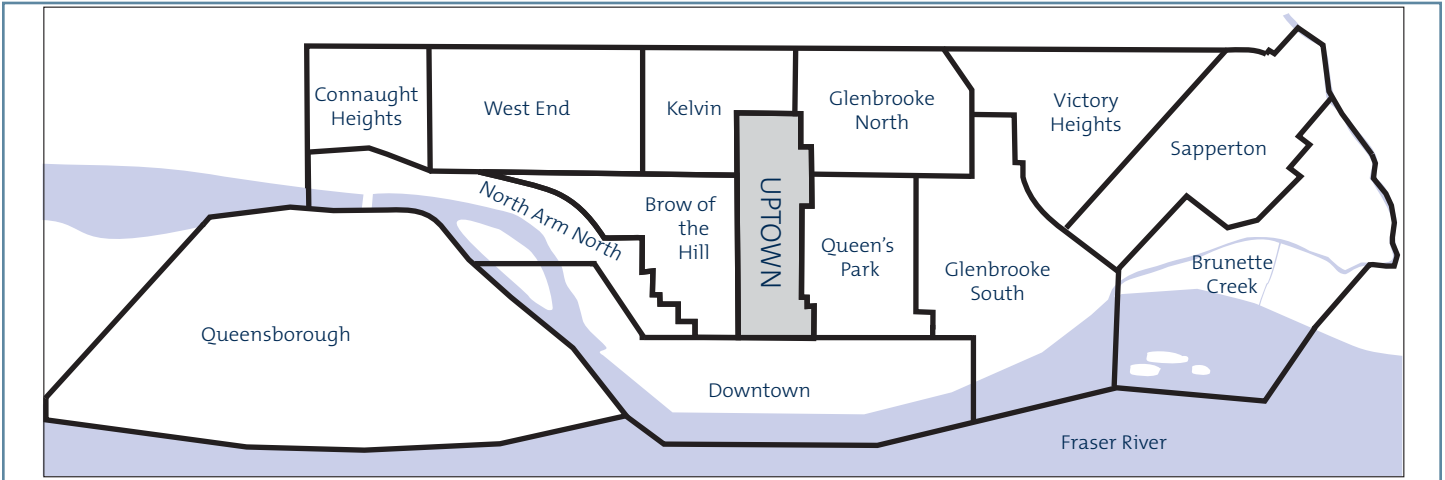




Uptown

2006 Census



A Note About Neighbourhood Profiles

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Distinct Neighbourhood Features

