

# Thompson-Okanagan Labour Market Profile for 2021

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Population	Thompson-Okanagan Region			British Columbia		
	2016	2021	Change	2016	2021	Change
Population	546,287	604,651	10.7%	4,648,055	5,000,879	7.6%
Total private dwellings	263,193	287,481	9.2%	2,063,417	2,211,694	7.2%
Private dwellings occupied by usual residents	232,889	258,617	11.0%	1,881,969	2,041,834	8.5%
Population density per square kilometre	5.8	6.4	10.3%	5.0	5.4	8.0%
Land area in square kilometres	94,197.76	94,039.38	-0.2%	922,503	920,686.55	-0.2%
0 to 14 years	76,320	82,850	8.6%	691,390	716,900	3.7%
0 to 4 years	23,785	24,240	1.9%	220,625	216,825	-1.7%
5 to 9 years	26,320	28,580	8.6%	236,900	244,290	3.1%
10 to 14 years	26,210	30,025	14.6%	233,860	255,790	9.4%
15 to 64 years	342,820	369,310	7.7%	3,107,680	3,267,620	5.1%
15 to 19 years	28,305	28,715	1.4%	258,980	253,690	-2.0%
20 to 24 years	29,040	30,690	5.7%	287,560	294,650	2.5%
25 to 29 years	29,370	33,780	15.0%	303,000	337,090	11.3%
30 to 34 years	31,155	36,650	17.6%	313,750	358,585	14.3%
35 to 39 years	29,380	37,775	28.6%	293,590	353,350	20.4%
40 to 44 years	29,845	34,530	15.7%	295,045	319,740	8.4%
45 to 49 years	33,445	33,775	1.0%	322,365	310,035	-3.8%
50 to 54 years	41,380	36,610	-11.5%	354,375	329,005	-7.2%
55 to 59 years	46,790	45,530	-2.7%	354,925	356,345	0.4%
60 to 64 years	44,110	51,245	16.2%	324,095	355,130	9.6%
65 years and over	127,145	152,490	19.9%	848,985	1,016,365	19.7%

One-Parent Family Composition	Thompson-Okanagan Region			British Columbia		
	2016	2021	Change	2016	2021	Change
Total one-parent families	22,665	24,305	7.2%	197,940	208,475	5.3%
in which the parent is a woman	17,460	18,340	5.0%	155,670	161,820	4.0%
in which the parent is a man	5,210	5,965	14.5%	42,265	46,655	10.4%

Official Language Usage	Thompson-Okanagan Region			British Columbia		
	2016	2021	Change	2016	2021	Change
English	529,395	585,570	10.6%	4373330	4461290	2.0%
French	7,355	7,705	4.8%	55325	1785	-96.8%
English and French	725	855	17.9%	18000	326865	1715.9%
Neither English nor French	2,325	2,995	28.8%	151760	161720	6.6%

Other Language Primarily Spoken at Home	Thompson-Okanagan Region			British Columbia		
	2016	2021	Change	2016	2021	Change
Punjabi (Panjabi)	4,540	6,780	49.3%	139,080	240,865	73.2%
Mandarin	940	1,350	43.6%	146,435	205,205	40.1%
Yue (Cantonese)	585	685	17.1%	137,075	192,140	40.2%
Tagalog (Pilipino, Filipino)	815	1,460	79.1%	35,375	82,835	134.2%
Spanish	745	1,480	98.7%	22,310	60,465	171.0%
Korean	765	1,020	33.3%	38,605	59,935	55.3%
German	2,110	1,815	-14.0%	10,085	50,695	402.7%
Iranian Persian	205	290	41.5%	28,420	46,395	63.2%
Vietnamese	350	510	45.7%	17,055	32,560	90.9%
Hindi	240	520	116.7%	12,310	32,390	163.1%
Russian	525	700	33.3%	13,310	28,660	115.3%
Portuguese	460	580	26.1%	6,725	24,320	261.6%
Japanese	320	380	18.8%	9,860	22,030	123.4%
Italian	510	425	-16.7%	5,200	19,805	280.9%
Dutch	340	280	-17.6%	1,895	17,345	815.3%
Sign languages	180	45	-75.0%	1,535	1,000	-34.9%

