

# Wellbeing Waterloo Region

## Waterloo Region Community Wellbeing Survey 2018 Profile of Survey Respondents

\*Those with missing age, sex, municipality values are not represented in the weighted figures.

Note: Census data is missing in cases where a comparable census variable was not available.

Demographic Category	Options	Number of Responses*	Percent Weighted	Census Percent
Sex at birth	Male	1567	49.0%	49.4%
	Female	3197	50.7%	50.6%
	Missing	265	0.0%	
Self-Identified Gender	Male	1552	0.483%	
	Female	3161	50.7%	
	Other	44	1.0%	
	Missing	272	0.002%	
Age Groupings	16 to 24 years	208	7.5%	15.1%
	25 to 29 years	264	11.2%	8.4%
	30 to 34 years	335	14.1%	8.2%
	35 to 44 years	839	16.7%	16.0%
	45 to 54 years	958	17.6%	17.5%
	55 to 64 years	1029	15.2%	15.0%
	65 to 74 years	694	9.9%	9.8%
	75 years and older	343	7.6%	9.9%
Marital Status	Single, never married	757	21.6%	28.1%
	Married	2750	52.5%	49.6%
	Living common-law	452	12.1%	8.7%
	Separated	170	3.2%	3.0%
	Divorced	372	6.0%	5.5%
	Widowed	245	4.7%	5.0%
	Missing	283	0.3%	
Highest level of education completed	Elementary school	176	3.8%	18.7%
	High school	790	16.9%	28.8%
	Post-secondary certificate, trade, or apprenticeship	425	8.5%	6.3%
	College diploma	969	20.6%	22.7%
	University degree (e.g. BA, BSc)	1469	32.2%	16.9%
	Graduate degree (e.g. MA, MSc, PhD)	886	17.9%	6.5%
	Missing	310	0.9%	

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Main activity	Employed full-time	2063	49.0%	39.1%
	Employed part-time	358	6.5%	31.8%
	Self-employed	283	5.7%	10.0%
	Unemployed, looking for work	116	2.8%	
	Unemployed, not looking for work	93	2.2%	
	Non-standard employment (e.g. contract, temporary, seasonal, multiple jobs)	125	2.9%	
	Retired, by choice	1061	17.5%	
	Retired, not by choice	149	2.3%	
	Going to school	162	5.1%	
	Household work/caring for children	120	2.2%	
	On leave from work due to long-term disability	108	2.4%	
	Temporary leave from work (e.g. illness, parental leave)	52	1.3%	
	Missing	339	1.5%	
Total household income before taxes from all sources last year	Under \$10,000	240	6.5%	2.5%
	\$10,000 to \$19,999	295	6.3%	5.1%
	\$20,000 to \$29,999	260	5.8%	6.9%
	\$30,000 to \$39,999	295	7.1%	7.6%
	\$40,000 to 59,999	651	15.0%	15.5%
	\$60,000 to \$79,999	604	13.5%	14.0%
	\$80,000 to \$99,999	490	10.8%	12.3%
	\$100,000 to \$119,999	440	10.1%	11.9% <sup>1</sup>
	\$120,000 to \$149,999	430	9.8%	8.3% <sup>2</sup>
	\$150,000 and over	714	15.2%	15.9%
	Missing	610	6.5%	
Born in Canada	Yes	3874	82.30%	75.1%
	No	877	17.7	24.9%
	Missing	278	0.3%	
Years lived in Canada (if not born in Canada)	10 years or less	215	24.2%	24.1%
	11 to 20 years	131	18.7%	
	21 to 30 years	109	14.8%	
	31 to 50 years	239	24.2%	
	51 years or more	183	18.1%	

<sup>1</sup> Census uses the following income range (different from WWR):  
\$100,000 to \$124,999 = 24,230 households

<sup>2</sup> Census uses the following income range (different from WWR):  
\$125,000 to \$149,999 = 16,845 households

