

# SOCIO-DEMOGRAPHIC CHARACTERISTICS OF VISIBLE MINORITIES IN MRC DE LA VALLÉE-DU-RICHELIEU

BASED ON THE 2021 CENSUS OF CANADA

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## Introduction

### Community Health and Social Services Network (CHSSN)

The Community Health and Social Services Network (CHSSN) is a network of community resources, associations, foundations, public institutions and other stakeholders dedicated to improving access to health and social services for English-speaking minority communities in Québec. CHSSN builds and strengthens health and social services networks and partnerships at the local, regional and provincial levels to address health determinants, to influence public policy and to support community and public partners in the adaptation of services.

Through the development of projects and partnerships with community and public institutions, the CHSSN aims to reduce health inequities by supporting innovative practices and the transfer of learning through population health interventions.

Innovative programs and partnerships include networking and partnership initiatives, improving access to health and social services and health promotion and public health education.

### This Document

This document presents a series of tables illustrating key socio-demographic variables of visible minority populations within language groups for MRC de La Vallée-du-Richelieu.

The variables covered are:

- Gender
- Age structure
- Household living arrangements
- Recent mobility
- Educational attainment
- Labour force activity
- Income
- Low-income cut-off

Each table contains four blocs of information, as follows:

- Numbers of English-speaking visible minorities in each of the variable categories.
- Proportion of English-speaking visible minorities across the categories in the variable.
- Numbers of French-speaking visible minorities in each of the variable categories.
- Proportion of French-speaking visible minorities across the categories in the variable.

## Methodological notes

### Language Concept

The language concept used in this series of tables is First Official Language Spoken (FOLS) which is derived from three census questions (knowledge of official languages, mother tongue and home language). Multiple responses are assigned equally among declared languages.

### Visible Minority Concept

The concept of visible minorities in the Canadian context was developed to support the *Employment Equity Act* which aims to “achieve equality in the workplace so that no person shall be denied employment opportunities or benefits for reasons unrelated to ability and, in the fulfilment of that goal, to correct the conditions of disadvantage in employment experienced by women, aboriginal peoples, persons with disabilities and members of visible minorities.”<sup>1</sup>

The Act defines visible minorities as 'persons, other than Aboriginal peoples, who are non-Caucasian in race or non-white in colour.' Under this definition, regulations specify the following groups as visible minorities: Chinese, South Asians, Blacks, Arabs, West Asians, Filipinos, Southeast Asians, Latin Americans, Japanese, Koreans and other visible minority groups, such as Pacific Islanders.

### Data Source and Reliability

**Data source** - The data in these tables is drawn from the Statistics Canada 2021 Census. The data in these tables comes from special tabulations ordered by the Community Health and Social Services Network (CHSSN).

**Data suppression** - For the purposes of confidentiality, Statistics Canada applies area suppression rules which suppresses data for geographic areas with populations below a specified size. Income distributions and related statistics are suppressed if the population in the area, excluding residents in collective dwellings, is less than 250, or if the number of private households is less than 40.

Given that cross-tabulations of small populations produce even smaller population counts which are unreliable for statistical analysis, visible minority groups which fall below the 250 count are suppressed from specific tables.

### Definitions

For definitions of certain Census variables, refer to the definitions section in the appendix.

### Geographic Regions

The MRC profile series consists of stand-alone documents which present key data for the MRC and MRC-equivalent territories of Québec<sup>2</sup> in which there were at least 250 members of a particular visible minority population in the English-speaking community.

