalities, the next three with the highest population density are all located within Montreal's CMA.

The table on the following page provides a historic view of the City's population growth between 1971 and 2016.

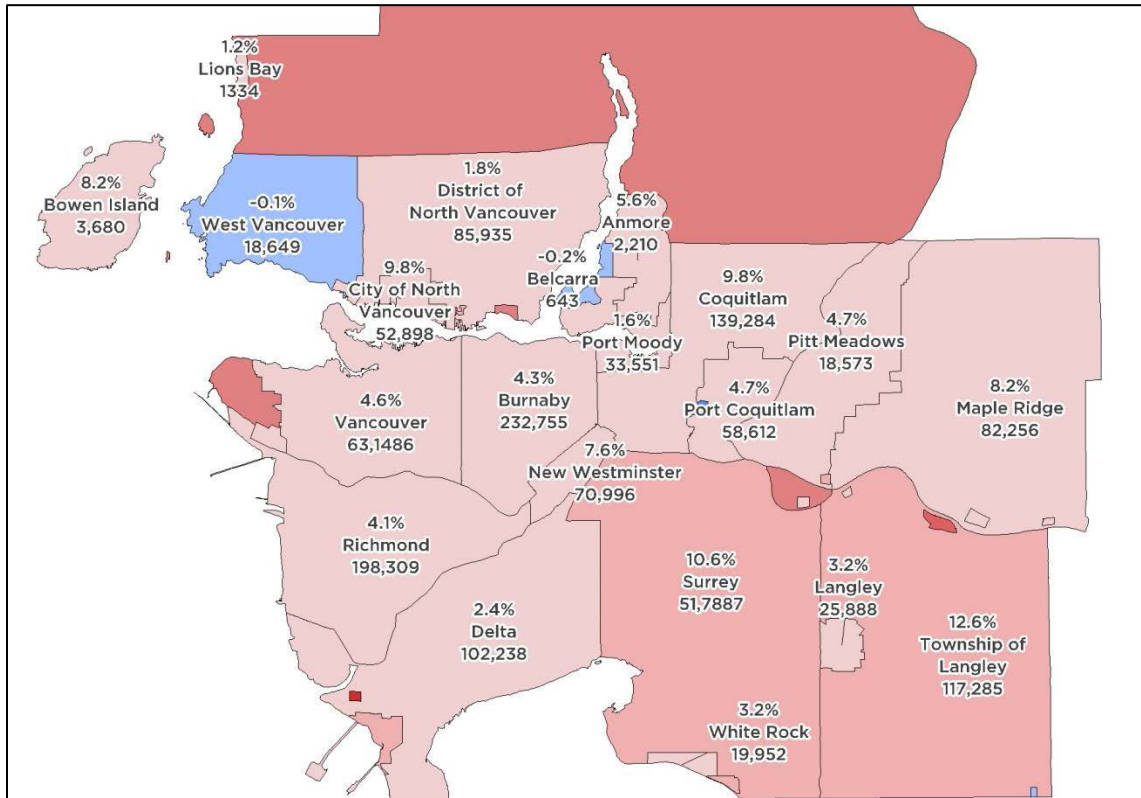
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The following map illustrates the distribution and amount of population growth within the City's 22 local areas.



This map illustrates the population growth and total population of municipalities within the region.



**Private Dwellings**

The Census provides two measures of private dwelling counts: Total Private Dwellings and Private Dwellings Occupied by Usual Residents. Total Private Dwellings refer to living quarters with a private entrance while Private Dwellings Occupied by Usual Residents refer to a private dwelling in which a person or a group of persons is permanently residing.

The 2016 Total Private Dwellings by Usual Residents in the City of Vancouver is 309,418 dwellings. This is an increase of 7.9% (22,676 dwellings) from the City’s 2011 private dwelling count of 286,742. This is higher than the City’s growth rate of 4.7% (22,169 dwellings) from 2006 to 2011. The overall dwelling growth rate of the Vancouver CMA was 8.2% (78,048 dwellings) between 2011 and 2016.

In comparison the Total Occupied Dwellings by Usual Residents is 283,916 dwellings. This is an increase of 7.3% (19,340 dwellings).

This table illustrates the change in Total Private Dwellings and Dwellings that are Unoccupied or Occupied by Temporary Residents.

	2001	2006	2011	2016
Total Private Dwellings	248,980	273,805	286,740	309,418
Unoccupied or Occupied by Temporary Resident	12,885	20,590	22,165	25,502
% Unoccupied or Occupied by Temporary Resident	5.2%	7.5%	7.7%	8.2%

We will be closely monitoring the remaining 2016 Census data as it is released over the course of this year. Statistics Canada Official Release data is available at the following link:  
<http://www.statcan.gc.ca/daily-quotidien/170208/dq170208a-eng.pdf>

The table below is a summary of the remaining 2016 Census Program release dates.

Release date	Release topic
8-Feb-17	Population and dwelling counts
3-May-17	Age and sex
	Type of dwelling
10-May-17	Census of Agriculture
2-Aug-17	Families, households and marital status <sup>0</sup>
	Language
13-Sep-17	Income
25-Oct-17	Immigration and ethno-cultural diversity
	Housing.3 %
	Aboriginal peoples
29-Nov-17	Education
	Labour
	Journey to work
	Language of work
	Mobility and migration

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