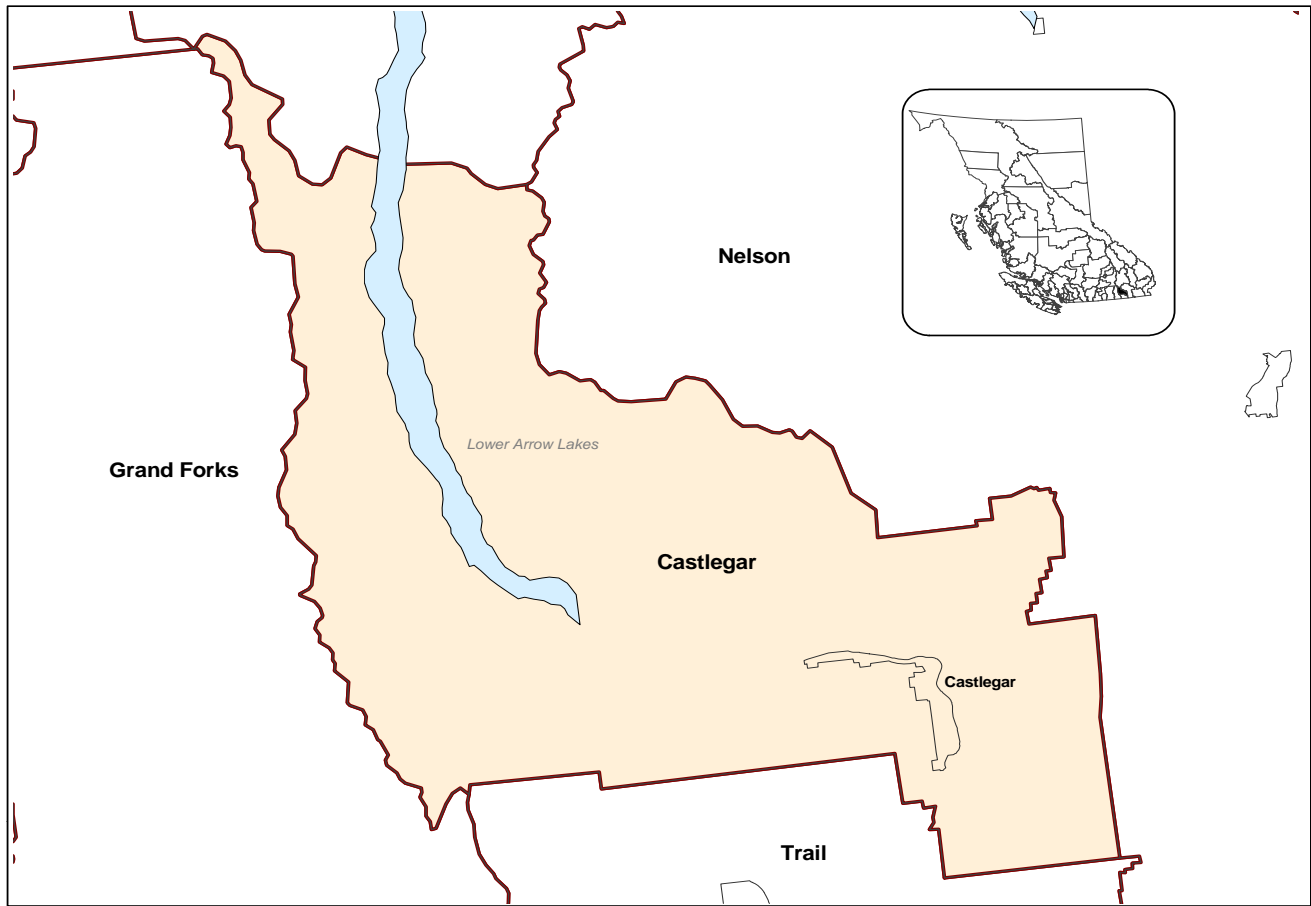


Socio-Economic Profile



	<u>2006 CENSUS POPULATION</u>		<u>2006 LAND AREA</u>		<u>2006 POPULATION DENSITY</u>
	Number	% of Region	Sq. Km.	% of Region	Persons per Sq.Km.
Castlegar, C	7,259	58.4%	19.8	1.0%	366.6
Rest of Region	5,177	41.6%	1,929.2	99.0%	2.7
Total Region	12,436	100.0%	1,949.0	100.0%	6.4
Total BC	4,113,487		925,344.7		4.4
Region as a % of BC	0.3%		0.2%		

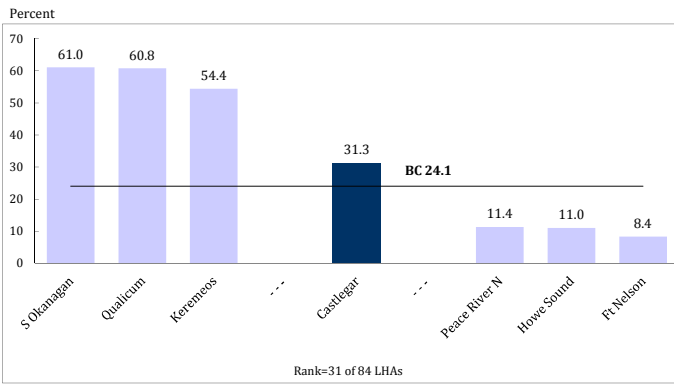
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Demographic Profile

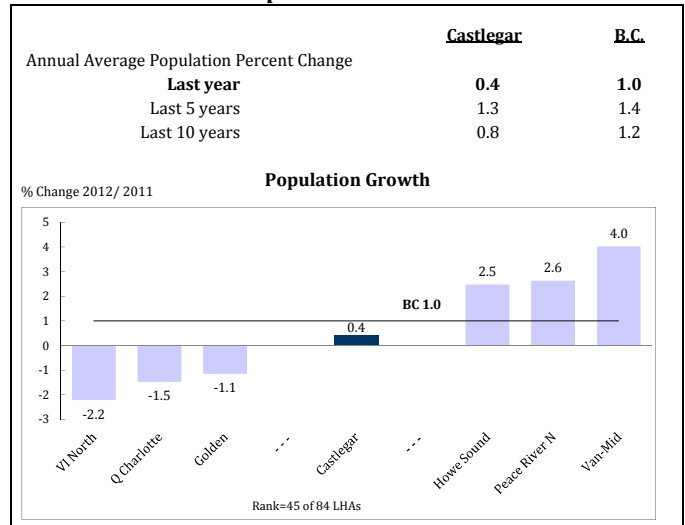
Age Structure

	Castlegar		B.C.	
	2012	2022	2012	2022
Population Estimate	(Percent Distribution)			
0-17 years	2,511	18.3	15.5	18.3
18-24 years	1,087	7.9	6.8	9.7
25-64 years	7,457	54.3	54.6	56.1
65+ years	2,671	19.5	23.0	15.9
Total	13,726	100.0	100.0	100.0
Dependency Rate (%)				
Child		29.4	25.3	27.7
Elderly		31.3	37.5	24.1
Total		60.7	62.8	51.8

