

POPULATION HEALTH

# Demographic context



**Community**  
Saint John,  
Simonds and  
Musquash



**Zone 2**  
Fundy Shore and  
Saint John Area



**Province**  
New Brunswick

## Population Demographics

Land area km <sup>2</sup>   2016	<b>832</b>	<b>10,402</b>	<b>71,389</b>
Population density Persons per km <sup>2</sup>   2016	<b>92</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>11</b>
Population Number   2023	<b>80,550</b>	<b>187,181</b>	<b>834,691</b>
0-4 Number   2023	<b>3,505</b>	<b>8,267</b>	<b>33,988</b>
5-9 Number   2023	<b>4,033</b>	<b>9,631</b>	<b>40,886</b>
10-14 Number   2023	<b>4,214</b>	<b>10,306</b>	<b>42,976</b>
15-19 Number   2023	<b>4,161</b>	<b>10,357</b>	<b>43,163</b>
20-24 Number   2023	<b>4,721</b>	<b>10,138</b>	<b>48,123</b>
25-29 Number   2023	<b>5,949</b>	<b>10,894</b>	<b>49,466</b>
30-34 Number   2023	<b>5,791</b>	<b>11,263</b>	<b>50,571</b>
35-39 Number   2023	<b>5,479</b>	<b>11,534</b>	<b>51,616</b>
40-44 Number   2023	<b>5,093</b>	<b>11,437</b>	<b>52,147</b>
45-49 Number   2023	<b>4,885</b>	<b>11,769</b>	<b>52,105</b>
50-54 Number   2023	<b>4,857</b>	<b>12,227</b>	<b>53,742</b>
55-59 Number   2023	<b>5,612</b>	<b>13,653</b>	<b>59,468</b>
60-64 Number   2023	<b>6,029</b>	<b>14,568</b>	<b>64,204</b>

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65-69 Number   2023	5,444	13,543	60,826
70-74 Number   2023	4,157	10,897	50,640
75-79 Number   2023	3,102	8,004	37,918
80-84 Number   2023	1,890	4,750	22,780
85 and over Number   2023	1,628	3,943	20,072
Population change from 2016 to 2020 %   2016 to 2020	5	4	4
Indigenous %   2021	2.8	2.5	4.4
Immigrant %   2021	7.7	6.4	5.8
Recent immigrant in the last 5 years %   2016 to 2021	3.4	2.0	2.1
Visible minority %   2021	10.3	6.2	5.8
Median age of population Years   2021	43	45	46
Birth rate Rate per 1,000 population   2017 to 2021	9	9	8
Death rate Rate per 1,000 population   2017 to 2021	12	10	10

## Household

Married or living common-law %   2021	52	59	59
Couples with children %   2021	43	44	42
Single parent families %   2021	22	17	16
Average household size Number   2021	2.2	2.3	2.3
Person living alone %   2021	35	30	30
Private household with 5 or more people %   2021	6	7	6

## Dependents

	Community Saint John, Simonds and Musquash	Zone 2 Fundy Shore and Saint John Area	Province New Brunswick
Dependency ratio Rate per 100 people in the working age population   2019	n/a	70	70
Dependent under 20 years %   2019	n/a	21	20
Dependent 65 years and over %   2019	n/a	20	21

## Language

Language most spoken at home - English %   2021	93.0	95.5	69.1
Language most spoken at home - French %   2021	1.0	0.9	26.3
Language most spoken at home - English and French %   2021	0.4	0.3	1.3
Language most spoken at home - indigenous languages %   2021	0.0	0.0	0.2
Language most spoken at home - other languages %   2021	1.8	1.2	1.1
Language most spoken at work - English %   2021	98.1	98.5	75.0
Language most spoken at work - French %   2021	1.0	0.9	21.0
Language most spoken at work - English and French %   2021	0.5	0.4	3.7
Knowledge of official language - English only %   2021	86	85	58
Knowledge of official language - French only %   2021	0	0	8
Knowledge of official language - French and English %   2021	13	14	34
Youth bilingualism - English and French %   2016	32	37	48
Always received services from a primary care provider in their preferred language - French or English %	n/a	n/a	n/a
Always received services from a primary care provider in their preferred language - English %	n/a	n/a	n/a
Always received services from a primary care provider in their preferred language - French %	n/a	n/a	n/a