Indigenous Population	Thompson-Okanagan Region			British Columbia		
	2016	2021	Change	2016	2021	Change
First Nations	25,495	28,110	10.3%	172,520	180,085	4.4%
Métis single ancestry	18,045	20,675	14.6%	89,405	97,860	9.5%
Inuit single ancestry	320	215	-32.8%	1,610	1,720	6.8%

Visible Minorities	Thompson-Okanagan Region			British Columbia		
	2016	2021	Change	2016	2021	Change
South Asian	11,085	17,780	60.4%	365,705	473,965	29.6%
Chinese	5,095	6,470	27.0%	508,480	550,590	8.3%
Black	2,580	4,865	88.6%	43,500	61,760	42.0%
Filipino	3,985	6,285	57.7%	145,025	174,280	20.2%
Latin American	1,950	1,255	-35.6%	44,115	28,010	-36.5%
Arab	645	3,460	436.4%	19,840	65,970	232.5%
Southeast Asian	1,555	2,475	59.2%	54,920	71,785	30.7%
West Asian	615	1,155	87.8%	48,695	69,270	42.3%
Korean	1,330	1,765	32.7%	60,495	72,815	20.4%
Japanese	3,655	3,935	7.7%	41,230	44,120	7.0%
Visible minority; n.i.e.	505	735	45.5%	8,760	18,080	106.4%
Multiple visible minorities	930	1,520	63.4%	40,465	58,840	45.4%
Not a visible minority	498,745	539,040	8.1%	3,179,005	3,226,450	1.5%

Immigration	Thompson-Okanagan Region			British Columbia		
	2016	2021	Change	2016	2021	Change
Non-immigrants	463,940	508,730	9.7%	3,167,155	3,319,230	4.8%
Immigrants	64,130	72,715	13.4%	1,292,675	1,425,710	10.3%
Before 1980	33,245	28,460	-14.4%	356,155	280,160	-21.3%
1980 to 1990	6,745	8,310	23.2%	152,220	164,445	8.0%
1991 to 2000	7,695	8,885	15.5%	287,505	299,115	4.0%
2001 to 2010	10,240	11,860	15.8%	321,240	316,915	-1.3%
2011 to 2021	n/a	15,195	n/a	n/a	365,075	n/a
2011 to 2015	n/a	6,560	n/a	n/a	167,650	n/a
Immigration over the past five years	6,200	8,640	39.4%	175,555	197,425	12.5%
Non-permanent residents	4,610	9,290	101.5%	100,405	171,000	70.3%

Recent Immigrants (Country of Origin)	Thompson-Okanagan Region			British Columbia		
	2016	2021	Change	2016	2021	Change
China	325	385	18.5%	38105	31,450	-17.5%
India	670	1265	88.8%	27460	39,390	43.4%
Philippines	1075	1505	40.0%	26680	21,220	-20.5%
Iran	60	40	-33.3%	8645	5,850	-32.3%
Korea, South	285	265	-7.0%	8025	7,220	-10.0%
United Kingdom	605	645	6.6%	6540	7,675	17.4%
United States of America	445	630	41.6%	6485	8,760	35.1%
Other places of birth in Europe	480	405	-15.6%	5455	7,090	30.0%
Other places of birth in Asia	130	205	57.7%	4545	6,215	36.7%
Mexico	200	160	-20.0%	2885	3,045	5.5%
Other places of birth in Americas	95	145	52.6%	2380	3,265	37.2%
Japan	120	95	-20.8%	2285	2,090	-8.5%
Syria	60	385	541.7%	2185	4,955	126.8%
Pakistan	65	125	92.3%	1965	2,390	21.6%
Australia	230	355	54.3%	1920	3,280	70.8%
Iraq	5	5	0.0%	1910	1,545	-19.1%
Hong Kong	25	45	80.0%	1800	2,515	39.7%
Viet Nam	70	85	21.4%	1780	2,845	59.8%
Other places of birth	100	95	-5.0%	1745	1,160	-33.5%
Russian Federation	100	100	0.0%	1735	2,075	19.6%

