City of Winnipeg Indigenous Peoples Highlights

2016 Canadian Census

September 2018
Based on data from the 2016 Canadian Census, there are a total of 1,673,785 Indigenous peoples in Canada, representing 4.9% of the total population. Of major cities in Canada, the City of Winnipeg has the largest Indigenous population. The cities of Winnipeg, Regina, and Saskatoon have a similar proportion of Indigenous Peoples. 84,305 Indigenous peoples reside in the City of Winnipeg, representing 12.2% of the population. In Winnipeg, 54% of Indigenous people identify as Métis, 44% identify as First nations, and 2% identify as multiple, Inuit, or other. 18% of Manitobans identify as Indigenous and 38% of Indigenous Manitobans reside in the City of Winnipeg.

The City of Winnipeg has the largest population of Indigenous peoples out of all major Canadian cities.
The City of Winnipeg also has the largest proportion of Indigenous peoples as a percentage of overall population.
Indigenous and Overall Population
Across Canadian Cities, 2016 Canadian Census

The City of Winnipeg is a major hub for Indigenous peoples in Canada

The self-identified population of Indigenous people in the City of Winnipeg has grown by more than 10,000 people over the past 5 years.
Indigenous people are much younger on average; 46% of Indigenous people are 24 or under while only 29% of non-Indigenous people are 24 or under.
Indigenous Urbanization Trends

% of Indigenous Manitobans residing in the City of Winnipeg

In 1996, 34% of all Indigenous Manitobans resided in the City of Winnipeg. By 2016, that number has risen to 38%, representing an increase of 4%.

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Summary

- The Indigenous population in Manitoba and the City of Winnipeg is one of the fastest growing demographics.
- There are currently over 80,000 self-identified Indigenous people living in the City of Winnipeg representing over 12% of the population.
- Slightly over half of self-identified Indigenous people identify as Métis and 44% identify as First nations.
- The proportion of Indigenous Manitobans living in the City of Winnipeg has increased from 34% of Indigenous Manitobans to 38% of Indigenous Manitobans over the last 20 years indicating that the Indigenous population in Manitoba is becoming increasingly more urban over time.
# Indigenous Peoples Data
## 1996 to 2016

### Within City of Winnipeg

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### First Nations Peoples

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