



Population, Percentage Change 2021 Census Results, Capital Region

	2006 Pop'n (Census)	2011 Pop'n (Census)	2016 Pop'n (Census)	2021 Pop'n (Census)	% Growth 06-11	% Growth 11-16	% Growth 16-21
Esquimalt	16,840	16,209	17,655	17,533	-3.7%	8.9%	-0.7%
Oak Bay	17,908	18,015	18,094	17,990	0.6%	0.4%	-0.6%
Saanich	108,265	109,752	114,148	117,735	1.4%	4.0%	3.1%
Victoria	78,057	80,017	85,792	91,867	2.5%	7.2%	7.1%
View Royal	8,768	9,381	10,408	11,575	7.0%	10.9%	11.2%
First Nations Reserves (1)	1,643	1,678	1,842	1,959	2.1%	9.8%	6.4%
CORE	231,481	235,052	247,939	258,659	1.5%	5.5%	4.3%
Central Saanich	15,745	15,936	16,814	17,385	1.2%	5.5%	3.4%
North Saanich	10,823	11,089	11,249	12,235	2.5%	1.4%	8.8%
Sidney	11,315	11,178	11,672	12,318	-1.2%	4.4%	5.5%
First Nations Reserves (2)	2,577	2,965	2,937	2,877	15.1%	-0.9%	-2.0%
PENINSULA	40,460	41,168	42,672	44,815	1.7%	3.7%	5.0%
Colwood	14,687	16,093	16,859	18,961	9.6%	4.8%	12.5%
Highlands	1,903	2,120	2,225	2,482	11.4%	5.0%	11.6%
Juan de Fuca E.A. (7)	4,484	4,466	4,860	5,531	-0.4%	8.8%	13.8%
<i>East Sooke</i>	1,435	1,435	1,695	1,820	0.0%	18.1%	7.4%
<i>Jordan River / Shirley</i>	475	415	485	650	-12.6%	16.9%	34.0%
<i>Malahat OCP</i>	205	135	190	240	-34.1%	40.7%	26.3%
<i>Otter Point</i>	1,610	1,810	1,960	2,115	12.4%	8.3%	7.9%
<i>Port Renfrew OCP</i>	195	125	105	235	-35.9%	-16.0%	123.8%
<i>Willis Point</i>	365	410	415	415	12.3%	1.2%	0.0%
Langford	22,459	29,228	35,342	46,584	30.1%	20.9%	31.8%
Metchosin	4,795	4,803	4,708	5,067	0.2%	-2.0%	7.6%
Sooke (5)(6)	9,704	11,435	13,001	15,086	17.8%	13.7%	16.0%
First Nations Reserves (3)	450	639	465	451	42.0%	-27.2%	-3.0%
WEST SHORE	58,482	68,669	77,460	94,162	17.4%	12.8%	21.6%
Salt Spring Is. E.A.	9,640	10,234	10,557	11,635	6.2%	3.2%	10.2%
Southern Gulf Is. E.A.	5,101	4,868	4,732	6,101	-4.6%	-2.8%	28.9%
<i>Galiano Is.</i>	1,258	1,138	1,044	1,396	-9.5%	-8.3%	33.7%
<i>Mayne Is.</i>	1,112	1,071	949	1,304	-3.7%	-11.4%	37.4%
<i>Pender Is.</i>	2,181	2,236	2,302	2,467	2.5%	3.0%	7.2%
<i>Saturna Is.</i>	359	335	354	465	-6.7%	5.7%	31.4%
First Nations Reserves (4)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
GULF ISLANDS	14,741	15,102	15,289	17,736	2.4%	1.2%	16.0%
CAPITAL REGION	345,164	359,991	383,360	415,451	4.3%	6.5%	8.4%
VICTORIA CMA	330,088	344,580	367,770	397,237	4.4%	6.7%	8.0%

Demographics



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Technical Notes

E.A. = Electoral Area

With every Census there are inevitably a certain number of persons who are missed by the Census Enumerators and therefore not counted. The estimates for this undercount have not yet been applied to the data overleaf.

Footnotes

- (1) First Nations Reserves in the Core include*: Esquimalt, New Songhees 1A
 - (2) First Nations Reserves on the Peninsula include*: Cole Bay 3, Union Bay 4, East Saanich 2, South Saanich 1
 - (3) First Nations Reserves in the West Shore include*: Becher Bay 1, T'Souke 1 (Sooke 1), T'Souke 2 (Sooke 2), Gordon River 2, Pacheena 1
 - (4) First Nations Reserves in the Gulf Islands include*: Galiano Island 9, Mayne Island 6
 - (5) On Dec 6, 1999, a portion of the former Sooke Electoral Area was incorporated as Sooke District. The remaining unincorporated portion of the Sooke E.A., together with the Langford E.A., were combined into a new Juan de Fuca E.A. Because the incorporation of Sooke District occurred after the taking of the 1996 Census, demographics are not available for Sooke District nor the Juan de Fuca E.A. for the 1996 Census. Demographics for these new jurisdictions are, however, included in the 2001 Census data.
 - (6) 2006 Census Population counts are for geographic boundaries as of Jan 1st, 2006.
Changes to Sooke's and Juan de Fuca E.A.'s boundaries due to Sooke boundary extensions to the East (Gillespie Rd) and to the West (Kemp Lake/West Coast Road) in Feb 2006 are not reflected in these counts.
 - (7) 2011 Census population counts for Juan de Fuca E.A. were revised with the release of the 2016 census
- (*) Statistics Canada only recognizes the subset of First Nation reserves that are populated (or potentially populated) as census subdivisions.

Source: Statistics Canada 2021/2016/2011/2006 Census of Canada

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