Demographic Category	Options	Number of Responses*	Percent Weighted	Census Percent
First Nations, Inuit, or Métis?	Yes	82	2.0%	1.7%
	No	4392	95.1%	98.3%
	Not Sure	114	2.9%	
	Missing	441	3.2%	
Ethnic Origin	Canadian	2751	59.4%	25.8% <sup>3</sup>
	English	415	8.5%	23.2%
	German	274	5.6%	22.2%
	Scottish	162	3.3%	17.9%
	First Nations	51	1.0%	2.2%
	Irish	119	2.5%	17.2%
	French	39	0.7%	9.0%
	Dutch	98	2.2%	5.0%
	Polish	55	1.4%	4.8%
	Portuguese	49	1.1%	4.0%
	East Indian	52	1.6%	3.7%
	Italian	62	1.4%	3.6%
	Chinese	136	2.9%	3.5%
	African	11	0.2%	2.4%
	Caribbean origins	37	0.9%	1.9%
	Other	296	7.4%	
	Missing	422	3.0%	
First Official Language	English	4236	89.8%	96.7%
	French	53	0.9%	1.1%
	Other	411	9.3%	1.7%
	Missing	329	1.2%	
Language spoken most often at home	English	4278	91.8%	83.1%
	French	25	0.5%	0.3%
	Chinese languages	27	0.6%	1.6%
	German	25	0.7%	1.2%
	Low German	27	0.4%	
	Portuguese	11	0.3%	0.8%
	Arabic	20	0.6%	0.8%
	Spanish	25	0.5%	0.9%
	Serbian	16	0.3%	0.6%
	Persian/Farsi	5	0.1%	0.5%
	Punjabi/Panjabi	10	0.2%	0.6%
	Vietnamese	2	0.1%	0.7%
	Urdu	77	1.8%	0.6%
	Gujarati	8	0.4%	0.5%
	Korean	7	0.2%	0.4%
	Other	64	1.5%	
Missing	402	2.7%		
Living with a disability (physical or mental) or chronic illness that limits activity	Yes	1114	22.4%	32.0%
	No	3627	77.6%	67.4%
	Missing	288	0.5%	0.6%

<sup>3</sup> \* In the Census a person may report more than one ethnic origin. While Census % has been calculated here it is worth noting that the sum of ethnic groups is greater than the total pop estimate.

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Physical or mental health limits ability to fully participate in community	Yes	1034	21.4%	
	No	3643	78.6%	
	Missing	352	1.8%	
City/Township	Cambridge	1024	24.1%	24.3%
	Kitchener	1583	43.7%	43.6%
	Waterloo	1450	20.1%	19.6%
	North Dumfries	96	1.9%	1.9%
	Wellesley	82	1.9%	2.1%
	Wilmot	189	3.7%	3.8%
	Woolwich	294	4.50%	4.7%
	Missing	311	0.0%	
Own, rent or lease place in which currently living	Own	3336	66.3%	68.2%
	Rent	1206	28.9%	31.8%
	Lease	27	0.8%	
	Other	151	4.0%	
	Missing	309	0.7%	
Per cent of gross monthly income spent on housing (mortgage or rent)	Less than 30%	2745	58.4%	76.6%
	30% to 50%	1380	33.5%	more than 30% = 23.4% <sup>4</sup>
	More than 50%	371	8.2%	
	Missing	533	4.7%	
Main type of transportation used to get around the community	Walk	344	8.4%	4.4%
	Bicycle	124	3.3%	1.1%
	Personal Car	3738	78.1%	87.7%
	Public Transit	314	8.0%	5.9%
	Other	116	2.3%	
	Missing	393	2.5%	
Currently have a partner	Yes	3464	72.2%	75.5%
	No	1262	27.8%	24.5%
	Missing	303	0.7%	
Living with partner (of those with partner)	Yes	3166	87.3%	
	No	271	12.7%	
	Missing	27	0.80%	
Gender of Partner (of those with partner)	Male	2204	50.3%	
	Female	1220	49.0%	
	Other specified	17	0.7%	
	Missing	23	0.70%	
Household Type	Couple with children living at home	1457	32.7%	34.7%
	Couple with no children at home (i.e. "empty nester")	1056	16.9%	Couple without children = 24.4%
	Couple with no children	607	15.8%	
	Adult with children living at home	281	5.3%	8.7%
	Adult living alone	835	17.6%	
	Adult sharing accommodation	277	7.2%	
	Other	164	4.4%	
	Missing	352	1.6%	
Presence of Children	Under 5 years	447	13.5%	18.2%
	5 to 12 years	746	18.3%	
	13 to 18 years	617	12.8%	
	Over 18 years	2049	36.4%	

<sup>4</sup> The census only provides 'less than 30%' and '30% or more'. The 30% or more = 47,465 households