

Article 8: Multicultural Diversity

Toronto is one of the world's most [multicultural](#) cities. In 2004, the [United Nations Development Programme](#) (UNDP) ranked Toronto second, behind [Miami, Florida](#), in its list of the world's cities with the largest percentage of foreign-born population. Miami's foreign-born population is dominated by those of Cuban and Latin American descent, unlike Toronto's foreign-born population, which is not dominated by any particular ethnic group.

The 2006 census indicates 46.9% of Toronto's population is composed of [visible minorities](#); 1,162,630 non-[Whites](#), or 23% of Canada's visible minority population, live in Toronto; of this, approximately 70% are of Asian ancestry. Annually, almost half of all immigrants to Canada settle in the [Greater Toronto Area](#). In March 2005, [Statistics Canada](#) projected that the visible minority proportion will comprise a majority in both Toronto and [Vancouver](#) by 2012.

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Demographics_of_Toronto



<http://people.trentu.ca/sbocking/images/Toronto.jpg>

Let's Talk !

What are some of the advantages and the disadvantages of living in a multicultural city?

What aspects of life in the city would you complain about?

What are some differences between living in the city and living in the country?

Would you prefer to live in a really old historical city, or a really new modern or multicultural city?