

Housing Services for Vulnerable Populations in York Region

Proportion of regional population by municipality

	Regional Population	Proportion of Regional Population
York Region	892,712	100
Aurora	47,629	5.3
Markham	261,573	29.3
Newmarket	74,295	8.3
Richmond Hill	162,704	18.2
Vaughan	238,866	26.8
Rest of York Region	107,645	12.1

Vulnerable populations by municipality

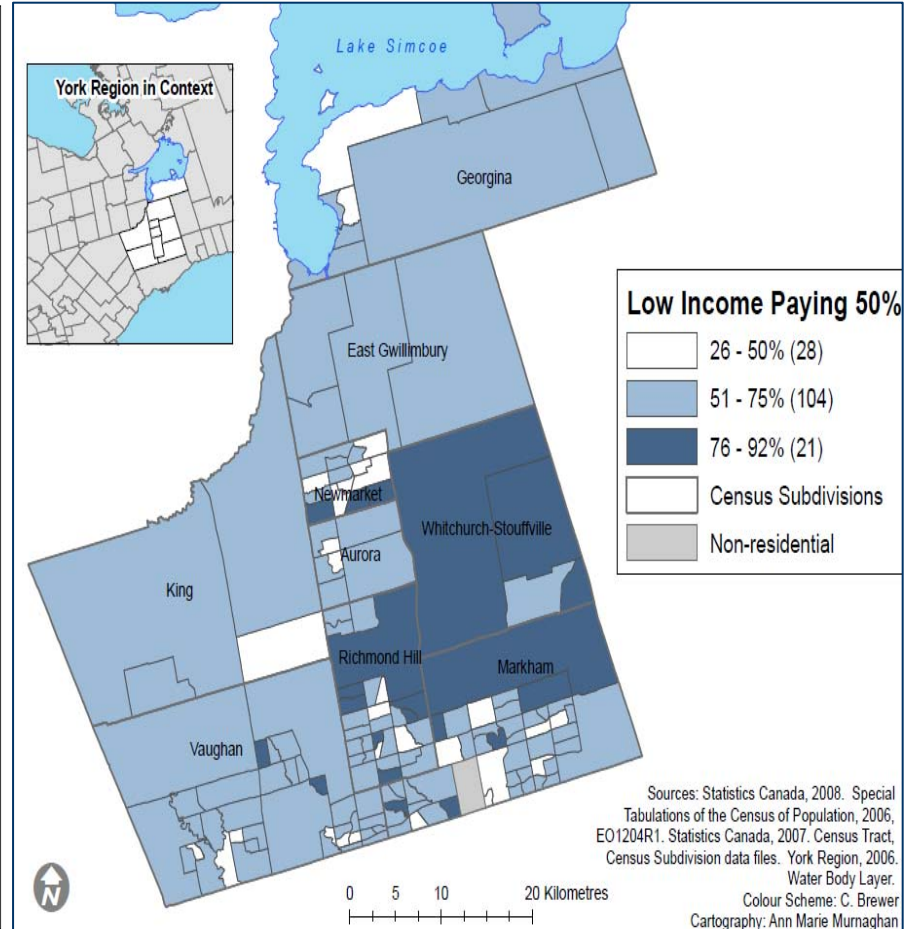
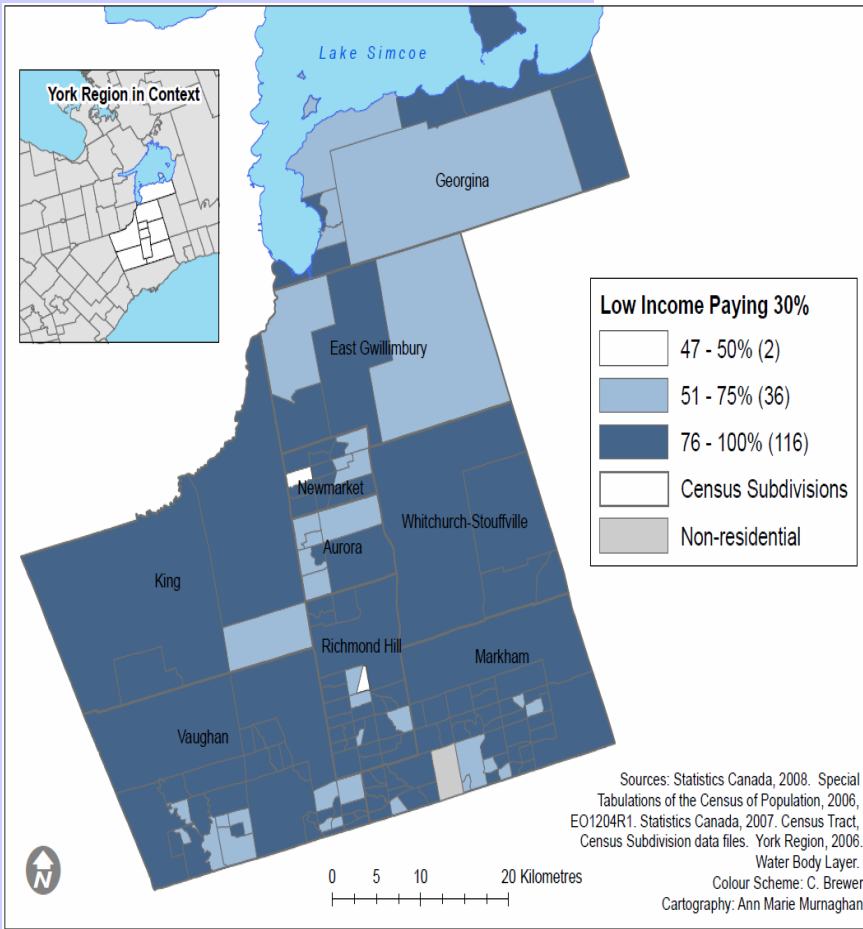
	Seniors		Recent Immigrants		Low Income	
	N	%	N	%	N	%
York Region	91,870	100	109,195	100	112,098	100.0
Aurora	4,230	4.6	3,065	2.8	3,828	3.4
Markham	27,850	30.3	45,775	41.9	41,834	37.3
Newmarket	7,075	7.7	3,835	3.5	7,175	6.4
Richmond Hill	16,385	17.8	29,125	26.7	25,538	22.8
Vaughan	23,280	25.3	25,480	23.3	25,280	22.6