Elderly Dependency Rate - 2012



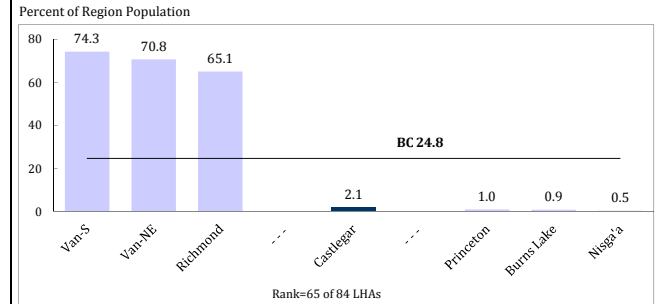
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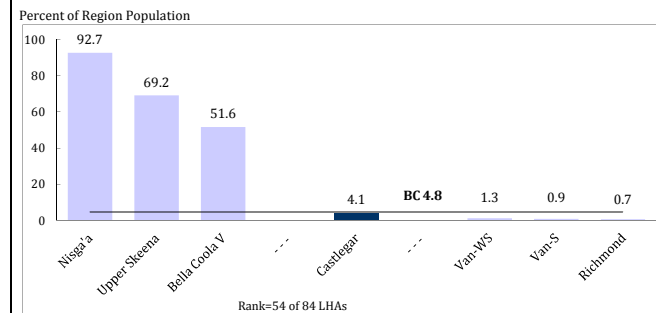
Ethnic Identity

	Castlegar	Castlegar	B.C.
	(Percent Distribution)		
2006			
Total Visible Minorities	255	2.1	24.8
Single Origins	245	2.0	24.1
Chinese	75	0.6	10.0
South Asian	30	0.2	6.4
Filipino	10	0.1	2.2
Japanese	10	0.1	0.9
Other	120	1.0	4.7
Multiple Origins	10	0.1	0.6
Total Aboriginal People	505	4.1	4.8

Visible Minority Population - 2006



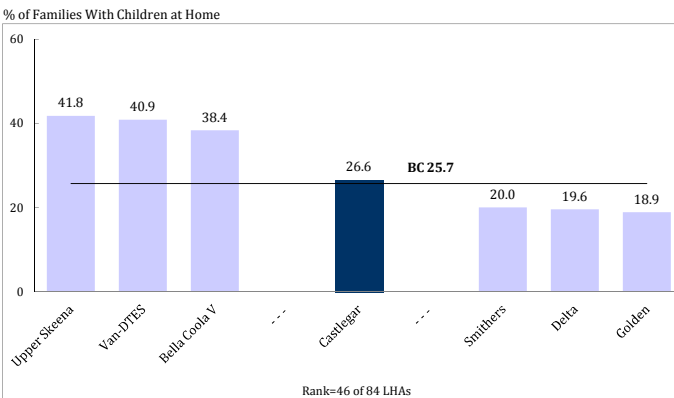
Aboriginal Identity - 2006



Family Structure

	Castlegar	Castlegar	B.C.
	(Percent Distribution)		
Total Census Families - 2006	3,720		
No Children at Home	1,840	49.5	41.3
Children at Home	1,880	50.5	58.7
Families with Children			
Couples	1,380	73.4	74.3
Lone Parents	500	26.6	25.7
Avg Number of Children		1.7	1.8
Unattached Individuals	1,780	17.1	17.9

Lone Parent Families as a % of Families With Children at Home - 2006



Indicators of Economic Hardship

Income Levels

	Castlegar	B.C.
Average Family income 2005 (\$) Economic Families		
All Economic Families	73,685	80,511
Couple Economic Families	78,098	86,574
Female Lone Parent	38,732	43,491
Income Distribution Among Economic Families		
< \$20,000	5.3	8.0
\$20,000 - \$79,999	58.0	53.8
\$80,000+	36.7	38.1
Prevalence of low income of Persons (after tax in 2005)	6.8	13.1
Income Inequality Measure		
Income Share of Bottom Half (poorest) of Households*	23.4	20.7

Income Share of Poorest Households - 2005

Region	Percent
W Van-Bow Is	12.1
Van-WS	13.5
Van-DTBS	13.9
BC	20.7
Castlegar	23.4
Golden	25.0
Kitimat	25.2
Sooke	25.9

Rank=63 of 84 LHAs

* The proportion of each region's household income that accrues to households earning less than the median income. In a situation of perfect equality, the bottom half (poorest) households would receive 50% of the total income.

Income Dependency

	Castlegar	B.C.
Composition of Total Income - 2005		
Employment	77.8	77.1
Government Transfers	10.7	9.6
Other	11.5	13.4
Income Dependency 2005		
Forestry	24%	7%
Mining	5%	3%
Construction	9%	8%
Gov't transfer payments	16%	15%
Tourism	3%	6%
Public Sector	22%	26%

Income Dependency on Forestry, Mining & Fishing* - 2005

Region	Percent
Kitimat	57.4
Pt Nelson	51.3
Nechako	50.7
BC	11.0
Castlegar	28.7
Sooke	3.4
Saanich	1.7
Gr-Victoria	1.5

Rank=18 of 84 LHAs

BC data are a Weighted Average of LHAs/RDs

*Heavy dependency on the primary sector increases the vulnerability of a region to swings in the economic cycle resulting in economic hardship.

Housing Costs

	Castlegar	B.C.
Households (Occupied non-farm non-reserve) - 2005		
% Renting	17.9	30.4
Gross Rent or Major Monthly Payment (\$)		
Tenants	574	828
Owners	779	1059
% Paying 30% or More of Income on Housing Costs		
Tenants	35.5	43.4
Owners	14.3	22.7
Total	18.0	29.0

Households Paying 30% or More on Housing Costs - 2005

Region	Percent of Households
Van-DTBS	46.2
Van-City Cent	41.1
Van-Mid	35.6
BC	29.0
Castlegar	18.0
Smithers	14.1
Bella Coola V	11.0
Kitimat	10.3

Rank=71 of 83 LHAs

NOTE: NISGA'A LHA excluded from charts.

Income Assistance*

	Castlegar	B.C.
% of Population Receiving IA Benefits - September 2012		
Total	1.4	1.7
Children (0-14)	2.6	3.1
Youth (15-24)	2.0	1.8
By Duration		
1 Year or >	0.7	1.0
<1 Year	0.6	0.7
% of Income Assistance Caseload that are Single Parent Families	25.2	25.5
% of Population age 15+ on Income Assistance and are Employable		
Total	0.7	0.9
By Duration (15+)		
1 Year or >	0.4	0.4
<1 Year	0.4	0.4
% of OAS Recipients Receiving Max. Gov't Income Supp. - 2012		
Total	0.8	2.9
Males	n.a.	2.3
Females	n.a.	3.5

% of Population Age 15+ Receiving Income Assistance and are Employable - September 2012

Region	Percent of Population Age 15+
Prince Rupert	4.0
Van-DTBS	3.4
Terrace	2.3
BC	0.9
Castlegar	0.7
Summerland	0.2
Van-WS	0.1
W Van-Bow Is	0.1

Rank=49 of 83 LHAs

NOTE: Some LHAs are suppressed.

* All Income Assistance recipients, except Aboriginal persons on-reserve and the disabled.

