

By the numbers

BLACK HISTORY MONTH 2024



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In 2021, the **Black population in Canada** reached 1.5 million, accounting for 4.3% of the total population and 16.1% of the racialized population.

1. The concept of "racialized population" is derived directly from the concept of "visible minority." *The Employment Equity Act* defines visible minorities as "persons, other than Aboriginal peoples, who are non-Caucasian in race or non-white in colour."

Source: Statistics Canada, Census of Population, 2021.

Among **Canada's Black population born outside the country**, 55.3% were born in Africa and 35.6% were born in the Caribbean and Bermuda.

Source: Statistics Canada, Census of Population, 2021.



EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT

In 2021, about one-third (32.4%) of the Black population aged 25 to 64 held a **bachelor's degree or higher**, which is comparable to the total population aged 25 to 64 (32.9%).

Source: Statistics Canada, Census of Population, 2021.

FUTURE OUTLOOK



In 2021/2022, nearly three-quarters (72.5%) of the Black population reported having a **hopeful view of the future**, compared with 64.1% of the total population.

Source: Statistics Canada, Canadian Social Survey, 2021/2022.

