

Hamilton Immigration
Partnership Council (HIPC),
Community Plan 2025-2028

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Hamilton Immigration



Close to **three in 10** Hamiltonians were born outside Canada.



Among recent immigrants, **almost 85%** belonged to a racialized group, with South Asian being the top racialized group followed by Arab and Black.



Recent immigrants were more likely to have arrived as economic immigrants (2021).



Top 5 Source Countries of Recent Immigrants* include:

India Nigeria

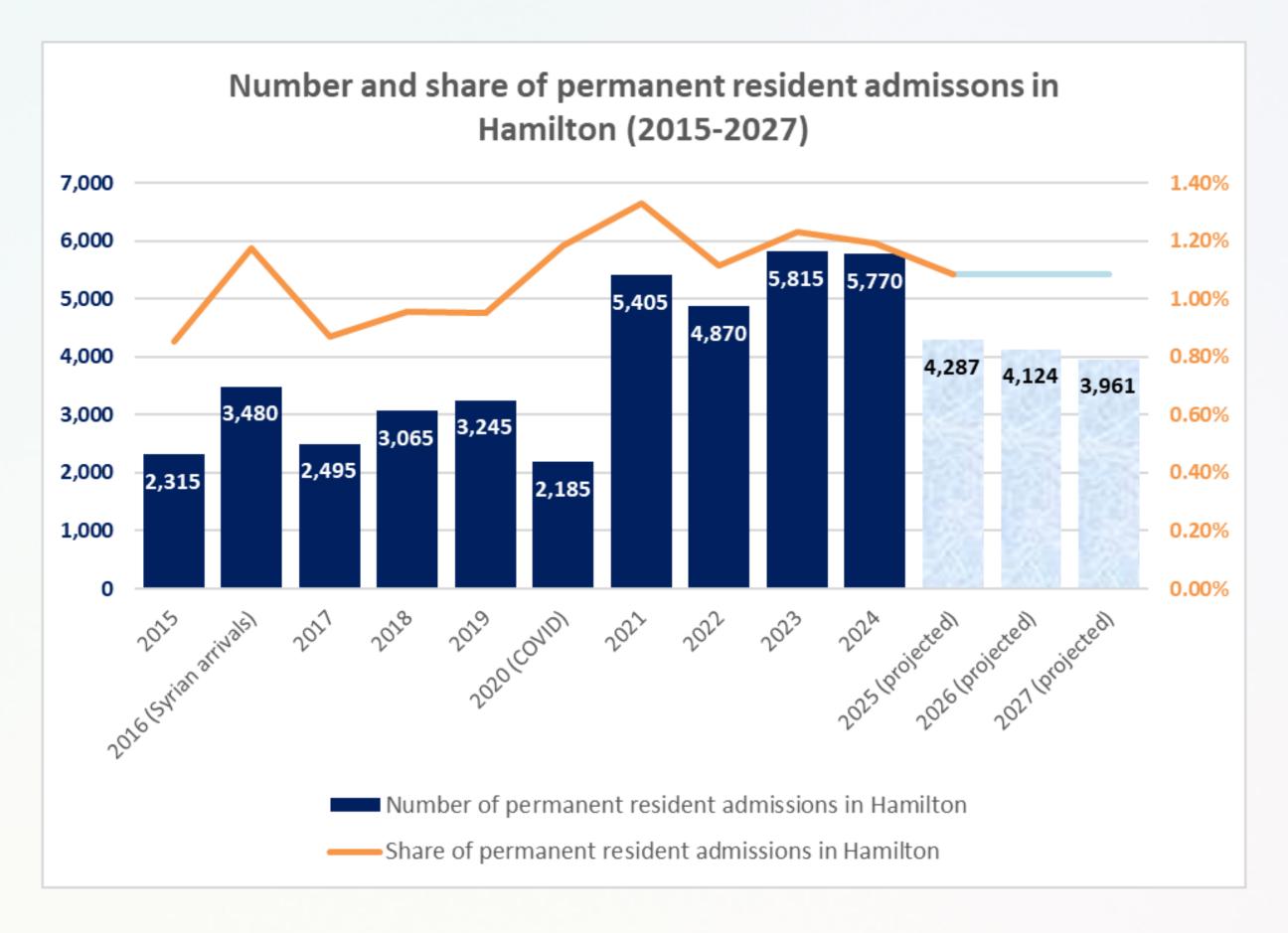
Syria Iraq

Philippines



Most common mother tongue languages (recent immigrants):

- Arabic
- Tagalog
- Spanish
- Punjabi



Source: Immigration Refugees and Citizenship Canada, January 31, 2025.

