



Approval and Refusal Rates of Open Work Permit Applications (including Extensions) Processed by IRCC under the Vulnerable Workers Special Program between January 1, 2022 and February 29, 2024, Broken Down by Year and Province (in Persons)

Province of Destination	2022		2023		2024 (January - February)	
	Approved	Refused	Approved	Refused	Approved	Refused
Alberta	41%	59%	45%	55%	33%	67%
British Columbia	43%	57%	47%	53%	50%	50%
Manitoba	40%	60%	35%	65%	0%	100%
New Brunswick	50%	50%	62%	38%	100%	0%
Newfoundland and Labrador	67%	33%	0%	100%	100%	0%
Northwest Territories	100%	0%				
Nova Scotia	86%	14%	82%	18%	100%	0%
Ontario	57%	43%	35%	65%	25%	75%
Prince Edward Island	86%	14%	88%	13%		
Quebec	24%	76%	41%	59%	58%	42%
Saskatchewan	31%	69%	50%	50%	100%	0%
Unknown	62%	38%	62%	38%	62%	38%
Unspecified			0%	100%		
Yukon			0%	100%		
Grand Total	58%	42%	58%	42%	60%	40%

Requestor: Brittany Doyle

Data source: COGNOS (CBR) extracted as of March 19, 2024

Data compiled by: OPP-DART-2023-25708

Data is operational and subject to change.

Please note that data more recent than February 29, 2024 have not been publicly released.

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Final Decision Office	2022		2023		2024	
	Approved	Refused	Approved	Refused	Approved	Refused
Calgary Citizenship and Immigration Canada	70.27%	29.73%	56.92%	43.08%	43.75%	56.25%
Case Processing Centre Edmonton	42.86%	57.14%	62.50%	37.50%	46.15%	53.85%
Case Processing Centre Ottawa	0.00%	100.00%				
Edmonton IRCC	55.92%	44.08%	50.47%	49.53%		
Etobicoke	42.29%	57.71%	25.75%	74.25%	21.05%	78.95%
Fredericton IRCC	100.00%	0.00%	75.00%	25.00%		
Halifax	91.67%	8.33%	79.39%	20.61%	90.00%	10.00%
Hamilton	83.87%	16.13%	62.07%	37.93%	46.15%	53.85%
HM Toronto					100.00%	0.00%
HM Vancouver					100.00%	0.00%
Kitchener	88.46%	11.54%	77.78%	22.22%	16.67%	83.33%
London	54.29%	45.71%	59.52%	40.48%	60.00%	40.00%
Montreal Immigration	47.27%	52.73%	61.29%	38.71%	62.22%	37.78%
Niagara Falls IRCC	93.33%	6.67%	87.80%	12.20%		
Operations Support Centre	100.00%	0.00%	100.00%	0.00%	100.00%	0.00%
Ottawa	100.00%	0.00%	88.89%	11.11%	100.00%	0.00%
Ottawa IR			40.00%	60.00%		
Sao Paulo			0.00%	100.00%		
Saskatoon IRCC	67.65%	32.35%	41.67%	58.33%		
St John's IRCC	50.00%	50.00%	100.00%	0.00%		
Vancouver Admissions	47.79%	52.21%	66.12%	33.88%	64.15%	35.85%
Whitehorse IRCC			25.00%	75.00%		
Windsor	85.16%	14.84%	69.30%	30.70%	0.00%	100.00%
Winnipeg	50.00%	50.00%	62.50%	37.50%		
Grand Total	58.13%	41.87%	57.70%	42.30%	59.55%	40.45%

VWOWP Applications Approved, Refused and Approval rate* between January 1, 2019 and December 31, 2020

Final Decision Office Province Desc	2019				2020			
	Approved	Approval rate	Refused	2019 Total	Approved	Approval rate	Refused	2020 Total
Quebec	30	58%	22	52	109	51%	103	212
Montreal Immigration	30	58%	22	52	109	51%	103	212
Rest Of Canada	210	50%	210	420	485	56%	383	868
Calgary Citizenship and Immigration Canada	26	67%	13	39	61	69%	28	89
Case Processing Centre Edmonton	3	100%		3	1	50%	1	2
Case Processing Centre Ottawa								
Charlottetown IRCC	3	75%	1	4				
Edmonton IRCC	26	55%	21	47	68	55%	55	123
Etobicoke	19	33%	38	57	97	61%	63	160
Fredericton IRCC	19	56%	15	34	23	74%	8	31
Halifax		0%	5	5	9	90%	1	10
Hamilton	2	33%	4	6	9	82%	2	11
Kitchener		0%	1	1	6	60%	4	10
London		0%	1	1	2	17%	10	12
Niagara Falls IRCC		0%	1	1	3	30%	7	10
Operations Support Centre	2	100%		2	2	100%		2
Ottawa	3	21%	11	14	3	25%	9	12
Ottawa IR								
Saskatoon IRCC					11	61%	7	18
St John's IRCC						0%	1	1
Vancouver Admissions	81	49%	84	165	105	42%	145	250
Whitehorse IRCC								
Windsor	7	70%	3	10	47	87%	7	54
Winnipeg	19	61%	12	31	38	52%	35	73
Grand Total	240	51%	232	472	594	55%	486	1,080

*Approval rate= Approved/(Approved+Refused)

Requestor: Gillies, Tracey

Data source: COGNOS (CBR) extracted as of January 12, 2024

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December 31, 2023 by Final Decision Office Province Quebec and Rest Of Canada (in Persons)

2021				2022				2023				Grand Total
Approved	Approval rate	Refused	2021 Total	Approved	Approval rate	Refused	2022 Total	Approved	Approval rate	Refused	2023 Total	
139	55%	116	255	234	47%	261	495	665	61%	419	1,084	2,098
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744	64%	411	1,155	853	62%	522	1,375	1,401	56%	1,095	2,496	6,314
100	73%	37	137	26	70%	11	37	37	57%	28	65	367
12	100%		12	3	43%	4	7	10	63%	6	16	40
					0%	1	1					1
												4
96	63%	56	152	293	56%	231	524	161	50%	158	319	1,165
140	68%	65	205	107	42%	146	253	146	26%	420	566	1,241
8	89%	1	9	7	100%		7	3	75%	1	4	85
41	56%	32	73	99	92%	9	108	104	79%	27	131	327
12	75%	4	16	26	84%	5	31	54	62%	33	87	151
14	74%	5	19	23	88%	3	26	28	78%	8	36	92
16	76%	5	21	19	54%	16	35	25	60%	17	42	111
3	43%	4	7	14	93%	1	15	36	88%	5	41	74
3	100%		3	6	100%		6	8	100%		8	21
7	54%	6	13	19	100%		19	48	89%	6	54	112
								4	36%	7	11	11
39	61%	25	64	23	68%	11	34	5	42%	7	12	128
1	50%	1	2	1	50%	1	2	1	100%		1	6
164	54%	142	306	54	48%	59	113	641	66%	328	969	1,803
								1	25%	3	4	4
50	89%	6	56	132	85%	23	155	79	69%	35	114	389
38	63%	22	60	1	50%	1	2	10	63%	6	16	182
883	63%	527	1,410	1,087	58%	783	1,870	2,066	58%	1,514	3,580	8,412