Indicators of Labour Market Issues

Labour Demand

	Castlegar	B.C.
Labour Force 2006		
Industrial Structure (% Distribution)		
Goods		
Primary	3.2	4.4
Construction	9.1	7.6
Manufacturing	15.9	8.6
Services		
Non-Government	68.3	74.4
Government	3.4	5.0
	<u>99.8</u>	<u>100.0</u>
Occupational Structure (% Distribution)		
Management:	8.1	10.5
Professional Occupations in:		
Business & Finance	2.0	2.5
Natural & Applied Sciences	1.9	3.4
Health	2.0	2.7
Social Sciences (excl. teachers)	0.9	2.2
Teachers	2.9	3.7
Art & Culture	1.2	1.5
Total	10.9	16.0
Technical Trades & Assorted Other High Skilled Occupations in:		
Finance & Insurance Admin.	2.6	1.5
Techs In Natural & Appl. Sciences	3.5	2.9
Techs. In Health	2.1	1.3
Paraprofs. in Soc Sci Educ etc	2.3	2.2
Techs in Art Culture & Rec.	0.8	2.0
Skilled Sales & Service	2.9	4.7
Trades & Skilled Transp & Equip Ops.	21.5	15.5
Total	35.7	30.1
Intermediate & Lesser Skilled Occups*	45.3	43.4

* High Skilled Occupations in Primary Manufacturing and Protective Services could not be separated out and therefore are included in Intermediate & Lesser Skilled Occupations.

Labour Supply

	Castlegar	B.C.
% of Population 25-64 With Post Secondary Qualifications - 2006		
Total	60.7	61.8
College, Apprenticeship or Trades CF or DP	43.5	31.5
With University Degree or Above	12.9	24.1
% Distribution by Field of Study		
Education	7.2	7.5
Visual & Performing Arts	2.6	4.2
Humanities	2.3	5.6
Social, Behavioural Sciences & Law	7.1	10.5
Business, Management & Public Admin.	20.2	21.0
Physical & Life Sciences	2.3	3.5
Math, Computer & Information Sciences	2.0	4.1
Architecture, Engineering & Related	31.1	21.1
Health, Parks, Recreation & Fitness	13.8	14.2
Personal, Protective & Transportation	6.5	5.5
Agriculture & Natural Resources	4.8	2.6
	<u>100.0</u>	<u>100.0</u>
% of Population 25-64 With a University Degree - 2006		

Percent

Rank=37 of 84 LHAs

Unemployment

	Castlegar	B.C.
Employment Insurance Beneficiaries Sept. 2012 (3MMA)		
Total Beneficiaries (age 15+)	180	52,940
Percent Female	51.9	50.7
Percent 15-24 Years Old	n.a.	7.6
Total Beneficiaries as a Percent of Population Age 15+ (3MMA)		
Sep/12	1.5	1.3
Jun/12	1.6	1.4
Mar/12	2.3	1.8
Dec/11	1.6	1.4
Sep/11	1.9	1.4
Most recent 4 quarter average	1.8	1.5
EI Beneficiaries - 4 Quarter Average to September 2012 (3MMA)		
% of Population age 15+		

Rank=44 of 84 LHAs

Other

	Castlegar	B.C.
Labour Force 2006		
Participation Rate		
Males	69.5	70.7
Females	57.5	60.7
Total	63.4	65.6
% Full Year, Full Time Workers	41.0	46.5
% Self-Employed	11.4	14.1
Average Employment Income (\$) - 2005		
Average Employment Income of Full-Year Full-Time Workers (\$)	33,868	34,978
Males	61,955	57,772
Females	39,193	41,073
Ratio of Female to Male Income	63.3	71.1
Average Employment Income (\$) - 2005		

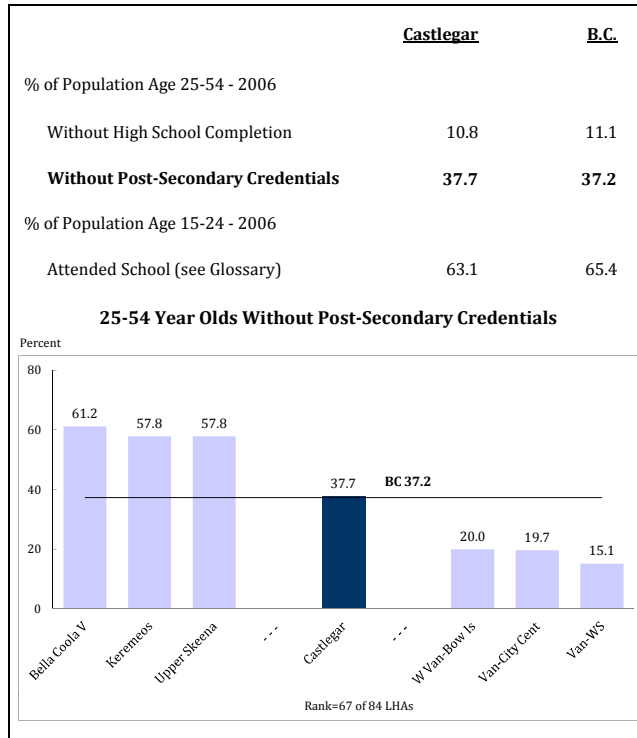
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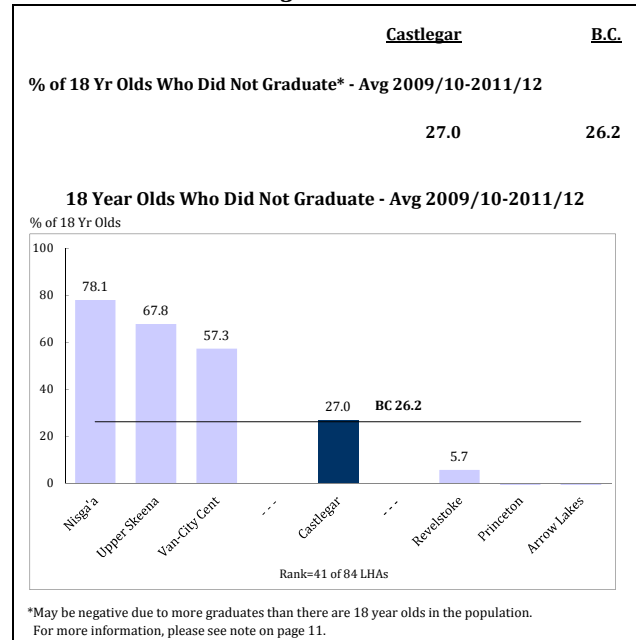
LOCAL HEALTH AREA 9 - Castlegar
Indicators of Education Concerns

