



Community Data Program

Enabling communities across Canada to measure and track local well-being

Community Snapshot

Neighbourhood profiles of Durham Region



Summary

Durham Region has 50 Health Neighbourhoods. Neighbourhood profiles of Durham Region represent information for a specific neighbourhood or municipality and display how the area compares with Durham Region.

The data by Health Neighbourhood for the profiles is acquired through the Community Data Group, which the Regional Municipality of Durham accesses as a member of the Durham Consortium. Health Neighbourhood is a custom geography for the Durham Consortium.

Durham Region Neighbourhood Profile - December 2017			
Description: The Region of Durham is situated in the highly developed and populated economic centre of Ontario's Golden Horseshoe which stretches from Oshawa to Niagara Falls. Durham Region lies immediately to the east of the City of Toronto within the Greater Toronto Area and encompasses an area of approximately 2,590 square kilometres (1,000 square miles). The area is characterized by a variety of landscapes and communities. A series of major lakeshore urban communities contrast with a variety of small towns, villages, hamlets and farms which lie immediately inland. There are eight municipalities in Durham Region: Pickering, Ajax, Whitby, Oshawa, Clarington, Scugog, Uxbridge and Brock.			
Population (2011): 608,075 Population Density: 239.5 persons per square kilometre Number of Births (2014): 6,428			
Demographics – 2011	Durham Region	Ontario	Compared to Ontario
Population growth rate (2006 to 2011)	8.6%	5.7%	HIGHER
Population aged 0-14 years	18.6%	17.0%	similar
Population aged 0-4 years	5.7%	5.5%	similar
Population aged 5-9 years	6.1%	5.5%	similar
Population aged 10-14 years	6.8%	5.9%	similar
Population aged 15-19 years	7.7%	6.7%	similar

Oshawa Neighbourhood Profile - December 2017			
Housing – 2011	Neighbourhood	Durham Region	Compared to Durham Region
Moved residence in the past year	12.7%	9.9%	HIGHER
Households that rent	29.6%	17.3%	HIGHER
Shelter costs of 30% or more of income	27.9%	25.0%	similar
Not suitable housing	5.7%	5.1%	similar
Major dwelling repairs needed	6.9%	5.0%	HIGHER
Early Development Instrument (EDI) in senior kindergarten (SK) children – Updated to 2015	--	--	--
Vulnerable in physical health and well-being	20.0%	17.9%	HIGHER
Vulnerable in social competence	14.0%	10.8%	HIGHER
Vulnerable in emotional maturity	15.8%	12.3%	HIGHER
Vulnerable in language and cognitive development	6.7%	4.9%	HIGHER
Vulnerable in communication skills and general knowledge	10.9%	9.0%	HIGHER
Vulnerable in one or more domains	33.6%	29.7%	HIGHER
Kindergarten Parent Survey – 2012	--	--	--
SK children in excellent or very good health	90%	92%	similar
Living in a child-friendly neighbourhood	72%	79%	LOWER
SK children walking or biking to school	49%	41%	HIGHER

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Practitioner

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Community data used

- Census Profile 2016, Statistics Canada
- National Household Survey (NHS) 2011, Statistics Canada



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