



COMMUNICATION UPDATE

TO:	Mayor and Members City Council
DATE:	March 25, 2022
SUBJECT:	2021 Census Change in Population, Units and Persons per Unit by Ward and Community (City Wide)
WARD(S) AFFECTED:	City Wide
SUBMITTED BY:	Jason Thorne General Manager Planning and Economic Development Department
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The purpose of this Communications Update is to provide information on the recent release of the 2021 preliminary census population data for the City of Hamilton and the changes since 2016. The infographics included as Appendix “A” and Appendix “B” to this Communications Update lay out the change in population, number of occupied dwellings, and persons per unit by ward and community.

Key Highlights:

- City’s population is up 6% to 569,355 in 2021 from 536,920 in 2016 (not including net under coverage rate of 2.8%);
- City’s total occupied dwellings increased 5% to 222,805 in 2021 from 211,590 in 2016;
- City’s fastest growing communities are Glanbrook and Stoney Creek; and,
- Wards 2, 9, 11, and 15 saw the greatest population growth and there was a minor population decline in Ward 13.

OUR Vision: To be the best place to raise a child and age successfully.

OUR Mission: To provide high quality cost conscious public services that contribute to a healthy, safe and prosperous community, in a sustainable manner.

OUR Culture: Collective Ownership, Steadfast Integrity, Courageous Change, Sensational Service, Engaged Empowered Employees.

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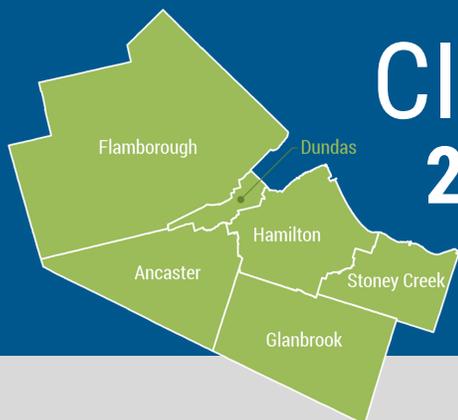
Growth Targets:

The City's 2021 population forecast (from Hemson Consulting "Greater Golden Horseshoe: Growth Forecasts to 2051", August 2020) was 584,000 persons. The data indicates that the City's 2021 population exceeded the forecast by 1,755 persons, with a total population of 584,755 persons. This includes the assumed net under coverage rate of 2.8%. The City's forecast of 222,540 occupied dwellings in 2021 has also been exceeded by 267 units.

If you have any questions, please contact Ken Coit, Manager of Heritage and Urban Design, by phone at Ext. 7557 or email at ken.coit@hamilton.ca.

APPENDICES AND SCHEDULES ATTACHED

Appendix "A" - City of Hamilton 2021 Census - Population by Community and Ward
Appendix "B" - City of Hamilton 2021 - Population Changes by Community and Ward



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2021 CENSUS - POPULATION AND DWELLINGS *by Community*

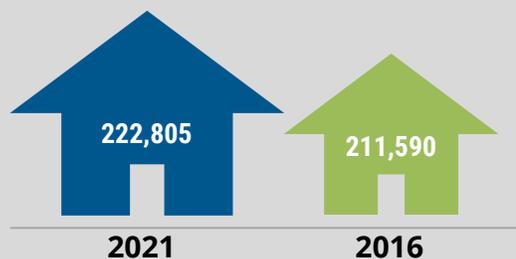
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TOTAL POPULATION



Provincial Average: 5.8 %

OCCUPIED DWELLINGS



Hamilton has grown by **32,435** people since 2016.

The number of occupied dwellings has increased by **11,205**

OCCUPIED DWELLINGS BY COMMUNITY

Community	2021				2016	
	Population	Population % Change	Occupied Dwellings	Occupied Dwellings % Change	Population	Occupied Dwellings
Ancaster	43,485	7.2%	14,800	8.8%	40,560	13,610
Dundas	24,155	-0.5%	9,990	0.7%	24,285	9,920
Flamborough	46,865	9.9%	16,405	9.4%	42,655	14,995
Glanbrook	35,075	17.5%	11,870	12.4%	29,860	10,560
Hamilton	343,205	4.0%	142,150	3.4%	330,090	137,490
• Lower Hamilton	186,920	5.7%	84,350	5.0%	176,815	80,325
• Upper Hamilton	156,290	2.0%	57,800	1.1%	153,275	57,165
Stoney Creek	76,570	10.2%	27,595	10.3%	69,470	25,030
Total	569,355	6.0%	222,805	5.3%	536,920	211,605