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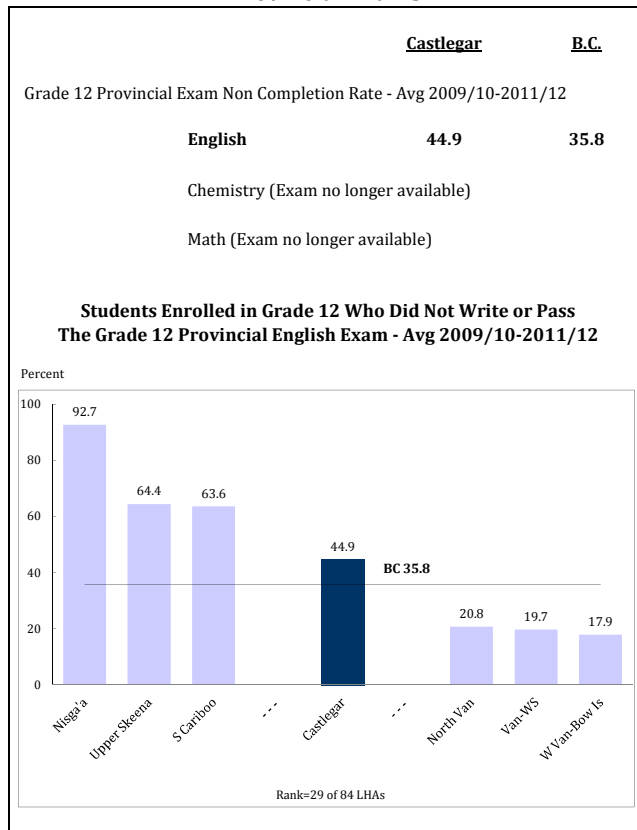
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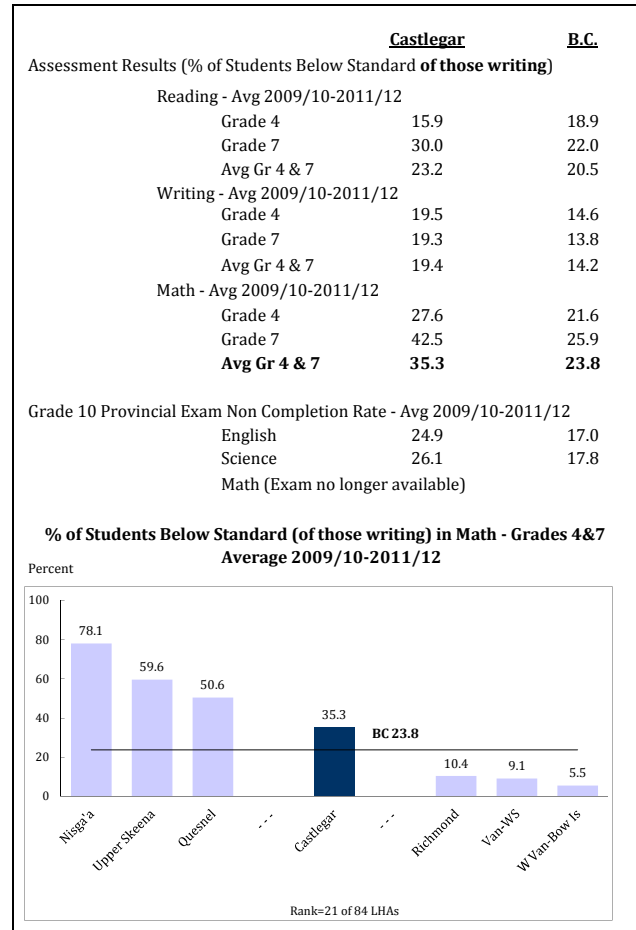
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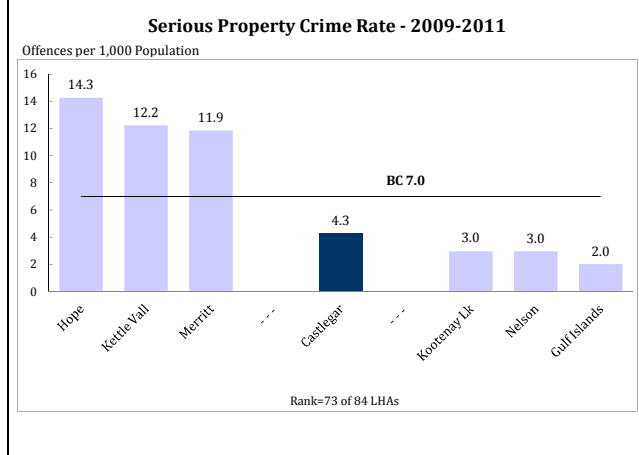
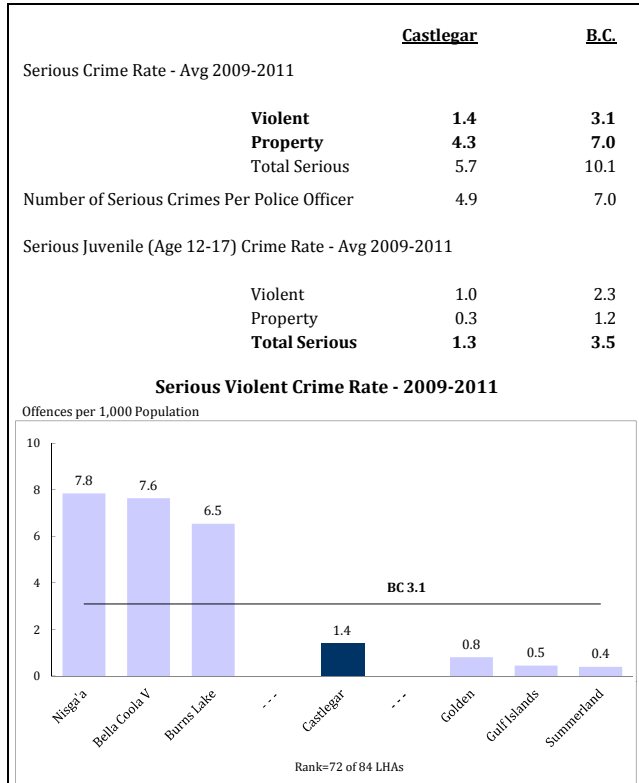


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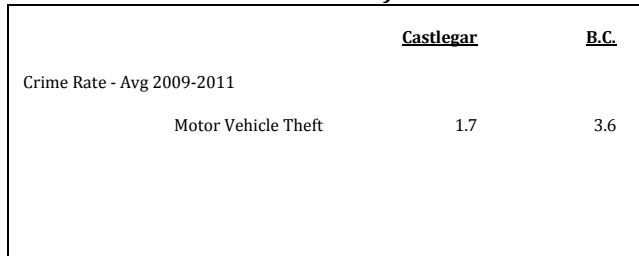


