

Who Can Immigrate to Canada?





To What Extent Are Canada's Immigration Laws Effective?

**Does Canada Have an
Effective Means to
Determine Who Can
Immigrate to Canada?**

What Do We Want From Immigrants to Canada



Who Can Come to Canada?

- With your table groups discuss:
 - Why won't we just let anyone into Canada?
 - What are 3 advantages of controlling who can immigrate to Canada?



Immigrant and Refugee Protection Act

- Canada Immigration Law (2002)
- Creates 4 categories of Immigration



Categories of Immigrants

1. Economic Class
2. Family Class
3. Refugees
4. Other

Categories
for
Immigration
to Canada



Economic Class

- 55% of immigrants
- Skilled workers
- Support themselves
- Contribute to economy



Economic Class



Economic Class?



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Family Class

- 28% of immigrants
- Direct family of people in Canada
 - Spouse
 - Children
 - Parents



Family Class?



I am your father's brother's nephew's
cousin's former roommate.

Refugees



- 13% of immigrants
- People escaping:
 - War
 - Persecution
- No economic requirements



UNHCR

The UN Refugee Agency

Other

- 4% of immigrants
- Accepted for humanitarian or other reasons



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OTTAWA - Piper Gilles had Olympic ambitions - hoping one day to win gold for Canada.

The only snag for the 22-year-old ice dancer? She was American.

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How Do We Decide Who to Pick?



Welcoming 286,000 Immigrants this Year

About 500,000 Immigrants in Line for Citizenship

The Points System

Selection Factor	Maximum Points
English or French ability	28
Education	25
Experience	15
Age (younger is better)	12
Job Arranged in Canada	10
Adaptability	10
<i>Total Points Possible</i>	<i>100</i>

- Only for economic immigrants
- Must receive 67+ points to immigrate
- Points awarded for:
 - Qualities that will make you useful to Canada

Will You Get In?



<http://www.canada-da.com/calculator.html>

Who Cannot Come In?

- People with medical issues
- Criminals
- Avoid any
 - Burdens to taxpayers
 - Threats to safety



Who Gets In?

- https://www.nfb.ca/film/who_gets_in

Immigrating to Canada	
3	Reasons why an immigrant might be rejected entry into Canada
2	Highly sought after qualities in immigrants to Canada
1	Thing that surprised you the most about Canada's immigration system

What Happens When They Get In?

- http://www.learnalberta.ca/content/aeve/movieLauncher.html?movie=smil/ethnic_fragmentation.mov

Refugees

- Refugee: A person who seeks refuge in another country because of danger or persecution in his or her home country

Related Legislation

- 1951-Canada signs U.N. Convention Relating to the Status of Refugees
- 1950s to 1960s-Canada offers to shelter refugees in response to world crisis.
- 1976-Refugees as one of the immigration categories
- 2002-Immigration and Refugee Act updates objectives for taking in refugees

Immigration Act 1976

- No person shall be granted admission who is a member of any of the following classes:
 - Persons who have engaged in...acts of espionage or subversion against democratic government, institutions or processes, as they are understood in Canada...
 - Persons who there are reasonable grounds to believe will, while in Canada, engage in or instigate the subversion by force of any government.

Immigration and Refugee Protection Act, 2002

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 - Engaging in or instigating the subversion by force of any government
 - Engaging in terrorism
 - Being a danger to the security of Canada
 - Engaging in acts of violence that would or might endanger the lives or safety of persons in Canada
 - Being a member of an organization that there are reasonable grounds to believe engages, has engaged or will engage in acts referred to in the above

- What similarities do you see between the 1976 and the 2002 Acts?
- Why are they different?

Individual and Collective Rights influencing immigration laws and policies.

