



2006 Census of Canada

Immigration in Canada: A Portrait of the Foreign-born Population

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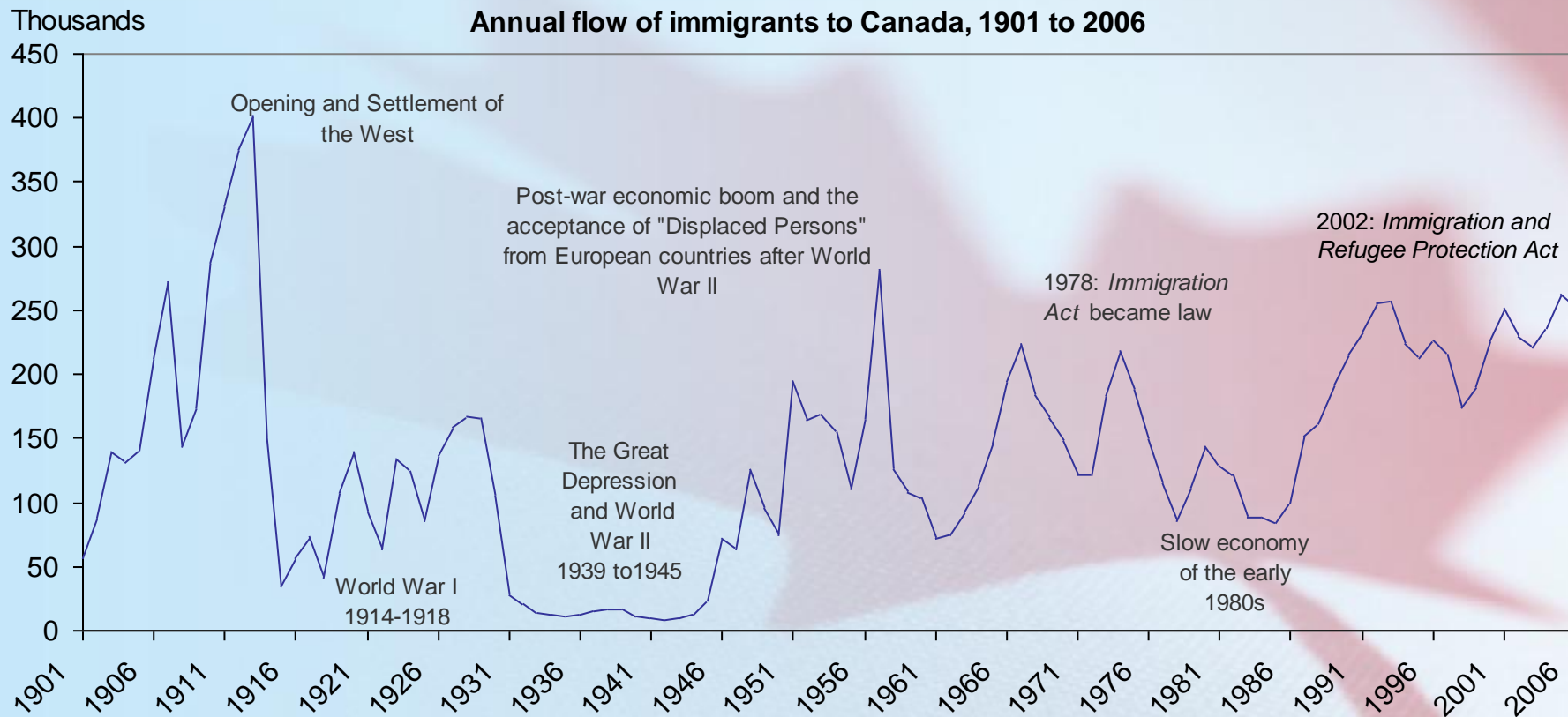


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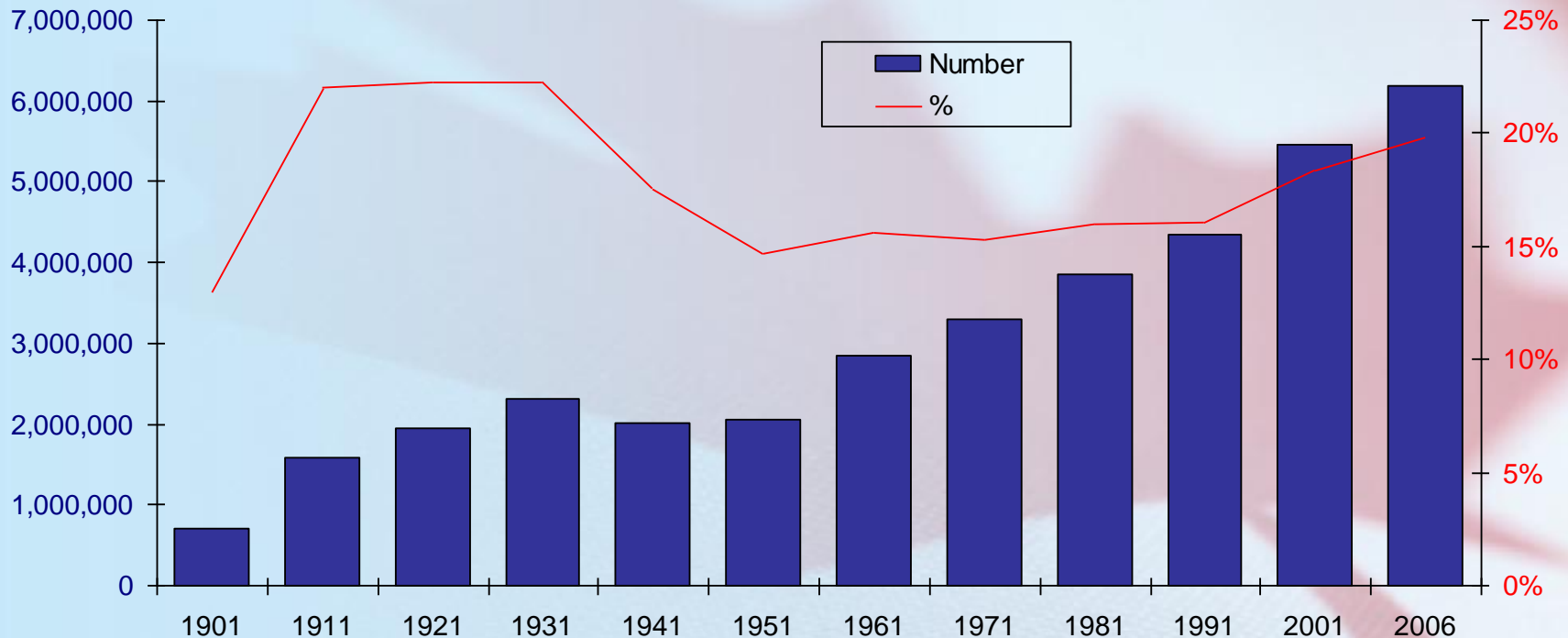
Canada has welcomed over 1 million immigrants during the first five years of the millennium



Source: Citizenship and Immigration Canada.

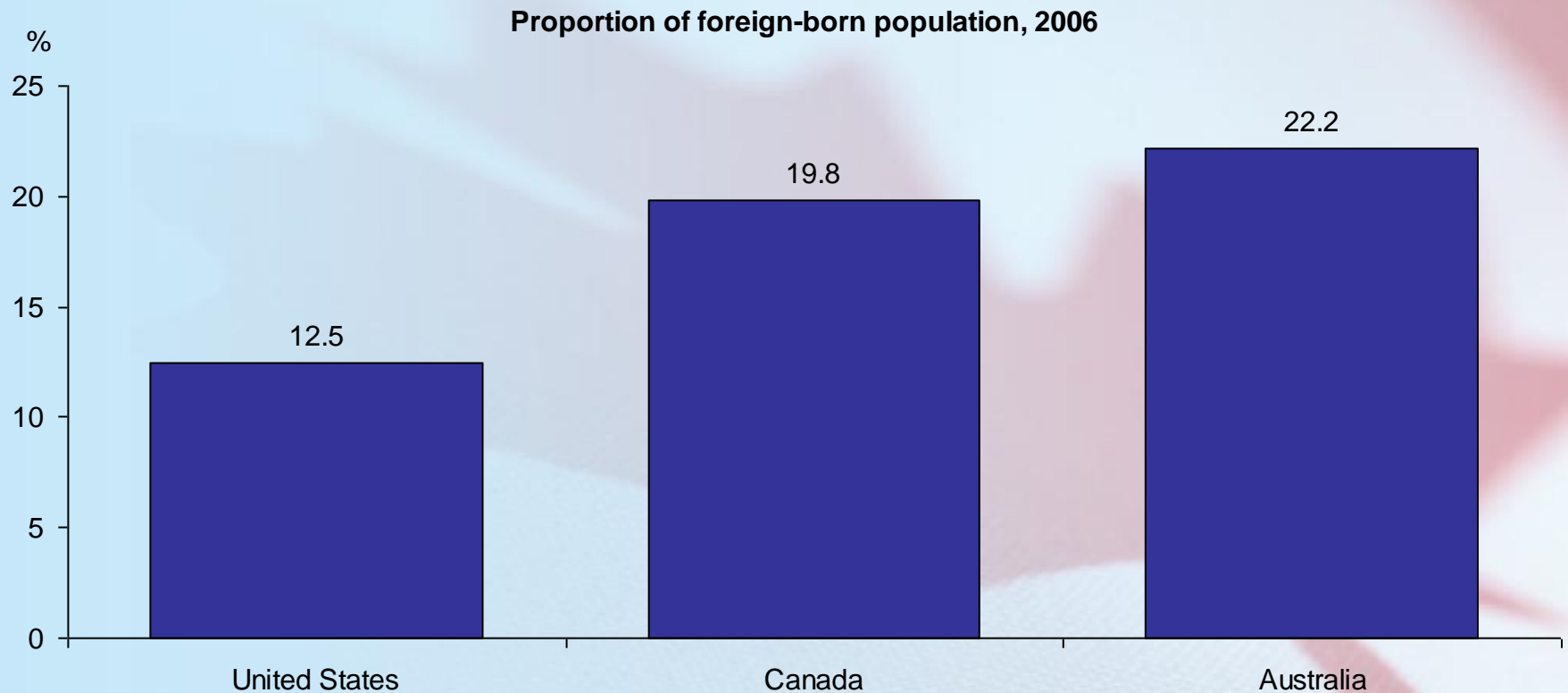
One in five were foreign-born, highest proportion in the population in 75 years since 1931

