

## Tables:

### Population in Census Metropolitan Areas (CMAs), Census Agglomerations (CAs) and Rural and Small Town (RST) area, by province, 1966 to 2016

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“**Rural and Small Town**” refers to areas outside [Census Metropolitan Areas \(CMAs\)](#) and outside [Census Agglomerations \(CAs\)](#). Census Metropolitan Areas (CMAs) have a total population of 100,000+ and Census Agglomerations (CAs) have a population of 10,000 - 99,999. Both include neighbouring municipalities where 50+% of the employed population commutes to the CMA or CA)

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## Percent Change in Rural and Small Town Population, Canada and Provinces, 1966 to 2016

|                           | 1966<br>to<br>1971 | 1971<br>to<br>1976 | 1976<br>to<br>1981 | 1981<br>to<br>1986 | 1986<br>to<br>1991 | 1991<br>to<br>1996 | 1996<br>to<br>2001 | 2001<br>to<br>2006 | 2006<br>to<br>2011 | 2011<br>to<br>2016 |
|---------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Newfoundland and Labrador | 3.8                | 5.1                | 0.5                | -0.3               | -3.0               | -5.1               | -10.6              | -5.6               | -2.7               | -2.2               |
| Prince Edward Island      | 0.9                | 9.5                | 1.9                | 1.2                | -0.2               | 2.4                | -1.0               | -1.3               | -1.9               | -2.1               |
| Nova Scotia               | 4.9                | 5.4                | 1.9                | 2.7                | 0.5                | -0.6               | -2.3               | -1.8               | -1.7               | -2.1               |
| New Brunswick             | 1.4                | 9.2                | 3.5                | 1.7                | -0.2               | 1.3                | -2.7               | -2.5               | -0.8               | -2.6               |
| Quebec                    | -0.3               | 2.8                | 5.9                | -0.6               | 1.6                | 3.5                | -0.8               | 2.2                | 2.7                | 0.7                |
| Ontario                   | 7.1                | 5.4                | 3.0                | 0.9                | 9.3                | 4.7                | 1.5                | 2.4                | 0.6                | 2.8                |
| Manitoba                  | -1.4               | 1.3                | 0.2                | 0.4                | 0.5                | 4.4                | 0.5                | 2.4                | 4.7                | 3.2                |
| Saskatchewan              | -6.8               | -4.0               | 1.3                | -1.0               | -6.9               | -2.0               | -3.5               | -4.7               | 3.7                | 0.1                |
| Alberta                   | 3.0                | 11.2               | 22.0               | 2.5                | 3.1                | 7.8                | 5.5                | 3.8                | 4.1                | 3.7                |
| British Columbia          | 16.3               | 20.8               | 17.0               | -0.4               | 7.2                | 12.8               | -1.1               | 0.8                | 0.8                | 2.2                |
| Yukon                     | 27.9               | 18.7               | 6.0                | -0.4               | 18.9               | 16.0               | -18.9              | 2.8                | 5.3                | -2.8               |
| Northwest Territories     | 21.1               | 22.4               | 7.3                | 14.2               | 4.9                | 11.0               | -7.0               | 9.3                | -2.4               | 0.0                |
| Nunavut                   | n.a.               | n.a.               | n.a.               | n.a.               | n.a.               | n.a.               | 8.1                | 10.2               | 8.3                | 12.7               |
| <b>CANADA</b>             | 3.3                | 6.3                | 6.7                | 0.6                | 3.0                | 3.9                | -0.4               | 1.0                | 1.7                | 1.4                |

Source: Statistics Canada. Census of Population, 1971 to 2016.

Note: Rural and small town refers to the population outside Census Metropolitan Areas (CMAs) and outside Census Agglomerations (CAs).

Note: Population change is calculated using constant "Rural and Small Town" (non-CMA/CA) boundaries based on the end-period delineation.

**Percent of population living in rural and small town areas, Canada and Provinces, 1971 to 2016**

|                              | 1971  | 1976  | 1981  | 1986  | 1991 | 1996 | 2001  | 2006  | 2011  | 2016  |
|------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| <b>Newfoundland</b>          | 74.8  | 64.1  | 59.6  | 54.9  | 55.4 | 55.6 | 53.5  | 54.1  | 51.7  | 46.8  |
| <b>Prince Edward Island</b>  | 77.4  | 67.0  | 51.1  | 45.1  | 44.0 | 45.6 | 44.9  | 45.0  | 42.2  | 39.9  |
| <b>Nova Scotia</b>           | 55.9  | 45.0  | 40.9  | 43.2  | 39.6 | 38.7 | 36.7  | 35.8  | 34.9  | 34.1  |
| <b>New Brunswick</b>         | 66.0  | 61.4  | 49.4  | 49.0  | 48.0 | 48.5 | 47.7  | 41.5  | 38.9  | 37.4  |
| <b>Quebec</b>                | 30.5  | 27.5  | 26.7  | 23.3  | 22.7 | 22.4 | 21.5  | 20.1  | 19.6  | 18.9  |
| <b>Ontario</b>               | 27.4  | 24.8  | 21.2  | 16.3  | 15.8 | 14.8 | 13.0  | 11.9  | 11.3  | 10.3  |
| <b>Manitoba</b>              | 45.3  | 42.6  | 38.8  | 33.3  | 33.2 | 33.3 | 33.4  | 32.3  | 31.9  | 28.8  |
| <b>Saskatchewan</b>          | 71.2  | 63.3  | 55.6  | 47.8  | 43.6 | 43.3 | 42.3  | 40.4  | 39.1  | 35.6  |
| <b>Alberta</b>               | 43.0  | 41.9  | 41.9  | 27.3  | 25.3 | 25.8 | 24.6  | 21.2  | 19.4  | 18.0  |
| <b>British Columbia</b>      | 31.0  | 36.9  | 26.6  | 15.6  | 15.4 | 15.5 | 13.8  | 12.8  | 12.4  | 11.6  |
| <b>Yukon</b>                 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 35.3  | 35.5 | 29.1 | 25.4  | 24.6  | 23.2  | 21.3  |
| <b>Northwest Territories</b> | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 73.7 | 73.2 | 55.7  | 54.9  | 53.6  | 53.2  |
| <b>Nunavut</b>               | n.a.  | n.a.  | n.a.  | n.a.  | n.a. | n.a. | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| <b>CANADA</b>                | 36.3  | 33.7  | 30.1  | 24.1  | 22.8 | 22.2 | 20.6  | 18.9  | 18.0  | 16.8  |

Source: Statistics Canada. Census of Population, 1971 to 2016.

Note: Rural and small town refers to the population outside Census Metropolitan Areas (CMAs) and outside Census Agglomerations (CAs).