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2021 CENSUS - POPULATION AND DWELLINGS *by Ward*

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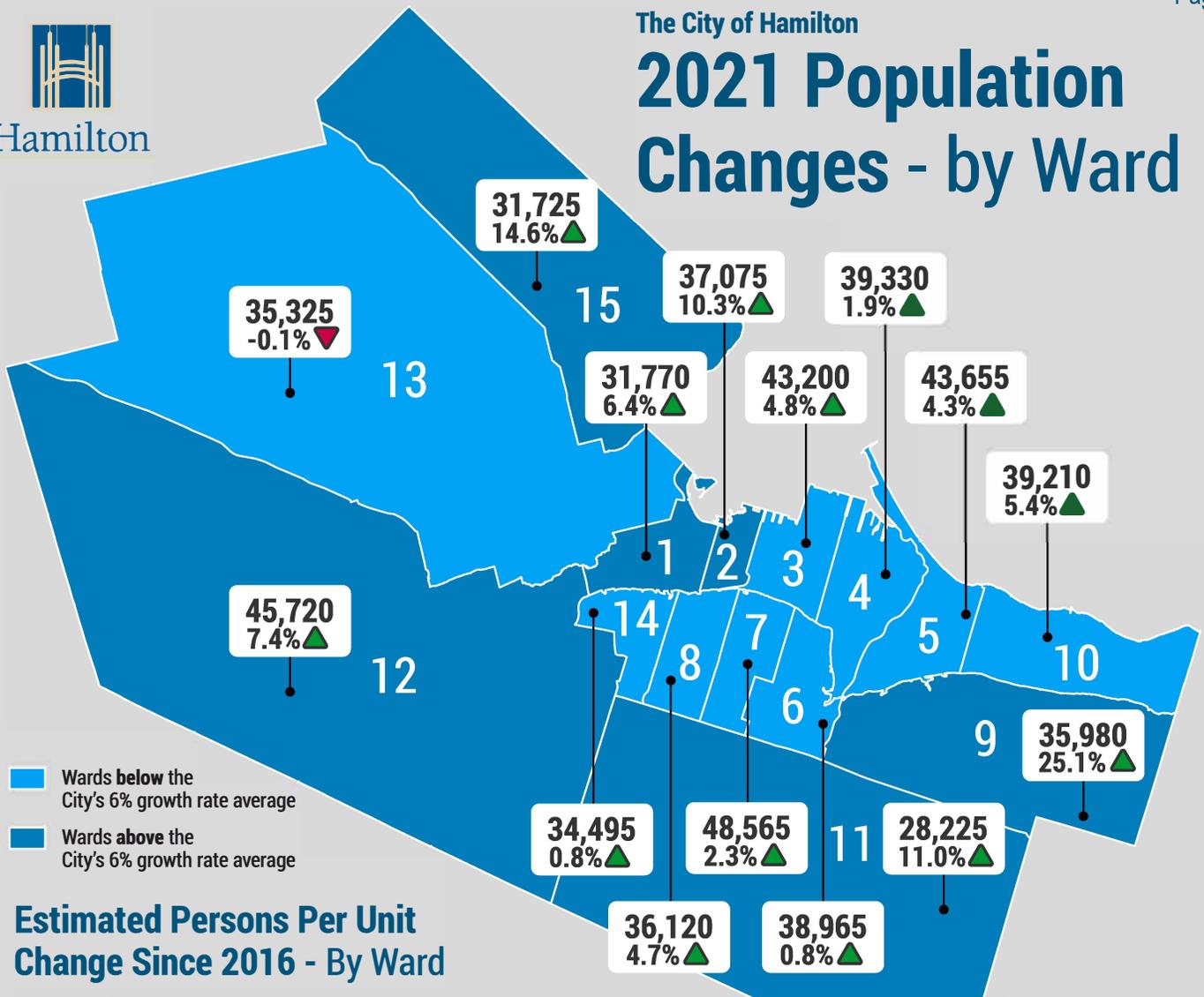
OCCUPIED DWELLINGS BY WARD

