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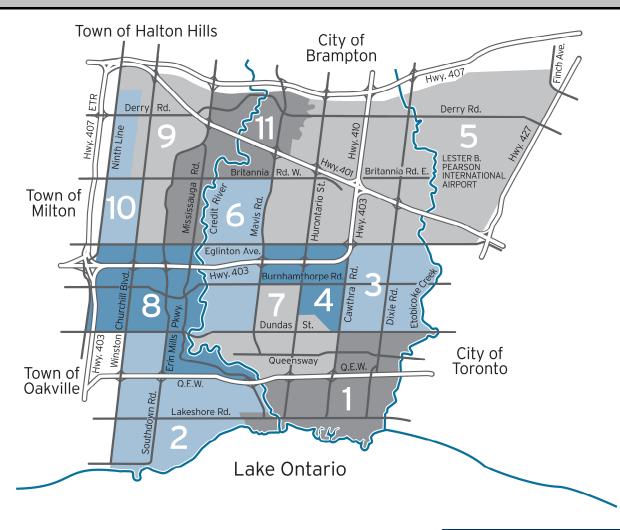
# 2006

# Census Results

# **WARD 10 PROFILE**

**SEPTEMBER 2009** 

City of Mississauga, Planning and Building Department



The City of Mississauga is divided into eleven municipal wards. Residents of each ward, elect and are represented by Councillors, who along with the Mayor, comprise City Council. City Council is the governing body of the City of Mississauga.

Ward 10 is located in north-west Mississauga and includes the community of Lisgar and part of the community of Churchill Meadows. The ward boundaries are illustrated in the above map.

The following publication summarizes Ward 10 demographic, social and economic data collected in the 2006 Census and has been sourced from a custom tabulation from Statistics Canada provided by the Region of Peel.

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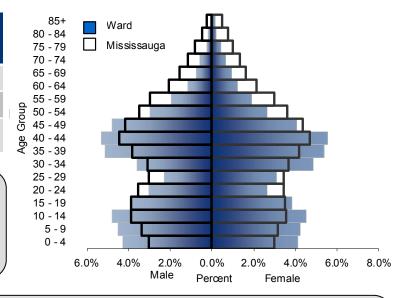
# **POPULATION**

	Total Population
Ward 10	52,915
Mississauga	668,549
Ward 10 as a % of Mississauga	7.9%



#### Did you know...

Ward 10 has the greatest percentage of residents under the age of 15 years



#### **HIGHLIGHTS**

- The 2006 Census enumerated 52,915 persons in Ward 10 accounting for 7.9% of the City of Mississauga's population
- Ward 10's population has increased from 29,940 persons in 2001, a 76.7% increase, the greatest increase of Mississauga wards

Ward 10					Mississauga	1			
Age Groups	Ma	ile	Female		To	Total		Female	Total
	#	%	#	%	#	%	%	%	%
0 to 4 years	2,255	4.3%	2,170	4.1%	4,425	8.4%	3.0%	3.0%	6.0%
5 to 9 years	2,400	4.5%	2,245	4.2%	4,645	8.8%	3.4%	3.2%	6.6%
10 to 14 years	2,525	4.8%	2,390	4.5%	4,915	9.3%	3.9%	3.6%	7.4%
15 to 19 years	2,070	3.9%	2,025	3.8%	4,095	7.7%	3.9%	3.5%	7.4%
20 to 24 years	1,605	3.0%	1,410	2.7%	3,015	5.7%	3.5%	3.4%	6.9%
25 to 29 years	1,225	2.3%	1,630	3.1%	2,855	5.4%	3.0%	3.5%	6.5%
30 to 34 years	1,890	3.6%	2,575	4.9%	4,465	8.4%	3.1%	3.7%	6.7%
35 to 39 years	2,705	5.1%	2,845	5.4%	5,550	10.5%	3.8%	4.2%	8.0%
40 to 44 years	2,815	5.3%	2,940	5.6%	5,755	10.9%	4.5%	4.7%	9.2%
45 to 49 years	2,520	4.8%	2,155	4.1%	4,675	8.8%	4.2%	4.4%	8.5%
50 to 54 years	1,560	2.9%	1,390	2.6%	2,950	5.6%	3.5%	3.6%	7.1%
55 to 59 years	1,045	2.0%	1,015	1.9%	2,060	3.9%	3.0%	3.0%	6.0%
60 to 64 years	625	1.2%	645	1.2%	1,270	2.4%	2.0%	2.2%	4.2%
65 to 69 years	410	0.8%	500	0.9%	910	1.7%	1.6%	1.6%	3.2%
70 to 74 years	300	0.6%	355	0.7%	655	1.2%	1.2%	1.3%	2.5%
75 to 79 years	145	0.3%	235	0.4%	380	0.7%	0.8%	1.0%	1.8%
80 to 84 years	85	0.2%	120	0.2%	205	0.4%	0.5%	0.8%	1.2%
85 years and older	20	0.0%	70	0.1%	90	0.2%	0.3%	0.5%	0.8%
TOTAL	26,200	49.5%	26,715	50.5%	52,915	100.0%	49.1%	50.9%	100.0%

