

**Table 61**  
**Distribution of the household population by the concentration of whole blood lead in micrograms per decilitre, by age and sex, Canada, 2007 to 2009**

	Concentration of whole blood lead											
	Geometric mean			5 <sup>th</sup> percentile			10 <sup>th</sup> percentile			25 <sup>th</sup> percentile		
	Estimate	Confidence interval		Estimate	Confidence interval		Estimate	Confidence interval		Estimate	Confidence interval	
		From	To		From	To		From	To		From	To
	micrograms per decilitre											
<b>Both sexes</b>												
Age 6 to 11	0.90	0.81	0.99	0.46	0.38	0.53	0.53	0.49	0.57	0.65	0.59	0.70
Age 12 to 19	0.80	0.74	0.85	0.41	0.37	0.45	0.47	0.44	0.51	0.57	0.53	0.62
Age 20 to 39	1.12	1.04	1.21	0.50	0.43	0.57	0.57	0.52	0.62	0.76	0.69	0.82
Age 40 to 59	1.60	1.46	1.75	0.64	0.54	0.73	0.82	0.70	0.95	1.15	1.06	1.24
Age 60 to 79	2.08	1.90	2.29	0.83	0.79	0.87	1.04	0.93	1.14	1.44	1.33	1.56
<b>Age 6 to 79</b>	<b>1.34</b>	<b>1.24</b>	<b>1.44</b>	<b>0.52</b>	<b>0.48</b>	<b>0.55</b>	<b>0.60</b>	<b>0.56</b>	<b>0.65</b>	<b>0.86</b>	<b>0.79</b>	<b>0.93</b>
<b>Males</b>												
Age 6 to 11	0.92	0.85	0.99	0.49	0.45	0.54	0.54	0.50	0.58	0.66	0.61	0.72
Age 12 to 19	0.88	0.82	0.96	0.45	0.39	0.51	0.51	0.46	0.55	0.65	0.60	0.69
Age 20 to 39	1.41	1.28	1.55	0.59	0.48	0.70	0.75	0.65	0.85	0.97	0.87	1.07
Age 40 to 59	1.74	1.57	1.92	0.81	0.67	0.95	0.98	0.89	1.08	1.25	1.15	1.35
Age 60 to 79	2.31	2.08	2.57	0.91	0.72	1.10	1.20	1.07	1.34	1.55	1.37	1.73
<b>Age 6 to 79</b>	<b>1.51</b>	<b>1.40</b>	<b>1.63</b>	<b>0.59</b>	<b>0.55</b>	<b>0.62</b>	<b>0.71</b>	<b>0.66</b>	<b>0.76</b>	<b>1.01</b>	<b>0.95</b>	<b>1.08</b>
<b>Females</b>												
Age 6 to 11	0.87	0.77	0.99	0.41	0.34	0.48	0.51	0.46	0.57	0.64	0.57	0.70
Age 12 to 19	0.71	0.66	0.77	0.39	0.34	0.43	0.43	0.37	0.49	0.53	0.48	0.58
Age 20 to 39	0.89	0.81	0.98	0.44	0.37	0.50	0.52	0.46	0.57	0.64	0.60	0.68
Age 40 to 59	1.47	1.31	1.65	0.59	0.52	0.65	0.71	0.59	0.82	1.05	0.90	1.19
Age 60 to 79	1.89	1.69	2.12	0.77	0.71	0.83	0.94	0.81	1.07	1.34	1.15	1.52
<b>Age 6 to 79</b>	<b>1.18</b>	<b>1.08</b>	<b>1.30</b>	<b>0.48</b>	<b>0.43</b>	<b>0.52</b>	<b>0.55</b>	<b>0.50</b>	<b>0.60</b>	<b>0.74</b>	<b>0.68</b>	<b>0.81</b>

  

