

## Acadian, American-Native, Canada Demographics

According to the 2021 Canadian Census, approximately **305,170 people in Canada identified as Acadian** in their ethnic or cultural origin. This represented about **0.8% of Canada's total population**.

Canada's total population in the 2021 Census was about **36.99 million people**.

### Acadian Population Compared to the Rest of Canada

- **Acadian population:** ~305,170 people
- **Percentage of Canada's population:** ~0.8%
- **Non-Acadian population:** ~99.2%

### Where Acadians Are Concentrated

The largest Acadian populations are primarily found in:

- New Brunswick
- Nova Scotia
- Prince Edward Island
- Newfoundland and Labrador
- parts of Quebec

New Brunswick has the highest concentration, where Acadians make up a significant portion of the French-speaking population.

### Additional Context

“Acadian” is counted by Statistics Canada as an **ethnic or cultural origin**, meaning people self-identify with Acadian ancestry or heritage. Some Acadians may also identify simultaneously as:

- French Canadian
- Québécois
- Canadian
- Cajun (in the U.S. diaspora)
- Multiple mixed ancestries

Because census responses allow multiple origins, the actual number of Canadians with partial Acadian ancestry may be higher than the single reported category suggests.