

2021 Census

Education Highlights

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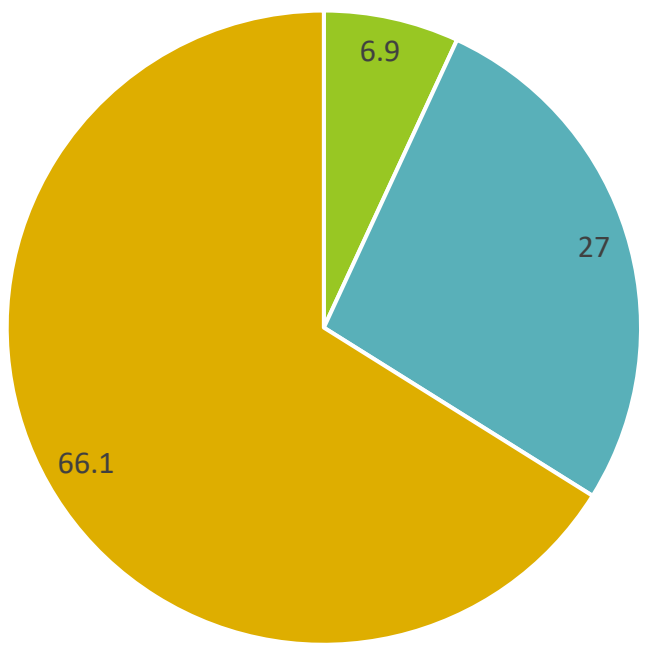


Highest certificate, diploma or degree for population aged 25 to 64 (%) – Kelowna CMA

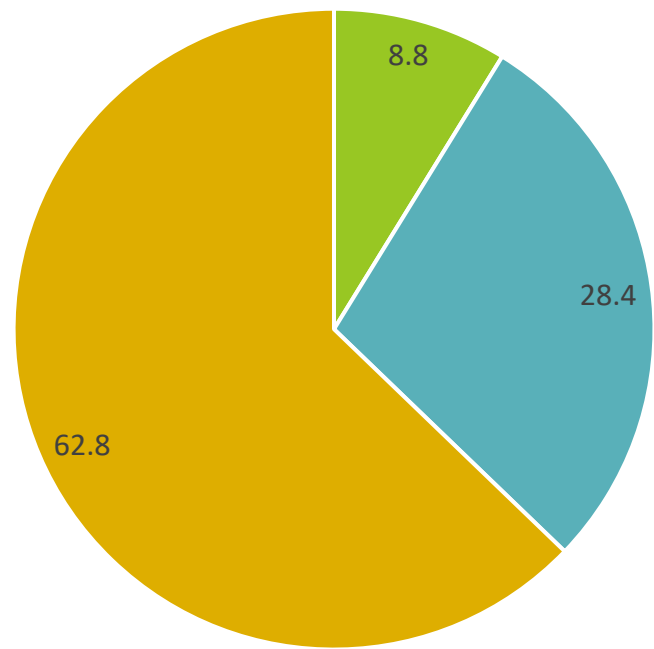
Kelowna CMA	2016 Census			2021 Census			Change		
	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	-	-	-
No certificate, diploma or degree	8.4	10.2	6.8	6.9	8.8	5.1	-1.5	-1.4	-1.7
High school diploma or equivalent	28.6	29.4	27.9	27	28.4	25.7	-1.6	-1	-2.2
Post-secondary certificate, diploma or degree	63	60.4	65.4	66.1	62.8	69.1	3.1	2.4	3.7
Apprenticeship or trades certificate or diploma	11.6	18.0	5.8	10.5	16.6	4.7	-1.1	-1.4	-1.1
College certificate or diploma	26.9	21.0	32.4	24.5	19.7	29.1	-2.4	-1.3	-3.3
University Degree at Bachelor's or above	21.2	19.0	23.1	27.5	23.7	31.1	6.3	4.7	8.0

Highest certificate, diploma or degree for population aged 25 to 64 (%) – Kelowna CMA

