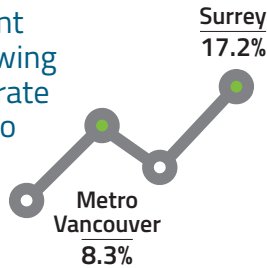


## A Story of Surrey's Recent Immigrants

### Immigration Growth

**25%** of Metro Vancouver's recent **36,335** immigrant population live in Surrey

Surrey's immigrant population is growing at a much faster rate than that of Metro Vancouver

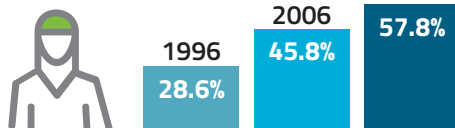


Immigrant population growth 2011-2016

### Changing Face of Surrey

In the last 20 years, Surrey experienced a major demographic change. Over **95%** of recent immigrants are visible minorities.

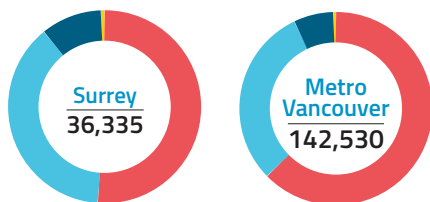
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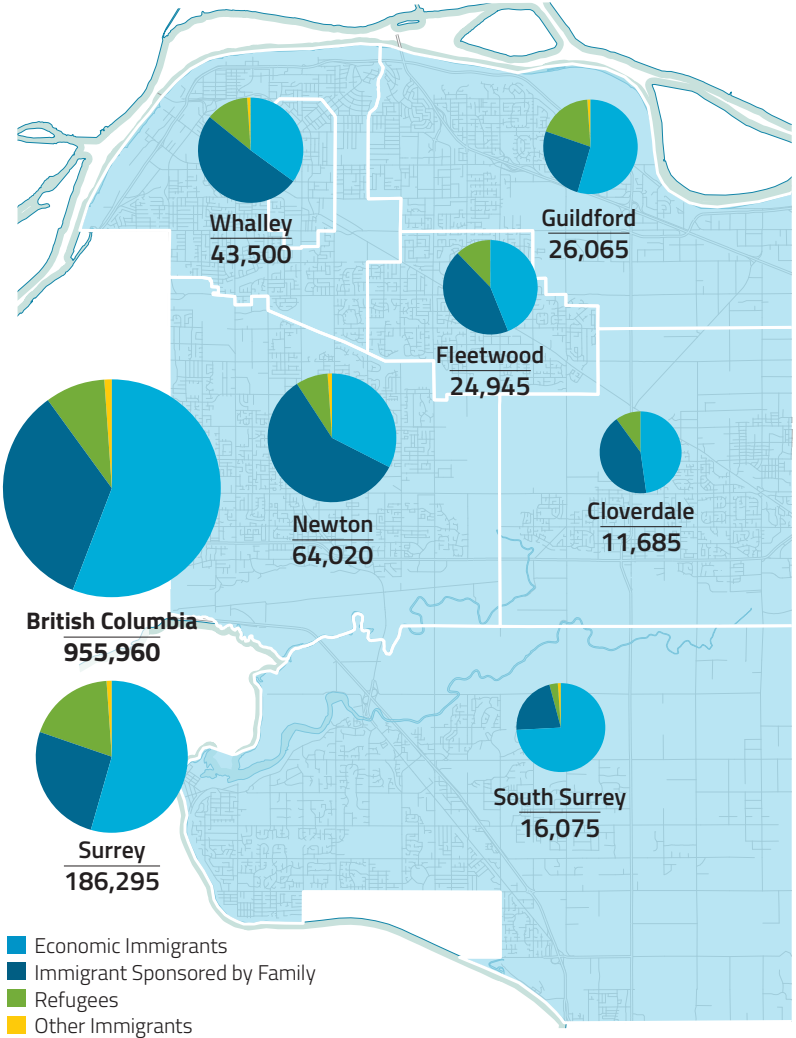
### Surrey's Unique Immigration Categories

The composition of immigrants settling in Surrey differs from other municipalities in Metro Vancouver, with more family class and less economic class immigrants.

