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# Data tables, 2016 Census

Individual MBM Low-income Status (6) and Economic Family Characteristics of Persons (25) for the Population in Private Households of Canada, Provinces and Territories, Census Metropolitan Areas and Census Agglomerations, 2016 Census - 25% Sample Data

## Data table

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| | **Individual MBM low-income status (6)** | | | | | |
| **Economic family characteristics of persons (25)** | **Total - Individual MBM low-income status** [1] | **Low-income status - not applicable** [2] | **Low-income status - applicable** | **In low income** | **Not in low income** | **Prevalence of low income (%)** [3] |
| Total - Persons by selected economic family characteristics [4] | 35,580 | 35,580 | 0 | 0 | 0 | ... (not applicable) |
| Persons in economic families [5] | 32,870 | 32,870 | 0 | 0 | 0 | ... (not applicable) |
| In couple economic families | 26,700 | 26,695 | 0 | 0 | 0 | ... (not applicable) |
| In a couple economic family without children or other relatives | 2,010 | 2,010 | 0 | 0 | 0 | ... (not applicable) |
| In a couple economic family with children | 23,915 | 23,910 | 0 | 0 | 0 | ... (not applicable) |
| With children aged 0 to 17 years | 22,355 | 22,355 | 0 | 0 | 0 | ... (not applicable) |
| Without children aged 0 to 5 years | 7,190 | 7,190 | 0 | 0 | 0 | ... (not applicable) |
| With children aged 0 to 5 years | 15,160 | 15,160 | 0 | 0 | 0 | ... (not applicable) |
| In a couple economic family with other relatives only | 780 | 775 | 0 | 0 | 0 | ... (not applicable) |
| In lone-parent economic families | 5,685 | 5,685 | 0 | 0 | 0 | ... (not applicable) |
| In a male lone-parent economic family | 1,415 | 1,410 | 0 | 0 | 0 | ... (not applicable) |
| In a male lone-parent economic family without other relatives | 845 | 845 | 0 | 0 | 0 | ... (not applicable) |
| With children aged 0 to 17 years | 605 | 605 | 0 | 0 | 0 | ... (not applicable) |
| Without children aged 0 to 5 years | 430 | 430 | 0 | 0 | 0 | ... (not applicable) |
| With children aged 0 to 5 years | 180 | 180 | 0 | 0 | 0 | ... (not applicable) |
| In a female lone-parent economic family | 4,275 | 4,275 | 0 | 0 | 0 | ... (not applicable) |
| In a female lone-parent economic family without other relatives | 2,900 | 2,900 | 0 | 0 | 0 | ... (not applicable) |
| With children aged 0 to 17 years | 2,290 | 2,290 | 0 | 0 | 0 | ... (not applicable) |
| Without children aged 0 to 5 years | 1,285 | 1,285 | 0 | 0 | 0 | ... (not applicable) |
| With children aged 0 to 5 years | 1,005 | 1,005 | 0 | 0 | 0 | ... (not applicable) |
| In other economic families | 485 | 485 | 0 | 0 | 0 | ... (not applicable) |
| Persons not in economic families | 2,710 | 2,705 | 0 | 0 | 0 | ... (not applicable) |
| Persons not in economic families aged 15 to 29 years [6] | 590 | 590 | 0 | 0 | 0 | ... (not applicable) |
| Persons not in economic families aged 30 to 64 years | 1,915 | 1,915 | 0 | 0 | 0 | ... (not applicable) |
| Persons not in economic families aged 65 years and over | 195 | 195 | 0 | 0 | 0 | ... (not applicable) |

## Symbol(s)

..      not available for a specific reference period

...      not applicable

**x**    suppressed to meet the confidentiality requirements of the *Statistics Act*

**F**    too unreliable to be published

## Footnote(s)

1    Market Basket Measure (MBM) - Market Basket Measure refers to the measure of low income based on the cost of a specific basket of goods and services representing a modest, basic standard of living developed by Employment and Social Development Canada (ESDC). The threshold represents the costs of specified qualities and quantities of food, clothing, footwear, transportation, shelter and other expenses for a reference family of two adults and two children. The square root of economic family size is the equivalence scale used to adjust the MBM thresholds for other family sizes.

The MBM basket (2011-base) is priced for 50 different geographic areas - 19 specific communities and 31 population centre size and province combinations. The MBM recognises the potential differences in the cost of the basket between similar-sized communities in different provinces and between different geographical regions within provinces. These thresholds are presented in Table 4.5 Market Basket Measure (MBM) thresholds for economic families and persons not in economic families, 2015, Dictionary, Census of Population, 2016.

The income measure used to compare against the MBM thresholds is the disposal income for the MBM. When the disposable income for the MBM of an economic family member or a person not in economic family falls below the threshold applicable to the person, the person is considered to be in low income according to MBM. Since the MBM threshold and disposable income are unique within each economic family, low-income status based on MBM can also be reported for economic families.

Low-income status - The income situation of the statistical unit in relation to a specific low-income line in a reference year. Statistical units with income that is below the low-income line are considered to be in low income.

For the 2016 Census, the reference period is the calendar year 2015 for all income variables.

2    The low-income concepts are not applied in the territories and in certain areas based on census subdivision type (such as Indian reserves). The existence of substantial in-kind transfers (such as subsidized housing and First Nations band housing) and sizeable barter economies or consumption from own production (such as product from hunting, farming or fishing) could make the interpretation of low-income statistics more difficult in these situations.

3    Prevalence of low income - The proportion or percentage of units whose income falls below a specified low-income line.

4    For more information, refer to the Census Dictionary: Economic family; Economic family structure.

5    The way that economic families are classified by economic family structure depends on who is selected as the economic family reference person. For the 2016 Census, the criteria for determining who is the economic family reference person changed slightly. Data appearing in this table for 2011, 2006 or 2001, as the case may be, have been updated to reflect the 2016 procedures in order to provide comparable data for all years shown. For more information, refer to the Families Reference Guide, Census of Population, 2016.

6    For years prior to 2016, a small number of persons not in economic families may be aged less than 15 years. They are included with persons not in economic families aged 15 to 29 years in this table.

## Data quality note(s) – Nunavut

- **Incomplete enumeration flag**
  Default. Not applicable.
- **Long-form data quality flag**
  Global non-response rate (GNR), long-form census questionnaire: 8.7%.
- **Long-form income data quality flag**
  Data quality index showing a long-form income non-response rate higher than or equal to 10%, but lower than 20%.

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