## Persons with a disability

	<b>Community</b> Saint John, Simonds and Musquash	<b>Zone 2</b> Fundy Shore and Saint John Area	<b>Province</b> New Brunswick
Children diagnosed with special education needs %   2019-2020	n/a	n/a	n/a
Autism/Asperger's syndrome %   2016-2017	<b>7.7</b>	<b>5.0</b>	<b>3.1</b>
Behavioural disorder %   2016-2017	<b>1.4</b>	<b>1.0</b>	<b>1.0</b>
Blind or low vision %   2016-2017	<b>0.4</b>	<b>0.3</b>	<b>0.2</b>
Deaf or hard-of-hearing %   2016-2017	<b>0.3</b>	<b>0.4</b>	<b>0.4</b>
Attention deficit hyperactivity disorder (ADHD) or attention deficit disorder (ADD) %   2019-2020	n/a	n/a	n/a
Intellectual disability %   2016-2017	<b>0.2</b>	<b>0.3</b>	<b>0.3</b>
Language/speech impairment %   2016-2017	<b>2.5</b>	<b>2.4</b>	<b>2.6</b>
Learning disability %   2016-2017	<b>3.5</b>	<b>2.7</b>	<b>2.8</b>
Physical disability %   2016-2017	<b>0.4</b>	<b>0.4</b>	<b>0.3</b>
Mental illness (depression, anxiety, bipolar disorder) %   2016-2017	<b>0.5</b>	<b>0.4</b>	<b>0.3</b>
Gifted %   2016-2017	<b>0.4</b>	<b>0.2</b>	<b>0.4</b>
Other %   2016-2017	<b>3.1</b>	<b>2.5</b>	<b>2.4</b>
Youth diagnosed with special education needs %   2022-2023	<b>38.6</b>	<b>37.3</b>	<b>35.3</b>
Autism/Asperger's syndrome %   2022-2023	<b>5.7</b>	<b>4.9</b>	<b>3.7</b>
Behavioural disorder %   2022-2023	<b>2.5</b>	<b>2.3</b>	<b>2.3</b>
Blind or low vision %   2022-2023	<b>4.9</b>	<b>4.9</b>	<b>3.9</b>
Deaf or hard-of-hearing %   2022-2023	<b>1.5</b>	<b>1.6</b>	<b>1.5</b>
Attention deficit hyperactivity disorder (ADHD) or attention deficit disorder (ADD) %   2022-2023	<b>14.5</b>	<b>14.2</b>	<b>14.0</b>
Intellectual disability %   2022-2023	<b>0.6</b>	<b>0.7</b>	<b>0.6</b>
Language/speech impairment %   2022-2023	<b>2.1</b>	<b>2.1</b>	<b>1.9</b>
Learning disability %   2022-2023	<b>6.3</b>	<b>6.7</b>	<b>6.1</b>

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Physical disability %   2022-2023	1.5	1.6	1.2
Mental illness (depression, anxiety, bipolar disorder) %   2022-2023	20.2	19.8	17.9
Gifted %   2022-2023	2.5	3.0	2.8
Other %   2022-2023	3.2	2.9	2.9
Adults and seniors who identify as persons with a disability or special need %	n/a	n/a	n/a
Adults %	n/a	n/a	n/a
Seniors %	n/a	n/a	n/a
Self-identifies as a person with a disability or special need %   2023-2024	9.7	10.0	8.0

### Type of disability for adults and seniors

Seeing disability %   2020	25.0	22.0	19.3
Hearing disability %   2020	15.0	17.4	18.4
Mobility disability %   2020	58.0	62.2	56.5
Flexibility disability %   2020	51.4	58.5	54.1
Dexterity disability %   2020	26.9	27.1	24.5
Pain-related disability %   2020	70.0	77.9	72.4
Learning disability %   2020	14.8	15.2	18.0
Mental health-related disability %   2020	30.2	29.3	30.4
Memory disability %   2020	24.0	25.2	25.9

## Sexual Identity

Self-identifies as 2SLGBTQIA+ %   2023-2024	15.5	14.0	13.3
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## About this Table

Demographic Context describe the people living in a community.

### **Content and description**

Demographic information, such as population count, household structures, language preferences, as well as disability information and sexual minority details.

### **Why is this important?**

Knowing who is part of the community is the first part to understanding the community dynamics.

### **Availability of the data**

Indicators from a variety of sources are collected, organized, and analyzed by the NBHC. These various data sources are used to represent the population health of New Brunswickers. Each have various levels of reliability and limitations as detailed in the Indicator pages.

This information is available for the 33 NBHC Communities, 7 Health Zones and for New Brunswick overall.

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The Population Health data tables provide a comprehensive view of the people who live, learn, work and take part in activities and in community life in this area.

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### **Caption**

n/a = Not applicable / not available

S = Data suppressed due to confidentiality requirements and/or small sample size

 Above-average performance

 Below-average performance