Ward	2021				2016	
	Population	Population % Change	Occupied Dwellings	Occupied Dwellings % Change	Population	Occupied Dwellings
1	31,770	6.4%	14,665	7.7%	29,850	13,610
2	37,075	10.3%	19,555	7.0%	33,600	18,280
3	43,200	4.8%	18,650	5.1%	41,205	17,735
4	39,330	1.9%	16,895	1.2%	38,595	16,690
5	43,655	4.3%	18,575	3.5%	41,855	17,950
6	38,965	0.8%	14,540	-0.1%	38,650	14,555
7	48,565	2.3%	18,880	2.1%	47,460	18,495
8	36,120	4.7%	13,085	2.8%	34,485	12,725
9	35,980	25.1%	11,265	22.7%	28,760	9,180
10	39,210	5.4%	14,205	6.2%	37,215	13,380
11	28,225	11.0%	9,900	7.8%	25,415	9,185
12	45,720	7.4%	15,650	8.7%	42,560	14,395
13	35,325	-0.1%	14,140	0.0%	35,365	14,145
14	34,495	0.8%	11,880	0.9%	34,230	11,775
15	31,725	14.6%	10,925	15.0%	27,675	9,500
Total	569,355	6.0%	222,805	5.3%	536,920	211,600



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2021 Population Changes - by Ward



■ Wards below the City's 6% growth rate average
■ Wards above the City's 6% growth rate average