- **Review: What are individual rights? What are collective rights?**
- **How might individual rights found in the our charter affect immigration policy?**
- **How might collective rights in our charter affect immigration policy?**

Singh Decision

- Satnam Singh came to Canada from India seeking refugee status. Canada's government rejected his case under the Immigration Act, 1976. The Immigration Act, 1976, did not allow Mr. Singh to state his case in person or to appeal the government's decision on his case.
- The supreme Court said this violated section 7 of the Charter of Rights and Freedoms, which says:
- "Everyone has the right to life, liberty and security of except in accordance with the principles of fundamental justice."
- Who does the above apply to according to the Charter?

Singh Decision

- The result
 - People claiming refugee status in Canada have the right to a hearing, which they attend in person.
 - Canada established the Immigration and Refugee Board to provide quick and fair hearings.
 - Canada's government provides people seeking refugee status with the necessities of life while they wait for a hearing

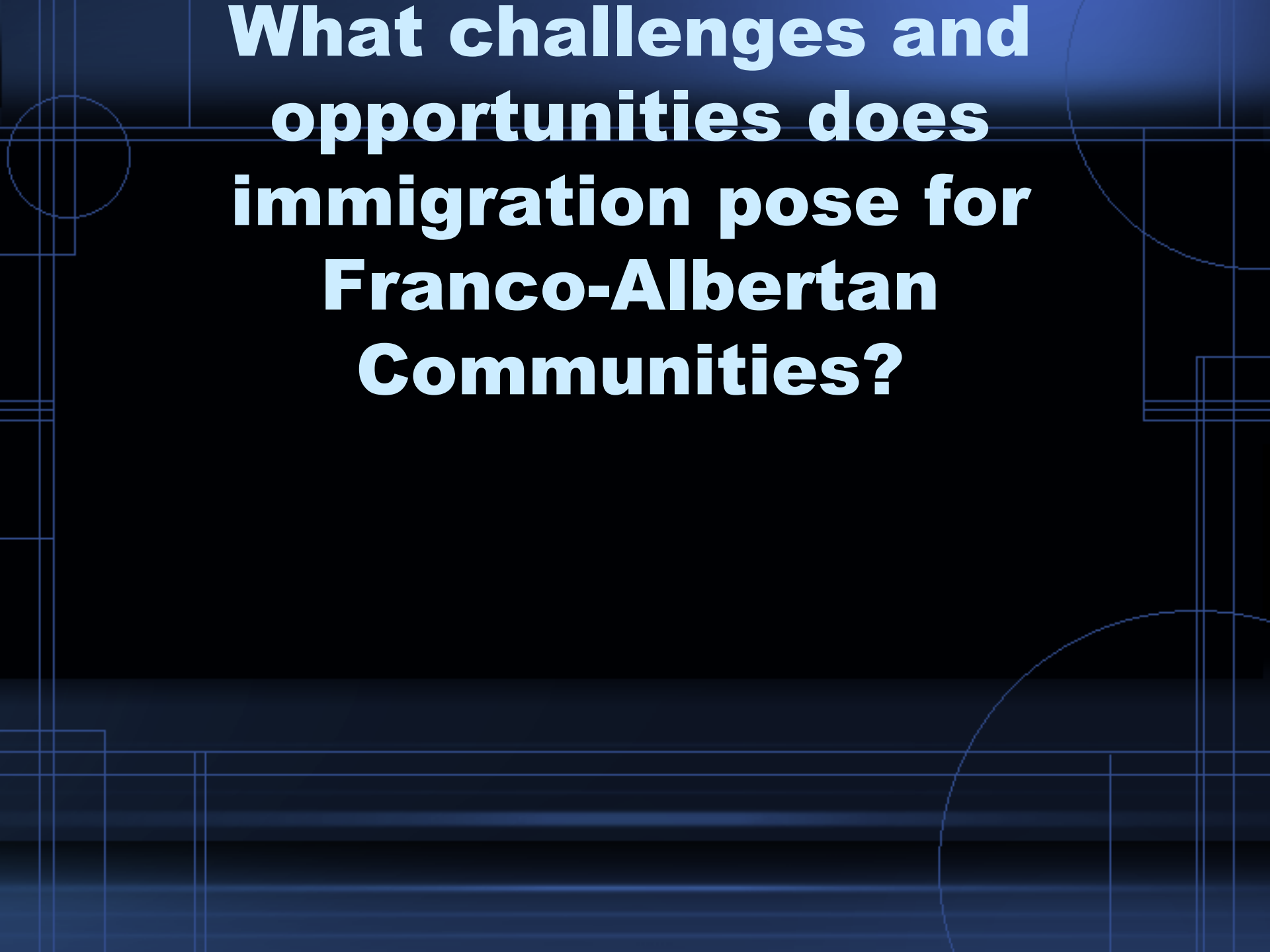
Singh Decision

- What would two differing perspectives would exist on the Singh decision?



How does immigration involve collective rights of Aboriginal Peoples?

- What impact do the rights of First Nations, Metis and Inuit peoples have on the way Canada sets immigration, and other laws and policies?

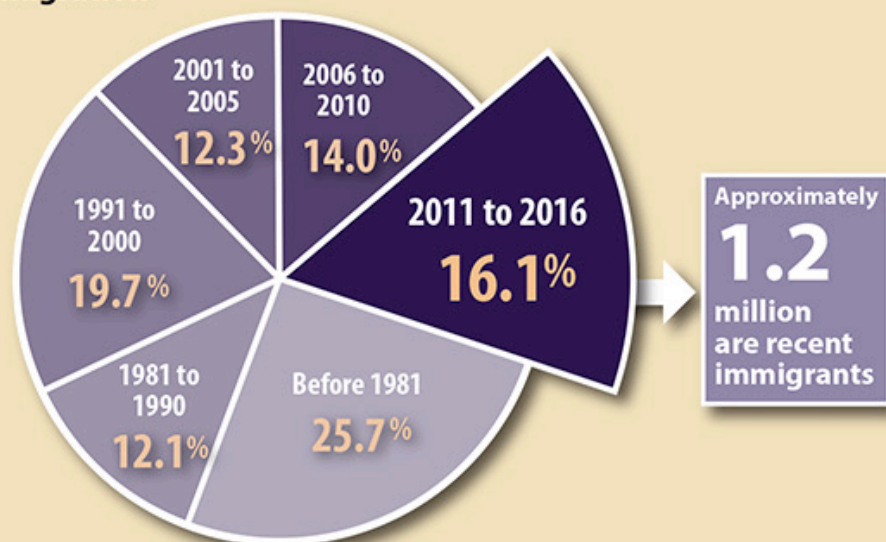


What challenges and opportunities does immigration pose for Franco-Albertan Communities?

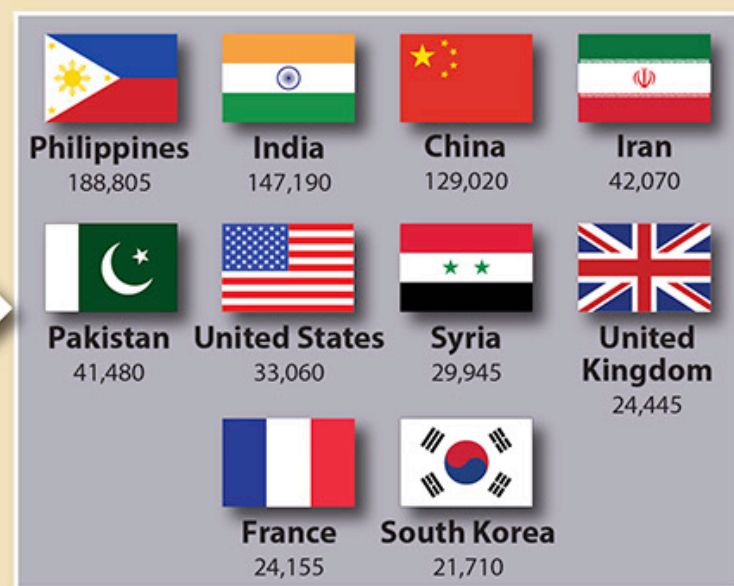
50,001 to 100,000 immigrants
100,001 immigrants or more

More than 200 places of birth were reported by immigrants in Canada.

