



IMMIGRANT DEMOGRAPHICS DELTA, B.C.

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Your quick and easy look at facts and figures around immigration. Newcomers are an important and growing part of your community. Here's what you need to know.

GLOSSARY OF TERMS:

CENSUS refers to the population Census of Canada, which is taken at five-year intervals and counts persons and households and a wide variety of characteristics to provide a statistical portrait of the country.

TOTAL POPULATION refers to the total population counts in private households of a specific geographic area, regardless of immigration status.

IMMIGRANTS includes persons who are, or who have ever been, landed immigrants or permanent residents. In the 2016 Census of Population, 'Immigrants' includes immigrants who landed in Canada on or prior to May 10, 2016.

RECENT IMMIGRANTS are immigrants who arrived in Canada between January 1, 2011 and May 10, 2016.

METRO VANCOUVER comprises 21 municipalities, one electoral district and one First Nation located in the southwest corner of British Columbia's mainland. It is bordered by the Strait of Georgia to the west, the U.S. border to the south, Abbotsford and Mission to the east, and unincorporated mountainous areas to the north.

NOTES:

- Total population data in each chart or table may vary slightly due to different data sources, i.e. Census 2016 100% data and 25% sample data; Census 2011 and NHS 2011.
- Totals in each chart or table may vary slightly due to rounding.
- Data sources: the following profile has been developed with data and statistics from Stats Canada Census 2016, Census 2011 and National Household Survey (NHS) 2011, and Census 2006 Profiles.

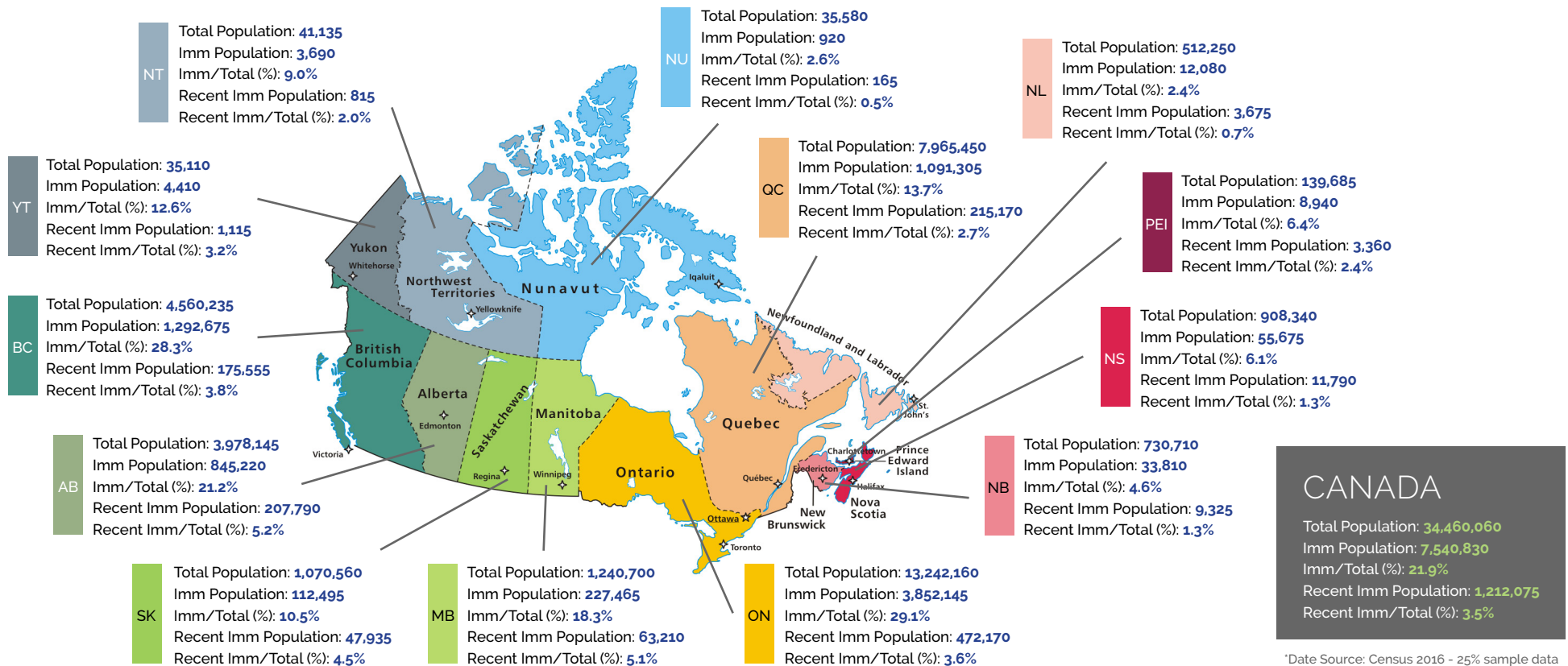
Delta District Municipality is located in the extreme southwest corner of B.C.'s lower mainland. It is bordered by the Fraser River to the north, the Strait of Georgia to the west, the U.S. border to the south, and the City of Surrey to the east.

The Fraser Valley Regional Library has 3 locations in Delta.



Map source: Google Maps

NATIONAL/PROVINCIAL IMMIGRATION TOTALS (CENSUS 2016)



*Date Source: Census 2016 - 25% sample data

- British Columbia has the second highest immigrant population compared to any other province or territory in Canada, only Ontario has a greater immigrant population. Census 2016 reported that a total of 1,292,675 immigrants made B.C. their home, representing 17.1% of Canada's total immigrant population. More than half (51.1%) of Canada's immigrants live in Ontario and 14.5% live in Quebec. The Prairie Provinces are home to 15.7% of Canada's immigrants.
- In the last census period, B.C. received fewer recent immigrants (175,555) than Ontario (472,170), Quebec (215,170) and Alberta (207,790).
- 28.3% of British Columbia's population was born outside Canada, second to Ontario (29.1%) and notably higher than the national level of 21.9%.