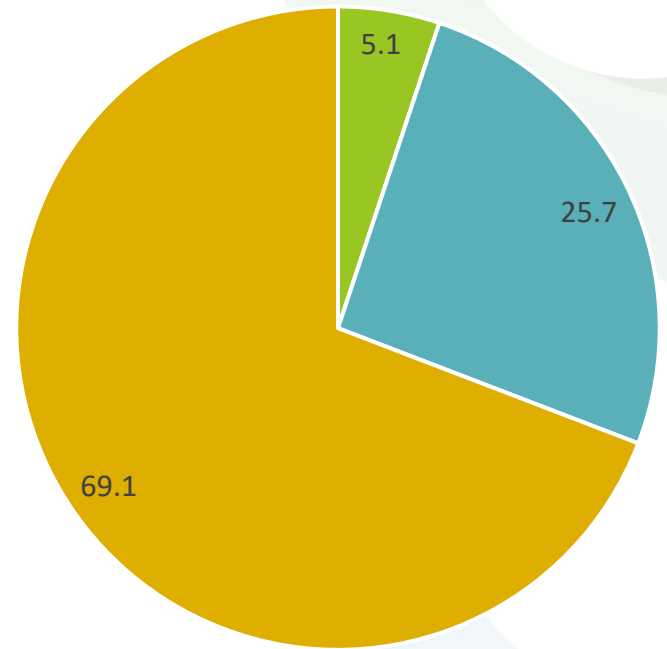
2021 Kelowna CMA
Both Sexes



2021 Kelowna CMA
Male



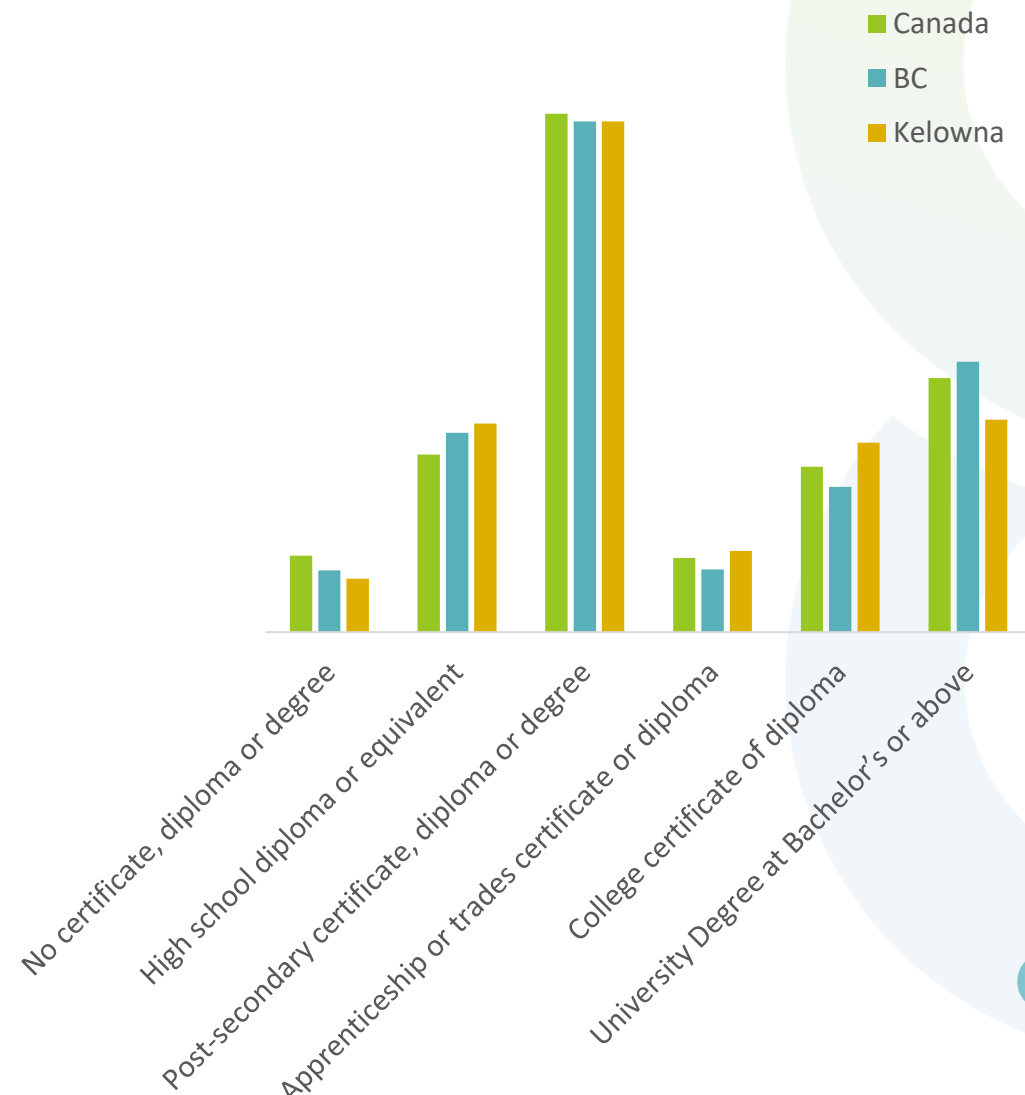
2021 Kelowna CMA
Female



- No certificate, diploma or degree
- High school diploma or equivalent
- Post-secondary certificate, diploma or degree

Highest certificate, diploma or degree for population aged 25 to 64 (%)

2021	Canada (%)	BC (%)	Kelowna CMA (%)
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0
