

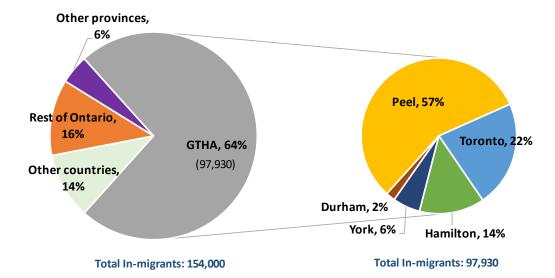
## **Migration Patterns (2011-2016)**

The net increase of population is the result of natural increase (births minus deaths) and net migration (in-migration minus out-migration). In Canada, with a declining birth rate, net migration plays a vital role in driving population growth and economic prosperity. In its most recent population projection<sup>1</sup>, the Ontario Ministry of Finance projected net migration to account for 76% of all population growth in Ontario between 2017-2041, with natural increase accounting for the remaining 24%.

Statistics Canada compares the addresses from individual income tax returns for two consecutive years to establish the migration estimates. Between 2011 and 2016, nearly 155,000 people (in-migrants) moved to Halton Region and just over 119,000 people (out-migrants) moved away with a net gain of 36,000 people. Migrants come from neighbouring municipalities, other parts of the province, other provinces and territories, and other countries.

Almost two-thirds (64%) of the 154,000 in-migrants came from the Greater Toronto and Hamilton Area (GTHA). Over half (57%) of the 97,930 persons came from Peel, 22% from Toronto and 14% from Hamilton. About 16% of in-migrants came from other parts of the province, notably from Waterloo, Niagara, and Wellington (including the City of Guelph). Immigrants from other countries account for 14% of the total.

## Proportion of In-migrants by Major Origin Halton Region, 2011-2016

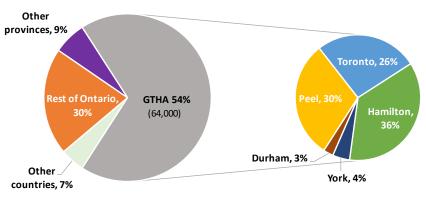


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The out-migrant population (120,000) is smaller and has a different geographic distribution pattern. Almost half (49%) of the former Halton residents moved to Hamilton (23,000), Peel (20,000) and Toronto (17,000) within the GTHA. About 14% (17,000) moved to Waterloo, Wellington, and Niagara.

## Proportion of Out-migrants by Major Destination Halton Region, 2011-2016



Total migrants: 120,000 Total migrants: 64,000

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In general, migrants are younger, in-migrants are slightly younger than out-migrants. For example, about 8% of the migrants are seniors compared to 14% for the overall population. All age groups, except for the 18-24 age group, experienced net increases between 2011 and 2016. More and more young single persons and young families with or without children are moving to Halton. About 1,500 young adults (18-24 years of age) have moved away and most likely are looking for educational and employment opportunities. Halton also gained over 2,500 seniors.

In/Out Migrants by Age, Halton Region, 2011-2016						
	In-migrants		Out-migrants		Net-migrants	
Age	#	%	#	%	#	%
0-17 years	35,686	23.1%	21,651	18.2%	14,035	39.4%
18-24 years	12,304	8.0%	13,826	11.6%	-1,522	-4.3%
25-44 years	68,107	44.0%	48,273	40.5%	19,834	55.7%
45-65 years	26,082	16.9%	25,396	21.3%	686	1.9%
65+ years	12,536	8.1%	9,990	8.4%	2,546	7.2%
Total	154,715		119,136		35,579	
Source: Statistics Canada, Taxfiler data 2011-2016						



