

# THE NATION OF IMMIGRANTS ON “HOLD”: IMMIGRATION DECLINES IN CANADA IN APRIL 2020 AND SUBSEQUENT MONTHS WILL HAVE A PROFOUND IMPACT ON OUR DEMOGRAPHIC SITUATION

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# INTRODUCTION

- Immigration Statistics for April 2020 are a sign for what will inevitably have a profound impact on the evolution of Canada's demographic condition. Immigration is by far the principal source of growth in the country's population. In slides 4-6, recently released immigration and refugee admission data is compiled for the period April 2020 and compared with the same month for 2019 (the data is sourced from the open portal of Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada).
- As we will observe, many of Canada's principal immigration source countries are pandemic hot spots. In the next slide, we look at the highlights of yesterday's release of quarterly demographic estimates from Statistics Canada

# HIGHLIGHTS FROM STATISTICS CANADA QUARTERLY DEMOGRAPHIC ESTIMATES OF THE CANADIAN POPULATION (RELEASED JUNE 18, 2020)

- On April 1, 2020, Canada's population was 37,971,020. This was an increase of 76,221 (+0.2%). The last time Canada recorded a lower increase in the first quarter was in 2015 (+0.1%).
- The global pandemic of COVID-19 came to Canada in January 2020. The first death was reported on March 9, 2020. The pandemic was beginning to have an impact on the population of Canada in the first quarter of 2020 (January 1 to March 31, 2020). However, a larger impact will not be felt until the second quarter (April 1 to June 30, 2020).
- By March 31, 2020, there were 96 deaths from COVID-19 in Canada, mostly in Quebec (31), Ontario (33) and British Columbia (19) (Public Health Agency of Canada). In total, there were almost 80,000 deaths in the first quarter of 2020, the most in a first quarter since the beginning of the current demographic reporting system (third quarter of 1971). This is consistent with an aging population.
- International migration growth accounted for 82.3% of Canada's population growth in the first quarter of 2020. Immigrant numbers were up to 69,787 in the first quarter of 2020 from 65,936 in the first quarter of 2019. The majority of these immigrants came before the international travel restrictions began.

DESPITE END OF MARCH CLOSE DOWN CANADA SAW INCREASE IN PERMANENT RESIDENT ADMISSION IN Q1 2020 RELATIVE TO Q1 2019; APRIL 2019 TO APRIL 2020 SAW AN 80% DECLINE IN NUMBERS OF PERMANENT RESIDENTS PROCESSED/ADMITTED, IMMIGRATION FROM INDIA DECLINES BY NEARLY 90%; MANY OF OUR SOURCE COUNTRIES ARE PANDEMIC HOT SPOTS

Country of Citizenship	Admission of Permanent Residents to Canada by source country 2019 and 2020					
	Q1 Total	Q2	2019 Total	Q1 Total	Q2	2020 Total
		Apr			Apr	
Total	65,955	26,900	341,180	69,785	4,140	73,920
India	15,595	6,650	85,590	16,740	875	17,615
China, People's Republic of	6,840	2,820	30,245	6,715	485	7,200
Philippines	5,965	2,335	27,820	5,085	345	5,430
Iran	1,035	500	6,055	1,230	220	1,450
Pakistan	2,160	820	10,795	2,270	185	2,455
United States of America	2,145	900	10,780	2,505	165	2,670
Nigeria	2,100	1,010	12,600	2,385	120	2,500
Brazil	925	380	5,290	1,270	100	1,370
United Kingdom and Overseas Territories	1,090	420	5,635	1,225	100	1,325
France	850	335	4,960	1,565	90	1,655
Algeria	675	295	3,705	725	70	795
Korea, Republic of	1,175	380	6,105	1,180	70	1,245

# MAJORITY OF IMMIGRANTS WENT TO ONTARIO IN APRIL 2020 (FROM 45% TO 55% COMPARED WITH APRIL 2019)

Province/Territory	Admission of Permanent Residents to Canada by source country 2019 and 2020					
		Q2	2019 Total		Q2	2020 Total
	Q1 Total	Apr		Q1 Total	Apr	
Newfoundland and Labrador -	275	155	1,850	365	--	370
Prince Edward Island	545	220	2,445	495	20	515
Nova Scotia	1,270	545	7,580	1,185	45	1,230
New Brunswick	1,055	530	6,000	1,085	55	1,135
Quebec -	8,045	3,085	40,565	7,960	195	8,155
Ontario -	31,155	12,540	153,395	32,290	2,275	34,560
Manitoba	3,230	1,300	18,910	3,085	270	3,355
Saskatchewan	2,855	1,115	15,855	3,020	230	3,250
Alberta	8,545	3,615	43,690	8,730	685	9,415
British Columbia	8,845	3,735	50,235	11,425	350	11,770
Total	65,955	26,900	341,180	69,785	4,140	73,920

# CANADA ADMITS 170 REFUGEES IN THE MONTH OF APRIL 2020 COMPARED WITH 3980 IN APRIL 2019

Resettled Refugee & Protected Person in Canada - Total				
	Q1 2019	April 2019	Q1 2020	April2020
Newfoundland and Labrador - Total	40	45	40	0
Prince Edward Island - Total	45	--	20	0
Nova Scotia - Total	165	20	105	0
New Brunswick - Total	130	10	100	0
Quebec - Total	1,360	585	1,355	10
Ontario - Total	5,660	2,230	4,890	130
Manitoba - Total	350	160	210	5
Saskatchewan - Total	255	80	195	0
Alberta - Total	1,290	615	1,040	15
British Columbia - Total	545	235	600	10
Total	9840	3980	8555	170

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