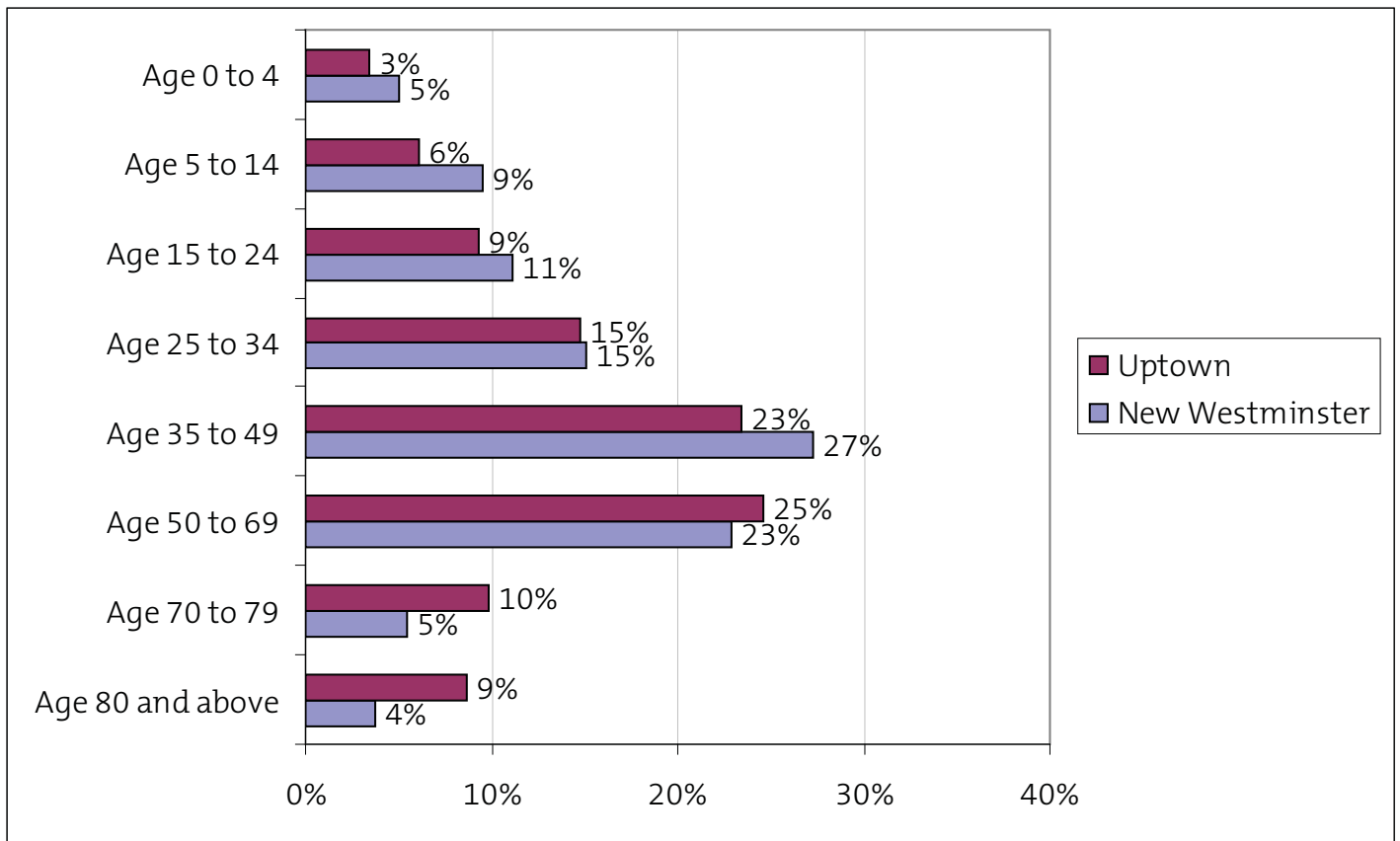
Uptown is growing at a slightly faster pace than the City. It has fewer children and youth and more seniors. The majority of its households are single person households. In Uptown, these households are 17% more common than in the City as a whole. This neighbourhood also has fewer couples with children, and more of its households have moved between 2001 and 2006. It has significantly lower household income, and a higher incidence of low-income. Almost all households live in apartments, and a slight majority of households are renters. Uptown residents overall have slightly lower educational achievement, and an 11% lower participation rate in the labour force. They are 5% more likely to live and work in New Westminster, and 4% more likely to walk or cycle to work. English is spoken at home by 73% of residents, making it less prevalent than it is City-wide. In Uptown, Chinese languages are more prominent. Immigrants comprise a 6% higher share of the population. Persons coming to Canada since 2001 are more likely to locate here than in other neighbourhoods.

Population & Age Groups

	New Westminster		Uptown	
Total population	57,850		7,650	
Age 0 to 4	2,925	5.1%	265	3.5%
Age 5 to 14	5,480	9.5%	465	6.1%
Age 15 to 24	6,410	11.1%	710	9.3%
Age 25 to 34	8,700	15.0%	1,125	14.7%
Age 35 to 49	15,795	27.3%	1,790	23.4%
Age 50 to 69	13,215	22.8%	1,880	24.6%
Age 70 to 79	3,140	5.4%	750	9.8%
Age 80 and above	2,195	3.8%	665	8.7%

- Total population is up 9.5% since 2001, compared with 7.5% City-wide.
- Uptown makes up 13.2% of the City's population.
- Compared to the City, Uptown has 5% fewer persons aged 14 and under, 4% fewer aged 35 to 49, and 10% more aged 70 and over.

