

2006 Census Guide

This handout provides just one example of how to conduct a search of the 2006 Census using topic-based tabulations.



To begin, click this link to reach the topic-based tabulations page:

[Census 2006 Topic Tabulations](#)

Select the topic most relevant to your search.

Example: What is the current number of Canadians who have postsecondary education?

For this example, we will click topic three, **Education**.



Select the subtopic most relevant to your search.

For this example, **Highest certificate, diploma or degree** appears the most relevant.



Scroll through the list of results.

Note the topic, geographic and date choices in the titles. Sometimes you may get many results.

For our example, number two seems best as this option covers the *highest certificate, diploma or degree attained*. Under number two, the second and third choices both list *Canada*. Either option is OK to choose because we are looking for the number of Canadians with postsecondary education. We will select the second option by clicking the **HTML** link.

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Geography (Geographic index)

Canada

Sex (S)

Total - Sex

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Highest certificate, diploma or degree (14)	Total - Age groups	Age groups (10A)								
		15 to 24 years	15 to 19 years	20 to 24 years	25 to 34 years	35 to 44 years	45 to 54 years	55 to 64 years	65 to 74 years	75 year and over
Total - Highest certificate, diploma or degree ¹	25,664,220	4,207,815	2,135,920	2,071,895	3,987,075	4,794,100	4,951,415	3,649,530	2,255,640	1,810,650
No certificate, diploma or degree	6,088,325	1,679,015	1,392,970	286,050	433,940	603,605	811,240	834,725	862,605	873,119
Certificate, diploma or degree	19,565,895	2,528,790	742,950	1,785,845	3,553,130	4,190,490	4,140,170	2,814,805	1,393,035	945,450
High school certificate or equivalent ²	6,553,420	1,520,010	638,740	889,275	897,035	1,091,465	1,294,505	872,930	484,095	384,570
Apprenticeship or trades certificate or diploma	2,785,420	165,175	32,980	152,195	416,045	609,270	651,920	470,770	272,370	171,870
College, CEGEP or other non-university certificate or diploma ³	4,435,140	458,380	58,795	399,580	906,155	1,064,810	972,500	589,910	270,485	172,890
University certificate, diploma or degree	5,791,915	357,230	12,435	344,795	1,333,100	1,424,945	1,221,240	873,190	368,080	216,120

A table appears. Use the drop-down menus to change the data if necessary (ex. change Canada to a province). For this example, because we want the *total* number of Canadians with post-secondary education, we do not need to use the drop-down menu.

Read the table very carefully to ensure the appropriate statistics are there. You may not need to use the whole table but rather select certain figures. You may need to read the footnotes at the bottom of page to verify definitions.

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University certificate or diploma below bachelor level	1,136,145	87,425	8,895	78,530	181,350	235,970	245,230	204,185	108,000	60,000
University certificate or degree	4,655,770	269,805	3,540	266,265	1,151,750	1,188,975	976,015	869,005	260,080	156,120
Bachelor's degree	2,081,465	233,655	3,000	230,650	812,335	765,900	589,375	370,745	108,000	60,000
University certificate or diploma above bachelor level	493,540	22,500	540	21,960	104,970	117,650	103,595	85,600	37,080	15,000
Degree in										

The number of Canadians with a **Certificate, diploma or degree** is **19,565,895**. Note the titles under this line are slightly indented (see red arrow), indicating the following numbers are a subset of the 19 million. As this table shows, the number of Canadians with a Certificate, diploma or degree is broken down into four subcategories: High school certificates; Apprenticeship or trade certificates or diplomas; College, CEGEP or other non-university certificates or diplomas; and University certificates, diplomas or degrees. Add these four numbers and you get 19,565,895.

For our topic, we are looking for the total number of Canadians with postsecondary education. Therefore, we subtract the number of high school certificates 6,553,420 from the total 19,565,895, which is **13,012,475**.

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1. To access the Comma Separated Values (CSV) file, use the conversion features available in most spreadsheet software, or use a free viewer, for example [csvinfo](#).
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 - [beyond_20/20_Browser_for_Windows_operating_systems_\(18.2_rfb\)](#)
 - To install this product, run =>ProBrowser.exe<=

You may wish to download the table into Excel to create graphs, add numbers etc. Click the **Download** tab to do this.

Then click **CSV** for an Excel-friendly file.

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A dialog box appears.

Click **OK**.

The screenshot shows an Excel spreadsheet with the following data:

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M
1	Highest Certificate, Diploma or Degree (14), Age Groups (10A) and Sex (3) for the Population 15 Years and Over of Canada, Provinces, Territories and the Yukon												
2	Geography - Canada [1]												
3	Sex (3) = Total - Sex												
4	Highest of Total - Age: 15 to 24 y 15 to 19 y 20 to 24 y 25 to 34 y 35 to 44 y 45 to 54 y 55 to 64 y 65 to 74 y 75 years +												
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6	No certifi	6098325	1679015	1392970	286050	433940	603605	811240	834725	862605	873195		
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8	High sch	6539420	1528610	638740	889275	897835	1091465	1294505	872930	484095	384575		
9	Apprenti	2785420	185175	32980	152195	418045	609270	651920	478770	272370	171870		
10	College	4435140	458180	58795	399580	906155	1064810	972500	589910	270485	172895		
11	Universi	5791915	357230	12435	344795	1331100	1424945	1221240	873190	366080	216125		
12	Univer:	1136145	87425	8895	78530	181350	235970	245230	204185	109405	72585		
13	Univer:	4655770	269805	3540	266265	1151750	1188975	976015	669005	256680	143540		
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16	Degre	136840	2225	0	2225	27450	33390	31920	20970	11655	9230		
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18	Éarne	176945	1295	0	1295	20040	42870	41495	37785	21570	11895		
19	Notes:												
20	[1] Excludes census data for one or more incompletely enumerated Indian reserves or Indian settlements.												
21	[2] 'Highest certificate, diploma or degree' refers to the highest certificate, diploma or degree completed based on a hierarchy which is as follows: certificate, diploma or degree.												
22	[3] 'High school certificate or equivalent' includes persons who have graduated from a secondary school or equivalent. Excludes persons who have completed a certificate or diploma program.												
23	[4] 'College, CEGEP or other non-university certificate or diploma' replaces the category 'Other non-university certificate or diploma' in previous editions of the census.												
24	Source: Statistics Canada - 2006 Census, Catalogue Number 97-560-XCB2006007.												

The Statistics Canada table is now an Excel. Now you can create graphs etc. Note the citation in the last row.