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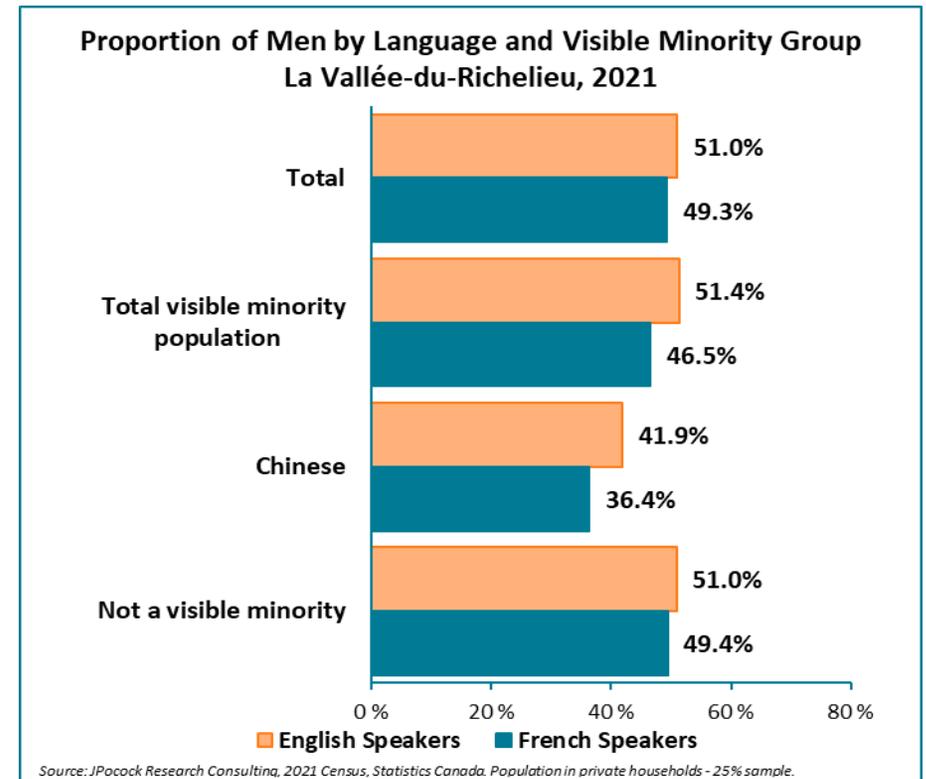
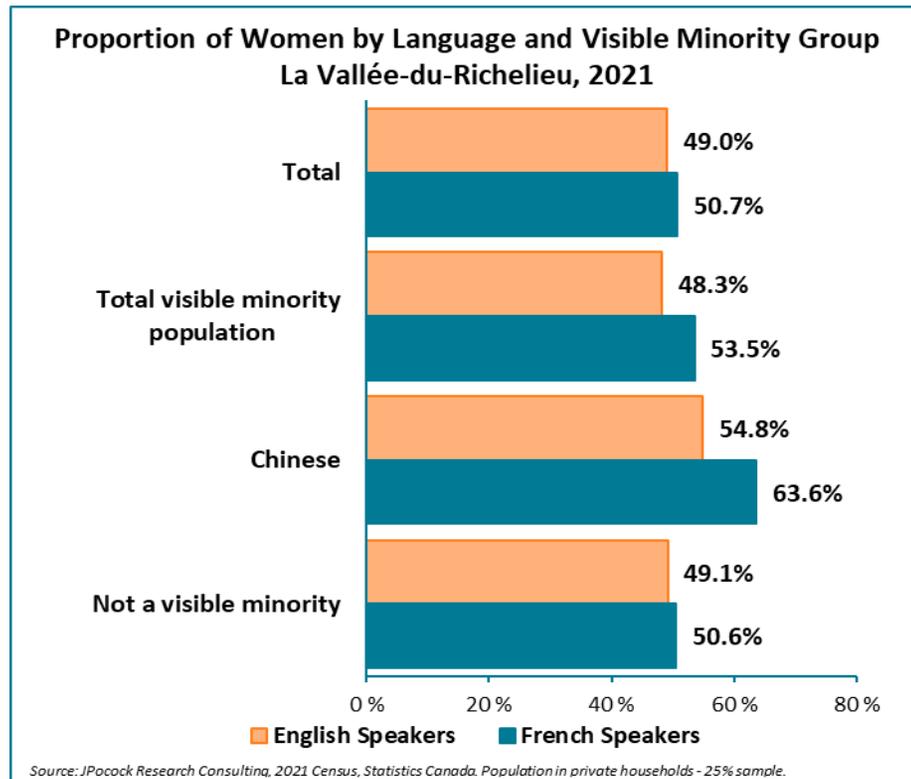
<sup>1</sup> <http://laws-lois.justice.gc.ca/eng/acts/E-5.401/page-1.html#h-2>

<sup>2</sup> Québec is divided into 17 administrative regions which contain 87 MRCs (municipalités régionales de comté) and 17 territories classified as equivalent to MRCs. These 17 equivalent territories correspond to 14 cities as well as three other territories in the north of Québec (Kativik, Eeyou Istchee and Jamésie). <https://toponymie.gouv.qc.ca/ct/toponymie-municipale/municipalites-arrondissements/te.aspx>