Population & Age Groups



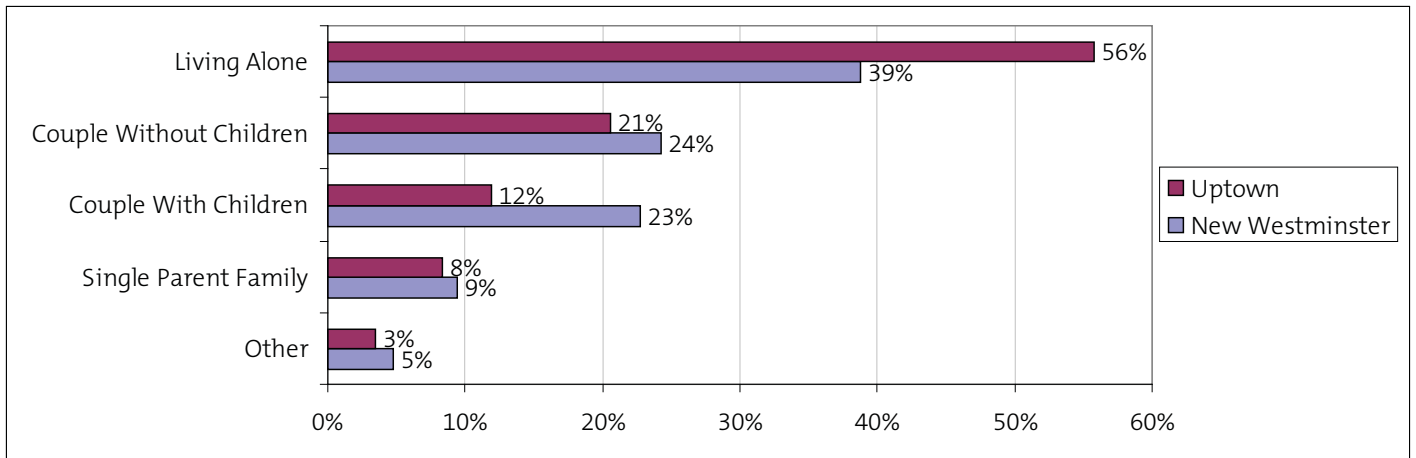
Types of Households & Mobility

	New Westminster		Uptown	
Total Family and Household Types*	27,585		4,580	
Living Alone	10,700	38.8%	2,555	55.8%
Couple Without Children	6,700	24.3%	940	20.5%
Couple With Children	6,280	22.8%	545	11.9%
Single Parent Family	2,605	9.4%	380	8.3%
Other	1,300	4.7%	160	3.5%
Total Households*	27,050		4,570	
Multiple-Family Households	505	1.9%	15	0.3%
Average Household Size	2.1		1.7	
Population moved within last 5 years	28,885	52.6%	4,365	59.1%