Totals may not sum due to rounding



# **FAMILIES AND HOUSEHOLDS**

Marital Status (Population 15 years of age and older)					
	Wa	Mississauga			
	#	%	%		
Never legally married (single)	10,455	26.9%	30.8%		
Legally married (and not separated)	25,335	65.1%	56.5%		
Separated, but still legally married	770	2.0%	2.9%		
Divorced	1,355	3.5%	5.4%		
Widowed	1,005	2.6%	4.4%		

Census Families by Family Structure					
	Wa	Mississauga			
	#	%	%		
Married couples	12,455	86.0%	78.9%		
Without children at home	2,525	17.4%	22.8%		
With children at home	9,930	68.6%	56.1%		
Common-law couples	635	4.4%	5.9%		
Without children at home	320	2.2%	3.5%		
With children at home	315	2.2%	2.5%		
Lone Parent Families	1,390	9.6%	15.2%		
TOTAL CENSUS FAMILIES	14,480	100.0%	100.0%		

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Children in Census Families					
	Wa	Mississauga			
	#	%	%		
Census families with children at home	11,635	80.4%	73.8%		
1 child	3,900	33.5%	39.8%		
2 children	5,495	47.2%	42.6%		
3 or more children	2,225	19.1%	17.7%		
Census families without children at home	2,845	19.6%	26.2%		

#### **Definitions**

Legally Married - Persons currently married whose spouse is living, unless the couple is separated or divorced, and persons living common-law.

Separated, but still legally married - Persons currently married, but who are no longer living with their spouse (for any reason other than illness or work) and have not obtained a divorce. Persons who are separated but who live with a common-law partner are not included in this category.

Divorced - Persons who have obtained a legal divorce and who have not remarried. Persons who are divorced but who live with a common-law partner are not included in this category.

Widowed - persons who have lost their spouse through death and who have not remarried. Persons who are widowed but who live with a common-law partner are not included in this category.

Single - Persons who have never married (including all persons less than 15 years of age) and persons whose marriage has been annulled and who have not remarried. Persons who are single and live with a common-law partner are not included in this category.

Census Family - refers to a married couple (with or without children of either or both spouses), a couple living common-law (with or without children of either or both partners) or a lone parent of any marital status, with at least one child living in the same dwelling. A couple may be of opposite or same sex. 'Children' in a census family include grandchildren living with their grandparent(s) but with no parents present.



Household Type						
		Ward 10 Mississa				
		#	%	%		
One-family households	12,	730 8	7.0%	76.1%		
Multiple-family households	8	50 5	5.8%	5.1%		
Non-family households	1,0	060 7	7.2%	18.8%		
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Household Size					
	Ward 10		Mississauga		
	#	%	%		
1 person	865	5.9%	16.3%		
2 persons	2,570	17.6%	24.7%		
3 persons	3,180	21.7%	19.7%		
4 to 5 persons	6,790	46.4%	33.0%		
6 or more persons	1,230	8.4%	6.3%		
	Ward 10		Mississauga		
	#	<u> </u>	#		
Average Household Size	3.6		3.1		



#### Did you know...

Ward 10 has the highest average household size



#### Did you know...

Ward 10 has the greatest percentage of 2 children households

#### **HIGHLIGHTS**

- There are 11,985 families in Ward 10
- Ward 10 has a below average percentage of one person households
- 80.4% of census families have children living at home
- Over 50% of the population live in households with 4 or more persons
- The average household size is 3.6 persons, an increase from 3.5 in 2001

#### **Definitions**

Household Type - refers to a household that contains at least one census family.