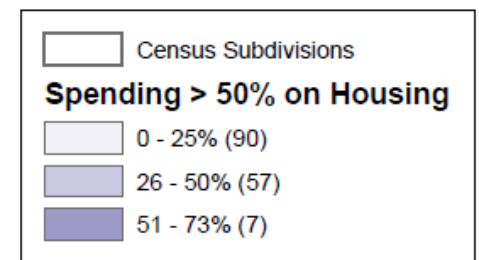
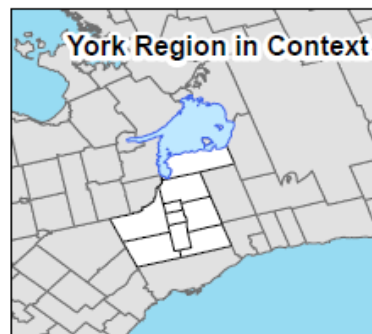
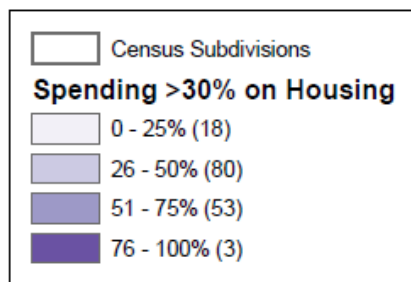