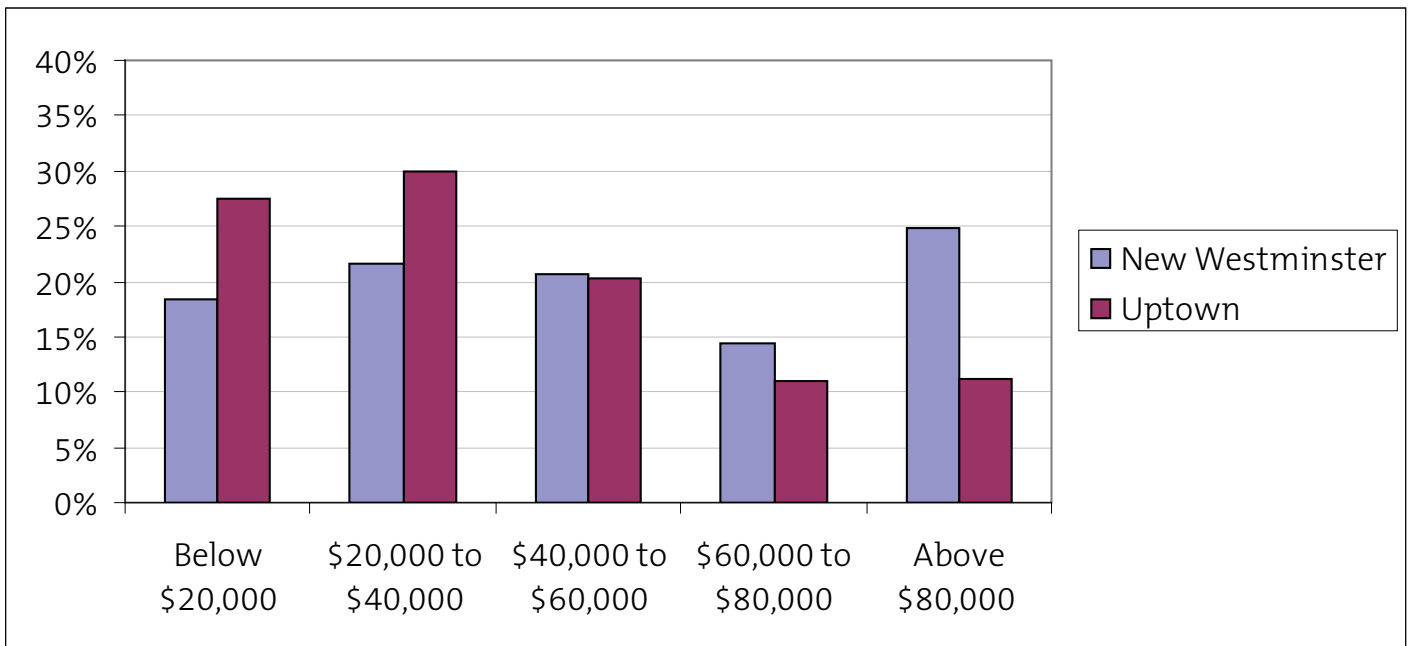
*Note: The total of family/household types is greater than the number of total households because some families live together in multiple-family households.

- Persons living alone are by far the most common type of household in the City. In Uptown these households are even more prevalent. Persons living alone make up the majority of Uptown households.
- Uptown's household mix has 11% fewer couples with children, and 17% more persons living alone.
- Although the City and Uptown have different shares of household types, the overall order of most common to least common is exactly the same.
- In Uptown, 7% more households have moved within the last 5 years.

Types of Households



Household Income



Household Income

Household income in 2005	New Westminster		Uptown	
Total Households	27,045		4,570	
Below \$20,000	4,995	18.5%	1,260	27.6%
\$20,000 to \$40,000	5,870	21.7%	1,365	29.9%
\$40,000 to \$60,000	5,575	20.6%	925	20.2%
\$60,000 to \$80,000	3,890	14.4%	505	11.1%
Above \$80,000	6,720	24.8%	510	11.2%
Median household income	\$ 48,773		\$ 34,963	
Average household income	\$ 60,408		\$ 42,019	
Prevalence of low income		20.3%		30.1%