Indicators of Crime

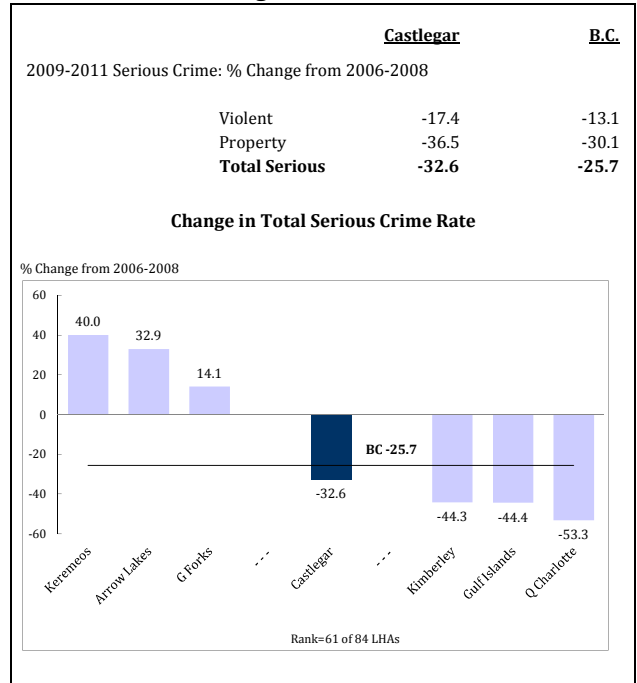
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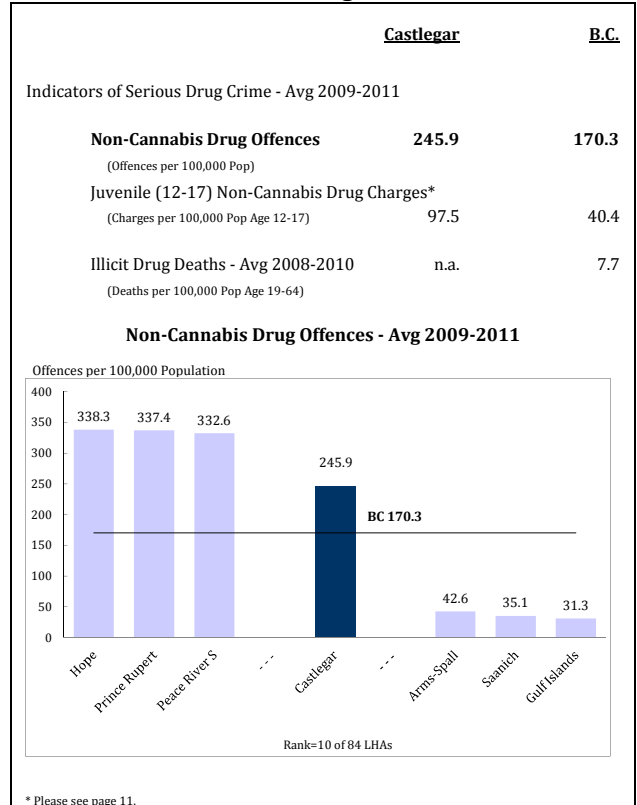
Other Indicators of Crime



Change in Crime Rate



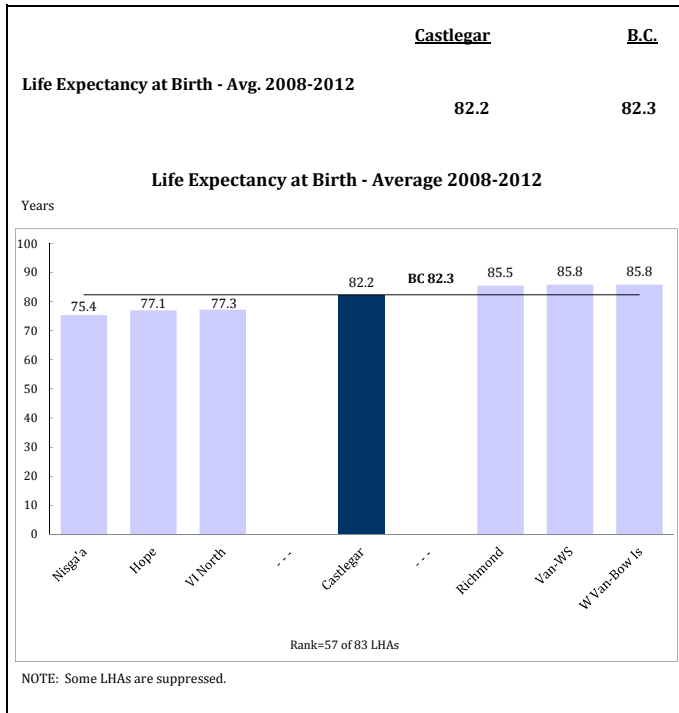
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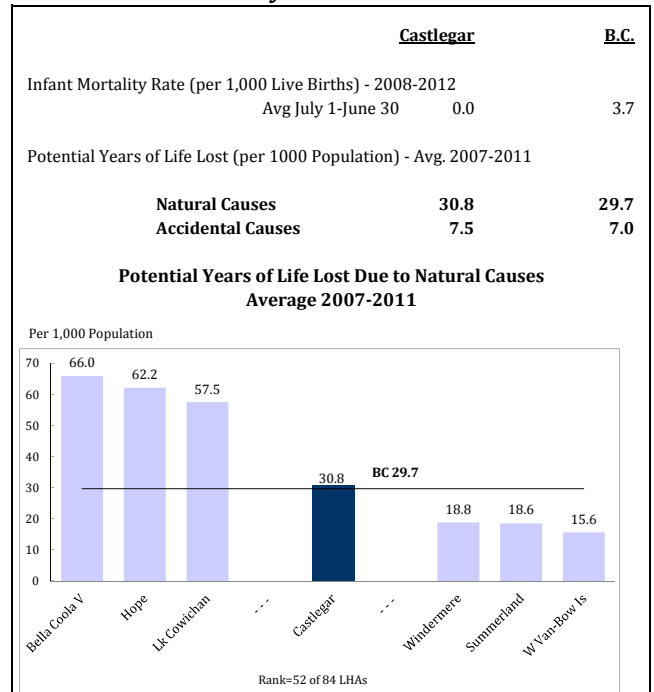
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Indicators of Health Problems

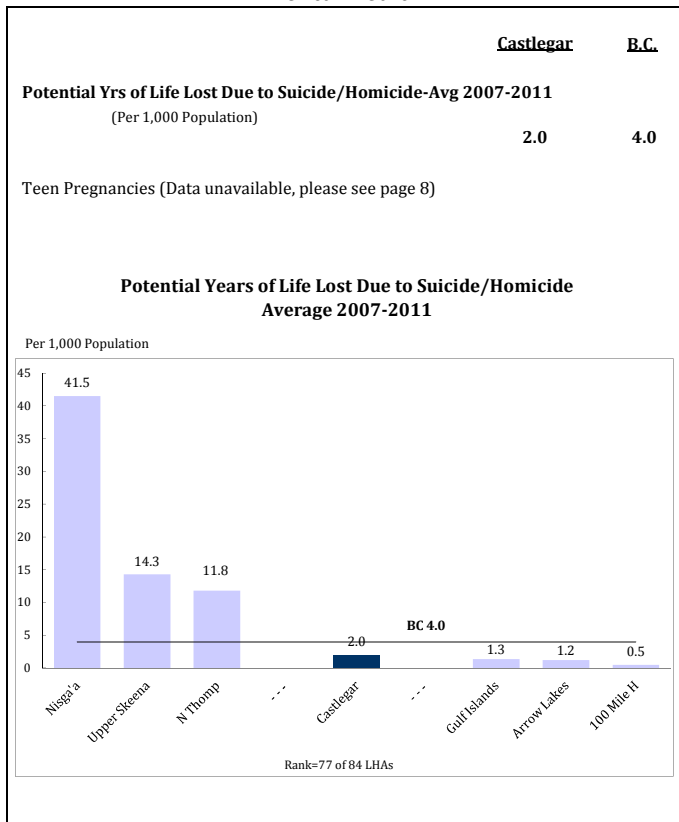
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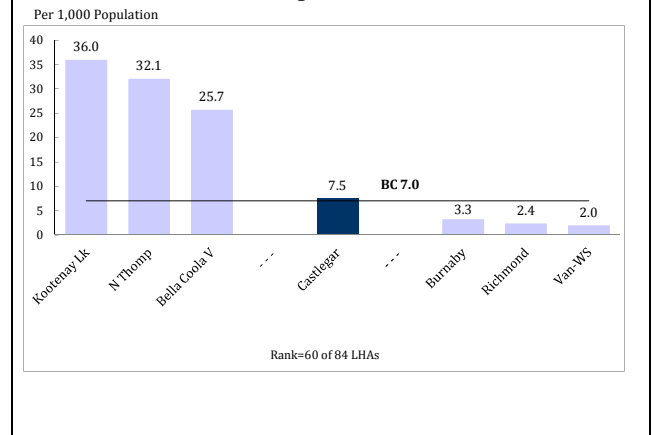
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Mental Health



