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## 10 Manitoba immigration facts

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Here are 10 interesting facts about immigration in Manitoba that may be helpful to know:

1. In 2014, Manitoba was 5th top destination for new permanent residents after Ontario, Quebec, Alberta and British Columbia

A total of 16,222 permanent residents chose Manitoba as their immigration destination, an increase of 23.8% from 2013. This represents 6.2 % of Canada's total immigration. Of these immigrants, a big bulk came under economic class followed by family class.

- 2. Manitoba welcomed the highest number of refugees per capita in Canada in 2014
  Six per cent of Canada's government-assisted refugees (435) and 22% of privately sponsored refugees (1,004) settled here last year. Most of them came from Somalia, Iraq, Democratic Republic of Congo, Eritrea, and Ethiopia.
- 3. MB received the second highest number of Provincial Nominees and Family Class immigrants on record

A total of 12,187 provincial nominees and 1,831 permanent residents under the family class settled in the province.

4. Winnipeg is still the top destination but 14.8% of newcomers to MB in 2014 chose to live outside of Winnipeg

More than 85% of immigrants destined for Manitoba settled in Winningg, Meanwhile, those who

chose to live outside of Winnipeg settled in Brandon, Neepawa, and Winkler.

## 5. Top source countries are the Philippines, India and China

Manitoba's newest immigrants came from over 150 countries with around 60% coming from these top countries (and the US).

- 6. Immigrant median age is 28 years old; Male and female numbers are almost equal Newcomers' median age was at 28 years while the median age of Manitobans was 38.
- 7. **Most common mother tongues are Tagalog and Punjabi**Tagalog and Punjabi represented 42.4 per cent of the total. Other languages in the top five are English, Russian, and Chinese.
- 8. **Number of immigrants with a bachelor's degree, MA, and PhD growing** In 2014, 42.4% of immigrants had bachelor's degrees while 12.6% had master's degrees.
- 9. **Top occupations: registered nurses, secondary school teachers, industrial butchers, and cooks** A big bulk of immigrants to Manitoba had work experience representing about 400 occupations. In terms of skill type and based on the National Occupation Classification, 70.6% of principal applicants had previous occupations in sales and service; business, finance and administration; management; health; and natural and applied sciences. Also, 74% of Manitoba's economic immigrants are considered highly skilled.

## 10. Manitoba received more than 5,000 temporary workers

In 2014, Manitoba received 4,898 temporary workers through the federal International Mobility Program and 1,102 through the Temporary Foreign Worker Program.

Source: 2014 Manitoba Facts: Annual Statistics Report

## **Community Resources**

You can download and read the 2014 Manitoba Facts: Annual Statistics Report in its entirety here <a href="http://www.gov.mb.ca/labour/immigration/publications.html">http://www.gov.mb.ca/labour/immigration/publications.html</a>.

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