

Indicator 8: Local Income

Introduction: Changes in the level of employment income can be an important indicator of the health of a local labour market. As well, the distribution of income and its composition speaks to the general prosperity of a local area and its ability to adapt.

**Profile Table 8A
Number of Persons by Income¹ Category**

	2003		2006	
	Number of Persons	Distribution %	Number of Persons	Distribution %
Less than \$5,000	36,570	9.7	37,020	9.1
\$5,000 to \$10,000	34,360	9.1	34,120	8.4
\$10,000 to \$15,000	32,990	8.8	33,020	8.1
\$15,000 to \$20,000	29,780	7.9	32,210	7.9
\$20,000 to \$25,000	24,490	6.5	26,100	6.4
\$25,000 to \$35,000	49,360	13.1	48,970	12.0
\$35,000 to \$50,000	63,470	16.9	67,740	16.7
\$50,000 to \$75,000	62,640	16.6	69,820	17.2
\$75,000 to \$100,000	25,990	6.9	34,710	8.5
\$100,000 to \$150,000	12,060	3.2	16,310	4.0
\$150,000+	4,800	1.3	6,850	1.7
Total	376,510		406,870	
Median Income	\$ 31,100		\$ 33,400	

Source: Statistics Canada, Taxfiler

1. Total Income

Note: The percentage distribution for persons earning under \$5,000 and those earning more than \$5,000 equal 100 percent, subject to a rounding error. The percentage distribution for those earning more than \$5,000 and the following categories of income decline as a progressively smaller proportion of the population is included.

**Profile Table 8B
Income Sources**

	2003		2006	
	Number of Persons Claiming Income	Income (billion)	Number of Persons Claiming Income	Income (billion)
Employment Income	300,440	\$12.0	323,760	\$13.8
Wages/Salaries/Commissions	279,590	\$11.4	300,840	\$13.2
Self-Employment Income	39,720	\$ 0.6	44,240	\$ 0.6
Government Transfers				
Employment Insurance	27,930	\$0.15	32,830	\$0.17
Old Age Security/Net Fed	52,780	\$0.33	58,820	\$0.39
Canada Pension Plan	66,540	\$0.41	75,110	\$0.50
Canadian Child Tax Benefit	54,940	\$0.12	69,230	\$0.17
GST/HST Credit	102,210	\$0.03	118,000	\$0.04
Workers Compensation	10,670	\$0.07	10,690	\$0.08
Social Assistance	12,680	\$0.08	14,510	\$0.10
Pro Tax Credit/Family Benefit	91,510	\$0.03	92,350	\$0.04
Investment Income				
Private Pension	48,950	\$0.84	55,610	\$1.06
RRSP	6,010	\$0.04	6,400	\$0.04
Other Income	64,230	\$0.31	88,120	\$0.41
Total Income	376,510	\$14.7	406,870	\$17.3

Source: Statistics Canada, Taxfiler

Profile Table 8C
Economic Dependency Ratio (EDR)
2006

	Males %	Females %	Total %	Ontario %
Government Transfers	6.9	17.2	10.8	13.9
Employment Insurance	0.7	2.2	1.3	1.3
Old Age Security/Net Fed	1.8	4.4	2.8	3.9
Canada Pension Plan	2.9	4.8	3.6	4.5
Canadian Child Tax Benefit	0.1	3.1	1.2	1.4
GST/HST Credit	0.2	0.6	0.3	0.5
Workers Compensation	0.6	0.5	0.6	0.7
Social Assistance	0.45	1.1	0.7	1.2
Pro Tax Credit/Family Benefit	0.2	0.5	0.3	0.4
Private Pension	7.9	7.3	7.7	9.0

Source: Statistics Canada, Taxfiler

The Economic Dependency Ratio (EDR) measures an area's dependency on government transfer payments. The EDR is the ratio of transfer payments dollars to every hundred dollars of employment income. The EDR is expressed as a percentage of the provincial EDR. If an area's EDR exceeds the provincial EDR, the area is more dependent on a given transfer payment.