

Overview of Canadian Culture Statistics

	Population Estimates		2011 Census		Provincial and Territorial Culture Indicators			
	Population 2017 ¹	% of population	Number of artists 2011 ²	% of artists	Number of culture jobs 2016 ³	% of culture jobs	Culture GDP 2016 ³ (in thousands)	% distribution of culture GDP
Newfoundland and Labrador	528,817	1.4%	1,200	0.9%	4,968	0.8%	\$414,476	0.8%
Prince Edward Island	152,021	0.4%	..	..	1,694	0.3%	\$107,721	0.2%
Nova Scotia	953,869	2.6%	3,400	2.5%	13,719	2.1%	\$874,066	1.6%
New Brunswick	759,655	2.1%	1,700	1.2%	8,469	1.3%	\$543,161	1.0%
Québec	8,394,034	22.9%	28,200	21.0%	161,035	24.7%	\$11,024,406	20.5%
Ontario	14,193,384	38.7%	58,100	43.0%	269,082	41.2%	\$25,709,556	47.8%
Manitoba	1,338,109	3.6%	4,200	3.1%	22,454	3.4%	\$1,553,297	2.9%
Saskatchewan	1,163,925	3.2%	2,800	2.0%	12,850	2.0%	\$914,859	1.7%
Alberta	4,286,134	11.7%	11,300	8.0%	57,816	8.9%	\$5,272,822	9.8%
British Columbia	4,817,160	13.1%	24,800	18.0%	98,244	15.1%	\$7,191,780	13.4%
Yukon Territory	38,459	0.1%	..	..	857	0.1%	\$56,330	0.1%
Northwest Territories	44,520	0.1%	..	..	896	0.1%	\$76,134	0.1%
Nunavut Territory	37,996	0.1%	..	..	321	0.0%	\$47,743	0.1%
Total	36,708,083	100.0%	136,600	100%	652,406	100.0%	\$53,786,510	100.0%

¹ Statistics Canada. "Population estimates on July 1st, by age and sex," September 2018, <<https://www150.statcan.gc.ca/t1/tbl1/en/tv.action?pid=1710000501>>.

² Hill Strategies Research Inc. "Artists and Culture Workers in Canada's Provinces and Territories Based on the 2011 National Household Survey and the Labour Force Survey," Statistic Insights on the Arts, Vol.12 No. 3, October 2014, <<http://hillstrategies.com/resource/a-statistical-profile-of-artists-and-cultural-workers-in-canada/>>. In this report, the term "artists" is used to describe those Canadians 15 or older reporting employment or self-employment earnings in nine occupation groups that were identified as artistic in discussions by arts sector representatives prior to the analysis of the 2001 census. These include Artisans and craftspersons, Dancers, Musicians and singers and Visual artists, among others. In 2008, the nine occupation groups were reconfirmed as priority occupations for the Statistical Insights on the Arts series during discussions between Hill Strategies Research, the Canada Council for the Arts, the Ontario Arts Council and the Department of Canadian Heritage. No estimates of fewer than 500 artists are provided in this report because of concerns over data reliability. Prince Edward Island, the Yukon, Northwest Territories, and Nunavut each have reportedly fewer than 500 artists. There are 6,700 artists in the Atlantic provinces, they comprise 5% of all Canadian artists. There are 560 artists in the three territories, they account for 0.4% of Canada's artists.

³ Statistics Canada. "Provincial and Territorial Culture Indicators, 2016," February 2018, <<https://www150.statcan.gc.ca/n1/daily-quotidien/180227/dq180227a-eng.htm>>.