Immigrant Population in Wood Buffalo, 2016

In 2016, there were 15,870 immigrants in Wood Buffalo, representing 22% of the population.

**Period of Immigration**

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<td>Before 1981</td>
<td>1,015</td>
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<td>1981 to 1990</td>
<td>920</td>
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<td>1991 to 2000</td>
<td>1,980</td>
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<td>2001 to 2010</td>
<td>6,960</td>
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<td>2011 to 2016 1</td>
<td>4,990</td>
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1 This is a time period of only five years.

**Admission Category of Recent Immigrants***

- Economic immigrants, 3,020
- Immigrants sponsored by family, 1,355
- Refugees, 585
- Other immigrants, 35

**Top Home Languages**

(Not English or French)

- Tagalog: 22.8%
- Arabic: 5.5%
- Tigrigna: 3.5%
- Gujarati: 4.7%
- Urdu: 4.5%
- Other: 4.5%

**Top Countries of Birth**

- Recent Immigrants*: Philippines (37%), India (11%), Pakistan (4%)
- All Immigrants: Philippines (23%), India (14%), Pakistan (6%)

**Unable to Speak English or French**

- Recent Immigrants*: All can speak (94%), 6% can’t
- All Immigrants: All can speak (98%), 2% can’t

**Number of Non-Permanent Residents**

1,435

**Highest Level of Education**

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<td>No Certificate</td>
<td>9%</td>
<td>10%</td>
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<td>Completed Post Secondary</td>
<td>63%</td>
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<td>67%</td>
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### Labour Force Participation

- **Recent Immigrants***: 71%
- **All Immigrants**: 74%
- **Total Population**: 78%

### Income

- **Recent Immigrants***: $39,242, 5.9%
- **All Immigrants**: $54,868, 4.9%
- **Total Population**: $78,017, 4.1%

### Tenure

#### Living in an Owner Household

- **Recent Immigrants***: 44%
- **All Immigrants**: 59%
- **Total Population**: 71%

#### Living in a Renter Household

- **Recent Immigrants***: 56%
- **All Immigrants**: 41%
- **Total Population**: 29%

### Housing Indicators

#### Living in Unsuitable Housing

- **Recent Immigrants***: 30%
- **All Immigrants**: 21%
- **Total Population**: 10%

#### Living in Unaffordable Housing

- **Recent Immigrants***: 15%
- **All Immigrants**: 14%
- **Total Population**: 10%

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