



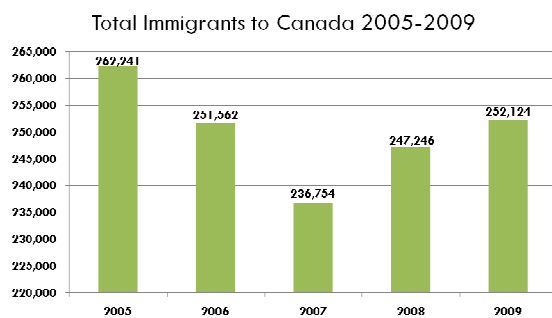
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND IMMIGRATION TRENDS 2005-2009

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OVERVIEW

Prince Edward Island opened its doors to over 5,050 immigrants over this five year period.

Note: The data contained within this report was taken from the *Citizenship and Immigration Canada Rounded Cubes*. These rounded counts allow for the privacy protection of newcomers with demographics that are found in fewer than 5 immigrants in the Province per landed year. This results in some numbers not being reported.



Source: CIC Facts and Figures Rounded Data

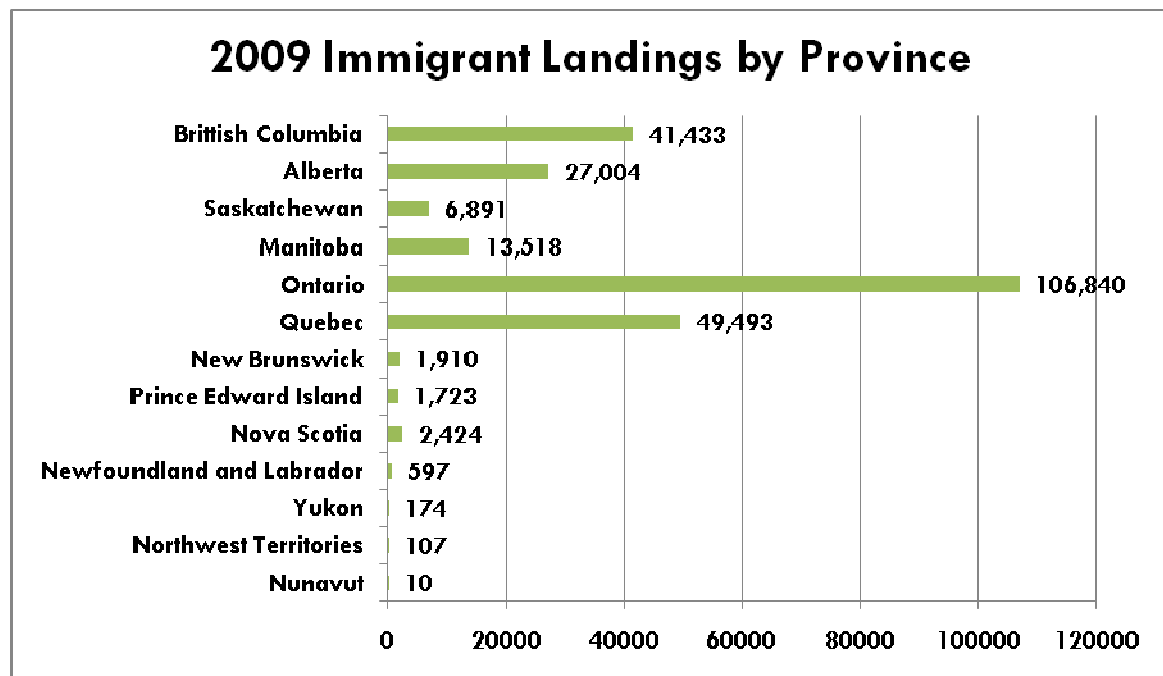
Immigration to Canada by Class—2009

Immigration Class	Number
Family Class	65,187
Economic Class	153,458
Refugee Class	22,844
Other Class	10,634
Not Stated	1
Totals	252,124

Source: CIC Facts and Figures Rounded Data

PROVINCE OR TERRITORY OF DESTINATION

While Prince Edward Island receives only a small percentage of the total national landed immigrants in Canada, 0.7%, the Province has remained competitive, particularly considering its size, when comparing its Atlantic counterparts with Nova Scotia at 1%, New Brunswick at 0.8%, and Newfoundland and Labrador at 0.2%. In 2009 Ontario continued to lead the pack with 42% of total immigrant landings, followed by Quebec at 20%, British Columbia at 16% and Alberta at approximately 11%.



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PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND AT A GLANCE

Over the past ten years Prince Edward Island has welcomed over 5,900 new immigrants, a number the Province hopes to continue to grow in support of the Island Prosperity Strategy. In 2009 alone the Province welcomed 1,725, an increase of over 19% over the previous year. This increase is largely thanks to the success of the Province’s Provincial Nominee Program. For more information on Prince Edward Island’s Nominee Program please visit, www.gov.pe.ca/immigration.