Potential Years of Life Lost Due to Accidental Causes Average 2007-2011



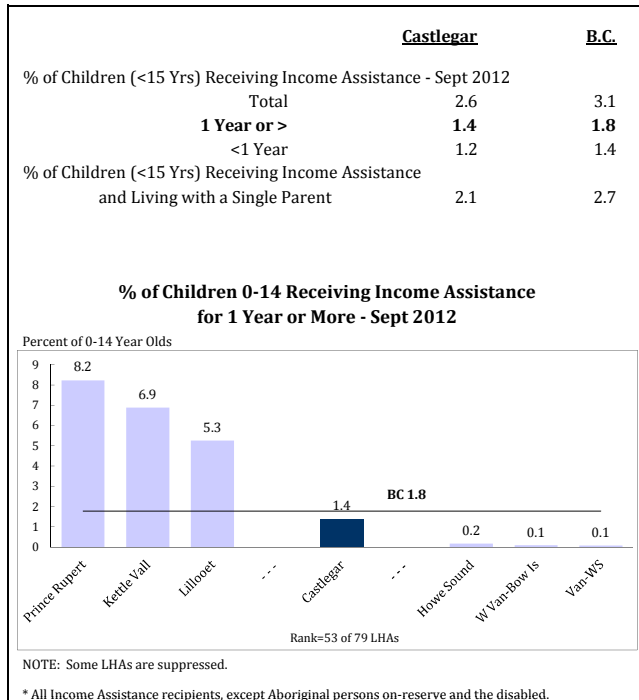
Alcohol Sales*

	<u>Castlegar</u>	<u>B.C.</u>
Per Capita Alcohol Sales - 2012 (Per Population Age 19+)		
Dollars Spent (\$)	931	796
Litres Consumed	144	103
% Distribution of Litres Sold		
Spirits	5.6	6.3
Wine	10.9	16.4
Beer/Cider/Coolers	83.6	77.4

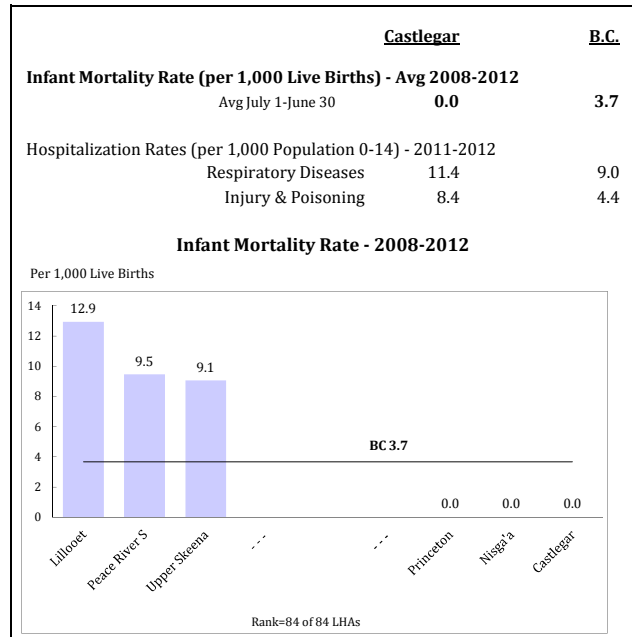
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Indicators of Children at Risk

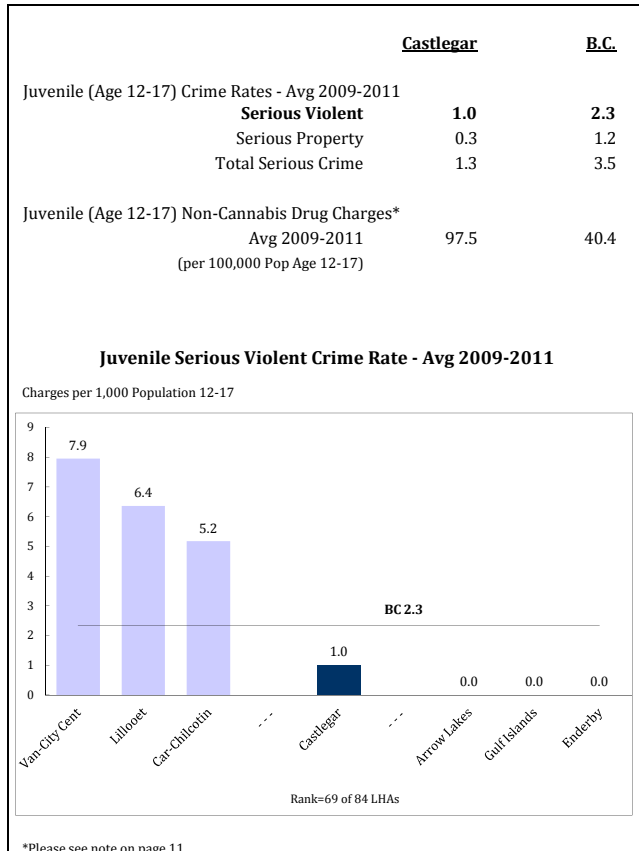
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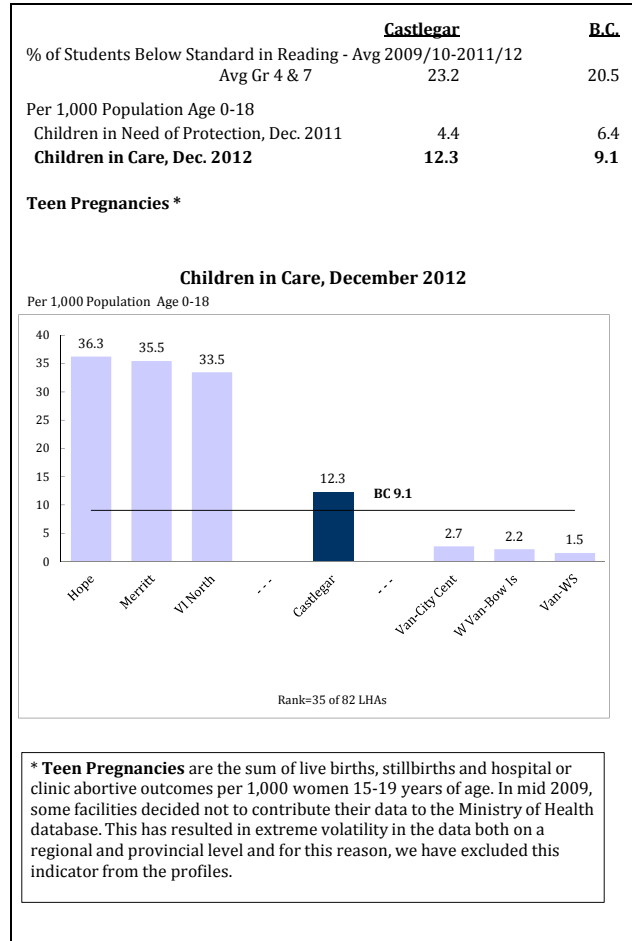
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Crime



