



Census 2006 Update: Labour, Education, Ethnic Origin, Income and Housing

**Presentation to Community
Services and Housing
Committee**

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Purpose



- ❑ Highlight key trends from the final three 2006 Census releases:
 - ❑ Labour; Place of work and Education
 - ❑ Income and earnings; Housing and shelter costs
 - ❑ Ethnic origin and Visible minorities
- ❑ Staying ahead of the curve

Key Findings to Date



- ❑ **Population** - grew by 22% since 2001 – third highest growth rate in Canada, first in Ontario.
- ❑ **Age groups** – 20% (178,000) are children, 70% (623,000) are working age and 10% (92,000) are seniors. Highest growth rate for all ages in Ontario.
- ❑ **Families** - 83% of York Region families are married couples. Growing number of potentially vulnerable groups such as lone parents and elderly single women.
- ❑ **Housing** – 88% of York Region's housing is owned and 12% rental housing – lowest proportion of rental housing in the GTA.
- ❑ **Immigrants** account for 60% of new residents – 43% (380,500) of York Region's population were not born in Canada. 46,500 residents are recent immigrants.
- ❑ **Languages** – 50% increase since 2001 in the number of residents with no knowledge of English or French.
- ❑ **Aboriginals** – Aboriginal population grew by 40% since 2001.



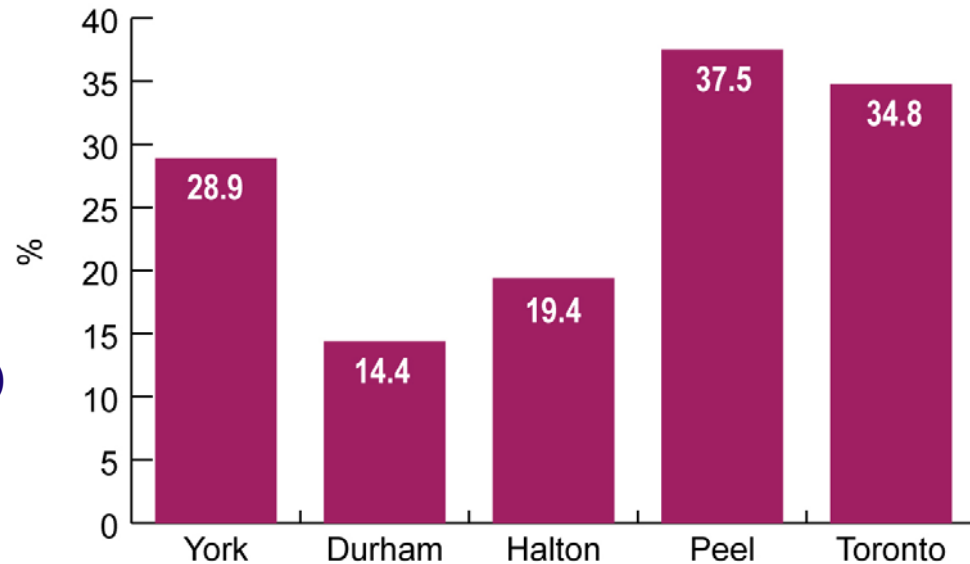
Labour, Place of Work and Education

Residents are Highly Educated



- ❑ In 2006, 27% of York Region residents had a university degree compared to 23% in 2001.
- ❑ 33% of residents (25 – 64 years) have a university degree – the third highest in Canada.
- ❑ At 42%, Richmond Hill has highest proportion of residents (25 – 64 years old) in Ontario with university degrees.
- ❑ Almost 30% of York Region residents earn their post-secondary education outside of Canada.

