

Saskatoon ethnic population growing: StatsCan Census Release

Saskatoon, SK - Statistics Canada has released its latest analysis of data from the 2006 Census Study focusing on ethnic origin, visible minorities, place of work and mode of transportation.

According to the data released, the population of Saskatoon's ethnic groups is growing. Between 2001 and 2006, the total population of visible minorities grew by 22 percent. Of the visible minority groups that grew, the Japanese population had the most significant growth of 235 percent, followed by the Arab population of 98 percent, and West Asian population with 87 percent growth.

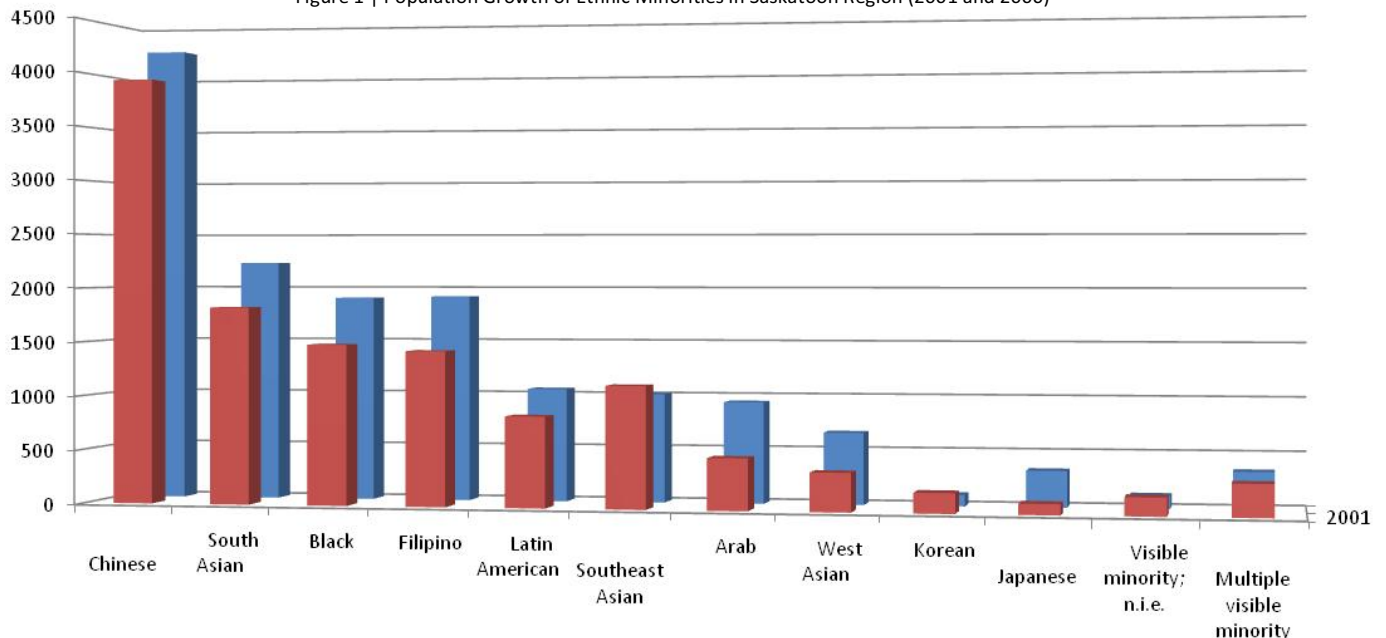
The Saskatoon Regional Economic Development Authority (SREDA) Business Immigration Advisor, Lana Kon, states, "This growth in ethnic diversity is essential in building Saskatoon's multi-cultural appeal to immigrants who are looking to immigrate to Canada. With labour shortages on the rise, we need to be able to attract people from all over the world."

For more information on this report, go to www.statisticscanada.ca.

Characteristics	Total (2006)	Total (2001)	% Change
Total population	230850	193665	19%
Total visible minority population	14865	12185	22%
Chinese	4245	3935	8%
South Asian	2230	1820	23%
Black	1900	1480	28%
Filipino	1915	1425	34%
Latin American	1050	835	26%
Southeast Asian	1010	1120	-10%
Arab	940	475	98%
West Asian	665	355	87%
Korean	105	185	-43%
Japanese	335	100	235%
Visible minority; n.i.e.	120	170	-29%
Multiple visible minority	345	300	15%
Not a visible minority	215980	181475	19%

Source: Statistics Canada 2008

Figure 1 | Population Growth of Ethnic Minorities in Saskatoon Region (2001 and 2006)



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