

2.16 Private households and average number of persons per household, by province, 1976, 1981 and 1986¹

Province or territory	Private households				Average persons per households		
	1976	1981	1986	% increase 1981-86	1976	1981	1986
Newfoundland	131,665	148,420	159,080	7.2	4.1	3.8	3.5
Prince Edward Island	32,930	37,660	40,695	8.1	3.5	3.2	3.0
Nova Scotia	243,095	273,190	295,780	8.3	3.3	3.0	2.9
New Brunswick	190,435	214,920	231,680	7.8	3.5	3.2	3.0
Quebec	1,894,110	2,172,855	2,357,105	8.5	3.2	2.9	2.7
Ontario	2,634,620	2,969,785	3,221,730	8.5	3.1	2.8	2.8
Manitoba	328,005	357,985	382,345	6.8	3.0	2.8	2.7
Saskatchewan	291,155	332,710	358,265	7.7	3.1	2.8	2.7
Alberta	575,280	758,240	836,130	10.3	3.1	2.9	2.8
British Columbia	828,285	996,640	1,087,120	9.1	2.9	2.7	2.6
Yukon	6,495	7,600	7,975	4.9	3.2	2.9	2.8
Northwest Territories	10,020	11,520	13,775	19.6	4.1	3.8	3.7
Canada	7,166,095	8,281,530	8,991,670	8.6	3.1	2.9	2.8

¹ The figures for 1986 exclude the population on 136 incompletely enumerated Indian reserves and settlements. The total population on these reserves was estimated to be about 45,000 in 1986.

2.17 Private households by type, 1976, 1981 and 1986

Type of household	Number			Percentage of total households		
	1976	1981	1986	1976	1981	1986
Family households	5,633,945	6,231,490	6,635,000	78.6	75.2	73.8
One-family households	5,542,295	6,140,330	6,537,880	77.3	74.1	72.7
Primary-family households	5,513,765	6,043,735	6,438,995	76.9	73.0	71.6
Without additional persons	5,025,815	5,556,385	5,938,725	70.1	67.1	66.0
With additional persons	487,950	487,350	500,275	6.8	5.9	5.6
Secondary-family households	28,525	96,590	98,885	0.4	1.2	1.1
Multiple-family households	91,650	91,155	97,115	1.3	1.1	1.1
Non-family households	1,532,150	2,050,045	2,356,675	21.4	24.8	26.2
One person only	1,205,340	1,681,130	1,934,710	16.8	20.3	21.5
Two or more persons	326,810	368,910	421,965	4.6	4.5	4.7
Total households	7,166,095	8,281,530	8,991,675	100.0	100.0	100.0

2.18 Household maintainers by age groups, 1986

Province or territory	15-24 years	25-39 years	40-49 years	50-64 years	65 years and over	Total
Newfoundland	6,625	59,140	30,190	35,410	27,710	159,080
Prince Edward Island	2,045	13,505	6,910	8,870	9,365	40,690
Nova Scotia	16,100	100,950	50,700	63,980	64,050	295,780
New Brunswick	12,080	81,880	40,430	50,110	47,175	231,680
Quebec	136,025	858,975	449,225	539,570	373,310	2,357,100
Ontario	168,140	1,109,750	587,000	757,265	599,570	3,221,725
Manitoba	26,500	128,610	60,315	81,890	85,025	382,345
Saskatchewan	28,535	120,215	51,275	75,795	82,445	358,270
Alberta	72,870	346,420	140,845	159,340	116,655	836,130
British Columbia	65,235	378,670	191,700	237,550	213,970	1,087,115
Yukon	570	3,805	1,645	1,395	560	7,975
Northwest Territories	1,220	6,965	2,585	2,155	850	13,770
Canada	535,950	3,208,885	1,612,815	2,013,330	1,620,690	8,991,670