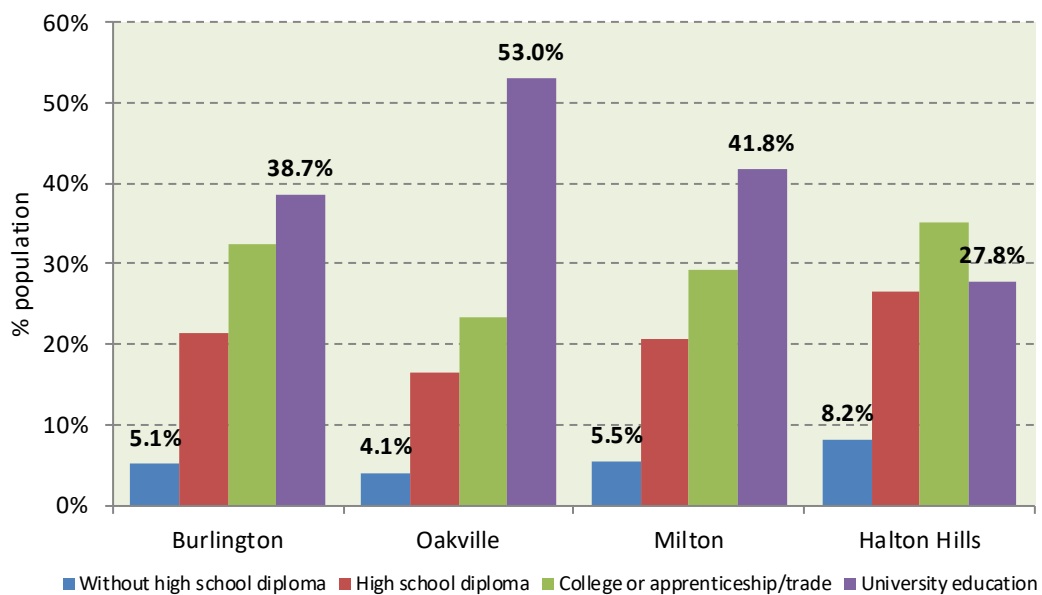


## Education in Halton, 2016

In 2016, more than half (54.0%) of Canadians aged 25 to 64 had either college or university qualifications, up from 48.3% in 2006. Canada continues to rank first among the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) countries in the proportion of college and university graduates<sup>1</sup>.

In Halton, almost three-quarters (74.4%) of the residents in the same age bracket had obtained the qualifications. Oakville's percentage is slightly higher at 76.4% followed by Burlington and Milton at 71% and Halton Hills at 63%.

**Proportion of population (25-64 years) by Highest Level of Educational Attainment, Halton Region, 2016**

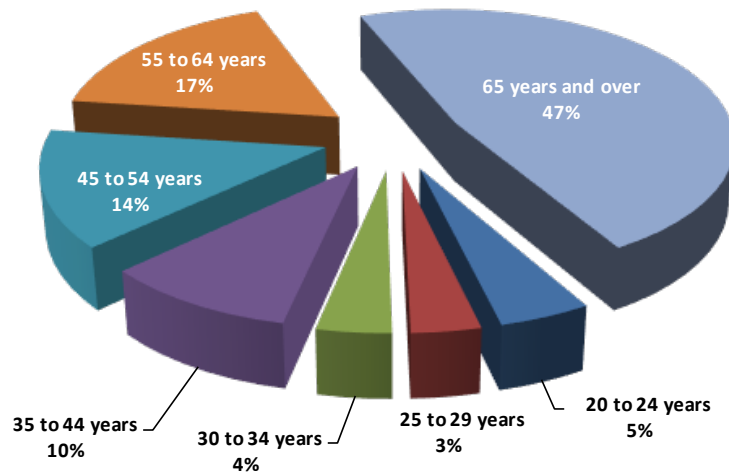


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As seen in the following chart, there is still a small portion of population aged 20 years and over without a high school diploma. Over half (53%) of the group is between 20 and 64 years – the working age. Although education does not necessarily guarantee employment, there is a strong relationship between earnings and higher education.

<sup>1</sup> Statistics Canada, *Education in Canada: Key results from the 2016 Census*, November 29, 2017

## Percentage of Population (20 yrs+) with no High School Certificate by Age Group, Halton Region, 2016



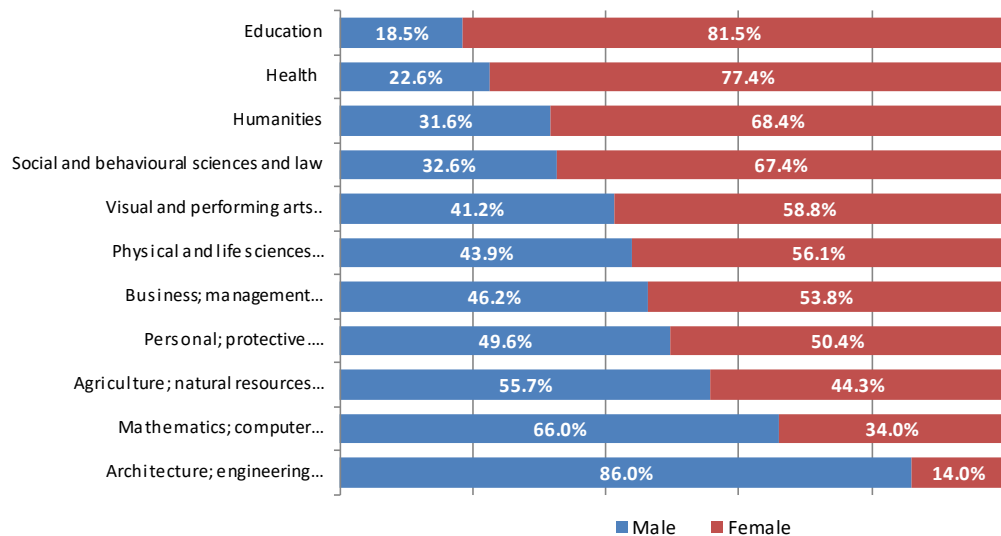
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For those with a postsecondary certificate, diploma or degree, the most popular major field of study is business, management and public administration (26%), followed by architecture, engineering and related technologies (16%) and social and behavioural sciences and law (15%).

As with occupations, there is gender imbalance among major fields of study. Most noticeably are two major fields of study in education and architecture, engineering and related technologies. Women accounted for over 80% in education and men accounted for 86% in architecture, engineering, and related technologies.

More gender neutral major fields of study include personal, protective and transportation services, business, management and public administration, and physical and life sciences.

## Proportion of Population (15 years+) by Major Fields of Study and by Sex, Halton Region, 2016



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