About me

- Established in 2009
- One of more than 80
 Local Immigration
 Partnerships across
 Canada
- Collaborator and convener
- Funded by IRCC, embedded in Economic Development in City of Hamilton
- Membership includes a diversity of sectors and organizations



















































Knowledge Sharing and Connection



Hamilton For All

A public education campaign that encourages Hamiltonians to stand up against prejudice, exclusion and discrimination.

HamiltonForAll.ca



Publications

- Demographic Profile of Immigrants in Hamilton
- What "Belonging"
 Means to Newcomer
 Youth in Hamilton
- Inclusion, Diversity,
 Equity, and Accessibility
 (IDEA) Checklist



We Hire Immigrants

Website dedicated to raising awareness of the **opportunities** and **benefits** of hiring newcomers and immigrants in Hamilton.

WeHireImmigrants.ca



Directory of Services

- **Free** source of 15+ sections of information for newcomers
- Machine-translated into 7 languages

NewcomersInHamilton.ca

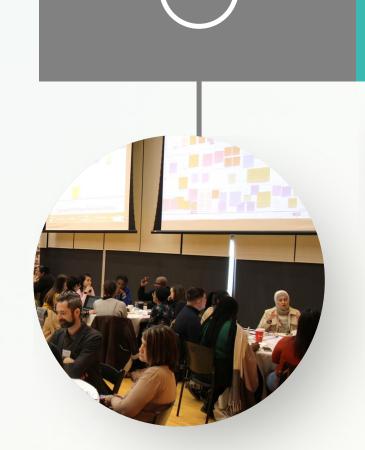
Community Plan 2025-2028

March 1, 2024 Community Forum #1



November 22, 2024 Community Forum #2













Inclusion Principles

- Working collectively to realize the impact that we envision
- Centering newcomer lived experience, especially equity deserving groups
- Leveraging newcomer leadership
- Working from an anti-racism and anti-oppression lens, promoting education and recognition of the Charter of Rights and Freedoms as it relates to Indigenous and Francophone communities



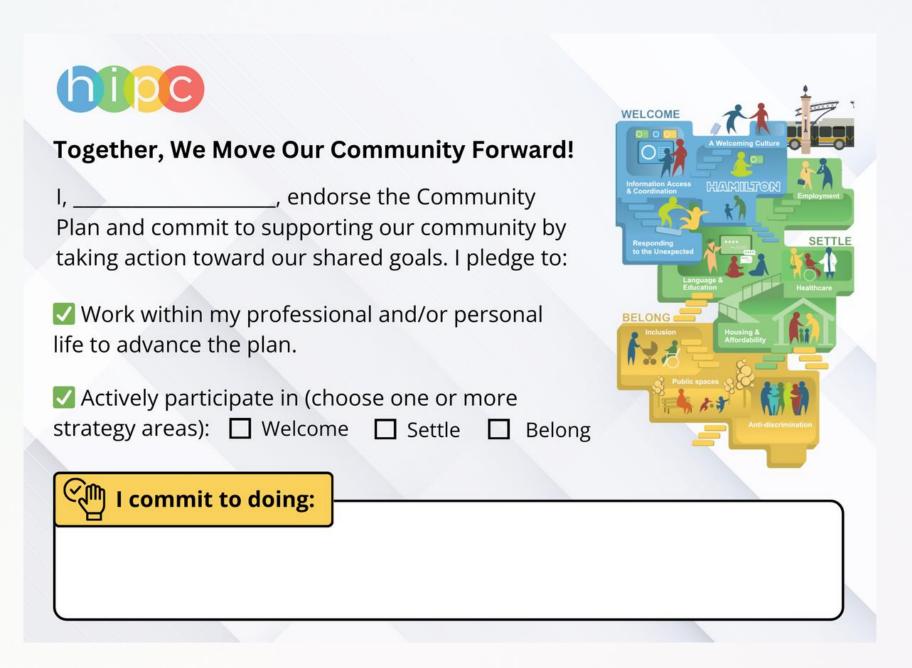
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Make the Pledge

Whether you are in leadership positions, work with newcomers, or just someone who **cares deeply** about making Hamilton a more welcoming community for newcomers, there is a role for you!

- Read the full Community Plan to see where you fit in.
- Print and sign the <u>Community Plan Pledge</u> and commit to creating a strong impact.

More details will become available on our website HamiltonImmigration.ca



Upcoming Projects and Events

Newcomer Day - May 30 @ City Hall

Our annual event welcomes newcomers to Hamilton, helps them understand and access a wide range of services, and celebrates their contributions to Hamilton.

Immigrant Survey - Launching May 30

This survey seeks to hear from immigrants about their experiences, challenges, strengths and contributions. It provides an opportunity to learn how to improve their settlement experience in Hamilton.

Welcoming Week - September 12 to 21

Welcoming Week is internationally recognized, with events happening around the world that bring people together to celebrate newcomers.









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