POPULATION AND IMMIGRATION – MAINLAND / SOUTHWEST BC (CENSUS 2016 AND NHS 2011)

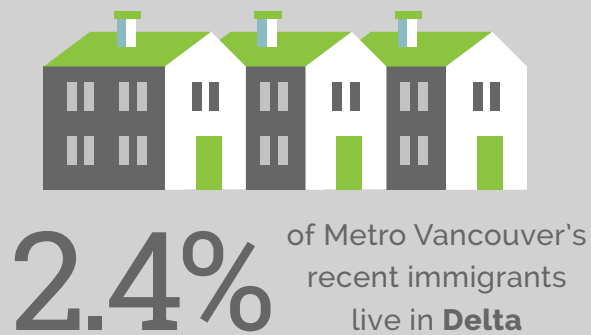
COMMUNITY	TOTAL POPULATION 2016	TOTAL POP. GROWTH (%) 2011-2016	IMM POPULATION 2016	IMM/TOTAL (%) 2016	RECENT IMM POPULATION 2016	RECENT IMM / TOTAL (%) 2016	IMM POP GROWTH (#) 2011 - 2016	IMM POP GROWTH (%) 2011 - 2016
British Columbia	4,560,235	5.6%	1,292,675	28.3%	175,555	3.8%	100,800	8.5%
Metro Vancouver	2,426,235	6.5%	989,540	40.8%	142,530	5.9%	76,230	8.3%
Vancouver	618,210	4.6%	262,770	42.5%	37,330	6.0%	4,020	1.6%
Surrey	511,545	10.6%	220,155	43.0%	36,335	7.1%	32,310	17.2%
Richmond	196,665	4.1%	118,305	60.2%	15,245	7.8%	5,430	4.8%
Burnaby	230,080	4.3%	115,145	50.0%	16,065	7.0%	3,970	3.6%
Coquitlam	138,090	9.8%	61,060	44.2%	9,530	6.9%	8,980	17.2%
Abbotsford	138,555	5.9%	38,225	27.6%	5,440	3.9%	4,290	12.6%
Delta	100,840	2.4%	31,240	31.0%	3,355	3.3%	2,720	9.5%
North Vancouver, District	84,875	1.8%	26,505	31.2%	3,240	3.8%	1,535	6.1%
New Westminster	69,905	7.6%	24,375	34.9%	3,500	5.0%	2,635	12.1%
Langley District	115,835	12.6%	22,495	19.4%	2,615	2.3%	3,980	21.5%
North Vancouver, City	52,185	9.8%	19,930	38.2%	3,740	7.2%	2,170	12.2%
West Vancouver, District	41,680	-0.5%	18,615	44.7%	2,940	7.1%	1,485	8.7%
Port Coquitlam	57,900	4.7%	18,430	31.8%	1,940	3.4%	2,050	12.5%
Maple Ridge	80,975	8.2%	15,460	19.1%	1,520	1.9%	2,530	19.6%
Chilliwack	82,210	7.5%	10,985	13.4%	1,070	1.3%	1,335	13.8%
Port Moody	33,450	1.6%	10,755	32.2%	1,220	3.6%	365	3.5%
Langley, City	25,315	3.2%	4,395	17.4%	525	2.0%	590	15.5%
White Rock	19,120	3.2%	4,895	25.6%	535	2.7%	360	7.9%
Pitt Meadows	18,425	4.7%	3,955	21.5%	385	2.1%	-35	-0.9%

Note: Table ordered by number of total immigrants.

* Data Source: Census 2016 - 25% sample data; NHS 2011

POPULATION AND IMMIGRATION – MAINLAND / SOUTHWEST BC (CENSUS 2016 AND NHS 2011)

- Delta is the seventh largest city in the Metro Vancouver Region by total population and the sixth largest by its immigrant population. In 2016, Delta had 100,840 residents, of which 31,240 (31.0%) were immigrants. These represented 4.2% and 3.2% of Metro Vancouver's total and immigrant population respectively.
- During the 2011-16 census period, Delta saw an increase of 2.4% in its population, less than half the increase experienced by Metro Vancouver (6.5%). However, Delta had a faster growing immigrant population than Metro Vancouver: 9.5% increase for Delta vs. 8.3% for Metro Vancouver during the 2011-16 census period.
- In 2016, 81.2% of B.C.'s recent immigrants lived in the Metro Vancouver region. Of which 80% resided in the five most populous municipalities: Vancouver (26.2%), Surrey (25.5%), Burnaby (11.3%), Richmond (10.7%) and Coquitlam (6.7%). Delta received 2.4% (3,355) of Metro Vancouver's recent immigrants.



Between 2011 - 2016, Delta received

3,355 RECENT IMMIGRANTS

POPULATION AND IMMIGRATION TRENDS: DELTA

IMMIGRATION TRENDS (2001 - 2016)

	Delta			Metro Vancouver		
	Total Population*	Number	Immigrants** % of Total Population	Total Population*	Number	Immigrants % of Total Population
2016	102,238	31,235	31.0%	2,463,431	989,540	40.8%
2011	99,863	28,520	28.9%	2,313,328	913,310	40.0%
2006	96,635	27,025	28.0%	2,116,581	831,265	39.6%
2001	96,950	25,820	26.6%	1,986,965	738,555	37.5%

*Data source: Census data (100% data);

**Data source: Census / NHS data (25% sample data).

- The City of Delta is one of the most populous municipalities in Metro Vancouver and has seen a fast-growing immigrant population since 2001. Delta's immigrant population has grown proportionately by nearly 5% since 2001: from 26.6% of its total population in 2001 to 31.0% in 2016, compared to a 3.3% increase in immigrant population growth for Metro Vancouver.
- Immigration was the main driver of net population growth for Delta. Since 2001, Delta has had an increase of 21.0% in its immigrant population, compared to a decline of 0.2% in its Canadian born population. Over the same period, Metro Vancouver has seen its immigrant population grow 34.0% and its Canadian born population grow by 18.1%.

IMMIGRANT ARRIVALS BY PERIOD OF IMMIGRATION (CENSUS 2016)

- Census 2016 shows that Delta's recent immigrants made up 10.7% (3,355) of its immigrant population, notably lower than the Metro Vancouver regional level of 14.4%.
- In the 2011-16 census period, Delta received almost the same number of recent immigrants as in the 2006-11 census period, while the Metro Vancouver Region received fewer recent immigrants. NHS 2011 reported 3,360 and 155,125 recent immigrants in the City and the Region, respectively.
- Delta had a significantly larger proportion of immigrants who arrived in Canada before 1981 than Metro Vancouver: 29.8% for the City vs. 21.2% for the Region.

