# Preface

Every five years, Statistics Canada conducts a Census of Population in order to develop a statistical portrait of Canada and its people. The most recent Census was conducted in May 2011.

At the time of the last Census, Statistic Canada replaced the long form Census that collected social and economic data with a voluntary National Household Survey (NHS). The 2011 Census questionnaire consisted of the same eight demographic and linguistic questions that appeared on the 2006 Census short-form questionnaire, with the addition of two questions on language. The content of the new NHS is similar to that of the 2006 Census long questionnaire; however, changes were made to some questions and sections of the questionnaire. For example, in the 2011 NHS changes were made to the questions used to measure Aboriginal identity; a new component of income is measured; and, the universe for determining generation status was expanded to include the entire population.

#### Comparability

The Global Non-response Rate (GNR) is used to ascertain the level of non-response to the National Household Survey. Due to the voluntary nature of the survey, the NHS is subject to greater non-response bias.

Change in survey method or content can affect the comparability of the data over time. Statistics Canada states that it is impossible to determine whether, and to what extent, differences in a variable are attributable to change or to non-response bias. As a result, caution must be exercised when NHS estimates are compared with data from the 2006 Census long form.

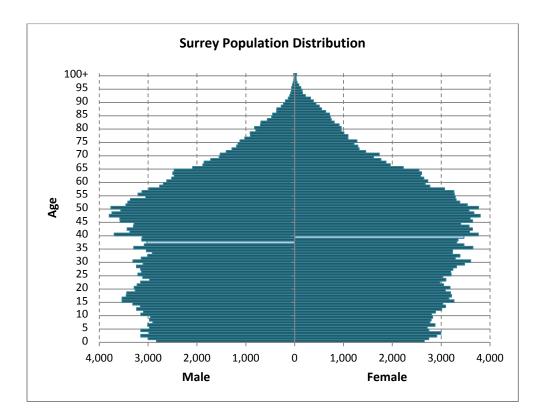
#### Fact Sheet Overview

The community demographic profiles in this series provide a comparison between the current and previous censuses, Surrey and key Metro Vancouver municipalities, as well as between each of Surrey's six communities: Cloverdale, Fleetwood, Guildford, Newton, South Surrey, and Whalley. City Centre is also identified as a sub-community planning area within Whalley.

For the purpose of this and other facts sheets in the series, the term "National Household Survey" (NHS) refers to the National Household Survey of Canada conducted by Statistics Canada. The voluntary survey collected social and economic information about the people of Canada between May and August 2011. The term "Census" in this document refers to the Census of Population conducted by Statistics Canada on May 10, 2011. The Census provides information about the people and housing units in Canada.

# AGE AND SEX

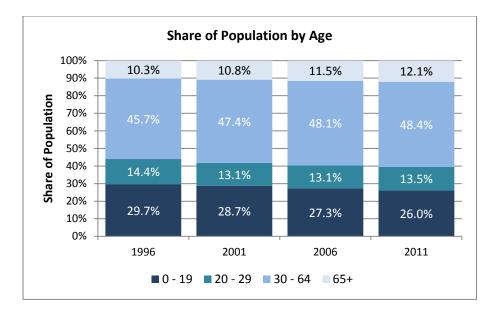
In 2011, the population of Surrey was 468,270 people (231,570 males, and 236,700 females). The median age of the male population was 36 years; the median age of Surrey's female population was 38 years.



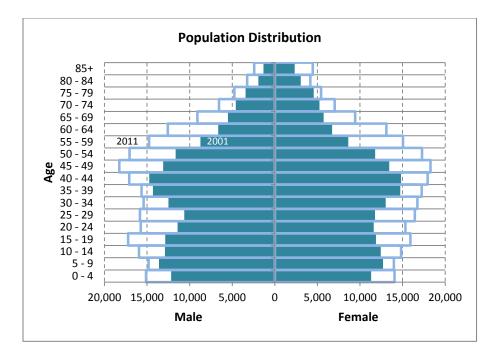
# **POPULATION BY AGE COHORT**

The proportion of Surrey's population aged 19 years and younger has decreased slightly over the last 15 years. In 1996, children and youth aged 19 years and younger comprised 29.7% of Surrey's population. In 2011, persons aged 19 years and younger made up 26.0% of Surrey's total population.

Conversely, the proportion of the population aged 65 years and over has increased over the last 15 years. In 1996, 10.3% of Surrey's population was 65 years and over. In 2011, 12.1% of Surrey's total population was 65 years and over. Between 2001 and 2011, the number of seniors in Surrey increased by 50.1%.



