

Immigration in Cape Breton

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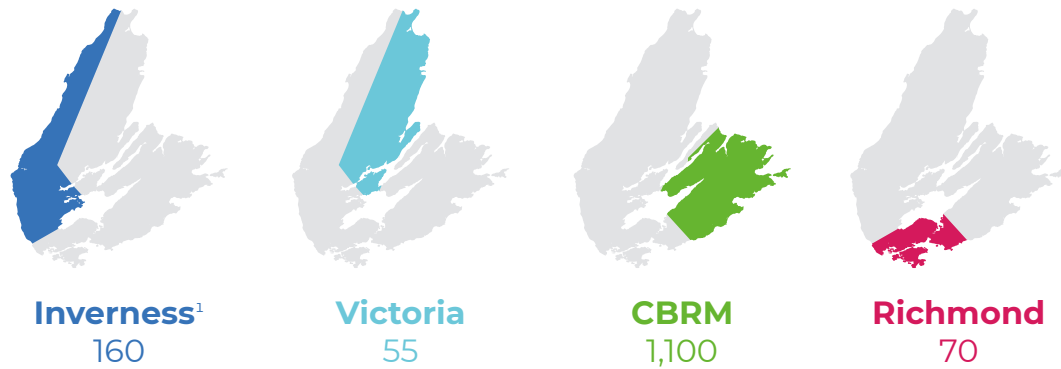
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Since 2018, how many immigrants have settled in each census division on the island?



¹The area of 'Inverness' includes the Town of Port Hawkesbury.

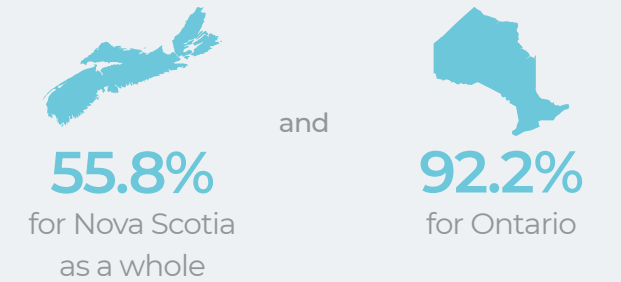
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How many immigrants decide to stay in Cape Breton after settling here?

Of immigrant tax filers who first obtained their landed immigrant/permanent resident status in 2015 and intended to settle in Cape Breton:



For the same period, that rate was:



STATISTICS CANADA

How many employees did the Cape Breton Partnership support in each municipality through the Atlantic Immigration Pilot Program²?

Municipality	Employees Supported	Accompanying Family (Spouses + Children)
Cape Breton Regional Municipality	285	158 (77 + 81)
Inverness	45	25 (12 + 13)
Port Hawkesbury	24	35 (13 + 22)
Richmond	18	16 (9 + 7)
Victoria	28	30 (15 + 15)
Total Cape Breton	400	264

² For the duration of the Pilot, up to December 21, 2021.

CAPE BRETON PARTNERSHIP

What are the biggest challenges facing newcomers as they settle in Cape Breton?

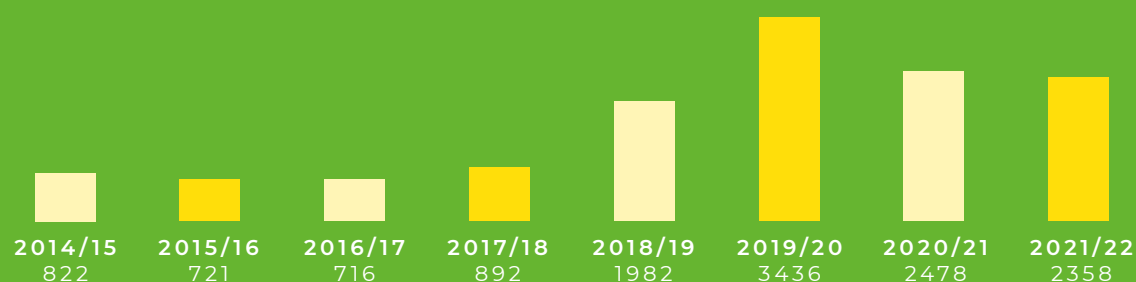
- Finding or maintaining work
- Making friends/maintaining healthy relationships
- Finding affordable housing

What changes do newcomers say would help make it easier for others to settle here in future?

- More affordable housing options
- More (or better) programming for newcomers to find work
- Education for employers on the value and ways of hiring and retaining newcomers

CBLIP 2021 COMMUNITY CONSULTATION REPORT

How many international students have enrolled at Cape Breton University each year?³



³ Referring exclusively to full-time visa students.

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Immigrants account for 33% of all business owners with paid staff in Canada, creating important local jobs in all sectors of the economy such as construction, professional services, health care and retail trade.

CENSUS 2016

Immigrants account for 1 out of every 4 health-care sector workers in Canada.

CENSUS 2016

Nearly 40% of immigrants aged 15 and older are volunteers. On average, these people volunteer **162 hours each year.**

CENSUS 2016

How many newcomers have grown their network as part of the Cape Breton Connector Program?



During 2020-2021, **14 newcomers** grew their networks through the Cape Breton Connector Program.



How many newcomers have been welcomed through the Cape Breton Welcome Network?



Since the Cape Breton Welcome Network formed in 2020, volunteers across the nine Welcome Groups have welcomed **225 newcomers** to their new communities.



Are you interested in how you or your organization can be involved in helping to welcome immigrants to Cape Breton?

Visit welcometocapebreton.ca to learn how.

The Cape Breton Local Immigration Partnership (CBLIP) is a collaborative initiative designed to foster welcoming communities that support the full participation of newcomers in the social, economic, political and cultural life of Cape Breton-Unama'ki.

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