

Mother tongue by knowledge of official languages, Data Tables, 2021

Universe: All persons, excluding institutional residents, 2021 Census — 100% data

Gender (1, 2) Age (3) Knowledge of official languages (4)	Total - Knowledge of official languages (6)	Nunavut		English and French	Neither English nor French
		English only	Total - Gender Total - Age French only		
Mother tongue (5)					
Total - Mother tongue (7, 8)	36,640	33,105	65	1,390	2,090
Single responses	32,750	29,410	55	1,250	2,025
Official languages	12,620	11,520	45	1,045	10
English	12,100	11,505	15	575	10
French	520	15	35	475	0
Non-official languages	20,130	17,895	15	205	2,015
Indigenous languages (9)	19,380	17,265	10	95	2,010
Algonquian languages	10	15	0	0	0
Blackfoot	0	0	0	0	0
Cree-Innu languages	10	15	0	0	0
Atikamekw	0	0	0	0	0
Cree languages	5	5	0	0	0
Ilimowin (Moose Cree)	0	0	0	0	0
Inu Ayimun (Southern East Cree)	0	0	0	0	0
Iyiyiw-Ayimiwin (Northern East Cree)	0	0	0	0	0
Nehinawewin (Swampy Cree)	0	0	0	0	0
Nehiyawewin (Plains Cree)	0	0	0	0	0
Nihithawiwin (Woods Cree)	0	0	0	0	0
Cree, n.o.s.	0	0	0	0	0
Innu (Montagnais)	5	5	0	0	0
Naskapi	0	0	0	0	0
Eastern Algonquian languages	0	0	0	0	0
Mi'kmaq	0	0	0	0	0
Wolastoqewi (Malecite)	0	0	0	0	0
Ojibway-Potawatomi languages	0	0	0	0	0
Anicinabemowin (Algonquin)	0	0	0	0	0
Oji-Cree	0	0	0	0	0
Ojibway languages	0	0	0	0	0
Anishinaabemowin (Chippewa)	0	0	0	0	0
Daawaamwin (Odawa)	0	0	0	0	0
Saulteau (Western Ojibway)	0	0	0	0	0
Ojibway, n.o.s.	0	0	0	0	0
Algonquian languages, n.i.e.	0	0	0	0	0
Athabaskan languages	0	0	0	0	0
Northern Athabaskan languages	0	0	0	0	0
Dakelh (Carrier)	0	0	0	0	0
Dane-zaa (Beaver)	0	0	0	0	0
Dene, n.o.s.	0	0	0	0	0
Gwich'in	0	0	0	0	0
Slavey-Hare languages	0	0	0	0	0
Deh Gah Ghotie Zhatie (South Slavey)	0	0	0	0	0
Satuotine Yati (North Slavey)	0	0	0	0	0
Slavey, n.o.s.	0	0	0	0	0
Tahltan languages	0	0	0	0	0
Kaska (Nahani)	0	0	0	0	0
Tahltan	0	0	0	0	0
Tlicho (Dogrib)	0	0	0	0	0
Tse'khene (Sekani)	0	0	0	0	0
Tsilhqot'in (Chilcotin)	0	0	0	0	0
Tsuu T'ina (Sarsi)	0	0	0	0	0
Tutchone languages	0	0	0	0	0
Northern Tutchone	0	0	0	0	0
Southern Tutchone	0	0	0	0	0
Tutchone, n.o.s.	0	0	0	0	0
Wetsuwet'en-Babine	0	0	0	0	0
Tlingit	0	0	0	0	0
Athabaskan languages, n.i.e.	0	0	0	0	0
Haida	0	0	0	0	0
Inuktitut (Inuit) languages	19,365	17,255	10	95	2,010
Inuinnaqtun (Inuvialuktun)	225	215	0	0	10
Inuinnaqtun	215	210	0	0	5