	Delta		Metro Vancouver	
	#	%	#	%
Total Immigrants	31,235	100%	989,540	100.0%
2011 to 2016	3,355	10.7%	142,535	14.4%
2006 to 2010	3,670	11.7%	143,580	14.5%
2001 to 2005	3,675	11.8%	124,890	12.6%
1991 to 2000	7,410	23.7%	247,835	25.0%
1981 to 1990	3,835	12.3%	120,730	12.2%
Before 1981	9,300	29.8%	209,975	21.2%

POPULATION BY AGE AT IMMIGRATION (CENSUS 2016 AND NHS 2011)

- Canada's immigration policy generally results in the arrival of many "working age" immigrants. Between 2011 and 2016, about 53.5% of Delta's recent immigrants were between the ages of 15 and 44 upon arrival in Canada. This is noticeably lower than the Metro Vancouver regional level with 62.7% arriving between the ages of 15 and 44. It is also lower than the previous census period when 58.0% arrived between the ages of 15 and 44.
- Compared with the 2006-11 census period, Delta received a greater proportion of immigrants aged 45 and over, and a smaller proportion of immigrants aged 14 and younger: 27.3% (Census 2016) vs. 21.1% (NHS 2011) for the age group of 45 years and over, and 19.2% (Census 2016) vs. 20.9% for the age group of 14 years and younger.

	Delta				Metro Van	
	Census 2016		NHS 2011		Census 2016	
	#	%	#	%	#	%
Recent Immigrants	3,350	100%	3,360	100%	142,530	100.0%
Under 5 years	255	7.6%	230	6.8%	8,370	5.9%
5 to 14 years	390	11.6%	475	14.1%	16,365	11.5%
15 to 24 years	450	13.4%	615	18.3%	19,855	13.9%
25 to 44 years	1,345	40.1%	1,335	39.7%	69,485	48.8%
45 years and over	915	27.3%	710	21.1%	28,450	20.0%

TOP 10 PLACES OF BIRTH - BY TOTAL AND RECENT IMMIGRANT POPULATIONS (CENSUS 2016)

Canada			British Columbia			Metro Vancouver			Delta					
	#	%		#	%		#	%	#		#		% %	
Recent Immigrants	1,212,075	100.0%	Recent Immigrants	175,555	100.0%	Recent Immigrants	142,530	100%	Total Immigrants	31,235	100%	Recent Immigrants	3,355	100%
Philippines	188,805	15.6%	China	38,105	21.7%	China	35,890	25.2%	India	9,745	31.2%	India	1,475	44.0%
India	147,190	12.1%	India	27,455	15.6%	India	21,380	15.0%	United Kingdom	3,720	11.9%	China	590	17.6%
China	129,015	10.6%	Philippines	26,685	15.2%	Philippines	20,200	14.2%	China	2,660	8.5%	Philippines	335	10.0%
Iran	42,075	3.5%	Iran	8,645	4.9%	Iran	8,315	5.8%	Philippines	2,035	6.5%	United Kingdom	110	3.3%
Pakistan	41,480	3.4%	Korea, South	8,030	4.6%	Korea, South	6,635	4.7%	Taiwan	1,240	4.0%	Pakistan	80	2.4%
United States	33,060	2.7%	United Kingdom	6,535	3.7%	United States	4,065	2.9%	Fiji	1,085	3.4%	Taiwan	65	1.9%
Syria	29,950	2.5%	United States	6,490	3.7%	United Kingdom	3,850	2.7%	United States	985	3.2%	United States	65	1.9%
United Kingdom	24,445	2.0%	Mexico	2,885	1.6%	Taiwan	2,325	1.6%	Hong Kong	840	2.7%	Fiji	55	1.6%
France	24,150	2.0%	Taiwan	2,500	1.4%	Mexico	2,295	1.6%	Germany	735	2.4%	Mexico	50	1.5%
Korea, South	21,710	1.8%	Japan	2,290	1.3%	Iraq	1,850	1.3%	Pakistan	490	1.6%	Korea, South	45	1.3%
Other places	530,195	43.8%	Other places	45,935	26.3%	Other places	35,825	25.0%	Other places	8,385	24.7%	Other places	495	14.4%

- Census 2016 shows India remained the largest source country for both Delta's total immigrant (31.2%) and recent immigrant (44.0%) populations. In B.C. and Metro Vancouver, China was the single largest source country of recent immigrants. Nationally, the Philippines was the largest source country for recent immigrants to Canada.
- Delta had a significantly smaller proportion of visible minorities (36.0%) compared to Metro Vancouver (48.9%). People of South Asian (20.3%) descent was the largest visible minority group in Delta. Among Delta's recent immigrants, 90.9% reported as a visible minority; led by people of South Asian (51.4%), Chinese (20.0%), and Filipino (9.2%) descent.

NUMBER OF IMMIGRANTS BY IMMIGRATION CATEGORY (2016)

Admission category and applicant type for the immigrant population in private households who landed between 1980 and 2016 - 25% sample data.

	Delta				Metro Vancouver			
	Total Immigrants		Recent Immigrants		Total Immigrants		Recent Immigrants	
	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%
Total Immigrants	22,345	100.0%	3,355	100.0%	794,150	100.0%	142,530	100.0%
Economic Immigrants	10,665	47.7%	1,720	51.3%	461,955	58.2%	89,850	63.0%
Principal Applicants	4,095	18.3%	620	18.5%	176,955	22.3%	38,630	27.1%
Secondary Applicants	6,575	29.4%	1,100	32.8%	285,000	35.9%	51,215	35.9%
Immigrants Sponsored by Family	10,160	45.5%	1,480	44.1%	249,920	31.5%	42,665	29.9%
Refugees	1,350	6.0%	135	4.0%	71,115	9.0%	9,260	6.5%
Other Immigrants	165	0.7%	10	0.3%	11,160	1.4%	760	0.5%

*Note: 'Other immigrants' includes immigrants who were granted permanent resident status under a program that does not fall within the Economic Immigration Program, Family Class or the Refugee and Protected Persons categories. Other Immigrants category includes those who were granted permanent resident status under public policy or humanitarian and compassionate cases.