One-family household - refers to a single census family (with or without other persons) that occupies a private dwelling.

Multiple-family household - refers to a household in which two or more census families (with or without additional persons) occupy the same private dwelling.

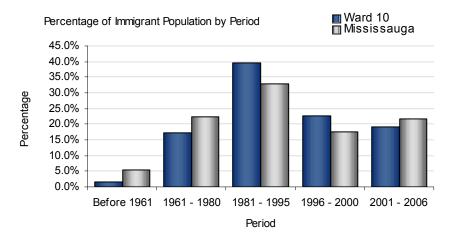
Non-family household - refers to either one person living alone in a private dwelling or to a group of two or more people who share a private dwelling, but who do not constitute a census family.

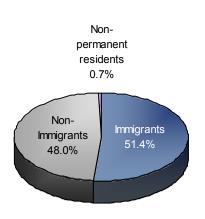


# **IMMIGRATION AND ETHNIC DIVERSITY**

Citizenship						
	Ward 10 Mississa					
	#	%	%			
Canadian citizens	46,715	88.3%	85.8%			
Canadian citizens under age 18	15,205	28.7%	21.7%			
Canadian citizens age 18 and over	31,510	59.5%	64.1%			
Not Canadian citizens	6,195	11.7%	14.2%			

Immigrant Population					
	Ward 10 Mississau				
	#	%			
Immigrants	27,175	51.4%	51.6%		
Recent Immigrants	5,220	9.9%	11.2%		
Non-Immigrants	25,375	48.0%	47.3%		
Non-permanent residents	360	0.7%	1.1%		





Immigrant Population by Age at Immigration					
	War	Mississauga			
	#	%	%		
Under 5 years	2,495	9.2%	7.7%		
5 to 14 years	5,420	19.9%	18.2%		
15 to 24 years	5,375	19.8%	21.9%		
25 to 44 years	11,325	41.7%	42.2%		
45 years and over	2,555	9.4%	10.1%		
TOTAL	27,180	100.0%	100.0%		

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Definitions

Immigrants - are persons who are, or have ever been, landed immigrants in Canada. A landed immigrant is a person who has been granted the right to live in Canada permanently by immigration authorities. Includes immigrants who landed in Canada prior to Census Day, May 16, 2006.



Top 10 Regions of Birth of Immigrants						
Rank	ank Place of Birth	War	Mississauga			
Nank	Flace of Bill til	#	%	%		
1	Southern Asia	7,760	28.6%	24.7%		
2	Southeast Asia	3,185	11.7%	11.1%		
3	West Central Asia and the Middle East	2,365	8.7%	6.4%		
4	Caribbean and Bermuda	2,340	8.6%	6.9%		
5	Eastern Asia	2,305	8.5%	9.6%		
6	Eastern Europe	2,170	8.0%	10.3%		
7	Southern Europe	1,830	6.7%	11.8%		
8	South America	1,150	4.2%	4.7%		
9	Northern Europe	1,120	4.1%	4.9%		
10	Eastern Africa	740	2.7%	2.1%		

Top 10 Regions of Birth of Recent Immigrants						
Rank	Place of Birth	Ward 10	d 10	Mississauga		
	Flace of Billul	#	%	%		
1	Southern Asia	2235	42.8%	43.3%		
2	West Central Asia and the Middle East	680	13.0%	9.6%		
3	Southeast Asia	620	11.9%	10.6%		
4	Eastern Asia	350	6.7%	11.1%		
5	Eastern Europe	250	4.8%	6.5%		
6	South America	230	4.4%	4.2%		
7	Northern Africa	165	3.2%	2.3%		
8	United States of America	135	2.6%	1.8%		
9	Caribbean and Bermuda	130	2.5%	2.4%		
10	Northern Europe	110	2.1%	0.9%		

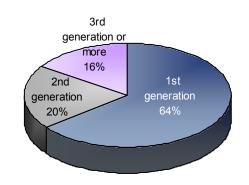
- Ward 10 has a higher percentage of Canadian citizens than the City of Mississauga (88.3% vs. 85.8%)
- 51.4% of the population are immigrants
- The majority of immigrants have immigrated from Southern and Southeast Asia
- Immigrants born in Southern Asia and West Central Asia and the Middle East make up the largest share of recent immigrants
- 56.8% of the population is classified as a visible minority, an increase from 37.3% in 2001
- South Asians, Chinese and Blacks comprise the largest share of the visible minority population in the ward

#### **Definitions**

Recent immigrants - immigrants who landed in Canada between January 1, 2001 and Census Day, May 16, 2006.



