



Immigration and Economic Growth

Growing the economy through immigration

75% of Canada's population growth comes from **immigration**, mostly in the **economic category**.

About **6 in 10** immigrants are selected for their positive economic impact.

3-year plan sets most ambitious immigration levels in recent history

330,800 in 2019

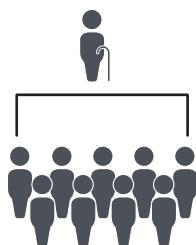
341,000 in 2020

350,000 in 2021



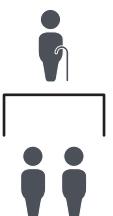
This measured, gradual increase will trend towards 1% of the population by 2021, spurring innovation and representing a major investment in Canada's prosperity, now and into the future.

1971



Fewer people working to support retirees

2035



In 1971, Canada's worker to retiree ratio was about **7 to 1**.

By 2035, when

5 million Canadians are set to retire, the ratio will be down to **2 to 1**.

Bringing the best and brightest to Canada

Express Entry

Since 2015, Express Entry has attracted almost

230,000 **high-skilled foreign workers** and former international students who want to live in Canada permanently, and whose in-demand skills are needed by employers.



The **top 5 occupations** of people invited to immigrate under Express Entry are:

- Software engineers and designers
- Information systems analysts
- Computer programmers
- Financial auditors and accountants
- Advertising, marketing and public relations professional



Almost **54,000** former international students settled permanently in Canada in 2018, an all-time high.

Global Skills Strategy

Companies using the Global Talent Stream have committed to create **48,000+ jobs** for Canadians and permanent residents and **12,500+ paid co-op** positions, and investing more than **\$113 million in skills and training**.

Launched in 2017, Canada's Global Skills Strategy, including the Global Talent Stream, makes it easier for **Canadian businesses** to attract the talent they need to succeed in the global marketplace.



Over the first 2 years of the Global Skills Strategy, about **40,000 people** benefitted from 2-week application processing



The Global Skills Strategy has been a game-changer for employers. Take a look at the success of the strategy.

Start-Up Visa Program

The Start-Up Visa Program helps **immigrant entrepreneurs** with the skills and potential to build businesses in Canada that are innovative, can create jobs for Canadians and compete on a global scale. Originally created as a pilot, it was made a **permanent program in 2018** due to its success.

As of May 2019, more than **650 entrepreneurs** and their family members have been approved for permanent residence. They represent about **200 start-ups** that have been launched in Canada.



Learn about two successful entrepreneurs who came to Canada through the Start-Up Visa Program and started a virtual reality company.

Innovative new pilots to meet diverse labour market needs

Canada has implemented pilots to test innovative and community-driven approaches to address diverse labour market needs across the country.

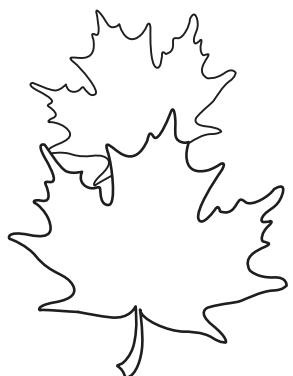
Atlantic Immigration Pilot

Aimed at ensuring the **long-term** retention and integration of newcomers in **Atlantic Canada** to help drive economic growth in the region.

A 3-year pilot first launched in 2017, it has been **extended to 2021**.

Permanent Resident Admissions to date:

1,499
principal applicants + **1,484**
dependents = **2,983**



Rural and Northern Immigration Pilot

This **5-year pilot** aims to distribute the benefits of economic immigration to smaller communities by testing a new pathway to permanent residence for **skilled immigrants**.

- In June 2019, 11 communities were selected to participate in the pilot.
- The pilot will connect newcomers with local settlement services.
- Newcomers are expected to begin arriving in 2020.



The selected communities are:

Thunder Bay (ON)
Sault Ste. Marie (ON)
Sudbury (ON)
Timmins (ON)
North Bay (ON)
Gretna-Rhineland-Altona-Plum Coulee (MB)
Brandon (MB)
Moose Jaw (SK)
Claresholm (AB)
West Kootenay (BC)
Vernon (BC)

Home Child Care Provider and Home Support Worker pilots

2 new pilots that will help **caregivers** make Canada their permanent home were launched on **June 18, 2019**.



These 5-year pilots give caregivers and their families a **clear, direct pathway** to permanent residence, while making the hiring process **simpler for Canadian families** who need a caregiver for a loved one.

Through these new pilots, caregivers will also benefit from:

- **Occupation-specific work permits**, rather than employer-specific, to allow for a fast change of employers when necessary
- **Open work permits and/or study permits** for the caregivers' immediate family to help families come to Canada together