

POPULATION HEALTH

# Demographic context



**Community**  
Edmundston,  
Rivière-Verte,  
Lac Baker Area



**Zone 4**  
Madawaska and  
North-West Area



**Province**  
New Brunswick

## Population Demographics

Land area km <sup>2</sup>   2016	<b>2,410</b>	<b>7,803</b>	<b>71,389</b>
Population density Persons per km <sup>2</sup>   2016	<b>11</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>11</b>
Population Number   2023	<b>27,828</b>	<b>49,501</b>	<b>834,691</b>
0-4 Number   2023	<b>881</b>	<b>1,752</b>	<b>33,988</b>
5-9 Number   2023	<b>1,091</b>	<b>2,133</b>	<b>40,886</b>
10-14 Number   2023	<b>1,238</b>	<b>2,359</b>	<b>42,976</b>
15-19 Number   2023	<b>1,287</b>	<b>2,357</b>	<b>43,163</b>
20-24 Number   2023	<b>1,417</b>	<b>2,425</b>	<b>48,123</b>
25-29 Number   2023	<b>1,267</b>	<b>2,290</b>	<b>49,466</b>
30-34 Number   2023	<b>1,410</b>	<b>2,644</b>	<b>50,571</b>
35-39 Number   2023	<b>1,482</b>	<b>2,702</b>	<b>51,616</b>
40-44 Number   2023	<b>1,622</b>	<b>2,908</b>	<b>52,147</b>
45-49 Number   2023	<b>1,732</b>	<b>3,024</b>	<b>52,105</b>
50-54 Number   2023	<b>1,681</b>	<b>3,093</b>	<b>53,742</b>
55-59 Number   2023	<b>2,076</b>	<b>3,731</b>	<b>59,468</b>
60-64 Number   2023	<b>2,490</b>	<b>4,528</b>	<b>64,204</b>

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65-69 Number   2023	<b>2,642</b>	<b>4,546</b>	<b>60,826</b>
70-74 Number   2023	<b>2,110</b>	<b>3,455</b>	<b>50,640</b>
75-79 Number   2023	<b>1,595</b>	<b>2,675</b>	<b>37,918</b>
80-84 Number   2023	<b>869</b>	<b>1,440</b>	<b>22,780</b>
85 and over Number   2023	<b>938</b>	<b>1,439</b>	<b>20,072</b>
Population change from 2016 to 2020 %   2016 to 2020	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>4</b>
Indigenous %   2021	<b>3.0</b>	<b>3.4</b>	<b>4.4</b>
Immigrant %   2021	<b>3.9</b>	<b>3.2</b>	<b>5.8</b>
Recent immigrant in the last 5 years %   2016 to 2021	<b>1.2</b>	<b>0.8</b>	<b>2.1</b>
Visible minority %   2021	<b>3.1</b>	<b>2.4</b>	<b>5.8</b>
Median age of population Years   2021	<b>51</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>46</b>
Birth rate Rate per 1,000 population   2017 to 2021	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>
Death rate Rate per 1,000 population   2017 to 2021	<b>12</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>10</b>

## Household

Married or living common-law %   2021	<b>61</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>59</b>
Couples with children %   2021	<b>37</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>42</b>
Single parent families %   2021	<b>13</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>
Average household size Number   2021	<b>2.1</b>	<b>2.1</b>	<b>2.3</b>
Person living alone %   2021	<b>35</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>30</b>
Private household with 5 or more people %   2021	<b>4</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>6</b>

## Dependents

	Community Edmundston, Rivière-Verte, Lac Baker Area	Zone 4 Madawaska and North-West Area	Province New Brunswick
Dependency ratio Rate per 100 people in the working age population   2019	n/a	73	70
Dependent under 20 years %   2019	n/a	18	20
Dependent 65 years and over %   2019	n/a	24	21