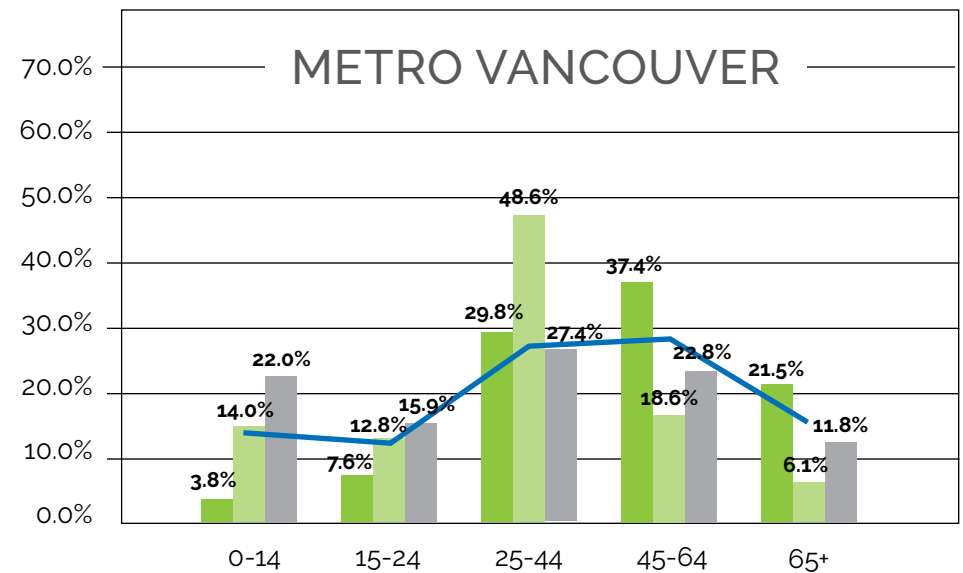
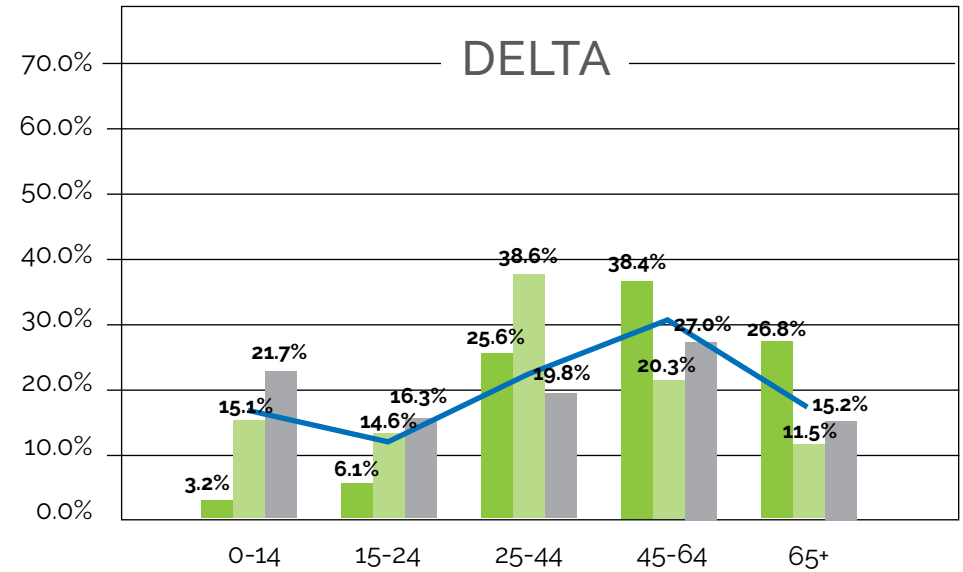
- Economic immigrants make up about half of the immigrant population in Delta. Census 2016 shows that 47.7% of its total immigrant population and 51.3% of its recent immigrant population arrived under the economic class, slightly lower than the Metro Vancouver regional levels (58.2% of total immigrants and 63.0% of recent immigrants).
- In comparison, Delta had a significantly larger proportion of immigrants sponsored by family (45.5% of its total immigrants and 44.1% of its recent immigrants) than Metro Vancouver (31.5% of total immigrants and 29.9% of recent immigrants).

AGE DISTRIBUTION – DELTA (CENSUS 2016)

- Immigration is commonly viewed as a key economic solution to Canada’s aging population. In 2016, the average age of Delta’s recent immigrants was 36.5, compared to 51.7 for its total immigrants and 42.4 for the total population.
- In 2016 working age immigrants (25-64 years) made up 63.9% and 58.9% of Delta’s total immigrant and recent immigrant population respectively, significantly higher than the 46.8% of its Canadian born population.
- Delta’s Canadian born population had a much larger proportion (21.7%) of young people between the ages of 0-14 than their immigrant (3.2%) and recent immigrant peers (15.1%).
- In contrast, 26.8% of immigrants in the City were seniors (65 years or above), a significantly larger percentage than its recent immigrants (11.5%) and Canadian born peers (15.2%).

AGE DISTRIBUTION - METRO VANCOUVER (CENSUS 2016)

- Generally, Delta had a larger share of older adults (65+) than Metro Vancouver. 18.7% of Delta’s total population were seniors, compared with 15.7% of Metro Vancouver’s population.
- In 2016, the average ages for Metro Vancouver’s population were: 34.7 for recent immigrants, 49 for total immigrant population and 41 for the total population.

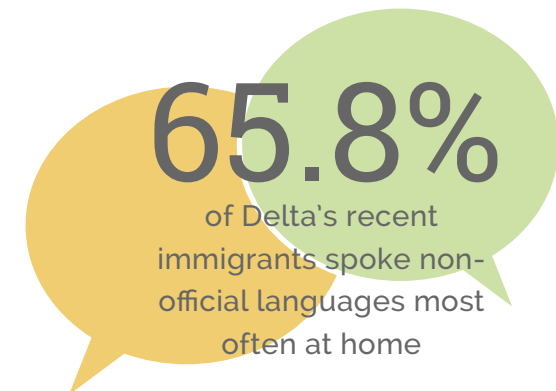


LANGUAGE

TOP 5 NON-OFFICIAL HOME LANGUAGES (CENSUS 2016)

