

## Contact with dental professionals, by age group and sex, household population aged 12 and over, Canada, 2003

Contact with dental professionals	Total	Contact with dental professionals in past 12 months		No contact with dental professionals in past 12 months		Contact with dental professionals in past 12 months, not stated	
	Number	Number	%	Number	%	Number	%
<b>2003</b>							
Total, 12 years and over	26,578,125	16,916,208	63.6	9,623,383	36.2	38,533	0.1
Males	13,090,299	8,023,098	61.3	5,044,216	38.5	22,985 <sup>E</sup>	0.2 <sup>E</sup>
Females	13,487,826	8,893,110	65.9	4,579,167	34.0	15,549	0.1
12-19 years	3,316,567	2,631,016	79.3	674,564	20.3	10,988 <sup>E</sup>	0.3 <sup>E</sup>
Males	1,700,772	1,312,878	77.2	380,717	22.4	F	F
Females	1,615,795	1,318,138	81.6	293,847	18.2	3,811 <sup>E</sup>	0.2 <sup>E</sup>
12-14 years	1,275,076	1,077,686	84.5	191,534	15.0	F	F
Males	664,241	550,790	82.9	109,508	16.5	F	F
Females	610,835	526,896	86.3	82,026	13.4	1,913 <sup>E</sup>	0.3 <sup>E</sup>
15-19 years	2,041,491	1,553,330	76.1	483,030	23.7	5,132 <sup>E</sup>	0.3 <sup>E</sup>
Males	1,036,531	762,088	73.5	271,209	26.2	3,234 <sup>E</sup>	0.3 <sup>E</sup>
Females	1,004,960	791,242	78.7	211,821	21.1	F	F
20-34 years	6,317,776	3,903,297	61.8	2,408,403	38.1	6,076 <sup>E</sup>	0.1 <sup>E</sup>
Males	3,166,496	1,801,448	56.9	1,362,182	43.0	F	F
Females	3,151,281	2,101,850	66.7	1,046,222	33.2	F	F
20-24 years	2,166,912	1,337,415	61.7	828,369	38.2	F	F
Males	1,111,860	635,892	57.2	475,528	42.8	F	F
Females	1,055,052	701,522	66.5	352,841	33.4	F	F
25-34 years	4,150,865	2,565,883	61.8	1,580,034	38.1	4,948 <sup>E</sup>	0.1 <sup>E</sup>
Males	2,054,636	1,165,555	56.7	886,654	43.2	F	F
Females	2,096,229	1,400,327	66.8	693,380	33.1	F	F
35-44 years	5,296,597	3,631,060	68.6	1,659,744	31.3	F	F
Males	2,671,810	1,736,046	65.0	931,398	34.9	F	F
Females	2,624,787	1,895,014	72.2	728,346	27.7	F	F
45-64 years	7,862,039	5,029,969	64.0	2,822,388	35.9	9,681 <sup>E</sup>	0.1 <sup>E</sup>
Males	3,891,595	2,415,856	62.1	1,469,767	37.8	5,973 <sup>E</sup>	0.2 <sup>E</sup>
Females	3,970,443	2,614,114	65.8	1,352,622	34.1	3,708 <sup>E</sup>	0.1 <sup>E</sup>
45-54 years	4,571,406	3,098,210	67.8	1,466,695	32.1	6,501 <sup>E</sup>	0.1 <sup>E</sup>
Males	2,240,920	1,474,008	65.8	762,367	34.0	4,544 <sup>E</sup>	0.2 <sup>E</sup>
Females	2,330,486	1,624,202	69.7	704,328	30.2	F	F
55-64 years	3,290,633	1,931,759	58.7	1,355,694	41.2	F	F
Males	1,650,676	941,848	57.1	707,400	42.9	F	F
Females	1,639,957	989,912	60.4	648,294	39.5	F	F
65 years and over	3,785,145	1,720,865	45.5	2,058,284	54.4	5,996 <sup>E</sup>	0.2 <sup>E</sup>
Males	1,659,626	756,870	45.6	900,152	54.2	2,603 <sup>E</sup>	0.2 <sup>E</sup>
Females	2,125,520	963,995	45.4	1,158,131	54.5	3,393 <sup>E</sup>	0.2 <sup>E</sup>
65-74 years	2,182,159	1,053,812	48.3	1,126,024	51.6	2,323 <sup>E</sup>	0.1 <sup>E</sup>
Males	1,030,238	489,699	47.5	539,032	52.3	F	F
Females	1,151,922	564,113	49.0	586,992	51.0	F	F
75 years and over	1,602,986	667,054	41.6	932,259	58.2	3,673 <sup>E</sup>	0.2 <sup>E</sup>
Males	629,388	267,172	42.4	361,120	57.4	F	F
Females	973,598	399,882	41.1	571,139	58.7	2,576 <sup>E</sup>	0.3 <sup>E</sup>

1. Data source: Statistics Canada, Canadian Community Health Survey, 2003
2. Population aged 12 and over who have consulted with a dental professional in the past 12 months.
3. Dental professionals include dentists, orthodontists or dental hygienists.
4. Bootstrapping techniques were used to produce the coefficient of variation (CV) and 95% confidence intervals (CIs).
5. Data with a coefficient of variation (CV) from 16.6% to 33.3% are identified by an (E) and should be interpreted with caution.
6. Data with a coefficient of variation (CV) greater than 33.3% were suppressed (F) due to extreme sampling variability.
7. "Health regions" are defined by the provincial ministries of health. These are legislated administrative areas in all provinces except Nova Scotia. In Nova Scotia, the Ministry of Health uses statistical "zones" rather than its legislated administrative areas; the zones are aggregations of the nine district health authorities.
8. For complete Canadian coverage, each of the northern territories also represents a health region.
9. The health regions presented in this table are based on boundaries and names in effect as of June 2003.
10. A "peer group" is a grouping of health regions that have similar social and economic characteristics. The nine peer groups are identified by the letters A through I, which are appended to the health region 4-digit code.
11. In Ontario, Public health units (PHU) administer health promotion and disease prevention programs, and District health councils (DHC) are advisory, health planning organizations.

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12. In Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta, health regions are referred to as Health Authorities (HA) or Regional Health Authorities (RHA).
13. To avoid data suppression, northern regions in Manitoba have been grouped with neighbouring regions, as follows: Churchill Regional Health Authority (4690) is combined with Burntwood Regional Health Authority (4680) and referred to as "Burntwood/Churchill (4685)".
14. To avoid data suppression, northern regions in Saskatchewan have been grouped with neighbouring regions, as follows: Athabasca Health Authority (4713) is combined with Mamawetan Churchill River Regional Health Authority (4711) and Keewatin Yatthé Regional Health Authority (4712) and referred to as "Mamawetan/Keewatin/Athabasca (4714)".
15. The following standard symbols are used in Statistics Canada publications: (..) for figures not available for a specific reference period and (...) for figures not applicable.
16. CANSIM table number 01050260.