

Table 105-0490<sup>1</sup>

Sense of belonging to local community, by age group and sex, household population aged 12 and over, Canada, provinces, territories, health regions (June 2005 boundaries) and peer groups, every 2 years

Survey or program details:

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Geography<sup>2,3</sup>=Northwest Territories [61]

Age group	Sex	Sense of belonging to local community <sup>10</sup>	Characteristics <sup>11,12,13,14</sup>	2005
Total, 12 years and over	Both sexes	Total population for the variable sense of belonging to local community	Number of persons	34,664
			Percent	100.0
		Very strong or somewhat strong sense of belonging to local community	Number of persons	25,072
			Percent	72.3
		Very strong sense of belonging to local community	Number of persons	7,425
			Percent	21.4
		Somewhat strong sense of belonging to local community	Number of persons	17,647
			Percent	50.9
		Somewhat weak sense of belonging to local community	Number of persons	6,943
			Percent	20.0
		Very weak sense of belonging to local community	Number of persons	1,731 <sup>E</sup>
			Percent	5.0 <sup>E</sup>
		Sense of belonging to local community, not stated	Number of persons	918 <sup>E</sup>
			Percent	2.6 <sup>E</sup>
	Males	Total population for the variable sense of belonging to local community	Number of persons	18,070
			Percent	100.0
		Very strong or somewhat strong sense of belonging to local community	Number of persons	12,800
			Percent	70.8
		Very strong sense of belonging to local community	Number of persons	4,158
			Percent	23.0
		Somewhat strong sense of belonging to local community	Number of persons	8,642
			Percent	47.8
		Somewhat weak sense of belonging to local community	Number of persons	3,768
			Percent	20.9
		Very weak sense of belonging to local community	Number of persons	873 <sup>E</sup>
			Percent	4.8 <sup>E</sup>
		Sense of belonging to local community, not stated	Number of persons	628 <sup>E</sup>
			Percent	3.5 <sup>E</sup>
	Females	Total population for the variable sense of belonging to local community	Number of persons	16,594
			Percent	100.0
		Very strong or somewhat strong sense of belonging to local community	Number of persons	12,271
			Percent	73.9
		Very strong sense of belonging to local community	Number of persons	3,267
			Percent	19.7
		Somewhat strong sense of belonging to local community	Number of persons	9,005
			Percent	54.3
		Somewhat weak sense of belonging to local community	Number of persons	3,175
			Percent	19.1
		Very weak sense of belonging to local community	Number of persons	F
			Percent	F
			Number of persons	F

		Sense of belonging to local community, not stated	Percent	F
12 to 19 years	Both sexes	Total population for the variable sense of belonging to local community	Number of persons	5,716
			Percent	100.0
		Very strong or somewhat strong sense of belonging to local community	Number of persons	4,105
			Percent	71.8
		Very strong sense of belonging to local community	Number of persons	1,132 <sup>E</sup>
			Percent	19.8 <sup>E</sup>
		Somewhat strong sense of belonging to local community	Number of persons	2,973
			Percent	52.0
		Somewhat weak sense of belonging to local community	Number of persons	880 <sup>E</sup>
			Percent	15.4 <sup>E</sup>
		Very weak sense of belonging to local community	Number of persons	F
			Percent	F
		Sense of belonging to local community, not stated	Number of persons	F
			Percent	F
	Males	Total population for the variable sense of belonging to local community	Number of persons	2,987
			Percent	100.0
		Very strong or somewhat strong sense of belonging to local community	Number of persons	2,057
			Percent	68.9
		Very strong sense of belonging to local community	Number of persons	719 <sup>E</sup>
			Percent	24.1 <sup>E</sup>
		Somewhat strong sense of belonging to local community	Number of persons	1,338
			Percent	44.8
		Somewhat weak sense of belonging to local community	Number of persons	487 <sup>E</sup>
			Percent	16.3 <sup>E</sup>
		Very weak sense of belonging to local community	Number of persons	F
			Percent	F
		Sense of belonging to local community, not stated	Number of persons	F
			Percent	F
	Females	Total population for the variable sense of belonging to local community	Number of persons	2,730
			Percent	100.0
		Very strong or somewhat strong sense of belonging to local community	Number of persons	2,048
			Percent	75.0
		Very strong sense of belonging to local community	Number of persons	414 <sup>E</sup>
			Percent	15.2 <sup>E</sup>
		Somewhat strong sense of belonging to local community	Number of persons	1,635
			Percent	59.9
		Somewhat weak sense of belonging to local community	Number of persons	393 <sup>E</sup>
			Percent	14.4 <sup>E</sup>
		Very weak sense of belonging to local community	Number of persons	F
			Percent	F
		Sense of belonging to local community, not stated	Number of persons	F
			Percent	F
	Both sexes	Total population for the variable sense of belonging to local community	Number of persons	10,944
			Percent	100.0
		Very strong or somewhat strong sense of belonging to local community	Number of persons	6,919
			Percent	63.2
		Very strong sense of belonging to local community	Number of persons	1,695 <sup>E</sup>
			Percent	15.5 <sup>E</sup>
		Somewhat strong sense of belonging to local community	Number of persons	5,224
			Percent	47.7
		Somewhat weak sense of belonging to local community	Number of persons	3,375
			Percent	30.8