Number and Proportion of foreign-born in Canada, by census year



Sources: Statistics Canada, censuses of population, 1901 to 2006.

Canada's proportion of foreign-born is lower than the Australia, but higher than the United States



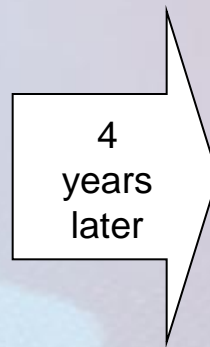
Sources: Statistics Canada, Census of population, 2006. Australian Bureau of Statistics, 2006 Census. United States Census Bureau, 2006 American Community Survey.



Family is the reason why many come and quality of life is why many remain

Top reasons for choosing to come to Canada

- Improve future for family
- Join family or close friends
- Education opportunity



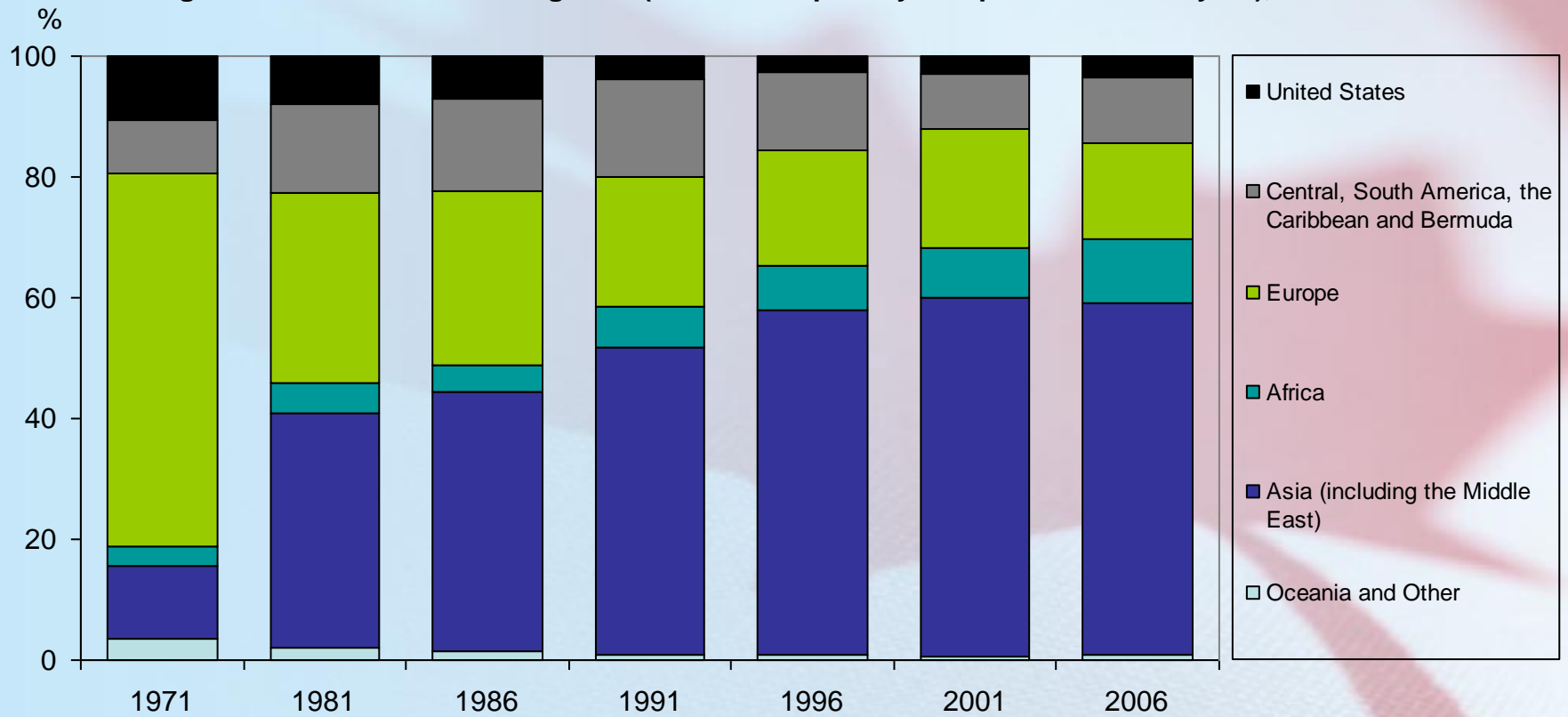
Top reasons for staying permanently

- Quality of life
- Positive future prospects for family
- To be close to family and friends

Sources: Longitudinal Survey of Immigrants to Canada, Waves 1 & 3.

Most recent immigrants came from Asia, but its share was unchanged since 2001

Region of birth of recent immigrants (in Canada up to 5 years prior to Census year), 1971 to 2006

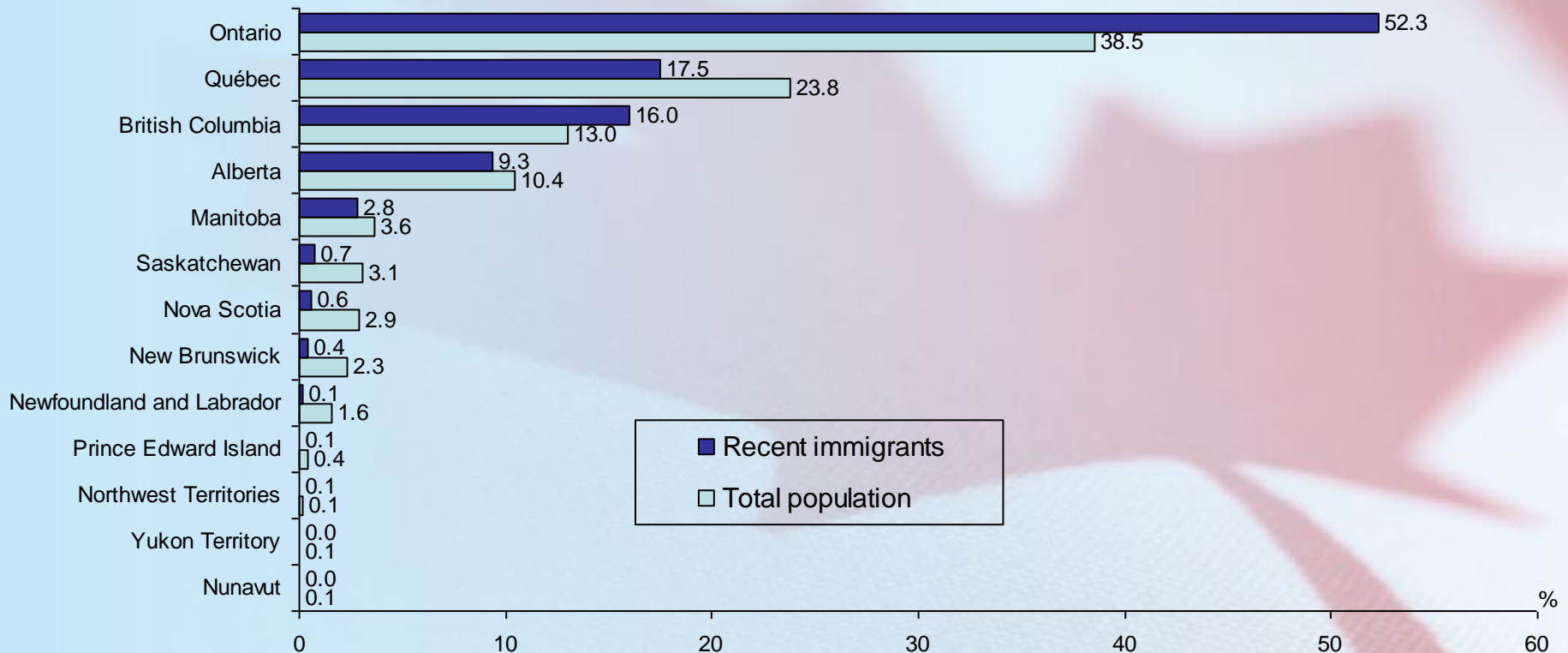


Sources: Statistics Canada, censuses of population, 1971 to 2006.