## Language

Language most spoken at home - English %   2021	4.2	8.6	69.1
Language most spoken at home - French %   2021	93.1	88.5	26.3
Language most spoken at home - English and French %   2021	1.6	1.9	1.3
Language most spoken at home - indigenous languages %   2021	0.0	0.0	0.2
Language most spoken at home - other languages %   2021	0.3	0.3	1.1
Language most spoken at work - English %   2021	7.1	12.0	75.0
Language most spoken at work - French %   2021	88.7	82.4	21.0
Language most spoken at work - English and French %   2021	4.2	5.6	3.7
Knowledge of official language - English only %   2021	2	5	58
Knowledge of official language - French only %   2021	40	36	8
Knowledge of official language - French and English %   2021	58	59	34
Youth bilingualism - English and French %   2016	68	69	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> Edmundston, Rivière-Verte, Lac Baker Area	<b>Zone 4</b> Madawaska and North-West Area	<b>Province</b> New Brunswick
Children diagnosed with special education needs %   2019-2020	<b>16.1</b>	n/a	n/a
Autism/Asperger's syndrome %   2019-2020	<b>3.0</b>	n/a	n/a
Behavioural disorder %   2019-2020	<b>0.5</b>	n/a	n/a
Blind or low vision %   2019-2020	<b>0.0</b>	n/a	n/a
Deaf or hard-of-hearing %   2019-2020	<b>0.0</b>	n/a	n/a
Attention deficit hyperactivity disorder (ADHD) or attention deficit disorder (ADD) %   2019-2020	<b>6.9</b>	n/a	n/a
Intellectual disability %   2019-2020	<b>0.0</b>	n/a	n/a
Language/speech impairment %   2019-2020	<b>4.0</b>	n/a	n/a
Learning disability %   2019-2020	<b>4.2</b>	n/a	n/a
Physical disability %   2019-2020	<b>0.2</b>	n/a	n/a
Mental illness (depression, anxiety, bipolar disorder) %   2019-2020	<b>0.0</b>	n/a	n/a
Gifted %   2019-2020	<b>0.9</b>	n/a	n/a
Other %   2019-2020	<b>3.5</b>	n/a	n/a
<b>Youth diagnosed with special education needs %   2022-2023</b>	<b>27.6</b>	<b>28.4</b>	<b>35.3</b>
Autism/Asperger's syndrome %   2022-2023	<b>2.4</b>	<b>2.5</b>	<b>3.7</b>
Behavioural disorder %   2022-2023	<b>2.4</b>	<b>2.2</b>	<b>2.3</b>
Blind or low vision %   2022-2023	<b>1.4</b>	<b>2.1</b>	<b>3.9</b>
Deaf or hard-of-hearing %   2022-2023	<b>1.0</b>	<b>1.0</b>	<b>1.5</b>
Attention deficit hyperactivity disorder (ADHD) or attention deficit disorder (ADD) %   2022-2023	<b>10.7</b>	<b>10.5</b>	<b>14.0</b>
Intellectual disability %   2018-2019	<b>0.4</b>	<b>0.4</b>	<b>0.4</b>
Language/speech impairment %   2022-2023	<b>1.4</b>	<b>1.5</b>	<b>1.9</b>
Learning disability %   2022-2023	<b>5.7</b>	<b>5.6</b>	<b>6.1</b>

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Physical disability %   2022-2023	0.9	0.8	1.2
Mental illness (depression, anxiety, bipolar disorder) %   2022-2023	10.7	11.1	17.9
Gifted %   2022-2023	1.5	1.9	2.8
Other %   2022-2023	1.7	2.0	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	3.4	4.6	8.0

### Type of disability for adults and seniors

Seeing disability %   2020	20.0	23.3	19.3
Hearing disability %   2020	20.4	19.9	18.4
Mobility disability %   2020	51.9	53.3	56.5
Flexibility disability %   2020	51.6	58.4	54.1
Dexterity disability %   2020	22.1	22.2	24.5
Pain-related disability %   2020	71.8	73.4	72.4
Learning disability %   2020	23.5	21.6	18.0
Mental health-related disability %   2020	20.2	17.3	30.4
Memory disability %   2020	24.1	24.0	25.9

## Sexual Identity

Self-identifies as 2SLGBTQIA+ %   2023-2024	7.3	7.8	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