

Employment income groups by highest level of education: Canada, provinces and territories, Data Tables, 2021

Universe: Population aged 15 years and over in private households, 2021 Census — 25% Sample data

Employment income groups [4]	Northwest Territories (%) distribution Total - Gender [1, 2] Total - Age [3] 2020															
	Total - Employ- ment income groups	Without employ- ment income	With employ- ment income	Under \$5,000 (including loss)	\$5,000 to \$9,999	\$10,000 to \$19,999	\$20,000 to \$29,999	\$30,000 to \$39,999	\$40,000 to \$49,999	\$50,000 to \$59,999	\$60,000 to \$69,999	\$70,000 to \$79,999	\$80,000 to \$89,999	\$90,000 to \$99,999	\$100,000 and over	
	Highest certificate, diploma or degree [5]															
	Total - Highest certificate, diploma or degree [6]	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
No certificate, diploma or degree	25.9	49.3	20.0	47.9	42.6	31.6	24.0	21.1	21.6	17.2	15.2	12.9	10.5	9.5	6.0	
High (secondary) school diploma or equivalency certificate [7]	24.3	20.4	25.2	25.6	30.1	34.5	33.9	31.4	33.3	27.7	27.9	27.6	25.7	24.2	15.0	
Postsecondary certificate, diploma or degree	49.9	30.3	54.7	26.5	27.6	33.8	41.8	47.2	45.1	55.1	57.2	59.6	63.9	66.7	78.9	
Postsecondary certificate or diploma below bachelor level	27.7	20.0	29.6	18.6	16.9	22.3	27.8	28.8	29.3	38.9	32.7	32.4	38.5	39.4	33.2	
Apprenticeship or trades certificate or diploma	8.4	7.9	8.5	6.6	6.0	6.9	7.6	7.7	9.2	10.9	9.1	8.8	10.1	10.6	9.1	
Non-apprenticeship trades certificate or diploma [8]	4.0	3.8	4.0	4.5	3.8	4.4	4.4	5.0	4.4	6.3	4.4	4.0	3.4	4.2	2.8	
Apprenticeship certificate [9]	4.4	4.0	4.5	2.0	1.9	2.7	2.9	2.7	4.8	4.9	4.4	5.1	6.8	6.8	6.3	
College, CEGEP or other non-university certificate or diploma [10]	16.5	10.5	18.0	10.2	9.1	11.9	17.8	18.4	16.1	24.2	20.2	20.2	25.0	24.2	20.5	
University certificate or diploma below bachelor level	2.8	1.8	3.1	1.4	1.9	3.5	2.6	2.7	4.0	3.9	3.4	3.3	3.0	4.2	3.5	
Bachelor's degree or higher	22.2	10.2	25.1	8.1	10.7	11.7	13.7	18.7	15.8	16.1	24.6	27.2	25.3	27.3	45.8	
Bachelor's degree	14.6	7.5	16.4	5.4	7.2	8.4	8.5	14.0	12.8	12.3	16.2	19.5	17.2	17.4	27.9	
University certificate or diploma above bachelor level	1.3	0.6	1.5	0.9	1.3	0.4	1.5	1.0	0.7	0.7	1.7	1.8	1.7	1.9	2.6	
Degree in medicine, dentistry, veterinary medicine or optometry	0.4	0.2	0.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.7	
Master's degree	5.5	1.7	6.4	1.4	2.2	2.4	3.8	3.3	1.8	3.2	5.4	5.9	5.7	7.6	13.4	
Earned doctorate [11]	0.3	0.2	0.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.0	

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>)

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] Employment income

All income received as wages, salaries and commissions from paid employment and net self-employment income from farm or non-farm unincorporated business and/or professional practice during the reference period. For the 2021 Census, the reference period for income data is the calendar year 2020, unless otherwise specified.

[5] Highest certificate, diploma or degree

Highest certificate, diploma or degree is the classification used in the census to measure the broader concept of 'Educational attainment.' This variable refers to the highest level of education that a person has successfully completed and is derived from the educational qualifications questions, which asked for all certificates, diplomas and degrees to be reported. The general hierarchy used in deriving this variable (high school, trades, college, university) is loosely tied to the 'in-class' duration of the various types of education. At the detailed level, someone who has completed one type of certificate, diploma or degree will not necessarily have completed the credentials listed below it in the hierarchy. For example, a person with an apprenticeship or trades certificate or diploma may not have completed a high school certificate or diploma, nor does an individual with a 'master's degree' necessarily have a 'university certificate or diploma above bachelor level.' Although the hierarchy may not fit all programs perfectly, it gives a general measure of educational attainment. This variable is reported for persons aged 15 years and over in private households.

[6] For information on data quality for this variable, refer to the Education Reference Guide, Census of Population, 2021, Catalogue no. 98-500-X2021013.

[7] 'High (secondary) school diploma or equivalency certificate' includes only people who have this as their highest educational credential. It excludes persons with a postsecondary certificate, diploma or degree.

[8] 'Non-apprenticeship trades certificate or diploma' includes trades certificates or diplomas such as pre-employment or vocational certificates and diplomas from brief trade programs completed at colleges, institutes of technology, vocational centres and similar institutions. It also includes qualifications from vocational training programs in the province of Quebec such as the Diplôme d'études professionnelles (DEP)/Diploma of Vocational Studies (DVS).

[9] 'Apprenticeship certificate' includes Certificates of Apprenticeship, Certificates of Qualification and Journeyperson's designations.

[10] College, CEGEP and other non-university certificates and diplomas obtained from programs that are typically completed in less than 3 months are not included in this category.

[11] 'Earned doctorate' does not include honorary doctorates.

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