## Percent change in population with constant boundaries for CMAs, CAs and RST areas, Canada, 1966 to 2016

|                                  | 1966<br>to<br>1971 | 1971<br>to<br>1976 | 1976<br>to<br>1981 | 1981<br>to<br>1986 | 1986<br>to<br>1991 | 1991<br>to<br>1996 | 1996<br>to<br>2001 | 2001<br>to<br>2006 | 2006<br>to<br>2011 | 2011<br>to<br>2016 |
|----------------------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| <b>Canada</b>                    |                    |                    |                    |                    |                    |                    |                    |                    |                    |                    |
| Census Metropolitan Areas (CMAs) | 11.0               | 6.8                | 5.8                | 5.9                | 10.0               | 6.4                | 6.2                | 6.9                | 7.4                | 6.2                |
| Census Agglomerations (CAs)      | 7.2                | 6.7                | 4.5                | 2.1                | 7.1                | 5.3                | 1.5                | 4.0                | 4.2                | 3.3                |
| Rural and Small Town (RST) areas | 3.3                | 6.3                | 6.7                | 0.6                | 3.0                | 3.9                | -0.4               | 1.0                | 1.7                | 1.4                |
| <b>Newfoundland</b>              |                    |                    |                    |                    |                    |                    |                    |                    |                    |                    |
| Census Metropolitan Areas (CMAs) | 12.2               | 8.8                | 6.5                | 4.6                | 6.2                | 1.3                | -0.7               | 4.7                | 8.8                | 4.6                |
| Census Agglomerations (CAs)      | 0.0                | 13.2               | -1.5               | -5.4               | 0.0                | -3.0               | -7.3               | 1.3                | 1.1                | 2.5                |
| Rural and Small Town (RST) areas | 3.8                | 5.1                | 0.5                | -0.3               | -3.0               | -5.1               | -10.6              | -5.6               | -2.7               | -2.2               |
| <b>Prince Edward Island</b>      |                    |                    |                    |                    |                    |                    |                    |                    |                    |                    |
| Census Metropolitan Areas (CMAs) | 0.0                | 0.0                | 0.0                | 0.0                | 0.0                | 0.0                | 0.0                | 0.0                | 0.0                | 0.0                |
| Census Agglomerations (CAs)      | 10.1               | -0.7               | 5.5                | 5.3                | 4.7                | 4.8                | 1.8                | 1.8                | 7.3                | 4.8                |
| Rural and Small Town (RST) areas | 0.9                | 9.5                | 1.9                | 1.2                | -0.2               | 2.4                | -1.0               | -1.3               | -1.9               | -2.1               |
| <b>Nova Scotia</b>               |                    |                    |                    |                    |                    |                    |                    |                    |                    |                    |
| Census Metropolitan Areas (CMAs) | 6.1                | 6.9                | 3.6                | 6.6                | 8.3                | 3.7                | 4.7                | 3.8                | 4.7                | 3.3                |
| Census Agglomerations (CAs)      | -0.4               | 1.6                | 1.1                | -1.1               | 0.2                | -0.2               | -4.3               | -1.0               | -1.7               | -2.1               |
| Rural and Small Town (RST) areas | 4.9                | 5.4                | 1.9                | 2.7                | 0.5                | -0.6               | -2.3               | -1.8               | -1.7               | -2.1               |
| <b>New Brunswick</b>             |                    |                    |                    |                    |                    |                    |                    |                    |                    |                    |
| Census Metropolitan Areas (CMAs) | 2.4                | 5.8                | 1.0                | 0.2                | 3.1                | -0.1               | -2.4               | 3.1                | 7.1                | 1.0                |
| Census Agglomerations (CAs)      | 9.5                | 1.0                | 2.7                | 3.0                | 4.7                | 4.0                | 1.6                | 0.5                | 3.2                | 0.4                |
| Rural and Small Town (RST) areas | 1.4                | 9.2                | 3.5                | 1.7                | -0.2               | 1.3                | -2.7               | -2.5               | -0.8               | -2.6               |
| <b>Quebec</b>                    |                    |                    |                    |                    |                    |                    |                    |                    |                    |                    |
| Census Metropolitan Areas (CMAs) | 7.2                | 4.1                | 1.9                | 2.5                | 7.1                | 3.8                | 2.5                | 5.1                | 5.5                | 4.1                |
| Census Agglomerations (CAs)      | 2.5                | 2.0                | 4.5                | 0.3                | 5.2                | 1.8                | -0.7               | 3.3                | 3.7                | 2.6                |
| Rural and Small Town (RST) areas | -0.3               | 2.8                | 5.9                | -0.6               | 1.6                | 3.5                | -0.8               | 2.2                | 2.7                | 0.7                |
| <b>Ontario</b>                   |                    |                    |                    |                    |                    |                    |                    |                    |                    |                    |
| Census Metropolitan Areas (CMAs) | 12.7               | 7.2                | 5.2                | 7.3                | 11.7               | 7.6                | 7.7                | 7.7                | 7.1                | 5.3                |
| Census Agglomerations (CAs)      | 8.0                | 12.9               | 2.5                | 2.4                | 8.2                | 4.1                | 2.3                | 3.0                | 0.4                | 1.0                |
| Rural and Small Town (RST) areas | 7.1                | 5.4                | 3.0                | 0.9                | 9.3                | 4.7                | 1.5                | 2.4                | 0.6                | 2.8                |
| <b>Manitoba</b>                  |                    |                    |                    |                    |                    |                    |                    |                    |                    |                    |
| Census Metropolitan Areas (CMAs) | 6.2                | 5.2                | 1.1                | 5.6                | 4.3                | 1.0                | 0.6                | 2.7                | 5.1                | 6.6                |
| Census Agglomerations (CAs)      | 0.0                | -8.1               | -5.9               | 2.7                | 0.0                | -0.7               | -0.6               | 2.7                | 8.3                | 8.3                |
| Rural and Small Town (RST) areas | -1.4               | 1.3                | 0.2                | 0.4                | 0.5                | 4.4                | 0.5                | 2.4                | 4.7                | 3.2                |
| <b>Saskatchewan</b>              |                    |                    |                    |                    |                    |                    |                    |                    |                    |                    |
| Census Metropolitan Areas (CMAs) | 7.6                | 6.6                | 11.8               | 11.2               | 3.8                | 2.5                | 1.5                | 2.4                | 9.9                | 12.2               |
| Census Agglomerations (CAs)      | 0.0                | 2.8                | 6.0                | 5.5                | -2.1               | -0.1               | -1.7               | -1.1               | 5.8                | 4.0                |
| Rural and Small Town (RST) areas | -6.8               | -4.0               | 1.3                | -1.0               | -6.9               | -2.0               | -3.5               | -4.7               | 3.7                | 0.1                |
| <b>Alberta</b>                   |                    |                    |                    |                    |                    |                    |                    |                    |                    |                    |
| Census Metropolitan Areas (CMAs) | 18.9               | 13.9               | 21.6               | 6.6                | 10.3               | 5.6                | 12.2               | 11.9               | 12.3               | 14.1               |
| Census Agglomerations (CAs)      | 3.8                | 21.3               | 19.8               | 9.3                | 3.9                | 4.0                | 10.8               | 15.7               | 13.4               | 9.9                |
| Rural and Small Town (RST) areas | 3.0                | 11.2               | 22.0               | 2.5                | 3.1                | 7.8                | 5.5                | 3.8                | 4.1                | 3.7                |
| <b>British Columbia</b>          |                    |                    |                    |                    |                    |                    |                    |                    |                    |                    |
| Census Metropolitan Areas (CMAs) | 15.3               | 8.3                | 8.5                | 8.4                | 15.6               | 13.0               | 7.6                | 6.7                | 8.7                | 6.6                |
| Census Agglomerations (CAs)      | 25.5               | 12.4               | 11.9               | 1.8                | 14.2               | 14.9               | 1.7                | 3.5                | 5.3                | 4.4                |
| Rural and Small Town (RST) areas | 16.3               | 20.8               | 17.0               | -0.4               | 7.2                | 12.8               | -1.1               | 0.8                | 0.8                | 2.2                |

Source: Statistics Canada. Census of Population, 1976 to 2016.

