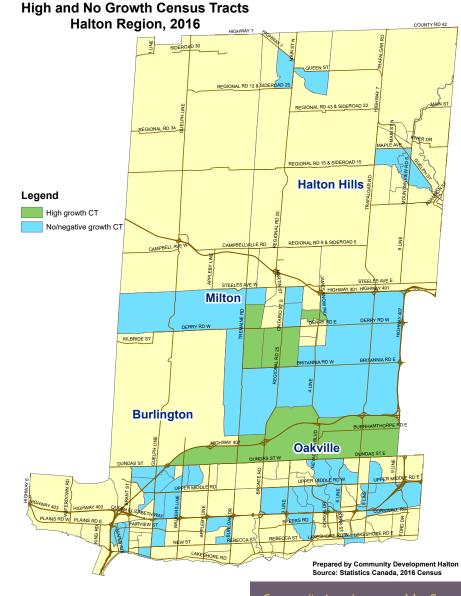


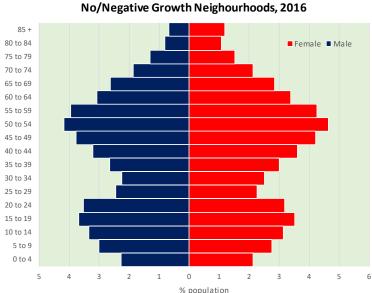
High and No Growth Neighbourhoods

Community Lens #121 looked at the population change by Census Tract (CT)¹ (neighbourhood) between 2011 and 2016. About two-thirds (67%) of the CTs in Halton experienced an increase in population. The other CTs showed either no change or a decrease in population. In general, a neighbourhood with significant increase in population implies an increase in demand for goods and services. For businesses, it means more sales and customers. For government, it means more services such as schools, libraries, garbage pickups, health, and social services. To a large extent, the reverse is true for neighbourhoods with considerable decline in population.



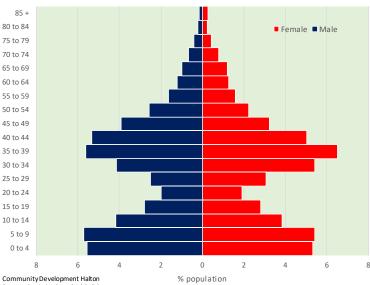
1 Census Tract (CT) as defined by Statistics Canada is a relatively permanent area with a population range of 2,500 to 8,000 and the greatest possible social and economic homogeneity Community Lens is prepared by Community Development Halton to disseminate and interpret important community data as it becomes available. For more information please contact us at data@cdhalton.ca or 905-632-1975 The second release of 2016 Census data on age and sex provides an opportunity to learn more about these two types of neighbourhoods. There are six high growth neighbourhoods (4 in Milton, 1 in Burlington and 1 in Oakville) with an average population increase of over 5,000. The no/negative growth neighbourhoods, which total 38, averaged a decrease of about 80 people.

The population pyramids of these two groups of neighbourhoods show significant differences. The high and no/negative growth neighbourhoods represent a relatively young and an old population respectively. For example, in high growth neighbourhoods, over one in five residents is less than 10 years old compared to one in ten for the no/negative growth neighbourhoods. In the no/negative growth neighbourhoods, one in seven (16%) persons is a senior. On the other hand, seniors only represent about 5% of the population in high growth neighbourhoods.



Population Pyramid

Community Development Halton Source: Statistics Canada, 2016 Census



Population Pyramid High Growth Neighbourhoods, 2016

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