## Gender of Visible Minority Populations

Gender of Visible Minority Populations by Language Group La Vallée-du-Richelieu, 2021						
Visible Minority	English Speakers			French Speakers		
	Total	Females	Males	Total	Females	Males
<b>Total</b>	6,810	3,335	3,475	122,700	62,225	60,485
<b>Total visible minority population</b>	1,430	690	735	6,105	3,265	2,840
<b>Chinese</b>	310	170	130	440	280	160
<b>Not a visible minority</b>	5,385	2,645	2,745	116,600	58,960	57,640
<b>Total</b>	100.0%	49.0%	51.0%	100.0%	50.7%	49.3%
<b>Total visible minority population</b>	100.0%	48.3%	51.4%	100.0%	53.5%	46.5%
<b>Chinese</b>	100.0%	54.8%	41.9%	100.0%	63.6%	36.4%
<b>Not a visible minority</b>	100.0%	49.1%	51.0%	100.0%	50.6%	49.4%

Source: JPocock Research Consulting, 2021 Census, Statistics Canada. Population in private households - 25% sample.



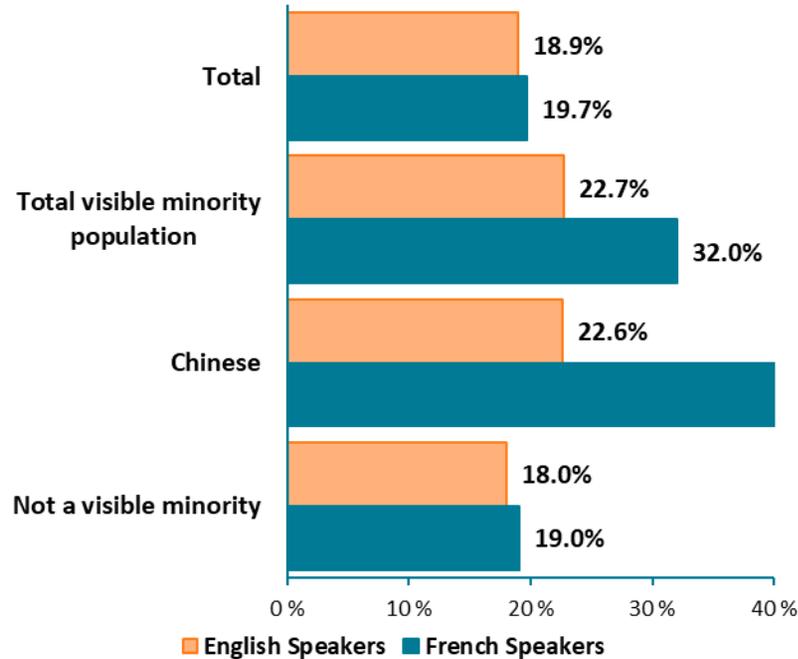
## Age Structure of Visible Minority Populations

### Age Structure of Visible Minority Populations by Language Group La Vallée-du-Richelieu, 2021

Visible Minority	English Speakers						French Speakers					
	Total Population	0 to 14 years	15 to 24 years	25 to 44 years	45 to 64 years	65 years and over	Total Population	0 to 14 years	15 to 24 years	25 to 44 years	45 to 64 years	65 years and over
<b>Total</b>	6,810	1,290	605	2,180	1,745	995	122,700	24,135	12,490	31,335	34,385	20,355
<b>Total visible minority population</b>	1,430	325	155	590	280	80	6,105	1,955	785	2,045	1,080	235
<b>Chinese</b>	310	70	-	130	65	-	440	205	55	130	30	-
<b>Not a visible minority</b>	5,385	970	445	1,590	1,465	915	116,600	22,185	11,710	29,295	33,300	20,120
<b>Total</b>	100.0%	18.9%	8.9%	32.0%	25.6%	14.6%	100.0%	19.7%	10.2%	25.5%	28.0%	16.6%
<b>Total visible minority population</b>	100.0%	22.7%	10.8%	41.3%	19.6%	5.6%	100.0%	32.0%	12.9%	33.5%	17.7%	3.8%
<b>Chinese</b>	100.0%	22.6%	-	41.9%	21.0%	-	100.0%	46.6%	12.5%	29.5%	6.8%	-
<b>Not a visible minority</b>	100.0%	18.0%	8.3%	29.5%	27.2%	17.0%	100.0%	19.0%	10.0%	25.1%	28.6%	17.3%

