

Overview of Canadian Culture Statistics

	Population Estimates		2016 Census		Provincial and Territorial Culture Indicators			
	Population 2021 ¹	% of population	Number of artists 2016 ²	% of artists	Number of culture jobs 2020 ³	% of culture jobs	Culture GDP 2020 ³ (in thousands)	% distribution of culture GDP
Newfoundland and Labrador	520,553	1.4%	1,400	0.9%	4,330	0.7%	\$ 421,639	0.8%
Prince Edward Island	164,318	0.4%	540	0.3%	1,581	0.3%	\$ 120,833	0.2%
Nova Scotia	992,055	2.6%	3,700	2.4%	11,335	1.9%	\$ 904,189	1.6%
New Brunswick	789,225	2.1%	1,800	1.2%	7,421	1.2%	\$ 576,445	1.0%
Québec	8,604,495	22.5%	34,800	22.0%	140,690	23.4%	\$ 11,162,104	20.1%
Ontario	14,826,276	38.8%	66,000	41.7%	254,985	42.5%	\$ 27,025,957	48.7%
Manitoba	1,383,765	3.6%	4,300	2.7%	18,579	3.1%	\$ 1,496,795	2.7%
Saskatchewan	1,179,844	3.1%	3,000	1.9%	11,156	1.9%	\$ 895,871	1.6%
Alberta	4,442,879	11.6%	13,300	8.4%	46,219	7.7%	\$ 4,726,542	8.5%
British Columbia	5,214,805	13.6%	28,700	18.1%	102,579	17.1%	\$ 8,021,082	14.4%
Yukon	42,986	0.1%	250	0.2%	712	0.1%	\$ 58,170	0.1%
Northwest Territories	45,504	0.1%	120	0.1%	631	0.1%	\$ 77,662	0.1%
Nunavut	39,403	0.1%	180	0.1%	332	0.1%	\$ 61,863	0.1%
Total	38,246,108	100.0%	158,100	100.0%	600,553	100.0%	\$ 55,549,683	100.0%

¹ Statistics Canada. "Population estimates on July 1st, by age and sex," June 2022, <<https://www150.statcan.gc.ca/t1/tbl1/en/tv.action?pid=1710000501>>.

² Hill Strategies Research. "A Statistical Profile of Artists in Canada in 2016 (With Summary Information about Cultural Workers)," Statistic Insights on the Arts, Vol. 49 (revised), November 2019, <<https://hillstrategies.com/resource/statistical-profile-of-artists-in-canada-in-2016/>>. In this report, the term "artists" is used to describe those Canadians 15 or older reporting employment or self-employment earnings in nine occupation groups that were identified as artistic in discussions by arts sector representatives prior to the analysis of the 2001 census. These include Artisans and craftspersons, Dancers, Musicians and singers and Visual artists, among others. In 2008, the nine occupation groups were reconfirmed as priority occupations for the Statistical Insights on the Arts series during discussions between Hill Strategies Research, the Canada Council for the Arts, the Ontario Arts Council and the Department of Canadian Heritage.

³ Statistics Canada. "Provincial and Territorial Culture Indicators, 2020" "Culture and sport indicators by domain and sub-domain, by province and territory, product perspective" June 2022, <<https://www150.statcan.gc.ca/n1/daily-quotidien/220602/dq220602b-eng.htm>>.