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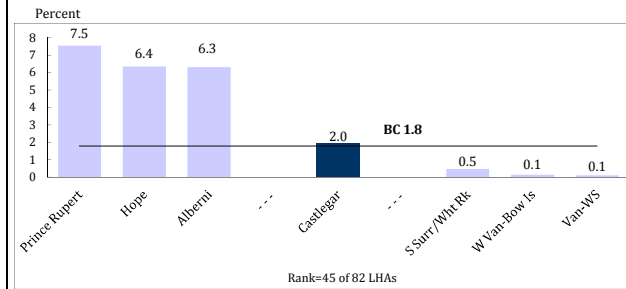


Indicators of Youth at Risk

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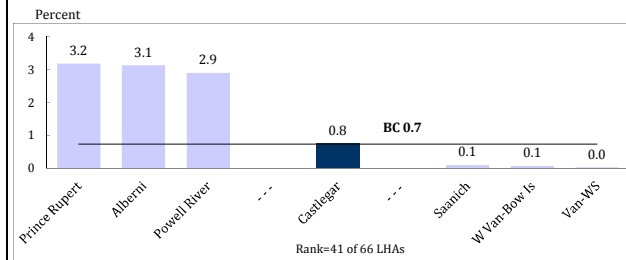
	<u>Castlegar</u>	<u>B.C.</u>
% of Youth (Age 15-24) Receiving Income Assistance - Sept 2012		
Total	2.0	1.8
1 Year or >	0.8	0.9
<1 Year	1.2	0.9
% of Youth (Age 15-24) on Income Assistance and Single Parents**	0.3	0.4
% of Youth (Age 15-24) on Income Assistance and Employable**	0.8	0.7

% of Youth 15-24 Receiving Income Assistance - September 2012



NOTE: Some LHAs are suppressed.

% of Youth 15-24 Receiving Income Assistance Who Are Employable**



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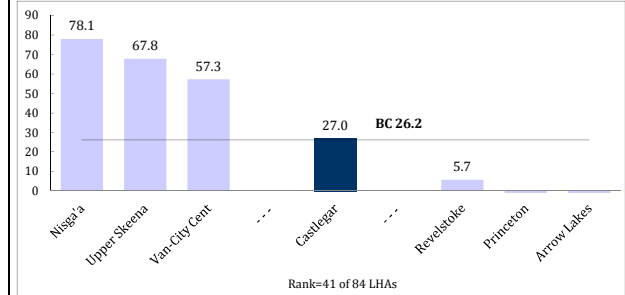
** Excludes youth classified as dependents

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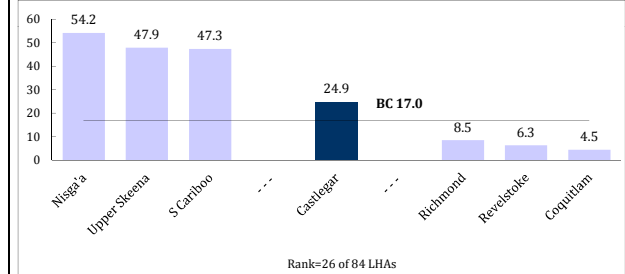
	<u>Castlegar</u>	<u>B.C.</u>
% of 18 Yr Olds Who Did Not Graduate* - Avg 2009/10-2011/12	27.0	26.2
Grade 12 Provincial Exam Non Completion Rate - Avg 2009/10-2011/12		
English	44.9	35.8
Chemistry & Math (Exams no longer available)		
Grade 10 Provincial Exam Non Completion Rate - Avg 2009/10-2011/12		
English	24.9	17.0

*Please see Page 11.

18 Year Olds Who Did Not Graduate Average 2009/10-2011/12



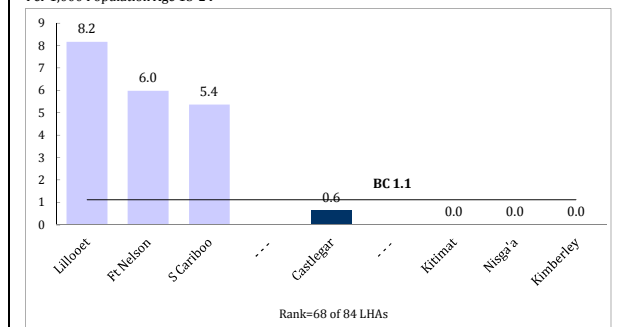
Gr. 10 Prov. Exam Non-Completion Rate - English Average 2009/10-2011/12



Other

	<u>Castlegar</u>	<u>B.C.</u>
Total Serious Crime Rate - Avg 2009-2011 (All ages, Offences per 1,000 Pop)	5.7	10.1
Non-Cannabis Drug Offences - Avg 2009-2011 (All ages, Offences per 100,000 Pop)	245.9	170.3
Hospitalization rates from Motor Vehicle Accidents, 2011-2012 (Per 1,000 Pop Age 15-24)	0.6	1.1

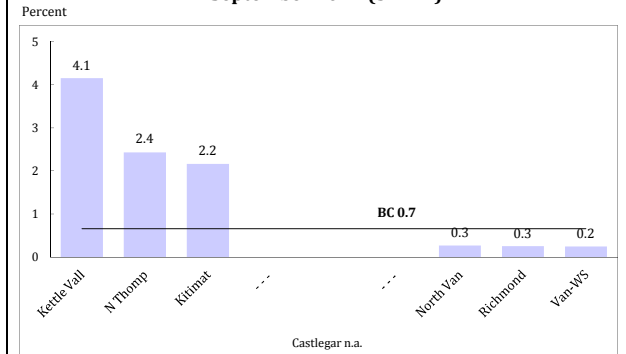
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Unemployment

	<u>Castlegar</u>	<u>B.C.</u>
Employment Insurance Beneficiaries Age 15-24 As % of population age 15-24 - Sept 2012 (3MMA)	n.a.	0.7

Population 15-24 Receiving Employment Insurance September 2012 (3MMA)



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Regional Immigration Indicators

Immigrant Population - 2006 Census

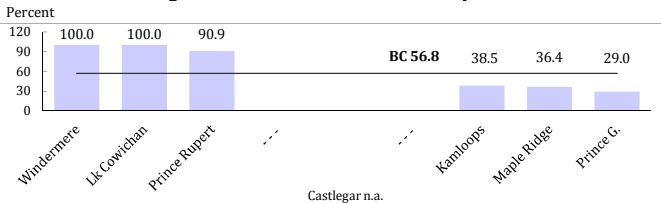
	Castlegar	B.C.
Number of immigrants	1,090	1,119,215
Number of recent immigrants*	65	177,840
% without English and/or French	0.0	14.8
% without English as their mother tongue	46.2	83.3
% by birthplace		
USA	38.5	4.6
Europe	30.8	12.1
Asia & Middle East	15.4	73.4

* Permanent residents who arrived between January 2001 and May 2006.

Income Assistance* - September 2012

	Castlegar	B.C.
Immigrants on income assistance (number)	n.a.	7,188
% adult 15 plus	n.a.	69.3
% children 0-14	n.a.	30.7
Canadian-born on income assistance (Number)	186	69,126
% adult 15 plus	71.5	72.8
% children 0-14	28.5	27.2
% Immigrants on IA with duration 1 year or >	n.a.	56.8
% Canadian-born on IA with duration 1 year or >	53.8	56.8

Of immigrants on IA, % with duration 1 year or more



NOTE: Some LHAs are suppressed.