Inuvialuktun	5	5	0	0	0
Inuktitut	19,130	17,025	10	95	2
Inuktitut (Inuit) languages, n.i.e.	15	15	0	0	0
Iroquoian languages	0	0	0	0	0
Cayuga	0	0	0	0	0
Mohawk	0	0	0	0	0
Oneida	0	0	0	0	0
Iroquoian languages, n.i.e.	0	0	0	0	0
Ktunaxa (Kutenai)	0	0	0	0	0
Michif	0	0	0	0	0
Salish languages	0	0	0	0	0
Halkomelem	0	0	0	0	0
Lillooet	0	0	0	0	0
Ntlakapamux (Thompson)	0	0	0	0	0
Secwepemctsin (Shuswap)	0	0	0	0	0
Squamish	0	0	0	0	0
Straits	0	0	0	0	0
Syilx (Okanagan)	0	0	0	0	0
Salish languages, n.i.e.	0	0	0	0	0
Siouan languages	0	0	0	0	0
Assiniboine	0	0	0	0	0
Dakota	0	0	0	0	0
Stoney	0	0	0	0	0
Siouan languages, n.i.e.	0	0	0	0	0
Tsimshian languages	0	0	0	0	0
Gitksan (Gitksan)	0	0	0	0	0
Nisga'a	0	0	0	0	0
Tsimshian	0	0	0	0	0
Wakashan languages	0	0	0	0	0
Haisla	0	0	0	0	0
Heiltsuk	0	0	0	0	0
Kwak'wala (Kwakiutl)	0	0	0	0	0
Nuu-chah-nulth (Nootka)	0	0	0	0	0
Wakashan languages, n.i.e.	0	0	0	0	0
Indigenous languages, n.i.e.	0	0	0	0	0
Indigenous languages, n.o.s.	0	0	0	0	0
Non-Indigenous languages	750	625	0	110	5
Afro-Asiatic languages	65	50	0	10	0
Berber languages	0	0	0	0	0
Kabyle	0	0	0	0	0
Tamazight	0	0	0	0	0
Berber languages, n.i.e.	0	0	0	0	0
Chadic languages	5	0	0	5	0
Hausa	0	0	0	0	0
Mina	5	0	0	5	0
Coptic	0	0	0	0	0
Cushitic languages	0	0	0	0	0
Bilen	0	0	0	0	0
Oromo	0	0	0	0	0
Somali	0	0	0	0	0
Cushitic languages, n.i.e.	0	0	0	0	0
Semitic languages	60	50	0	10	0
Amharic	20	20	0	0	0
Arabic	35	25	0	10	0
Aramaic languages	0	0	0	0	0
Assyrian Neo-Aramaic	0	0	0	0	0
Chaldean Neo-Aramaic	0	0	0	0	0
Aramaic, n.o.s.	0	0	0	0	0
Harari	0	0	0	0	0
Hebrew	0	0	0	0	0
Maltese	0	0	0	0	0
Tigrigna	5	5	0	0	0
Semitic languages, n.i.e.	0	0	0	0	0
Austro-Asiatic languages	0	0	0	0	0
Khmer (Cambodian)	0	0	0	0	0
Vietnamese	0	0	0	0	0
Austro-Asiatic languages, n.i.e.	0	0	0	0	0
Austronesian languages	220	215	0	0	0
Bikol	0	0	0	0	0
Bisaya, n.o.s.	0	0	0	0	0
Cebuano	0	0	0	0	0
Fijian	0	0	0	0	0

Hiligaynon	5	5	0	0	0
Ilocano	15	15	0	0	0
Indonesian	0	0	0	0	0
Kankanaey	0	0	0	0	0
Kinaray-a	0	0	0	0	0
Malagasy languages	0	0	0	0	0
Merina	0	0	0	0	0
Malagasy, n.o.s.	0	0	0	0	0
Malay	0	0	0	0	0
Pampangan (Kapampangan, Pampango)	0	0	0	0	0
Pangasinan	0	0	0	0	0
Tagalog (Pilipino, Filipino)	185	185	0	0	0
Waray-Waray	5	5	0	0	0
Austronesian languages, n.i.e.	0	0	0	0	0
Creole languages	20	0	0	15	0
Haitian Creole	10	0	0	10	0
Jamaican English Creole	0	0	0	0	0
Krio	0	0	0	0	0
Morisyen	0	0	0	0	0
Sango	0	0	0	0	0
Creole, n.o.s.	5	0	0	5	0
Creole languages, n.i.e.	0	0	0	0	0
Dravidian languages	30	30	0	0	0
Kannada	0	0	0	0	0
Malayalam	10	10	0	0	0
Tamil	15	15	0	0	0
Telugu	0	0	0	0	0
Tulu	0	0	0	0	0
Dravidian languages, n.i.e.	0	0	0	0	0
Georgian	0	0	0	0	0
Hmong-Mien languages	0	0	0	0	0
Indo-European languages	255	205	0	50	0
Albanian	0	0	0	0	0
Armenian	5	5	0	0	0
Balto-Slavic languages	55	40	0	15	0
Baltic languages	0	0	0	0	0
Latvian	0	0	0	0	0
Lithuanian	0	0	0	0	0
Slavic languages	55	45	0	15	0
Belarusian	0	0	0	0	0
Bulgarian	0	0	0	0	0
Czech	0	0	0	0	0
Macedonian	5	5	0	0	0
Polish	15	10	0	0	0
Russian	15	15	0	5	0
Rusyn	0	0	0	0	0
Serbo-Croatian	10	5	0	0	0
Bosnian	0	0	0	0	0
Croatian	10	5	0	0	0
Serbian	0	0	0	0	0
Serbo-Croatian, n.i.e.	0	0	0	0	0
Slovak	0	0	0	0	0
Slovene (Slovenian)	0	5	0	5	0
Ukrainian	10	10	0	5	0
Slavic languages, n.i.e.	0	0	0	0	0
Celtic languages	0	0	0	0	0
Irish	0	0	0	0	0
Scottish Gaelic	0	0	0	0	0
Welsh	0	0	0	0	0
Celtic languages, n.i.e.	0	0	0	0	0
Germanic languages	35	30	0	5	0
Frisian	0	0	0	0	0
High German languages	15	15	0	5	0
German	15	15	0	5	0
Pennsylvania German	0	0	0	0	0
Swiss German	0	0	0	0	0
Yiddish	0	0	0	0	0
Low Saxon-Low Franconian languages	10	10	0	0	0
Afrikaans	5	5	0	0	0
Dutch	5	5	0	0	0
Low German, n.o.s.	0	0	0	0	0
Low Saxon	0	0	0	0	0