Year	Total Landings
2000	190
2001	135
2002	110
2003	155
2004	310
2005	330
2006	565
2007	990
2008	1,445
2009	1,725



Source: CIC Facts and Figures Rounded Data

The charts and tables to follow will provide more insight on the demographic profiles and trends as they relate to the above outlined numbers of immigrant landings in Prince Edward Island.

IMMIGRATION CLASS

Every landed immigrant, through the federal and provincial immigrant programs, are accounted for under an “Immigration Class”. Each “Immigration Class” has a different set of criteria that a newcomer must comply with and standards they must meet to be granted entrance in to Canada. The below table outlines the number of new immigrants that immigrated to Prince Edward Island, by class.

Immigrants to Prince Edward Island by Immigration Class 2005-2009

Class	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
Business Immigrants	0	10	0	0	0
Federal Skilled Workers	30	30	35	40	25
Canadian Experience	0	0	0	0	0
Provincial Nominee	200	425	815	1,245	1,535
Live-In caregivers	0	0	0	0	0
Total Economic Class	235	465	850	1,285	1,560
Family Class	45	50	50	80	70
Refugee Class	50	60	85	45	80
Other Class	0	0	5	20	10
Total	330	565	990	1,445	1,725

Source: CIC Facts and Figures Rounded Data

The above table demonstrates that the Provincial Nominee Program accounts for the vast majority of immigrant arrivals in Prince Edward Island at 89% in 2009. The Refugee class, allotted by Citizenship and Immigration Canada accounted for 5% of total provincial landings in that same year.



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Immigrants to PEI by Native Language (Top 5) 2005-2009

Rank	2005		2006		2007		2008		2009	
1	English	70	Mandarin	170	Mandarin	385	Mandarin	810	Mandarin	1040
2	Korean	65	Korean	120	Korean	170	Korean	190	Korean	115
3	Mandarin	55	English	75	English	90	English	105	English	105
4	Spanish	35	Cantonese	55	Cantonese	70	Arabic	40	Arabic	70
5	Cantonese German Tagalog	10 10 10	Farsi Spanish	15 15	Farsi Albanian	35 35	Farsi	35	Cantonese	65

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OFFICIAL LANGUAGE ABILITY

Note: The ability to speak either English or French is referred to as Official-Language Ability.

The number of new immigrants that landed in Prince Edward Island with the knowledge of one or more of the official Canadian languages has decreased over the examined five year period. In 2005, 70% of Prince Edward Island new immigrants had Official Language Ability. This number has steadily declined and has fallen to 32% with Official-Language Ability in 2009.

The Province of Prince Edward Island as well as Citizenship and Immigration Canada have made great strides in improving access to language training, evaluation of instruction and funding for newcomers with language instruction needs.

Immigrant Official-Language Ability 2005-2009

Language Ability	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
English	205	295	380	535 (37%)	525 (30%)
French	10	10	0	5 (0.5%)	5 (0.5%)
Both English and French	15	10	20	35 (2.5%)	30 (2.5%)
Neither	100	255	590	865 (60%)	1,160 (67%)
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EDUCATION AND SKILLS

The below table demonstrates the level of education immigrants to PEI have attained. It is important to note that these numbers also include spouses and children and so it is reasonable to expect that many will still be enrolled in the Provincial Education System (kindergarten to grade 12) or enrolled in a post-secondary institution.

In 2009, 21% of newcomers had a Bachelor's degree or above, meaning Master's degree or Doctorate, while an additional 22% had a Trade Certificate or Non-University diploma.

The Level of Education attained is an important criteria for new immigrants coming to Canada under most "Immigrant Classes".

Level of Education	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
0 to 9 years of schooling	110	190	390	445 (31%)	560 (32%)
10 to 12 years of schooling	55	95	160	265 (18%)	330 (19%)
13 or more years of schooling	10	35	55	110 (8%)	110 (6%)
Trade Certificate	15	25	50	75 (5%)	75 (4%)
Non-university diploma	35	90	130	225 (15%)	300 (17%)
Bachelor's degree	60	95	150	230 (16%)	250 (15%)
Master's degree	20	25	45	65 (4%)	70 (4%)
Doctorate	15	15	15	25 (3%)	35 (2%)
Total	330	565	990	1,445	1,725

Immigrants to Prince Edward Island by National Occupation Code 2005-2009

Occupational Skill	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
O- Managerial	30	95	170	285 (20%)	415 (24%)
A-Professionals	25	30	50	55 (4%)	40 (2%)
B-Skilled and Technical	10	25	30	40 (2.5%)	35 (2%)
C-Intermediate and Clerical	5	0	20	15 (1%)	25 (1%)
D-Elemental and Labourers	0	0	0	0	0
Other	255	405	710	1,040 (72%)	1,210 (70%)
Skill level not stated	0	0	0	5 (0.5%)	0
Total	330	565	990	1,445	1,725

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The above table demonstrates the skill levels of new immigrants in Prince Edward Island. This information is captured based on their intended occupation as stated by the National Occupation Codes (NOC), however some immigrants do not declare an occupation as they may be a student, stay-at-home parent, or not intending to work for other personal reasons. It is also important to note that some new immigrants are not able to work in their intended occupation until they are able to successfully complete the credential recognition process.