Percentage of immigrants to Canada by period of immigration



Top 10 countries of birth of recent immigrants



Source: Statistics Canada, 2016 Census of Population.

www.statcan.gc.ca/census



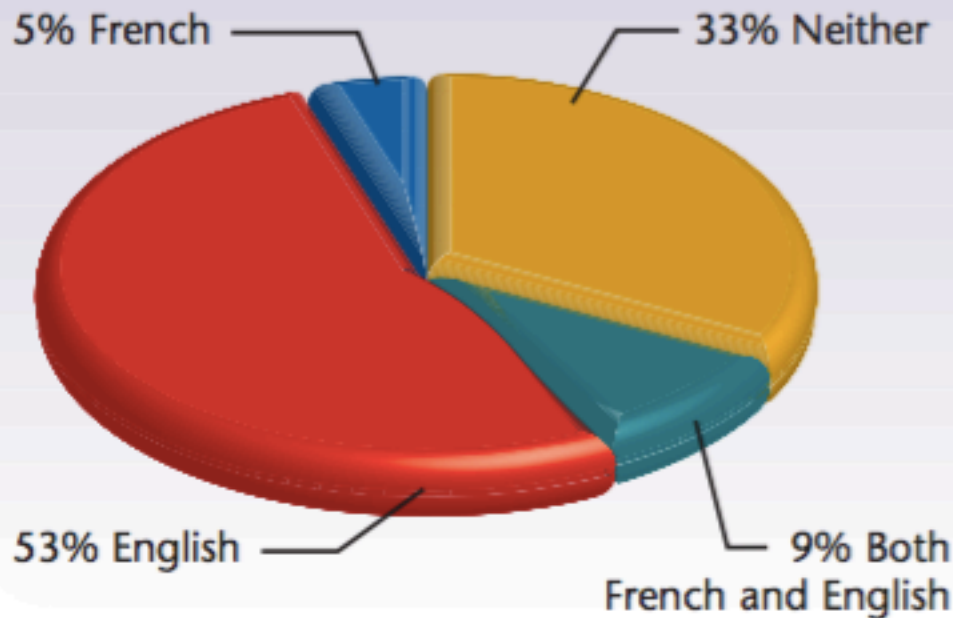
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WHAT LANGUAGES DO IMMIGRANTS TO CANADA SPEAK?