**Population Change in CMA, CA and RST Areas, 1966 - 2016, Canada and Provinces (continued)**

| Area classification                              | Five-year percent change |            |                     | Five-year percent change |            |            |                    |                     | Five-year percent change |            |            |                    |                     |
|--|--------------------------|------------|---------------------|--------------------------|------------|------------|--------------------|---------------------|--------------------------|------------|------------|--------------------|---------------------|
|  | 1966                     | 1971       | 1966-1971           | 1971                     | 1971       | 1976       | 1971-1976          | 1971-1976           | 1976                     | 1976       | 1981       | 1976-1981          | 1976-1981           |
|  | boundaries               | boundaries | constant boundaries | boundaries               | boundaries | boundaries | current boundaries | constant boundaries | boundaries               | boundaries | boundaries | current boundaries | constant boundaries |
| <b>Newfoundland</b>                              |                          |            |                     |                          |            |            |                    |                     |                          |            |            |                    |                     |
| CMA  | 117,533                  | 131,814    | 12.2                | 131,814                  | 131,814    | 143,390    | 8.8                | 8.8                 | 143,390                  | 145,400    | 154,820    | 8.0                | 6.5                 |
| CA   | 0                        | 0          | 0.0                 | 0                        | 50,319     | 56,937     | n.a.               | 13.2                | 56,937                   | 75,602     | 74,457     | 30.8               | -1.5                |
| RST  | 375,863                  | 390,290    | 3.8                 | 390,290                  | 339,971    | 357,398    | -8.4               | 5.1                 | 357,398                  | 336,723    | 338,404    | -5.3               | 0.5                 |
| Total  | 493,396                  | 522,104    | 5.8                 | 522,104                  | 522,104    | 557,725    | 6.8                | 6.8                 | 557,725                  | 557,725    | 567,681    | 1.8                | 1.8                 |
| <b>Prince Edward Island</b>                      |                          |            |                     |                          |            |            |                    |                     |                          |            |            |                    |                     |
| CMA  | 0                        | 0          | 0.0                 | 0                        | 0          | 0          | 0.0                | 0.0                 | 0                        | 0          | 0          | 0.0                | 0.0                 |
| CA   | 22,934                   | 25,253     | 10.1                | 25,253                   | 39,257     | 38,982     | 54.4               | -0.7                | 38,982                   | 56,825     | 59,949     | 53.8               | 5.5                 |
| RST  | 85,601                   | 86,388     | 0.9                 | 86,388                   | 72,384     | 79,247     | -8.3               | 9.5                 | 79,247                   | 61,404     | 62,557     | -21.1              | 1.9                 |
| Total  | 108,535                  | 111,641    | 2.9                 | 111,641                  | 111,641    | 118,229    | 5.9                | 5.9                 | 118,229                  | 118,229    | 122,506    | 3.6                | 3.6                 |
| <b>Nova Scotia</b>                               |                          |            |                     |                          |            |            |                    |                     |                          |            |            |                    |                     |
| CMA  | 209,901                  | 222,637    | 6.1                 | 222,637                  | 250,581    | 267,991    | 20.4               | 6.9                 | 267,991                  | 267,991    | 277,727    | 3.6                | 3.6                 |
| CA   | 125,749                  | 125,188    | -0.4                | 125,188                  | 185,102    | 188,106    | 50.3               | 1.6                 | 188,106                  | 220,388    | 222,920    | 18.5               | 1.1                 |
| RST  | 420,389                  | 441,135    | 4.9                 | 441,135                  | 353,277    | 372,474    | -15.6              | 5.4                 | 372,474                  | 340,192    | 346,795    | -6.9               | 1.9                 |
| Total  | 756,039                  | 788,960    | 4.4                 | 788,960                  | 788,960    | 828,571    | 5.0                | 5.0                 | 828,571                  | 828,571    | 847,442    | 2.3                | 2.3                 |
| <b>New Brunswick</b>                             |                          |            |                     |                          |            |            |                    |                     |                          |            |            |                    |                     |
| CMA  | 104,195                  | 106,744    | 2.4                 | 106,744                  | 106,744    | 112,974    | 5.8                | 5.8                 | 112,974                  | 112,974    | 114,048    | 1.0                | 1.0                 |
| CA   | 99,633                   | 109,100    | 9.5                 | 109,100                  | 146,683    | 148,133    | 35.8               | 1.0                 | 148,133                  | 231,827    | 238,117    | 60.7               | 2.7                 |
| RST  | 412,960                  | 418,713    | 1.4                 | 418,713                  | 381,130    | 416,143    | -0.6               | 9.2                 | 416,143                  | 332,449    | 344,238    | -17.3              | 3.5                 |
| Total  | 616,788                  | 634,557    | 2.9                 | 634,557                  | 634,557    | 677,250    | 6.7                | 6.7                 | 677,250                  | 677,250    | 696,403    | 2.8                | 2.8                 |
| <b>Quebec</b>                                    |                          |            |                     |                          |            |            |                    |                     |                          |            |            |                    |                     |
| CMA  | 3,271,241                | 3,506,643  | 7.2                 | 3,506,643                | 3,502,670  | 3,645,233  | 4.0                | 4.1                 | 3,645,233                | 3,751,326  | 3,821,628  | 4.8                | 1.9                 |
| CA   | 667,491                  | 684,368    | 2.5                 | 684,368                  | 855,680    | 872,994    | 27.6               | 2.0                 | 872,994                  | 856,408    | 894,691    | 2.5                | 4.5                 |
| RST  | 1,842,113                | 1,836,753  | -0.3                | 1,836,753                | 1,669,414  | 1,716,218  | -6.6               | 2.8                 | 1,716,218                | 1,626,711  | 1,722,084  | 0.3                | 5.9                 |
| Total  | 5,780,845                | 6,027,764  | 4.3                 | 6,027,764                | 6,027,764  | 6,234,445  | 3.4                | 3.4                 | 6,234,445                | 6,234,445  | 6,438,403  | 3.3                | 3.3                 |
| <b>Ontario</b>                                   |                          |            |                     |                          |            |            |                    |                     |                          |            |            |                    |                     |
| CMA  | 4,360,223                | 4,912,367  | 12.7                | 4,912,367                | 4,998,210  | 5,357,336  | 9.1                | 7.2                 | 5,357,336                | 5,357,336  | 5,635,892  | 5.2                | 5.2                 |
| CA   | 630,121                  | 680,682    | 8.0                 | 680,682                  | 758,865    | 856,551    | 25.8               | 12.9                | 856,551                  | 1,128,209  | 1,156,916  | 35.1               | 2.5                 |
| RST  | 1,970,526                | 2,110,057  | 7.1                 | 2,110,057                | 1,946,031  | 2,050,578  | -2.8               | 5.4                 | 2,050,578                | 1,778,920  | 1,832,299  | -10.6              | 3.0                 |
| Total  | 6,960,870                | 7,703,106  | 10.7                | 7,703,106                | 7,703,106  | 8,264,465  | 7.3                | 7.3                 | 8,264,465                | 8,264,465  | 8,625,107  | 4.4                | 4.4                 |
| <b>Manitoba</b>                                  |                          |            |                     |                          |            |            |                    |                     |                          |            |            |                    |                     |
| CMA  | 508,759                  | 540,262    | 6.2                 | 540,262                  | 549,808    | 578,271    | 7.0                | 5.2                 | 578,271                  | 578,217    | 584,842    | 1.1                | 1.1                 |
| CA   | 0                        | 0          | 0.0                 | 0                        | 8,873      | 8,152      | n.a.               | -8.1                | 8,152                    | 45,603     | 42,922     | 426.5              | -5.9                |
| RST  | 454,307                  | 447,985    | -1.4                | 447,985                  | 429,566    | 435,083    | -2.9               | 1.3                 | 435,083                  | 397,686    | 398,477    | -8.4               | 0.2                 |
| Total  | 963,066                  | 988,247    | 2.6                 | 988,247                  | 988,247    | 1,021,506  | 3.4                | 3.4                 | 1,021,506                | 1,021,506  | 1,026,241  | 0.5                | 0.5                 |
| <b>Saskatchewan</b>                              |                          |            |                     |                          |            |            |                    |                     |                          |            |            |                    |                     |
| CMA  | 248,332                  | 267,183    | 7.6                 | 267,183                  | 267,183    | 284,941    | 6.6                | 6.6                 | 284,941                  | 284,984    | 318,523    | 11.8               | 11.8                |
| CA   | 0                        | 0          | 0.0                 | 0                        | 51,680     | 53,107     | n.a.               | 2.8                 | 53,107                   | 105,359    | 111,667    | 110.3              | 6.0                 |
| RST  | 707,012                  | 659,059    | -6.8                | 659,059                  | 607,379    | 583,276    | -11.5              | -4.0                | 583,276                  | 530,981    | 538,123    | -7.7               | 1.3                 |
| Total  | 955,344                  | 926,242    | -3.0                | 926,242                  | 926,242    | 921,324    | -0.5               | -0.5                | 921,324                  | 921,324    | 968,313    | 5.1                | 5.1                 |
| <b>Alberta</b>                                   |                          |            |                     |                          |            |            |                    |                     |                          |            |            |                    |                     |
| CMA  | 755,945                  | 899,021    | 18.9                | 899,021                  | 899,357    | 1,024,145  | 13.9               | 13.9                | 1,024,145                | 1,027,667  | 1,249,800  | 22.0               | 21.6                |
| CA   | 27,720                   | 28,773     | 3.8                 | 28,773                   | 35,944     | 43,618     | 51.6               | 21.3                | 43,618                   | 41,428     | 49,645     | 13.8               | 19.8                |
| RST  | 679,538                  | 700,080    | 3.0                 | 700,080                  | 692,573    | 770,274    | 10.0               | 11.2                | 770,274                  | 768,942    | 938,279    | 21.8               | 22.0                |
| Total  | 1,463,203                | 1,627,874  | 11.3                | 1,627,874                | 1,627,874  | 1,838,037  | 12.9               | 12.9                | 1,838,037                | 1,838,037  | 2,237,724  | 21.7               | 21.7                |
| <b>British Columbia</b>                          |                          |            |                     |                          |            |            |                    |                     |                          |            |            |                    |                     |
| CMA  | 1,108,353                | 1,278,152  | 15.3                | 1,278,152                | 1,278,152  | 1,384,598  | 8.3                | 8.3                 | 1,384,598                | 1,384,598  | 1,501,664  | 8.5                | 8.5                 |
| CA   | 182,090                  | 228,437    | 25.5                | 228,437                  | 153,375    | 172,357    | -24.5              | 12.4                | 172,357                  | 457,734    | 512,314    | 197.2              | 11.9                |
| RST  | 583,231                  | 678,032    | 16.3                | 678,032                  | 753,094    | 909,653    | 34.2               | 20.8                | 909,653                  | 624,276    | 730,489    | -19.7              | 17.0                |
| Total  | 1,873,674                | 2,184,621  | 16.6                | 2,184,621                | 2,184,621  | 2,466,608  | 12.9               | 12.9                | 2,466,608                | 2,466,608  | 2,744,467  | 11.3               | 11.3                |
| <b>Canada (excluding Yukon, NWT and Nunavut)</b> |                          |            |                     |                          |            |            |                    |                     |                          |            |            |                    |                     |
| CMA  | 10,684,482               | 11,864,823 | 11.0                | 11,864,823               | 11,984,519 | 12,798,879 | 7.9                | 6.8                 | 12,798,879               | 12,910,493 | 13,658,944 | 6.7                | 5.8                 |
| CA   | 1,755,738                | 1,881,801  | 7.2                 | 1,881,801                | 2,285,778  | 2,438,937  | 29.6               | 6.7                 | 2,438,937                | 3,219,383  | 3,363,598  | 37.9               | 4.5                 |
| RST  | 7,531,540                | 7,768,492  | 3.1                 | 7,768,492                | 7,244,819  | 7,690,344  | -1.0               | 6.1                 | 7,690,344                | 6,798,284  | 7,251,745  | -5.7               | 6.7                 |
| Total  | 19,971,760               | 21,515,116 | 7.7                 | 21,515,116               | 21,515,116 | 22,992,605 | 6.6                | 6.6                 | 22,992,605               | 22,992,605 | 24,274,287 | 5.9                | 5.9                 |
| <b>Yukon</b>                                     |                          |            |                     |                          |            |            |                    |                     |                          |            |            |                    |                     |
| CMA  | 0                        | 0          | 0.0                 | 0                        | 0          | 0          | 0.0                | 0.0                 | 0                        | 0          | 0          | 0.0                | 0.0                 |
| CA   | 0                        | 0          | 0.0                 | 0                        | 0          | 0          | 0.0                | 0.0                 | 0                        | 0          | 0          | 0.0                | 0.0                 |
| RST  | 14,382                   | 18,390     | 27.9                | 18,390                   | 18,390     | 21,835     | 18.7               | 18.7                | 21,835                   | 21,835     | 23,150     | 6.0                | 6.0                 |
| Total  | 14,382                   | 18,390     | 27.9                | 18,390                   | 18,390     | 21,835     | 18.7               | 18.7                | 21,835                   | 21,835     | 23,150     | 6.0                | 6.0                 |
| <b>Northwest Territories</b>                     |                          |            |                     |                          |            |            |                    |                     |                          |            |            |                    |                     |
| CMA  | 0                        | 0          | 0.0                 | 0                        | 0          | 0          | 0.0                | 0.0                 | 0                        | 0          | 0          | 0.0                | 0.0                 |
| CA   | 0                        | 0          | 0.0                 | 0                        | 0          | 0          | 0.0                | 0.0                 | 0                        | 0          | 0          | 0.0                | 0.0                 |
| RST  | 28,738                   | 34,805     | 21.1                | 34,805                   | 34,805     | 42,610     | 22.4               | 22.4                | 42,610                   | 42,610     | 45,740     | 7.3                | 7.3                 |
| Total  | 28,738                   | 34,805     | 21.1                | 34,805                   | 34,805     | 42,610     | 22.4               | 22.4                | 42,610                   | 42,610     | 45,740     | 7.3                | 7.3                 |
| <b>Nunavut</b>                                   |                          |            |                     |                          |            |            |                    |                     |                          |            |            |                    |                     |
| CMA  | 0                        | 0          | 0.0                 | 0                        | 0          | 0          | 0.0                | 0.0                 | 0                        | 0          | 0          | 0.0                | 0.0                 |
| CA   | 0                        | 0          | 0.0                 | 0                        | 0          | 0          | 0.0                | 0.0                 | 0                        | 0          | 0          | 0.0                | 0.0                 |
| RST  | 0                        | 0          | 0.0                 | 0                        | 0          | 0          | 0.0                | 0.0                 | 0                        | 0          | 0          | 0.0                | 0.0                 |
| Total  | 0                        | 0          | 0.0                 | 0                        | 0          | 0          | 0.0                | 0.0                 | 0                        | 0          | 0          | 0.0                | 0.0                 |
| <b>Canada</b>                                    |                          |            |                     |                          |            |            |                    |                     |                          |            |            |                    |                     |
| CMA  | 10,684,482               | 11,864,823 | 11.0                | 11,864,823               | 11,984,519 | 12,798,879 | 7.9                | 6.8                 | 12,798,879               | 12,910,493 | 13,658,944 | 6.7                | 5.8                 |
| CA   | 1,755,738                | 1,881,801  | 7.2                 | 1,881,801                | 2,285,778  | 2,438,937  | 29.6               | 6.7                 | 2,438,937                | 3,219,383  | 3,363,598  | 37.9               | 4.5                 |
| RST  | 7,574,660                | 7,821,687  | 3.3                 | 7,821,687                | 7,298,014  | 7,754,789  | -0.9               | 6.3                 | 7,754,789                | 6,862,729  | 7,320,635  | -5.6               | 6.7                 |
| Total  | 20,014,880               | 21,568,311 | 7.8                 | 21,568,311               | 21,568,311 | 22,992,605 | 6.6                | 6.6                 | 22,992,605               | 22,992,605 | 24,343,177 | 5.9                | 5.9                 |

Source: Statistics Canada. Censuses of Population, 1971 to 2016.