Recent immigrants by immigration category 2011-2016



Geography	Surrey	Metro Vancouver
<b>Total</b>	<b>36,335</b>	<b>142,530</b>
Economic class	51.2%	63%
Family class	38.2%	29.9%
Refugees	10.2%	6.5%
Other	0.4%	0.5%



### Immigration Class 1980-2016 by Community

Community	Total	Economic Immigrants	Immigrants Sponsored by Family	Refugees	Other Immigrants
British Columbia	955,960	537,875	323,440	82,360	12,280
Surrey	186,295	78,860	85,795	20,485	1,150
Newton	64,020	33%	59%	8%	1%
Whalley	43,500	35%	51%	13%	1%
Whalley (Outside City Centre)	32,980	29%	58%	12%	1%
Surrey City Centre	10,520	51%	29%	19%	1%
Guildford	26,065	53%	25%	18%	1%
Fleetwood	24,945	44%	44%	12%	0%
South Surrey	16,075	75%	22%	3%	1%
Cloverdale	11,685	48%	42%	10%	0%

**Emerging Communities**

Surrey is becoming home to an increasingly larger Arabic-speaking newcomer community.

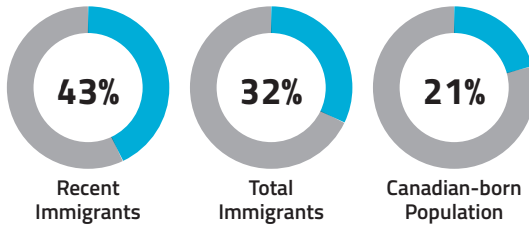


Out of **4,280** Arabic-speaking residents in Surrey, **40%** are recent immigrants

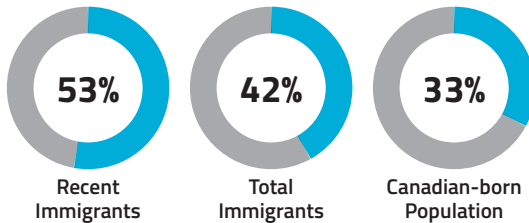
**Recent Immigrants Are Highly Educated**

In general, recent immigrants have higher levels of education as compared to Canadian born residents. Surrey's population is less educated than comparable groups in other Metro Vancouver municipalities.

Population in Surrey with at least a bachelor degree

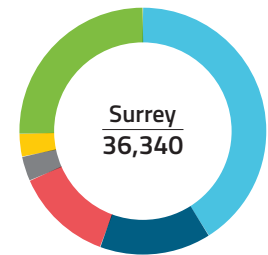
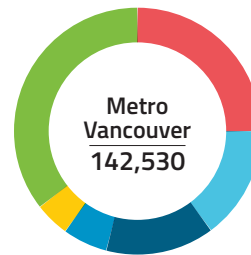
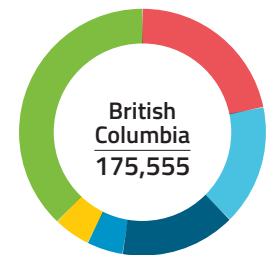
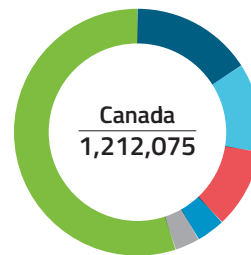


Population in Metro Vancouver with at least a bachelor degree



**Surrey's Unique Composition of Immigrants by Places of Birth**

**Top 5 Places of Birth - Recent Immigrants (2011-2016)**



**Education & Occupation Mismatch Between Supply & Demand**

**Top 3 Major Fields of Study of Recent Immigrants in Surrey**

- 12%** Business, Management and Public Administration
- 9%** Health and Related Fields
- 8%** Architecture, Engineering and Related Technologies

**Top 3 Occupations of Recent Immigrants in Surrey (NOC\*)**

- 30%** Sales and Service Occupations
- 21%** Trades, Transport and Equipment Operators and Related Occupations
- 10%** Business, Finance and Administration Occupations

Source: Census 2016, Custom-ordered tabulation: City of Surrey

**GLOSSARY**

**Recent Immigrants** are immigrants who arrived to Canada from 2011 to 2016.  
**NOC** stands for National Occupation Classification.

**About The Surrey Local Immigration Partnership**

Established in 2014, Surrey's Local Immigration Partnership (LIP) is led by the City of Surrey and governed by a committee of 32 community representatives working together to improve newcomer integration in Surrey.