

Census family structure including detailed information on stepfamilies, number of children, average number of children and age of youngest child <sup>1</sup>  
 Newfoundland and Labrador  
 2021 and 2016 Census

Census Year	Number of Children <sup>1</sup>	Age of Youngest Child <sup>2</sup>	Census Family Structure															
			Total - Census family structure including detailed information on stepfamilies <sup>3</sup>	Total - Two-parent families with children	Married-couple families	Married-couple families: non-stepfamilies	Married-couple families: stepfamilies <sup>4</sup>	Married-couple families: simple stepfamilies <sup>5</sup>	Married-couple families: complex stepfamilies <sup>6</sup>	Total - Common-law-couple families	Common-law-couple families: non-stepfamilies	Total - Common-law-couple families: simple stepfamilies <sup>7</sup>	Common-law-couple families: complex stepfamilies <sup>8</sup>	Common-law-couple families: simple stepfamilies <sup>9</sup>	Common-law-couple families: complex stepfamilies <sup>10</sup>	Total - One-parent families	One-parent families in which the parent is a woman <sup>11</sup>	One-parent families in which the parent is a man <sup>12</sup>
2021	Total - Number of children	Age of youngest child	78,950	54,400	44,510	40,980	3,525	2,206	1,325	8,990	6,615	3,275	2,170	1,100	24,550	19,165	5,385	
		Youngest child is aged less than 2 years	6,670	5,265	3,295	3,115	180	35	145	1,975	1,650	320	65	255	1,405	1,235	165	
		Youngest child is aged 2 to 5 years	11,560	8,475	6,165	5,735	435	115	320	2,305	1,690	620	245	375	3,090	2,570	520	
		Youngest child is aged 6 to 14 years	24,175	16,995	13,860	12,695	1,165	520	640	3,135	1,960	1,175	795	380	7,180	5,590	1,595	
		Youngest child is aged 15 to 24 years	21,425	15,305	13,375	12,215	1,160	950	210	1,930	1,060	870	780	85	6,120	4,550	1,570	
		Youngest child is aged 25 years or older	15,115	8,360	7,815	7,220	590	585	10	545	255	290	285	5	6,755	5,215	1,535	
	1 child	Age of youngest child	42,375	26,565	21,290	19,705	1,590	1,590	0	5,275	3,800	1,480	1,480	0	15,810	12,035	3,775	
		Youngest child is aged less than 2 years	2,965	2,310	1,295	1,275	20	20	0	1,010	975	35	35	0	660	580	80	
		Youngest child is aged 2 to 5 years	4,250	2,850	1,840	1,780	55	55	0	1,010	870	135	135	0	1,400	1,125	275	
		Youngest child is aged 6 to 14 years	8,620	5,175	3,790	3,525	260	260	0	1,385	960	430	430	0	3,450	2,600	845	
		Youngest child is aged 15 to 24 years	12,890	8,680	7,320	6,625	700	700	0	1,360	750	610	610	0	4,210	3,065	1,145	
		Youngest child is aged 25 years or older	13,645	7,550	7,045	6,495	545	545	0	505	240	265	265	0	6,090	4,690	1,400	
	2 children	Age of youngest child	28,545	21,820	18,455	17,230	1,225	525	705	3,360	2,240	1,125	560	565	6,725	5,400	1,325	
		Youngest child is aged less than 2 years	2,540	2,070	1,420	1,360	60	15	45	655	495	165	25	135	470	425	45	
		Youngest child is aged 2 to 5 years	5,145	4,020	3,125	2,950	180	40	140	900	640	255	70	190	1,120	935	185	
		Youngest child is aged 6 to 14 years	11,930	9,100	7,825	7,265	560	210	350	1,275	810	465	290	175	2,830	2,240	595	
		Youngest child is aged 15 to 24 years	7,555	5,860	5,360	4,970	390	225	160	505	285	220	160	60	1,690	1,320	375	
		Youngest child is aged 25 years or older	1,375	760	725	685	45	30	5	35	15	20	15	5	610	485	130	
	3 or more children	Age of youngest child	8,030	6,015	4,765	4,045	715	95	620	1,250	580	670	130	535	2,015	1,730	285	
		Youngest child is aged less than 2 years	1,160	885	580	475	100	0	100	310	175	125	5	125	270	250	20	
		Youngest child is aged 2 to 5 years	2,170	1,595	1,200	1,000	200	20	180	400	180	220	35	180	570	505	65	
		Youngest child is aged 6 to 14 years	3,625	2,720	2,245	1,905	340	50	290	475	195	280	75	205	905	750	160	
		Youngest child is aged 15 to 24 years	985	765	700	625	70	20	55	65	30	40	15	25	215	175	40	
		Youngest child is aged 25 years or older	85	45	45	40	5	0	5	0	0	0	0	0	55	50	5	
Average number of children	Age of youngest child	1.6	1.7	1.7	1.6	1.8	1.3	2.6	1.6	1.5	1.8	1.4	2.7	1.5	1.5	1.4		
	Youngest child is aged less than 2 years	1.8	1.8	1.9	1.8	2.7	1.8	3.0	1.7	1.8	2.5	1.6	2.7	1.8	1.8	1.6		