Plautdietsch	0	0	0	0	0
Vlaams (Flemish)	0	0	0	0	0
Scandinavian languages	5	5	0	0	0
Danish	0	0	0	0	0
Icelandic	0	0	0	0	0
Norwegian	5	5	0	0	0
Swedish	0	0	0	0	0
Germanic languages, n.i.e.	0	0	0	0	0
Greek	5	0	0	0	0
Indo-Iranian languages	75	70	0	10	0
Indo-Aryan languages	70	65	0	10	0
Assamese	0	0	0	0	0
Bengali	15	10	0	5	0
Gujarati	10	5	0	0	0
Hindi	10	10	0	0	0
Kacchi	0	0	0	0	0
Kashmiri	0	0	0	0	0
Konkani	0	0	0	0	0
Marathi	0	0	0	0	0
Nepali	0	0	0	0	0
Oriya languages	0	0	0	0	0
Odia	0	0	0	0	0
Oriya, n.o.s.	0	0	0	0	0
Punjabi (Panjabi)	10	10	0	0	0
Rohingya	0	0	0	0	0
Sindhi	0	0	0	0	0
Sinhala (Sinhalese)	5	5	0	0	0
Urdu	20	20	0	0	0
Indo-Aryan languages, n.i.e.	0	0	0	0	0
Iranian languages	10	5	0	5	0
Baluchi	0	0	0	0	0
Kurdish	0	0	0	0	0
Parsi	0	0	0	0	0
Pashto	0	0	0	0	0
Persian languages	5	5	0	0	0
Dari	0	0	0	0	0
Iranian Persian	0	0	0	0	0
Persian (Farsi), n.o.s.	0	0	0	0	0
Iranian languages, n.i.e.	0	0	0	0	0
Indo-Iranian languages, n.i.e.	0	0	0	0	0
Italic (Romance) languages	80	60	0	20	0
Catalan	0	0	0	0	0
Italian	0	0	0	0	0
Portuguese	15	10	0	5	0
Romanian	10	5	0	5	0
Spanish	55	45	0	10	0
Italic (Romance) languages, n.i.e.	0	0	0	0	0
Indo-European languages, n.i.e.	0	0	0	0	0
Japanese	0	0	0	0	0
Korean	5	5	0	0	0
Mongolian	0	0	0	0	0
Niger-Congo languages	85	60	5	20	0
Akan (Twi)	0	0	0	0	0
Bamanankan	0	0	0	0	0
Edo	0	0	0	0	0
Éwé	0	0	0	0	0
Fulah (Pular, Pulaar, Fulfulde)	0	0	0	0	0
Ga	0	0	0	0	0
Ganda	0	0	0	0	0
Gikuyu	0	0	0	0	0
Igbo	10	10	0	0	0
Kinyarwanda (Rwanda)	0	0	0	0	0
Lingala	0	0	0	0	0
Luba-Kasai	0	0	0	0	0
Mòoré	0	0	0	0	0
Mwani	0	0	0	0	0
Ndebele	15	15	0	0	0
Rundi (Kirundi)	0	0	0	0	0
Shona	15	15	0	0	0
Soninke	0	0	0	0	0
Sotho-Tswana languages	0	0	0	0	0
Swahili	0	0	0	0	0

