

### 2.2.2 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

### 2.2.3 Families and persons per family, 1981 and 1987<sup>1</sup>

Province or territory	Families '000		Persons in families '000		Average number of persons per family	
	1981	1987 <sup>1</sup>	1981	1987 <sup>1</sup>	1981	1987
Newfoundland	135.1	143.8	509.5	508.6	3.8	3.5
Prince Edward Island	30.2	32.6	105.7	108.9	3.5	3.3
Nova Scotia	216.2	233.0	721.0	740.0	3.3	3.2
New Brunswick	176.6	189.0	605.2	612.6	3.4	3.2
Quebec	1,671.5	1,774.6	5,491.2	5,491.5	3.3	3.1
Ontario	2,279.0	2,496.3	7,348.5	7,784.3	3.2	3.1
Manitoba	262.2	280.1	851.3	881.1	3.2	3.1
Saskatchewan	245.7	262.1	809.9	841.9	3.3	3.2
Alberta	565.6	619.0	1,842.4	1,963.5	3.3	3.2
British Columbia	727.7	783.2	2,261.0	2,362.8	3.1	3.0
Yukon	5.7	..	18.5	..	3.3	..
Northwest Territories	9.5	..	38.2	..	4.0	..
Canada	6,325.0	6,813.7	20,602.6	21,295.2	3.3	3.1

<sup>1</sup> Preliminary postcensal estimates.

### 2.2.4 Families by family structure, 1976, 1981 and 1987<sup>1,2</sup>

Family structure	Number '000			Percentage		
	1976	1981	1987	1976	1981	1987
Husband-wife families	5,168.6	5,611.0	5,931.7	90.2	88.7	87.1
Lone-parent families	559.3	714.0	882.0	9.8	11.3	12.9
Male parent	95.0	124.2	157.1	1.7	2.0	2.3
Female parent	464.3	589.8	724.9	8.1	9.3	10.6
Total families	5,727.9	6,325.0	6,813.7	100.0	100.0	100.0

<sup>1</sup> Preliminary postcensal estimates.

<sup>2</sup> Excludes Yukon and Northwest Territories.