

Main Ethnic Groups in Canada

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The following list includes some of the main ethnic groups reported by Canadians in the 2001 census as their "ethnic origins." Try to pick out the top ten and place them in order from the largest to the smallest.

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| German | Chinese |
| English | East Indian |
| Scottish | Portuguese |
| Jamaican | Hungarian |
| Italian | Welsh |
| North American Indian | Ukrainian |
| Dutch (Netherlands) | Spanish |
| American | Jewish |
| Polish | Russian |
| Métis | Filipino |
| Canadian | Swedish |
| Vietnamese | Greek |
| Irish | Norwegian |
| French | Danish |

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This is the order of the largest ethnic groups in Canada, based on how people reported their ethnic origins in the 2001 census. People who reported ethnic origins from more than one group (e.g., Italian and French) are counted in both groups.

Census Canada defines "ethnic origins" as the ethnic or cultural group to which your ancestors belong. In the census, "Canadian" is now included as a choice for ethnic origins, because many people who have been here for several generations do not see themselves as linked to any other ethnic group.

1. Canadian
2. English
3. French
4. Scottish
5. Irish
6. German
7. Italian
8. Chinese
9. Ukrainian
10. North American Indian
11. Dutch (Netherlands)
12. Polish
13. East Indian
14. Norwegian
15. Portuguese
16. Welsh
17. Jewish
18. Russian
19. Filipino
20. Métis
21. Swedish
22. Hungarian
23. American
24. Greek
25. Spanish
26. Jamaican
27. Danish
28. Vietnamese

Source: *Population by Selected Origins, 2001 Census*, Statistics Canada:
<<http://www.statcan.ca/english/Pgdb/demo28a.htm>>