

FCM Rural FactSheet #6 Youth out-migration

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- Rural youth leave for jobs, education and fun (Malatest, 2002).
- 39 non-metro census divisions (CDs) lost more than 20% of their youth from 2007 to 2012. The table below shows the 7 with the greatest percent loss.
- However, 7 non-metro CDs gained more than 20% of their youth from 2007 to 2012.

Non-metro census divisions with greatest loss and with greatest gain of youth who were 15-19 years of age in 2007						
Census Division identifier	Name of Non-metro Census Division (sorted by percent change in the number of youth from 2007 to 2012)	Change in population, 15-19 years of age in the beginning year compared to the population 20-24 years of age, five years later				
		Beginning year	Ending year	Population 15-19 years in beginning year	Population 20-24 years in ending year	Percent change over 5 years
39 non-metro census divisions lost 20% of more of their youth, 15-19 years of age in 2007 in the following 5 years. Here are the 7 census divisions with the greatest percent loss.						
5951	Bulkley-Nechako, British Columbia	2007	2012	3,034	1,875	-38
4703	Sask. Div. 3 (incl. Assiniboia)	2007	2012	996	627	-37
1008	NL Div. 8 (incl. Lewisport and Springdale)	2007	2012	2,422	1,604	-34
1009	NL Div. 9 (incl. St. Anthony)	2007	2012	1,220	822	-33
1203	Digby, Nova Scotia	2007	2012	1,183	802	-32
1003	NL Div. 3 (incl. Port aux Basques)	2007	2012	1,069	756	-29
4709	Sask. Div. 9 (incl. Yorkton)	2007	2012	2,274	1,642	-28
7 non-metro census divisions gained 20% of more of their youth, 15-19 years of age in 2007 in the following 5 years						
4607	Man. Div. 7 (incl. Brandon)	2007	2012	4,270	5,179	21
1310	York, New Brunswick	2007	2012	5,878	7,203	23
1102	Queens, Prince Edward Island	2007	2012	5,375	6,618	23
5957	Stikine, British Columbia	2007	2012	78	113	45
5931	Squamish-Lillooet, British Columbia	2007	2012	2,375	3,615	52
4816	Alta. Div. 16 (incl. Fort McMurray)	2007	2012	4,358	6,882	58
4815	Alta. Div. 15 (incl. Canmore)	2007	2012	2,207	3,595	63

Source: Statistics Canada. Annual Demographic Statistics, CANSIM Table 051-0052.

- **Metro** refers to residents of Census Metropolitan Areas (CMAs). CMAs have 50,000 or more in the built-up core (100,000 or more prior to 2006) and includes all neighbouring towns and municipalities where 50 percent or more of the workforce commutes to the built-up core.
- A **census division** (CD) is a group of census subdivisions (which are incorporated towns, incorporated municipalities or equivalent) that are counties, MRCs, regional districts or, for some provinces, a CD is a grouping of census subdivisions for statistical purposes (as in Newfoundland and Labrador and in the three Prairie Provinces).
- A **non-metro census division** has no towns or municipalities that are delineated as part of a CMA.

Reference

Malatest and Associates. (2002) **Technical report: Research into Rural Youth Migration** (Ottawa: Rural Secretariat).

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