

## Roughly 5% of New Brunswickers are foreign-born

An **immigrant** refers to a person who is, or who has ever been, a landed immigrant or permanent resident. Such a person has been granted the right to live in Canada permanently by immigration authorities. Immigrants who have obtained Canadian citizenship by naturalization are included in this group. For 2016, a **recent immigrant** refers to a person who obtained a landed immigrant or permanent resident status between January 1, 2011 and May 10, 2016.

- According to the 2016 Census, more than one in five Canadians (21.9%) were foreign-born individuals (immigrants). In New Brunswick, 33,810 or 4.6% of the total population were immigrants. A further 4,360 (0.6%) of the provincial population were non-permanent residents, while the remaining 692,535 (94.8%) were Canadian-born (non-immigrants).
- Between 2011 and 2016, 9,330 foreign-born people immigrated to New Brunswick. These recent immigrants made up 27.6% of New Brunswick's foreign-born population and 1.3% of the total provincial population.
- Eight of 10 newcomers to New Brunswick settled in one of the province's three largest urban centres: 2,840 settled in Moncton, 2,625 lived in Fredericton and 1,995 called Saint John home.
- The top three countries of birth among recent immigrants to the province were China (14.9%), Syria (12.3%) and the Philippines (9.9%). The United States was the leading country of birth among all people who immigrated to New Brunswick, accounting for 22.6% of the total immigrant population.