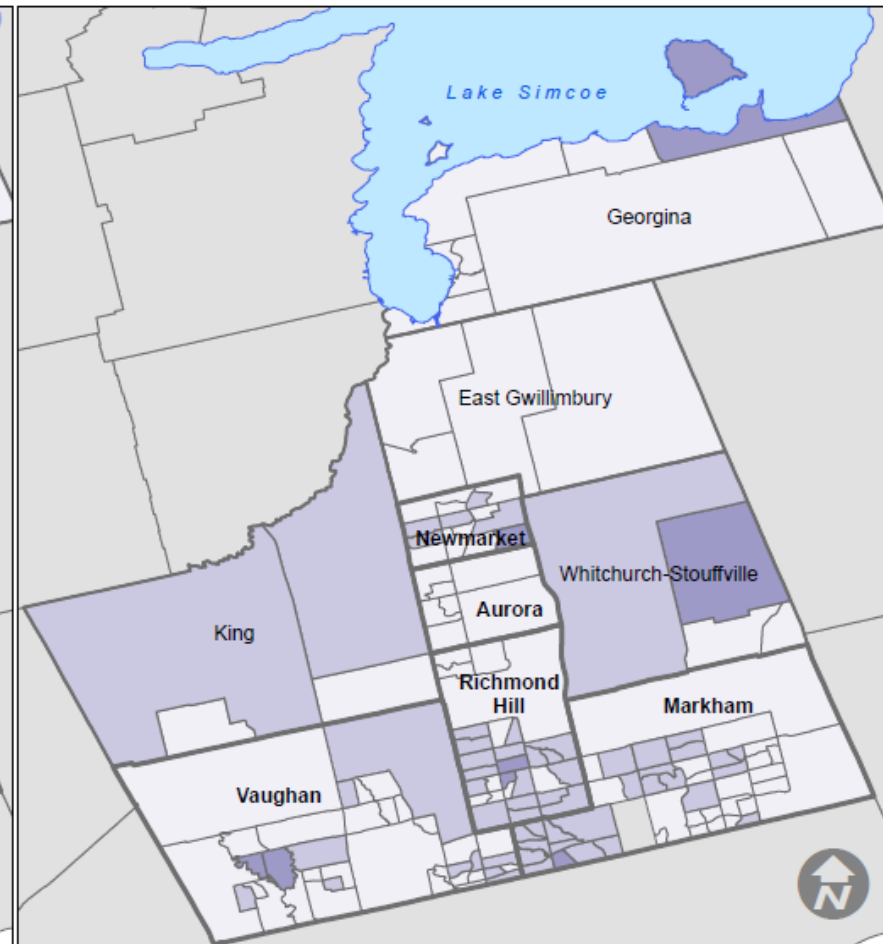
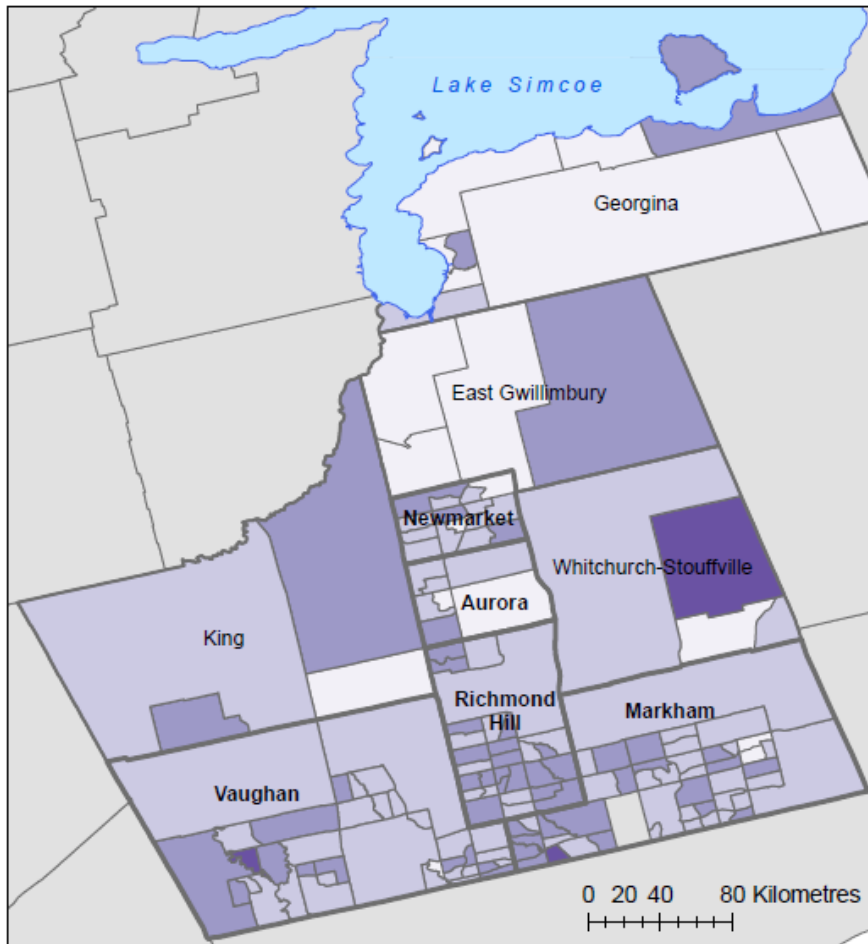
Housing Demand by Vulnerable Group