The PEI Association for Newcomers to Canada provides a number of employment assistance related services for newcomers, some of which include resume and interview preparation, work-search skills, identifying employment barriers, business mentorship programs, on-the-job support and more. For more information please visit www.peianc.com.



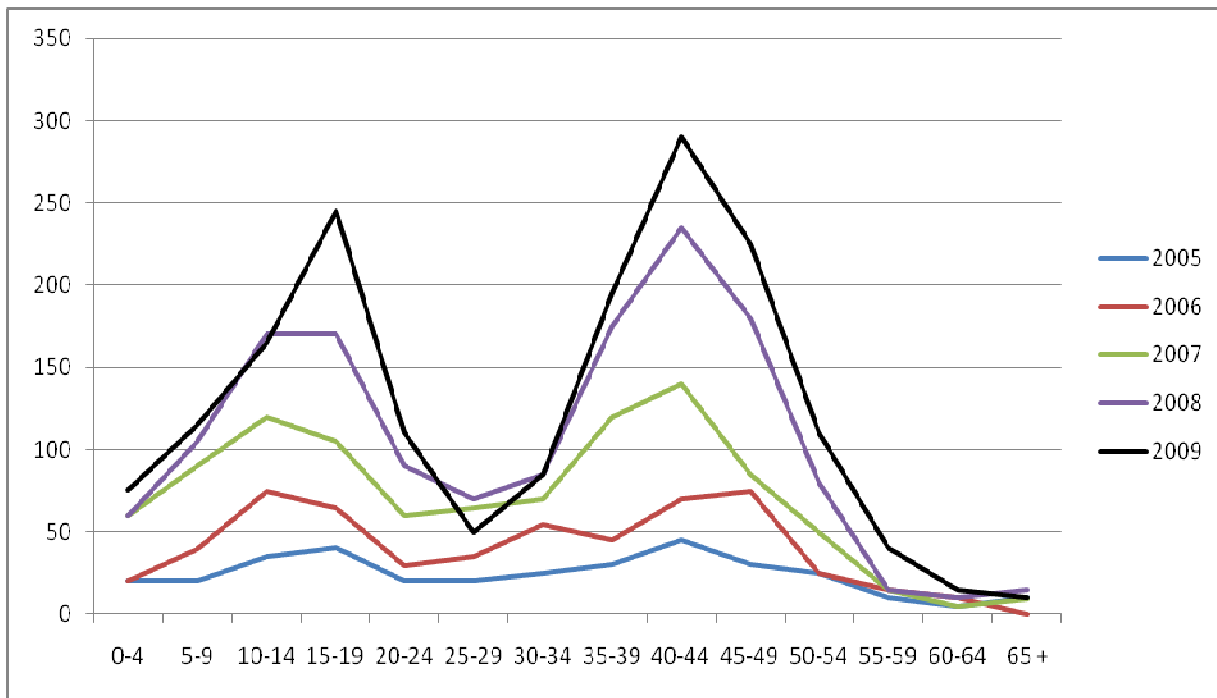
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Immigrants to Prince Edward Island by Age Grouping 2005-2009



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Immigrants to PEI by Gender 2005-2009

Gender	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
Male	165	285	525	725	870
Female	160	285	470	720	850
Totals	330	565	990	1,445	1,725

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Immigrants to PEI by Marital Status 2005-2009

Gender	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
Male	165	285	525	725	870
Female	160	285	470	720	850
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COUNTRIES OF ORIGIN

The below table provides statistics related to the top countries of origin for new immigrants destined for Prince Edward Island. Prince Edward Island remains a popular destination for new immigrants from Korea and China in the period from 2005 to 2009, while USA and UK are also top contenders.

2005		2006		2007		2008		2009	
Korea	65	China	180	China	395	China	760	China	1,015
China	40	Korea	125	Korea	170	Korea	185	Korea	115
USA	40	USA	45	Taiwan	75	Taiwan	95	Taiwan	95
Taiwan	30	Taiwan	40	UK	45	USA	55	Iran	70
UK	30	UK	25	Yugoslavia	45	UK	55	UK	55
Colombia	15	Yugoslavia	15	USA	35	Colombia	25	USA	45
Australia	10	Nepal	10	Iran	35	Netherlands	25	Bhutan	35
Germany	10	Afghanistan	10	Thailand	15	Iran	25	Vietnam	30
Congo	10	Uzbekistan	10	Egypt	10	Philippines	25	Lebanon	20
Philippines	10	Iran	10	India	10	Sri Lanka	15	Turkey	15

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Immigrants to PEI by World Source Region 2005-2009

Source Area	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
Africa and the Middle East	40	40	105	95	170
Asia and Pacific	160	405	710	1145	1365
Europe and United Kingdom	60	60	115	125	110
United States	40	45	35	55	45
South and Central America	30	15	25	30	25
Total	330	565	990	1445	1725

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