No certificate, diploma or degree	9.9	8.0	6.9
High school diploma or equivalent	23.0	25.8	27.0
Post-secondary certificate, diploma or degree	67.1	66.1	66.1
Apprenticeship or trades certificate or diploma	9.6	8.1	10.5
College certificate of diploma	21.4	18.8	24.5
University Degree at Bachelor's or above	32.9	35.0	27.5



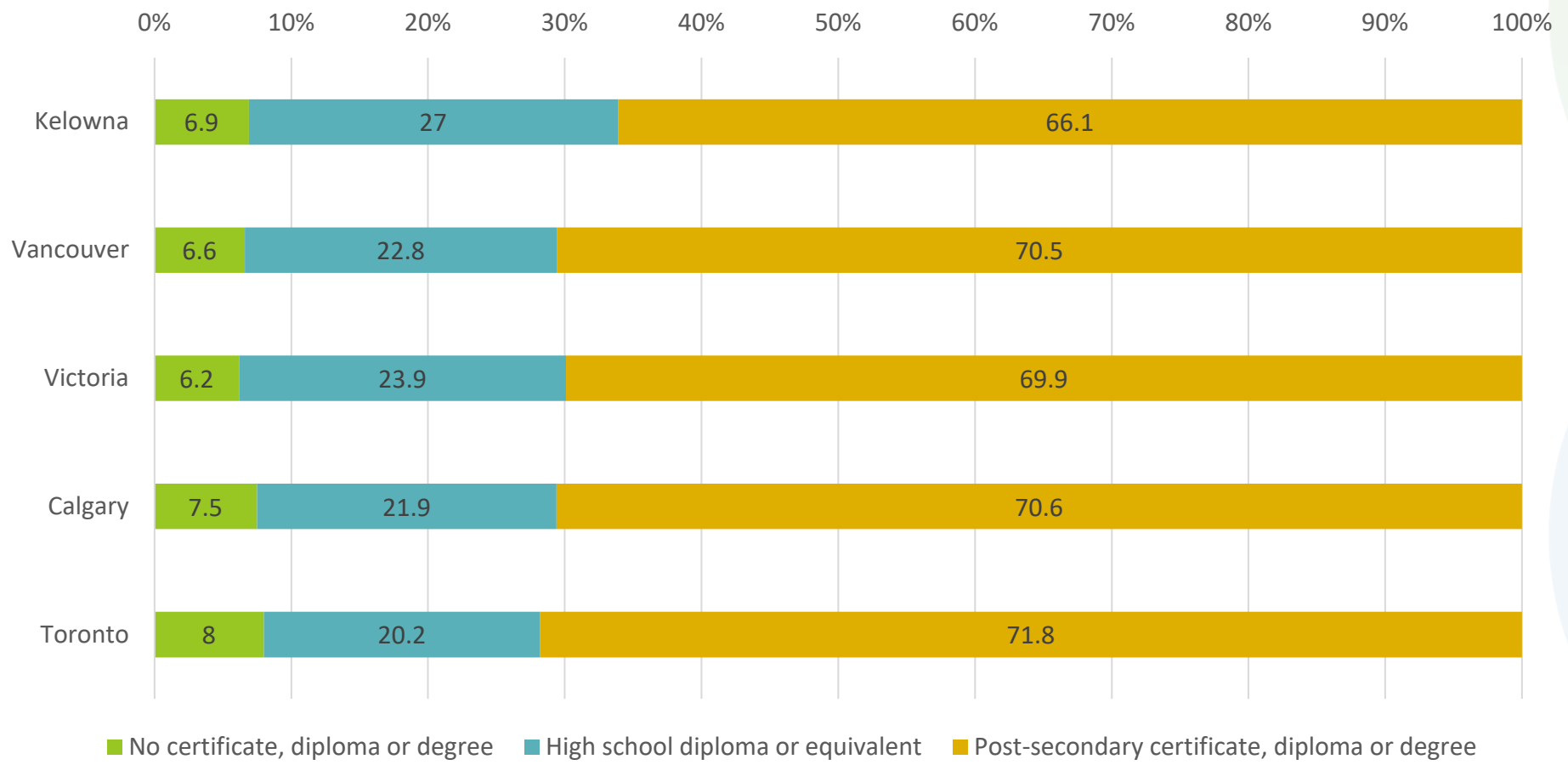
Highest certificate, diploma or degree for population aged 25 to 64 (%) – 2016 to 2021 Change