	Youngest child is aged 2 to 5 years	1.9	1.9	2.0	1.9	2.5	1.7	2.8	1.8	1.6	2.3	1.6	2.7	1.8	1.8	1.6		
	Youngest child is aged 6 to 14 years	1.8	1.9	1.9	1.9	2.2	1.6	2.6	1.8	1.6	2.0	1.6	2.7	1.7	1.7	1.6		
	Youngest child is aged 15 to 24 years	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.3	2.3	1.3	1.3	1.4	1.2	2.4	1.4	1.4	1.3		
	Youngest child is aged 25 years or older	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1	2.2	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1	x	1.1	1.1	1.1		
2016	Total - Number of children	Age of youngest child	84,925	60,680	50,755	46,725	4,030	2,360	1,670	9,925	6,485	3,435	2,270	1,165	24,250	19,295	4,960	
		Youngest child is aged less than 2 years	8,170	6,485	4,365	4,125	240	35	205	2,120	1,730	390	65	325	1,685	1,495	190	
		Youngest child is aged 2 to 5 years	12,960	9,690	7,425	6,880	545	85	460	2,290	1,700	555	225	330	3,275	2,810	465	
		Youngest child is aged 6 to 14 years	25,325	18,415	15,300	13,970	1,325	595	760	3,115	1,895	1,220	815	405	6,910	5,525	1,385	
		Youngest child is aged 15 to 24 years	17,370	12,370	15,395	14,100	1,290	1,075	215	1,990	985	995	895	105	6,065	4,515	1,550	
		Youngest child is aged 25 years or older	15,045	8,725	8,275	7,650	630	600	25	450	180	270	285	5	6,325	4,950	1,370	
	1 child	Age of youngest child	45,665	29,780	24,400	22,690	1,710	1,710	0	5,375	3,775	1,600	1,600	0	15,885	12,280	3,605	
		Youngest child is aged less than 2 years	3,740	2,885	1,810	1,785	20	20	0	1,075	1,035	45	45	0	850	720	130	
		Youngest child is aged 2 to 5 years	5,065	3,360	2,295	2,255	45	45	0	1,065	920	145	145	0	1,700	1,405	295	
		Youngest child is aged 6 to 14 years	9,015	5,660	4,245	3,970	275	275	0	1,415	955	460	460	0	3,355	2,590	765	
		Youngest child is aged 15 to 24 years	14,375	10,035	8,630	7,825	805	805	0	1,405	705	600	700	0	4,345	3,170	1,170	
		Youngest child is aged 25 years or older	13,490	7,840	7,425	6,860	565	565	0	415	165	250	250	0	5,635	4,400	1,240	
	2 children	Age of youngest child	30,975	24,530	21,105	19,660	1,455	560	890	3,425	2,205	1,215	565	660	8,440	5,325	1,115	
		Youngest child is aged less than 2 years	3,165	2,635	1,880	1,775	105	10	95	760	555	295	20	185	525	485	45	
		Youngest child is aged 2 to 5 years	5,700	4,620	3,755	3,515	245	25	215	855	610	245	60	185	1,080	865	125	
		Youngest child is aged 6 to 14 years	12,745	10,050	8,770	8,110	660	250	410	1,285	775	510	285	220	2,695	2,210	485	
		Youngest child is aged 15 to 24 years	7,820	6,405	5,915	5,525	390	245	145	495	250	240	175	65	1,520	1,180	340	
		Youngest child is aged 25 years or older	1,445	820	790	730	55	30	20	30	15	20	15	5	625	500	125	
	3 or more children	Age of youngest child	8,290	6,365	5,245	4,380	865	85	780	1,125	505	615	110	505	1,925	1,685	240	
		Youngest child is aged less than 2 years	1,270	965	680	565	115	0	115	285	140	140	5	140	305	290	15	
		Youngest child is aged 2 to 5 years	2,200	1,705	1,375	1,110	255	10	245	340	165	165	25	150	490	450	40	
		Youngest child is aged 6 to 14 years	3,370	2,705	2,290	1,895	395	45	350	420	165	295	70	185	860	730	135	
		Youngest child is aged 15 to 24 years	1,130	930	850	750	100	25	70	80	30	50	50	15	35	200	165	40
		Youngest child is aged 25 years or older	120	60	55	55	5	0	0	5	0	5	0	5	0	65	55	10
Average number of children	Age of youngest child	1.6	1.6	1.6	1.6	1.9	1.3	2.6	1.6	1.5	1.8	1.4	2.6	1.5	1.5	1.3		
	Youngest child is aged less than 2 years	1.8	1.8	1.8	1.7	2.6	1.4	2.8	1.7	1.5	2.4	1.4	2.6	1.8	1.8	1.4		
	Youngest child is aged 2 to 5 years	1.8	1.9	1.9	1.9	2.6	1.8	2.8	1.7	1.6	2.1	1.5	2.6	1.7	1.7	1.5		
	Youngest child is aged 6 to 14 years	1.8	1.9	1.9	1.9	2.2	1.6	2.6	1.7	1.6	1.9	1.5	2.6	1.7	1.7	1.6		
	Youngest child is aged 15 to 24 years	1.4	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.3	2.4	1.3	1.3	1.4	1.2	2.5	1.3	1.3	1.3		
	Youngest child is aged 25 years or older	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1	2.1	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1	2.0	1.1	1.1		

Symbol legend:  
 x suppressed to meet the confidentiality requirements of the Statistics Act

Footnotes:  