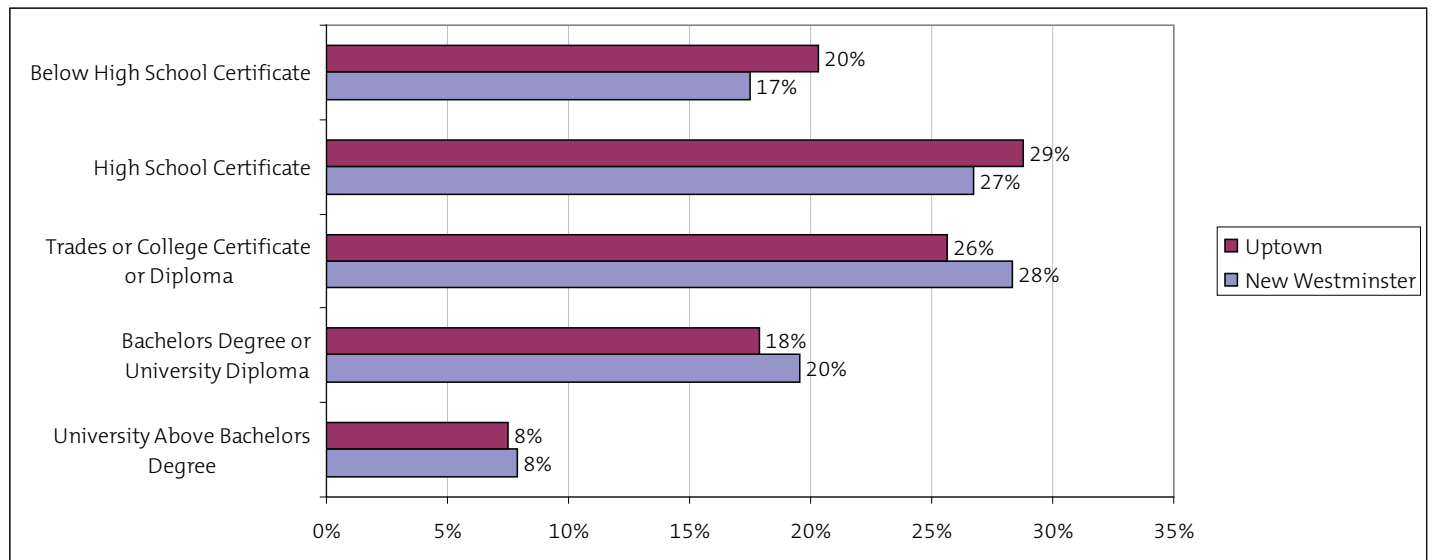
- Compared to the City, in Uptown there are 17% more households in the lowest two income categories, and 14% fewer in the highest income category.
- Uptown's median household income is 28% lower than the City's. There is also a high prevalence of low income (30.1%), 10% above the City-wide rate.

Housing Types, Tenure & Affordability

	New Westminster		Uptown	
Total Occupied Dwellings	27,050		4,570	
Apartment	17,875	66.1%	4,305	94.3%
Townhouse/Duplex	1,145	4.2%	125	2.7%
Single Family	5,055	18.7%	90	2.0%
Single Family with Suite	1,458	5.4%	30	0.7%
Secondary Suite	1,458	5.4%	30	0.7%
Rented	12,495	46.2%	2,785	60.9%
Owned	14,555	53.8%	1,785	39.1%
Tenant households spending 30% or more of income on housing	4,895	39.2%	1,100	39.5%
Owner households spending 30% or more of income on housing	3,710	25.5%	390	21.8%

- Almost all households live in apartments, comprising a 28% higher share than City-wide.
- 61% of Uptown households rent housing, which is a 15% higher share than City-wide. 40% of renter households struggle with affordability, which is the same share as City-wide.

