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All figures of the 1971 Census in Tables 4.11 to 4.13, 4.15 to 4.21, and 4.23 to 4.31, have been subjected to a confidentiality procedure to prevent the possibility of associating small figures with an identifiable individual. The particular technique used is known as "random rounding". Under this method, all last or "unit" digits in a table (including all totals) are randomly rounded (either up or down) to "0" or "5". This technique provides the strongest possible protection against direct, residual, or negative disclosures without adding any significant error to the census data. However, since totals are independently rounded they do not necessarily equal the sum of individual rounded figures in distributions. Also, minor differences can be expected for corresponding totals and cell values in various census tabulations.

4.1 Growth of the population of Canada, 1851-1971

Census year	Population No.	Increase during intercensal period		Average annual rate of population growth %
		No.	%	
1851	2,436,297			
1861	3,229,633	793,336	32.6	2.9
1871	3,689,257	459,624	14.2	1.3
1881	4,324,810	635,553	17.2	1.6
1891	4,833,239	508,429	11.8	1.1
1901	5,371,315	538,076	11.1	1.1
1911	7,206,643	1,835,328	34.2	3.0
1921	8,787,949	1,581,306	21.9	2.0
1931	10,376,786	1,588,837	18.1	1.7
1941	11,506,655	1,129,869	10.9	1.0
1951 ¹	14,009,429	2,502,774	21.8	1.7
1961	18,238,247	4,228,818	30.2	2.7
1971	21,568,311	3,330,064	18.3	1.7

¹Newfoundland included for the first time. Excluding Newfoundland the increase would have been 2,141,358 or 18.6%.

4.2 Growth components of Canada's population, 1851-1971

Period	Total population growth '000	Births '000	Deaths '000	Natural increase '000	Ratio of natural increase to total growth %	Immigration '000	Emigration '000	Net migration '000	Ratio of net migration to total growth %
1851-1861	793	1,281	670	611	77.0	352	170	182	23.0
1861-1871	460	1,370	760	610	132.6	260	410	-150	-32.6
1871-1881	636	1,480	790	690	108.5	350	404	-54	-8.5
1881-1891	508	1,524	870	654	128.7	680	826	-146	-28.7
1891-1901	538	1,548	880	668	124.2	250	380	-130	-24.2
1901-1911	1,835	1,925	900	1,025	55.9	1,550	740	810	44.1
1911-1921	1,581	2,340	1,070	1,270	80.3	1,400	1,089	311	19.7
1921-1931	1,589	2,420	1,060	1,360	85.5	1,200	970	230	14.5
1931-1941	1,130	2,294	1,072	1,222	108.1	149	241	-92	-8.1
1941-1951 ¹	2,503	3,212	1,220	1,992	92.3	548	382	166	7.7
1951-1961	4,228	4,468	1,320	3,148	74.5	1,543	463	1,080	25.5
1961-1971	3,330	4,105	1,497	2,608	78.3	1,429	707	722	21.7

¹Includes Newfoundland in 1951 but not in 1941.

4.3 Projected population of Canada up to 2001

Year	Population as at June 1 '000	Annual rate of population growth %	Distribution by age			
			0-19 %	20-44 %	45-64 %	65+ %
Projection A ¹						
1971	21,568.3	...	39.4	33.9	18.6	8.1
1976	23,086.1	1.4	36.1	36.4	18.9	8.6
1981	25,311.5	1.8	34.3	38.6	18.1	9.0
1986	27,810.9	1.9	33.9	39.6	17.2	9.3
1991	30,177.6	1.6	34.9	38.1	17.2	9.8
1996	32,347.1	1.4	35.6	36.2	18.3	9.9
2001	34,611.4	1.3	34.6	35.4	20.2	9.8
Projection B ²						
1971	21,568.3	...	39.4	33.9	18.6	8.1
1976	22,846.3	1.2	35.9	36.4	19.1	8.6
1981	24,472.5	1.4	33.2	38.9	18.6	9.3
1986	26,258.6	1.4	31.6	40.5	18.1	9.8
1991	27,902.1	1.2	31.8	39.6	18.2	10.4
1996	29,317.0	1.0	31.8	37.7	19.7	10.8
2001	30,655.5	0.9	30.8	36.4	21.9	10.9