

West End

Community Statistics	1996	2001	2006	2011	2016	2016
Census (Short Form)*	West End	West End	West End	West End	West End	City of Vancouver**
Area of land						
Hectares	198	198	198	198	198	11,467
Population						
Census Population	40,940	42,103	44,560	44,540	47,200	631,485
Population 5 years prior	38,408	40,940	42,103	44,560	44,540	603,502
Population change in 5 years	6.6%	2.9%	5.8%	0.0%	6.0%	4.6%
Age Groups						
19 and under	5.6%	5.6%	6.7%	5.6%	5.4%	15.6%
20-39	51.5%	50.9%	48.6%	47.6%	47.4%	34.6%
40-64	29.6%	31.5%	33.3%	34.3%	32.4%	34.3%
65 and over	13.3%	11.9%	11.4%	12.5%	14.8%	15.5%
Language - Mother Tongue (single response)						
English	66.0%	63.3%	61.3%	62.1%	61.1%	51.3%
Chinese	3.9%	4.9%	5.2%	4.1%	4.3%	21.5%
Spanish	1.5%	1.9%	2.9%	3.3%	3.8%	1.9%
Persian (Farsi)	Not available	1.9%	2.1%	2.6%	3.3%	1.2%
French	3.3%	3.7%	3.4%	3.2%	3.1%	1.5%
Korean	Not available	3.2%	3.8%	3.1%	2.4%	1.3%
Households <i>Please see notes below</i>						
Number of private households	27,190	27,990	28,955	29,320	30,870	283,915
One-person households	59.3%	60.1%	59.1%	59.5%	58.5%	38.8%
Average size of household	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5	2.2
Families <i>Please see notes below</i>						
Number of families	6,880	8,010	8,710	8,765	10,165	160,875
Children living at home	2,680	2,845	3,535	3,090	Not Available	74,760
Single parent families	13.4%	11.8%	10.0%	10.5%	8.8%	4.1%
Type of dwelling <i>Please see note below</i>						
Single-detached house	0.4%	0.5%	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%	14.6%
Semi-detached house	0.0%	0.1%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	1.6%
Detached duplex	0.2%	0.2%	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%	18.7%
Row house	0.3%	0.4%	0.5%	0.4%	0.4%	3.5%
Apartment, under 5 storeys	24.8%	21.9%	22.2%	21.9%	21.4%	32.2%
Apartment, 5 or more storeys	74.3%	76.9%	76.9%	77.4%	77.8%	29.3%
Dwellings <i>Please see note below</i>						
Occupied private dwellings	27,190	27,990	28,955	29,315	30,875	283,915
Dwellings per hectare	137.5	141.6	146.5	148.3	156.2	24.8

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Tenure <small>Please see note below</small>						
Rented dwellings	84.8%	81.6%	80.5%	79.7%	80.1%	53.1%
Average gross rent ***	\$1,045	\$1,068	\$1,071	\$1,165	\$1,308	\$1,296
Mobility						
Population who moved since the last census	71.7%	68.3%	66.4%	60.5%	60.7%	46.7%
Age of dwelling						
built before 1960	27.9%	27.0%	25.4%	23.8%	21.5%	23.3%
built 1961-1980	58.3%	52.6%	50.4%	48.7%	48.7%	25.1%
built 1981-1990	10.5%	12.1%	12.6%	14.4%	13.7%	12.8%
built 1991-2000	3.2%	8.3%	8.6%	8.2%	9.7%	15.9%
built 2001-2005			3.0%	3.8%	2.4%	7.1%
built 2006-2011				1.0%	1.8%	8.2%
built 2011-2016					2.1%	7.6%
Labour force						
Employed labour force	25,565	26,325	27,870	29,295	31,765	350,145
Working at home	7.3%	8.3%	9.7%	7.5%	8.7%	8.9%
Working in the City, outside the home	63.7%	63.3%	61.1%	62.0%	62.5%	53.5%
Unemployment rate	8.5%	7.7%	5.7%	13.7%	5.3%	5.6%
Mode of travel to work						
Car, truck, van as driver	31.7%		27.7%	26.0%	24.8%	45.4%
Car, truck, van as passenger	3.2%	No reliable mode of travel	3.3%	1.8%	1.9%	3.6%
Public transit	22.7%	data available	24.3%	29.1%	26.6%	29.7%
Walked to work	37.2%	due to a transit strike.	39.6%	37.7%	37.5%	13.7%
Bicycle	3.5%		3.2%	3.9%	7.3%	6.1%
Other method	1.7%		1.9%	1.7%	1.9%	1.4%
Income <small>Please see note below</small>						
Median household income***	\$41,919	\$47,322	\$45,437	\$45,783	\$51,410	\$65,423
Population in low income households	37.1%	29.9%	32.3%	26.4%	23.3%	18.8%

* The Census, including the short and long-forms, is a mandatory survey of Canadians living in private dwellings; the short-form surveys 100% of the population and the long-form survey 25% of the population. In 2011, information regularly collected via the long-form was collected as part of the voluntary National Household Survey (NHS). Response rates for the NHS were lower (68% nationally) than that of a typical long-form census (e.g., in 2016 the long-form had a 97% response rate). The lower response rate observed in the NHS may introduce non-response bias and influences the extent to which the results of these surveys can be compared over time.

** The City of Vancouver excludes the Musqueam IR lands, but includes Stanley Park.

*** Adjusted to 2016 \$ (CAD).

Notes:

Occupied Dwelling are those with a household living in them. The change to the definition of households (already noted) also affects the number of occupied dwellings.

In 2006 there were changes made to the definition of households. A number of Single Room Occupancy and Seniors facilities were considered to be dwellings in 2001 and collective dwellings in 2006. This was repeated in 2011 and 2016, when more housing was reclassified. This reduces the number of dwellings (particularly apartments under 5 storeys). As a result the residents of those buildings would not be considered

In 2006 there was a change made to the definition of duplex. While it is still defined as a dwelling in a building with two dwellings, one above the other, in 2001 these were only detached properties, while in 2006 they can be joined to other similar properties. In 2006 Statistics Canada also seem to have identified more duplexes than before.

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A number of changes were made to the census family concept for 2001 which account for some of the increase in the total number of families, single parent families and children living at home

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