Since 2006, Census Metropolitan Areas (CMAs) have an a built-up core of 50,000 or more people and a total population of 100,000 or more and includes all neighbouring municipalities where 50 percent or more of the workforce commutes to the built-up core.

Census Agglomerations (CAs) have a built-up core of 10,000 or more people and a total population of 10,000 - 99,999 and includes all neighbouring municipalities where 50 percent or more of the workforce commutes to the urban core.

Rural and Small Town (RST) areas refer to the non-CMA and the non-CA population. It is the population outside the commuting zone of larger urban centres.

**Population Change in CMA, CA and RST Areas, 1966 - 2016, Canada and Provinces (continued)**

| Area classification                              | Five-year percent change |                 |                 |                    |                     | Five-year percent change |                 |                 |                    |                     | Five-year percent change |                 |                 |                    |                     |
|--|--------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|--------------------|---------------------|--------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|--------------------|---------------------|--------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|--------------------|---------------------|
|  | 1981                     | 1981            | 1986            | 1981-1986          | 1981-1986           | 1986                     | 1986            | 1991            | 1986-1991          | 1986-1991           | 1991                     | 1991            | 1996            | 1991-1996          | 1991-1996           |
|  | 1981 boundaries          | 1986 boundaries | 1986 boundaries | current boundaries | constant boundaries | 1986 boundaries          | 1986 boundaries | 1991 boundaries | current boundaries | constant boundaries | 1991 boundaries          | 1996 boundaries | 1996 boundaries | current boundaries | constant boundaries |
| <b>Newfoundland</b>                              |                          |                 |                 |                    |                     |                          |                 |                 |                    |                     |                          |                 |                 |                    |                     |
| CMA  | 154,820                  | 154,835         | 161,901         | 4.6                | 4.6                 | 161,901                  | 161,901         | 171,859         | 6.2                | 6.2                 | 171,859                  | 171,848         | 174,051         | 1.3                | 1.3                 |
| CA   | 74,457                   | 100,060         | 94,624          | 27.1               | -5.4                | 94,624                   | 81,542          | 81,520          | -13.8              | 0.0                 | 81,520                   | 73,041          | 70,817          | -13.1              | -3.0                |
| RST  | 338,404                  | 312,786         | 311,824         | -7.9               | -0.3                | 311,824                  | 324,906         | 315,096         | 1.0                | -3.0                | 315,096                  | 323,585         | 306,924         | -2.6               | -5.1                |
| Total  | 567,681                  | 567,681         | 568,349         | 0.1                | 0.1                 | 568,349                  | 568,349         | 568,475         | 0.0                | 0.0                 | 568,475                  | 568,474         | 551,792         | -2.9               | -2.9                |
| <b>Prince Edward Island</b>                      |                          |                 |                 |                    |                     |                          |                 |                 |                    |                     |                          |                 |                 |                    |                     |
| CMA  | 0                        | 0               | 0               | 0.0                | 0.0                 | 0.00                     | 0.00            | 0.00            | 0.0                | 0.0                 | 0.00                     | 0.00            | 0.00            | 0.0                | 0.0                 |
| CA   | 59,949                   | 66,000          | 69,482          | 15.9               | 5.3                 | 69,482                   | 69,482          | 72,709          | 4.6                | 4.7                 | 72,709                   | 69,885          | 73,225          | 0.7                | 4.8                 |
| RST  | 62,557                   | 56,506          | 57,168          | -8.6               | 1.2                 | 57,168                   | 57,192          | 57,056          | -0.2               | -0.2                | 57,056                   | 59,880          | 61,332          | 7.5                | 2.4                 |
| Total  | 122,506                  | 122,506         | 126,650         | 3.4                | 3.4                 | 126,650                  | 126,650         | 129,765         | 2.5                | 2.5                 | 129,765                  | 129,765         | 134,557         | 3.7                | 3.7                 |
| <b>Nova Scotia</b>                               |                          |                 |                 |                    |                     |                          |                 |                 |                    |                     |                          |                 |                 |                    |                     |
| CMA  | 277,727                  | 277,727         | 295,990         | 6.6                | 6.6                 | 295,990                  | 295,922         | 320,501         | 8.3                | 8.3                 | 320,501                  | 320,501         | 332,518         | 3.7                | 3.7                 |
| CA   | 222,920                  | 202,000         | 199,723         | -10.4              | -1.1                | 199,723                  | 222,380         | 222,859         | 11.6               | 0.2                 | 222,859                  | 225,551         | 225,096         | 1.0                | -0.2                |
| RST  | 346,795                  | 367,715         | 377,462         | 8.8                | 2.7                 | 377,462                  | 354,873         | 356,582         | -5.5               | 0.5                 | 356,582                  | 353,890         | 351,668         | -1.4               | -0.6                |
| Total  | 847,442                  | 847,442         | 873,175         | 3.0                | 3.0                 | 873,175                  | 873,175         | 899,942         | 3.1                | 3.1                 | 899,942                  | 899,942         | 909,282         | 1.0                | 1.0                 |
| <b>New Brunswick</b>                             |                          |                 |                 |                    |                     |                          |                 |                 |                    |                     |                          |                 |                 |                    |                     |
| CMA  | 114,048                  | 121,012         | 121,265         | 6.3                | 0.2                 | 121,265                  | 121,265         | 124,981         | 3.1                | 3.1                 | 124,981                  | 125,838         | 125,705         | 0.6                | -0.1                |
| CA   | 238,117                  | 233,215         | 240,228         | 0.9                | 3.0                 | 240,228                  | 240,228         | 251,525         | 4.7                | 4.7                 | 251,525                  | 244,601         | 254,444         | 1.2                | 4.0                 |
| RST  | 344,238                  | 342,176         | 347,942         | 1.1                | 1.7                 | 347,942                  | 347,942         | 347,394         | -0.2               | -0.2                | 347,394                  | 353,461         | 357,984         | 3.0                | 1.3                 |
| Total  | 696,403                  | 696,403         | 709,435         | 1.9                | 1.9                 | 709,435                  | 709,435         | 723,900         | 2.0                | 2.0                 | 723,900                  | 723,900         | 738,133         | 2.0                | 2.0                 |
| <b>Quebec</b>                                    |                          |                 |                 |                    |                     |                          |                 |                 |                    |                     |                          |                 |                 |                    |                     |
| CMA  | 3,821,628                | 4,041,354       | 4,142,154       | 8.4                | 2.5                 | 4,142,154                | 4,142,154       | 4,436,174       | 7.1                | 7.1                 | 4,436,174                | 4,519,426       | 4,693,265       | 5.8                | 3.8                 |
| CA   | 894,691                  | 865,863         | 868,718         | -2.9               | 0.3                 | 868,718                  | 846,908         | 891,301         | 2.6                | 5.2                 | 891,301                  | 834,420         | 849,795         | -4.7               | 1.8                 |
| RST  | 1,722,084                | 1,531,186       | 1,521,588       | -11.6              | -0.6                | 1,521,588                | 1,543,398       | 1,589,282       | 7.1                | 1.6                 | 1,589,282                | 1,542,117       | 1,596,735       | 1.7                | 3.5                 |
| Total  | 6,438,403                | 6,438,403       | 6,532,460       | 1.5                | 1.5                 | 6,532,460                | 6,532,460       | 6,895,965       | 5.6                | 5.6                 | 6,895,965                | 6,895,963       | 7,138,795       | 3.5                | 3.5                 |
| <b>Ontario</b>                                   |                          |                 |                 |                    |                     |                          |                 |                 |                    |                     |                          |                 |                 |                    |                     |
| CMA  | 5,635,892                | 5,896,478       | 6,328,626       | 12.3               | 7.3                 | 6,328,626                | 6,333,439       | 7,073,420       | 11.8               | 11.7                | 7,073,420                | 7,100,762       | 7,639,013       | 8.0                | 7.6                 |
| CA   | 1,156,916                | 1,258,974       | 1,289,659       | 11.5               | 2.4                 | 1,289,659                | 1,314,637       | 1,422,183       | 10.3               | 8.2                 | 1,422,183                | 1,458,964       | 1,518,422       | 6.8                | 4.1                 |
| RST  | 1,832,299                | 1,469,655       | 1,483,410       | -19.0              | 0.9                 | 1,483,410                | 1,453,619       | 1,589,282       | 7.1                | 9.3                 | 1,589,282                | 1,525,159       | 1,596,138       | 0.4                | 4.7                 |
| Total  | 8,625,107                | 8,625,107       | 9,101,695       | 5.5                | 5.5                 | 9,101,695                | 9,101,695       | 10,084,885      | 10.8               | 10.8                | 10,084,885               | 10,084,885      | 10,753,573      | 6.6                | 6.6                 |
| <b>Manitoba</b>                                  |                          |                 |                 |                    |                     |                          |                 |                 |                    |                     |                          |                 |                 |                    |                     |
| CMA  | 584,842                  | 592,061         | 625,304         | 6.9                | 5.6                 | 625,304                  | 625,304         | 652,354         | 4.3                | 4.3                 | 652,354                  | 660,450         | 667,209         | 2.3                | 1.0                 |
| CA   | 42,922                   | 81,656          | 83,891          | 95.4               | 2.7                 | 83,891                   | 76,648          | 76,614          | -8.7               | 0.0                 | 76,614                   | 75,868          | 75,351          | -1.6               | -0.7                |