Generation Status (population 15 years of age and older)							
	Ward 10 Mississauga						
	#	%	%				
1st generation	25,080	64.4%	61.0%				
2nd generation	7,795	20.0%	20.1%				
3rd generation or more	6,040	15.5%	18.9%				
TOTAL	38,920	100.0%	100.0%				



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Visible Minority Population					
	Ward 10 Mississau				
	#	%	%		
Not a visible minority	22,875	43.2%	51.0%		
Visible Minority Population	30,040	56.8%	49.0%		

Top 10 Visible Minority Groups				
Rank	Ward 10		d 10	Mississauga
Nalik		#	%	%
1	South Asian	12,685	24.0%	20.2%
2	Chinese	3,965	7.5%	6.9%
2	Black	3,965	7.5%	6.2%
4	Filipino	2,650	5.0%	4.6%
5	Arab	2,040	3.9%	2.5%
6	Southeast Asian	1,210	2.3%	2.1%
7	Latin American	850	1.6%	1.9%
8	West Asian	570	1.1%	0.9%
9	Korean	460	0.9%	1.0%
10	Japanese	95	0.2%	0.4%

#### **Definitions**

Visible Minority - as defined in the Employment Equity Act as 'persons, other than Aboriginal peoples, who are non-Caucasian in race or non-white in colour'.

1st generation - persons born outside Canada

2nd generation - persons born inside Canada with at least one parent born outside Canada

3rd generation or more - persons born inside Canada with both parents born inside Canada (these persons may have grandparents born inside or outside Canada as well)



Ethnic Origin (Single and Multiple Responses)					
Rank		War	Mississauga		
Naiik		#	%	%	
1	East Indian	9,050	17.1%	14.9%	
2	English	5,930	11.2%	12.8%	
3	Canadian	5,435	10.3%	10.6%	
4	Chinese	4,640	8.8%	8.3%	
5	Scottish	4,090	7.7%	8.8%	
6	Irish	3,920	7.4%	8.6%	
7	Italian	3,875	7.3%	7.4%	
8	Pakistani	3,115	5.9%	3.4%	
9	Polish	3,070	5.8%	6.5%	
10	Filipino	2,905	5.5%	4.9%	
11	Portuguese	2,865	5.4%	5.2%	
12	Jamaican	2,315	4.4%	3.1%	
13	French	2,165	4.1%	4.2%	
14	German	1,990	3.8%	4.5%	
15	Spanish	1,160	2.2%	2.2%	
16	Vietnamese	910	1.7%	1.8%	
17	Ukrainian	890	1.7%	2.8%	
18	Arab, not included elsewhere	860	1.6%	0.9%	
19	Sri Lankan	825	1.6%	1.4%	
20	Croatian	815	1.5%	1.4%	

- Top five most common ethnic origins are: East Indian, English, Canadian, Chinese and Scottish
- The proportion of residents indicating an East Indian ethnic origin has increased from 11.1% in 2001

#### Definitions

Ethnic Origin - refers to the ethnic or cultural origins of the respondent's ancestors. Single ethnic origin respondents provides one ethnic origin only whereas multiple responses occurs when a respondent provides two or more ethnic origins. The sum of specific groups is not equal to the total population due to multiple counts.



# **LANGUAGE**

Top 10 Mother Tongues (Single Responses)					
Rank	Language	War	d 10	Mississauga	
Nank	Lariyuaye	#	%	%	
1	English	26,335	51.0%	49.9%	
2	Urdu	3,935	7.6%	4.7%	
3	Polish	2,140	4.1%	4.5%	
4	Arabic	2,090	4.0%	2.7%	
5	Tagalog (Pilipino, Filipino)	1,595	3.1%	2.8%	
6	Cantonese	1,250	2.4%	2.0%	
7	Panjabi (Punjabi)	1,150	2.2%	3.7%	
8	Spanish	1,125	2.2%	2.2%	
9	Portuguese	1,070	2.1%	2.9%	
10	Chinese, not otherwise specified	990	1.9%	2.4%	