* All Income Assistance recipients, except Aboriginal persons on-reserve and the disabled.

Immigrant Arrivals¹ 2007 to 2012 (CIC*)

	Castlegar	B.C.
Total immigrants (number)	92	239,544
By age:		
% children 0-18	15.2	23.4
% youth 19-24	n.a.	9.4
% working age 25-64	72.8	63.8
% seniors 65+	n.a.	3.4
% 25-64 with post-secondary	67.2	72.2
% not speaking either English or French ²	15.2	33.8

* Citizenship and Immigration Canada.

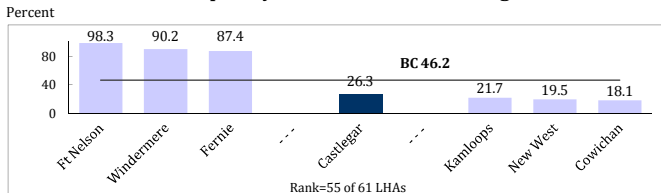
¹ Represents the "intended destination" at the time of landing.

² Primarily self-assessed ability.

Temporary Residents Present in 2012(CIC)

	Castlegar	B.C.
Total Temporary Residents (number)	76	160,527
% Foreign Workers	26.3	46.2
% Foreign Students	57.9	42.6
% Humanitarian Population	n.a.	2.7
% Other	n.a.	8.5

Percent of Temporary Residents that are Foreign Workers



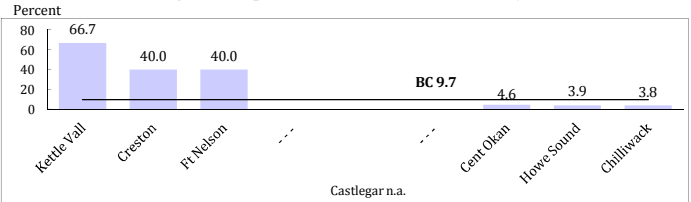
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Labour Market Performance - 2006 Census (May)

	Castlegar	B.C.
Population age 25-54	5,180	1,781,820
Canadian-born	4,730	1,211,545
All immigrants	405	544,095
Recent immigrants	25	100,910
with post-secondary credentials	10	78,170
Participation rates - Total population 25-54	85.5	84.6
Canadian-born	85.7	86.4
All immigrants	85.2	81.7
Recent immigrants	66.7	74.3
with post-secondary credentials	n.a.	76.4
Employment rates - Total population 25-54	80.4	80.3
Canadian-born	80.7	82.3
All immigrants	80.2	77.2
Recent immigrants	66.7	67.1
with post-secondary credentials	n.a.	69.0
Unemployment rates - Total population 25-54	5.9	5.0
Canadian-born	6.0	4.8
All immigrants	4.3	5.5
Recent immigrants	n.a.	9.7
with post-secondary credentials	n.a.	9.7
Employment income 2005 - \$ (population 25-54)	35,049	33,500
Canadian-born	35,248	36,053
All immigrants	29,189	28,009
Recent immigrants	n.a.	17,944
with post-secondary credentials	n.a.	18,671

Unemployment Rate 2006

Recent Immigrant Population with Post-Secondary Credentials



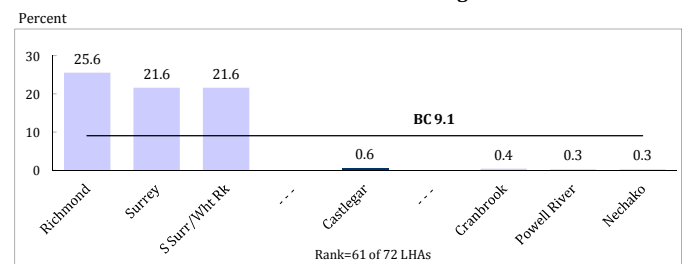
NOTE: Some LHAs are suppressed.

K-12 Students - ESL & Home Language

	Castlegar	B.C.
2011/2012 School Year:		
Students in ESL Programs	10	58,104
Public schools (number)	n.a.	54,945
Independent schools (number)	n.a.	3,159
% of students in ESL - all schools	0.6	9.1
Top non-English or French home languages* public schools		
% of students - Cantonese	0.2	2.2
% of students - Russian	0.1	0.0
% of students - Chinese	0.1	0.6

*Excludes Aboriginal languages; based on all students, not only ESL students.

Percent of Students in ESL Programs



NOTE: Some LHAs are suppressed.

Note:

The B.C. population estimates by age and gender that were released in December 2012 may not be comparable with those published in 2011 due to changes in the methodology. As a result, rates calculated based on 2012 population for some indicators in the Socio-Economic Profiles are not comparable to earlier years.

In a number of instances, the population estimates of certain age groups had to be substantially revised for some geographical areas. This change in the methodology was then applied consistently to all the estimates for the years between July 1, 2006 and July 1, 2012.

The new procedure of estimating sub-provincial population by age and gender is considered to be an improvement over the old method in the overall performance of the estimates.

Below is an example of the 2011 and 2012 estimates for the youth population in Local Health Area 165 (Vancouver Midtown):

Estimates for Those 12-17 and 18 Years of Age in Local Health Area 165, Vancouver Midtown

	<u>Age 12-17</u>				<u>Age 18</u>			
	<u>2011 Estimates</u>		<u>2012 Estimates</u>		<u>2011 Estimates</u>		<u>2012 Estimates</u>	
	2011	% Growth	2012	% Growth	2011	% Growth	2012	% Growth
2006	4,367		4,367		792		792	
2007	4,400	0.8%	4,376	0.2%	806	1.8%	807	1.9%
2008	4,332	-1.5%	4,382	0.1%	728	-9.7%	768	-4.8%
2009	4,658	7.5%	4,426	1.0%	775	6.5%	745	-3.0%
2010	5,042	8.2%	4,631	4.6%	750	-3.2%	738	-0.9%
2011	5,508	9.2%	4,686	1.2%	931	24.1%	833	12.9%

Please note that all estimates are consistent with the preliminary and revised population estimates of B.C. from Statistics Canada. For more information about this change please contact: Frank Ip 250-387-0336 or Werner Grundlingh 250-387-8896.

In addition to the population estimates, it is also important to note that the counts (numerator) can also change considerably from year to year. Below is an example of the number of 18 year-olds in Local Health Area 10, Arrow Lakes who graduated from High School. To obtain the percent of 18-year-olds who did not graduate, the number of high school graduates is subtracted from the population estimate of 18-year-olds in the area and presented as a percentage. If there are significant changes in the counts from year to year or in the population estimates, the results can show extreme volatility or can even be negative.

High School Graduation for 18-Year-Olds in Local Health Area 10, Arrow Lakes

Reporting Year	School Year (3-year AVG)	Number of High School Grads 18 years old at the time of graduation	Population of 18 year olds (3-year AVG)	% of 18 Year Olds Who Did Not Graduate
2011	2008/09-2010/11	59	66.3	11.36%
2012	2009/10-2011/12	46	36.6	-25.50%
Percentage Change 2011-2012		-22%	-45%	