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# 33 - New Italy

## Established, multi-ethnic metro couples and families

Population 288,575 (0.82% of Canada) Households 112,337 (0.8% of Canada)

Average Household Income \$73,546

Housing Tenure Homeowners & Renters

Education Mixed
Occupation Mixed
Ethnic Presence High
Sample Social Value Religiosity



A collection of multi-ethnic neighbourhoods in Montreal and Toronto, New Italy is dominated by long-time Italian immigrants and their families. But in recent years, the cluster has changed. The number of residents whose mother tongue is Italian has declined to 15 percent as more Persian and Arabic immigrants have moved in and more third-generation Italians now speak English. Today, the cluster's diverse households enjoy middle-class status from moderate educations and a mix of jobs in service and other industries. In their neighbourhoods lined with older homes, apartments and small shops, they enjoy comfortable, Old World lifestyles. Residents shop at boutiques and gourmet food stores, attend soccer and tennis matches, and drink European wine and specialty coffee. Though they've lived in Canada for decades, they visit their native countries often to maintain their family and cultural ties.

Although half of all its maintainers are first-generation immigrants over 55 years old, New Italy is also home to the second and third generations, sometimes living together as traditional extended families. And these young adults influence consuming patterns, especially the popularity of playing soccer, going to theme parks and doing in-line skating. Because it's customary in this cluster for young people to remain at home until they marry, many have discretionary cash to spend on jewellery, cosmetics and the latest HDTVs. But there's also a generational debate over values in New Italy, and while the young people think their career should be their first priority, their parents believe there's virtue in placing your family and cultural traditions above all else.

# **Where They Live**

Montréal (QC), Laval (QC), Vaughan (ON), Brossard (QC), Châteauguay (QC), Toronto (ON)



# **How They Think**

As the name suggests, New Italy is a highly ethnic cluster with an attachment to the values and customs of their country of origin. Living in urban centres, members may feel vulnerable, scoring higher on *Fear of Violence*. As multicultural families, they are also less likely to define themselves solely by the cities they live in or with Canada in general (low on *Parochialism* and *National Pride*). But they feel a connection with their countries of origin as well. They tend to feel that immigrants who have settled in Canada should also make an effort to adopt Canadian customs (*Xenophobia*). With high scores on *Religiosity*, this group is inclined to closely affiliate with their organized religious faith and considers religion as a set of essential values that should be passed on to their children. Their *Ecological Concern* leads them to believe that environmental protection should be prioritized over economic development, and they tend to desire higher government involvement in resolving these social issues (*Active Government*).

	Cluster	Index		Cluster	Inde
<u>Population</u>	<u>%</u>	<u>Canada</u>	<u>Households</u>	<u>%</u>	<u>Canad</u>
Age			Maintainer Age		
<5	5.53	100	<25	1.93	5
5-14	9.92	92	25-34	12.60	8
15-24	12.24	94	35-44	17.73	9
25-44	26.62	98	45-54	20.04	9
45-64	26.43	94	55-64	17.33	9
65-74	9.64	114	65-74	14.92	11
75-84	7.08	150	75+	15.45	15
85+	2.53	126	Size		
Mother Tongue			1 Person	25.94	9
English	20.13	35	2 People	31.54	9
French	27.59	130	3 People	17.09	10
Non-Official	47.60	238	4+ People	25.44	11
Immigration			Family Status		
Immigrant	47.20	219	Non-Family	30.80	9
Arrived <1961	20.34	159	Couples w/ kids	44.87	10
1961-1970	20.34	182	Couples, no kids	37.80	9
1971-1980	14.01	96	Lone parent	17.33	10
1981-1990	14.01	91		17.33	10
1991-1995	10.31	77	Age of Children	10.45	
1996-2000	8.04	59	<5	18.47	9
2001-2006	11.58	65	5-9	16.91	9
	11.36	03	10-14	16.23	9
Visible Minority			15-19	17.57	9
Yes	30.48	153	20-24	14.48	11
<u>Adult</u>	Cluster	Index	25+	16.34	12
<u>Population</u>	<u>%</u>	<u>Canada</u>		Cluster	Inde
Marital Status			<u>Dwellings</u>	<u>%</u>	<u>Canad</u>
Single	28.71	102	Tenure		
Married or	55.79	97	Owned	61.18	8
Common-Law			Rented	38.82	12
Wid/Div/Sep	15.49	108	Band Housing	0.00	
Mode of Transport	<b>:</b>		Period of Constr	uction	
Car	72.68	90	<1946	3.39	3
Public Transit	22.66	210	1946-1960	18.55	14
Class of Worker			1961-1970	26.18	21
Employed	87.34	101	1971-1980	18.34	10
Self-Employed	9.75	84	1981-1990	13.89	9
Unpaid	0.25	83	1991-1995	3.22	5
•	0.23	03	1996-2000	2.59	4
Occupation	0.20	0	2001-2006	4.06	5
Primary	0.38	8	2007-2011	7.75	8
Blue Collar	25.79	110	>2011	2.03	6
Service Sector	39.35	100		2.03	0
White Collar	29.76	95	Type	22.12	
Education			Single	32.12	5
No cert/dipl/deg	28.34	128	Semi	7.92	16
High school cert	22.23	90	Row	2.79	4
Trade	10.46	102	Duplex	13.85	26
College	14.93	90	Low-rise	39.01	22
Cama university	5.49	112	High-rise	4.11	4
Some university			Malaila	0.04	
•	18.55	86	Mobile	0.04	
Some university University degree	18.55	86	Dwelling Value	0.04	

# **How They Live**

Leisure theme parks soccer in-line skating travel to Italy

## **Shopping**

capuccino maker fine jewellery fruit and vegetable stores Zara

### **Traditional Media**

business and financial section *MIRROR* 

MuchMusic

multicultural radio

#### **New Media**

purchase movies online LinkedIn share videos on YouTube participate in online forums

#### Food/Drink

soft cheese cold cuts specialty coffees European wine

#### **Financial**

term deposits \$2,500-\$5,000 on home improvement long-term care insurance donations to hospital foundations

### **Automotive**

station wagons compact premium cars own 1-2 vehicles Mazda

### **Attitudes**

"Ads help me keep up-to-date with new and different product/services"

"An important part of my life and activities is dressing smartly"

"I find exposure to different cultures rewarding"

"It's important to look good"