	Low- Income	Recent Immigrants	Seniors
Average household size	3.9	4.4	3
Median household income	\$23,478	\$67,456	\$66,289
Percent LICO	100	27.1	12.2

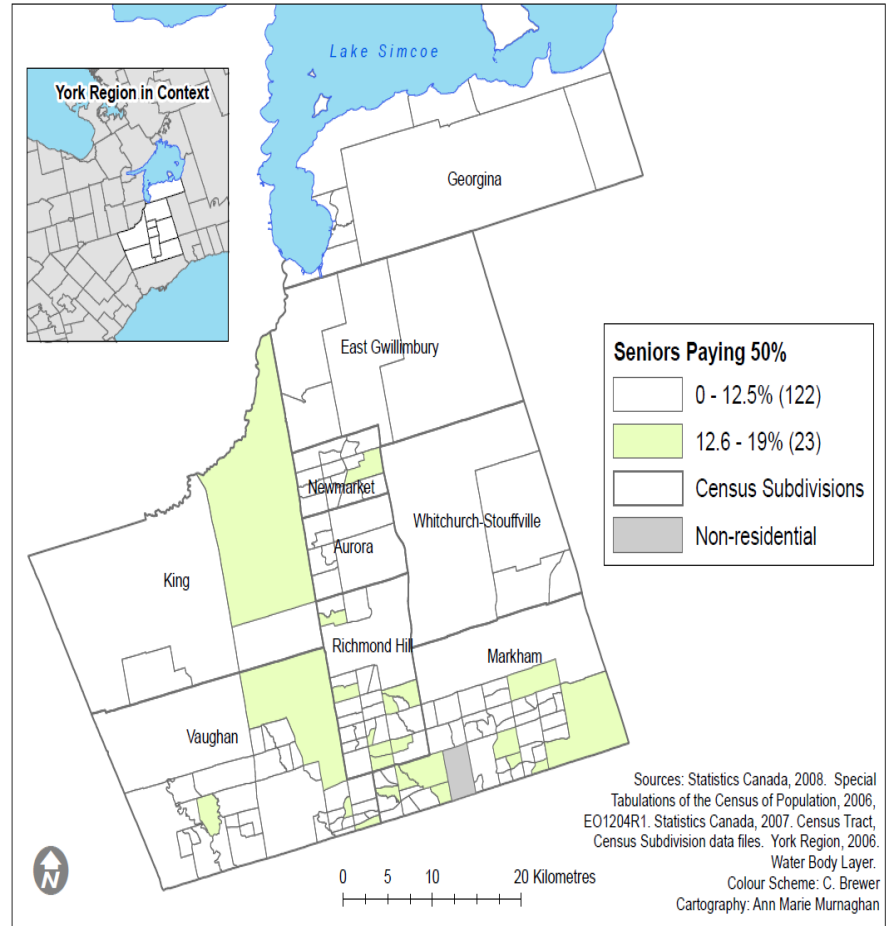
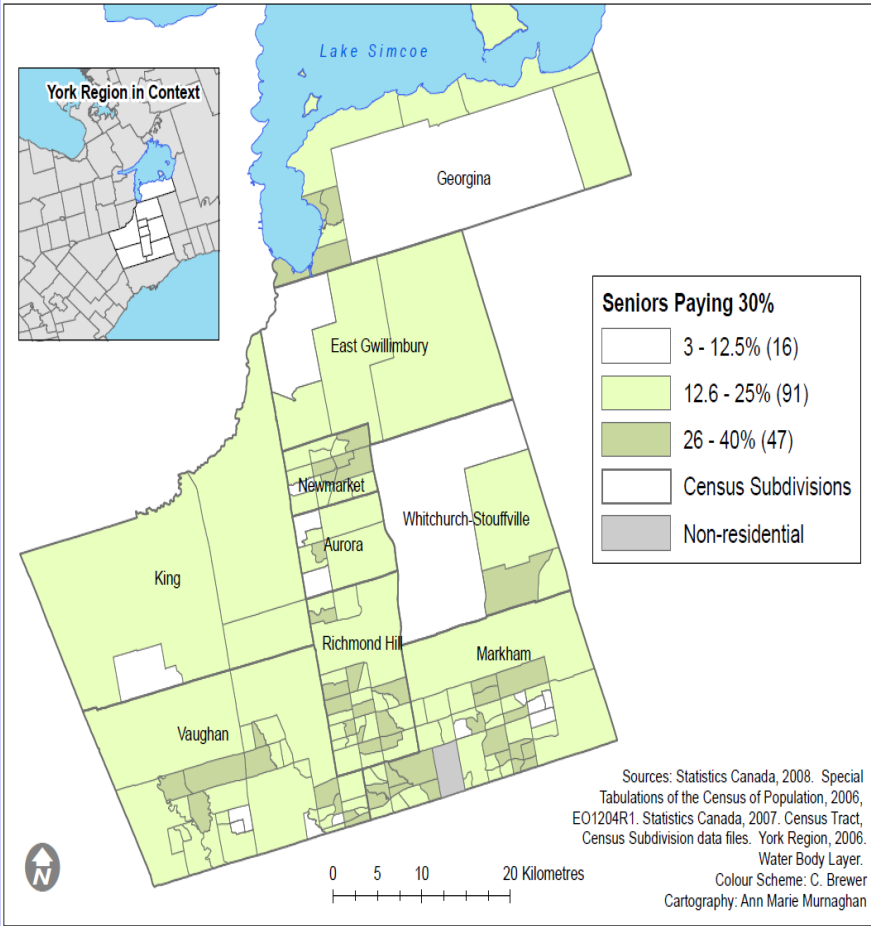
Housing Costs by Vulnerable Group

