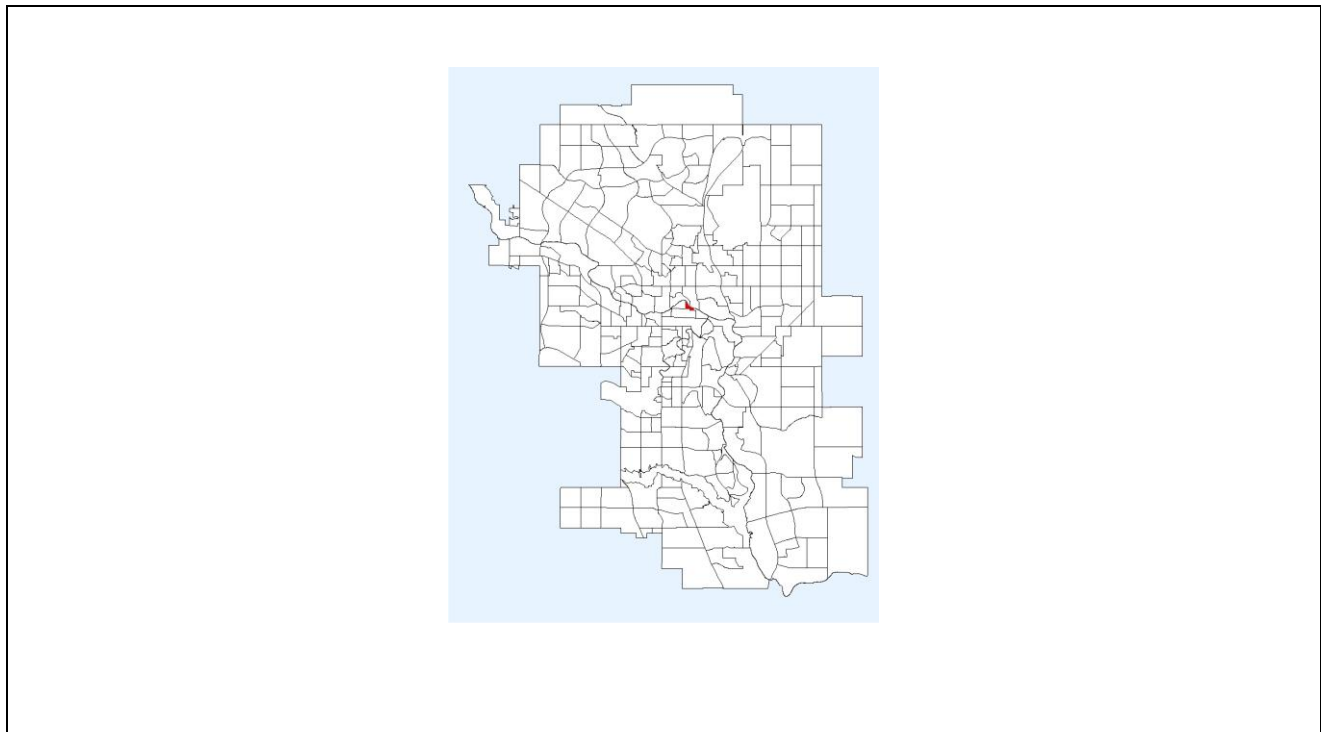


Calgary Community Statistics on Seniors: Chinatown



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Population

Total Senior Population, 2001 - 2009					
	2001	2004	2006	2009	% Change 2001-2006
CHINATOWN	568	649	694	615	8.3%
CALGARY	78,768	86,599	93,859	98,572	25.1%

Source: City of Calgary, Civic Census 2001, 2004, 2006, 2009

Total Senior Population as a Percentage of Total Population, 2009			
	Total Population	Senior Population	% Senior Population
CHINATOWN	1,287	615	47.8%
CALGARY	1,065,455	98,572	9.3%

Source: City of Calgary, Civic Census 2009

Population (continued)

Senior Population Mobility, 2006			
	Total Senior Population	Seniors who moved, 2005-2006	
		Number	Percent
CHINATOWN	650	50	7.7%
CALGARY	90,160	6,500	7.2%

Source: Statistics Canada, 2006 Census of Canada

Gender Distribution, 2009					
	Total Senior Population	Male		Female	
		Number	Percent	Number	Percent
CHINATOWN	615	218	35.4%	397	64.6%
CALGARY	98,572	43,654	44.3%	54,918	55.7%