2016 to 2021 Change	Canada (%)	BC (%)	Kelowna CMA (%)
No certificate, diploma or degree	-1.6	-1.6	-1.5
High school diploma or equivalent	-0.7	-0.7	-1.6
Post-secondary certificate, diploma or degree	2.3	2.2	3.1
Apprenticeship or trades certificate or diploma	-1.2	-1	-1.1
College certificate or diploma	-1.0	-2.1	-2.4
University Degree at Bachelor's or above	4.4	5.0	6.3

Highest certificate, diploma or degree for population aged 25 to 64 (%) – 2021 CMA Comparison

2021	Kelowna CMA (%)	Vancouver CMA (%)	Victoria CMA (%)	Calgary CMA (%)	Toronto CMA (%)
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
No certificate, diploma or degree	6.9	6.6	6.2	7.5	8.0
High school diploma or equivalent	27.0	22.8	23.9	21.9	20.2
Post-secondary certificate, diploma or degree	66.1	70.5	69.9	70.6	71.8
Apprenticeship or trades certificate or diploma	10.5	5.9	7.6	6.8	3.7
College certificate of diploma	24.5	16.9	19.9	18.8	18.5
University Degree at Bachelor's or above	27.5	43.2	39.0	41.2	46.5

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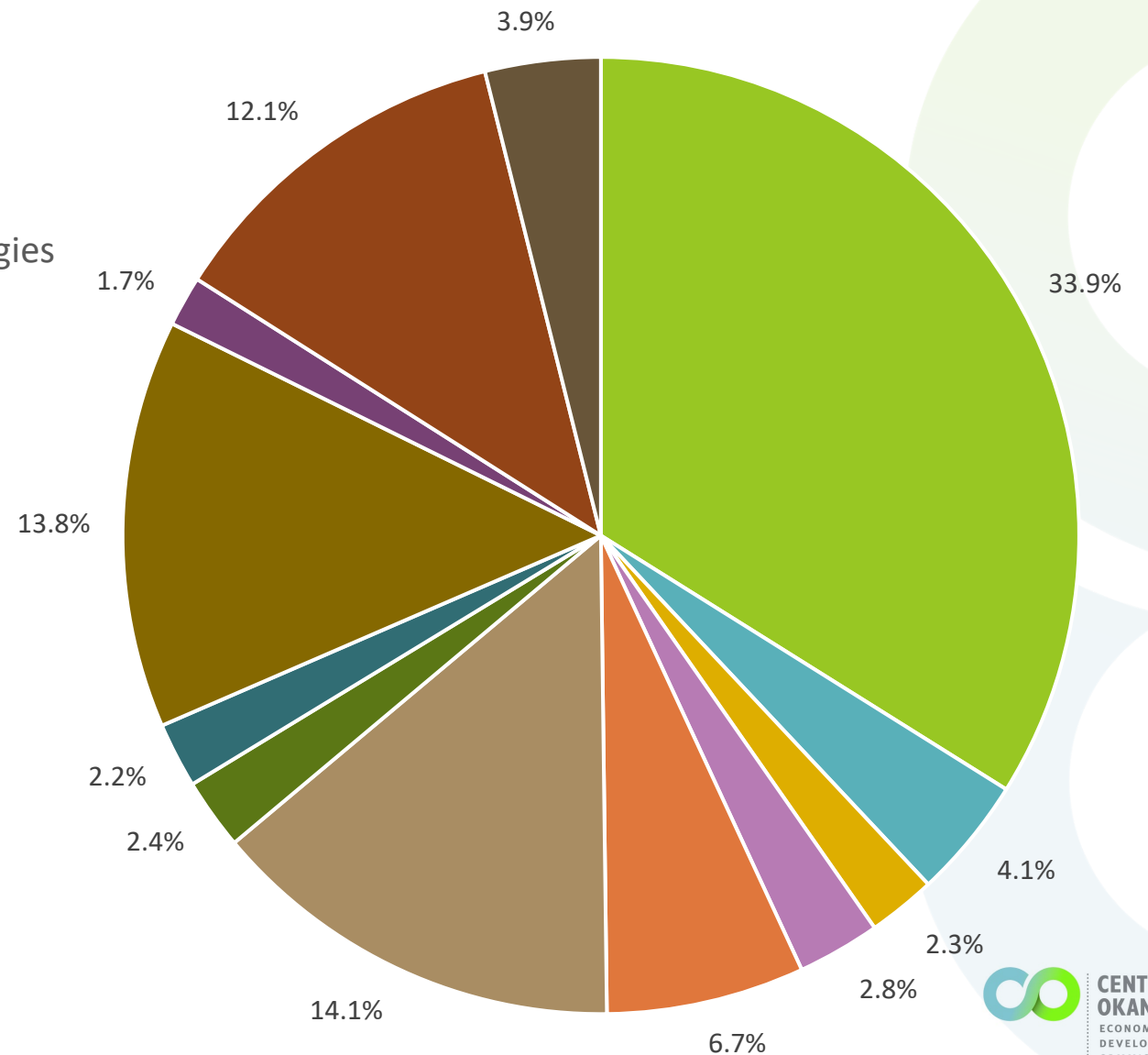
Highest certificate, diploma or degree for population aged 25 to 64 (%)

2016 to 2021 Change – CMA Comparison

2016 to 2021 Change	Kelowna CMA (%)	Vancouver CMA (%)	Victoria CMA (%)	Calgary CMA (%)	Toronto CMA (%)
No certificate, diploma or degree	-1.5	-1.4	-1.1	-0.6	-1.6
High school diploma or equivalent	-1.6	-1.6	-0.9	-0.4	-1.7
Post-secondary certificate, diploma or degree	3.1	2.9	2.0	1.0	3.3
Apprenticeship or trades certificate or diploma	-1.1	-0.8	-1.1	-0.6	-0.8
College certificate of diploma	-2.4	-2.3	-2.6	-1.5	-1.6
University Degree at Bachelor's or above	6.3	5.7	5.2	2.9	5.6

Major fields of study for the Kelowna CMA aged 25-64 (%) - 2021

- No postsecondary certificate, diploma or degree
- Education
- Visual and performing arts & communications technologies
- Humanities
- Social and behavioural sciences and law
- Business, management and public administration
- Physical and life science and technologies
- Mathematics, computer and information sciences
- Architecture, engineer and related technologies
- Agriculture, natural resources and conservation
- Health and related fields
- Personal, protective and transportation services