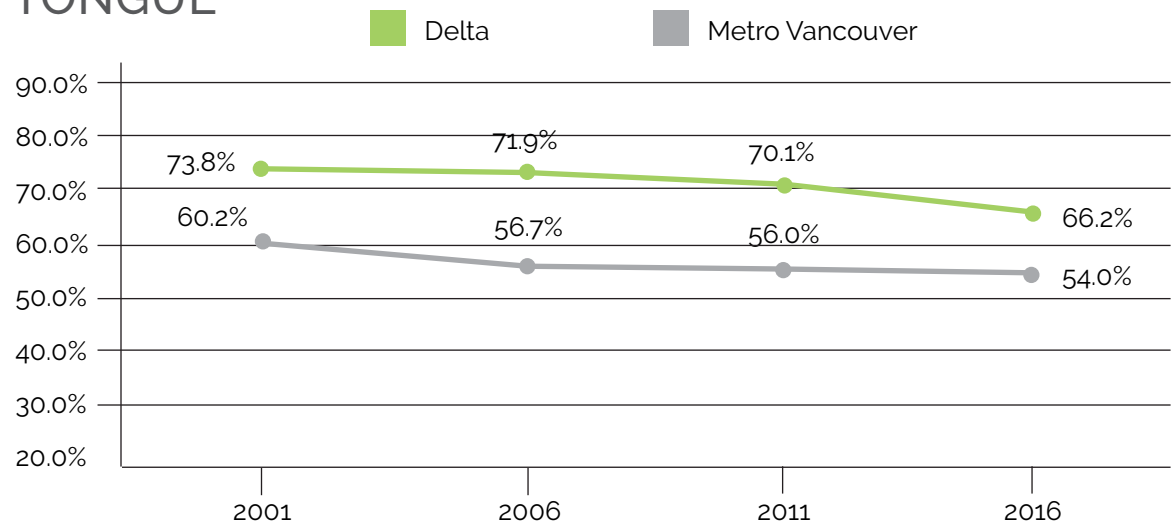
		Delta				Metro Vancouver		
	#	%		#	%		#	%
Total Immigrants	31,240	100%	Recent Immigrants	3,350	100%	Recent Immigrants	142,535	100.0%
Non-Official Languages	13,685	43.8%	Non-Official Languages	2,205	65.8%	Non-Official Languages	88,570	62.1%
Punjabi (Panjabi)	6,270	20.1%	Punjabi (Panjabi)	930	27.8%	Mandarin	26,905	18.9%
Mandarin	2,230	7.1%	Mandarin	475	14.2%	Punjabi (Panjabi)	12,940	9.1%
Cantonese	1,025	3.3%	Tagalog (Pilipino, Filipino)	135	4.0%	Tagalog (Pilipino, Filipino)	7,790	5.5%
Hindi	655	2.1%	Malayalam	95	2.8%	Persian (Farsi)	7,055	4.9%
Tagalog (Pilipino, Filipino)	600	1.9%	Urdu	75	2.2%	Cantonese	6,095	4.3%
Other Non-Official Languages	2,905	9.3%	Other Non-Official Languages	495	14.8%	Other Non-Official Languages	27,785	19.4%

- In 2016, close to two thirds (65.8%) of Delta's recent immigrants spoke non-official languages most often at home, slightly more than the Metro Vancouver regional level of 62.1%, and significantly more than Delta's total immigrant population at 43.8%.
- In 2016, Punjabi was the most often spoken home language by Delta's recent immigrant (27.8%) and total immigrant (20.1%) populations, followed by Mandarin which was spoken most often at home by 14.1% of its recent immigrants and 7.1% of its total immigrants.
- Compared with the previous census period (2006-11), Delta had a growing segment of immigrants who spoke non-official languages often at home. Census 2011 reported 60.9% of recent immigrants and 42.4% of its total immigrant populations spoke non-official languages at home in 2011.



LANGUAGE TRENDS (2001 - 2016) - BY % OF POPULATION WITH ENGLISH ONLY AS A MOTHER TONGUE

- The proportion of Delta's residents who spoke English only as their mother tongue remained at more than 10% higher than the Metro Vancouver level. However, the City continued its proportional decline from 73.8% in 2001 to 66.2% in 2016, similar to the downward trend for Metro Vancouver's from 60.2% to 54.0%.