Highest Level of Education	Thompson-Okanagan Region			British Columbia		
	2016	2021	Change	2016	2021	Change
No certificate; diploma or degree	29,410	26,555	-9.7%	244,000	216,660	-11.2%
Secondary (high) school diploma or equiv.	83,685	90,685	8.4%	671,010	694,785	3.5%
College; CEGEP / non-university cert. or dipl.	69,750	71,435	2.4%	528,805	507,405	-4.0%
University cert. or dipl. below bachelor level	10,425	11,975	14.9%	99,695	113,915	14.3%
University degree at bachelor level or above	52,745	70,270	33.2%	758,015	941,735	24.2%
Bachelor's degree	35,535	47,125	32.6%	497,845	610,735	22.7%
University diploma above bachelor level	4,035	4,885	21.1%	52,955	63,310	19.6%
Degree, medicine; dentistry; vet'nary, optom.	1,895	2,310	21.9%	22,440	24,675	10.0%
Master's degree	9,855	13,970	41.8%	159,740	212,745	33.2%
Earned doctorate	1,425	1,980	38.9%	25,030	30,275	21.0%

Field of Study	Thompson-Okanagan Region			British Columbia		
	2016	2021	Change	2016	2021	Change
Education	11,690	12,750	9.1%	96,005	99,640	3.8%
13. Education	11,690	12,750	9.1%	96,010	99,640	3.8%
Visual and performing arts, and communications	5,090	5,855	15.0%	77,655	85,350	9.9%
10. Communications technologies/technicians	1,065	680	-36.2%	12,710	9,815	-22.8%
50. Visual and performing arts	4,025	5,175	28.6%	64,940	75,530	16.3%
Humanities	6,405	7,405	15.6%	93,605	103,360	10.4%
16. Indigenous and foreign languages, literatures	465	640	37.6%	11,710	12,735	8.8%
23. English language and literature/letters	1,550	1,825	17.7%	25,665	25,770	0.4%
24. Liberal arts and sciences, general studies	1,870	2,230	19.3%	28,260	35,310	24.9%
30A Interdisciplinary humanities	30	120	300.0%	425	1,895	345.9%
38. Philosophy and religious studies	415	510	22.9%	4,970	5,780	16.3%
39. Theology and religious vocations	1,115	1,035	-7.2%	8,330	7,845	-5.8%
54. History	815	840	3.1%	11,805	11,615	-1.6%
55. French language and literature/lettersCAN	155	210	35.5%	2,445	2,410	-1.4%
Social and behavioural sciences and law	14,535	17,720	21.9%	196,450	226,805	15.5%
05. Area, ethnic, cultural, gender, and group studies	165	265	60.6%	3,460	4,220	22.0%
09. Communication, journalism and related programs	1,190	1,940	63.0%	19,685	26,730	35.8%
19. Family and consumer sciences/human sciences	3,305	3,435	3.9%	29,855	29,960	0.4%
22. Legal professions and studies	2,945	3,265	10.9%	31,190	34,935	12.0%

