

## Provincial share of Canada's population continues to decrease

- The share of Canadians living in the Atlantic region has decreased over the last five decades, from 9.9% in 1966 to 6.6% in 2016.
- The proportion of people living in New Brunswick has also decreased. In 2016, 2.1% of Canadians called New Brunswick home. In 1966, 3.1% of Canada's population lived in the province.
- Ontario and Quebec—the most populous provinces—accounted for 61.5% of the Canadian population in 2016. Ontario's share represented 38.3% of the total, up from 34.8% in 1966, while Quebec's share fell to 23.2%, down from 28.9% in 1966.
- Almost one-third (31.6%) of Canadians lived in the West in 2016. British Columbia made up the largest proportion (13.2%), followed by Alberta (11.6%), Manitoba (3.6%) and Saskatchewan (3.1%).
- The three territories combined represented 0.3% of the total Canadian population, little changed since 1911.