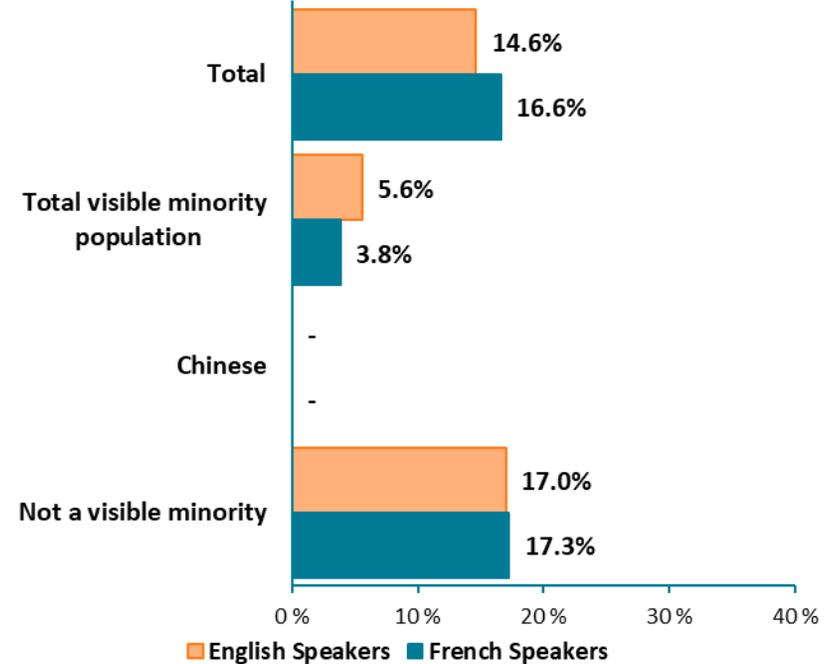
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**Proportion of Children 0-14  
by Language and Visible Minority Group  
La Vallée-du-Richelieu, 2021**



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**Proportion of Seniors 65+  
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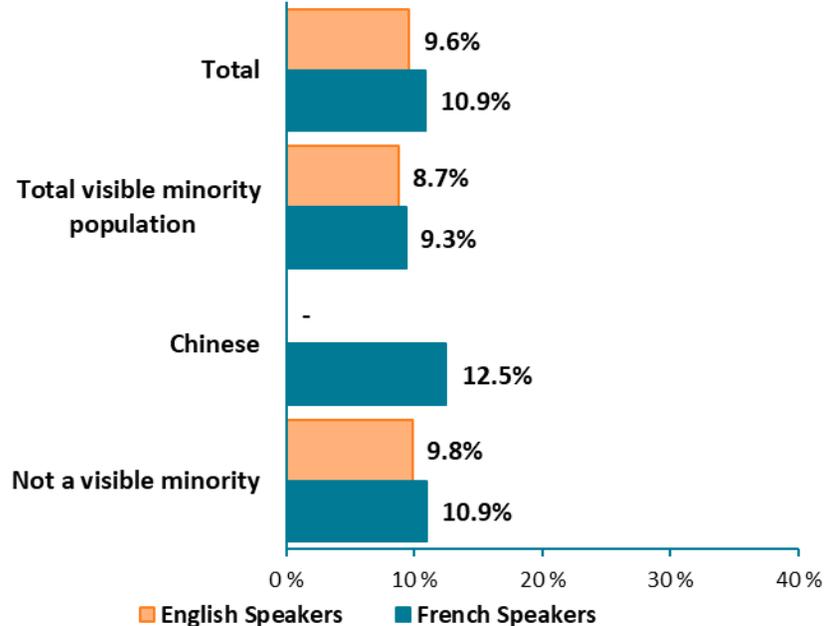
## Household Living Arrangements of Visible Minority Populations