30B Interdisciplinary social and behavioural sciences	185	325	75.7%	3,540	5,150	45.5%
42. Psychology	2,585	3,385	30.9%	33,055	39,250	18.7%
45. Social sciences	4,165	5,115	22.8%	75,665	86,555	14.4%
Business, management and public administration	32,990	37,335	13.2%	335,220	379,485	13.2%
30.16 Accounting and computer science	90	70	-22.2%	540	445	-17.6%
44. Public administration and social service	3,190	3,625	13.6%	20,695	22,625	9.3%
52. Business, management, marketing and related	29,710	33,640	13.2%	313,985	356,415	13.5%
Physical and life sciences and technologies	4,750	6,635	39.7%	63,705	77,340	21.4%
26. Biological and biomedical sciences	2,165	2,955	36.5%	28,505	33,945	19.1%
30.01 Biological and physical sciences	1,145	1,690	47.6%	13,825	18,520	34.0%
30C Other interdisciplinary physical and life sciences	10	80	700.0%	645	1,545	139.5%
40. Physical sciences	1,155	1,695	46.8%	18,525	21,390	15.5%
41. Science technologies/technicians	270	215	-20.4%	2,210	1,935	-12.4%
Mathematics, computer and information sciences	4,370	5,195	18.9%	68,660	87,185	27.0%
11. Computer and information sciences and support	3,605	4,330	20.1%	56,390	72,700	28.9%
25. Library science	335	285	-14.9%	3,830	3,600	-6.0%
27. Mathematics and statistics	390	495	26.9%	7,760	8,865	14.2%
30D Interdisciplinary mathematics, computer and info	35	90	157.1%	680	2,010	195.6%
Architecture, engineering, and related trades	38,200	41,465	8.5%	310,855	327,735	5.4%
04. Architecture and related services	700	860	22.9%	12,110	14,690	21.3%
14. Engineering	3,875	5,190	33.9%	76,935	93,760	21.9%
15. Engineering/engineering-related technologies	6,265	8,115	29.5%	48,690	57,590	18.3%
30.12 Historic preservation and conservation	10	15	50.0%	65	100	53.8%
46. Construction trades	11,555	12,305	6.5%	72,800	74,045	1.7%
47. Mechanic and repair technologies/technicians	11,000	10,080	-8.4%	69,025	57,950	-16.0%
48. Precision production	4,790	4,905	2.4%	31,225	29,605	-5.2%
Agriculture, natural resources and conservation	6,090	7,315	20.1%	39,360	45,705	16.1%
01. Agricultural and veterinary sciences/services	3,000	3,665	22.2%	18,965	23,700	25.0%
03. Natural resources and conservation	3,095	3,650	17.9%	20,395	22,005	7.9%
Health and related fields	31,765	34,395	8.3%	244,975	258,665	5.6%
30.37 Design for human health	-	-	n/a	-	-	n/a
31. Parks, recreation, leisure, fitness, and kinesiology	2,400	2,615	9.0%	18,900	20,980	11.0%
51. Health professions and related programs	28,870	30,905	7.0%	219,800	229,855	4.6%
60. Health professions residency/fellowship	490	70	-85.7%	6,285	580	-90.8%

61. Medical residency/fellowship programs	-	800	n/a	-	7,245	n/a
Personal, protective and transportation services	13,065	12,615	-3.4%	91,185	88,615	-2.8%
12. Culinary, entertainment, and personal services	8,320	8,025	-3.5%	58,820	56,165	-4.5%
28. Military science, leadership and operational art	5	20	300.0%	195	305	56.4%
29. Military technologies and applied sciences	60	35	-41.7%	570	450	-21.1%
43. Security and protective services	1,520	1,570	3.3%	11,175	12,270	9.8%
49. Transportation and materials moving	3,160	2,955	-6.5%	20,430	19,425	-4.9%

NOC Occupation Groups	Thompson-Okanagan Region			British Columbia		
	2016	2021	Change	2016	2021	Change
0 Legislative and senior management occupat	30,285	2,960	-90.2%	275,000	32,255	-88.3%
1 Business, finance and administration occupat	36,700	44,665	21.7%	368,940	446,160	20.9%
2 Natural and applied sciences and related occ	13,610	17,090	25.6%	161,520	209,185	29.5%
3 Health occupations	21,095	26,440	25.3%	162,865	199,185	22.3%
4 Occupations in education, law and social, co	26,275	31,255	19.0%	269,255	309,360	14.9%
5 Occupations in art, culture, recreation and s	6,890	8,140	18.1%	93,100	110,585	18.8%
6 Sales and service occupations	67,945	80,300	18.2%	595,225	666,705	12.0%
7 Trades, transport and equipment operators	48,620	61,900	27.3%	360,970	469,450	30.1%
8 Natural resources, agriculture and related p	11,285	13,885	23.0%	64,235	72,075	12.2%
9 Occupations in manufacturing and utilities	9,175	10,800	17.7%	76,745	88,155	14.9%