20 to 34 years		Very weak sense of belonging to local community	Number of persons	610 <sup>E</sup>
			Percent	5.6 <sup>E</sup>
		Sense of belonging to local community, not stated	Number of persons	F
			Percent	F
	Males	Total population for the variable sense of belonging to local community	Number of persons	5,591
			Percent	100.0
		Very strong or somewhat strong sense of belonging to local community	Number of persons	3,292
			Percent	58.9
		Very strong sense of belonging to local community	Number of persons	849 <sup>E</sup>
			Percent	15.2 <sup>E</sup>
		Somewhat strong sense of belonging to local community	Number of persons	2,444
			Percent	43.7
		Somewhat weak sense of belonging to local community	Number of persons	1,927
			Percent	34.5
		Very weak sense of belonging to local community	Number of persons	F
			Percent	F
		Sense of belonging to local community, not stated	Number of persons	F
			Percent	F
	Females	Total population for the variable sense of belonging to local community	Number of persons	5,352
			Percent	100.0
		Very strong or somewhat strong sense of belonging to local community	Number of persons	3,627
			Percent	67.8
		Very strong sense of belonging to local community	Number of persons	847 <sup>E</sup>
			Percent	15.8 <sup>E</sup>
		Somewhat strong sense of belonging to local community	Number of persons	2,780
			Percent	52.0
		Somewhat weak sense of belonging to local community	Number of persons	1,448 <sup>E</sup>
			Percent	27.1 <sup>E</sup>
		Very weak sense of belonging to local community	Number of persons	F
			Percent	F
		Sense of belonging to local community, not stated	Number of persons	F
			Percent	F
35 to 44 years	Both sexes	Total population for the variable sense of belonging to local community	Number of persons	7,169
			Percent	100.0
		Very strong or somewhat strong sense of belonging to local community	Number of persons	5,711
			Percent	79.7
		Very strong sense of belonging to local community	Number of persons	1,780
			Percent	24.8
		Somewhat strong sense of belonging to local community	Number of persons	3,931
			Percent	54.8
		Somewhat weak sense of belonging to local community	Number of persons	1,063 <sup>E</sup>
			Percent	14.8 <sup>E</sup>
		Very weak sense of belonging to local community	Number of persons	F
			Percent	F
		Sense of belonging to local community, not stated	Number of persons	F
			Percent	F
	Males	Total population for the variable sense of belonging to local community	Number of persons	3,710
			Percent	100.0
		Very strong or somewhat strong sense of belonging to local community	Number of persons	3,011
			Percent	81.2
		Very strong sense of belonging to local community	Number of persons	935
			Percent	25.2 <sup>E</sup>
		Somewhat strong sense of belonging to local community	Number of persons	2,076

			Percent	56.0
		Somewhat weak sense of belonging to local community	Number of persons	435 <sup>E</sup>
			Percent	11.7 <sup>E</sup>
		Very weak sense of belonging to local community	Number of persons	F
			Percent	F
		Sense of belonging to local community, not stated	Number of persons	F
			Percent	F
	Females	Total population for the variable sense of belonging to local community	Number of persons	3,459
			Percent	100.0
		Very strong or somewhat strong sense of belonging to local community	Number of persons	2,700
			Percent	78.1
		Very strong sense of belonging to local community	Number of persons	845 <sup>E</sup>
			Percent	24.4 <sup>E</sup>
		Somewhat strong sense of belonging to local community	Number of persons	1,855
			Percent	53.6
		Somewhat weak sense of belonging to local community	Number of persons	F
			Percent	F
		Very weak sense of belonging to local community	Number of persons	F
			Percent	F
		Sense of belonging to local community, not stated	Number of persons	F
			Percent	F
45 to 64 years	Both sexes	Total population for the variable sense of belonging to local community	Number of persons	9,053
			Percent	100.0
		Very strong or somewhat strong sense of belonging to local community	Number of persons	6,913
			Percent	76.4
		Very strong sense of belonging to local community	Number of persons	2,016 <sup>E</sup>
			Percent	22.3 <sup>E</sup>
		Somewhat strong sense of belonging to local community	Number of persons	4,896
			Percent	54.1
		Somewhat weak sense of belonging to local community	Number of persons	1,439 <sup>E</sup>
			Percent	15.9 <sup>E</sup>
		Very weak sense of belonging to local community	Number of persons	F
			Percent	F
		Sense of belonging to local community, not stated	Number of persons	F
			Percent	F
	Males	Total population for the variable sense of belonging to local community	Number of persons	4,888
			Percent	100.0
		Very strong or somewhat strong sense of belonging to local community	Number of persons	3,690
			Percent	75.5
		Very strong sense of belonging to local community	Number of persons	1,345 <sup>E</sup>
			Percent	27.5 <sup>E</sup>
		Somewhat strong sense of belonging to local community	Number of persons	2,345
			Percent	48.0
		Somewhat weak sense of belonging to local community	Number of persons	860 <sup>E</sup>
			Percent	17.6 <sup>E</sup>
		Very weak sense of belonging to local community	Number of persons	F
			Percent	F
		Sense of belonging to local community, not stated	Number of persons	F
			Percent	F
		Total population for the variable sense of belonging to local community	Number of persons	4,164
			Percent	100.0
		Very strong or somewhat strong sense of belonging to local community	Number of persons	3,223
			Percent	77.4