Knowledge of Official Languages					
	War	Mississauga			
	#	%	%		
English only	47,185	89.2%	88.8%		
French only	85	0.2%	0.1%		
English and French	4,265	8.1%	7.4%		
Neither English nor French	1,375	2.6%	3.6%		

#### **HIGHLIGHTS**

- The predominant mother tongue in Ward 10 is English (51.0%), followed by Urdu (7.6%) and Polish (4.1%)
- The percentage of residents indicating English as their mother tongue has decreased from 62.1% in 2001
- 97.4% of the population have knowledge of an official language this percentage is higher than in the City of Mississauga

#### Definitions

Mother Tongue - the first language learned at home in childhood and still understood by the individual at the time of the census.

Knowledge of official language - the ability to conduct a conversation in English only, in French only, in both English and French, or in neither English nor French.



# **EDUCATION AND LABOUR**

Highest Level of Educational Attainment in the Population 25 - 64 years of age				
	War	d 10	Mississauga	
	#	%	%	
No certificate, diploma or degree	1,855	6.3%	10.3%	
High school certificate or equivalent	5,850	19.8%	22.5%	
Apprenticeship or trades certificate or diploma	1,880	6.4%	7.0%	
College, CEGEP or other non-university certificate or diploma	6,345	21.5%	19.1%	
University certificate or diploma below bachelor level	2,395	8.1%	7.1%	
Bachelor's degree	6,965	23.6%	21.1%	
University certificate or diploma above bachelor level	1,465	5.0%	3.9%	
Degree in medicine, dentistry, veterinary medicine or optometry	225	0.8%	0.9%	
Master's degree	2,335	7.9%	7.1%	
Earned doctorate	250	0.8%	0.8%	
TOTAL	29,575	100.0%	100.0%	

Totals may not sum due to rounding



#### Did you know...

Ward 10 has the greatest percentage of residents holding a Bachelor's degree

Total Labour Force by Occupation					
Rank		War	Ward 10		
Naiik		#	%	%	
1	Business, finance and administration occupations	6,990	23.7%	23.0%	
2	Sales and service occupations	6,090	20.7%	22.0%	
3	Management occupations	3,850	13.1%	11.1%	
4	Natural and applied sciences and related occupations	3,470	11.8%	9.1%	
5	Trades, transport and equipment operators and related occupations	3,345	11.4%	13.1%	
6	Occupations in social science, education, government service and religion	1,895	6.4%	6.5%	
7	Occupations unique to processing, manufacturing and utilities	1,715	5.8%	7.7%	
8	Health occupations	1,430	4.9%	4.3%	
9	Occupation - Not applicable	575	2.0%	2.0%	
10	Occupations in art, culture, recreation and sport	515	1.7%	2.4%	
11	Occupations unique to primary industry	150	0.5%	0.7%	
	TOTAL	29,465	100%	100%	

Totals may not sum due to rounding



- Only 6.3% of residents in Ward 10 between the ages of 25 and 64 years don't hold a certificate, diploma or degree
- Business, finance and administrative occupations and sales and service occupations are the largest occupation types for residents in Ward 10
- The top three industries employing residents of Ward 10 are: manufacturing, retail trade and professional, scientific and technical services

		Wa	rd 10	Mississauga
Rank		#	%	%
1	Manufacturing	4,240	14.4%	15.2%
2	Retail trade	3,505	11.9%	11.2%
3	Professional, scientific and technical services	2,840	9.6%	9.0%
4	Wholesale trade	2,810	9.5%	7.7%
5	Finance and insurance	2,425	8.2%	7.0%
6	Transportation and warehousing	2,145	7.3%	7.4%
7	Health care and social assistance	2,105	7.1%	7.3%
8	Accommodation and food services	1,495	5.1%	5.6%
9	Educational services	1,290	4.4%	5.1%
10	Construction	1,235	4.2%	4.9%
11	Other services (except public administration)	1,135	3.9%	4.0%
12	Administrative and support, waste management and remediation services	1,040	3.5%	5.2%
13	Public administration	945	3.2%	2.9%
14	Information and cultural industries	920	3.1%	2.9%
15	Real estate and rental and leasing	630	2.1%	2.2%
16	Arts, entertainment and recreation	335	1.1%	1.4%
17	Utilities	215	0.7%	0.5%
18	Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting	65	0.2%	0.2%
19	Management of companies and enterprises	55	0.2%	0.2%
20	Mining and oil and gas extraction	30	0.1%	0.2%
	TOTAL	29,465	100.0%	100.0%