| RST  | 398,477                  | 352,524         | 353,820         | -11.2              | 0.4                 | 353,820                  | 361,063         | 362,977         | 2.6                | 0.5                 | 362,977                  | 355,624         | 371,338         | 2.3                | 4.4                 |
| Total  | 1,026,241                | 1,026,241       | 1,063,015       | 3.6                | 3.6                 | 1,063,015                | 1,063,015       | 1,091,945       | 2.7                | 2.7                 | 1,091,945                | 1,091,942       | 1,113,898       | 2.0                | 2.0                 |
| <b>Saskatchewan</b>                              |                          |                 |                 |                    |                     |                          |                 |                 |                    |                     |                          |                 |                 |                    |                     |
| CMA  | 318,523                  | 348,284         | 387,186         | 21.6               | 11.2                | 387,186                  | 387,186         | 401,715         | 3.8                | 3.8                 | 401,715                  | 402,641         | 412,708         | 2.7                | 2.5                 |
| CA   | 111,667                  | 132,838         | 140,083         | 25.4               | 5.5                 | 140,083                  | 159,699         | 156,397         | 11.6               | -2.1                | 156,397                  | 149,135         | 148,964         | -4.8               | -0.1                |
| RST  | 538,123                  | 487,191         | 482,351         | -10.4              | -1.0                | 482,351                  | 462,735         | 430,813         | -10.7              | -6.9                | 430,813                  | 437,152         | 428,565         | -0.5               | -2.0                |
| Total  | 968,313                  | 968,313         | 1,009,620       | 4.3                | 4.3                 | 1,009,620                | 1,009,620       | 988,925         | -2.0               | -2.0                | 988,925                  | 988,928         | 990,237         | 0.1                | 0.1                 |
| <b>Alberta</b>                                   |                          |                 |                 |                    |                     |                          |                 |                 |                    |                     |                          |                 |                 |                    |                     |
| CMA  | 1,249,800                | 1,366,848       | 1,456,791       | 16.6               | 6.6                 | 1,456,791                | 1,445,479       | 1,593,957       | 9.4                | 10.3                | 1,593,957                | 1,595,165       | 1,684,225       | 5.7                | 5.6                 |
| CA   | 49,645                   | 239,825         | 262,137         | 428.0              | 9.3                 | 262,137                  | 296,014         | 307,625         | 17.4               | 3.9                 | 307,625                  | 305,901         | 318,127         | 3.4                | 4.0                 |
| RST  | 938,279                  | 631,051         | 646,897         | -31.1              | 2.5                 | 646,897                  | 624,332         | 643,968         | -0.5               | 3.1                 | 643,968                  | 644,487         | 694,474         | 7.8                | 7.8                 |
| Total  | 2,237,724                | 2,237,724       | 2,365,825       | 5.7                | 5.7                 | 2,365,825                | 2,365,825       | 2,545,550       | 7.6                | 7.6                 | 2,545,550                | 2,545,553       | 2,696,826       | 5.9                | 5.9                 |
| <b>British Columbia</b>                          |                          |                 |                 |                    |                     |                          |                 |                 |                    |                     |                          |                 |                 |                    |                     |
| CMA  | 1,501,664                | 1,509,633       | 1,636,276       | 9.0                | 8.4                 | 1,636,276                | 1,635,954       | 1,890,399       | 15.5               | 15.6                | 1,890,399                | 1,890,487       | 2,135,952       | 13.0               | 13.0                |
| CA   | 491,369                  | 782,003         | 795,873         | 62.0               | 1.8                 | 795,873                  | 775,709         | 886,017         | 11.3               | 14.2                | 886,017                  | 880,418         | 1,011,885       | 14.2               | 14.9                |
| RST  | 751,434                  | 452,831         | 451,216         | -40.0              | -0.4                | 451,216                  | 471,702         | 505,645         | 12.1               | 7.2                 | 505,645                  | 511,156         | 576,663         | 14.0               | 12.8                |
| Total  | 2,744,467                | 2,744,467       | 2,883,365       | 5.1                | 5.1                 | 2,883,365                | 2,883,365       | 3,282,061       | 13.8               | 13.8                | 3,282,061                | 3,282,061       | 3,724,500       | 13.5               | 13.5                |
| <b>Canada (excluding Yukon, NWT and Nunavut)</b> |                          |                 |                 |                    |                     |                          |                 |                 |                    |                     |                          |                 |                 |                    |                     |
| CMA  | 13,658,944               | 14,308,232      | 15,155,493      | 11.0               | 5.9                 | 15,155,493               | 15,148,604      | 16,665,360      | 10.0               | 10.0                | 16,665,360               | 16,787,118      | 17,864,646      | 7.2                | 6.4                 |
| CA   | 3,342,653                | 3,977,248       | 4,044,418       | 21.0               | 2.1                 | 4,044,418                | 4,083,223       | 4,368,750       | 8.0                | 7.0                 | 4,368,750                | 4,317,784       | 4,546,126       | 4.1                | 5.3                 |
| RST  | 7,272,690                | 6,003,621       | 6,033,678       | -17.0              | 0.5                 | 6,033,678                | 6,001,762       | 6,177,303       | 2.4                | 2.9                 | 6,177,303                | 6,106,511       | 6,340,821       | 2.6                | 3.8                 |
| Total  | 24,274,287               | 24,274,287      | 25,233,589      | 4.0                | 4.0                 | 25,233,589               | 25,233,589      | 27,211,413      | 7.8                | 7.8                 | 27,211,413               | 27,211,413      | 28,751,593      | 5.7                | 5.7                 |
| <b>Yukon</b>                                     |                          |                 |                 |                    |                     |                          |                 |                 |                    |                     |                          |                 |                 |                    |                     |
| CMA  | 0                        | 0               | 0               | 0.0                | 0.0                 | 0                        | 0               | 0               | 0.0                | 0.0                 | 0                        | 0               | 0               | 0.0                | 0.0                 |
| CA   | 0                        | 14,814          | 15,200          | n.a.               | 2.6                 | 15,200                   | 15,200          | 17,925          | 17.9               | 17.9                | 17,925                   | 20,075          | 21,808          | 21.7               | 8.6                 |
| RST  | 23,150                   | 8,336           | 8,305           | n.a.               | -0.4                | 8,305                    | 8,305           | 9,872           | 18.9               | 18.9                | 9,872                    | 7,722           | 8,958           | -9.3               | 16.0                |
| Total  | 23,150                   | 23,150          | 23,505          | 1.5                | 1.5                 | 23,505                   | 23,505          | 27,797          | 18.3               | 18.3                | 27,797                   | 27,797          | 30,766          | 10.7               | 10.7                |
| <b>Northwest Territories</b>                     |                          |                 |                 |                    |                     |                          |                 |                 |                    |                     |                          |                 |                 |                    |                     |
| CMA  | 0                        | 0               | 0               | 0.0                | 0.0                 | 0                        | 0               | 0               | 0.0                | 0.0                 | 0                        | 0               | 0               | 0.0                | 0.0                 |
| CA   | 0                        | 0               | 0               | 0.0                | 0.0                 | 0                        | 11,753          | 15,179          | n.a.               | 29.2                | 15,179                   | 15,179          | 17,275          | 13.8               | 13.8                |
| RST  | 45,740                   | 45,740          | 52,235          | 14.2               | 14.2                | 52,235                   | 40,482          | 42,470          | n.a.               | 4.9                 | 42,470                   | 42,470          | 47,127          | 11.0               | 11.0                |
| Total  | 45,740                   | 45,740          | 52,235          | 14.2               | 14.2                | 52,235                   | 52,235          | 57,649          | 10.4               | 10.4                | 57,649                   | 57,649          | 64,402          | 11.7               | 11.7                |
| <b>Nunavut</b>                                   |                          |                 |                 |                    |                     |                          |                 |                 |                    |                     |                          |                 |                 |                    |                     |
| CMA  | 0                        | 0               | 0               | 0.0                | 0.0                 | 0                        | 0               | 0               | 0.0                | 0.0                 | 0                        | 0               | 0               | 0.0                | 0.0                 |
| CA   | 0                        | 0               | 0               | 0.0                | 0.0                 | 0                        | 0               | 0               | 0.0                | 0.0                 | 0                        | 0               | 0               | 0.0                | 0.0                 |
| RST  | 0                        | 0               | 0               | 0.0                | 0.0                 | 0                        | 0               | 0               | 0.0                | 0.0                 | 0                        | 0               | 0               | 0.0                | 0.0                 |
| Total  | 0                        | 0               | 0               | 0.0                | 0.0                 | 0                        | 0               | 0               | 0.0                | 0.0                 | 0                        | 0               | 0               | 0.0                | 0.0                 |
| <b>Canada</b>                                    |                          |                 |                 |                    |                     |                          |                 |                 |                    |                     |                          |                 |                 |                    |                     |
| CMA  | 13,658,944               | 14,308,232      | 15,155,493      | 11.0               | 5.9                 | 15,155,493               | 15,148,604      | 16,665,360      | 10.0               | 10.0                | 16,665,360               | 16,787,118      | 17,864,646      | 7.2                | 6.4                 |
| CA   | 3,342,653                | 3,977,248       | 4,059,618       | 21.4               | 2.1                 | 4,059,618                | 4,110,176       | 4,401,854       | 8.4                | 7.1                 | 4,401,854                | 4,353,038       | 4,585,209       | 4.2                | 5.3</               |