<sup>1</sup> The boundaries and names of census geographies can change from one census to the next. In order to facilitate data comparisons between censuses, previous census data have been adjusted to reflect as closely as possible the 2021 boundaries of these areas. The methodology used for this adjustment involved spatially linking blocks of previous censuses (concordance to the 1996 Census used the 1996 enumeration areas to the 2021 area which is the previous census block was linked to the 2021 area within which it represents) and a limited number of interactive linkages were completed to further enhance the adjustment in certain areas. For some census geographies, it was not possible to reflect the 2021 boundaries. The 2021 boundaries may not be reflected as there was no previous census block to assign to the 2021 area. As well, previous census data for some 2021 areas may not be available due to the fact that the concordance did not produce an accurate representation of the 2021 area.  
<sup>2</sup> Child presence: Child presence refers to whether or not the family includes any children. To be included, children must live in the same household as the family. They may be biological or adopted children.  
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<sup>4</sup> Includes children living with a grandparent or grandparents without a parent present.  
<sup>5</sup> Stepfamilies can only be identified among families which include Person 1.  
<sup>6</sup> A stepfamily with no step or half-siblings. All children are the biological or adopted children of one and only one spouse or partner in the couple.  
<sup>7</sup> A stepfamily with at least one step or half-sibling, in any of the following configurations: a family in which there is at least one child of both spouses or partners in the couple and at least one child of only one spouse or partner in the couple; a family in which there is at least one child of each spouse or partner in the couple and no children of both spouses or partners in the couple; a family in which there is at least one child of both spouses or partners in the couple and at least one child of each spouse or partner in the couple.  
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<sup>10</sup> A stepfamily with at least one step or half-sibling, in any of the following configurations: a family in which there is at least one child of both spouses or partners in the couple and at least one child of only one spouse or partner in the couple; a family in which there is at least one child of each spouse or partner in the couple and no children of both spouses or partners in the couple; a family in which there is at least one child of both spouses or partners in the couple and at least one child of each spouse or partner in the couple.  
<sup>11</sup> Prior to the 2021 Census, this category refers to females. Starting in 2021, this category includes women (and/or girls), as well as some non-binary persons.  
<sup>12</sup> Given that the non-binary population is small, data aggregation to a two-category gender variable is sometimes necessary to protect the confidentiality of responses provided. In these cases, individuals in the category "non-binary persons" are distributed into the other two gender categories and are denoted by the "x" symbol. The sex variable in census years prior to 2021 and the two-category gender variable in the 2021 Census are included together in this table. Although sex and gender refer to two different concepts, the introduction of gender is not expected to have a significant impact on data analysis and historical comparability, given the small size of the transgender and non-binary populations. For additional information on changes of concepts over time, please consult the Age, Sex at Birth and Gender Reference Guide.  
<sup>13</sup> Prior to the 2021 Census, this category refers to males. Starting in 2021, this category includes men (and/or boys), as well as some non-binary persons.  
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