The majority of the recent immigrants (85.8%) lived in Ontario, Quebec and British Columbia

Distribution of total population and recent immigrants

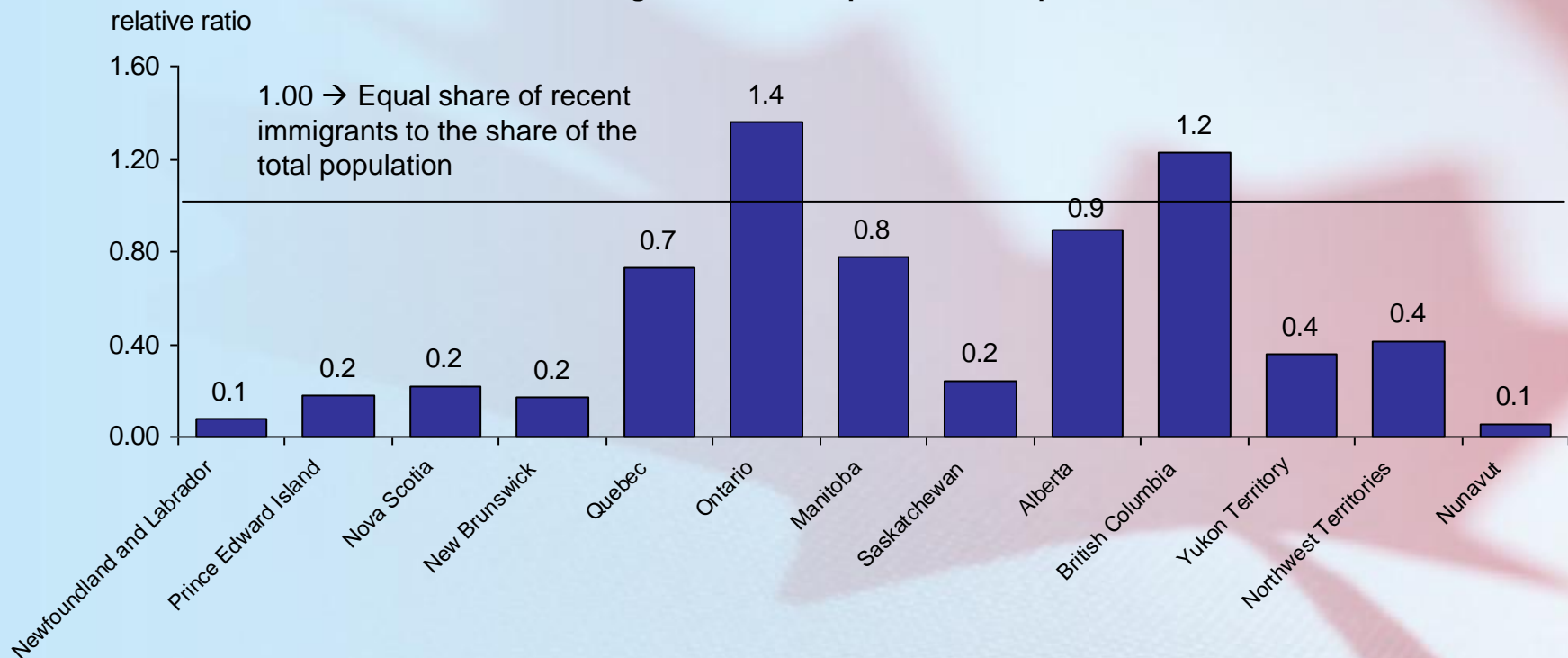


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Ontario and British Columbia had a higher share of recent immigrants than their population share

Relative ratio of recent immigrants to total Population of the provinces or territories, 2006



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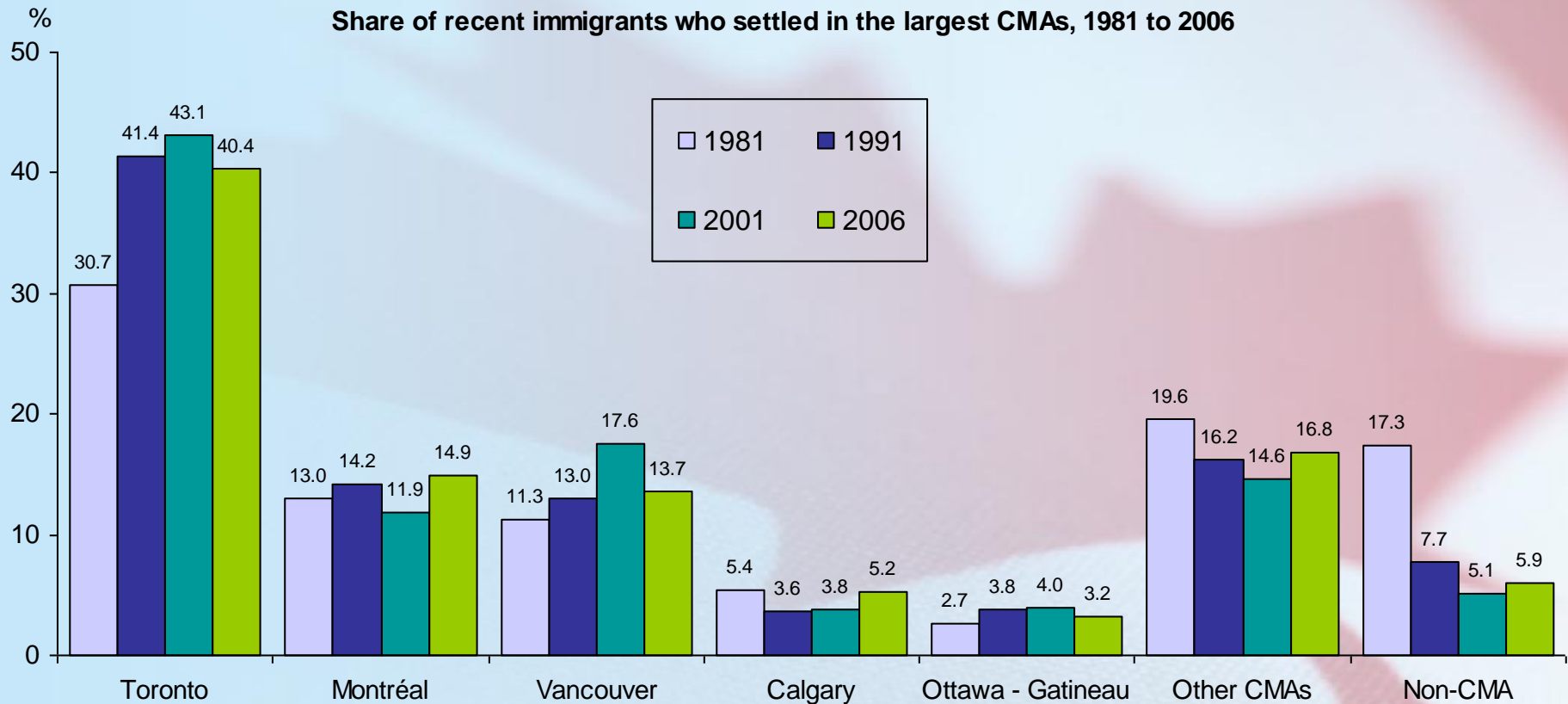
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Toronto has long been the major destination for recent immigrants, but some other urban centres (e.g., Calgary) have increased their share

Share of recent immigrants who settled in the largest CMAs, 1981 to 2006



Sources: Statistics Canada, censuses of population, 1981 to 2006.



Some urban centres such as Toronto and Vancouver received a higher share of newcomers than their population share in 2006. But there was a shift from 2001, with Calgary and Montréal receiving a higher share



Sources: Statistics Canada, censuses of Population, 2001 and 2006.