Industry Groups	Thompson-Okanagan Region			British Columbia		
	2016	2021	Change	2016	2021	Change
11 Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting	11,630	10,765	-7.4%	65,205	60,320	-7.5%
21 Mining, quarrying, and oil and gas extraction	6,010	5,925	-1.4%	25,920	24,955	-3.7%
22 Utilities	1,565	2,015	28.8%	12,445	14,820	19.1%
23 Construction	27,265	32,765	20.2%	199,985	234,345	17.2%
31-33 Manufacturing	18,435	17,785	-3.5%	157,560	152,790	-3.0%
41 Wholesale trade	7,030	7,420	5.5%	82,105	80,165	-2.4%
44-45 Retail trade	34,470	38,240	10.9%	283,135	301,060	6.3%
48-49 Transportation and warehousing	12,170	12,985	6.7%	128,400	142,230	10.8%
51 Information and cultural industries	4,090	4,010	-2.0%	67,225	71,295	6.1%
52 Finance and insurance	7,690	7,885	2.5%	93,805	95,560	1.9%
53 Real estate and rental and leasing	5,475	5,835	6.6%	54,995	59,155	7.6%

54 Professional, scientific and technical services	15,540	20,115	29.4%	196,670	238,650	21.3%
55 Management of companies and enterprises	335	460	37.3%	4,320	5,785	33.9%
56 Administrative and support, waste management	11,880	12,800	7.7%	109,095	110,215	1.0%
61 Educational services	16,380	19,415	18.5%	173,820	192,855	11.0%
62 Health care and social assistance	34,485	41,620	20.7%	270,855	319,525	18.0%
71 Arts, entertainment and recreation	7,505	7,825	4.3%	57,940	60,775	4.9%
72 Accommodation and food services	25,165	22,790	-9.4%	207,045	182,105	-12.0%
81 Other services (except public administration)	12,910	13,320	3.2%	112,335	113,780	1.3%
91 Public administration	11,865	13,470	13.5%	125,000	142,730	14.2%

### Thompson-Okanagan Region

### British Columbia

Labour Force Characteristics	2016	2021	Change	2016	2021	Change
In the labour force	275,935	302,820	10%	2,471,665	2,657,275	7.5%
Employed	254,145	277,680	9%	2,305,690	2,433,600	5.5%
Unemployed	21,790	25,135	15%	165,975	223,675	34.8%
Not in the labour force	180,560	205,190	14%	1,398,710	1,543,145	10.3%
Participation rate	60.4%	59.6%	-1.3%	63.9%	63.3%	-0.9%
Employment rate	55.7%	54.7%	-1.8%	59.6%	57.9%	-2.9%
Unemployment rate	7.9%	8.3%	5.1%	6.7%	8.4%	25.4%

### Thompson-Okanagan Region

### British Columbia

Commute to Work	2016	2021	Change	2016	2021	Change
Car, truck or van - as a driver	186,260	186,320	0.0%	1,475,585	1,376,410	-6.7%
Car, truck or van - as a passenger	13,495	13,825	2.4%	114,580	121,350	5.9%
Public transit	6,430	5,605	-12.8%	274,205	174,045	-36.5%
Walked	13,655	14,600	6.9%	142,310	121,550	-14.6%
Bicycle	4,740	3,845	-18.9%	51,350	36,790	-28.4%
Other method	5,825	6,155	5.7%	35,115	43,535	24.0%



Place of Work	Thompson-Okanagan Region			British Columbia		
	2016	2021	Change	2016	2021	Change
Worked at home	23,030	46,755	103.0%	196,510	549,845	179.8%
Worked outside Canada	705	570	-19.1%	16,040	10,065	-37.3%
No fixed workplace address	37,895	45,950	21.3%	326,180	373,475	14.5%
Usual place of work	192,510	184,405	-4.2%	1,766,965	1,500,215	-15.1%