	Low- Income	Recent Immigrants	Seniors
Average gross rent	\$893	\$1,057	\$906
Average owner's major payments	\$1,395	\$1,830	\$915
Spending over 30% on housing	80.8	46.7	22.6
Spending over 50% on housing	62.6	25.4	8.5





Sources: Statistics Canada, 2008. Special Tabulations of the Census of Population, 2006, EO1204R1. Statistics Canada, 2007. Census Tract, Census Subdivision data files. York Region, 2006. Water Body Layer. Colour Scheme: C. Brewer, Cartography: Ann Marie Murnaghan



Housing services for each vulnerable population in York Region

	Seniors	Low-Income Seniors	Recent Immigrants	Low-Income
Independent living*	4	46	0	37
Assisted living**	19	0	0	0
Congregated living***	28	0	0	4
Other Housing Services****	2	2	0	9

* Independent living: dwelling units- private, social (co-operative, nonprofit), life lease housing

** Assisted living: retirement centres

*** Congregated living: long term, domiciliary hostels, special care, group homes, shelter

**** Other: housing help centres, housing access ctr, seniors social workers etc.

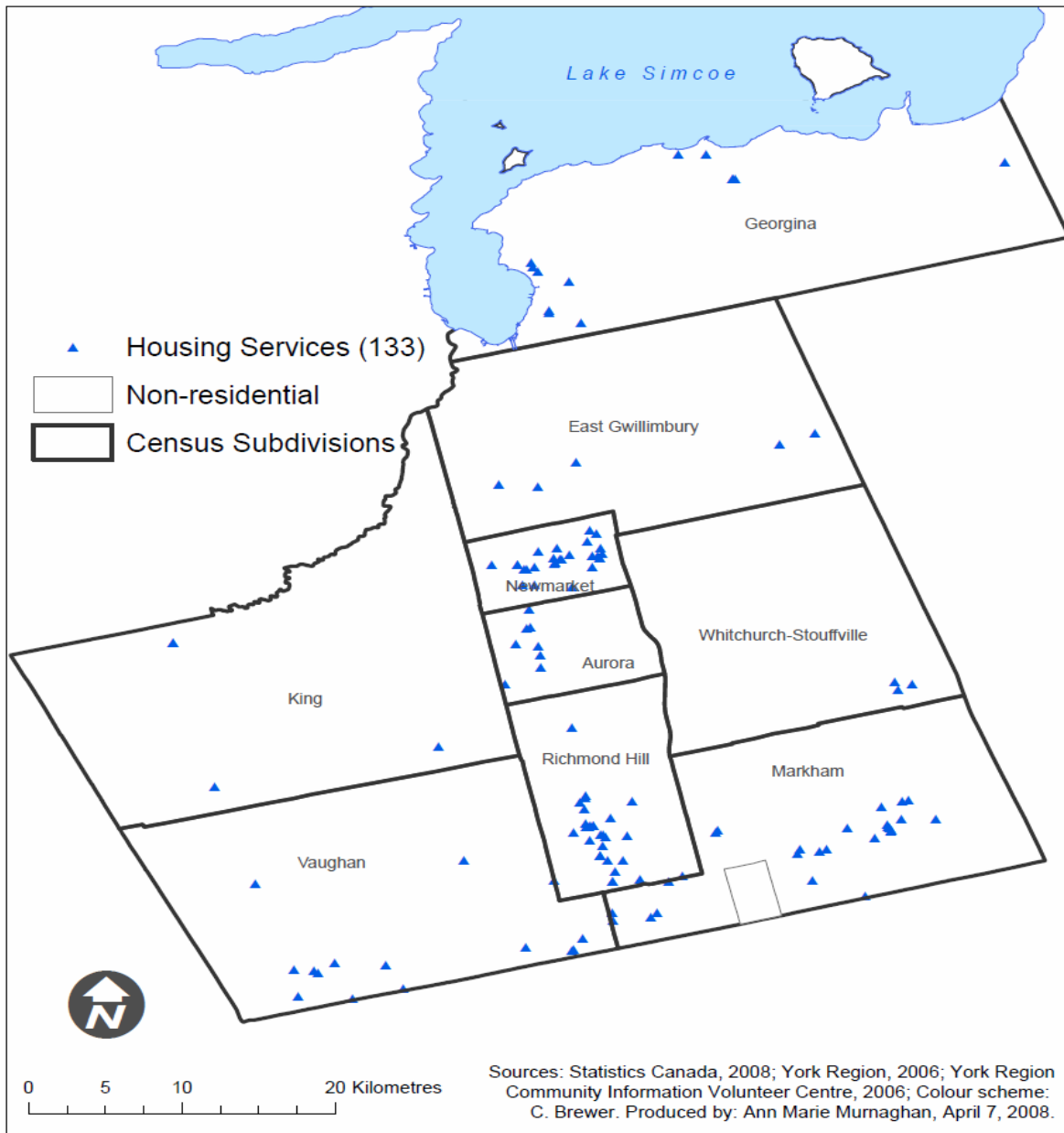
Proportion of vulnerable population by municipality