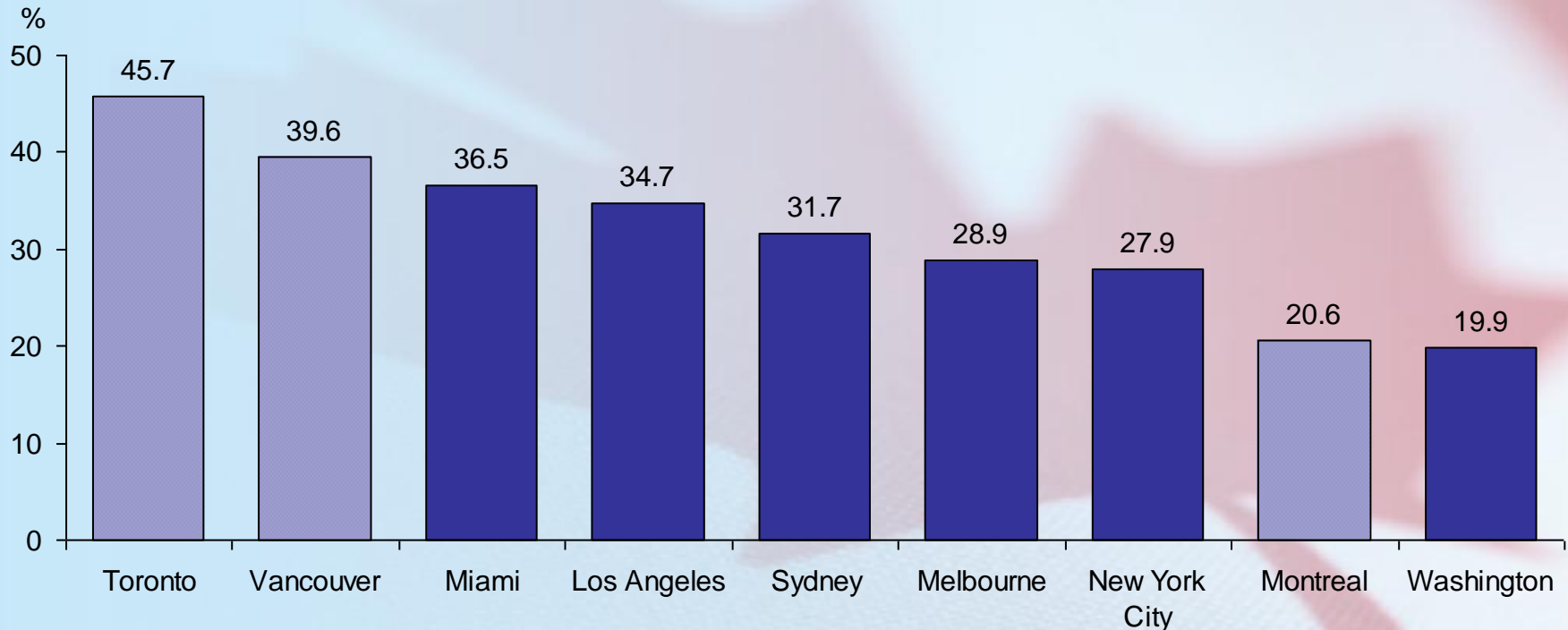
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Toronto and Vancouver led many of the largest metropolitan areas in the proportion of the foreign-born population

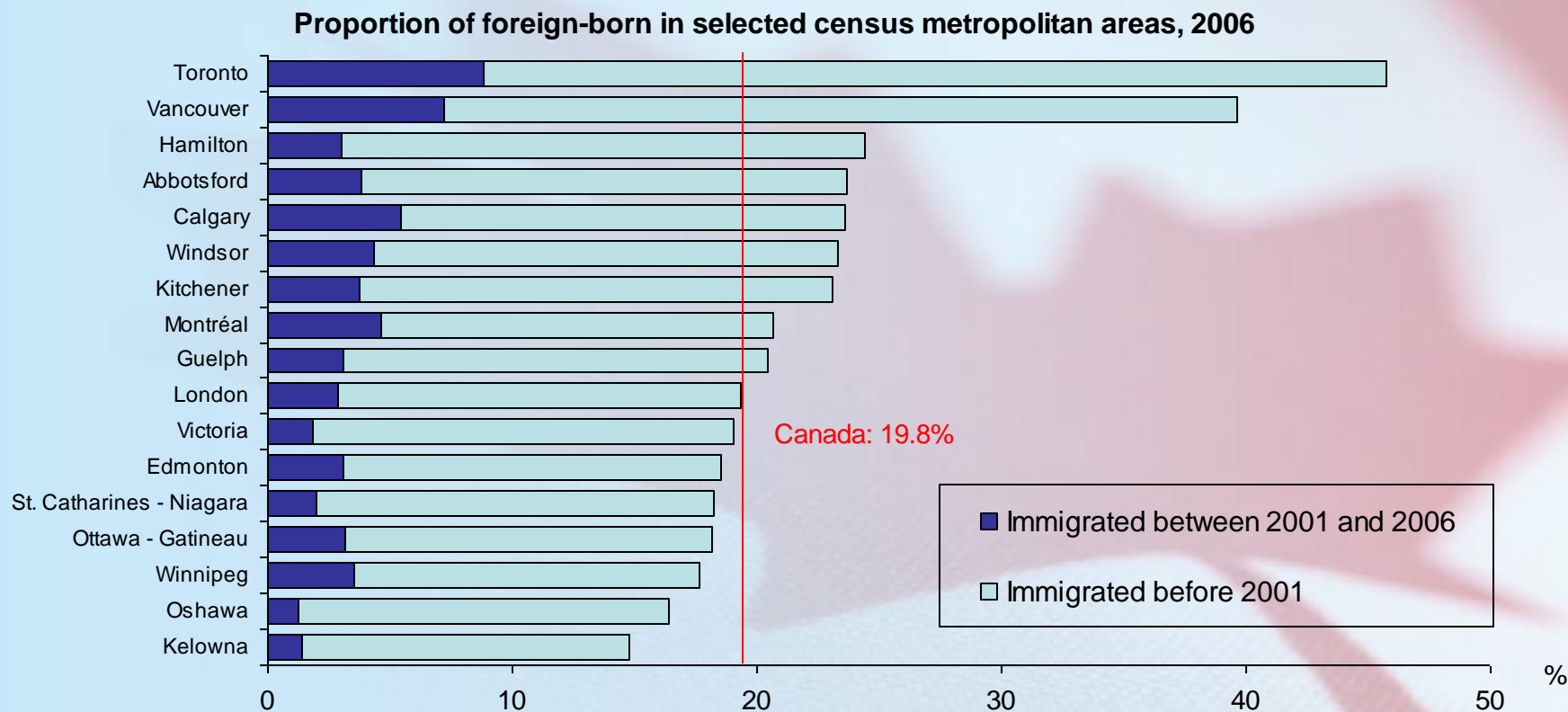
Foreign-born as a proportion of metropolitan population, 2006



Sources: Canadian cities – Statistics Canada, 2006 Census. United States cities – US Census Bureau, 2005 American Community Survey; Australian cities, 2006 Census.

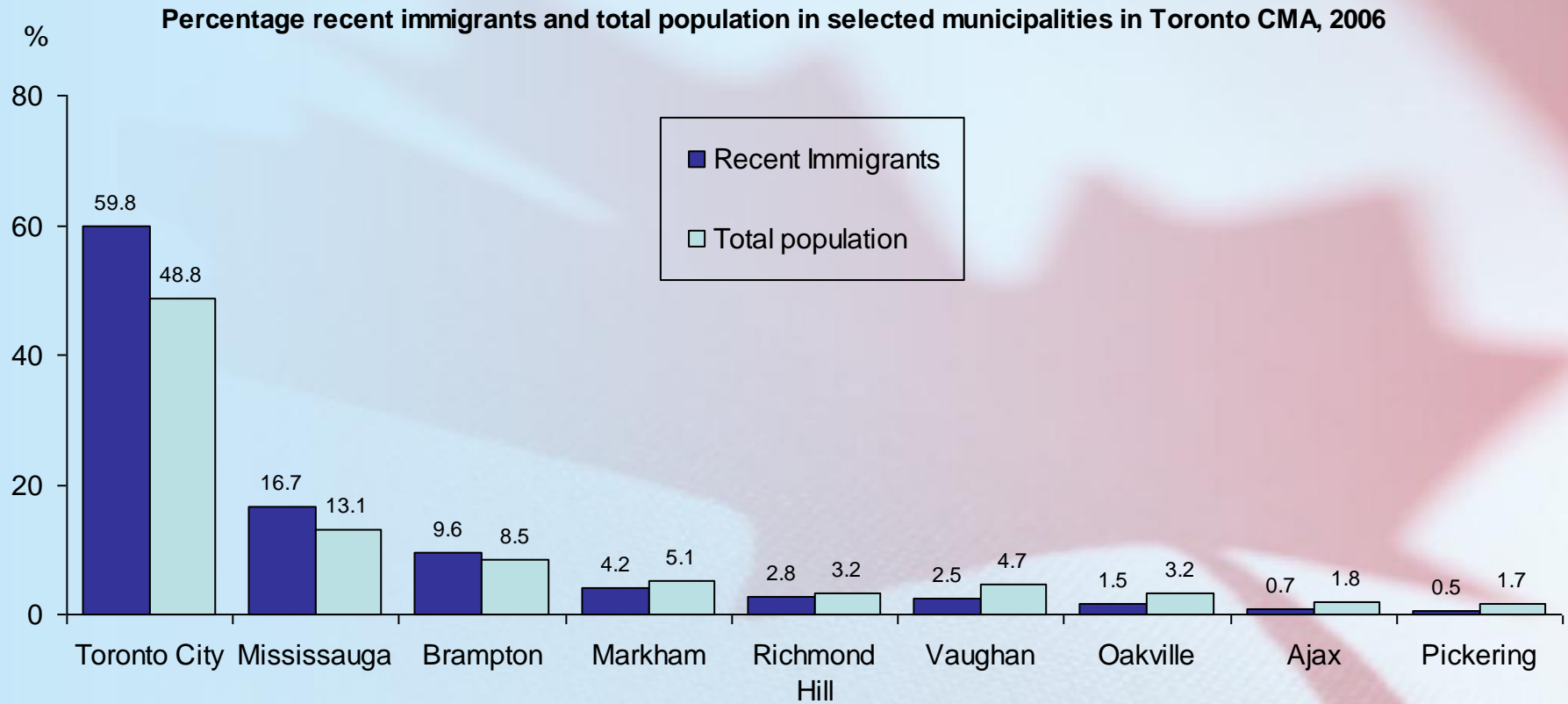


In 2006, over 20% of the population in some CMAs, such as Hamilton, Abbotsford, Calgary, Windsor and Kitchener, were foreign-born



Source: Statistics Canada, Census of population, 2006.

