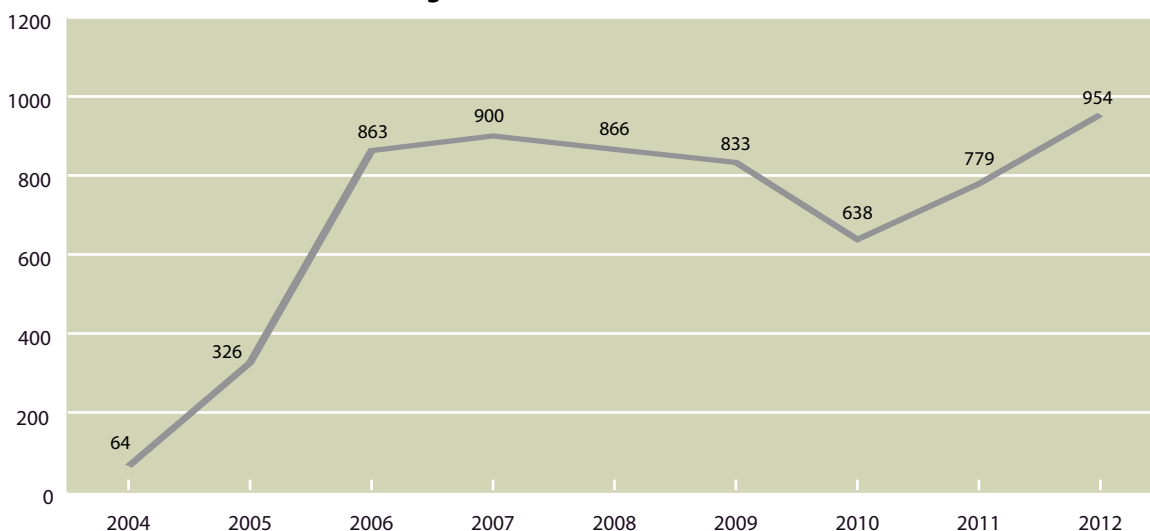


Provincial Nominees to Nova Scotia 2008-2012

The Nova Scotia Nominee Program (NSNP) began operating in 2003 and provincial nominees began arriving in Nova Scotia in 2004. Since 2011, the nominee program has been the largest source of economic immigration to Nova Scotia. The following presents information on Nova Scotia provincial nominees who have arrived as permanent residents from 2008 to 2012. Nova Scotia has welcomed **6,223** new immigrants through the NSNP since its launch. This number includes both principal applicants and dependents (spouses and children).

Chart 1: **NSNP Nominee Landings**



COUNTRIES OF ORIGIN

Country of Citizenship is used as Source Country

The UK has been the top source country for Nova Scotia provincial nominees since 2010. NSNP nominees from the Philippines have almost tripled from 50 in 2009 to 147 in 2012. Over the same period, nominees from Iran have decreased by 82.6 per cent, from 201 in 2008 to 35 in 2012.

Table 1: **Top 10 Source Countries for Provincial Nominees 2008-2012**

2008		2009		2010		2011		2012	
Iran	201	Iran	191	UK	136	UK	150	UK	173
UK	98	UK	137	China	78	Philippines	118	Philippines	147
China	90	China	117	Iran	67	Israel	72	China	113
USA	58	Israel	109	Germany	52	China	60	Israel	101
Philippines	50	Germany	62	Philippines	47	Iran	59	India	78
Germany	48	USA	36	India	43	Germany	47	USA	45
India	32	Korea	17	USA	38	India	42	Iran	35
Korea	31	Iraq	15	Israel	20	Korea	25	Germany	25
Pakistan	31	Philippines	14	Egypt	11	USA	22	Egypt	24
Bangladesh	26	Lebanon	9	Iraq	11	Egypt	22	Korea	17



Provincial Nominees to Nova Scotia

AGE

The average age of provincial nominees landing from 2008 to 2012 was 30. This is very close to the total Nova Scotia immigrant average age of 29.9. From 2008-2012, 63.6 per cent of provincial nominees were between the ages 25-64.

