

4.16 Population by mother tongue, 1971 and 1976, and language most often spoken in the home, 1971

Language	Mother tongue				Language most often spoken in the home	
	1971		1976		1971 ¹	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
English	12,973,810	60.2	14,122,765	61.4	14,446,235	67.0
French	5,793,650	26.9	5,887,205	25.6	5,546,025	25.7
Baltic ²	43,385	0.2	34,190	0.1	29,345	0.1
Celtic	24,360	0.1	10,060	--	1,545	--
Chinese	94,855	0.4	132,560	0.6	77,890	0.4
Croatian, Serbian	74,190	0.3	77,570	0.3	29,310	0.1
Czech and Slovak	45,145	0.2	34,955	0.2	24,555	0.1
Finnish	36,725	0.2	28,470	0.1	18,280	0.1
German	561,085	2.6	476,715	2.1	213,350	1.0
Greek	104,455	0.5	91,530	0.4	86,830	0.4
Indo-Pakistani	32,555	0.2	58,420	0.3	23,110	0.1
Inuit (Eskimo)	15,295	0.1	15,900	0.1	15,080	0.1
Italian	538,360	2.5	484,045	2.1	425,235	2.0
Japanese	16,890	0.1	15,525	0.1	10,500	--
Magyar (Hungarian)	86,835	0.4	69,305	0.3	50,670	0.2
Native Indian	164,525	0.8	117,110	0.6	122,205	0.6
Netherlandic and Flemish	159,165	0.7	122,555	0.5	39,360	0.2
Polish	134,780	0.6	99,845	0.4	70,960	0.3
Portuguese	86,925	0.4	126,535	0.5	74,765	0.3
Romanian	11,300	0.1	8,755	--	4,455	--
Russian	31,745	0.1	23,480	0.1	12,590	0.1
Scandinavian	84,335	0.4	59,410	0.3	10,055	--
Semitic languages	28,550	0.1	37,100	0.2	15,260	0.1
Spanish	23,815	0.1	44,130	0.2	17,710	0.1
Ukrainian	309,855	1.4	282,060	1.2	144,760	0.7
Yiddish	49,890	0.2	23,440	0.1	26,330	0.1
Other	41,830	0.2	63,950	0.3	31,900	0.1
Not stated	---	---	445,020	1.9	---	---
Total	21,568,310	100.0	22,992,605	100.0	21,568,310	100.0

¹Data not available for 1976.²Includes Lithuanian, Estonian and Lettish.

4.17 Numerical and percentage distribution of the population by mother tongue, by province, 1976¹

Province or territory		1976				Total
		English	French	Other	Not stated	
Nfld.	No.	545,340	2,760	3,965	5,665	557,725
	%	97.8	0.5	0.7	1.0	100.0
PEI	No.	109,745	6,545	935	1,005	118,230
	%	92.8	5.5	0.8	0.8	100.0
NS	No.	768,070	36,870	13,625	10,010	828,570
	%	92.7	4.5	1.6	1.2	100.0
NB	No.	435,975	223,780	6,925	10,565	677,250
	%	64.4	33.0	1.0	1.6	100.0
Que.	No.	800,680	4,989,245	334,055	110,470	6,234,445
	%	12.8	80.0	5.4	1.8	100.0
Ont.	No.	6,457,645	462,070	1,178,670	166,080	8,264,465
	%	78.1	5.6	14.3	2.0	100.0
Man.	No.	727,240	54,745	218,875	20,645	1,021,510
	%	71.2	5.4	21.4	2.0	100.0
Sask.	No.	715,685	26,710	163,935	14,995	921,325
	%	77.7	2.9	17.8	1.6	100.0
Alta.	No.	1,482,725	44,440	272,395	38,480	1,838,040
	%	80.7	2.4	14.8	2.1	100.0
BC	No.	2,037,645	38,430	325,610	64,930	2,466,610
	%	82.6	1.6	13.2	2.6	100.0
YT	No.	18,940	525	1,630	745	21,840
	%	86.7	2.4	7.5	3.4	100.0
NWT	No.	23,085	1,095	16,995	1,435	42,610
	%	54.2	2.6	39.9	3.4	100.0
Canada	No.	14,122,770	5,887,205	2,537,615	445,020	22,992,605
	%	61.4	25.6	11.0	1.9	100.0

¹Based on 100% data.