

# INDIGENOUS IN SURREY EMPLOYMENT & INCOME

These statistics, drawn from the 2016 Census, paint a broad stroke of Surrey's Indigenous population, which includes persons who are First Nations, Métis, or Inuk (Inuit).

## A TALE OF TWO INCOMES

The median and average income of Indigenous people in Surrey is lower than the overall population, and slightly lower than the Metro Vancouver Indigenous population. **Incomes are rising, but many Indigenous community members continue to live in poverty.**



**\$4,000** ↑  
Between 2011 and 2016  
NOTE: Low-income Indigenous households decreased by 7.6%

**20%** Indigenous 25-54 are in low-income households  
**17%** Indigenous seniors live in poverty

Indigenous children and youth experience poverty at nearly double the rate as the overall population.

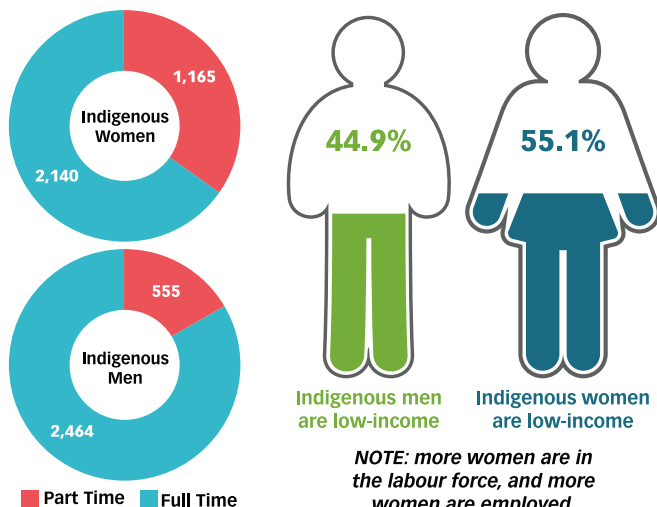


Indigenous residents use transit more than non-Indigenous residents, and Indigenous women more than Indigenous men.



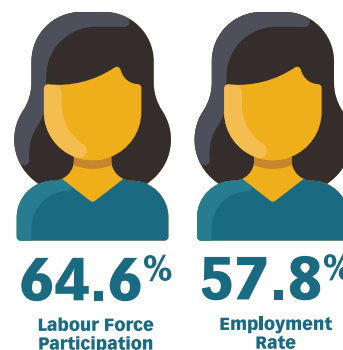
## GENDER MATTERS

Despite having higher levels of education and higher rates of employment, Indigenous women in Surrey earn less than Indigenous men by approximately \$4,500 annually. **There are more Indigenous women than men in the labour force in Surrey, and more of them are employed than men. Women work part-time more often than men.**



## WORKING HARD, MAKING STRIDES

Indigenous people in Surrey participate in the labour force at the same rate as non-Indigenous residents. **While still higher than the overall population, the unemployment rate decreased between 2011 and 2016.**



### 5 TOP FIELDS FOR INDIGENOUS MEN

- Construction
- Mechanic & repair technologies
- Business, management & marketing
- Precision production
- Engineering technology & engineering-related fields

### 5 TOP FIELDS FOR INDIGENOUS WOMEN

- Health professions
- Business, management & marketing
- Personal & culinary services
- Education
- Social services