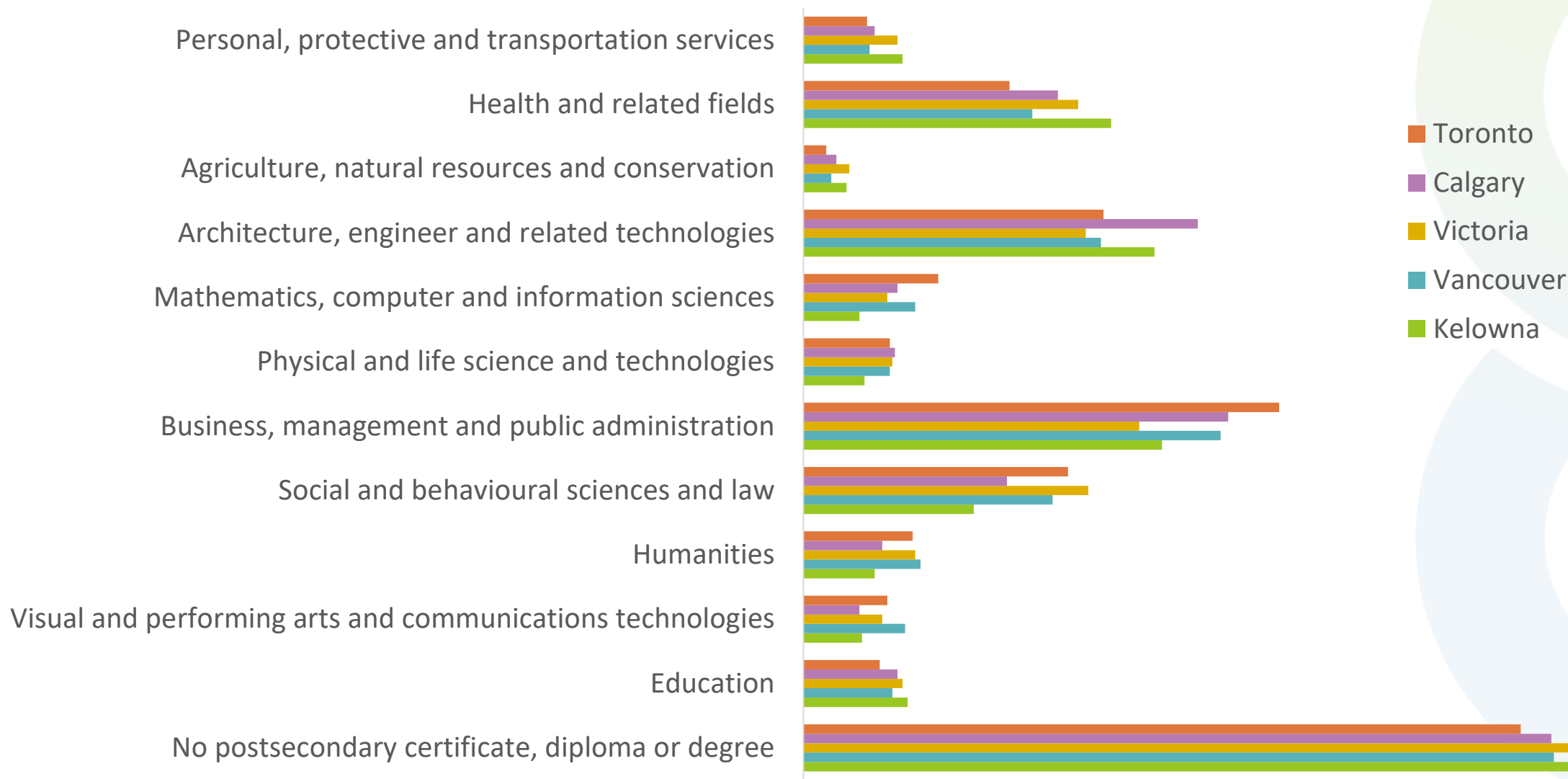


Major fields of study for the population aged 25-64 (%) – 2016 to 2021 Change

Field of Study	Canada (%)	BC (%)	Kelowna CMA (%)
No postsecondary certificate, diploma or degree*	-11.8	-11.1	-11.8
Education	0.1	0.0	0.1
Visual and performing arts and communications technologies	0.4	0.6	0.3
Humanities	0.3	0.6	0.6
Social and behavioural sciences and law	1.9	2.0	2.0
Business, management and public administration	3.3	3.1	2.8
Physical and life science and technologies	0.5	0.7	0.7
Mathematics, computer and information sciences	1.1	1.1	0.7
Architecture, engineer and related technologies	1.7	1.2	1.9
Agriculture, natural resources and conservation	0.4	0.4	0.6
Health and related fields	1.5	1.3	2.2
Personal, protective and transportation services	0.4	0.1	0.0

*No postsecondary certificate, diploma or degree' is made up of persons who have not completed any credentials above a high school diploma.