Recent immigrants were more likely to settle in the city of Toronto, Mississauga and Brampton



Source: Statistics Canada, Census of Population, 2006.



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A majority of the population in certain municipalities in Toronto CMA was foreign-born

Top 10 municipalities in the Toronto CMA where recent immigrants settled in 2006

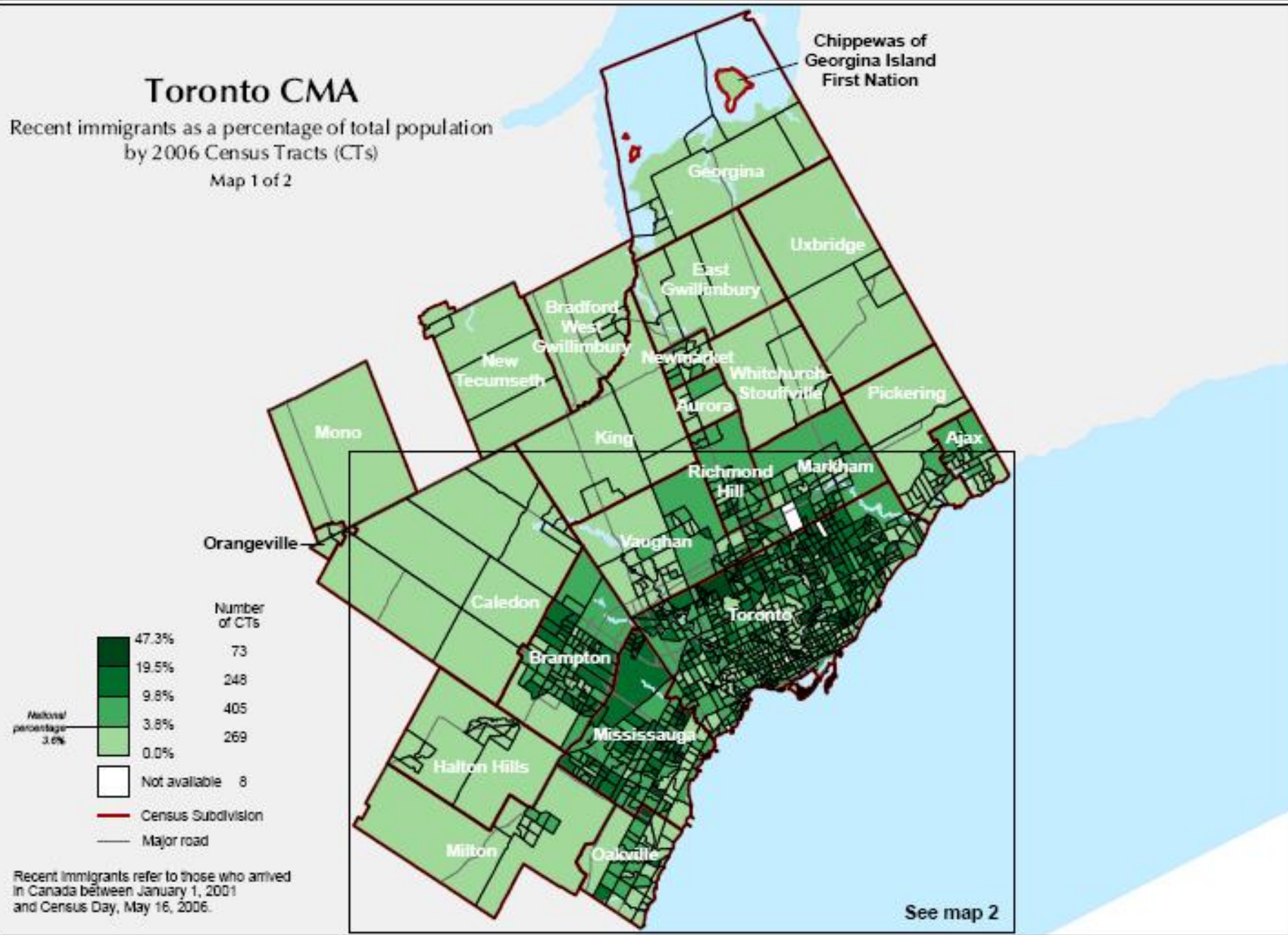
	Number of recent immigrants	% Recent immigrants	% Foreign Born
City of Toronto	267,855	10.8	50.0
Mississauga	74,810	11.2	51.6
Brampton	42,890	9.9	47.8
Markham	18,870	7.2	56.5
Richmond Hill	12,360	7.6	51.5
Vaughan	11,120	4.7	44.9
Oakville	6,820	4.1	30.5
Ajax	3,170	3.5	30.7
Pickering	2,275	2.6	30.2
Newmarket	1,985	2.7	22.0

Source: Statistics Canada, Census of Population, 2006.

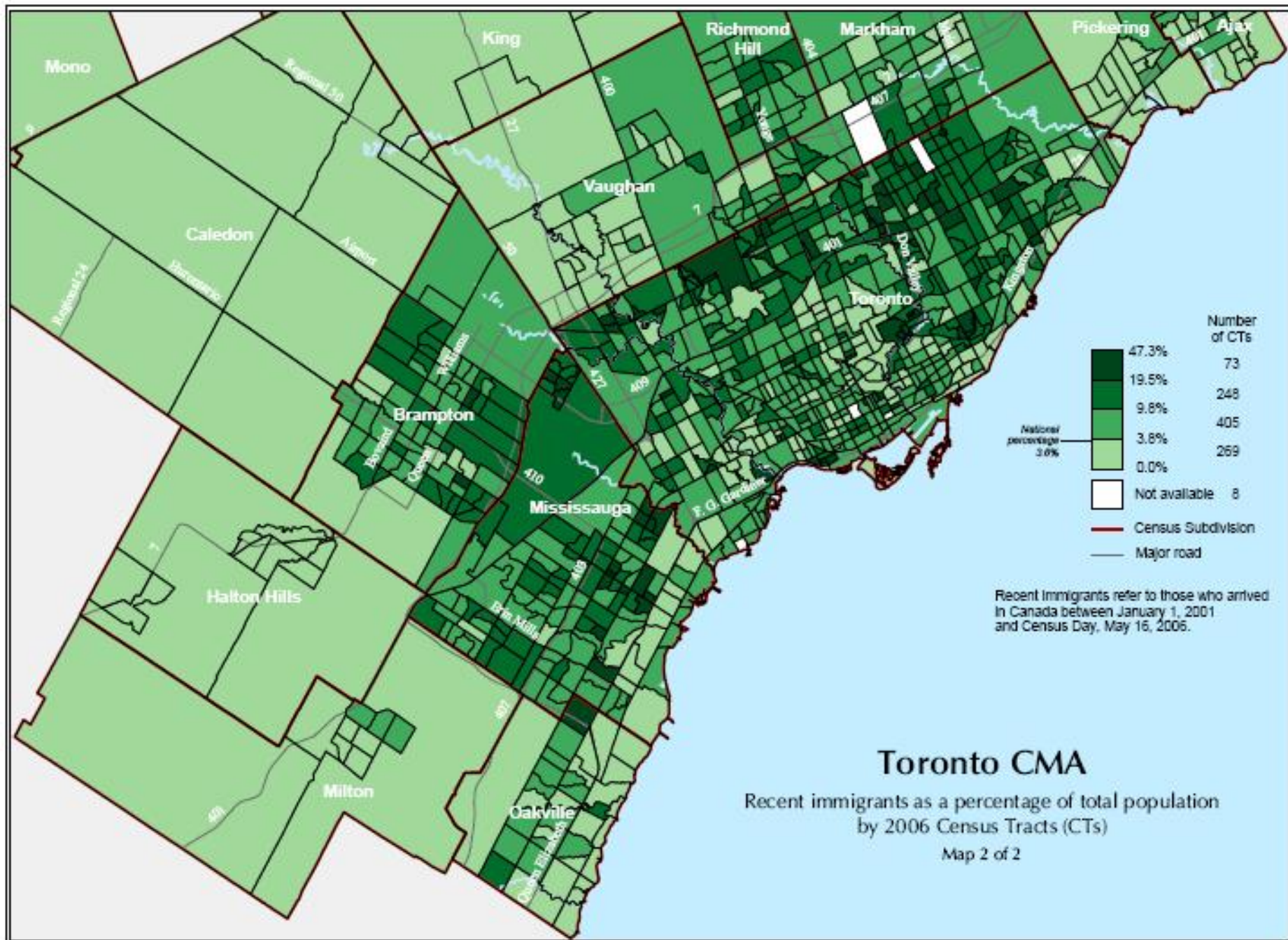
Toronto CMA

Recent immigrants as a percentage of total population
by 2006 Census Tracts (CTs)

