

Education Hot Facts

Introduction

This Hot Facts issue examines:

- educational profile of Richmond residents 15 years and over;
- Richmond's population by highest level of education completed and compared to selected Metro Vancouver municipalities;
- field of study of Richmond residents 15 years and over.

Educational Attainment

The 2021 Census enumerated the highest level of education completed for residents 15 years or older. Permitted responses included certificates, diplomas, or degrees from high school, trade and apprenticeship programs, and college and university.

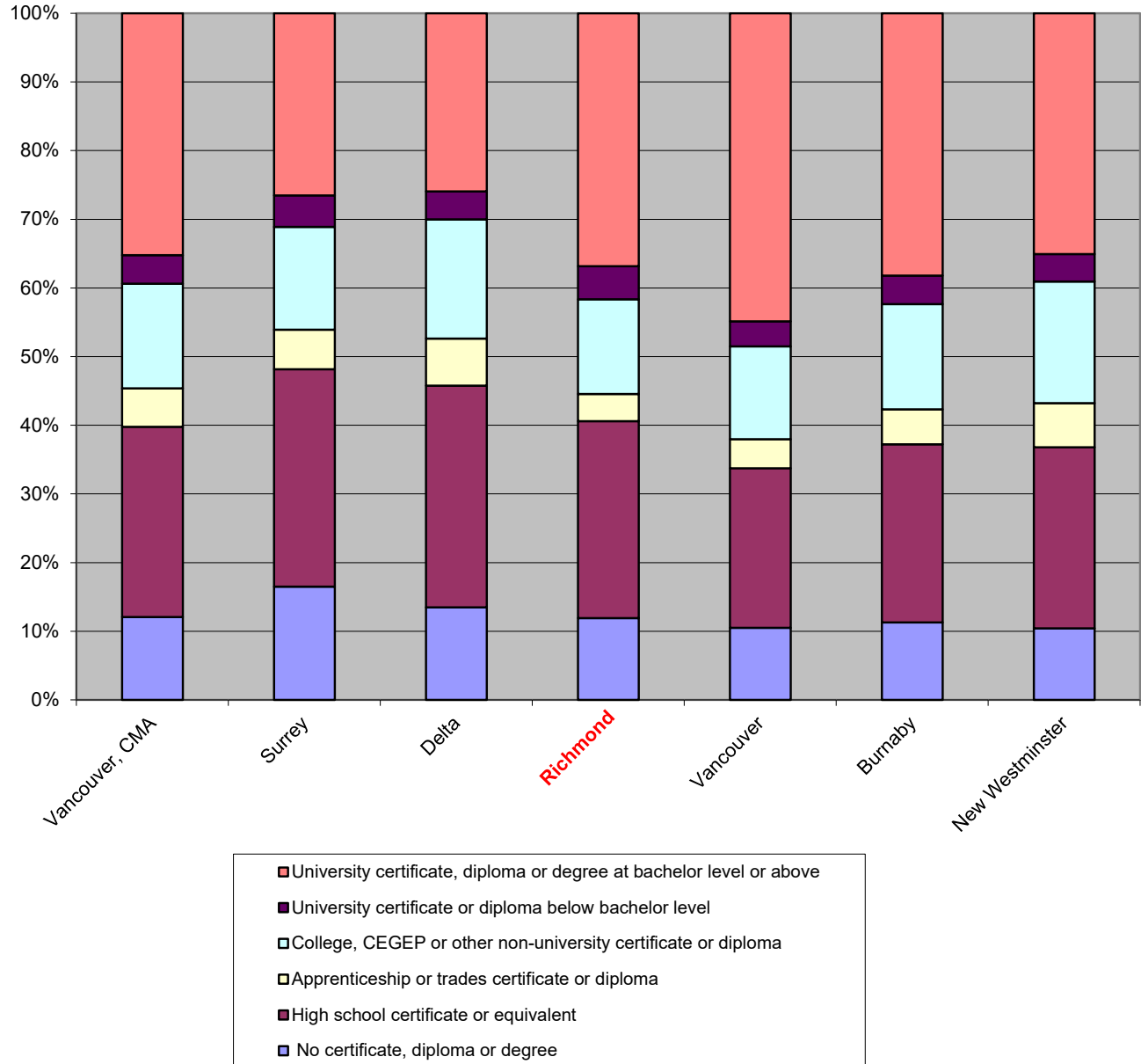
Total Population 15 Years and Over	2021 Census	% of Total
No certificate, diploma or degree	21,470	11.9%
High school diploma or equivalent	51,785	28.7%
Apprenticeship or trades certificate or diploma	7,125	3.9%
College, CEGEP or other non-university certificate or diploma	24,940	13.8%
University certificate or diploma below the bachelor level	8,700	4.8%
Bachelor's degree or higher	66,460	36.8%
Total	180,475	

Source: Statistics Canada, 2021 Census.

Regional Comparison of Highest Level of Education Completed

The table below compares the level of education attained by residents of each municipality for its population 15 years or over in the 2021 Census in the following categories:

Total population 15 years and over by highest certificate, diploma or degree



Field of Study

For each individual (15 years and over), the 2021 Census enumerated major field of academic study. The major field of study is defined as the main discipline or subject of learning. It is collected for the highest certificate, diploma or degree above the high school or secondary school level. Fields of study were classified according to the Classification of Instructional Programs (CIP) Canada 2021.

Field of Study	Total	% of Population 15 and Over
Business, management and public administration	29,705	16.5%
Architecture, engineering, and related trades	16,775	9.3%
Social and behavioural sciences and law	14,515	8.0%
Health and related fields	11,580	6.4%
Mathematics, computer and information sciences	7,090	3.9%
Humanities	6,865	3.8%
Physical and life sciences and technologies	5,370	3.0%
Education	5,110	2.8%
Visual and performing arts, and communication technologies	4,870	2.7%
Personal, protective and transportation services	3,835	2.1%
Agriculture, natural resources and conservation	1,475	0.8%
Other	30	0.0%
No postsecondary, certificate, diploma or degree	73,260	40.6%
Total	180,475	100.0%

Source: Statistics Canada, 2021 Census.

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