### Household Living Arrangements of Visible Minority Populations by Language Group La Vallée-du-Richelieu, 2021

Visible Minority	English Speakers						French Speakers					
	Total Population	Spouses, Common-law Partners and Children	Lone Parents and Children	Living with Relatives	Living with Non-Relatives Only	Persons Living Alone	Total Population	Spouses, Common-law Partners and Children	Lone Parents and Children	Living with Relatives	Living with Non-Relatives Only	Persons Living Alone
<b>Total</b>	6,810	5,370	655	95	80	610	122,700	92,900	13,325	1,660	1,975	12,835
<b>Total visible minority population</b>	1,430	1,165	125	15	15	95	6,105	5,125	570	145	105	145
<b>Chinese</b>	310	275	-	-	-	-	440	375	55	-	-	-
<b>Not a visible minority</b>	5,385	4,205	530	70	60	520	116,600	87,770	12,755	1,505	1,870	12,690
<b>Total</b>	100.0%	78.9%	9.6%	1.4%	1.2%	9.0%	100.0%	75.7%	10.9%	1.4%	1.6%	10.5%
<b>Total visible minority population</b>	100.0%	81.5%	8.7%	-	-	6.6%	100.0%	83.9%	9.3%	2.4%	1.7%	2.4%
<b>Chinese</b>	100.0%	88.7%	-	-	-	-	100.0%	85.2%	12.5%	-	-	-
<b>Not a visible minority</b>	100.0%	78.1%	9.8%	1.3%	1.1%	9.7%	100.0%	75.3%	10.9%	1.3%	1.6%	10.9%

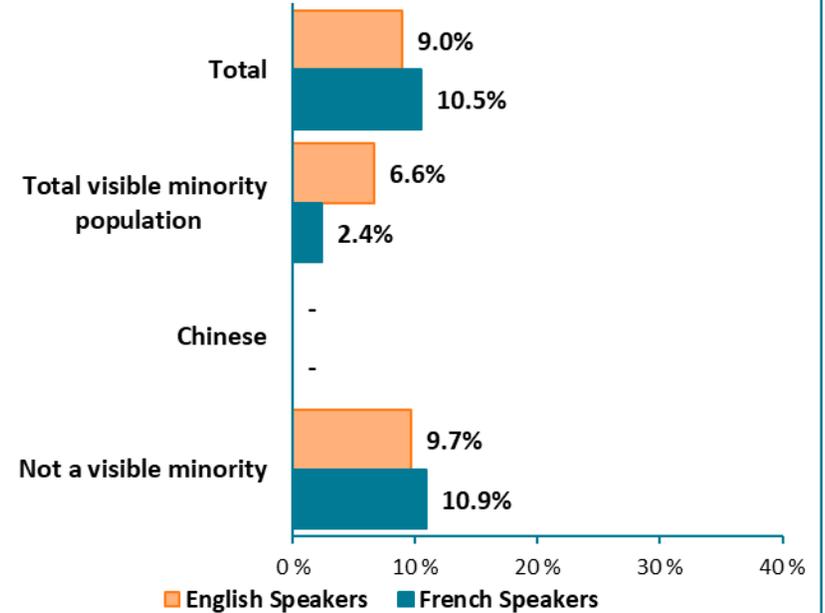
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**In a Lone Parent Family  
by Language and Visible Minority Group  
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**Living Alone  
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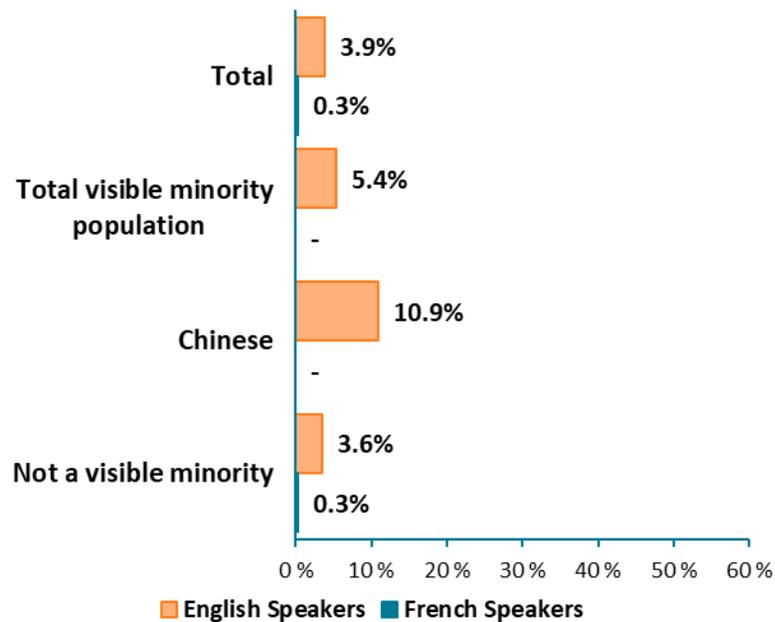
## Recent Mobility (2016-2021) of Visible Minority Populations