**Population Change in CMA, CA and RST Areas, 1966 - 2016, Canada and Provinces (continued)**

| Area classification                              | Five-year percent change |                 |                 |                    |                     | Five-year percent change |                 |                 |                    |                     |
|--|--------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|--------------------|---------------------|--------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|--------------------|---------------------|
|  | 1996                     | 1996            | 2001            | 1996-2001          | 1996-2001           | 2001                     | 2001            | 2006            | 2001-2006          | 2001-2006           |
|  | 1996 boundaries          | 2001 boundaries | 2001 boundaries | current boundaries | constant boundaries | 2001 boundaries          | 2006 boundaries | 2006 boundaries | current boundaries | constant boundaries |
| <b>Newfoundland</b>                              |                          |                 |                 |                    |                     |                          |                 |                 |                    |                     |
| CMA  | 174,051                  | 174,051         | 172,918         | -0.7               | -0.7                | 172,918                  | 172,918         | 181,113         | 4.7                | 4.7                 |
| CA   | 70,817                   | 70,817          | 65,620          | -7.3               | -7.3                | 65,620                   | 50,024          | 50,688          | -22.8              | 1.3                 |
| RST  | 306,924                  | 306,924         | 274,392         | -10.6              | -10.6               | 274,392                  | 289,988         | 273,668         | -0.3               | -5.6                |
| Total  | 551,792                  | 551,792         | 512,930         | -7.0               | -7.0                | 512,930                  | 512,930         | 505,469         | -1.5               | -1.5                |
| <b>Prince Edward Island</b>                      |                          |                 |                 |                    |                     |                          |                 |                 |                    |                     |
| CMA  | 0.00                     | 0.00            | 0.00            | 0.0                | 0.0                 | 0.00                     | 0.00            | 0.00            | 0.0                | 0.0                 |
| CA   | 73,225                   | 73,225          | 74,558          | 1.8                | 1.8                 | 74,558                   | 73,434          | 74,778          | 0.3                | 1.8                 |
| RST  | 61,332                   | 61,332          | 60,736          | -1.0               | -1.0                | 60,736                   | 61,860          | 61,073          | 0.6                | -1.3                |
| Total  | 134,557                  | 134,557         | 135,294         | 0.5                | 0.5                 | 135,294                  | 135,294         | 135,851         | 0.4                | 0.4                 |
| <b>Nova Scotia</b>                               |                          |                 |                 |                    |                     |                          |                 |                 |                    |                     |
| CMA  | 332,518                  | 342,966         | 359,183         | 8.0                | 4.7                 | 359,183                  | 359,183         | 372,858         | 3.8                | 3.8                 |
| CA   | 225,096                  | 225,096         | 215,513         | -4.3               | -4.3                | 215,513                  | 215,513         | 213,262         | -1.0               | -1.0                |
| RST  | 351,668                  | 341,220         | 333,311         | -5.2               | -2.3                | 333,311                  | 333,311         | 327,342         | -1.8               | -1.8                |
| Total  | 909,282                  | 909,282         | 908,007         | -0.1               | -0.1                | 908,007                  | 908,007         | 913,462         | 0.6                | 0.6                 |
| <b>New Brunswick</b>                             |                          |                 |                 |                    |                     |                          |                 |                 |                    |                     |
| CMA  | 125,705                  | 125,705         | 122,678         | -2.4               | -2.4                | 122,678                  | 241,356         | 248,813         | 102.8              | 3.1                 |
| CA   | 254,448                  | 254,448         | 258,491         | 1.6                | 1.6                 | 258,491                  | 177,181         | 178,117         | -31.1              | 0.5                 |
| RST  | 357,984                  | 357,980         | 348,329         | -2.7               | -2.7                | 348,329                  | 310,961         | 303,067         | -13.0              | -2.5                |
| Total  | 738,137                  | 738,133         | 729,498         | -1.2               | -1.2                | 729,498                  | 729,498         | 729,997         | 0.1                | 0.1                 |
| <b>Quebec</b>                                    |                          |                 |                 |                    |                     |                          |                 |                 |                    |                     |
| CMA  | 4,693,265                | 4,695,387       | 4,812,931       | 2.5                | 2.5                 | 4,812,931                | 4,867,695       | 5,115,169       | 6.3                | 5.1                 |
| CA   | 849,795                  | 874,255         | 868,522         | 2.2                | -0.7                | 868,522                  | 882,270         | 911,115         | 4.9                | 3.3                 |
| RST  | 1,595,735                | 1,569,153       | 1,556,026       | -2.5               | -0.8                | 1,556,026                | 1,487,514       | 1,519,847       | -2.3               | 2.2                 |
| Total  | 7,138,795                | 7,138,795       | 7,237,479       | 1.4                | 1.4                 | 7,237,479                | 7,237,479       | 7,546,131       | 4.3                | 4.3                 |
| <b>Ontario</b>                                   |                          |                 |                 |                    |                     |                          |                 |                 |                    |                     |
| CMA  | 7,639,013                | 7,804,030       | 8,403,738       | 10.0               | 7.7                 | 8,403,738                | 8,901,673       | 9,584,840       | 14.1               | 7.7                 |
| CA   | 1,518,422                | 1,487,301       | 1,522,211       | 0.2                | 2.3                 | 1,522,211                | 1,094,168       | 1,127,437       | -25.9              | 3.0                 |
| RST  | 1,596,138                | 1,462,242       | 1,484,097       | -7.0               | 1.5                 | 1,484,097                | 1,414,205       | 1,448,005       | -2.4               | 2.4                 |
| Total  | 10,753,573               | 10,753,573      | 11,410,046      | 6.1                | 6.1                 | 11,410,046               | 11,410,046      | 12,160,282      | 6.6                | 6.6                 |
| <b>Manitoba</b>                                  |                          |                 |                 |                    |                     |                          |                 |                 |                    |                     |
| CMA  | 667,209                  | 667,093         | 671,274         | 0.6                | 0.6                 | 671,274                  | 676,594         | 694,668         | 3.5                | 2.7                 |
| CA   | 75,351                   | 75,351          | 74,910          | -0.6               | -0.6                | 74,910                   | 80,151          | 82,343          | 9.9                | 2.7                 |
| RST  | 371,338                  | 371,454         | 373,399         | 0.6                | 0.5                 | 373,399                  | 362,838         | 371,390         | -0.5               | 2.4                 |
| Total  | 1,113,898                | 1,113,898       | 1,119,583       | 0.5                | 0.5                 | 1,119,583                | 1,119,583       | 1,148,401       | 2.6                | 2.6                 |
| <b>Saskatchewan</b>                              |                          |                 |                 |                    |                     |                          |                 |                 |                    |                     |
| CMA  | 412,708                  | 412,708         | 418,727         | 1.5                | 1.5                 | 418,727                  | 418,727         | 428,894         | 2.4                | 2.4                 |
| CA   | 148,964                  | 148,964         | 146,495         | -1.7               | -1.7                | 146,495                  | 149,763         | 148,110         | 1.1                | -1.1                |
| RST  | 428,565                  | 428,565         | 413,711         | -3.5               | -3.5                | 413,711                  | 410,443         | 391,153         | -5.5               | -4.7                |
| Total  | 990,237                  | 990,237         | 978,933         | -1.1               | -1.1                | 978,933                  | 978,933         | 968,157         | -1.1               | -1.1                |
| <b>Alberta</b>                                   |                          |                 |                 |                    |                     |                          |                 |                 |                    |                     |
| CMA  | 1,684,225                | 1,684,225       | 1,889,240       | 12.2               | 12.2                | 1,889,240                | 1,889,339       | 2,114,255       | 11.9               | 11.9                |
| CA   | 318,127                  | 320,416         | 355,096         | 11.6               | 10.8                | 355,096                  | 413,178         | 478,131         | 34.6               | 15.7                |
| RST  | 694,474                  | 692,185         | 730,471         | 5.2                | 5.5                 | 730,471                  | 672,290         | 697,964         | -4.5               | 3.8                 |
| Total  | 2,696,826                | 2,696,826       | 2,974,807       | 10.3               | 10.3                | 2,974,807                | 2,974,807       | 3,290,350       | 10.6               | 10.6                |
| <b>British Columbia</b>                          |                          |                 |                 |                    |                     |                          |                 |                 |                    |                     |
| CMA  | 2,135,952                | 2,272,432       | 2,446,237       | 14.5               | 7.6                 | 2,446,237                | 2,593,976       | 2,767,965       | 13.2               | 6.7                 |
| CA   | 1,011,885                | 907,139         | 922,798         | -8.8               | 1.7                 | 922,798                  | 789,609         | 817,403         | -11.4              | 3.5                 |
| RST  | 576,663                  | 544,929         | 538,703         | -6.6               | -1.1                | 538,703                  | 524,153         | 528,119         | -2.0               | 0.8                 |
| Total  | 3,724,500                | 3,724,500       | 3,907,738       | 4.9                | 4.9                 | 3,907,738                | 3,907,738       | 4,113,487       | 5.3                | 5.3                 |
| <b>Canada (excluding Yukon, NWT and Nunavut)</b> |                          |                 |                 |                    |                     |                          |                 |                 |                    |                     |
| CMA  | 17,864,646               | 18,178,597      | 19,296,926      | 8.0                | 6.2                 | 19,296,926               | 20,121,461      | 21,508,575      | 11.5               | 6.9                 |
| CA   | 4,546,130                | 4,437,012       | 4,504,214       | -0.9               | 1.5                 | 4,504,214                | 3,925,291       | 4,081,384       | -9.4               | 4.0                 |
| RST  | 6,340,821                | 6,135,984       | 6,113,175       | -3.6               | -0.4                | 6,113,175                | 5,867,563       | 5,921,628       | -3.1               | 0.9                 |
| Total  | 28,751,597               | 28,751,593      | 29,914,315      | 4.0                | 4.0                 | 29,914,315               | 29,914,315      | 31,511,587      | 5.3                | 5.3                 |
| <b>Yukon</b>                                     |                          |                 |                 |                    |                     |                          |                 |                 |                    |                     |
| CMA  | 0                        | 0               | 0               | 0.0                | 0.0                 | 0                        | 0               | 0               | 0.0                | 0.0                 |
| CA   | 21,808                   | 21,808          | 21,405          | -1.8               | -1.8                | 21,405                   | 21,405          | 22,898          | 7.0                | 7.0                 |
| RST  | 8,958                    | 8,958           | 7,269           | -18.9              | -18.9               | 7,269                    | 7,269           | 7,474           | 2.8                | 2.8                 |
| Total  | 30,766                   | 30,766          | 28,674          | -6.8               | -6.8                | 28,674                   | 28,674          | 30,372          | 5.9                | 5.9                 |
| <b>Northwest Territories</b>                     |                          |                 |                 |                    |                     |                          |                 |                 |                    |                     |
| CMA  | 0                        | 0               | 0               | n.a.               | 0.0                 | 0                        | 0               | 0               | n.a.               | 0.0                 |
| CA   | 17,275                   | 17,275          | 16,541          | n.a.               | -4.2                | 16,541                   | 16,541          | 18,700          | 13.1               | 13.1                |
| RST  | 47,127                   | 22,397          | 20,819          | n.a.               | -7.0                | 20,819                   | 20,819          | 22,764          | 9.3                | 9.3                 |
| Total  | 64,402                   | 39,672          | 37,360          | n.a.               | -5.8                | 37,360                   | 37,360          | 41,464          | 11.0               | 11.0                |
| <b>Nunavut</b>                                   |                          |                 |                 |                    |                     |                          |                 |                 |                    |                     |
| CMA  | 0                        | 0               | 0               | n.a.               | 0.0                 | 0                        | 0               | 0               | n.a.               | 0.0                 |
| CA   | 0                        | 0               | 0               | n.a.               | 0.0                 | 0                        | 0               | 0               | n.a.               | 0.0                 |
| RST  | 0                        | 24,730          | 26,745          | n.a.               | 8.1                 | 26,745                   | 26,745          | 29,474          | 10.2               | 10.2                |
| Total  | 0                        | 24,730          | 26,745          | n.a.               | 8.1                 | 26,745                   | 26,745          | 29,474          | 10.2               | 10.2                |
| <b>Canada</b>                                    |                          |                 |                 |                    |                     |                          |                 |                 |                    |                     |
| CMA  | 17,864,646               | 18,178,597      | 19,296,926      | 8.0                | 6.2                 | 19,296,926               | 20,121,461      | 21,508,575      | 11.5               | 6.9                 |
| CA   | 4,585,213                | 4,476,095       | 4,542,160       | -0.9               | 1.5                 | 4,542,160                | 3,963,237       | 4,122,982       | -9.2               | 4.0                 |
| RST  | 6,396,906                | 6,192,069       | 6,168,008       | -3.6               | -0.4                | 6,168,008                | 5,922,396       | 5,981,340       | -3.0               | 1.0                 |
| Total  | 28,846,765               | 28,846,761      | 30,007,094      | 4.0                | 4.0                 | 30,007,094               | 30,007,094      | 31,612,897      | 5.4                | 5.4                 |

Source: Statistics Canada. Censuses of Population, 1971 to 2016.

