

## **Household Income**

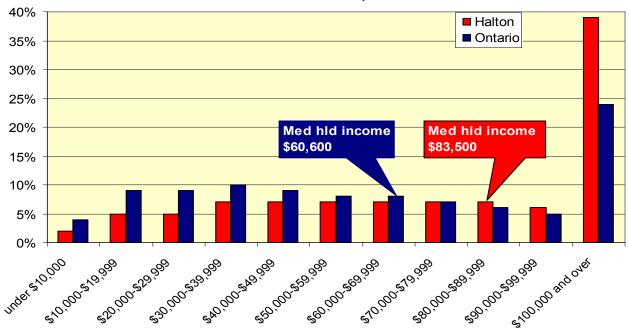
Household income is the sum of the total incomes of all members of a given household. Total incomes include employment income, income from government, dividends, interest, retirement pensions, alimony, child support and scholarships.

The 2005 median household income for Halton is \$83,500, which is about 38% higher than that of the province. Median income is the dollar amount which divides the population or households 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.



Almost four in ten (39%) Halton households earned more than \$100,000 as compared to less than 25% for households in Ontario. On the other hand, about 40% of all households in Ontario earned less than \$50,000 as compared to 25% in Halton.

## Percentage Distribution of Household Income Ontario and Halton, 2005



Source: Statistics Canada, 2006 Census

## **Household Income Distribution**

Households in Oakville had the highest median income of \$93,400, which is about 23% higher than that of Burlington. As shown in the map below, there are many census tracts in Oakville with median household income over \$97,500. About 46% of Oakville's households earned more than \$100,000 in 2005. Over one-quarter (29%) of the households in Burlington made less than \$50,000. Most of the households with low median income are located in and around Burlington's downtown area. Milton also has one census tract with median household income less than \$51,600.