Major fields of study for the population aged 25-64 (%) – 2021 CMA Comparison



Location of Study for population aged 25 to 64 (%) - 2021

Location of Study	Canada (%)	BC (%)	Kelowna CMA (%)
Location of study compared with province or territory of resident for population aged 25 to 64	100.0	100.0	100.0
No postsecondary certificate; diploma or degree	32.9	33.9	33.9
Postsecondary certificate; diploma or degree*	67.1	66.1	66.1
Location of study inside Canada	53.6	48.9	56.7
Same as province or territory of residence	47.3	38.2	38.5
Different than province or territory of residence	6.3	10.7	18.2
Location of study outside Canada	13.5	17.2	9.3
United States	1.4	2.1	2.0
Philippines	1.6	2.0	1.0
India	2.1	2.2	0.8
United Kingdom	0.8	1.4	1.2
China	1.0	2.2	0.3
France	0.5	0.2	0.1

*'Postsecondary certificate, diploma or degree' includes 'apprenticeship or trades certificate or diploma,' 'college, CEGEP or other non-university certificate or diploma' and university certificates, diplomas and degrees

Location of Study for population aged 25 to 64 (%) – 2021 CMA Comparison

Location of Study	Kelowna CMA (%)	Vancouver CMA (%)	Victoria CMA (%)	Calgary CMA (%)	Toronto CMA (%)
Location of study compared with province or territory of resident for population aged 25 to 64	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
No postsecondary certificate; diploma or degree	33.9	29.5	30.1	29.4	28.2
Postsecondary certificate; diploma or degree*	66.1	70.5	69.9	70.6	71.8
Location of study inside Canada	56.7	46.2	58.2	51.1	47
Same as province or territory of residence	38.5	37.7	42.8	36.7	43.6
Different than province or territory of residence	18.2	8.4	15.4	14.4	3.4
Location of study outside Canada	9.3	24.4	11.7	19.5	24.8
United States	2.0	2.5	2.2	2.0	2.2
Philippines	1.0	3.0	1.4	3.6	2.5
India	0.8	3.2	0.9	3.0	5.5
United Kingdom	1.2	1.6	1.6	1.3	1.2
China	0.3	3.7	0.8	1.3	2.1
France	0.1	0.3	0.2	0.1	0.2

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Key Takeaways

- The proportion of Kelowna CMA residents with a bachelor's degree or higher increased 6.3%. This is slightly greater than the national increase of 4.4% and the provincial increase of 5.0%. It is also the highest increase when compared to the Vancouver, Victoria, Calgary and Toronto CMA's.
- When compared to the Vancouver, Victoria, Calgary and Toronto CMAs the Kelowna CMA had the highest proportion of residents with apprenticeship/trades certificates or diplomas at 11.6%.
- The number of residents who hold an apprenticeship/trade certificate or diploma in the Kelowna CMA decreased 1.1%. This is on par with both the national and provincial decrease of 1.2% and 1.0% respectively.

Key Takeaways

- The fields of study with the greatest increase in the Kelowna CMA were:
 - Business, management and public administration with an increase of 2.8%
 - Health and related fields with an increase of 2.2%
 - Social and behavioural sciences and law with an increase of 2.0%
- Business, management and public administration was the field of study with the highest proportion of postsecondary certificate, diploma or degree holders in the Kelowna CMA with 14.1%, in line with provincial (14.1%) and national (15%) averages. Architecture, engineering and related technologies was the second highest in the Kelowna CMA at 13.8%.
- 9.3% of Kelowna CMA residents aged 25 to 64 completed their postsecondary education outside of Canada. This is considerably lower than the provincial amount of 17.2% and national amount of 13.5%.

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