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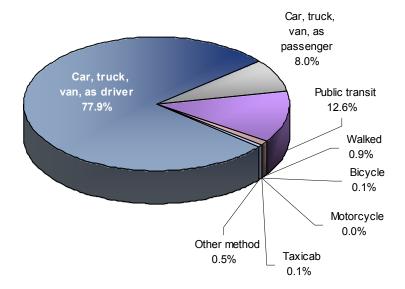
Definitions

Industry - refers to the general nature of the business carried out in the establishment where the person worked. The 2006 Census industry data are produced according to the 2002 NAICS



Labour Force by Place of Work (15 years of age and older)					
	Ward 10 Mississau				
	#	%	%		
In census subdivision of residence (Mississauga)	13,155	46.7%	45.5%		
In different census subdivision (outside of Mississauga)	10,610	37.7%	38.0%		
At home	1,720	6.1%	5.9%		
Outside Canada	205	0.7%	0.6%		
No fixed workplace address	2,475	8.8%	9.9%		

Labour Force Mode of Transportation to Work (15 years of age and older)				
	Ward 10		Mississauga	
	#	%	%	
Car, truck, van, as driver	20,420	77.8%	72.0%	
Car, truck, van, as passenger	2,085	7.9%	8.6%	
Public transit Public transit	3,305	12.6%	15.8%	
Walked	235	0.9%	2.6%	
Bicycle	35	0.1%	0.4%	
Motorcycle	0	0.0%	0.0%	
Taxicab	25	0.1%	0.1%	
Other method	120	0.5%	0.6%	



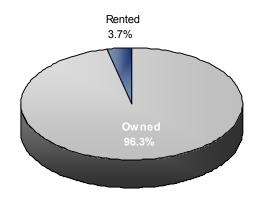
- Ward 10 has a higher percentage of persons in the labour force working within Mississauga than the City of Mississauga average
- The use of public transit for traveling to work has increased to 12.6% from 10.5% in 2001



# HOUSING

Private Dwellings by Tenure				
		Ward 10		Mississauga
		#	%	%
Owned		14,090	96.3%	75.0%
Rented		545	3.7%	25.0%
	TOTAL	14,635	100.0%	100.0%

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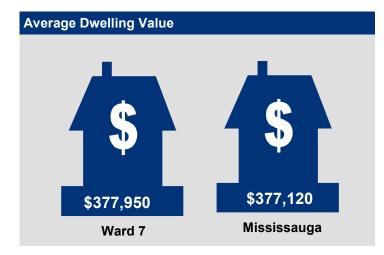
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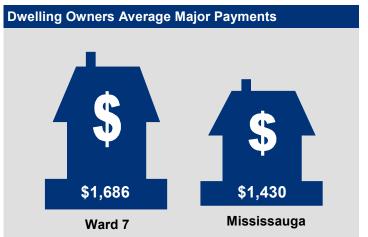
Ward 10 has the greatest percentage of single detached dwellings in Mississauga

Dwellings by Period of Construction			
	Ward 10		Mississauga
	#	%	%
Before 1946	0	0.0%	1.4%
1946 - 1970	15	0.1%	19.0%
1971 - 1980	60	0.4%	22.3%
1981 - 1990	1,465	10.0%	24.8%
1991 - 2000	6,450	44.1%	21.3%
2001 - 2006	6,635	45.3%	11.4%

Dwelling Structure Type			
	Ward 10		Mississauga
	#	%	%
Single-detached house	8,475	57.9%	41.0%
Semi-detached house	4,390	30.0%	11.4%
Row house	1,560	10.7%	13.9%
Apartment, duplex	125	0.9%	3.1%
Apartment, building that has five or more storeys	15	0.1%	23.7%
Apartment, building that has fewer than five storeys	60	0.4%	6.8%
Other single-attached house	10	0.1%	0.1%
Movable dwelling	0	0.0%	0.0%