Immigrants' knowledge of French and English, 2006



Top five first languages of immigrants, 2006

Mandarin
English
Arabic
Punjabi
Spanish

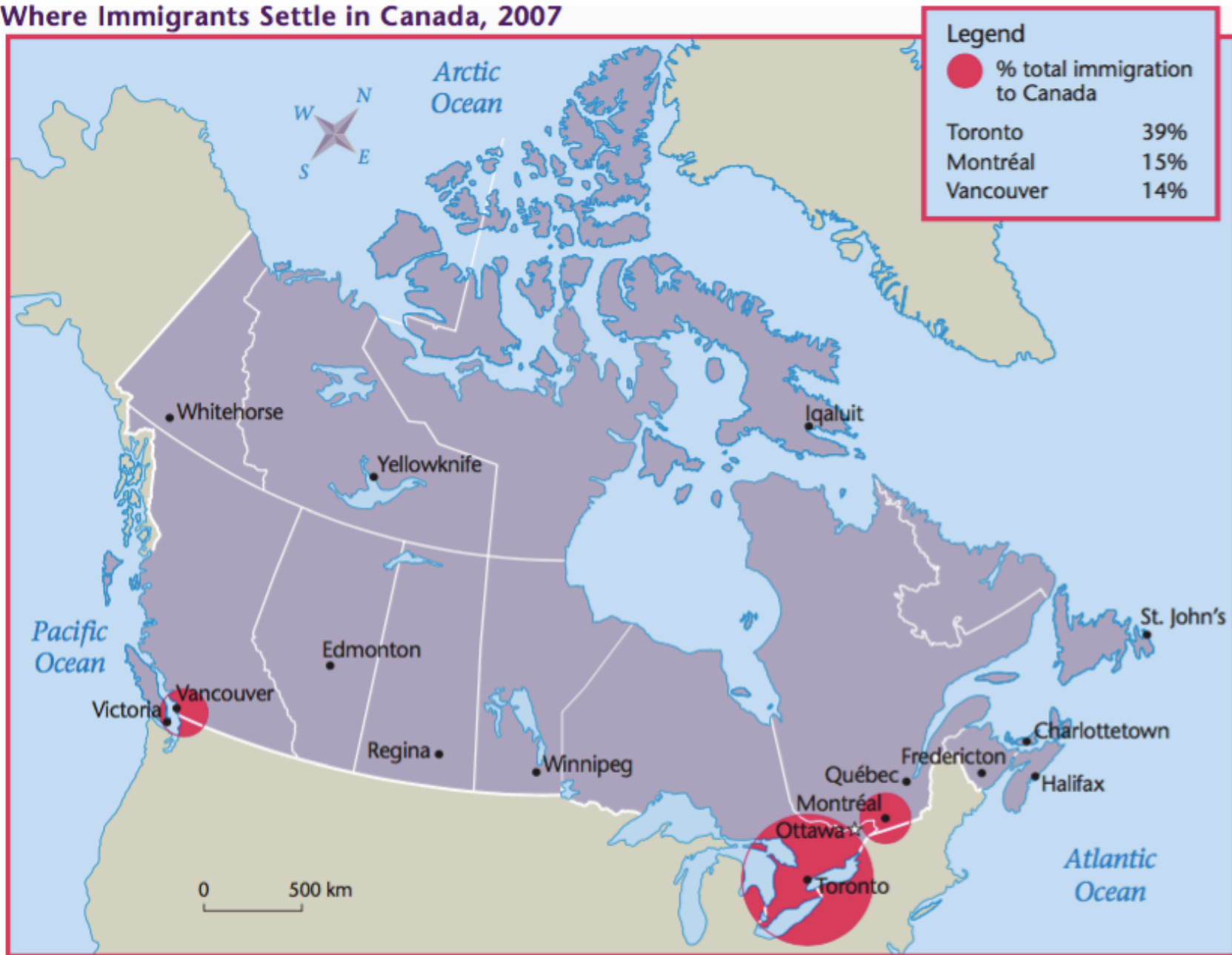
How do provinces influence immigration laws and policies?



Ministry of Immigration, Diversity and Inclusion Quebec

Why do you think Quebec might have its own immigration minister?