	Females	Very strong sense of belonging to local community	Number of persons	671 <sup>E</sup>
			Percent	16.1 <sup>E</sup>
		Somewhat strong sense of belonging to local community	Number of persons	2,551
			Percent	61.3
		Somewhat weak sense of belonging to local community	Number of persons	F
			Percent	F
		Very weak sense of belonging to local community	Number of persons	F
			Percent	F
		Sense of belonging to local community, not stated	Number of persons	F
			Percent	F
65 years and over	Both sexes	Total population for the variable sense of belonging to local community	Number of persons	1,782
			Percent	100.0
		Very strong or somewhat strong sense of belonging to local community	Number of persons	1,423
			Percent	79.9
		Very strong sense of belonging to local community	Number of persons	801 <sup>E</sup>
			Percent	44.9 <sup>E</sup>
		Somewhat strong sense of belonging to local community	Number of persons	623 <sup>E</sup>
			Percent	34.9 <sup>E</sup>
		Somewhat weak sense of belonging to local community	Number of persons	F
			Percent	F
		Very weak sense of belonging to local community	Number of persons	F
			Percent	F
		Sense of belonging to local community, not stated	Number of persons	F
			Percent	F
	Males	Total population for the variable sense of belonging to local community	Number of persons	894
			Percent	100.0
		Very strong or somewhat strong sense of belonging to local community	Number of persons	751
			Percent	84.0
		Very strong sense of belonging to local community	Number of persons	F
			Percent	F
		Somewhat strong sense of belonging to local community	Number of persons	439 <sup>E</sup>
			Percent	49.2 <sup>E</sup>
		Somewhat weak sense of belonging to local community	Number of persons	F
			Percent	F
		Very weak sense of belonging to local community	Number of persons	F
			Percent	F
		Sense of belonging to local community, not stated	Number of persons	F
			Percent	F
	Females	Total population for the variable sense of belonging to local community	Number of persons	889
			Percent	100.0
		Very strong or somewhat strong sense of belonging to local community	Number of persons	673
			Percent	75.7
		Very strong sense of belonging to local community	Number of persons	489 <sup>E</sup>
			Percent	55.1 <sup>E</sup>
		Somewhat strong sense of belonging to local community	Number of persons	183 <sup>E</sup>
			Percent	20.6 <sup>E</sup>
		Somewhat weak sense of belonging to local community	Number of persons	F
			Percent	F
		Very weak sense of belonging to local community	Number of persons	F
			Percent	F
		Sense of belonging to local community, not stated	Number of persons	F
			Percent	F

## Symbol legend:

- <sup>E</sup> Use with caution
- <sup>F</sup> Too unreliable to be published

## Footnotes:

1. Source: Statistics Canada, Canadian Community Health Survey (CCHS 3.1), 2005.
2. Health regions are defined by the provincial ministries of health. These are legislated administrative areas in all provinces. The health regions presented in this table are based on boundaries and names in effect as of June 2005. For complete Canadian coverage, each of the northern territories also represents a health region.
3. A "peer group" is a grouping of health regions that have similar social and economic characteristics. The nine peer groups are identified by the letters A through I, which are appended to the health region 4-digit code.
10. Population aged 12 and over who describe their sense of belonging to their local community as very strong, somewhat strong, somewhat weak or very weak. Research shows a high correlation of sense of community-belonging with physical and mental health.
11. When comparing estimates, it is important to use confidence intervals to determine if differences between values are statistically significant. Confidence intervals describe sampling variability and give an indication of the precision of a given estimate.
12. Bootstrapping techniques were used to produce the coefficient of variation (CV) and 95% confidence intervals (CIs).
13. Data with a coefficient of variation (CV) from 16.6% to 33.3% are identified as follows: (E) use with caution.
14. Data with a coefficient of variation (CV) greater than 33.3% were suppressed due to extreme sampling variability and are identified as follows: (F) too unreliable to be published.

**Source:** Statistics Canada. *Table 105-0490 - Sense of belonging to local community, by age group and sex, household population aged 12 and over, Canada, provinces, territories, health regions (June 2005 boundaries) and peer groups, every 2 years, CANSIM (database).*

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