Education



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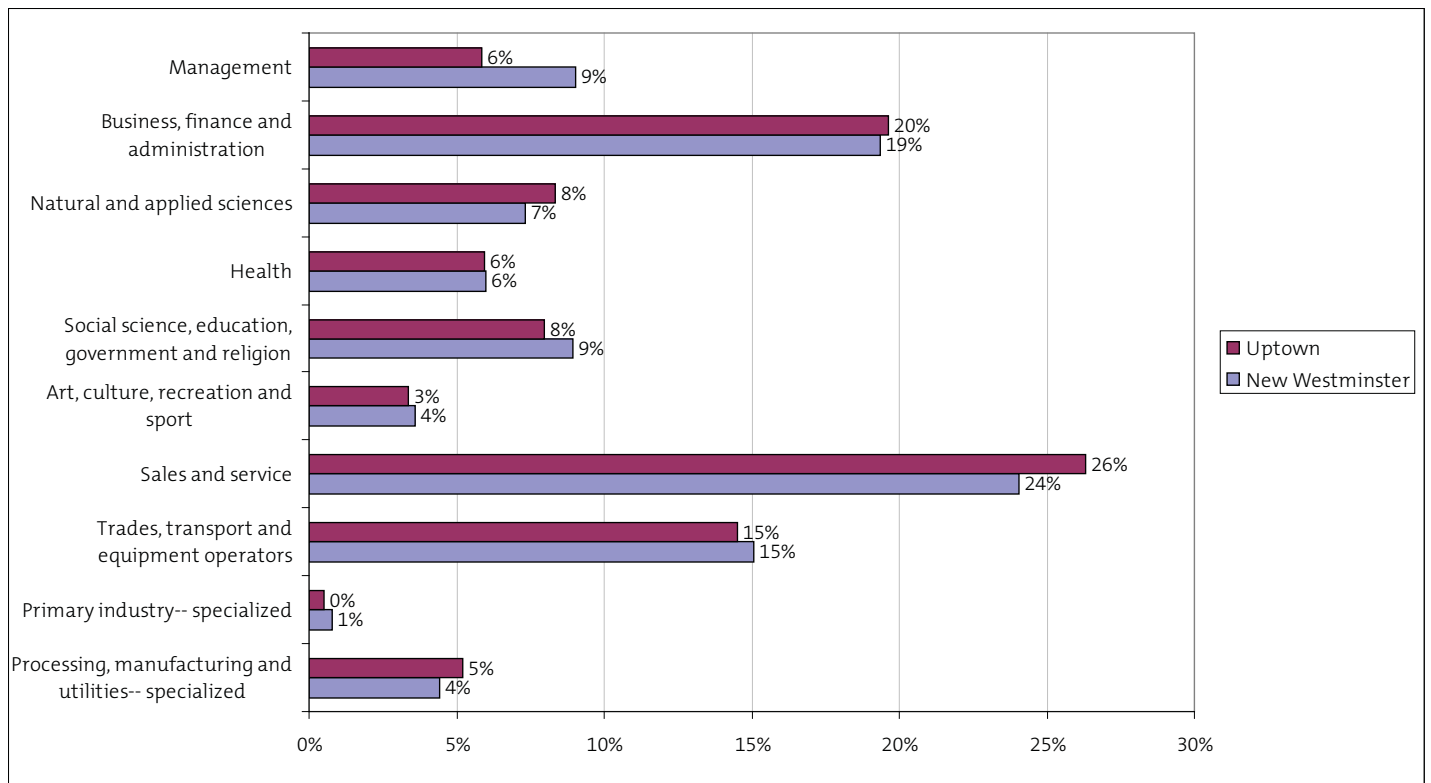
	New Westminster		Uptown	
Population Aged 15 and over	49,455		6,925	
Below High School Certificate	8,640	17.5%	1,405	20.3%
High School Certificate	13,210	26.7%	1,995	28.8%
Trades or College Certificate or Diploma	14,025	28.4%	1,775	25.6%
Bachelors Degree or University Diploma	9,665	19.5%	1,240	17.9%
University Above Bachelors Degree	3,910	7.9%	520	7.5%

- Uptown has 5% more persons in the lowest two categories of educational achievement. High school completion is the most common category.
- Uptown's participation rate is 11% lower than the City's. It also has a 2% higher unemployment rate.
- In this neighbourhood, 5% more residents live and work in New Westminster.
- Sales and service is the most common occupational group for both Uptown and the City.
- In Uptown, there are 3% fewer residents employed in management.