Source: City of Calgary, Civic Census 2009

Age Distribution, 2009				
	CHINATOWN		CALGARY	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Total Population	1,287	100.0%	1,065,455	100.0%
0 - 19	83	6.4%	255,044	23.9%
20 - 44	348	27.0%	443,887	41.7%
45 - 54	142	11.0%	167,418	15.7%
55 - 64	99	7.7%	100,534	9.4%
Total Senior Population	615	47.8%	98,572	9.3%
65 - 74	155	12.0%	54,756	5.1%
75+	460	35.7%	43,816	4.1%

Source: City of Calgary, Civic Census 2009

Income

Median Income of Senior Population, 2005		
	CHINATOWN	CALGARY
Total Senior Population	655	90,165
Median Income	\$15,520	\$22,625

Source: Statistics Canada, 2006 Census of Canada

Population in Low-Income Households (before tax), 2005						
	Senior Population			Total Population		
	Total	Low Income	Percent	Total	Low Income	Percent
CHINATOWN	655	360	55.0%	1,370	770	56.2%
CALGARY	88,685	12,948	14.6%	977,075	138,745	14.2%

Source: Statistics Canada, 2006 Census of Canada

Income (continued)

Seniors receiving Guaranteed Income Supplement (part. & max.), June 2006 & 2009						
	2006			2009		
	Total Senior Population	GIS Recipients	Percent	Total Senior Population	GIS Recipients	Percent
CHINATOWN	694	463	66.7%	615	432	70.2%
CALGARY	93,859	26,301	28.0%	98,572	25,664	26.0%

Source: Human Resources and Skills Development Canada, June 2006 & 2009

Seniors by Labour Force Participation, 2006				
	CHINATOWN		CALGARY	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Total Senior Population	650	100.0%	90,160	100.0%
Labour Force Participation	0	0.0%	13,445	14.9%
Employed	0	0.0%	12,935	14.3%
Unemployed	0	%	505	3.8%

Source: Statistics Canada, 2006 Census of Canada

Family

Seniors by Marital Status, 2006				
	CHINATOWN		CALGARY	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Total Senior Population	655	100.0%	90,165	100.0%
Never Married	20	3.1%	3,655	4.1%
Married	295	45.0%	52,935	58.7%
Separated	20	3.1%	1,810	2.0%
Divorced	10	1.5%	8,150	9.0%
Widowed	305	46.6%	23,610	26.2%
Common Law	0	0.0%	1,500	1.7%
Not Common Law	650	100.0%	88,660	98.3%

Source: Statistics Canada, 2006 Census of Canada

Family (continued)

Seniors in Private Households by Living Arrangement, 2006				
	CHINATOWN		CALGARY	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Total Senior Population	650	100.0%	88,685	100.0%
Family Persons*	310	47.7%	58,475	65.9%
Non-Family Persons**	345	53.1%	30,215	34.1%
Total Non-Family Persons	345	100.0%	30,215	100.0%
Living with Relatives	0	0.0%	5,255	17.4%
Living with Non-Relatives	0	0.0%	1,810	6.0%
Living Alone	340	98.6%	23,145	76.6%

Source: Statistics Canada, 2006 Census of Canada

* Statistics Canada defines **Family Persons** as those living in households that contain at least one census family, that is, a married couple with or without children, or a couple living common-law with or without children, or a lone parent living with one or more children (lone-parent family).

** **Non-Family Persons** are defined as those living in households consisting either of one person living alone in a private dwelling or to a group of two or more people who share a private dwelling, but who do not constitute a census family.

Social Isolation

Social Isolation Indicators, 2006				
	CHINATOWN		CALGARY	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Seniors Living Alone	340	52.3%	23,145	26.1%
Seniors Who Speak Neither English nor French	530	81.5%	7,700	8.5%

Source: Statistics Canada, 2006 Census of Canada

Education

Senior Population by Highest Certificate, Diploma or Degree, 2006				
	CHINATOWN		CALGARY	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Total Senior Population	655	100.0%	90,160	100.0%
No Certificate, Diploma or Degree	525	80.2%	28,860	32.0%
High School Certificate or equivalent	80	12.2%	21,045	23.3%
Apprenticeship or Trades Certificate/Diploma	10	1.5%	10,155	11.3%
College, CEGEP or other non-university Certificates/Degrees	15	2.3%	12,805	14.2%
University Certificate/Degree below Bachelor Level	10	1.5%	4,465	5.0%
University Certificate/Degree (Bachelor and above)	10	1.5%	12,825	14.2%