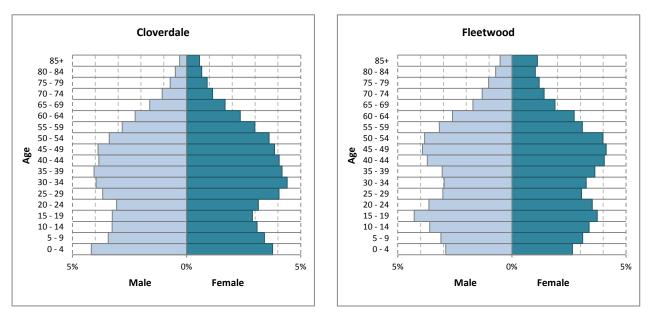
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	Male	Female	Male	Female	
0 to 4 years	12,165	11,310	15,115	14,050	
5 to 9 years	13,595	12,695	14,820	13,980	
10 to 14 years	12,900	12,435	15,955	14,830	
15 to 19 years	12,865	11,880	17,230	15,905	
20 to 24 years	11,430	11,620	15,750	15,335	
25 to 29 years	10,630	11,755	15,835	16,440	
30 to 34 years	12,490	13,020	15,405	16,745	
35 to 39 years	14,320	14,720	15,650	17,250	
40 to 44 years	14,750	14,830	17,090	17,945	
45 to 49 years	13,120	13,430	18,250	18,280	
50 to 54 years	11,650	11,785	17,055	17,285	
55 to 59 years	8,735	8,630	14,770	15,050	
60 to 64 years	6,655	6,720	12,570	13,100	
65 to 69 years	5,500	5,725	9,095	9,440	
70 to 74 years	4,590	5,245	6,560	7,025	
75 to 79 years	3,440	4,560	4,750	5,425	
80 to 84 years	1,940	3,045	3,240	4,165	
85 years and over	1,325	2,325	2,430	4,450	



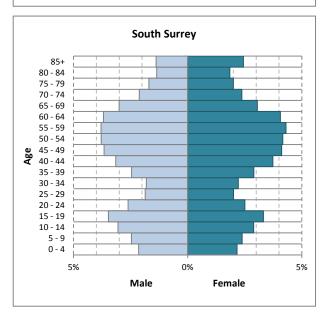
### Age and Sex in Surrey's Communities

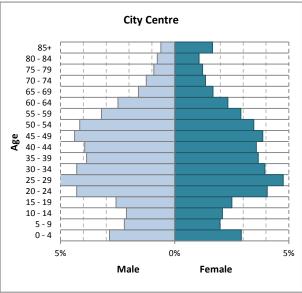
The age distribution of the population in each of Surrey's six communities resembles an hourglass form. In the majority of the communities, a bulge representing the "baby boomer" population (born 1946-1965) exists, slightly curbed and then followed by a second bulge representing the "echo generation", the children of the baby boomers.

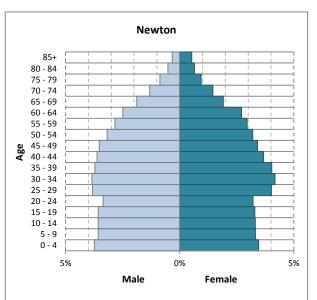
The following charts depict the age distribution in Surrey's communities by five year cohorts.

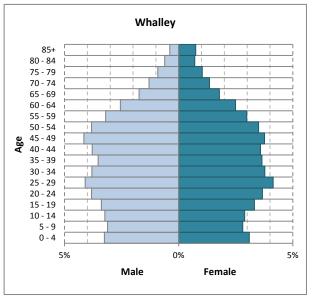


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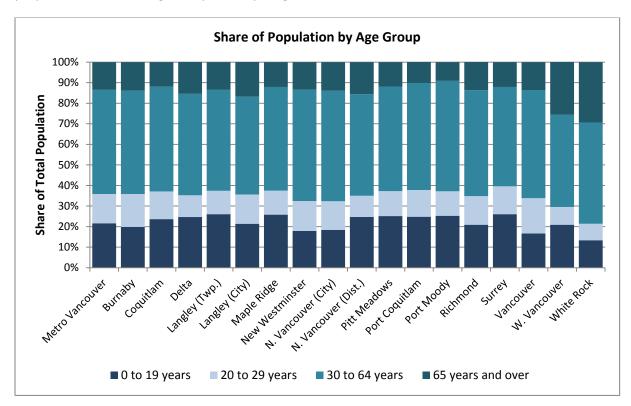


