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Mother Tongue (English), 1996

This map shows the percentage of the Canadian population whose mother tongue is English. The 1996 Census defines mother tongue as the first language a person learned at home in childhood and still understood at the time of the census. The 1996 Census showed that 24.0 million Canadians could speak English (84%), 19.3 million spoke English most often at home (68%) and 17.1 million had English mother tongue (60%).

0 150 300 450 600 km

Lambert Conformal Conic Projection. Standard Parallels 49°N and 77°N

Mother Tongue (English)
- 0 - 2.49 %
- 2.5 - 4.9 %
- 5 - 19.9 %
- 20 - 59.9 %
- 60 - 89.9 %
- 90 - 100 %

Census Division Boundaries
- Census Division Boundaries

Populated Places
- 1 - 4999
- 5 000 - 49 999
- 50 000 - 99 999
- 100 000 and greater
- Provincial and Territorial Capital
- National Capital

Boundaries
- International
- Provincial / Territorial
- Canada / Kalaallit Nunaat dividing line
- EEZ (200 mile)

Source(s):
Mother Tongue (English)
Statistics Canada. 1996 Census of Population (20% sample data).

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