

Permanent Resident Landings in Halton, 2012

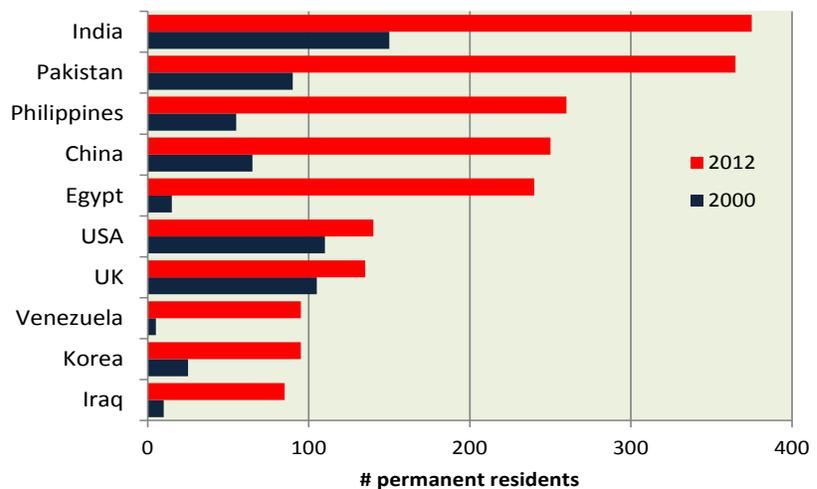
Between 2000 and 2012, the annual number of permanent resident¹ landings² in Halton has increased by over 160% from 1,200 to 3,145. Halton Region's share of Ontario's total landings has also increased. In 2000, Halton's share was less than 1% and rose to 3.1% in 2012. Halton is attracting more immigrants. However, it is important to note that the CIC data records the intended destinations in Canada of permanent residents and not necessarily their final place of residence. For example, a permanent resident may indicate his/her intention to land in the City of Burlington and, upon arrival, may move to and live in the City of Toronto.

As noted in Community Lens #10, since the 1970s, the main source of immigrants to Canada has shifted from Europe to non-European countries. In 1971, about 60% of recent immigrants were from European countries; in 2006, only 16%. This trend continues.

In Halton, in 2000, the top two countries of birth were from Europe (i.e. United Kingdom and Yugoslavia). In 2012, the United Kingdom was the only European country remaining in the list of top 10 countries. The new entrants to the list were Egypt, Venezuela and Iraq. India maintains its top spot followed closely by Pakistan.

With the exception of Halton Hills, Halton municipalities experienced significant growth in immigrant population. This was especially true for the Town of Milton where the number of immigrants increased by over ten fold. In 2000, Milton accounted for less than 5% of immigrants destined to Halton Region; in 2012, its proportion rose to over 25%. One in four immigrants coming to Halton chose Milton as their intended destination.

**Top 10 countries of origin (place of birth)
Halton Region, 2000 and 2012**



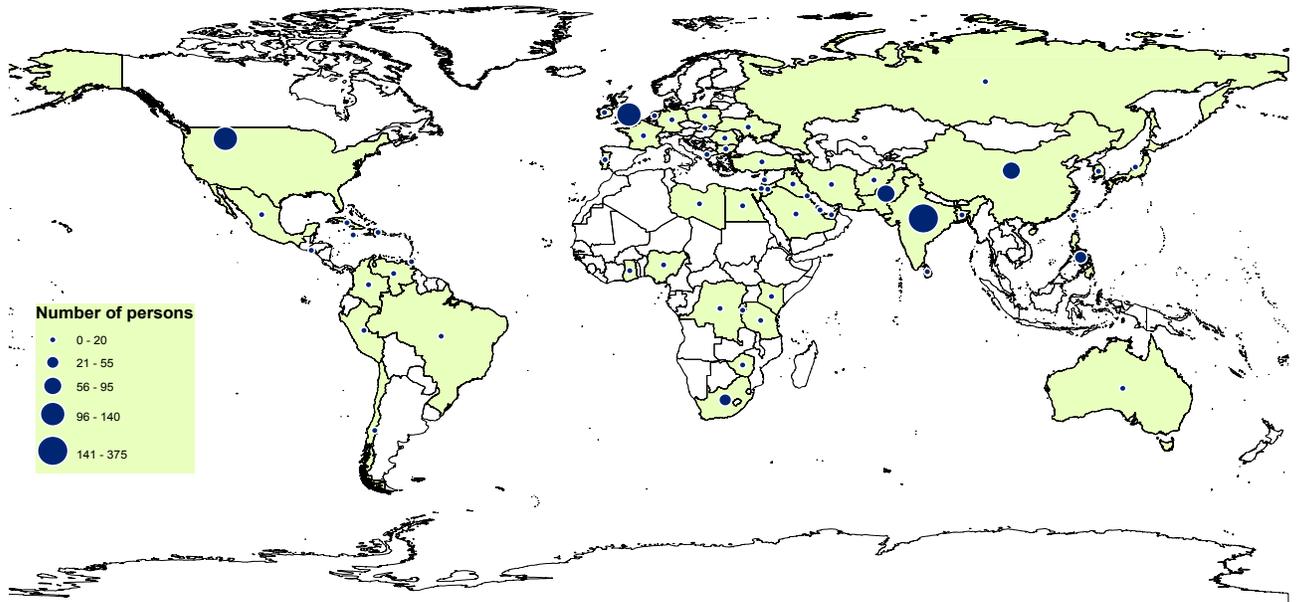
Source: Citizenship and Immigration Canada