- Ward 10 has a total of 14,635 private dwellings, 96.3% owned and 3.7% rented
- Ward 10 has a lower percentage of rental dwellings than the City of Mississauga
- 28.2% of owner households are spending 30% or more of household income on major payments (mortgage, electricity, heat and municipal services) compared to 27.5% of households in Mississauga who spend 30% or more of household income on major payments
- 45.3% of dwellings in Ward 10 were constructed between 2001 and 2006 compared to just 11.4% of dwellings in the City of Mississauga built during the same period



#### Did you know...

Ward 10 has the highest median household income in Mississauga



#### Did you know...

Ward 10 has the highest median individual income in Mississauga

#### Definitions

Owners major payments - Average monthly total of all shelter expenses paid by households that own their dwelling. Includes, for example, the mortgage payment and the costs of electricity, heat and municipal services.

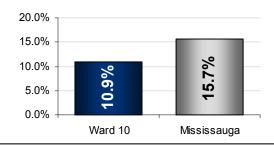
Value of dwelling - refers to the dollar amount expected by the owner if the dwelling were to be sold.



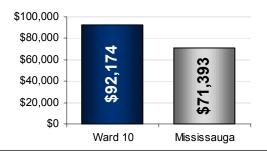
# INCOME

Household Income (2005)			
	Ward 10		Mississauga
	#	%	%
Under \$10,000	295	2.0%	3.9%
\$10,000 to \$29,999	665	4.5%	12.1%
\$30,000 to \$49,999	1,545	10.6%	16.6%
\$50,000 to \$69,999	2,135	14.6%	16.3%
\$70,000 to \$99,999	3,650	24.9%	20.5%
\$100,000 and over	6,340	43.3%	30.6%

#### Presence of low income (before tax, 2005)



#### Median Household Income



#### **HIGHLIGHTS**

- The median household income for Ward 10 in the 2005 tax year was \$92,174 per year, above the City of Mississauga median household income
- The proportion of the population with a presence of low income has increased since 2001 (from 6.2% to 10.9%)

Individual Income (2005) Population 15 Years of Age and Older			
	Ward 10		Mississauga
	#	%	%
Without income	2,575	6.6%	6.2%
\$1 - \$9,999	4,875	19.7%	20.7%
\$10,000 - \$19,999	5,250	13.5%	16.5%
\$20,000 to \$29,999	3,695	9.5%	12.2%
\$30,000 to \$39,999	4,210	10.8%	11.8%
\$40,000 to \$49,999	4,100	10.5%	9.4%
\$50,000 to \$59,999	2,950	7.6%	6.7%
\$60,000 and over	8,470	21.8%	16.5%
	Ward 10		Mississauga
Median Individual Income	\$33,758		\$27,788

#### Definitions

Household Income - The total income of a household is the sum of the total incomes of all members of that household.

Presence of low income - Percentage of economic families or persons not in economic families who spend 20% more than average of their before-tax income on food, shelter and clothing.



#### What is the Canada Census and how is it collected?

The Canadian Census is conducted by Statistics Canada every five years in order to capture a profile of the Canadian Population. The last census was conducted on May 16, 2006. The census is intended to enumerate every person living in Canada on Census day as well as Canadians living abroad.

The census of population contains two questionnaires. The short questionnaire contains eight questions and is delivered to 4 out of 5 households. Questions included in the short questionnaire relate to: age, sex, marital status, mother tongue and relationships in the household. The remaining households (1 out of 5) received the long questionnaire containing the eight questions from the short questionnaire and an additional 53 questions. The additional questions in the long questionnaire relate to dwellings, income, labour, employment, education, mobility, ethnicity and immigration.

These questionnaires are delivered to each dwelling either by Census enumerators or Canada Post. Re-

sponses are collected directly from respondents by way of hand entry on the questionnaires or for the first time in 2006, online responses. Non-responses, omissions or inconsistencies in the questionnaires are followed up by Census staff. Participation in the Census is mandatory under the Statistics Act.

As the bulk of the census questions are collected from a 20% sample, Statistics Canada projects this sample to the population as a whole (100%) using a weighting system. The resulting Census database forms the basis of all publications, tabulations and custom products released by Statistics Canada.

The data contained in this publication does not include the census net undercoverage. The census net undercoverage is the difference between the population missed during enumeration (undercoverage) and the population enumerated more than once (overcoverage). The 2006 Census national net undercoverage rate estimate was



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