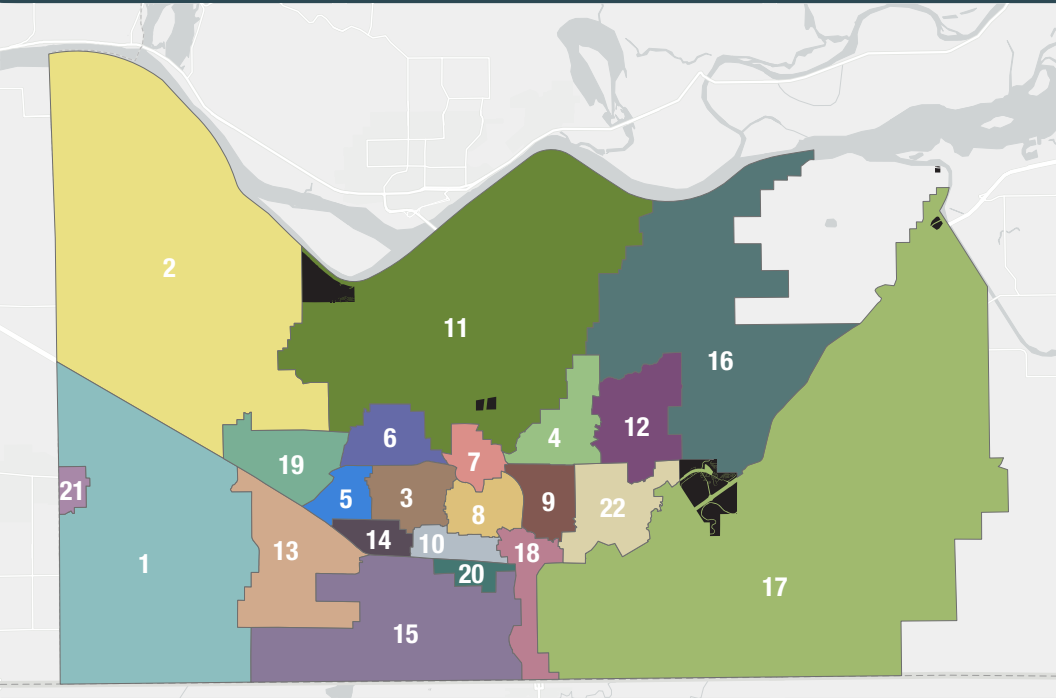


City of Abbotsford Demographic Profiles 2024



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| 1. Aberdeen | 10. Marshall - McCallum | 19. Townline |
| 2. Bradner - Mt. Lehman | 11. Matsqui Prairie | 20. UDistrict |
| 3. City Centre | 12. McKee | 21. West Abbotsford |
| 4. Clayburn | 13. Peardonville | 22. Whatcom |
| 5. Clearbrook | 14. South Clearbrook | |
| 6. Fairfield | 15. South Poplar | |
| 7. Hazelwood | 16. Sumas Mountain | |
| 8. Historic Downtown | 17. Sumas Prairie | |
| 9. Immel - McMillan | 18. Sumas Way | |

 First Nations Reserves

Sources: 2016 and 2021 Census

Additional information available: www.abbotsford.ca/stats
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Whatcom

Whatcom is located on the east of Historic Downtown along Highway 1. The Highlands and Eagle Mountain are residential neighbourhoods on Lower Sumas Mountain. Special Study Area D is located in this community.



