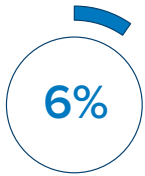


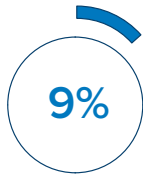


ARE REFUGEES GOOD FOR CANADA?

Statistics show that over time, refugees make important contributions to Canada's economy, and their communities.



UNEMPLOYMENT
RATE



CANADIANS

REFUGEES

Refugees work and contribute to Canada's economy. They have an unemployment rate of 9% close to that of Canadian citizens by birth (6%).



**BENEFITS
RECEIVED**



**TAXES PAID
BY REFUGEES**

After 20 years in Canada, refugees contribute more to Canada in income taxes - not counting all of the other taxes they pay - than they receive in public benefits services.



Refugees work hard to prosper and join Canada's middle-class. One in four earned between

\$40,000 - \$79,999
annually, similar to statistics for Canadians.

Refugees create jobs for both themselves and other Canadians

14.4%

are self-employed or business owners.



Canada has an aging population and needs more young people. Refugees often come to Canada early in their lives with many years to contribute.

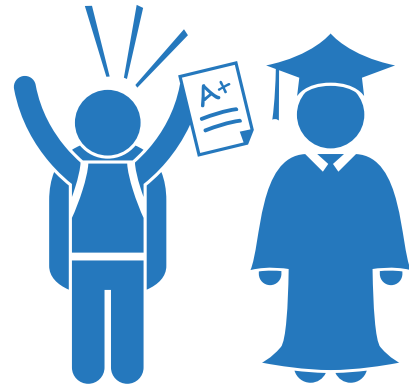




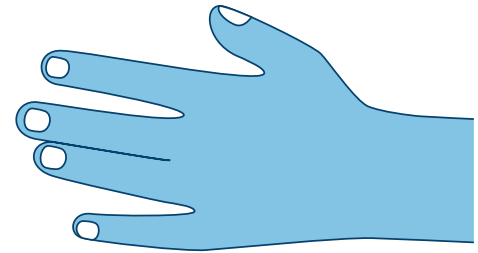
UNHCR
The UN Refugee Agency

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Refugee children perform as well in school as Canadian-born children, and their knowledge and skills contribute greatly to Canada's workforce.



Refugees embrace Canada and are committed to their communities. They have the highest citizenship rate of all immigration categories (89%).



Almost 50% of all refugees in Canada live in smaller cities and towns.

Refugees buy houses and put down roots in Canadian communities.

2 out of 3

become home owners after 10 years in Canada.