Wojenaka	0	0	0	0	0
Wolof	0	0	0	0	0
Yoruba	15	15	0	0	0
Niger-Congo languages, n.i.e.	20	0	0	15	0
Nilo-Saharan languages	0	0	0	0	0
Dinka	0	0	0	0	0
Nuer	0	0	0	0	0
Nilo-Saharan languages, n.i.e.	0	0	0	0	0
African, n.o.s.	0	0	0	0	0
Sign languages	10	5	0	0	5
American Sign Language	0	0	0	0	0
Quebec Sign Language	0	0	0	0	0
Sign languages, n.i.e.	10	5	0	0	5
Sino-Tibetan languages	50	35	0	5	0
Chinese languages	50	35	0	5	0
Hakka	0	0	0	0	0
Mandarin	30	20	0	0	0
Min Dong	0	0	0	0	0
Min Nan (Chaochow, Teochow, Fukien, Taiwanese)	0	0	0	0	0
Wu (Shanghainese)	0	0	0	0	0
Yue (Cantonese)	15	15	0	0	0
Chinese, n.o.s.	5	0	0	0	0
Chinese languages, n.i.e.	0	0	0	0	0
Tibeto-Burman languages	0	0	0	0	0
Burmese	0	0	0	0	0
Kuki-Chin languages	0	0	0	0	0
Karenic languages	0	0	0	0	0
S'gaw Karen	0	0	0	0	0
Karenic languages, n.i.e.	0	0	0	0	0
Tibetan	0	0	0	0	0
Tibeto-Burman languages, n.i.e.	0	0	0	0	0
Sino-Tibetan languages, n.i.e.	0	0	0	0	0
Tai-Kadai languages	0	0	0	0	0
Lao	0	0	0	0	0
Thai	0	0	0	0	0
Tai-Kadai languages, n.i.e.	0	0	0	0	0
Turkic languages	0	0	0	0	0
Azerbaijani	0	0	0	0	0
Kazakh	0	0	0	0	0
Turkish	0	0	0	0	0
Uyghur	0	0	0	0	0
Uzbek	0	0	0	0	0
Turkic languages, n.i.e.	0	0	0	0	0
Uralic languages	10	10	0	0	0
Estonian	0	0	0	0	0
Finnish	0	0	0	0	0
Hungarian	10	5	0	0	0
Other languages, n.i.e.	0	0	0	0	0
Multiple responses	3,895	3,690	0	140	60
English and French	110	10	0	100	0
English and non-official language(s)	3,730	3,65	0	20	60
French and non-official language(s)	25	10	0	10	0
English, French and non-official language(s)	15	5	0	10	0
Multiple non-official languages	20	15	0	0	5

Abbreviation notes:

List of abbreviations and acronyms found within various Census products. (<https://www12.statcan.gc.ca/census-recensement/2021/ref/symb-ab-acr-eng.cfm>)

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Footnotes:

[1] Gender

Gender refers to an individual's personal and social identity as a man, woman or non-binary person (a person who is not exclusively a man or a woman). Gender includes the following concepts: gender identity, which refers to the gender that a person feels internally and individually

[2] Given that the non-binary population is small, data aggregation to a two-category gender variable is sometimes necessary to protect the confidentiality of responses provided. In these cases, individuals in the category “non-binary persons” are distributed into the other two gender categories and are denoted by the “+” symbol.

[3] Age

'Age' refers to the age of a person (or subject) of interest at last birthday (or relative to a specified, well-defined reference date).

[4] Knowledge of official languages

Knowledge of official languages refers to whether the person can conduct a conversation in English only, French only, in both or in neither language. For a child who has not yet learned to speak, this includes languages that the child is learning to speak at home.

[5] Mother tongue

Mother tongue refers to the first language learned at home in childhood and still understood by the person at the time the data was collected. If the person no longer understands the first language learned, the mother tongue is the second language learned. For a person who learned more than one language at the same time in early childhood, the mother tongue is the language this person spoke most often at home before starting school. The person has more than one mother tongue only if they learned these languages at the same time, and still understands them. For a child who has not yet learned to speak, the mother tongue is the language spoken most often to this child at home. A child who has not yet learned to speak has more than one mother tongue only if these languages are spoken to them equally often so that the child learns these languages at the same time.

[6] For more information on language variables, including information on their classifications, the questions from which they are derived, data quality and their comparability with other sources of data, please refer to the Languages Reference Guide, Census of Population, 2021.

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[8] n.i.e. = not included elsewhere n.o.s. = not otherwise specified

[9] Users should be aware that estimates associated with Indigenous languages are more affected than most by the incomplete enumeration of certain reserves and settlements in the Census of Population.

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