## POLITICAL WEIGHT OF PROVINCIAL CAPITAL CITIES & MEMBERSHIP IN BIG CITY MAYORS CAUCUS

Province	2016 Provincial Population	Capital City	2016 Capital City Population	2016 Capital Metro Population (CMA)	Population Ranking (Largest = 1 Smallest = 10)	% of Provincial population living in Capital City	Member of Big City Mayors Caucus (FCM)
			Note 1	Note 2	Note 3	Note 4	Note 5
British Columbia	4,648,055	Victoria	85,792	367,770	8	2%	NO
Alberta	4,067,175	Edmonton	932,546	1,321,426	2	23%	YES
Saskatchewan	1,098,352	Regina	215,106	236,481	6	20%	YES
Manitoba	1,278,365	Winnipeg	705,244	778,489	3	55%	YES
Ontario	13,448,494	Toronto	2,731,571	5,928,040	1	20%	YES
Quebec	8,164,361	Quebec City	531,902	800,296	4	7%	YES
New Brunswick	747,101	Frederickton	58,220	101,760	9	8%	NO
Nova Scotia	923,598	Halifax RM	403,131	403,390	5	44%	YES
P.E.I.	142,907	Charlottetown	36,094	69,325	10	25%	NO
Newfoundland & Labrador	519,716	St. John's	108,860	205,955	7	21%	YES

## **OTHER MEMBERS OF BIG CITY MAYORS CAUCUS - Note 6**

CITY	2016 CITY POPULATION	2016 METRO POPULATION (CMA)		Member of Big City Mayors Caucus
Brampton, Ontario	593,638			YES
Calgary, Alberta	1,239,220	1,392,609		YES
Gatineau, Quebec	276,245	332,057		YES
Hamilton, Ontario	536,917	747,545		YES
Kitchener, Ontario	233,222	523,894		YES
Laval, Quebec	422,993			YES
Longueuil, Quebec	239,700	415,347		YES
London, Ontario	383,822	494,069		YES
Mississauga, Ontario	721,599			YES
Montreal, Quebec	1,704,694	4,098,927		YES
Ottawa, Ontario	934,243	991,726		YES
Saskatoon, Sask	246,376	295,095		YES
Surrey, BC	517,887			YES
Vancouver, BC	631,486	2,463,431		YES
Windsor, Ontario	217,188	329,144		YES

## **EXPLANATION OF NOTES:**

**NOTE 1** Population within respective capital cities (excluding suburban municipalities) according to 2016 Census

NOTE 2 Population of metro area (Census Metropolitan Areas or CMAs) for respective capital cities according to 2016 Census

NOTE 3	Ranking of capital cities according to their respective populations in 2016
NOTE 4	Percentage of Provincial population living within respective capital city
NOTE 5	Signifies whether Provincial capital city has membership in the FCM - Big City Mayors' Caucus
NOTE 6	The Federation of Canadian Municipalities' Big City Mayors' Caucus (BCMC) is the voice of Canada's bigge

The Federation of Canadian Municipalities' Big City Mayors' Caucus (BCMC) is the voice of Canada's biggest cities. Cities are engines that drive our country forward, creating local jobs and local growth. Canada's cities are also hubs for innovation, where solutions are found, tested and shared to meet national challenges playing out in communities across the country.

FCM's caucus of big city mayors brings together representatives from 22 of Canada's biggest cities, offering a forum for policy development on a range of issues affecting our largest centres. Through FCM, the mayors' caucus partners with the federal government in nation-building through city-building.

Seven of Canada's ten Provincial capital cities are represented on the Big City Mayors Caucus. Only Victoria, Charlottetown, P.E.I. and Frederickton, NB are not represented. The Capital Region District attempted to gain BCMC membership but was unsuccessful, while smaller Provincial capital

cities - e.g. Regina, St. John's NL have membership in BCMC. Additionally, Kitchener, Longueuil, Saskatoon and Windsor, each of which have smaller populations than Greater Victoria's four core municipalities, belong to the BCMC.

## **GREATER VICTORIA CORE POPULATION (2016 Census):**

Saanich	114,148
Victoria	85,792
Oak Bay	18,094
Esquimalt	<u>17,665</u>
Total	235,699
Capital Region Dist.	367,770

All census figures from Statistics Canada:

http://www12.statcan.gc.ca/census-recensement/2016/dp-pd/prof/index.cfm?Lang=E