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QUESTION: What are the occupations of immigrants who immigrated between 2001 and 2006 and who have a university degree and live in the Toronto CMA?

ANSWER:

Among recent immigrants with a university degree living in the Toronto CMA, a third (32.5%) worked in intermediate occupations that would require 1 to 4 years of high school or up to 2 years of training on the job. Another fourth (26.6%) worked in professional occupations requiring at least a bachelor's degree.

	N	%
Management	12,355	8.2
Skill Level A - Professional Occupations	39,805	26.6
Skill Level B - Technical, Paraprofessional and Skilled Occupations	30,790	20.6
Skill Level C - Intermediate Occupations	48,610	32.5
Skill Level D - Labouring and Elemental Occupations	18,205	12.2

Among university-educated recent immigrants who had worked between January 2005 and May 2006, 6.5% had worked as computer and information systems professionals. Another 4.2% had worked as auditors, accountants and investment professionals. The third most important occupation was retail salespersons and sales clerks with 4.1%.

Occupation (NOC code)	N	%
1. Computer and information systems professionals (217)	9,810	6.5
2. Auditors, accountants and investment professionals (111)	6,235	4.2
3. Retail salespersons and sales clerks (642)	6,180	4.1
4. Finance and insurance clerks (143)	5,215	3.5
5. Labourers in processing, manufacturing and utilities (961)	5,035	3.4
6. Clerical occupations, general office skills (141)	3,755	2.5
7. Civil, mechanical, electrical and chemical engineers (213)	3,715	2.5
8. Mechanical, electrical and electronics assemblers (948)	3,465	2.3
9. Recording, scheduling and distributing occupations (147)	3,250	2.2
10. Motor vehicle and transit drivers (741)	2,960	2.0
11. Child care and home support workers (647)	2,925	2.0
12. Cashiers (661)	2,910	1.9
13. Paralegals, social services workers and occupations in education and religion, n.e.c. (421)	2,880	1.9
14. Food counter attendants, kitchen helpers and related occupations (664)	2,860	1.9
15. Library, correspondence and related information clerks (145)	2,695	1.8

16. Cleaners (666)	2,620	1.7
17. Secondary and elementary school teachers and educational counsellors (414)	2,495	1.7
18. Administrative and regulatory occupations (122)	2,420	1.6
19. Nurse supervisors and registered nurses (315)	2,375	1.6
20. Managers in retail trade (062)	2,370	1.6

NOTES:

N.E.C.: not elsewhere classified

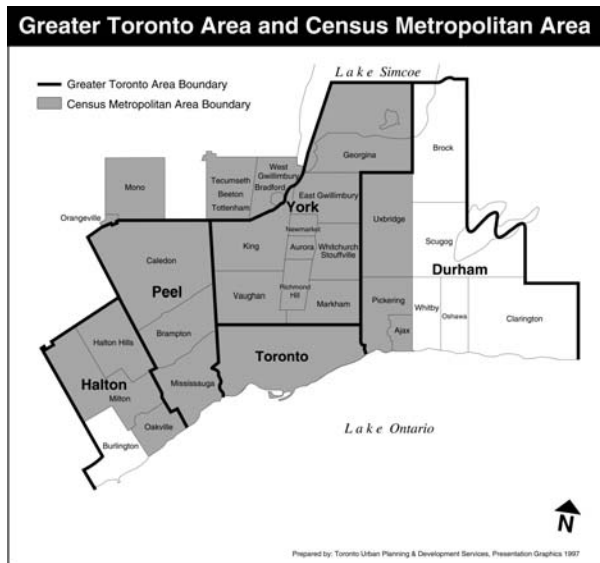
Skill levels were based on the NOC Skill Level Criteria as described in the Introduction to the NOC (<http://www5.hrsdc.gc.ca/NOC/English/NOC/2006/pdf/Introduction.Pdf>)

- **Management:** This skill type category contains legislators, senior management occupations and middle management occupations.
- **Skill level A:** University degree (bachelor's, master's or doctorate)
- **Skill level B:** Two to three years of postsecondary education at community college, institute of technology or CÉGEP; Two to five years of apprenticeship training; *or* Three to four years of secondary school and more than two years of on-the-job training, occupation specific training courses or specific work experience
- **Skill level C:** One to four years of secondary school education; *or* Up to two years of on-the-job training, training courses or specific work experience
- **Skill level D:** Short work demonstration or on the job training; *or* No formal educational requirements

Toronto CMA: Census Metropolitan Area of Toronto

The Toronto CMA is the grey-shaded area in the map below. It includes the City of Toronto, York Region, Peel Region and parts of Halton and Durham Regions. Other municipalities, such as New Tecumseth in southern Simcoe County and Mono Township in Dufferin County are also included in the Toronto CMA.

CMAs are geographical areas mainly used by Statistics Canada. For more information, see <http://www12.statcan.ca/english/census06/reference/dictionary/geo009.cfm>.



University-educated: highest degree is equivalent to: university certificate or diploma below bachelor level; bachelor’s degree; university certificate or diploma above bachelor level; degree in medicine, dentistry, veterinary, medicine or optometry; master's degree; or earned doctorate degree.

DATA SOURCE:

Statistics Canada. 2009. *2006 Census of Population* (master file). Using York University Research Data Centre (distributor). Released January 2009. <http://www.statcan.ca/cgi-bin/imdb/p2SV.pl?Function=getSurvey&SDDS=3901&lang=en&db=imdb&dbg=f&adm=8&dis=2> (Accessed June 2009) Accompanying documentation: Census codebook.

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