



Quick Facts and Numbers - British Columbia

Demographics

- Population: 4,573,321 (2011)
% of Canadian population: 13.3%
- Population Growth: 1.0% (2010 - 2011)
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- Median Age: 41.1 years (Sept 2011)
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- Visible Minority Population: 24.8% (2006)
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- Urbanization: 85.4% (2006)
Canadian Average: 80.2%

Source: Statistics Canada

Key Economic Indicators

Year	2010	2011	Change
GDP (millions of chained 2002 dollars)	153,085	157,252	2.9%
% of Canadian GDP	12.5%	12.5%	0.0pp*
Consumer Price Index (2002=100)	113.8	116.5	2.7%
Retail Sales (\$ millions)	58,145	59,464	2.3%
Unemployment Rate (Sept 2010)	7.6%	7.5%	-0.1pp
Employment (000s)	2,257	2,275	0.8%
Average Weekly Earnings (\$)	818.99	841.80	2.8%
Building Permits (\$ millions)	9,724	9,250	-4.9%
Domestic Exports (\$ millions)	28,721	32,721	13.9%
Domestic Imports (\$ millions)	37,135	40,374	8.7%
Source: Statistics Canada			
* pp - percentage points			