

Majority of private dwellings are single-detached houses

Dwellings are divided broadly into two types: [private](#) and [collective](#). This report focuses on private dwellings, which are classified according to their [structural type](#), such as single-detached, apartment or mobile home.

- The 2016 Census enumerated 747,101 people in New Brunswick. Among the population living in the province (a small number of New Brunswickers reside outside Canada on government, military or diplomatic postings), 97.8% resided in a private dwelling and 2.2% lived in a collective dwelling.
- The most common type of dwelling in New Brunswick in 2016 was the single-detached house, accounting for 69.3% or 221,515 of the 319,775 occupied private dwellings in the province. This was the third highest proportion of single-detached houses in Canada, and was above the national share of 53.6%.
- For the remaining dwellings in the province in 2016, 13.8% were in apartment buildings with fewer than five storeys, 1.2% were in apartment buildings that have five or more storeys, 4.2% were apartments in a duplex and 11.4% were other types of dwellings.
- The share of single-detached houses in the province has fallen over time (from 72.9% in 2001), while the proportion of apartment dwellings (those in low- and high-rise buildings, as well as duplexes) has increased—to 19.3% in 2016 from 17.8% in 2001.
- Among the urban centres in New Brunswick, Miramichi CA had the largest share of single-detached houses in 2016 (76.9%), while Moncton CMA had the smallest (55.5%). The Saint John CMA had the highest proportion of apartment dwellings, with nearly 3 in 10 dwellings (29.5%) located in low- or high-rise buildings, or in duplexes.

Occupied private dwellings and type of dwelling, 2016										
	Type	Occupied private dwellings	Single-detached house	Apartment in a building that has five or more storeys	Apartment in a building that has fewer than five storeys	Row house	Semi-detached house	Apartment or flat in a duplex	Other single-attached house	Movable dwelling
		number	percent							
Canada		14,072,080	53.6	9.9	18.0	6.3	5.0	5.6	0.3	1.3
New Brunswick		319,775	69.3	1.2	13.8	2.8	3.9	4.2	0.4	4.3
Bathurst	CA	13,970	72.5	0.0	9.5	5.3	3.8	5.9	0.6	2.4
Campbellton (N.B./Que.)	CA	7,090	69.0	0.1	15.3	4.0	2.8	5.0	1.3	2.5
Edmundston	CA	10,535	69.0	0.7	14.9	2.1	3.5	5.9	0.6	3.3
Fredericton	CA	42,770	60.3	1.1	19.7	2.7	2.0	6.3	0.5	7.6
Miramichi	CA	11,940	76.9	0.0	10.6	0.4	3.1	1.6	0.2	7.2
Moncton	CMA	61,770	55.5	2.2	19.5	3.3	10.0	5.1	0.2	4.2
Saint John	CMA	52,875	60.3	3.4	18.8	4.3	2.4	7.2	0.3	3.3

Source: Statistics Canada, 2016 Census of Population, Highlight tables