LANGUAGES SPOKEN MOST OFTEN AT WORK (CENSUS 2016) BY % OF IMMIGRANT POPULATION AGED 15 YEARS AND OVER

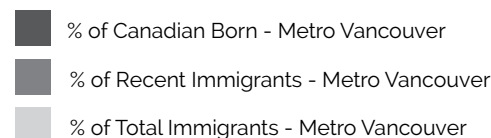
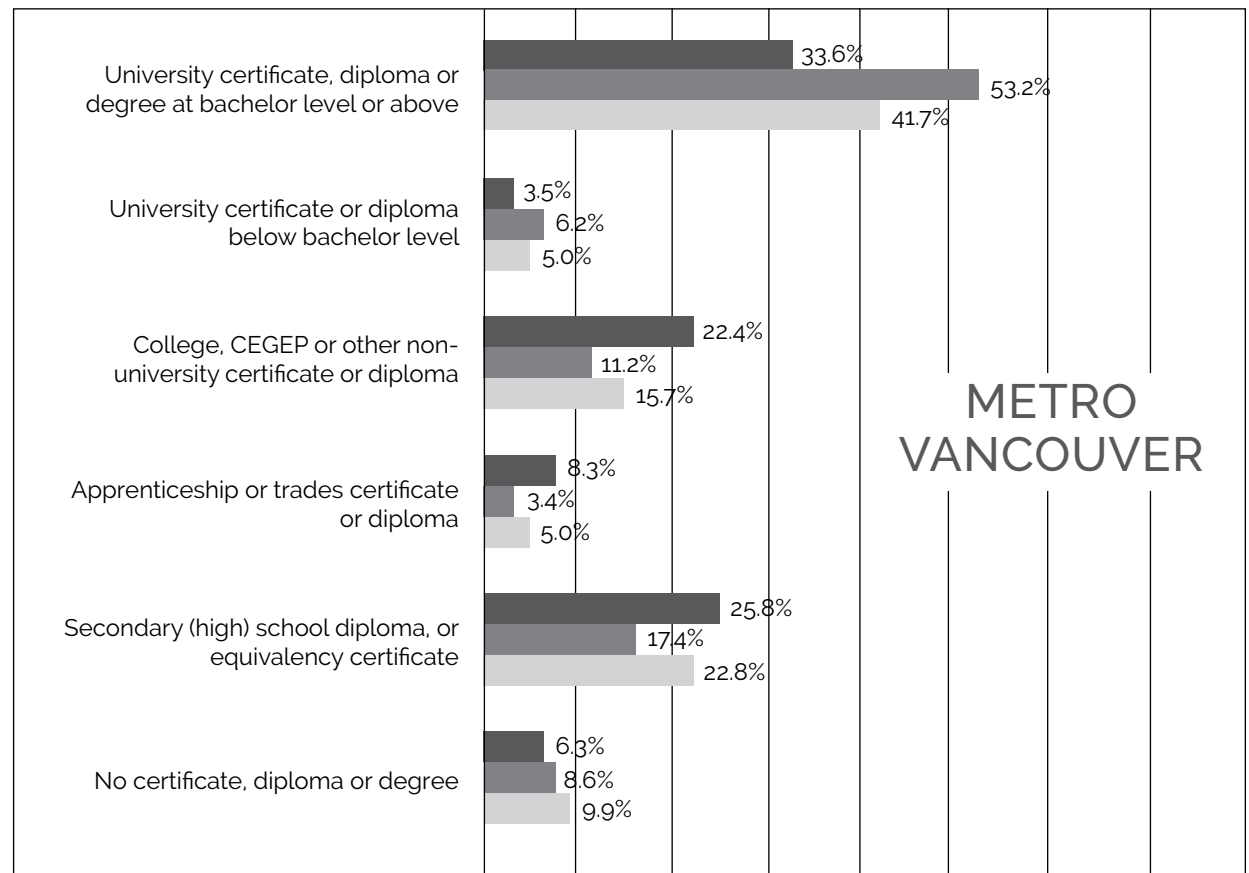
- In 2016, 23.0% of Delta's recent immigrants spoke non-official languages often at work, noticeably more than Metro Vancouver's regional level of 17.8%, and the City's 2011 rate of 18.2%.
- Punjabi (Panjabi), Mandarin and Cantonese were the top three most common non-official languages spoken at work for both Delta's recent immigrant and total immigrant populations.
- Punjabi was the most often non-official language spoken at work in Delta. 15.2% of Delta's recent immigrants spoke Punjabi often at work, more than three-fold that of Metro Vancouver's level (4.5%).

Delta				Metro Vancouver	
Total Immigrants		Recent Immigrants		Recent Immigrants	
Non-Official Languages	9.1%	Non-Official Languages	23.0%	Non-Official Languages	17.8%
Punjabi (Panjabi)	4.8%	Punjabi (Panjabi)	15.2%	Mandarin	6.9%
Mandarin	2.1%	Mandarin	5.1%	Punjabi (Panjabi)	4.5%
Cantonese	1.3%	Cantonese	1.3%	Cantonese	2.4%

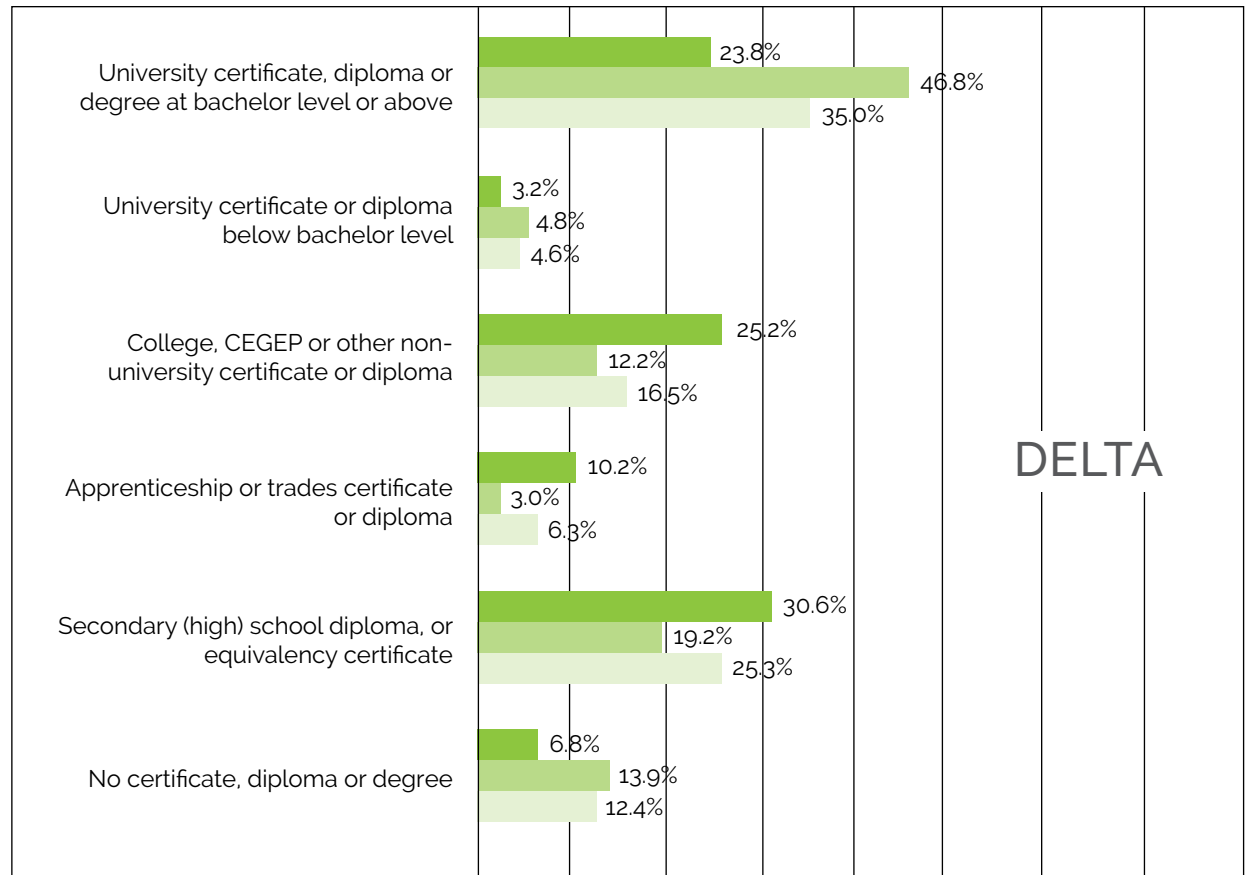
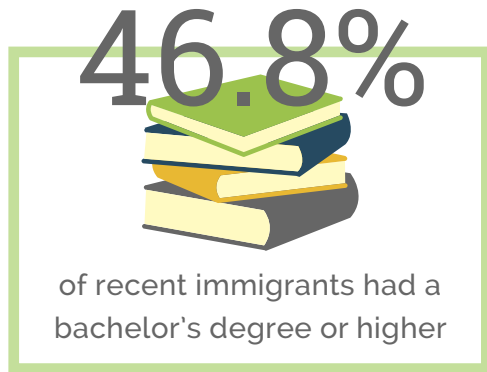
EDUCATION LEVEL (CENSUS 2016)