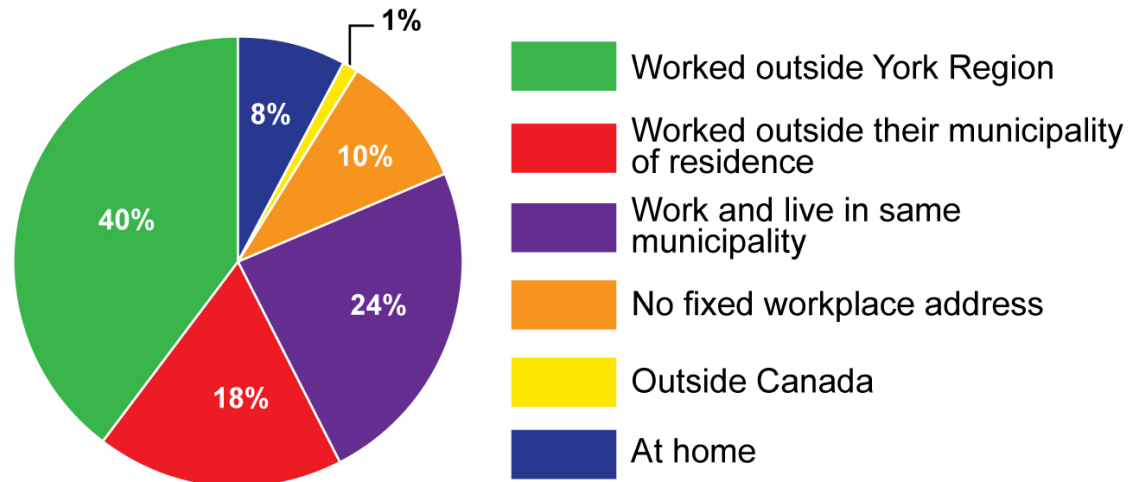
Percentage of residents with post-secondary education obtained outside of Canada, Census 2006



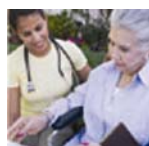
Labour Force is Growing

- ❑ York Region's labour force grew by 22% since 2001 – highest of all Census Divisions in Ontario.
- ❑ As of 2006, York Region's labour force is 500,060 - third largest in Ontario. Majority work full-time.
- ❑ Number of residents working within York Region is 50%.
- ❑ Almost 60% must commute to work.

**Where York Residents Work,
Census 2006**

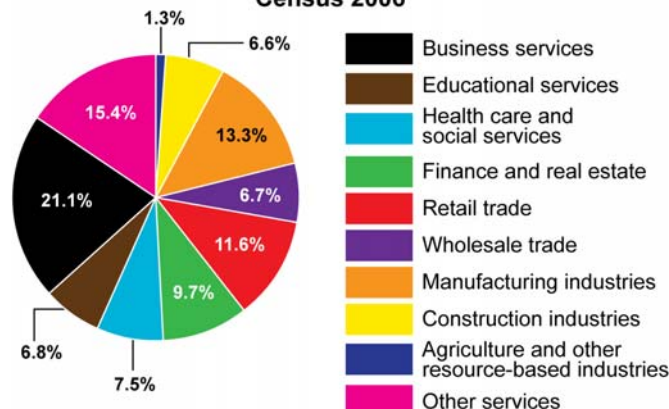


All Industries in Which Residents Work Increased

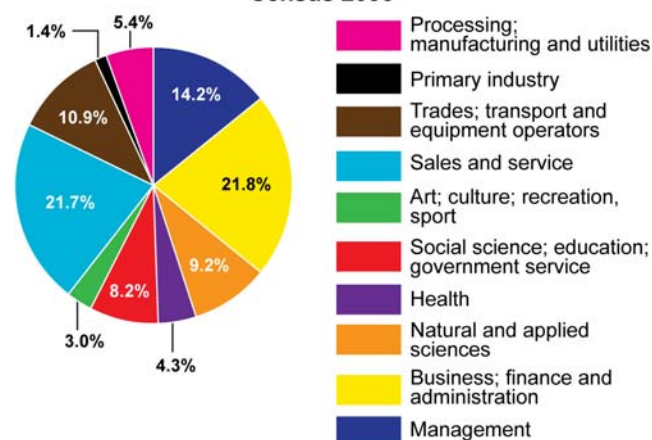


- ❑ Top industries for York Region residents are Business Services (21%), manufacturing industries (13%) and retail trade (12%).
- ❑ Occupations in Business; Finance and Administration, and Sales and Service are the most common.
- ❑ Number of people employed in the manufacturing sector increased by 14% since 2001.