Population



16.7% of Whatcom residents are children



18.6% of Whatcom residents are elderly



Median Age

Whatcom



Abbotsford

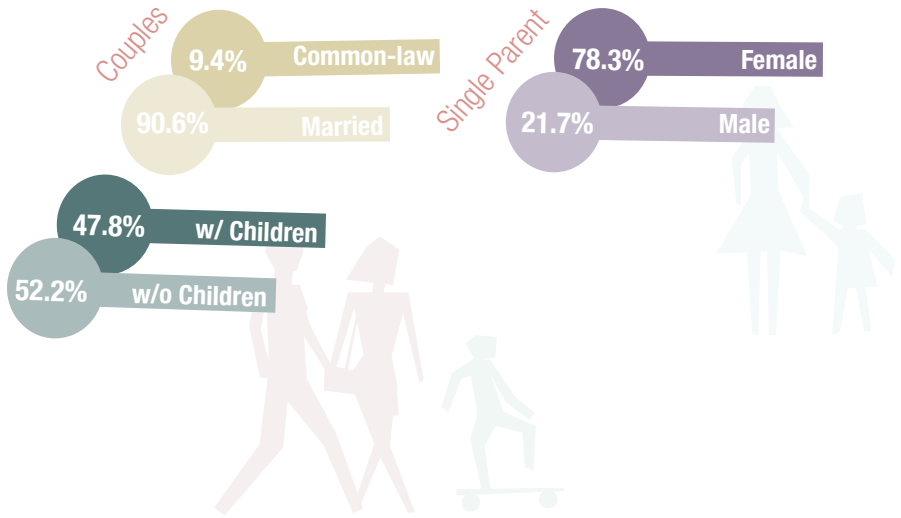


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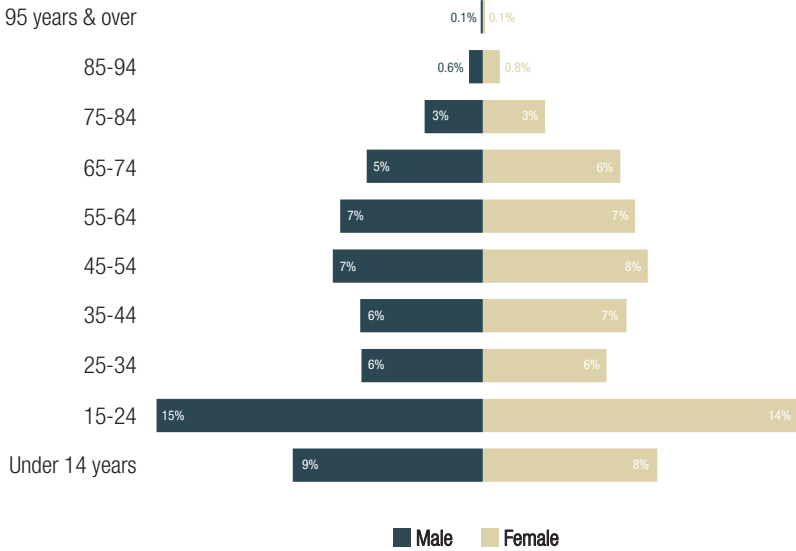
The average household size in Whatcom is 2.8



Family Structure



Age Distribution



Housing Types

Single-detached house **50%**

Semi-detached house **4%**

Row house **20%**

Apartment or flat in a duplex **19%**

Apartment <5 storeys **6%**

Average House Value

2016

\$642,725

Average House Value

2021

\$1,056,000

Construction Period

2011-2021

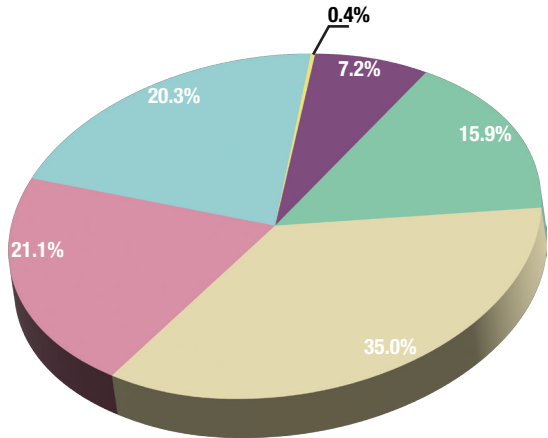
2001-2010

1991-2000

1981-1990

1961-1980

1960 or before



Rent/Own

In Canada, housing is considered unaffordable if it costs more than 30% of a household's before-tax income.

Owned Dwellings

Average monthly payments

2016: \$2,690

2021: \$3,095

In 2016, 16.8% of owner households were spending 30% or more of their income on (unaffordable) shelter costs. In 2021, the percentage of people with unaffordable payments lowered to 16.0%.

