

#Welcome Afghans



Welcome Home – Moncton, New Brunswick



Population: 157,717 people (2021 census)

(includes many South and West Asians, Arabs, and Afghans)

About the area

[New Brunswick](#)¹

- is on the east coast of Canada
- borders Nova Scotia and Quebec in Canada, and Maine in the United States of America
- is Canada's only officially bilingual (French and English) province and a vibrant [Acadian community](#)
- grows more diverse as new immigrants arrive

The Greater Moncton region

- is in the province of [New Brunswick](#)
- includes the cities of [Moncton](#), [Dieppe](#), and the town of [Riverview](#)
- is one of the [fastest-growing urban area in Canada](#)
- is diverse

Greater Moncton is known for its rich natural beauty. [Winters](#) are cold and snowy with an average daily low temperature of -12°C in January. Summers are warm with an average daily high of 25°C in July.

¹ All the links provided here are in English only.





Scenic Jones Lake, Moncton.

Indigenous land acknowledgement

[Indigenous peoples](#) have lived in Canada since before European settlers and explorers arrived. Moncton, like much of New Brunswick, is located on the traditional territory of the Maliseet and Mi'kmaq (Meeg-mah) Nations.



Downtown Moncton.

Living, working and going to school

Greater Moncton is a great place to develop careers, do business, study, and live a fulfilling life.

You can find jobs in Greater Moncton in industries such as

- transportation
- construction
- insurance
- tourism
- health
- education

As of April 2023, the [official minimum wage](#) is \$14.75 an hour.

Housing costs vary. The [average price to buy a single-family house](#) is approximately \$535,000. [Renting a 2-bedroom apartment](#) could cost approximately \$1,100 per month.

Learn more about renting and tenants' rights from the [Government of New Brunswick](#).

There are many [schools](#), daycares, and after school programs in Greater Moncton in both English and French. In Canada, students usually go to school from kindergarten (age 3 or 4) to grade 12 (age 17 or 18). After that, they can go to college or university or start working.

New Brunswick has four public [universities](#)

- [University of New Brunswick](#)
- [Mount Allison University](#)
- [St. Thomas University](#)
- [Université de Moncton](#)

There are also four community colleges where you can study in New Brunswick

- [New Brunswick Community College](#)
- [New Brunswick College of Craft and Design](#)
- [Maritime College of Forest Technology](#)
- [Collège communautaire du Nouveau-Brunswick](#)

You can play in many sports leagues, like

- [cricket](#)
- [soccer \(football\)](#)
- [basketball](#)
- [swimming](#)
- [track and field](#)
- [squash](#)
- [hockey](#)

Find out more about recreation from the [YMCA](#).

You can enjoy the many [public parks](#) and outdoor spaces in summer and [fun activities](#) like skiing, sledding and skating in winter.

The area is known for its vibrant [arts and culture scene](#) including

- concerts
- festivals
- musicals
- theatrical productions
- other [events](#)

Religious and cultural associations

Under the [Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms](#), you can practise the religion of your choice in Canada. Your service provider organization can help connect you to your local ethno-cultural and multi-cultural associations in New Brunswick.

Specialty foods

Several grocery stores in the area sell international goods. Most major supermarkets and many Middle Eastern grocery stores also sell halal meat. Your service provider organization can help you find the store closest to you.

Useful information for newcomers

More resources to help you settle in the area

- [Welcome to Canada: Publications for newcomers](#)
- [Find free newcomer services near you](#)
- [Immigrating and settling in Canada](#)
- [Immigration Greater Moncton](#)
- [City of Moncton](#)
- [City of Dieppe](#)
- [Town of Riverview](#)
- [Centre d'accueil et d'accompagnement francophone des immigrants](#)
- [Moncton Cares](#)
- The Multicultural Agency of the Greater Moncton Area: [MAGMA-AMGM](#)