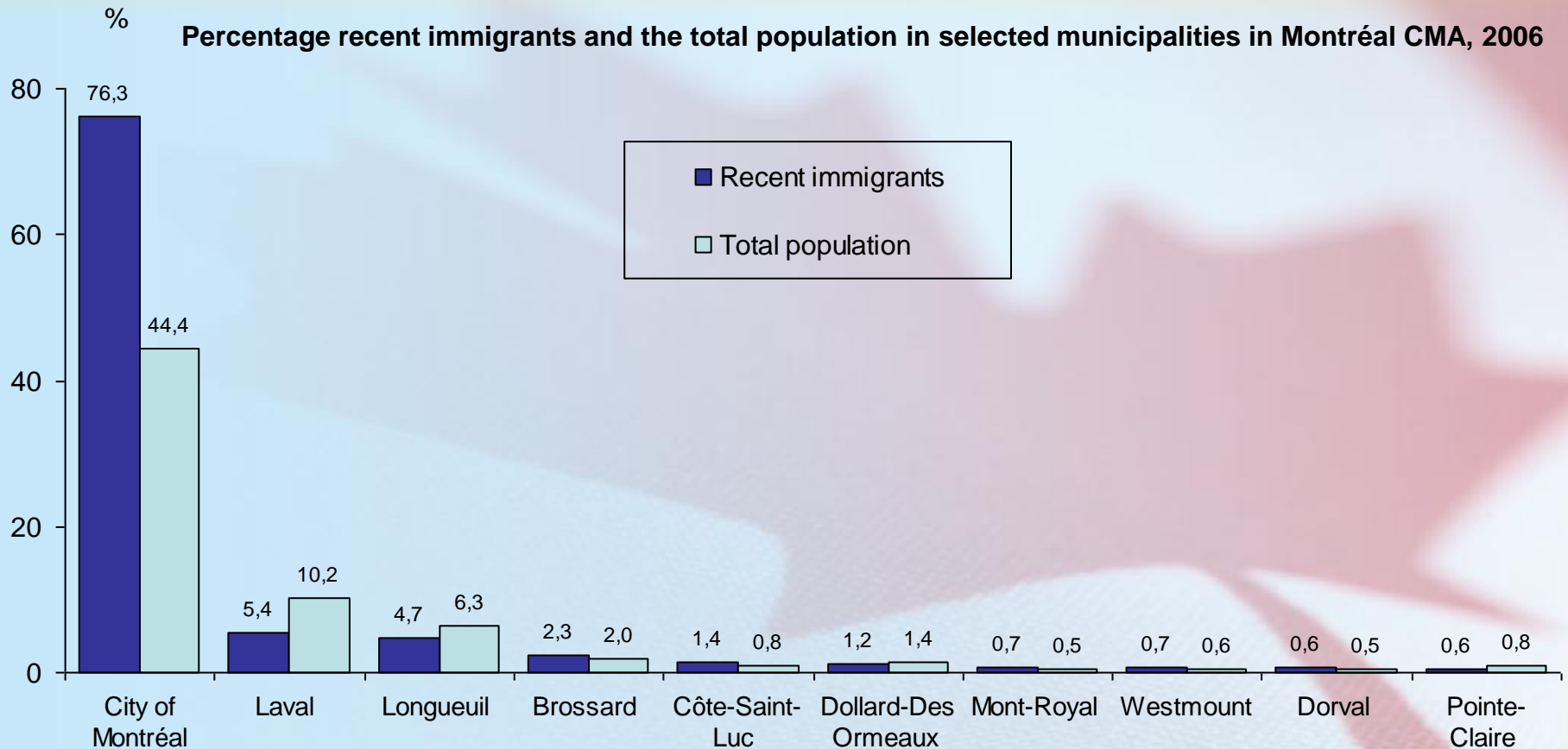
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Recent immigrants refer to those who arrived in Canada between January 1, 2001 and Census Day, May 16, 2006.



In the Montréal CMA, the majority of the recent immigrants lived in the City of Montréal



Source: Statistics Canada, Census of Population, 2006.



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Three in 10 of the residents in the city of Montréal were foreign-born

Top 10 municipalities in the Montréal CMA where recent immigrants settled in 2006

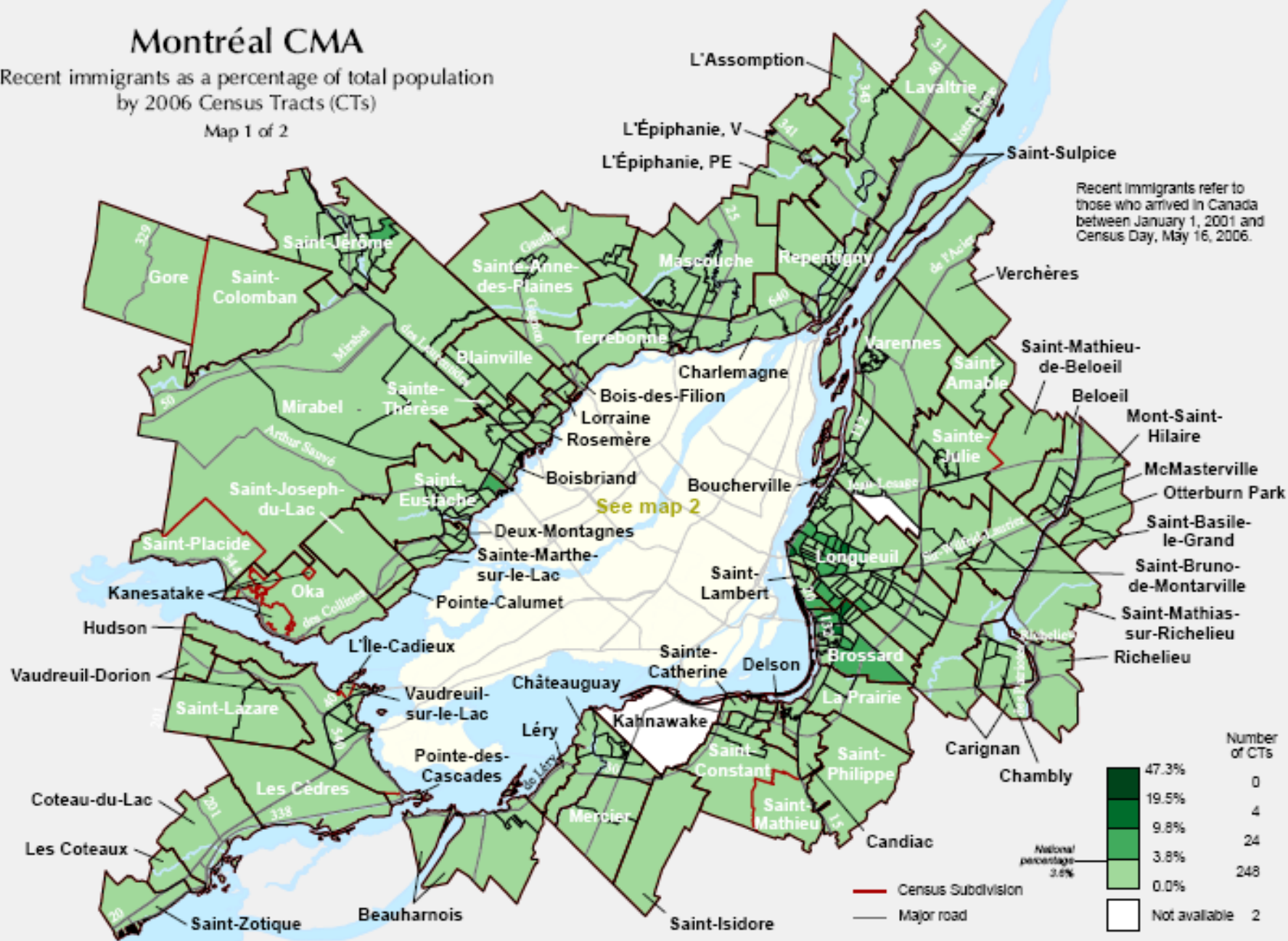
	Number of recent immigrants	% Recent immigrants	% foreign-born
City of Montréal	126,180	7.9	30.8
Laval	8,930	2.4	20.2
Longueuil	7,815	3.4	12.7
Brossard	3,745	5.3	33.4
Côte-Saint-Luc	2,300	7.6	45.4
Dollard-Des-Ormeaux	2,050	4.2	37.1
Mont-Royal	1,195	6.4	34.8
Westmount	1,135	5.7	29.2
Dorval	990	5.5	25.6
Pointe-Claire	940	3.1	22.9

Source: Statistics Canada, Census of Population, 2006.