Industries in which York Region Residents Work, Census 2006



Occupations of York Region Residents, Census 2006

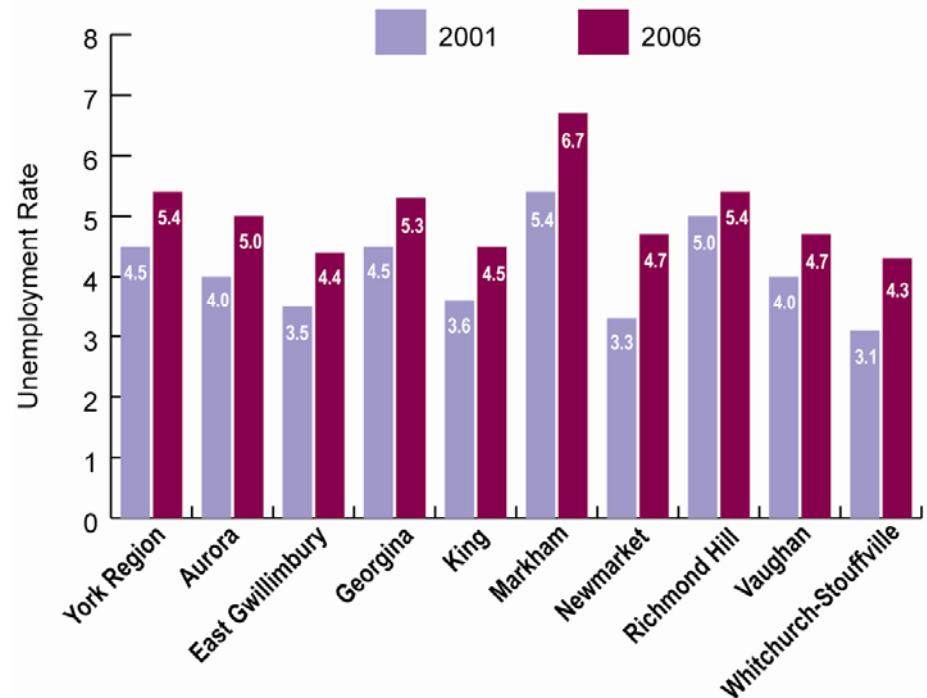


Unemployment Rates Increased between 2001 and 2006



- ❑ In 2006, York Region's unemployment rate is 5.4% - 2nd lowest in GTA.
- ❑ All nine municipalities had increases in unemployment rates between 2001 and 2006. Markham and Newmarket had the highest increases.

Unemployment Rates for York Region and Municipalities, Census 2001 and 2006





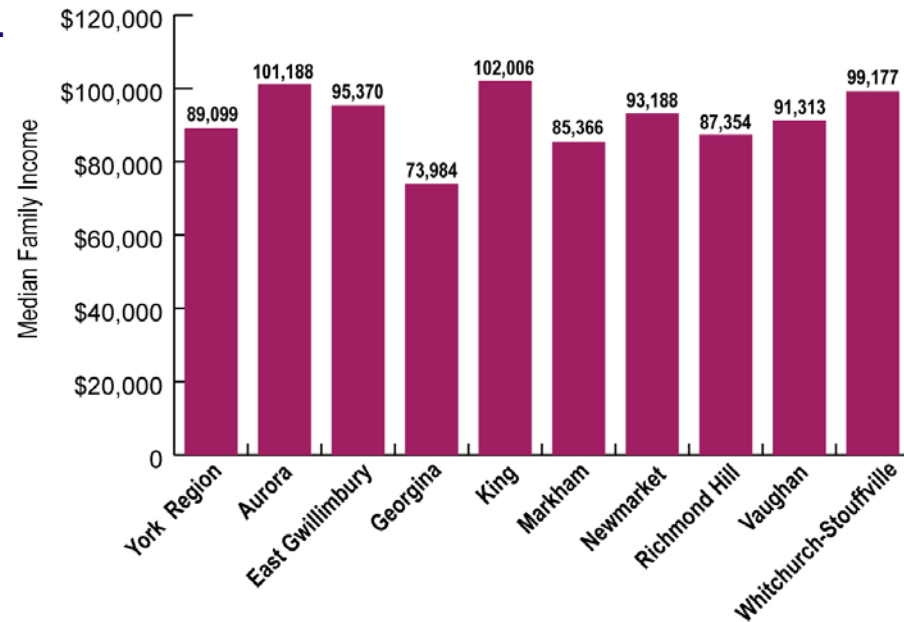
Income and Earnings, Housing and Shelter costs

Median Family Income

- ❑ Overall Ontario and Canada saw an increase.
- ❑ Decreased in York Region by approximately \$2,433 since 2001.
- ❑ The median family income in York Region is \$89,099 – fifth highest in Canada.
- ❑ King had the highest median income Georgina had the lowest in York Region.
- ❑ King, Aurora and Whitchurch-Stouffville are within the top 25 municipalities for highest incomes in Canada.



**Median Income for Economic Families, Municipalities
Census 2006**



Low Income Rate has Increased

- ❑ As of 2006, York Region's low income rate is 13% or 112,501 residents. 15% (32,477) of York Region's children are living in low income households.
- ❑ Since 2001, the number of low income residents increased by 55% and the number of children in low income households increased by 62%.
- ❑ Number of low income residents increased in all municipalities except for East Gwillimbury which had a 27% decrease and the lowest low income rate.
- ❑ Nearly 40% (41,928) of York Region's low income residents live in Markham.