HIGHEST LEVEL OF EDUCATION - BY % OF POPULATION AGED 25 TO 64 YEARS

- Delta's Canadian born population reported higher levels of educational attainment in apprenticeship and trades as well as in high school or equivalency categories. While immigrants and recent immigrants reported higher levels of educational attainment in college and university certificates, diplomas or degrees.
- In 2016, 46.8% of Delta's recent immigrants between the ages of 25 to 64 had a bachelor's degree or higher, significantly higher than the proportion of their Canadian born counterparts (23.8%) and total immigrants (35.0%), but slightly lower than Metro Vancouver's recent immigrants (53.2%).
- Compared to the previous census period (2006-2011), Delta saw an increase in the proportion of its immigrant population that were college and university educated. In 2011, the corresponding percentages of those with a bachelor's degree or higher were: 38.6% of the City's recent immigrants and 30.3% of its total immigrants. The share of college and university educated Canadian born population remained at 23.8% between 2011 and 2016.



- Like Delta, Metro Vancouver has a larger proportion of college and university educated immigrants compared to its Canadian born counterparts. 53.2% of recent immigrants and 41.7% of total immigrants had a bachelor's degree or higher, compared to 33.6% of the Canadian born population.

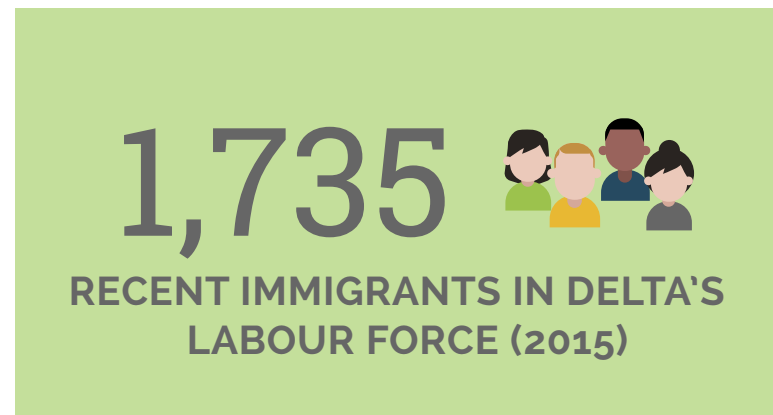


- % of Canadian Born - Delta
- % of Recent Immigrants - Delta
- % of Total Immigrants - Delta

LABOUR FORCE ACTIVITY (CENSUS 2016)

EMPLOYMENT / UNEMPLOYMENT RATES IN 2015 FOR POPULATION AGED 15 YEARS AND OVER

	Delta			Metro Vancouver		
	Canadian Born	Total Immigrants	Recent Immigrants	Canadian Born	Total Immigrants	Recent Immigrants
Total population aged 15 years and over	54,240	30,245	2,845	1,112,275	952,340	122,615
In the labour force	36,045	18,325	1,735	769,910	585,610	80,025
Participation rate (%)	66.5%	60.6%	61.0%	69.2%	61.5%	65.3%
Employment rate (%)	62.9%	57.4%	52.9%	65.3%	57.8%	59.2%
Unemployment rate (%)	5.3%	5.2%	13.0%	5.7%	5.9%	9.3%



- In 2015 there were 18,325 immigrants and 1,735 recent immigrants in Delta's labour force. Immigrants and recent immigrants represented 33.8% and 3.2% of the Delta's labour force respectively, indicating an increase from 31.6% for its immigrant population and a decline from 3.6% for its recent immigrant population since 2010 (NHS 2011).
- 13.0% of Delta's recent immigrants were unemployed in 2015, significantly higher than its total immigrant labour force (5.2%) and their Canadian born counterparts (5.3%). Overall, this represented a decrease in unemployment from the 2006-11 census period: 6.3% for total immigrants and 6.3% for Canadian born workers in 2010 (NHS 2011). However, the unemployment rate for recent immigrants remained high: 13% in 2015 vs. 13.1% in 2010.
- Compared to the Metro Vancouver region, Delta had slightly lower unemployment rates in 2015 compared to 2010, except for its recent immigrant labour force: 5.2% vs. 5.9% for total immigrants, 4.5% vs. 5.3% for the Canadian born population, and 13.0% vs. 9.3% for recent immigrants.

OCCUPATION DISTRIBUTION (CENSUS 2016)

DISTRIBUTION OF TOP TEN OCCUPATIONS - BY % LABOUR FORCE POPULATION AGED 15 YEARS AND OVER

	Delta			Metro Vancouver			
	Canadian Born	Total Immigrants	Recent Immigrants	Canadian Born	Total Immigrants	Recent Immigrants	
48-49 Transportation and warehousing	8.0%	11.1%	9.2%	44-45 Retail trade	11.1%	11.0%	12.2%
62 Health care and social assistance	9.1%	9.8%	4.0%	62 Health care and social assistance	9.6%	10.9%	7.7%
31-33 Manufacturing	6.3%	9.5%	9.8%	54 Professional; scientific and technical services	9.8%	9.9%	10.8%
44-45 Retail trade	11.8%	9.3%	10.1%	72 Accommodation and food services	7.6%	9.0%	13.0%
23 Construction	9.3%	8.2%	13.6%	31-33 Manufacturing	5.1%	7.7%	7.2%
54 Professional, scientific and technical services	7.2%	7.8%	7.2%	23 Construction	7.8%	6.5%	7.7%
72 Accommodation and food services	6.4%	6.9%	11.8%	48-49 Transportation and warehousing	5.2%	6.0%	3.9%
61 Educational services	8.5%	5.8%	2.6%	61 Educational services	8.5%	5.8%	4.7%
56 Administrative and support, waste management and remediation services	4.2%	5.0%	6.6%	52 Finance and insurance	4.6%	5.1%	3.7%
81 Other services (except public administration)	4.5%	4.8%	4.0%	56 Administrative and support; waste management and remediation services	4.1%	5.0%	5.8%

