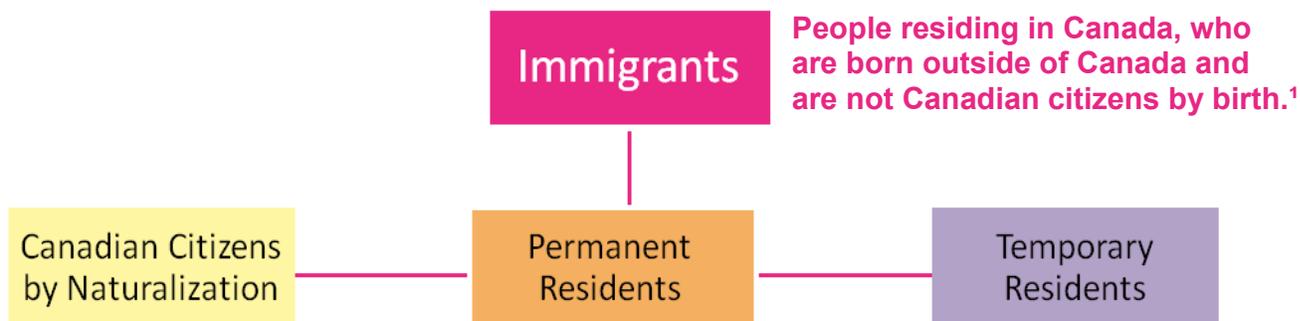
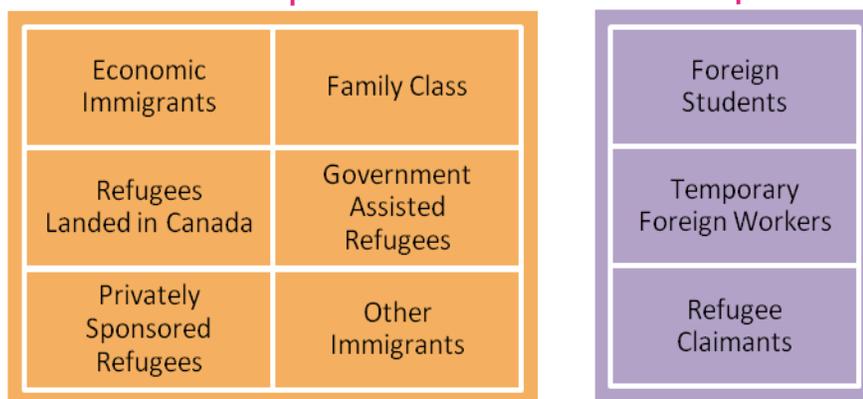


DEFINING KEY TERMS



HOW IMMIGRANTS PRESENTLY COME TO CANADA



* Definitions found on page 2

CONSIDERATIONS

Length of Residency

- Newcomer
- Recent Immigrant
- Established Immigrant

Generation

- 1st Gen Immigrant
- 1.5 Gen Immigrant
- 2nd Gen Immigrant

¹ Adapted from City of Edmonton (<http://www.edmonton.ca/assets/citygov/immigrants.pdf>).

Glossary of Terms

Naturalization¹

Naturalization is the process through which immigrants acquire Canadian citizenship. Landed immigrants who have met certain criteria are eligible for Canadian citizenship by naturalization. The criteria for acquiring citizenship generally include a residency requirement, knowledge of English or French and basic knowledge of Canada.

Permanent Resident¹

A person who has legally immigrated to Canada but is not yet a Canadian citizen.

Family Class¹

An immigration category that includes any family members sponsored to come to Canada by a Canadian citizen or permanent resident.

Economic Immigrants¹

Permanent residents are selected for their skills and ability to contribute to Canada's economy. Subcategories include skilled workers, business immigrants, provincial or territorial nominees, live-in caregivers and the 'Canadian experience class'.

Government Assisted Refugees¹

Permanent residents who are selected abroad for resettlement in Canada, either as 'Convention refugees' as defined under the Immigration and Refugee Protection Act, or as members of the 'Convention refugees abroad class'. They receive resettlement assistance from the federal government.

Refugees Landed in Canada¹

Permanent residents whose refugee claims are accepted and have subsequently applied for and been granted permanent resident status in Canada.

Privately Sponsored Refugees¹

Permanent residents selected abroad for resettlement in Canada. They may fall within the 'Convention refugees abroad class', the 'source country class' or the 'country of asylum class' and are sponsored by organizations, individuals or groups of individuals. They receive no government sponsorship.

Other Immigrants¹

Includes post-determination refugee claimants in Canada; Persons with deferred removal orders; Retirees; Temporary resident permit holders; Humanitarian and compassionate cases; Sponsored humanitarian and compassionate cases outside the family class; People granted permanent resident status based on public policy considerations.

Temporary Residents¹

Foreign nationals living lawfully in Canada on a temporary basis under a work permit, study permit, temporary resident permit or a visitor record; or individuals seeking asylum upon or after their arrival in Canada and living here pending the outcome of their claim.

Foreign Student¹

These temporary residents are in Canada principally to study in the observed calendar year. Foreign students have been issued a study permit. Under the Immigration and Refugee Protection Act, a study permit is not needed for any program of study that takes 6 months or less.

Temporary Foreign Workers¹

Foreign workers are temporary residents who are in Canada principally for professional or work-related reasons in the observed calendar year. This includes those working as live-in caregivers.

Refugee Claimant¹

Refugee claimants are temporary residents who request refugee protection upon or after arrival in Canada. A refugee claimant receives Canada's protection when found to be a Convention refugee, or when found to be a person needing protection based on risk to life, risk of cruel and unusual treatment or punishment, or in danger of torture as defined in the Convention Against Torture.

Newcomer²

Individuals who have been in Canada for a short time, usually less than 3 or 5 years.

Recent Immigrant³

Individuals who have been landed immigrants in Canada for 10 years or less.

Established Immigrant³

Individuals who have been landed immigrants in Canada for more than 10 years.

1st Gen Immigrant⁴

People who were born outside Canada.

1.5 Gen Immigrant⁵

Individuals who were born elsewhere, but have spent most of their formative years in the host country. Typically, this means that they immigrated to Canada before their early teens.

2nd Gen Immigrant⁴

Includes individuals who were born in Canada and had at least one parent born outside Canada.

¹ Adapted from Citizenship & Immigration Canada (<http://www.cic.gc.ca/english/helpcentre/glossary.asp>) and Canadian Paediatric Society (<http://www.kidsnewtocanada.ca/care/overview>)

² Adapted from OCASSI (<http://www.newyouth.ca/immigration/settlement-services/what-immigrant-refugee-newcomer-undocumented-person>)

³ Adapted from Government of Alberta (<http://work.alberta.ca/documents/labour-profile-immigrants.pdf>).

⁴ Statistics Canada (http://www12.statcan.gc.ca/nhs-enm/2011/as-sa/99-010-x/99-010-x2011003_2-eng.cfm).

⁵ Policy Horizons Canada (<http://www.horizons.gc.ca/eng/content/concepts-and-definitions>).