Rented Dwellings

Average monthly rent

2016: \$1,217

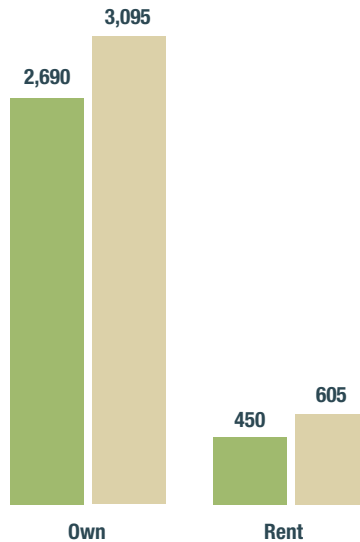
2021: \$1,490

In 2016, 30.0% of tenant households were spending 30% or more of their income on (unaffordable) shelter costs. In 2021, the percentage of people with unaffordable rent rose to 29.2%.

Dwelling Tenure

2021

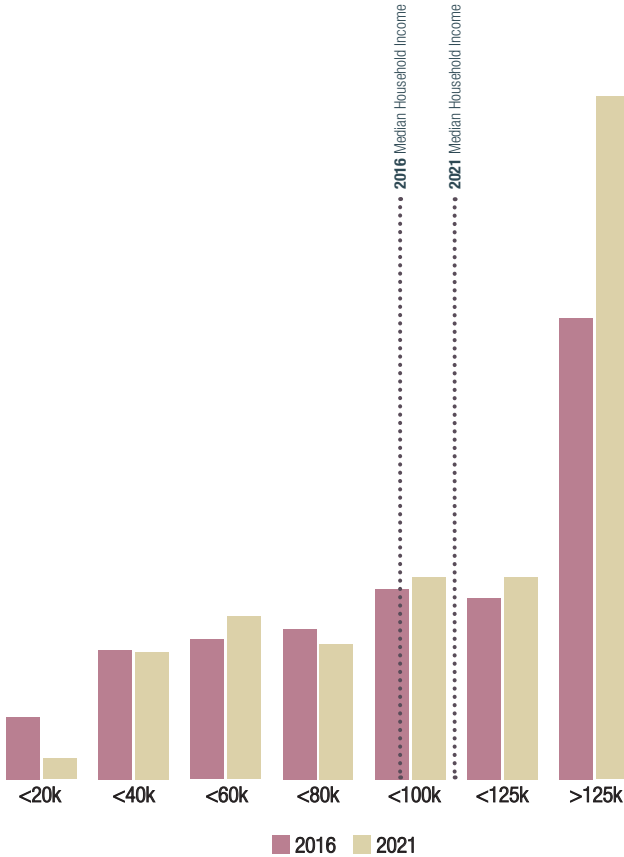
2016



Income

Total Household Income

Since 2016, household incomes have risen by approximately 18%.



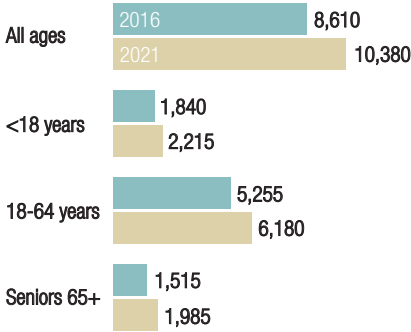
Median Individual Income

Since 2016, individual incomes have lowered by approximately 10%.

2016: **\$40,342**

2021: **\$44,400**

Total low-income residents (after tax)

