



Attachment 1
Population, Housing and Jobs Projections

POPULATION, HOUSING AND JOBS PROJECTIONS

The City's Official Community Plan (OCP) was informed by 2011 Census information (adjusted for undercounts), as well as estimates of population, housing and jobs in 2013. The Plan includes the following projections for population, housing and jobs, which were based on historic trends and available population forecasts (and in the case of the jobs projections, assumptions based on jobs per different kinds of floor area):

	2013	2021	2031	2041
Total Population	68,280	79,061	92,098	103,871
Total Housing Units	31,611	36,602	42,638	48,088
Total Jobs	24,845	Not available	Not available	46,030

Metro Vancouver's updated Regional Growth Strategy, Metro 2050, published after the adoption of the City's OCP, also includes projections for population, housing and jobs at the sub-regional scale. These are also informed by various data sources, including Census data adjusted for undercounts. The Metro Vancouver projections for New Westminster are:

	2016	2020	2030	2040	2050
Total Population	74,660	82,150	95,680	104,600	110,320
Total Dwelling Units	33,650	37,630	44,040	47,810	52,070
Employment	33,810	36,660	42,540	46,540	49,210

It is important to note that the above projections are not targets. That said, understanding how growth to 2021 stacks up against these projections tells a story about how the city is accommodating its share of regional growth and helping to address the housing crisis. Progress towards jobs projections is also a measure of the health of our economy and the completeness of our community.

Growth projections and actual growth are also important data inputs for school and child care planning, as well as asset and infrastructure management and planning.