Low Income Rate in York Region, Census 2001 and 2006							
	2001			2006			% change in number of Low Income Residents 2001-2006
	Total Population	Low Income Population	%	Total population	Low Income Population	%	
All ages	724,215	72,565	10%	885,835	112,501	13%	55%
Under 18 years	188,495	20,075	11%	219,440	32,477	15%	62%

Rental Costs are High

- ❑ Median monthly payment for a rental dwelling is \$957 – 3rd highest in the GTA.
- ❑ Median monthly payment for an owned dwelling is \$1,463 – 2nd highest in GTA.
- ❑ Local municipalities with the highest shelters costs also have the highest number of low income residents.

Municipalities	Median monthly payments for rented dwellings (\$)	Number of Low Income Residents
Aurora	\$951	3,843
East Gwillimbury	\$819	907
Georgina	\$836	5,150
King	\$951	1,045
Markham	\$995	41,928
Newmarket	\$900	7,180
Richmond Hill	\$1,001	25,526
Vaughan	\$1,100	25,209
Whitchurch-Stouffville	\$924	1,347



Homeowners' Monthly Shelter Costs

Owned Dwellings - Median Monthly Payments

Median Ownership Payment



Median Income \$93,188
Average Home Price \$359,106

Median Income \$101,188
Average Home Price \$452,171

Median Income \$102,006
Average Home Price \$580,834

Median Income \$91,313
Average Home Price \$470,675

Georgina

Median Income \$73,984
Average Home Price \$240,204

East Gwillimbury

Median Income \$95,370
Average Home Price \$390,285

Newmarket

Median Income \$99,177
Average Home Price \$478,691

Whitchurch-Stouffville

Median Income \$87,354
Average Home Price \$496,310

King

Aurora

Richmond Hill

Markham

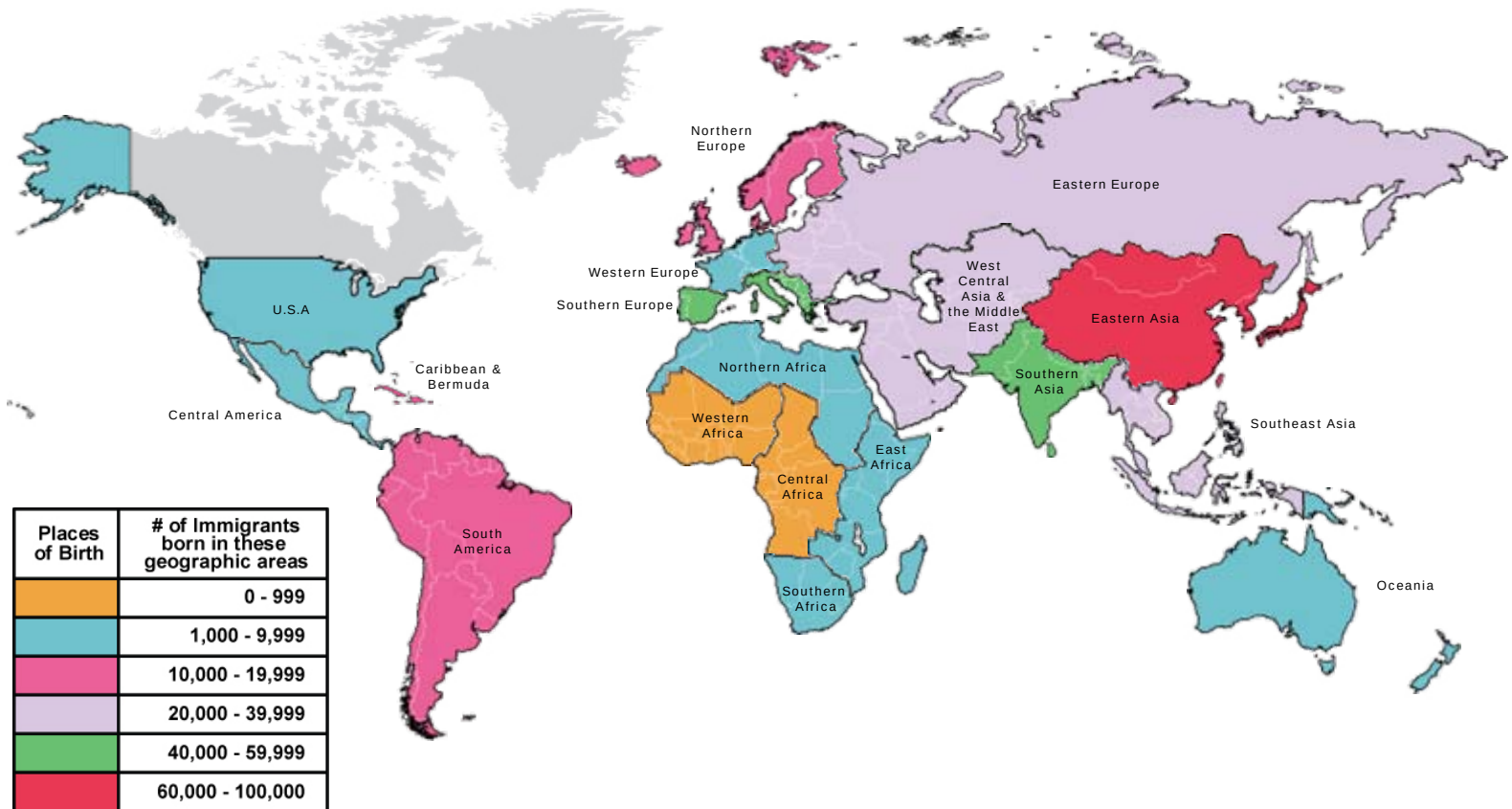
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Ethnic Origin and Visible Minorities

