

The English-speaking Catholic Population Profile in Quebec, 2001 (2006 Census Data have not yet been published).

Total Population

- The province of Quebec had a total First Official Language Spoken – English Catholic population of approximately 385,843 people or 42% of the 918,955 First Official Language Spoken – English people in 2001. The First Official Language Spoken – English Catholic population composes 5.4% of the total population in Quebec and 6.5% of the total Catholic population in the province in 2001.
- The First Official Language Spoken – English Catholic population is found across the 17 Administrative Regions (Economic Regions) of Quebec but the majority of the English-speaking Catholic population is concentrated in the Administrative Regions of Montreal and Montérégie. The Island of Montreal (Administrative Region of Montreal) contains an English-speaking Catholic population of about 222,448 or 57.7% of the English-speaking Catholic population in Quebec. Montérégie, the second highest region, has an English-speaking Catholic population of 57,348 or 14.9% of the English-speaking Catholic population in Quebec.
- The English-speaking Catholic population is distributed unequally among the six Census Metropolitan Areas in Quebec. Approximately 78.9% (304,303) of English-speaking Catholic population reside in the Census Metropolitan Area of Montreal. The Ottawa-Hull (Quebec part) Census Metropolitan Area contains the second highest share of English-speaking Catholic population in Quebec, 5.4% (20,760). The English-speaking Catholic population in Quebec is highly urbanized in nature; 87.4% of English-speaking Catholics in Quebec reside in large urban area, compared to 61.4% of the First Official Language Spoken – French Catholics and 86.6% of all other First Official Language Spoken – English population.

The Aging Population

- The English-speaking Catholic population significantly exceeds the Quebec English-speaking Catholic population in age groups above 65 years of age in 7 of the Administrative Regions: Gaspésie-Iles-de-la-Madeleine, Bas-Saint-Laurent, Capitale-Nationale, Estrie, Laurentides, Mauricie, and Saguenay-Lac-Saint-Jean. Comparing by Administrative Region, the English-speaking Catholic population is more aged than the rest of the population in 7 of the regions: Bas-Saint-Laurent, Capitale-Nationale, Estrie, Lanaudière, Laurentides, Mauricie, and Saguenay-Lac-Saint-Jean.
- The English-speaking Catholic population has exceptionally high proportions of youth compared to the First Official Language Spoken – French Catholic population on the Island of Montreal (17.5% vs. 13.2%) and Gaspésie-Iles-de-la-Madeleine (21.3% vs. 16.4%). Also, the French-speaking Catholic population on the Island of Montreal is more aged than the English-speaking Catholic population. In other words, the proportions of

English-speaking Catholics in the 45+ age category are exceptionally lower (31.2%) than the proportions for the French-speaking Catholic population (43.0%).

Immigration

- The English-speaking Catholic population in Quebec have considerably a greater proportion of Immigrants compared to the French-speaking Catholic population and the rest of the population in Quebec (25.5%, 3.7%, and 9.0% respectively). On the other hand, the English-speaking Catholics in Quebec has lower proportion of “non-immigrants” compared to the French-speaking Catholic population and the rest of the population in Quebec (73.5%, 96.1%, and 90.4% respectively).
- The analysis of immigration status of English-speaking Catholics on the Island of Montreal and English-speaking Catholics off the Island indicates that higher portions of English-speaking Catholics off the Island are “non-immigrants” (83.2% vs. 66.3%). On the other hand, lower portion of English-speaking Catholics off the Island are “immigrant” compared to the English-speaking Catholics on the Island (16.4% vs. 32.3%).
- The analysis of immigration status of English-speaking Catholics by region to the rest of the population in the region indicates that the portions of English-speaking Catholic population who have “immigrant” status are significantly higher than the rest of the population in all regions but Montreal.

Ethnic Origin

- In Quebec, British, Canadian, and Italian are the dominant ethnic origins among the English-speaking Catholic population (29.6%, 29.5%, and 26.4%). In Montreal, Census Metropolitan Area, the proportion of English-speaking Catholic population that have Canadian and French ethnic origins are significantly lower than the French-speaking Catholic population. The proportion of English-speaking Catholic population for all other ethnic origins is significantly higher than the French-speaking Catholic population in Census Metropolitan Area of Montreal.

For further information, please refer to the ESCC website at www.catholiccentre.ca/escc under *The English-Speaking Catholic Population Profile in Quebec (based on the 2001 Statistics Canada Census)*.