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Census Agglomerations (CAs) have a built-up core of 10,000 or more people and a total population of 10,000 - 99,999 and includes all neighbouring municipalities where 50 percent or more of the workforce commutes to the urban core.

Rural and Small Town (RST) areas refer to the non-CMA and the non-CA population. It is the population outside the commuting zone of larger urban centres.

**Population Change in CMA, CA and RST Areas, 1966 - 2016, Canada and Provinces (concluded)**

| Area classification                              | Five-year percent change |                 |                 |                    |                     | Five-year percent change |                 |                 |                    |                     |
|--|--------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|--------------------|---------------------|--------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|--------------------|---------------------|
|  | 2006                     | 2006            | 2011            | 2006-2011          | 2006-2011           | 2011                     | 2011            | 2016            | 2011-2016          | 2011-2016           |
|  | 2006 boundaries          | 2011 boundaries | 2011 boundaries | current boundaries | constant boundaries | 2011 boundaries          | 2016 boundaries | 2016 boundaries | current boundaries | constant boundaries |
| <b>Newfoundland</b>                              |                          |                 |                 |                    |                     |                          |                 |                 |                    |                     |
| CMA  | 181,113                  | 181,113         | 196,966         | 8.8                | 8.8                 | 196,966                  | 196,954         | 205,955         | 4.6                | 4.6                 |
| CA   | 50,688                   | 51,259          | 51,798          | 2.2                | 1.1                 | 51,798                   | 68,696          | 70,405          | 35.9               | 2.5                 |
| RST  | 273,668                  | 273,097         | 265,772         | -2.9               | -2.7                | 265,772                  | 248,886         | 243,356         | -8.4               | -2.2                |
| Total  | 505,469                  | 505,469         | 514,536         | 1.8                | 1.8                 | 514,536                  | 514,536         | 519,716         | 1.0                | 1.0                 |
| <b>Prince Edward Island</b>                      |                          |                 |                 |                    |                     |                          |                 |                 |                    |                     |
| CMA  | 0.00                     | 0.00            | 0.00            | 0.0                | 0.0                 | 0                        | 0               | 0               | 0.0                | 0.0                 |
| CA   | 74,778                   | 75,478          | 80,975          | 8.3                | 7.3                 | 80,975                   | 82,011          | 85,912          | 6.1                | 4.8                 |
| RST  | 61,073                   | 60,373          | 59,229          | -3.0               | -1.9                | 59,229                   | 58,193          | 56,995          | -3.8               | -2.1                |
| Total  | 135,851                  | 135,851         | 140,204         | 3.2                | 3.2                 | 140,204                  | 140,204         | 142,907         | 1.9                | 1.9                 |
| <b>Nova Scotia</b>                               |                          |                 |                 |                    |                     |                          |                 |                 |                    |                     |
| CMA  | 372,858                  | 372,858         | 390,328         | 4.7                | 4.7                 | 390,328                  | 390,328         | 403,390         | 3.3                | 3.3                 |
| CA   | 213,262                  | 213,262         | 209,675         | -1.7               | -1.7                | 209,675                  | 209,675         | 205,184         | -2.1               | -2.1                |
| RST  | 327,342                  | 327,342         | 321,724         | -1.7               | -1.7                | 321,724                  | 321,724         | 315,024         | -2.1               | -2.1                |
| Total  | 913,462                  | 913,462         | 921,727         | 0.9                | 0.9                 | 921,727                  | 921,727         | 923,598         | 0.2                | 0.2                 |
| <b>New Brunswick</b>                             |                          |                 |                 |                    |                     |                          |                 |                 |                    |                     |
| CMA  | 248,813                  | 248,813         | 266,405         | 7.1                | 7.1                 | 266,405                  | 268,344         | 271,012         | 1.7                | 1.0                 |
| CA   | 178,117                  | 186,392         | 192,290         | 8.0                | 3.2                 | 192,290                  | 196,229         | 197,031         | 2.5                | 0.4                 |
| RST  | 303,067                  | 294,792         | 292,476         | -3.5               | -0.8                | 292,476                  | 286,598         | 279,058         | -4.6               | -2.6                |
| Total  | 729,997                  | 729,997         | 751,171         | 2.9                | 2.9                 | 751,171                  | 751,171         | 747,101         | -0.5               | -0.5                |
| <b>Quebec</b>                                    |                          |                 |                 |                    |                     |                          |                 |                 |                    |                     |
| CMA  | 5,115,169                | 5,133,968       | 5,415,881       | 5.9                | 5.5                 | 5,415,881                | 5,532,091       | 5,760,407       | 6.4                | 4.1                 |
| CA   | 911,115                  | 905,041         | 938,918         | 3.1                | 3.7                 | 938,918                  | 842,318         | 864,450         | -7.9               | 2.6                 |
| RST  | 1,519,847                | 1,507,122       | 1,548,202       | 1.9                | 2.7                 | 1,548,202                | 1,528,592       | 1,539,504       | -0.6               | 0.7                 |
| Total  | 7,546,131                | 7,546,131       | 7,903,001       | 4.7                | 4.7                 | 7,903,001                | 7,903,001       | 8,164,361       | 3.3                | 3.3                 |
| <b>Ontario</b>                                   |                          |                 |                 |                    |                     |                          |                 |                 |                    |                     |
| CMA  | 9,584,840                | 9,591,529       | 10,270,006      | 7.1                | 7.1                 | 10,270,006               | 10,408,279      | 10,956,264      | 6.7                | 5.3                 |
| CA   | 1,127,437                | 1,128,614       | 1,133,127       | 0.5                | 0.4                 | 1,133,127                | 1,094,874       | 1,106,057       | -2.4               | 1.0                 |
| RST  | 1,448,005                | 1,440,139       | 1,448,688       | 0.6                | 0.6                 | 1,448,688                | 1,348,668       | 1,386,173       | -4.3               | 2.8                 |
| Total  | 12,160,282               | 12,160,282      | 12,851,821      | 5.7                | 5.7                 | 12,851,821               | 12,851,821      | 13,448,494      | 4.6                | 4.6                 |
| <b>Manitoba</b>                                  |                          |                 |                 |                    |                     |                          |                 |                 |                    |                     |
| CMA  | 694,668                  | 694,668         | 730,018         | 5.1                | 5.1                 | 730,018                  | 730,018         | 778,489         | 6.6                | 6.6                 |
| CA   | 82,343                   | 85,496          | 92,588          | 12.4               | 8.3                 | 92,588                   | 121,034         | 131,111         | 41.6               | 8.3                 |
| RST  | 371,390                  | 368,237         | 385,662         | 3.8                | 4.7                 | 385,662                  | 357,216         | 368,765         | -4.4               | 3.2                 |
| Total  | 1,148,401                | 1,148,401       | 1,208,268       | 5.2                | 5.2                 | 1,208,268                | 1,208,268       | 1,278,365       | 5.8                | 5.8                 |
| <b>Saskatchewan</b>                              |                          |                 |                 |                    |                     |                          |                 |                 |                    |                     |
| CMA  | 428,894                  | 428,894         | 471,156         | 9.9                | 9.9                 | 471,156                  | 473,734         | 531,576         | 12.8               | 12.2                |
| CA   | 148,110                  | 149,174         | 157,822         | 6.6                | 5.8                 | 157,822                  | 168,947         | 175,700         | 11.3               | 4.0                 |
| RST  | 391,153                  | 390,089         | 404,403         | 3.4                | 3.7                 | 404,403                  | 390,700         | 391,076         | -3.3               | 0.1                 |
| Total  | 968,157                  | 968,157         | 1,033,381       | 6.7                | 6.7                 | 1,033,381                | 1,033,381       | 1,098,352       | 6.3                | 6.3                 |
| <b>Alberta</b>                                   |                          |                 |                 |                    |                     |                          |                 |                 |                    |                     |
| CMA  | 2,114,255                | 2,114,255       | 2,374,708       | 12.3               | 12.3                | 2,374,708                | 2,480,707       | 2,831,429       | 19.2               | 14.1                |
| CA   | 478,131                  | 496,234         | 562,903         | 17.7               | 13.4                | 562,903                  | 457,572         | 502,663         | -10.7              | 9.9                 |
| RST  | 697,964                  | 679,861         | 707,646         | 1.4                | 4.1                 | 707,646                  | 706,978         | 733,083         | 3.6                | 3.7                 |
| Total  | 3,290,350                | 3,290,350       | 3,645,257       | 10.8               | 10.8                | 3,645,257                | 3,645,257       | 4,067,175       | 11.6               | 11.6                |
| <b>British Columbia</b>                          |                          |                 |                 |                    |                     |                          |                 |                 |                    |                     |
| CMA  | 2,767,965                | 2,767,965       | 3,007,973       | 8.7                | 8.7                 | 3,007,973                | 3,007,938       | 3,206,601       | 6.6                | 6.6                 |
| CA   | 817,403                  | 803,794         | 846,166         | 3.5                | 5.3                 | 846,166                  | 863,771         | 901,527         | 6.5                | 4.4                 |
| RST  | 528,119                  | 541,728         | 545,918         | 3.4                | 0.8                 | 545,918                  | 528,348         | 539,927         | -1.1               | 2.2                 |
| Total  | 4,113,487                | 4,113,487       | 4,400,057       | 7.0                | 7.0                 | 4,400,057                | 4,400,057       | 4,648,055       | 5.6                | 5.6                 |
| <b>Canada (excluding Yukon, NWT and Nunavut)</b> |                          |                 |                 |                    |                     |                          |                 |                 |                    |                     |
| CMA  | 21,508,575               | 21,534,063      | 23,123,441      | 7.5                | 7.4                 | 23,123,441               | 23,488,393      | 24,945,123      | 7.9                | 6.2                 |
| CA   | 4,081,384                | 4,094,744       | 4,266,262       | 4.5                | 4.2                 | 4,266,262                | 4,105,127       | 4,240,040       | -0.6               | 3.3                 |
| RST  | 5,921,628                | 5,882,780       | 5,979,720       | 1.0                | 1.6                 | 5,979,720                | 5,775,903       | 5,852,961       | -2.1               | 1.3                 |
| Total  | 31,511,587               | 31,511,587      | 33,369,423      | 5.9                | 5.9                 | 33,369,423               | 33,369,423      | 35,038,124      | 5.0                | 5.0                 |
| <b>Yukon</b>                                     |                          |                 |                 |                    |                     |                          |                 |                 |                    |                     |
| CMA  | 0                        | 0               | 0               | 0.0                | 0.0                 | 0                        | 0               | 0               | 0.0                | 0.0                 |
| CA   | 22,898                   | 22,898          | 26,028          | 13.7               | 13.7                | 26,028                   | 26,028          | 28,225          | 8.4                | 8.4                 |
| RST  | 7,474                    | 7,474           | 7,869           | 5.3                | 5.3                 | 7,869                    | 7,869           | 7,649           | -2.8               | -2.8                |
| Total  | 30,372                   | 30,372          | 33,897          | 11.6               | 11.6                | 33,897                   | 33,897          | 35,874          | 5.8                | 5.8                 |
| <b>Northwest Territories</b>                     |                          |                 |                 |                    |                     |                          |                 |                 |                    |                     |
| CMA  | 0                        | 0               | 0               | n.a.               | 0.0                 | 0                        | 0               | 0               | n.a.               | 0.0                 |
| CA   | 18,700                   | 18,700          | 19,234          | 2.9                | 2.9                 | 19,234                   | 19,234          | 19,569          | 1.7                | 1.7                 |
| RST  | 22,764                   | 22,764          | 22,228          | -2.4               | -2.4                | 22,228                   | 22,228          | 22,217          | 0.0                | 0.0                 |
| Total  | 41,464                   | 41,464          | 41,462          | 0.0                | 0.0                 | 41,462                   | 41,462          | 41,786          | 0.8                | 0.8                 |
| <b>Nunavut</b>                                   |                          |                 |                 |                    |                     |                          |                 |                 |                    |                     |
| CMA  | 0                        | 0               | 0               | n.a.               | 0.0                 | 0                        | 0               | 0               | n.a.               | 0.0                 |
| CA   | 0                        | 0               | 0               | n.a.               | 0.0                 | 0                        | 0               | 0               | n.a.               | 0.0                 |
| RST  | 29,474                   | 29,474          | 31,906          | 8.3                | 8.3                 | 31,906                   | 31,906          | 35,944          | 12.7               | 12.7                |
| Total  | 29,474                   | 29,474          | 31,906          | 8.3                | 8.3                 | 31,906                   | 31,906          | 35,944          | 12.7               | 12.7                |
| <b>Canada</b>                                    |                          |                 |                 |                    |                     |                          |                 |                 |                    |                     |
| CMA  | 21,508,575               | 21,534,063      | 23,123,441      | 7.5                | 7.4                 | 23,123,441               | 23,488,393      | 24,945,123      | 7.9                | 6.2                 |
| CA   | 4,122,982                | 4,136,342       | 4,311,524       | 4.6                | 4.2                 | 4,311,524                | 4,150,389       | 4,287,834       | -0.5               | 3.3                 |
| RST  | 5,981,340                | 5,942,492       | 6,041,723       | 1.0                | 1.7                 | 6,041,723                | 5,837,906       | 5,918,771       | -2.0               | 1.4                 |
| Total  | 31,612,897               | 31,612,897      | 33,476,688      | 5.9                | 5.9                 | 33,476,688               | 33,476,688      | 35,151,728      | 5.0                | 5.0                 |