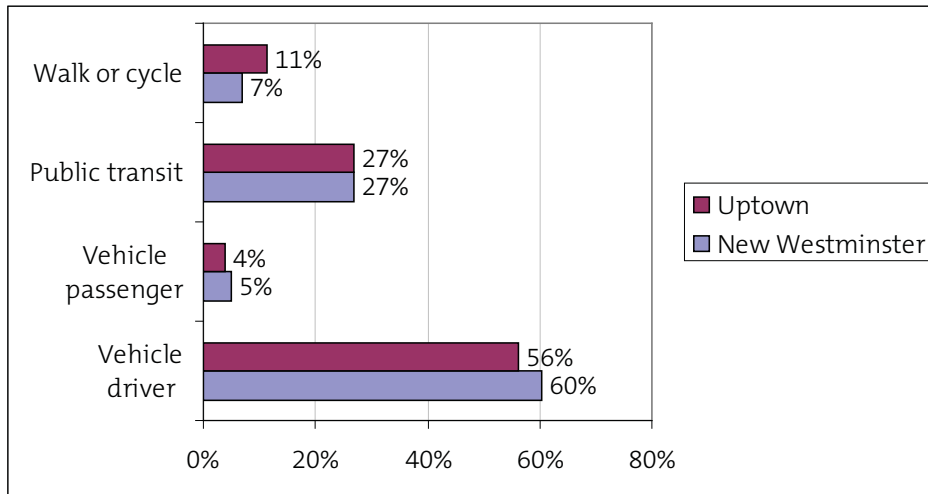
Labour Force

	New Westminster	Uptown
Population 15 years and over	49,455	6,920
Labour force 15 years and over	34,260	4,025
Participation rate	69.3%	58.2%
Unemployment rate	5.6%	7.5%
Live and Work in New Westminster (incl. home-based)	20.2%	24.7%

Occupations



Mode of Travel to Work



- Uptown residents are 4% more likely to walk or cycle to work.
- Transit's share of work trips is up 2% since 2001, vs. 7% for the City.
- Walking and cycling's share is down 3% since 2001, vs. 2% for the City.

Ethnic Origin

	New Westminster		Uptown	
Total population	57,850		7,650	
Single responses	30,775	53.2%	4,405	57.6%
Multiple responses	27,075	46.8%	3,245	42.4%
Top 10 Ethnicities			Top 10 Ethnicities	
English	15,405		English	1,780
Scottish	11,645		Scottish	1,355
Canadian	9,245		Canadian	1,050
Irish	9,020		Irish	1,010
German	6,090		German	815
French	4,455		Chinese	760
Chinese	4,245		French	525
East Indian	4,110		Filipino	395
Filipino	3,380		Ukrainian	355
Ukrainian	2,795		Russian	345

Note: Table shows both single & multiple responses, so the number of responses is greater than the total population.

Home Language

	New Westminster		Uptown		
Total population	57,845	100.0%	7,650		
Multiple responses	1,635	2.8%	145	1.9%	
Single responses	56,215	97.2%	7,505	98.1%	
Top 5 Languages			Top 5 Languages		
English	45,650	78.9%	English	5,615	73.4%
Punjabi	1,785	3.1%	Mandarin	230	3.0%
Filipino	1,000	1.7%	Chinese (other)	220	2.9%
Mandarin	980	1.7%	Korean	205	2.7%
Korean	820	1.4%	Russian	180	2.4%