- In 2016, Transportation and warehousing was the largest sector for Delta's immigrants, accounting for 11.1% of its immigrant labour force, up from 8.8% in 2011. At the regional level, 6.0% of Metro Vancouver's immigrants worked in this sector in 2016.
- Compared with the previous census period (2006-11), the Healthcare and social assistance, and Manufacturing sectors remained as two of the three largest sectors for immigrants in 2016, but accounted for a smaller share of the immigrant labor force: 19.7% combined in 2016 vs. 21.6% in 2011.
- Among Delta's recent immigrants, Construction was the largest sector accounting for 13.6% of recent immigrants in the labour force, significantly higher than the 7.7% of recent immigrants within the sector in Metro Vancouver.
- Accommodation and food services, and Retail trade were also important sectors for Delta's recent immigrants, accounting for 11.8% and 10.1% of Delta's recent immigrant labour force, respectively.

INCOME (CENSUS 2016)

TOTAL INCOME IN 2015 FOR INDIVIDUALS AGED 15 YEARS AND OVER

	Delta			Metro Vancouver		
	Total Population	Total Immigrants	Recent Immigrants	Total Population	Total Immigrants	Recent Immigrants
Population aged 15 years and over	84,455	30,250	2,850	2,064,585	952,340	122,620
Average income \$	\$49,483	\$42,838	\$23,424	\$46,821	\$40,437	\$28,845
Median income \$	\$36,631	\$31,198	\$15,003	\$32,612	\$27,642	\$19,625
Prevalence of low income in 2015, based on after-tax low-income measure (%)	9.7%	13%	28.5%	16.5%	20.5%	33.5%

- In 2015, the median income of Delta's recent immigrant population was \$15,003, about 41% of the median income for its total population. Immigrants made \$31,198 in median income, about 85.2% of the median income for its total population.
- Generally, Delta's labour force earned slightly more than their counterparts in Metro Vancouver, except for its recent immigrants: \$36,631 for Delta's total population vs. \$32,612 for the Region's, and \$31,198 vs. \$27,642 for the total immigrant population. However, Delta's recent immigrants earned about a quarter (23.6%) less than their peers in the Region: \$15,003 vs. \$19,625.
- Delta's residents earned more in 2015 than in 2010, except for its recent immigrants. Census 2016 shows that Delta's total immigrants earned 6.9% more than the \$29,187 they earned in 2010. Delta's total population gained a 10.4% increase from \$33,188 in 2010, but its recent immigrants reported a drop of 7.3% from \$16,188 in 2010.
- Census 2016 shows that recent immigrants were still more likely to live on a low income. In 2015, 28.5% of Delta's recent immigrant population aged 15 years and over were in the low-income bracket, compared with 13.0% of the total immigrant population and 9.7% of the City's total population. Overall, Delta had a significantly smaller proportion of low-income residents than Metro Vancouver.
- Delta has seen a marginal reduction in the percentages of low-income residents since 2010, except for its recent immigrant population. Census 2011 reported 10.2% of the total population, 13.7% of immigrants and 23.7% of recent immigrants lived on a low income.

EMPLOYMENT INCOME IN 2015 OF INDIVIDUALS AGED 15 YEARS AND OVER WHO WORKED FULL YEAR, FULL TIME

	Delta			Metro Vancouver		
	Total Population	Total Immigrants	Recent Immigrants	Total Population	Total Immigrants	Recent Immigrants
Population aged 15 years and over	84,485	30,250	2,850	2,064,615	952,340	122,620
Population who worked full year, full time and with employment income in 2010	26,195	8,280	480	637,390	258,940	25,630
Average income \$	\$70,928	\$63,841	\$47,741	\$67,916	\$61,567	\$53,737
Median income \$	\$58,641	\$51,118	\$38,220	\$54,955	\$49,407	\$41,559

- About 16.8% of Delta's recent immigrants worked full-time for a full year with employment income in 2015, significantly less than the 27.4% of the City's total immigrants and 31.0% of its total labour force.
- Overall, Delta had a similar proportion of full year and full-time labour force participants to Metro Vancouver where 27.2% of its total immigrant and 30.9% of its total populations worked full-time and for a full year in 2015. However, the portion of Delta's full-time recent immigrant labor force was smaller than Metro Vancouver's: 16.8% for the City vs. 20.9% for the Region.
- Compared with the previous census period, there were noticeably fewer full-time job opportunities for Delta's labour force. NHS 2011 reported that 23.1% of Delta's recent immigrants, 30.8% of its immigrant workers and 32.8% of the total labour force worked full-time and for a full year in 2010.
- In 2015, Delta's recent immigrants who worked full-time and for a full year earned \$38,220, about 35% less than the median income of Delta's total full-time labour force. The City's total full-time immigrant workers made about 13% less than its total population.
- Overall, Delta's labour force earned more in 2015 than 2010, except for its recent immigrant labour force. Census 2016 shows income growth of 6.3% from \$48,109 in 2010 for the total immigrant population, growth of 7.0% from \$54,789 in 2010 for its total labour force, and a decline of 1.5% from \$38,806 in 2010 for recent immigrants.

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NewToBC

NewToBC partners with libraries and community service providers to develop, deliver, and promote services and resources that support immigrant settlement and integration in communities across the province. NewToBC uses innovative approaches and emerging technologies to deliver three key activities.

1. NewToBC operates the **Library Champions Project** in communities across Metro Vancouver and the Fraser Valley.
2. NewToBC develops, updates and disseminates a variety of library and settlement information resources for new immigrants.
3. NewToBC uses social media platforms to share information about settlement resources, volunteer opportunities, and no cost workshops, training and community events of interest to new immigrants in Southwest B.C. Go to our **Facebook**, **Twitter** and **LinkedIn** feeds to find out more.

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