York Region is a Global Village



Faces of York Region's Global Village

- Visible Minorities Increasing



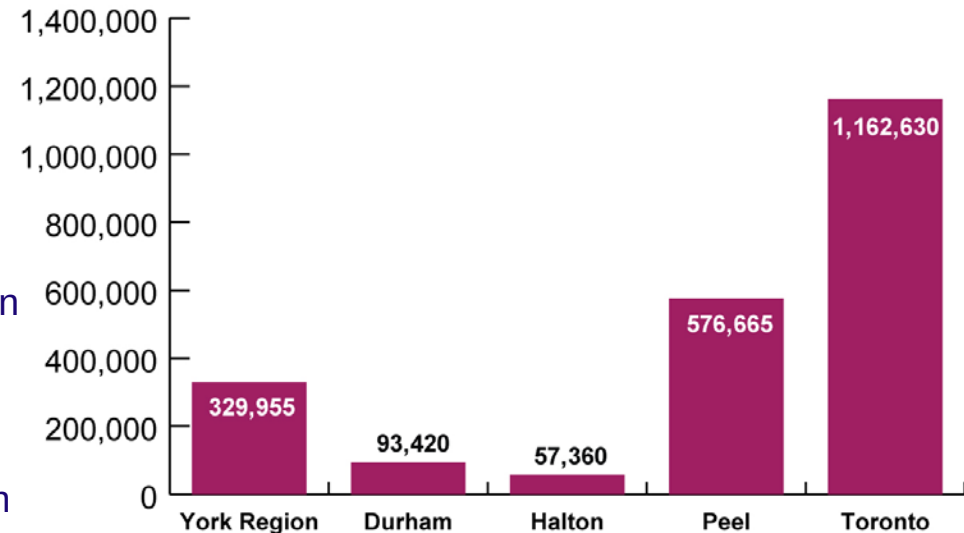
- ❑ Two in five residents are now visible minorities - 3rd largest proportion of visible minorities in Ontario and 4th largest proportion in Canada.

- ❑ In 2006, the top 5 visible minorities in York Region are: Chinese, South Asian, West Asian, Black and Filipino.

- ❑ 16% of York Region's population is Chinese.

- ❑ Markham has the highest proportion of visible minorities in the country, accounting for 65% of its population.

Number of Visible Minorities in York Region and GTA, Census 2006



What Is the Census Telling Us About York Region?



- ❑ Traditional families still dominant in York Region.



- ❑ Majority of housing is owned.



- ❑ York Region residents are highly educated and enjoy a high median income.



- ❑ York Region is growing rapidly and quickly becoming more diverse.

- ❑ York Region's demographics are shifting – more children, more seniors, more complex ethno-cultural mix, more people with disabilities, more non-traditional families.



- ❑ York Region has seen increases in unemployment rate and the low income residents. The gap between those with means and those without has widened.

Staying Ahead of the Curve



Community and Health Services strategies include:

- ❑ Strategic Community Supports/Investment
- ❑ Aging at Home Strategy
- ❑ Housing: Housing Supply Strategy, Affordable Housing Program, Regional Rent Supplement Initiative
- ❑ Provide input to the province on the Poverty Reduction Strategy
- ❑ Local Immigration Partnership Strategy
- ❑ Developing a long-term strategy for regionally mandated community and health services
- ❑ Sustainability Strategy – Healthy Communities