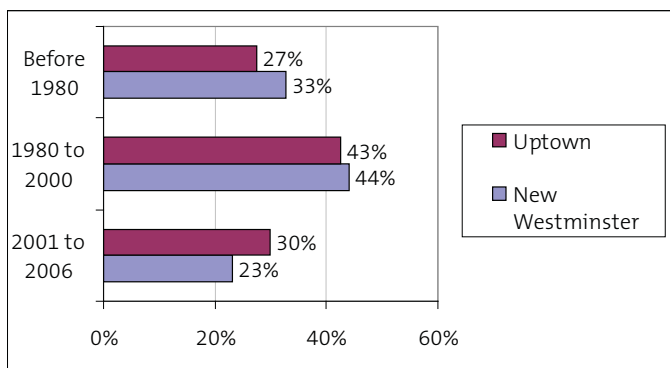
- Uptown's pattern of ethnic identity is very similar to the City-wide pattern.
- English is 6% less prevalent in Uptown. It dropped 1% in prevalence between 2001-2006 in Uptown but increased by 3% City-wide during the same period. English is still predominant, with over 73% of residents using it as their home language.
- Chinese languages are more prominent in Uptown compared to the rest of the City.

Citizenship & Immigration

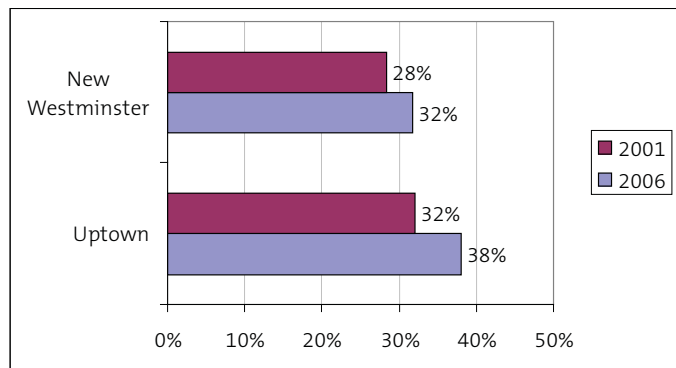
	New Westminster		Uptown		
Total population	57,850		7,650		
Canadian citizens	52,100	90.1%	6,505	85.0%	
Not Canadian citizens	5,750	9.9%	1,140	14.9%	
Non-Immigrants	38,630	66.8%	4,550	59.5%	
Immigrants	18,360	31.7%	2,900	37.9%	
Top 10 Source Countries Overall					
Philippines	2,425	13.2%	China	390	13.4%
India	2,045	11.1%	Philippines	295	10.2%
United Kingdom	1,585	8.6%	United Kingdom	245	8.4%
China	1,430	7.8%	Romania	215	7.4%
South Korea	795	4.3%	South Korea	175	6.0%
Romania	615	3.3%	Iran	125	4.3%
Hong Kong	575	3.1%	Russia	115	4.0%
United States of America	560	3.1%	Germany	85	2.9%
Fiji	370	2.0%	Taiwan	80	2.8%
Poland	365	2.0%	Ukraine	75	2.6%
Top 3 Recent Source Countries (2001-2006)					
Total	4,250		Total	870	
Philippines	710	16.7%	China	190	21.8%
China	690	16.2%	Romania	155	17.8%
Romania	435	10.2%	South Korea	85	9.8%

- Compared to the City, Canadian citizens make up a 5% lower proportion of the population in Uptown.
- Immigrants make up a 6% higher share of the population.
- Between 2001-2006, the share of immigrants increased in both the City and Uptown, but grew 2% more in this neighbourhood.
- Compared to the City-wide profile, source countries such as China and Romania are more prominent in Uptown, both overall and during the period 2001-2006. Iran is also a more significant source country.
- Uptown also has a distinct time pattern of immigration, with 7% more immigrants coming to Canada between 2001 and 2006.

Period of Immigration



Immigrants' Share of Population



Note: How Numbers Add Up in the Census

The Census uses "random rounding" in its data, to round numbers either up or down to multiples of 5. Because of this, some figures differ slightly. For example, New Westminster population may be shown as either 57,850 or 57,845. Both totals can be considered correct and accurate.