Table 2: Provincial Nominees by Age Group 2008-2012

Age Group	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	Total
0 to 14 years of age	173	181	124	159	207	844
15 to 24 years of age	165	136	85	118	119	623
25 to 44 years of age	311	350	290	376	509	1,836
45 to 64 years of age	213	164	136	125	116	754
65 years of age or more	4	2	3	1	3	13
Total	866	833	638	779	954	4,070

GENDER

The gender of provincial nominees and their dependents is fairly evenly split. Between 2008 and 2012, 52.5 per cent of nominees were male, and 47.5 per cent of nominees were female.

Though the majority of principal applicants are male, the proportion of females applying to the NSNP as principal applicants has increased, from 26.6 per cent in 2008 to 38.5 per cent in 2012.

Table 3: Provincial Nominees by Gender 2008-2012

Nominees	Gender	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	Total
Principal Applicant	Male	234	213	205	230	272	1,154
	Female	85	89	87	118	170	549
Principal Applicant Total		319	302	292	348	442	1,703
Spouse/Dependents	Male	225	215	139	179	226	984
	Female	322	316	207	252	286	1,383
Spouse/Dependents Total		547	531	346	431	512	2,367
Total		866	833	638	779	954	4,070

OFFICIAL-LANGUAGE ABILITY

Of the immigrants arriving in Nova Scotia through the NSNP from 2008 to 2012, 79.2 per cent reported having English official-language ability only, 6.4 per cent reported having English and French official-language ability, 13.8 per cent reported having neither, and only 0.5 per cent reported having French official-language ability only.

When considering principal applicants, 86.6 per cent of nominees reported English language ability, 8.9 per cent reported ability in English and French, 4 per cent reported ability in neither and 0.5 per cent had ability in French only.

Chart 2: Provincial Nominee Official-Language Ability 2008-2012

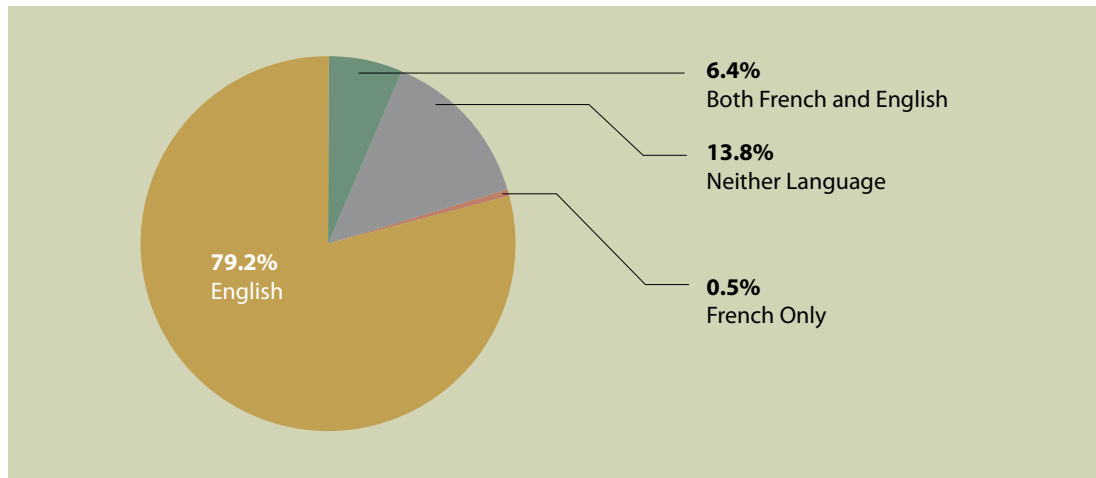


Table 4: Provincial Nominee Official-Language Ability 2008-2012

Nominees	Language	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
Principal Applicant	English	269	254	258	307	365
	French	2	2	3	0	0
	Both	32	25	23	33	38
	Neither	16	21	8	8	39
Principal Applicant Total		319	302	292	348	442
Spouse/Dependents	English	366	362	259	324	380
	French	3	2	4	2	2
	Both	32	22	18	21	17
	Neither	146	145	65	84	113
Spouse/Dependents Total		547	531	346	431	512
Total		866	833	638	779	954

EDUCATION AND SKILLS

Declining numbers from 2008 to 2012 reflect an increase in immigrant landings for which no data on education level is available.