Where Immigrants Settle in Canada, 2007



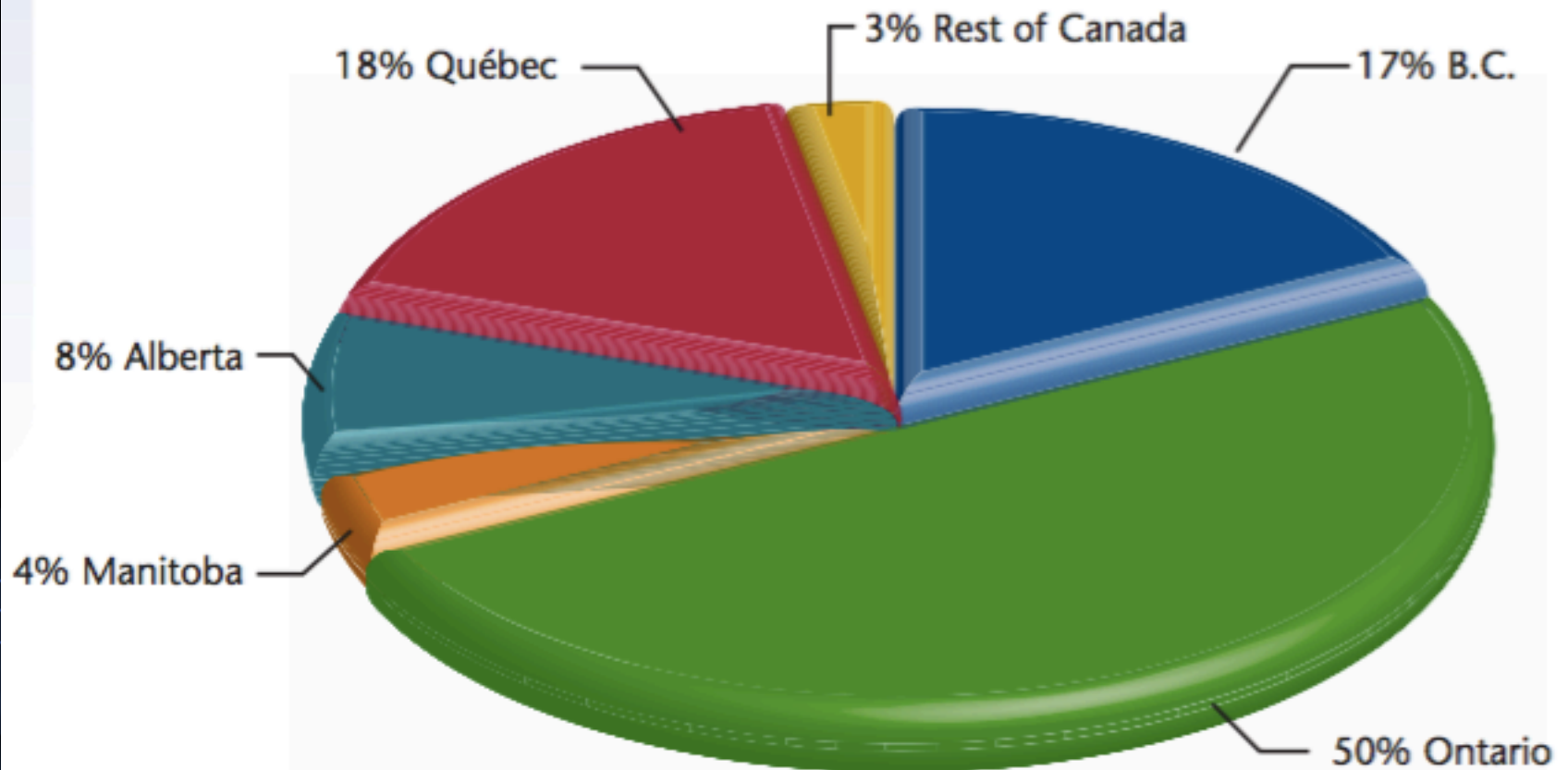
This map shows the top three locations where immigrants settled in Canada in 2007. The rest of Canada, taken together, received 32% of total immigration. To find out more about immigration to Alberta, see page 190.

In what ways can provinces influence and implement immigration policies?

- Provincial Nomination Program
 - Provinces can specify what specific skills the immigrants must need
 - Provinces can set up their own immigration offices in foreign countries

What percentage of immigration to Canada does Alberta receive?

Immigration by province and territory, 2006



Canada-Quebec Accord

- Accord-A formal Agreement
- Quebec can nominate the percentage of immigrants to Canada that corresponds to its population within Canada.
- Require immigrants who settle in Quebec to send children to French-language skills