Estimated Persons Per Unit Change Since 2016 - By Ward

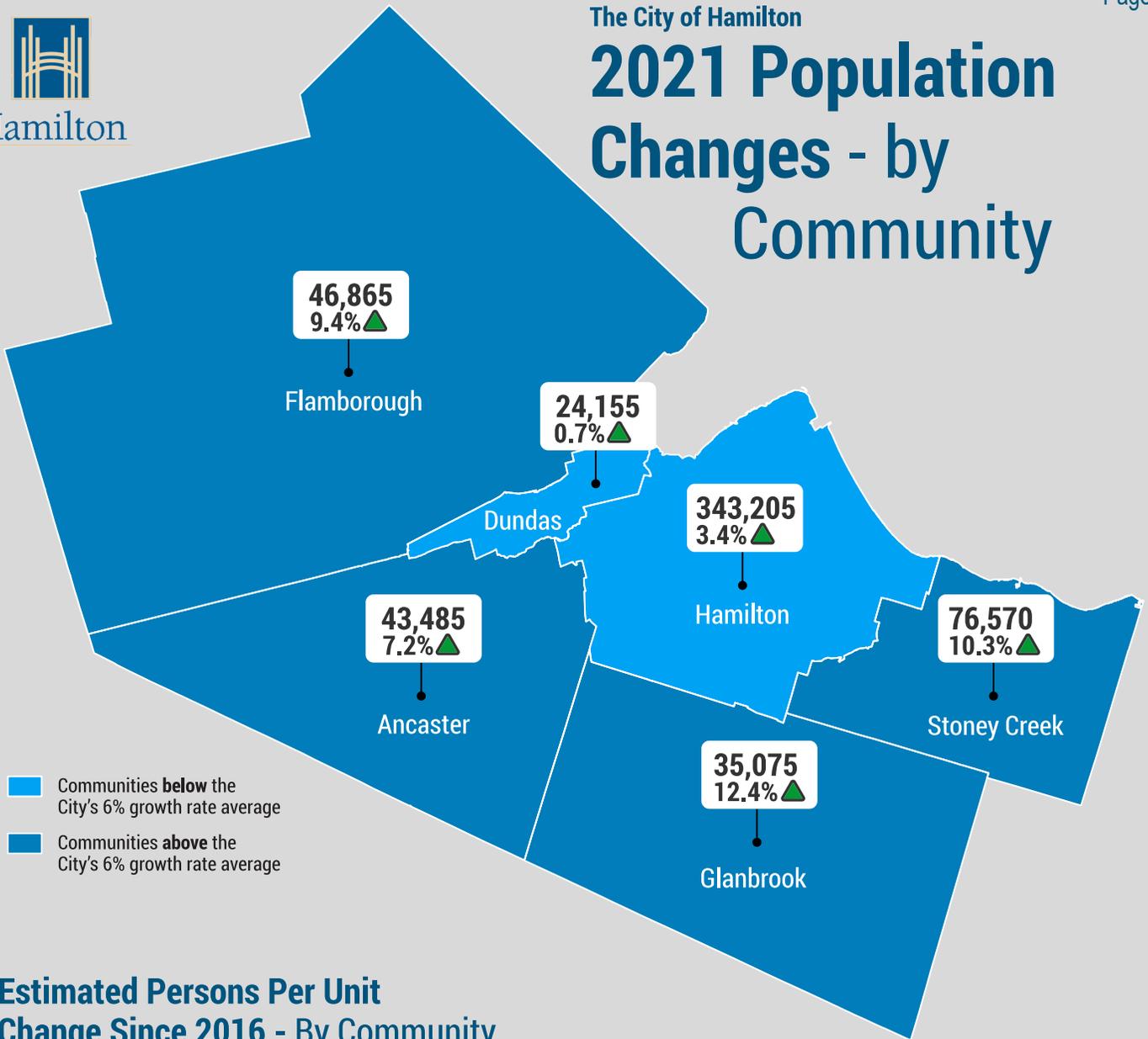
Ward	2021							
	Population	Occupied Dwellings	Population Absolute Change	Total Dwellings	% Occupied	Persons/Unit (PPU) Average	Population Change %	Unit Change %
1	31,770	14,665	1,920	16,730	88%	2.17	6.4%	7.7%
2	37,075	19,555	3,475	21,700	90%	1.90	10.3%	7.0%
3	43,200	18,650	1,995	20,785	90%	2.32	4.8%	5.1%
4	39,330	16,895	735	17,590	96%	2.33	1.9%	1.2%
5	43,655	18,575	1,800	19,170	97%	2.35	4.3%	3.5%
6	38,965	14,540	315	14,810	98%	2.68	0.8%	-0.1%
7	48,565	18,880	1,105	19,370	97%	2.57	2.3%	2.1%
8	36,120	13,085	1,635	13,450	97%	2.76	4.7%	2.8%
9	35,980	11,265	7,220	11,445	98%	3.19	25.1%	22.7%
10	39,210	14,205	1,995	14,545	98%	2.76	5.4%	6.2%
11	28,225	9,900	2,810	10,050	99%	2.85	11.0%	7.8%
12	45,720	15,650	3,160	16,100	97%	2.92	7.4%	8.7%
13	35,325	14,140	-39	14,510	97%	2.50	-0.1%	0.0%
14	34,495	11,880	265	12,095	98%	2.90	0.8%	0.9%
15	31,725	10,925	4,050	11,220	97%	2.90	14.6%	15.0%
Total	569,355	222,805	32,435	233,565	95%	2.56	6.0%	5.3%

Source: Statistics Canada, 2016, 2021 Census
 Note: Totals by ward for 2021 are estimates based on the aggregation of Dissemination Block geographies. The 2021 totals are not deemed official until receipt of custom geography tables later this year.



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2021 Population Changes - by Community



Estimated Persons Per Unit Change Since 2016 - By Community

Community	2021							
	Population	Occupied Dwellings	Population Absolute Change	Total Dwellings	% Occupied	Persons/Unit (PPU) Average	Population Change %	Unit Change %
Ancaster	43,485	14,800	2,925	15,220	97%	2.94	7.2%	8.8%
Dundas	24,155	9,990	-130	10,225	98%	2.42	-0.5%	0.7%
Flamborough	46,865	16,405	4,210	16,870	97%	2.86	9.9%	9.4%
Glanbrook	35,075	11,870	5,215	12,035	99%	2.96	17.5%	12.4%
Hamilton	343,205	142,150	13,115	150,980	94%	2.41	4.0%	3.4%
• Lower Hamilton	186,920	84,350	10,105	91,855	92%	2.22	5.7%	5.0%
• Upper Hamilton	156,290	57,800	3,015	59,125	98%	2.70	2.0%	1.1%
Stoney Creek	76,570	27,595	7,100	28,235	98%	2.77	10.2%	10.3%
Total	569,355	222,805	32,435	233,565	95%	2.56	6.0%	5.3%

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