### Recent Mobility (2016-2021) of Visible Minority Populations by Language Group La Vallée-du-Richelieu, 2021

Visible Minority	English Speakers						French Speakers					
	Total Population Aged 5+	Did Not Move in the Previous Five Years	Moved Locally in the Past Five Years	Moved from Another Region of Québec	Moved from Another Province	Immigrated from Another Country	Total Population	Did Not Move in the Previous Five Years	Moved Locally in the Past Five Years	Moved from Another Region of Québec	Moved from Another Province	Immigrated from Another Country
<b>Total</b>	6,480	3,275	415	2,240	250	290	115,900	73,270	9,370	31,960	390	905
<b>Total visible minority population</b>	1,295	380	50	650	70	150	5,460	1,875	355	2,805	15	415
<b>Chinese</b>	275	80	-	110	30	40	385	215	10	120	-	30
<b>Not a visible minority</b>	5,180	2,900	370	1,590	185	130	110,440	71,400	9,010	29,155	380	490
<b>Total</b>	100.0%	50.5%	6.4%	34.6%	3.9%	4.5%	100.0%	63.2%	8.1%	27.6%	0.3%	0.8%
<b>Total visible minority population</b>	100.0%	29.3%	3.9%	50.2%	5.4%	11.6%	100.0%	34.3%	6.5%	51.4%	-	7.6%
<b>Chinese</b>	100.0%	29.1%	-	40.0%	10.9%	14.5%	100.0%	55.8%	-	31.2%	-	7.8%
<b>Not a visible minority</b>	100.0%	56.0%	7.1%	30.7%	3.6%	2.5%	100.0%	64.7%	8.2%	26.4%	0.3%	0.4%

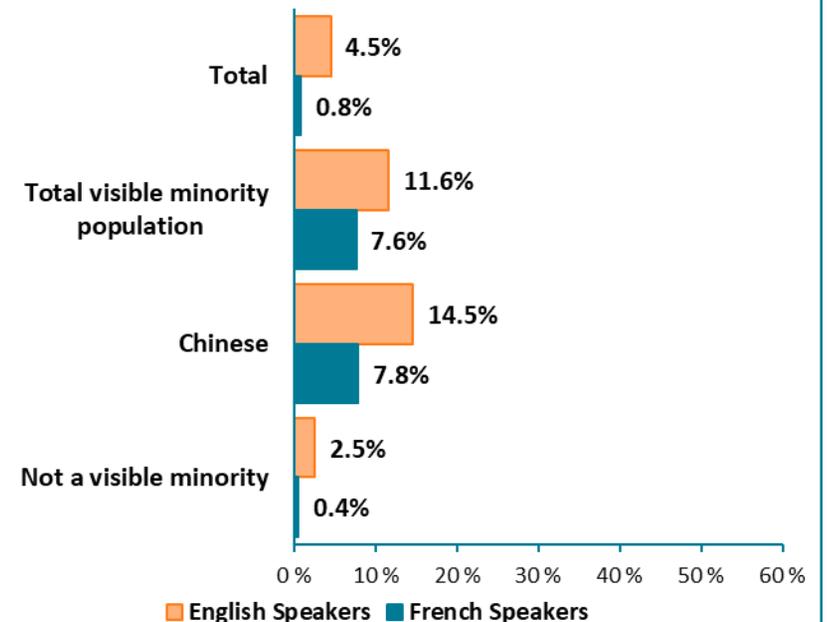
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#### Moved from Another Province (2016-2021) by Language and Visible Minority Group La Vallée-du-Richelieu, 2021



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#### Recent Immigrants (2016-2021) by Language and Visible Minority Group La Vallée-du-Richelieu, 2021