# **Population Fact Sheet**

	Cloverdale	Fleetwood	Guildford	Newton	South Surrey	Whalley	City Centre	Surrey Total
Total population	54,395	59,150	58,170	132,550	69,075	94,920	22,935	468,270
Male population	26,800	29,010	28,820	65,960	32,825	48,145	11,690	231,570
0 to 4 years	2,270	1,715	1,590	4,960	1,485	3,090	655	15,115
5 to 9 years	1,865	1,840	1,720	4,735	1,700	2,955	505	14,820
10 to 14 years	1,775	2,130	2,140	4,735	2,110	3,070	485	15,955
15 to 19 years	1,770	2,530	2,575	4,730	2,400	3,220	590	17,230
20 to 24 years	1,670	2,150	2,050	4,450	1,805	3,625	985	15,750
25 to 29 years	2,000	1,790	1,805	5,070	1,285	3,890	1,255	15,835
30 to 34 years	2,155	1,755	1,540	5,095	1,250	3,610	985	15,405
35 to 39 years	2,205	1,805	1,675	4,930	1,695	3,350	885	15,650
40 to 44 years	2,090	2,190	2,240	4,795	2,175	3,595	905	17,090
45 to 49 years	2,110	2,315	2,680	4,670	2,530	3,945	1,005	18,250
50 to 54 years	1,845	2,260	2,495	4,215	2,615	3,625	955	17,055
55 to 59 years	1,535	1,880	1,935	3,760	2,620	3,040	735	14,770
60 to 64 years	1,225	1,540	1,520	3,305	2,550	2,425	570	12,570
65 to 69 years	880	1,010	985	2,500	2,075	1,645	365	9,095
70 to 74 years	580	770	770	1,745	1,465	1,235	285	6,560
75 to 79 years	390	605	560	1,145	1,175	870	210	4,750
80 to 84 years	270	420	340	685	935	585	175	3,240
85 years and over	165	305	200	435	955	370	140	2,430
Female							-	,
population	27,595	30,140	29,350	66,590	36,250	46,775	11,245	236,700
0 to 4 years	2,050	1,570	1,405	4,585	1,495	2,940	670	14,050
5 to 9 years	1,855	1,835	1,575	4,395	1,650	2,665	455	13,980
10 to 14 years	1,680	2,000	2,030	4,385	1,995	2,745	480	14,830
15 to 19 years	1,570	2,210	2,320	4,360	2,290	3,150	575	15,905
20 to 24 years	1,710	2,085	2,075	4,255	1,730	3,485	930	15,335
25 to 29 years	2,200	1,805	1,795	5,325	1,385	3,925	1,090	16,440
30 to 34 years	2,395	1,925	1,770	5,535	1,530	3,585	905	16,745
35 to 39 years	2,275	2,150	2,020	5,350	2,000	3,460	840	17,250
40 to 44 years	2,205	2,395	2,490	4,875	2,580	3,400	820	17,945
45 to 49 years	2,095	2,445	2,810	4,515	2,845	3,570	885	18,280
50 to 54 years	1,965	2,360	2,525	4,240	2,880	3,320	795	17,285
55 to 59 years	1,625	1,825	1,880	3,915	2,975	2,830	665	15,050
60 to 64 years	1,280	1,615	1,445	3,590	2,805	2,365	535	13,100
65 to 69 years	915	1,115	1,070	2,535	2,110	1,695	385	9,440
70 to 74 years	620	835	730	1,925	1,640	1,280	310	7,025
75 to 79 years	490	705	625	1,245	1,380	980	280	5,425
80 to 84 years 85 years and	360	605	400	855	1,275	670	245	4,165
over	305	660	385	705	1,685	710	380	4,450

#### **Regional Comparison of Age and Sex**

Surrey had the youngest population of all the Metro Vancouver municipalities. In Surrey, 39.6% of the population was aged 29 years or younger. Comparatively, across Metro Vancouver, 35.8% of the population was aged 29 years or younger. Surrey, Langley Township, and Maple Ridge had the greatest proportion of children aged 19 years or younger (26%).



	Surrey	Vancouver	Metro Vancouver
0 to 19 years	121,880	100,440	499,635
20 to 29 years	63,370	103,750	329,145
30 to 64 years	226,450	317,365	1,171,645
65 years and over	56,565	81,935	312,900
Total	468,265	603,490	2,313,325

The overlay of Surrey and Vancouver's population distribution depicts a greater number of persons in the 20 to 60 age range in the City of Vancouver, than in Surrey. Surrey, however, had a larger number of children age 0 to 19 than Vancouver.