Source: Statistics Canada. Censuses of Population, 1971 to 2016.

Since 2006, Census Metropolitan Areas (CMAs) have a built-up core of 50,000 or more people and a total population of 100,000 or more and includes all neighbouring municipalities where 50 percent or more of the workforce commutes to the built-up core.

Census Agglomerations (CAs) have a built-up core of 10,000 or more people and a total population of 10,000 - 99,999 and includes all neighbouring municipalities where 50 percent or more of the workforce commutes to the urban core.

Rural and Small Town (RST) areas refer to the non-CMA and the non-CA population. It is the population outside the commuting zone of larger urban centres.

**Impact of CMA/CA boundary changes on rural and small town (non-CMA/CA) population, 1971 to 2016**

|                      | Change to non-CMA/CA population in |          |            |         |         |          |          |         |          | In the period from 1991 to 2016, the total impact on the Rural and Small Town population (the non-CMA/CA population) due boundary changes / changes in delineation was a transfer of 796 thousand residents from RST to CMA/CA |                            |                            |                            |                            |                            |                            |                            |
|----------------------|------------------------------------|----------|------------|---------|---------|----------|----------|---------|----------|--|----------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|
|                      | 1971                               | 1976     | 1981       | 1986    | 1991    | 1996     | 2001     | 2006    | 2011     | Total<br>(1976 to<br>2016)   | Total<br>(1981 to<br>2016) | Total<br>(1986 to<br>2016) | Total<br>(1991 to<br>2016) | Total<br>(1996 to<br>2016) | Total<br>(2001 to<br>2016) | Total<br>(2006 to<br>2016) | Total<br>(2011 to<br>2016) |
|                      | due to boundary changes made in    |          |            |         |         |          |          |         |          |  |                            |                            |                            |                            |                            |                            |                            |
|                      | 1976                               | 1981     | 1986       | 1991    | 1996    | 2001     | 2006     | 2011    | 2016     |  |                            |                            |                            |                            |                            |                            |                            |
| Newfoundland         | -50,319                            | -20,675  | -25,618    | 13,082  | 8,489   | 0        | 15,596   | -571    | -16,886  | -76,902  | -26,583                    | -5,908                     | 19,710                     | 6,628                      | -1,861                     | -1,861                     | -17,457                    |
| Prince Edward Island | -14,004                            | -17,843  | -6,051     | 24      | 2,824   | 0        | 1,124    | -700    | -1,036   | -35,662  | -21,658                    | -3,815                     | 2,236                      | 2,212                      | -612                       | -612                       | -1,736                     |
| Nova Scotia          | -87,858                            | -32,282  | 20,920     | -22,589 | -2,692  | -10,448  | 0        | 0       | 0        | -134,949   | -47,091                    | -14,809                    | -35,729                    | -13,140                    | -10,448                    | 0                          | 0                          |
| New Brunswick        | -37,583                            | -83,694  | -2,062     | 0       | 6,067   | -4       | -37,368  | -8,275  | -5,878   | -168,797   | -131,214                   | -47,520                    | -45,458                    | -45,458                    | -51,525                    | -51,521                    | -14,153                    |
| Quebec               | -167,339                           | -89,507  | -190,898   | 21,810  | -26,373 | -26,582  | -68,512  | -12,725 | -19,610  | -579,736   | -412,397                   | -322,890                   | -131,992                   | -153,802                   | -127,429                   | -100,847                   | -32,335                    |
| Ontario              | -164,026                           | -271,658 | -362,644   | -29,791 | -64,123 | -133,896 | -69,892  | -7,866  | -100,020 | -1,203,916   | -1,039,890                 | -768,232                   | -405,588                   | -375,797                   | -311,674                   | -177,778                   | -107,886                   |
| Manitoba             | -18,419                            | -37,397  | -45,953    | 7,243   | -7,353  | 116      | -10,561  | -3,153  | -28,446  | -143,923   | -125,504                   | -88,107                    | -42,154                    | -49,397                    | -42,044                    | -42,160                    | -31,599                    |
| Saskatchewan         | -51,680                            | -52,295  | -50,932    | -19,616 | 6,339   | 0        | -3,268   | -1,064  | -13,703  | -186,219   | -134,539                   | -82,244                    | -31,312                    | -11,696                    | -18,035                    | -18,035                    | -14,767                    |
| Alberta              | -7,507                             | -1,332   | -307,228   | -22,565 | 519     | -2,289   | -58,181  | -18,103 | -668     | -417,354   | -409,847                   | -408,515                   | -101,287                   | -78,722                    | -79,241                    | -76,952                    | -18,771                    |
| British Columbia     | 75,062                             | -285,377 | -298,603   | 20,486  | 5,511   | -31,734  | -14,550  | 13,609  | -17,570  | -533,166   | -608,228                   | -322,851                   | -24,248                    | -44,734                    | -50,245                    | -18,511                    | -3,961                     |
| Canada               | -523,673                           | -892,060 | -1,269,069 | -31,916 | -70,792 | -204,837 | -245,612 | -38,848 | -203,817 | -3,480,624   | -2,956,951                 | -2,064,891                 | -795,822                   | -763,906                   | -693,114                   | -488,277                   | -242,665                   |

Source: Statistics Canada. Census of Population, 1976 to 2016.

Note: Population gain or loss due to boundary changes is calculated by subtracting population based on the following year's census boundaries from the population based on the current year's census boundaries. For example, the impact of the boundary change in 1976 on the rural and small town population is calculated by subtracting the 1976 population based on 1981 boundaries from the 1976 population based on 1976 boundaries.