Montréal CMA

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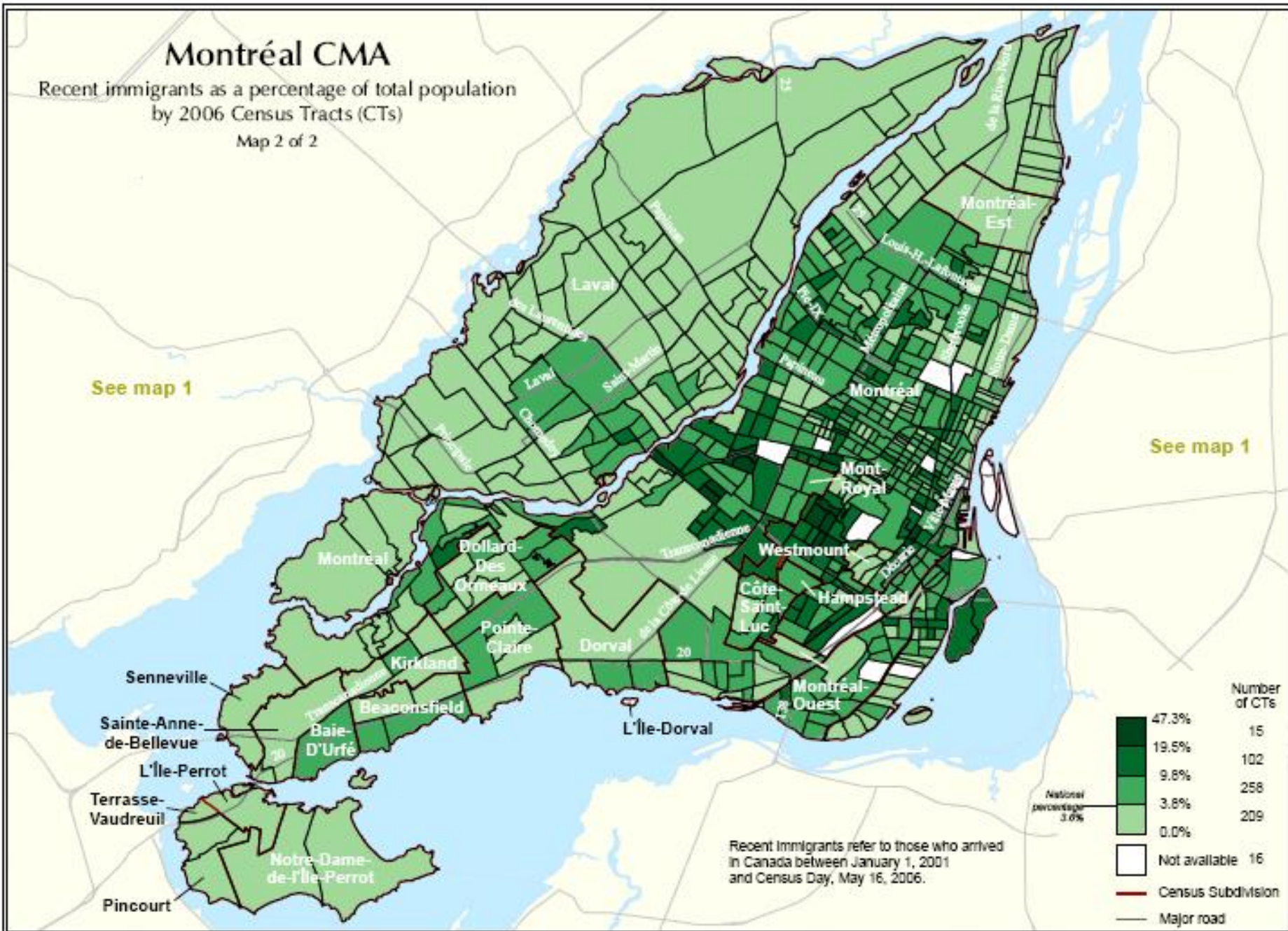
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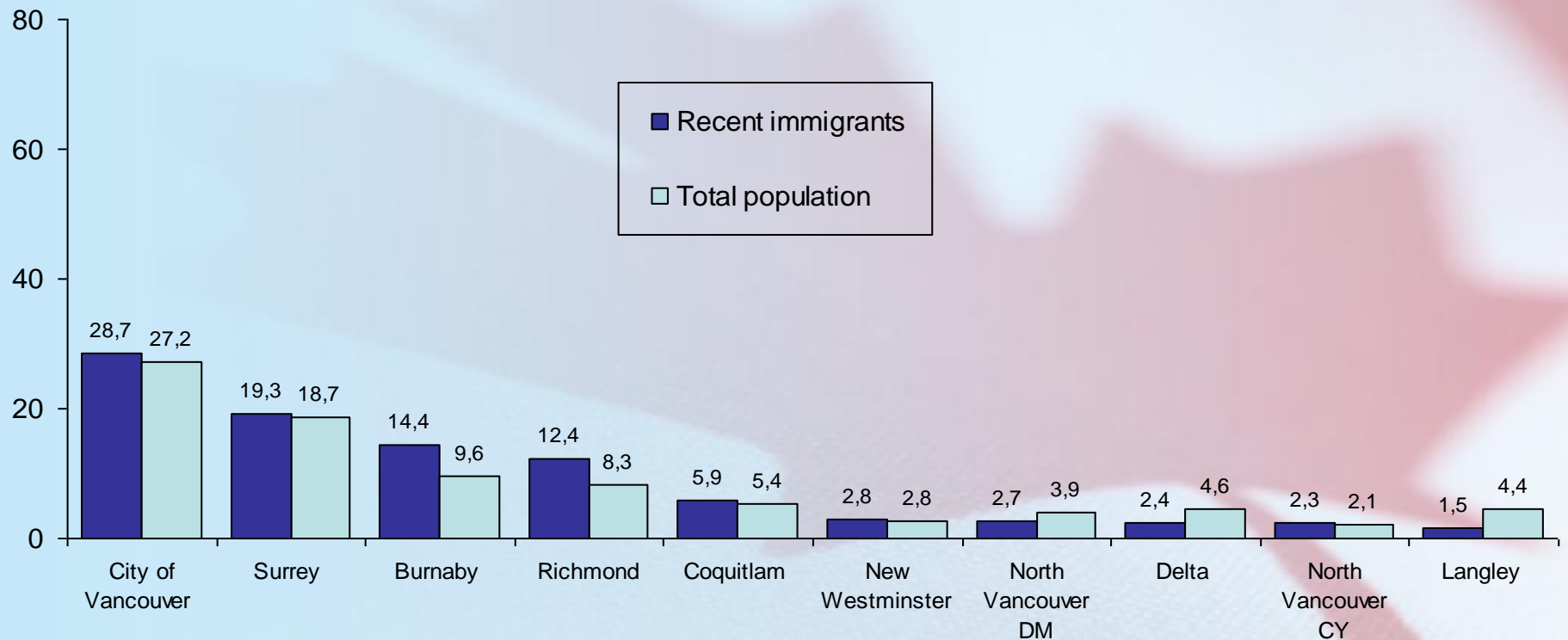
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Three-quarters of the newcomers in Vancouver CMA lived in just four municipalities: the city of Vancouver, Surrey, Burnaby and Richmond

% Percentage recent immigrants and the total population in selected municipalities in Vancouver CMA, 2006



Source: Statistics Canada, Census of Population, 2006.