Source: Statistics Canada, 2006 Census of Canada

Diversity

Seniors by Population Diversity, 2006				
	CHINATOWN		CALGARY	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Immigrant Population	630	96.9%	35,995	39.9%
Visible Minority Population	625	96.2%	15,995	17.7%
Aboriginal Population*	0	0.0%	685	0.8%

Source: Statistics Canada, 2006 Census of Canada

* Refers to the "Aboriginal Identity" population defined by Statistics Canada as those persons who reported identifying with at least one Aboriginal Group (e.g. North American Indian, Métis, or Inuit) and / or those who did not report an Aboriginal Identity, but reported themselves as a Registered or Treaty Indian and / or a member of a Band or First Nation.

Senior Immigrant Population by Year of Immigration, 2006				
	CHINATOWN		CALGARY	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Total Senior Immigrant Population	630	100.0%	35,995	100.0%
Before 1961	60	9.5%	13,455	37.4%
1961 - 1970	30	4.8%	5,955	16.5%
1971 - 1980	190	30.2%	5,625	15.6%
1981 - 1990	255	40.5%	4,490	12.5%
1991 - 1995	70	11.1%	2,990	8.3%
1996 - 2000	30	4.8%	1,750	4.9%
2001 - 2005	10	1.6%	1,735	4.8%

Source: Statistics Canada, 2006 Census of Canada

Diversity (continued)

Senior Population by Language Spoken most often at Home, 2006 (Showing Top 10 Countries of Calgary Overall)				
	CHINATOWN		CALGARY	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Total Senior Population	650	100.0%	90,165	100.0%
English	30	4.6%	72,040	79.9%
Chinese*	265	40.8%	3,360	3.7%
Cantonese	350	53.8%	2,535	2.8%
Panjabi (Punjabi)	0	0.0%	1,730	1.9%
Italian	0	0.0%	895	1.0%
Tagalog (Pilipino, Filipino)	0	0.0%	890	1.0%
Vietnamese	0	0.0%	845	0.9%
Gujarati	0	0.0%	755	0.8%
German	0	0.0%	585	0.6%
Spanish	0	0.0%	500	0.6%

Source: Statistics Canada, 2006 Census of Canada

* **Chinese** includes 'Chinese' as well as all Chinese languages other than Cantonese, Mandarin, Taiwanese, Chaochow (Teochow), Fukien, Hakka and Shanghainese.

Housing

Economic Family Household with Elderly (65+) Spouse or Reference Person by Tenure, 2006				
	CHINATOWN		CALGARY	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Total Family Households with Elderly Spouse or Reference Person	175	100.0%	37,630	100.0%
Owner	40	22.9%	33,675	89.5%
Renter	140	80.0%	3,955	10.5%

Source: Statistics Canada, 2006 Census of Canada

Tenant Occupied Economic Family Households with Elderly (65+) Spouse or Reference Person Spending 30% or more of Household Income on Gross Rent, 2006			
	Total	Spending 30% or More on Shelter	
		Number	Percent
Chinatown	140	50	35.7%
CALGARY	3,955	1,285	32.5%

Source: Statistics Canada, 2006 Census of Canada

Housing (continued)

Economic Family Households with Elderly (65+) Spouse or Reference Person by Condition of Dwelling, 2006				
	CHINATOWN		CALGARY	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Total	175	100.0%	37,630	100.0%
Major Repairs Required	15	8.6%	1,635	4.3%
Regular Maintenance or only Minor Repair Required	165	94.3%	35,990	95.6%

Source: Statistics Canada, 2006 Census of Canada

Disability

Senior Population by Disability*, 2006			
	Total Senior Population	Seniors with Disability	
		Number	Percent
CHINATOWN	650	340	52.3%
CALGARY	90,165	48,940	54.3%

Source: Statistics Canada, 2001 Census of Canada

* **Disability** defined by Statistics Canada refers to “difficulties with daily activities and the reduction in the amount or kind of activities due to physical or mental or other health problems ... that have lasted or are expected to last six month or more”. (Source: Statistics Canada 2006 Census Dictionary. <http://www12.statcan.gc.ca/english/census06/reference/dictionary/pop024.cfm>, accessed November 19, 2009)

Contact

Please direct questions about the community district information on seniors presented on the previous pages or requests for further information to socialresearch@calgary.ca.