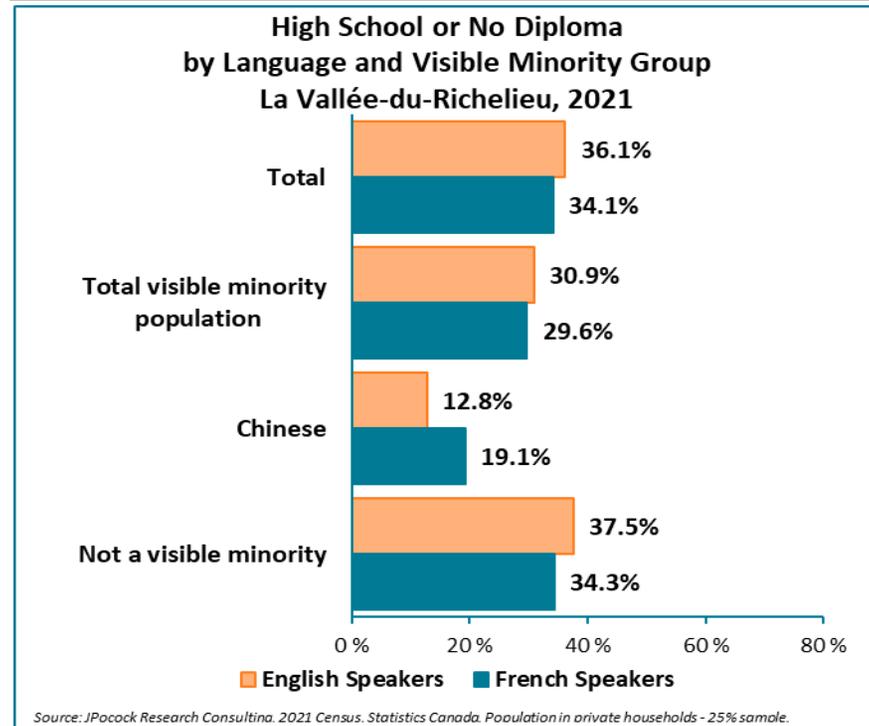
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## Educational Attainment of Visible Minority Populations

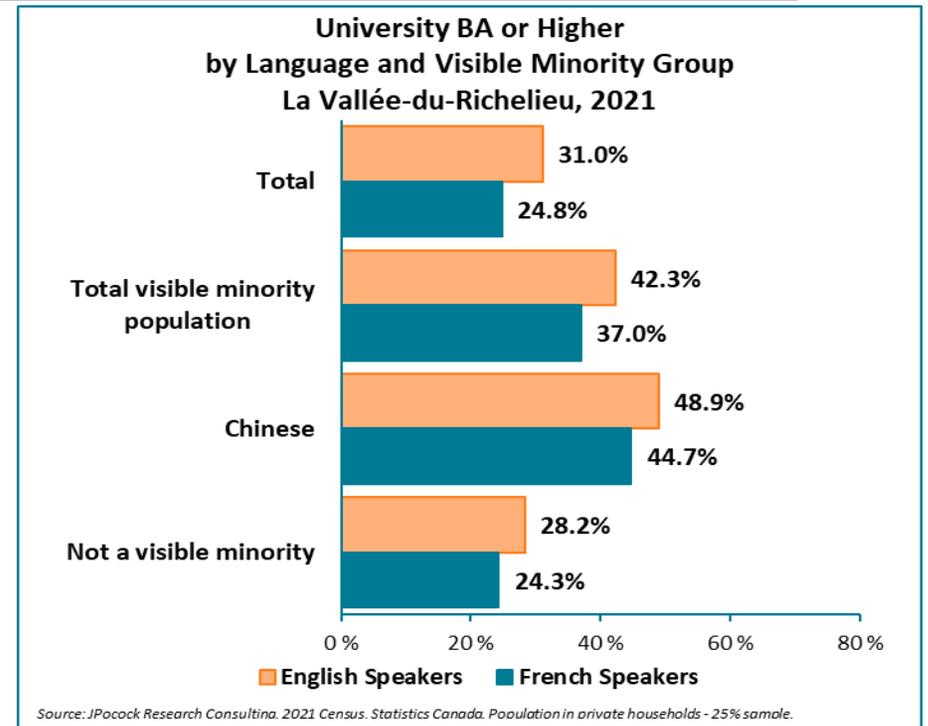
### Education Levels of Visible Minority Populations by Language Group La Vallée-du-Richelieu, 2021

