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Ottawa's Highly Educated Immigrants

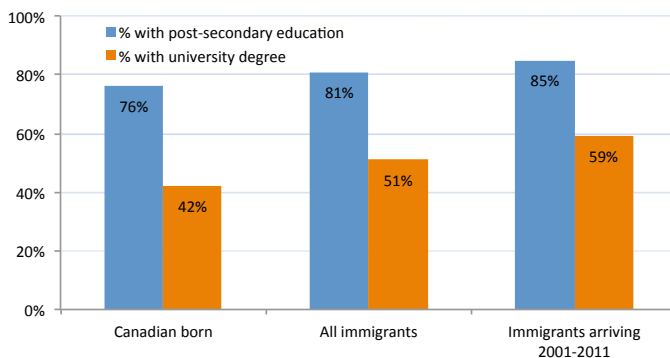
Among Canadian cities, Ottawa ranks first in terms of the percentage of the labour force with a university degree. In fact, Ottawa's labour force includes 361,000 individuals with a post-secondary certificate, diploma or degree, representing 70% of the total. It's an enviable advantage for local employers seeking top talent.

Immigrants make up a large and growing share of Ottawa's labour force with post-secondary credentials: 27% in 2011, compared to 22% in 1991. Today, there are some 97,000 immigrants in Ottawa with post-secondary credentials, which is more than double the number recorded in the 1991 Census.

The 2011 National Household Survey shows that immigrants make up 27% of Ottawa's labour force with post-secondary education, 37% with a Master's degree, and 57% with an Earned Doctorate.

Highly educated immigrants are found in all fields of academic specialization, and are an important source of top talent that employers simply cannot afford to overlook.

Percent of Ottawa's Employed Residents age 25 and over with Post-secondary Credentials, Ottawa, 2011



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Quick Facts

- In 2011, Ottawa's labour force included 34,000 immigrants with STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics) academic qualifications, representing 37% of the STEM workforce.
- Within STEM, immigrants are most prevalent within Engineering and engineering technology (40%), followed by Mathematics and computer science (36%), Science (34%) and Technology (23%).
- Immigrants make up 27% of Ottawa's labour force with business, management and public administration post-secondary credentials, and 28% of the labour force with health-related post-secondary credentials.

DID YOU KNOW?

Hire Immigrant Ottawa's tools and resources can help employers access immigrant job networks and develop cross-cultural competencies among their hiring and people managers — both proven methods of gaining access to the benefits of diverse immigrant talent.

What Employers Should Know

Ottawa's employers need to know how to reach these potential job candidates, and what tools and resources are available to more effectively hire and leverage the talents of newcomers.

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