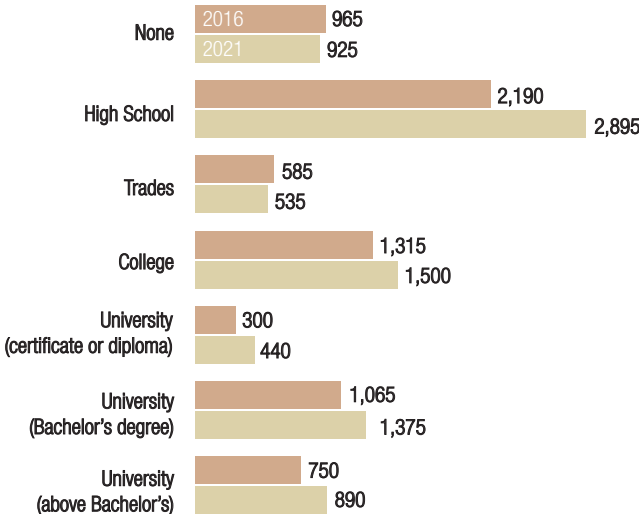


Low-Income definition

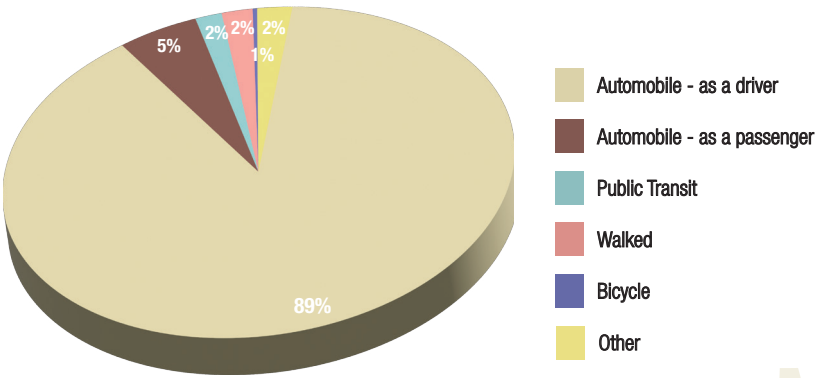
A household is considered “low income” if its total after-tax income is 50% of the median for households in Canada, adjusted for size.

Education

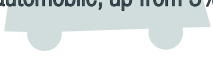
Fewer people have attained higher education than 2016 levels.



Commute to Work



6% of residents commuted to work using alternative means of transport than an automobile, up from 5% in 2016.



Occupation

Construction saw an increase while Retail Trade and Manufacturing saw a decrease.

Industry	2016	2021
Health Care & Social Assistance	14.9%	15.1%
Retail Trade	13.3%	11.1%
Construction	8.7%	9.9%
Education Services	8.6%	8.6%
Manufacturing	8.3%	7.6%

Language

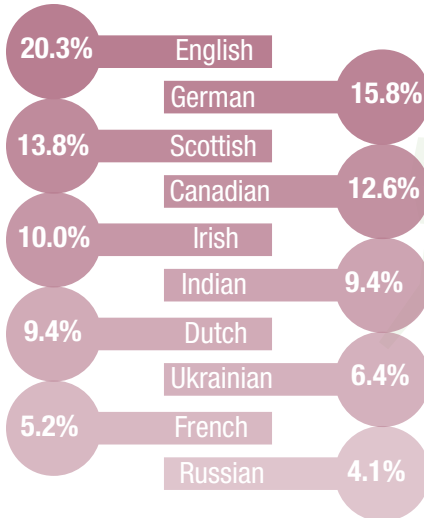
21.1%
of residents know a non-official language.

29% of people who know a non-official language speak Punjabi,
up from 23% in 2016.

Punjabi: 28.8%
German: 9.4%
Korean: 8.3%

Mandarin: 8.1%
Dutch: 4.8%

Ethnicity

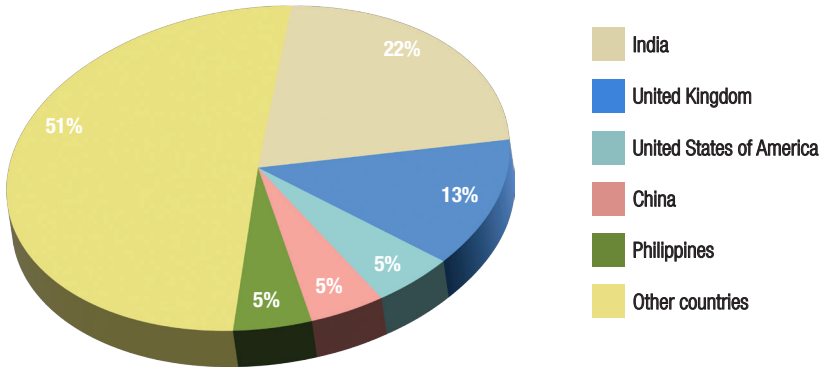


28.0% of Whatcom residents
are of a visible minority group.

Statistics Canada defines visible minorities as "persons, other than Aboriginal peoples, who are non-Caucasian in race or non-white in colour".

Immigration

Immigration by Birthplace



Period of Immigration

Time period of granted immigration status:

Before 1980	26%
1980-1990	10%
1991-2000	19%
2001-2010	25%
2011-2021	19%