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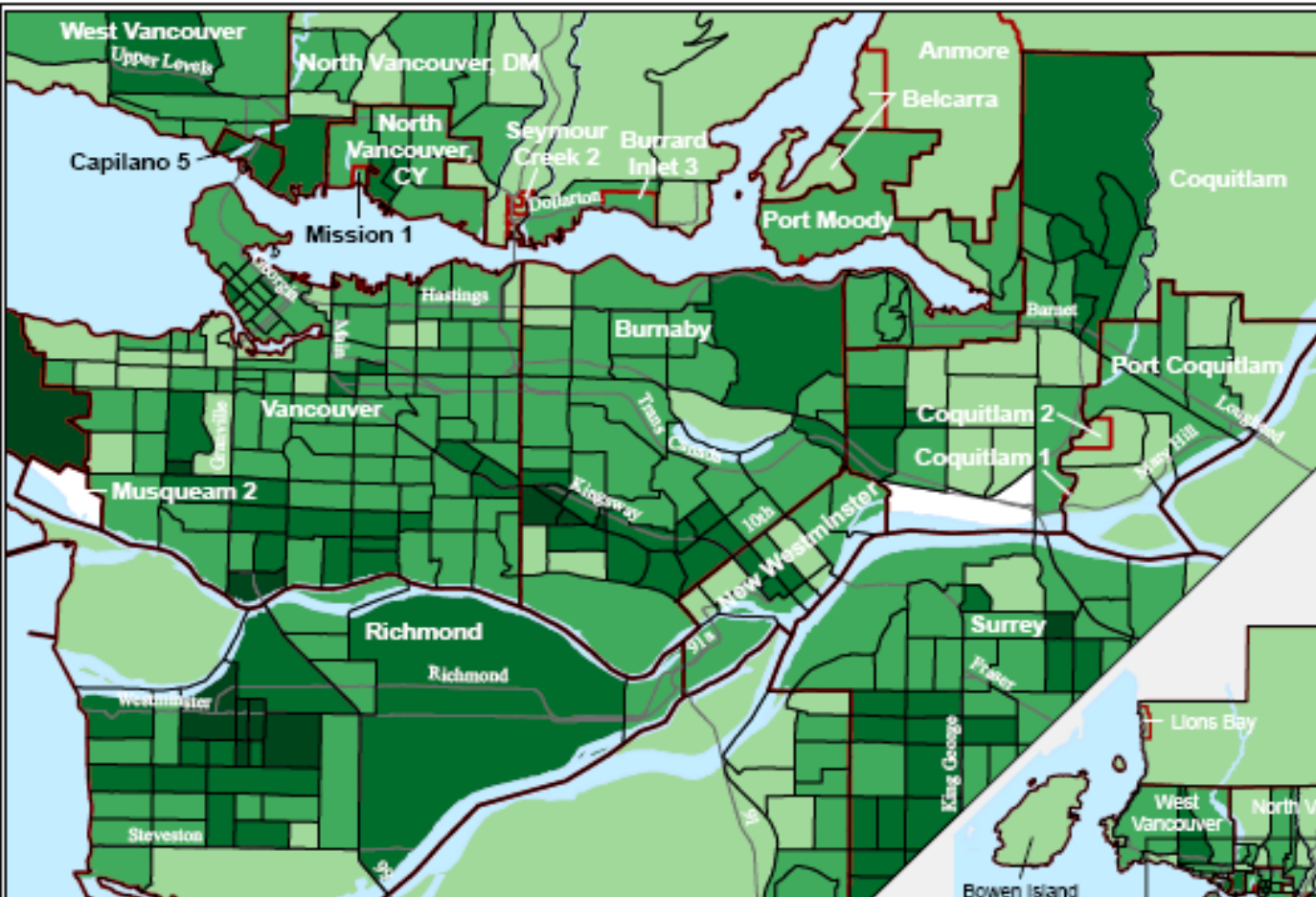
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Almost six in 10 of the residents in the municipality of Richmond were foreign-born

Top 10 municipalities in the Vancouver CMA where recent immigrants settled in 2006

	Number of recent immigrants	% Recent immigrants	% foreign-born
City of Vancouver	43,470	7.6	45.6
Surrey	29,230	7.4	38.3
Burnaby	21,790	10.8	50.8
Richmond	18,780	10.8	57.4
Coquitlam	8,930	7.9	39.4
New Westminster	4,250	7.3	31.7
North Vancouver DM	4,075	5.0	31.7
Delta	3,695	3.8	28.1
North Vancouver CY	3,470	7.7	36.5
Langley	2,350	2.5	17.1

Source: Statistics Canada, Census of Population, 2006.



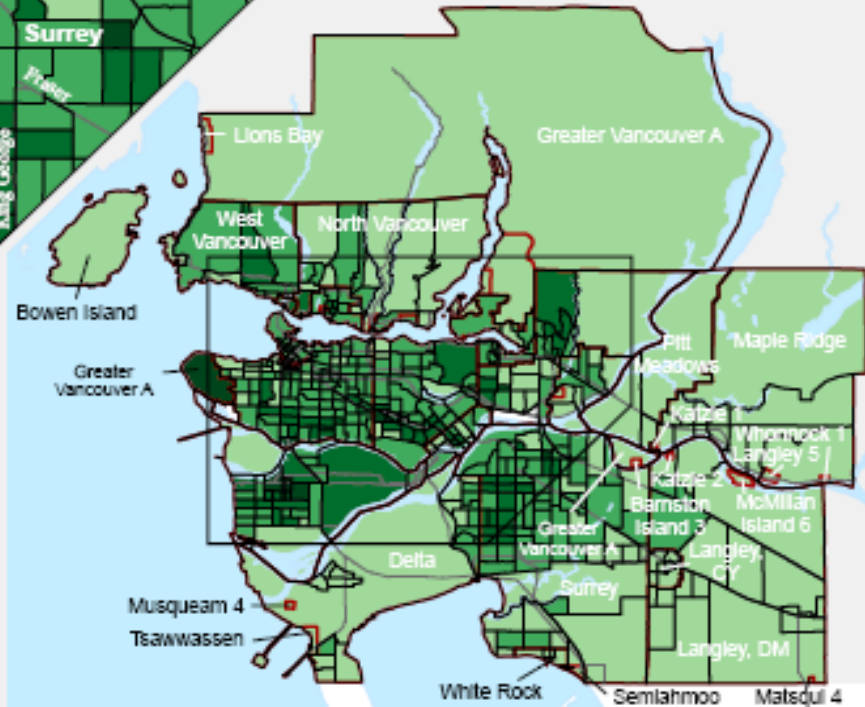
National percentage	Number of CTs
47.3%	13
19.5%	74
9.8%	198
3.8%	123
0.0%	123
Not available	2

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Vancouver CMA

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There was a diversity of origin countries, but the People's Republic of China and India were consistently among the top source countries

Top 10 birthplaces of recent immigrants in Toronto, Montréal and Vancouver, 2006

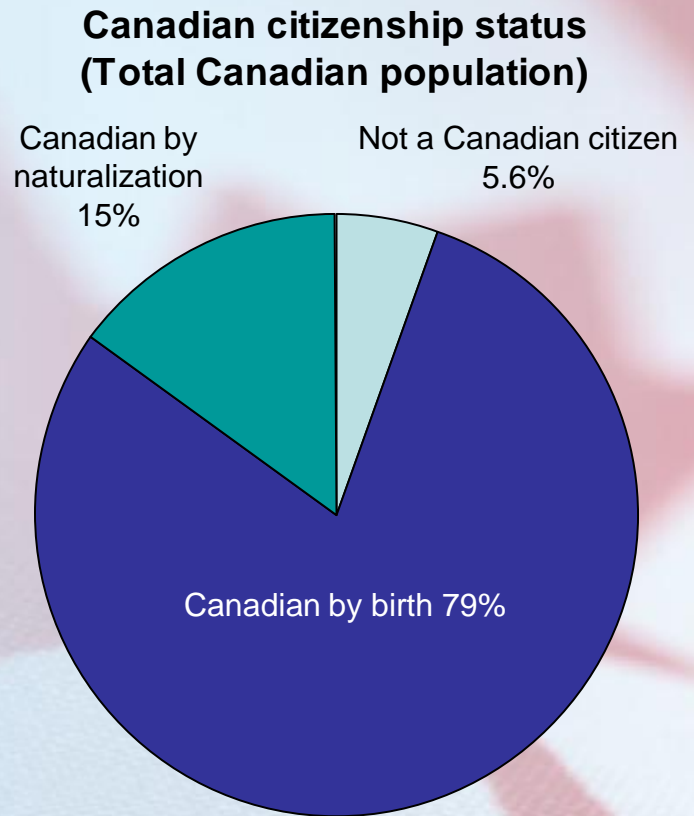
Toronto CMA	Montréal CMA	Vancouver CMA
India	People's Republic of China	People's Republic of China
People's Republic of China	Algeria	India
Pakistan	Morocco	Philippines
Philippines	Romania	South Korea
Sri Lanka	France	Taiwan
Iran	Haiti	Iran
South Korea	Lebanon	United States of America
Russian Federation	Colombia	United Kingdom
Ukraine	Pakistan	Hong Kong, SAR
Bangladesh	Mexico	Russian Federation

Source: Statistics Canada, Census of Population, 2006.



The vast majority of the foreign-born people hold Canadian citizenship

- 85.1% of eligible immigrants are Canadian citizens
- 2.8% of the total population hold dual or multiple citizenships
- United Kingdom, Poland and the United States are the most common countries of citizenship among the multiple-citizenship holders



Source: Statistics Canada, Census of population, 2006.



Upcoming 2006 Census releases

- **January 15, 2008:** Aboriginal peoples
- **March 4, 2008:** Labour (including labour market activity, industry and occupation); Place of work and commuting to work (including mode of transportation); Education (including school attendance and educational attainment); Language (including language of work)
- **April 2, 2008:** Ethnic origin and visible minorities
- **May 1, 2008:** Income and earnings; Housing and shelter costs