The Town of Oakville maintained its position as a dominant intended destination. It continues to attract half (51% in 2000 and 50% in 2012) of the intended immigrant landings in Halton. On the other hand, the City of Burlington, with an increase of 57% between 2000 and 2012, saw its share of the region's immigrant population reduced from 38% to 23%.

¹ A permanent resident is someone who had acquired permanent resident status by immigrating to Canada, but is not yet a Canadian citizen.

² Citizenship and Immigration Canada, *Facts and figures 2012 – Immigration overview, Permanent and temporary residents*

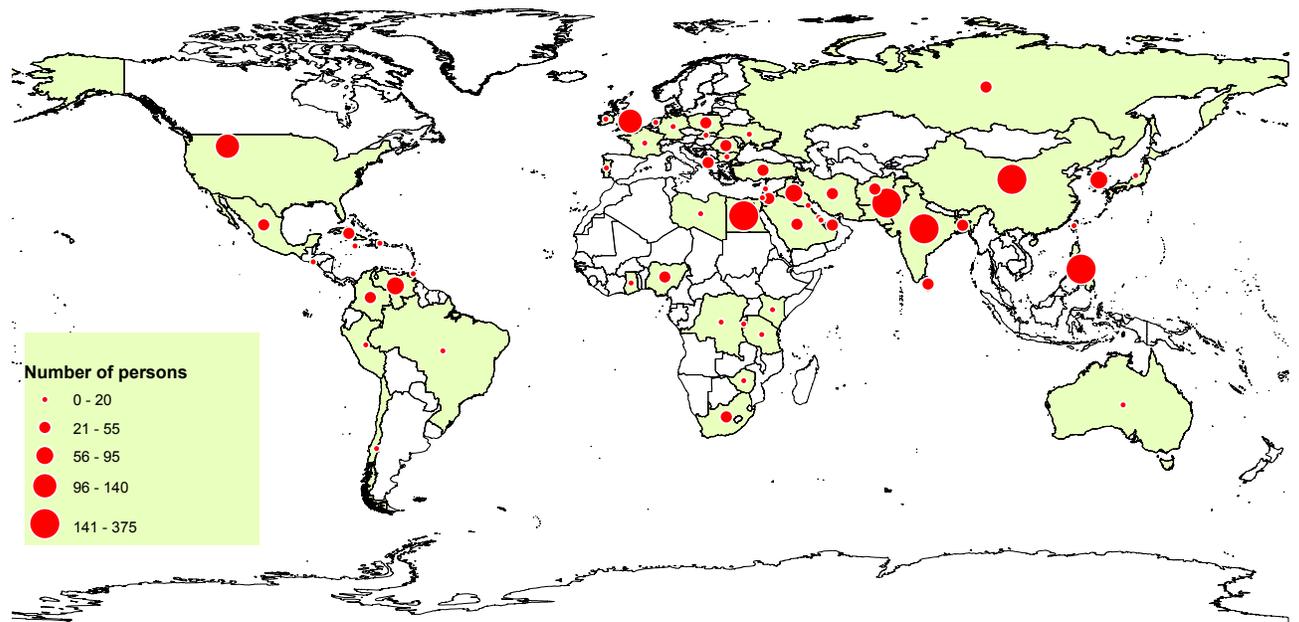
Immigrant Landings in Halton by Country of Birth 2000



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