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	N	%	N	%	N	%
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Aurora	4,230	4.6	3,065	2.8	3,828	3.41
Markham	27,850	30.3	45,775	41.9	41,834	37.32
Newmarket	7,075	7.7	3,835	3.5	7,175	6.4
Richmond Hill	16,385	17.8	29,125	26.6	25,538	22.78
Vaughan	23,280	25.3	25,480	23.3	25,280	22.55
Rest of York Region	13,050	14.2	1,915	1.7	8,443	7.53

Proportion of services for each vulnerable population by municipality

	Seniors		Recent Immigrants		Low-Income		Total	
	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
York Region	97	100	0	0	50	100	147	100
Aurora	9	9.3	0	0	4	8	13	100
Markham	15	15.5	0	0	8	16	23	100
Newmarket	20	20.6	0	0	15	30	35	100
Richmond Hill	21	21.6	0	0	11	22	32	100
Vaughan	11	11.6	0	0	5	10	16	100
Rest of York Region	21	21.6	0	0	9	18	21	100

Housing Services in York Region



Total Population per Social Housing Unit

	Region Population	Social Housing Units	Population Per Unit
York Region	892,712	8,225	108.5
Aurora	47,629	459	103.7
Markham	261,573	1,367	191.3
Newmarket	74,295	1,522	48.8
Richmond Hill	162,704	3,161	51.4
Vaughan	238,866	927	257.6
Rest of York Region	270,304	789	342.5

Vulnerable Population Per Social Housing Unit

	Seniors		Recent Immigrants		Low Income	
	Population	Population Per Unit	Population	Population Per Unit	Population	Population Per Unit
York Region	91,870	18.5	109,195	NA	112,098	32.1
Aurora	4,230	26	3,065	NA	3,828	12.9
Markham	27,850	37.1	45,775	NA	41,834	67.9
Newmarket	7,075	9.5	3,835	NA	7,175	9.2
Richmond Hill	16,385	8.4	29,125	NA	25,538	21.2
Vaughan	23,280	50.7	25,480	NA	25,280	54.0
Rest of York Region	13,050	20.1	1,915	NA	8,443	60.7

NA - There is no social housing targeting immigrants.

Users of Housing Services

- 76 people used housing services
- 75% of users are immigrants
- 2/3 had household income below \$50,000
- 73.9% satisfied or very satisfied

Access to Housing Services

	Seniors		Total Low-Income
	Assisted Living	Independent Living	
York Region	30.6	48.7	51.2
Aurora	36.6	31.1	63.6
Markham	39.2	53	43.6
Newmarket	65.8	82.7	92.8
Richmond Hill	53.5	62.6	64.3
Vaughan	6.2	44.1	42.9
Rest of York Region	6.3	17.9	33.5

Conclusions

- Affordability is an issue for low-income households and recent immigrants
- Region needs more affordable housing units:
 - For recent immigrants and low-income households
 - In southern York Region
 - Near current locations of vulnerable populations
- Vulnerable populations need more housing supports