

Individual Income

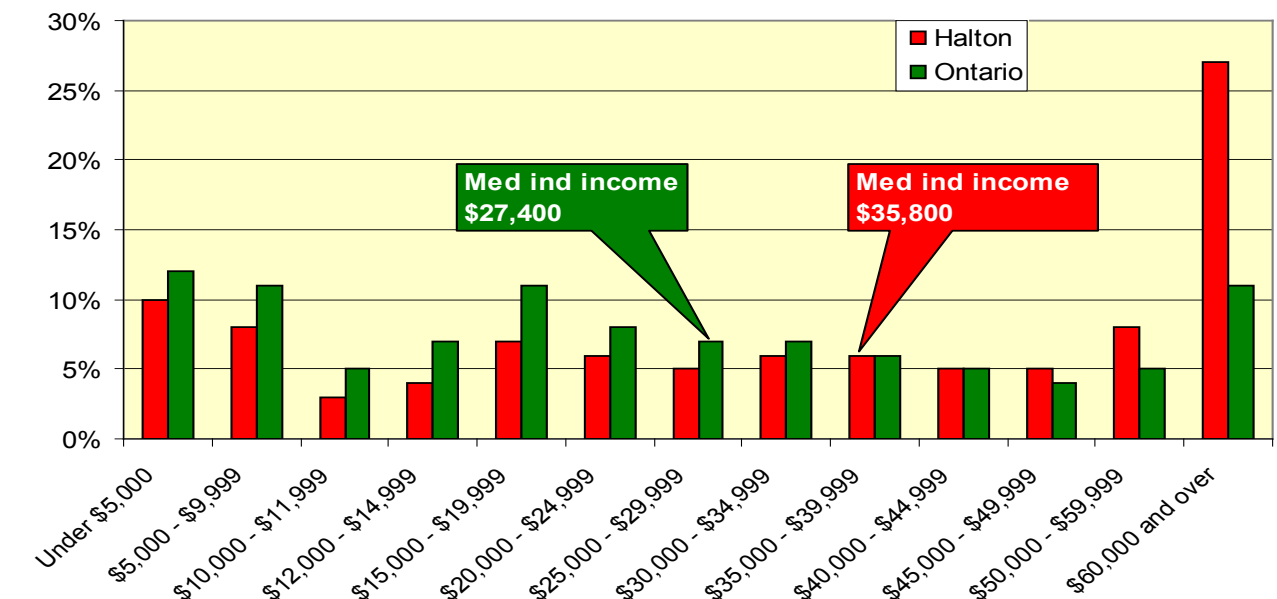
The 2005 median income for individuals (15 years and over) living in Halton is \$35,800 which is about 30% higher than that of the province. Median individual income is the dollar amount which divides the population into two halves; the incomes of the first half are below the median, while those of the second half are above the median. It is less sensitive to extremely low or high income values which are included in the calculation of average income.

Over one-quarter (27%) of the individuals earned more than \$60,000 as compared to 11% for Ontario. On the other hand, nearly half (46%) of individuals in Ontario earned less than \$20,000 as compared to 32% in the region.

Residents in the Town of Milton had the highest median income of \$37,430 followed closely by those in the Town of Halton Hills at \$36,520 and the Town of Oakville at \$36,100. The median individual income for the City of Burlington is \$34,800 which is about 93% of that of the Town of Milton.



**Percentage Distribution of Individual Income
Ontario and Halton, 2005**



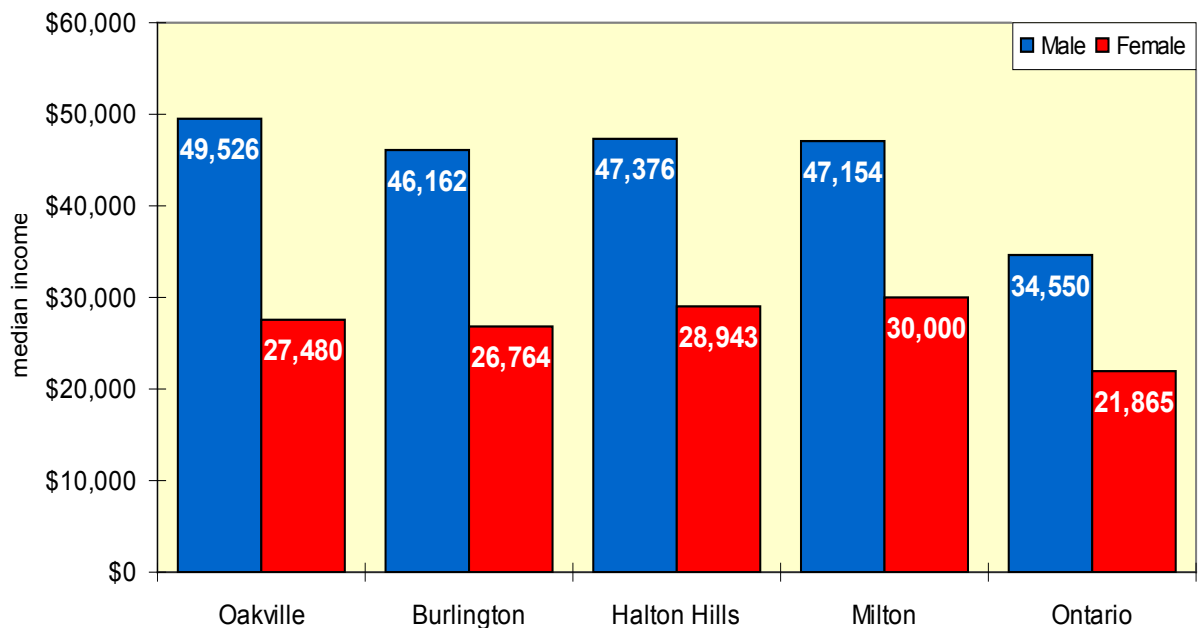
Source: Statistics Canada, 2006 Census

The Gender Gap

There are significant differences in median individual income between the genders. The male and female median individual incomes for Halton are 37% and 26% higher than their provincial counterparts respectively. Within the region, The Town of Oakville has the highest male median individual income and the Town of Milton has the highest female median individual income.

The provincial female-male earnings ratio is about 63%. That is, for every dollar made by men, women made about 63 cents. Although the median individual incomes for the four local municipalities are higher than that of the province, only the Town of Milton has a somewhat narrower female-male earnings ratio than the province's ratio. Women living in the Town of Milton made 64 cents for every dollar made by the men. The widest female-male earnings ratio is found in the Town of Oakville, where female residents made only 55% of what men made.

**Median Individual Income by Gender
Halton and Ontario, 2005**



Source: Statistics Canada, 2006 Census