Of NSNP principal applicant nominees who reported having at least 10 to 12 years of schooling entering Nova Scotia between 2008-2012, 61.9 per cent had a university degree of at least the Bachelor level.

Table 5: **NSNP Principal Applicants by Level of Education 2008-2012**

Level of Education	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
10 to 12 years of schooling	24	36	26	15	16
13+ years of schooling	16	10	11	10	12
Trade certificate	19	38	32	30	18
Non-university diploma	45	59	48	54	32
Bachelor's degree	140	96	133	161	116
Master's degree	57	49	29	32	30
Doctorate	13	11	9	8	10
Total	314	299	288	310	234

Among spouse and dependent nominees reporting at least 10 to 12 years of schooling entering Nova Scotia between 2008-2012, 31.6 per cent had a university degree of at least the Bachelor level.

Table 6: **NSNP Spouses and Dependents by Level of Education 2008-2012**

Level of Education	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
10 to 12 years of schooling	94	115	63	65	46
13+ years of schooling	66	32	27	32	20
Trade certificate	17	23	14	18	12
Non-university diploma	40	42	32	24	20
Bachelor's degree	73	55	46	56	43
Master's degree	22	17	10	13	12
Doctorate	10	7	5	0	2
Total	322	291	197	208	155

DESTINATION

The majority of provincial nominees settled in Halifax and the surrounding area, though smaller communities across Nova Scotia also welcome a share of immigrants.

Table 7: **Top 10 Provincial Nominee Destinations 2008-2012**

2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
Halifax 545	Halifax 456	Halifax 286	Halifax 394	Halifax 509
Dartmouth 54	Dartmouth 42	Dartmouth 44	Dartmouth 58	Dartmouth 103
Bedford 54	Bedford 37	Bedford 41	Truro 41	Truro 36
Sydney 16	Hampton 36	Truro 30	Bedford 29	Sydney 26
New Glasgow 14	Truro 28	Sydney 21	Sydney 26	Glace Bay 17
Lower Sackville 14	Antigonish 16	Yarmouth 14	Glace Bay 15	Bedford 15
Yarmouth 10	Bridgewater 16	Fall River 13	Bridgewater 14	Bridgewater 16
Hammonds Plains 8	Sydney 16	Shelburne 11	Fall River 12	Antigonish 14
Shelburne 7	Hammonds Plains 15	Antigonish 10	Kentville 10	Fall River 14
Bridgetown 7	Yarmouth 10	Wolfville 9	Hammonds Plains 8	Wolfville 13

71.2 per cent of provincial nominees settled in Halifax County, consistent with overall Nova Scotia immigration trends.

Table 8: **Provincial Nominee Destinations by County 2008-2012**

Census Division	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	Total
Annapolis County	20	40	17	10	4	91
Antigonish County	5	16	10	8	14	53
Cape Breton County	32	20	26	41	47	166
Colchester County	9	42	40	59	48	198
Cumberland County	5	5	3	9	7	29
Digby County	4	11	3	6	7	31
Guysborough County	2	6	1	3	4	16
Halifax County	692	578	417	531	678	2,896
Hants County	4	4	4	29	18	59
Inverness County	14	5	11	3	12	45
Kings County	7	18	19	18	33	95
Lunenburg County	7	25	20	28	39	119
Not Stated	12	22	28	4	18	84
Pictou County	14	10	0	5	13	42
Queens County	4	0	0	3	0	7
Richmond County	3	7	6	4	2	22
Shelburne County	10	7	11	6	1	35
Victoria County	6	2	6	0	0	14
Yarmouth County	16	15	16	12	9	68

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