	Concentration of whole blood lead											
	50 <sup>th</sup> percentile			75 <sup>th</sup> percentile			90 <sup>th</sup> percentile			95 <sup>th</sup> percentile		
	Estimate	Confidence interval		Estimate	Confidence interval		Estimate	Confidence interval		Estimate	Confidence interval	
		From	To		From	To		From	To		From	To
	micrograms per decilitre											
<b>Both sexes</b>												
Age 6 to 11	0.87	0.77	0.97	1.19	1.05	1.34	1.61	1.47	1.76	1.95	1.65	2.26
Age 12 to 19	0.76	0.70	0.83	1.05	0.99	1.11	1.34	1.11	1.56	1.64	1.47	1.82
Age 20 to 39	1.05	0.99	1.11	1.58	1.39	1.77	2.35	2.02	2.68	3.12	2.75	3.49
Age 40 to 59	1.55	1.43	1.67	2.22	1.95	2.50	3.17	2.71	3.63	3.87	3.16	4.57
Age 60 to 79	2.07	1.90	2.24	3.02	2.68	3.37	4.17	3.53	4.81	5.19	4.20	6.18
<b>Age 6 to 79</b>	<b>1.30</b>	<b>1.21</b>	<b>1.39</b>	<b>2.03</b>	<b>1.83</b>	<b>2.22</b>	<b>3.07</b>	<b>2.77</b>	<b>3.37</b>	<b>3.79</b>	<b>3.32</b>	<b>4.26</b>
<b>Males</b>												
Age 6 to 11	0.89	0.79	1.00	1.21	1.10	1.31	1.64	1.44	1.83	1.96	1.78	2.13
Age 12 to 19	0.87	0.79	0.95	1.16	1.05	1.27	1.53	1.29	1.77	1.79	1.28	2.29
Age 20 to 39	1.30	1.15	1.46	2.00	1.68	2.33	2.94	2.59	3.30	3.65	2.88	4.42
Age 40 to 59	1.61	1.46	1.77	2.35	1.92	2.77	3.31	2.77	3.85	3.95	3.02	4.88
Age 60 to 79	2.24	1.98	2.49	3.27	2.86	3.68	4.86	3.96	5.75	6.17	4.95	7.39
<b>Age 6 to 79</b>	<b>1.44</b>	<b>1.34</b>	<b>1.54</b>	<b>2.21</b>	<b>2.01</b>	<b>2.42</b>	<b>3.26</b>	<b>2.87</b>	<b>3.66</b>	<b>4.22</b>	<b>3.71</b>	<b>4.72</b>
<b>Females</b>												
Age 6 to 11	0.85	0.73	0.97	1.16	0.93	1.39	1.61	1.37	1.86	1.93	1.26	2.60
Age 12 to 19	0.68	0.62	0.75	0.91	0.79	1.04	1.16	0.98	1.33	1.46	1.25	1.67
Age 20 to 39	0.86	0.77	0.96	1.19	1.08	1.30	1.64	1.38	1.91	2.05	1.78	2.32
Age 40 to 59	1.46	1.27	1.64	2.11	1.81	2.41	3.11	2.49	3.74	3.78	3.05	4.52
Age 60 to 79	1.93	1.69	2.18	2.67	2.27	3.06	3.69	3.20	4.17	4.53	3.81	5.25
<b>Age 6 to 79</b>	<b>1.14</b>	<b>1.04</b>	<b>1.25</b>	<b>1.74</b>	<b>1.51</b>	<b>1.97</b>	<b>2.73</b>	<b>2.35</b>	<b>3.12</b>	<b>3.50</b>	<b>3.03</b>	<b>3.97</b>

**Note(s):** Total household population aged 6 to 79, except those meeting the exclusion criteria.

For more information regarding the exclusion criteria and the limit of detection for whole blood lead, please refer to the *Canadian Health Measures Survey (CHMS) Data User Guide: Cycle 1*.

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**Source(s):** Canadian Health Measures Survey, Cycle 1.