Visible Minority	English Speakers					French Speakers				
	Total Population Aged 15+	High School or No Diploma	Apprenticeship or Trades Certification	College or University Certificate Below Bachelor	University Degree (BA or Higher)	Total Population Aged 15+	High School or No Diploma	Apprenticeship or Trades Certification	College or University Certificate Below Bachelor	University Degree (BA or Higher)
<b>Total</b>	5,525	1,995	515	1,290	1,715	98,570	33,600	15,705	24,820	24,440
<b>Total visible minority population</b>	1,100	340	90	215	465	4,150	1,230	405	975	1,535
<b>Chinese</b>	235	30	15	50	115	235	45	-	70	105
<b>Not a visible minority</b>	4,425	1,660	425	1,095	1,250	94,425	32,365	15,300	23,850	22,900
<b>Total</b>	100.0%	36.1%	9.3%	23.3%	31.0%	100.0%	34.1%	15.9%	25.2%	24.8%
<b>Total visible minority population</b>	100.0%	30.9%	8.2%	19.5%	42.3%	100.0%	29.6%	9.8%	23.5%	37.0%
<b>Chinese</b>	100.0%	12.8%	-	21.3%	48.9%	100.0%	19.1%	-	29.8%	44.7%
<b>Not a visible minority</b>	100.0%	37.5%	9.6%	24.7%	28.2%	100.0%	34.3%	16.2%	25.3%	24.3%

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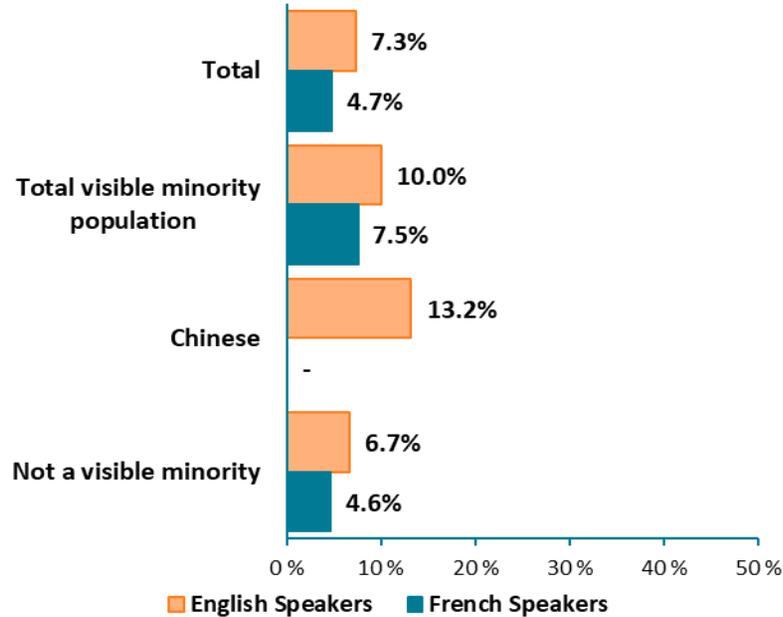
## Labour Force Status of Visible Minority Populations

### Labour Force Status of Visible Minority Populations by Language Group La Vallée-du-Richelieu, 2021

Visible Minority	English Speakers					French Speakers				
	Total Population Aged 15+	In the Labour Force	Employed	Unemployed	Out of the Labour Force	Total Population Aged 15+	In the Labour Force	Employed	Unemployed	Out of the Labour Force
<b>Total</b>	5,525	3,835	3,555	280	1,680	98,570	69,755	66,450	3,305	28,810
<b>Total visible minority population</b>	1,100	850	760	85	255	4,150	3,315	3,070	250	830
<b>Chinese</b>	235	190	165	25	50	235	185	170	10	55
<b>Not a visible minority</b>	4,425	2,990	2,800	200	1,425	94,425	66,430	63,380	3,060	27,985
<b>Total</b>	100.0%	69.4%	64.3%	7.3%	30.4%	100.0%	70.8%	67.4%	4.7%	29.2%
<b>Total visible minority population</b>	100.0%	77.3%	69.1%	10.0%	23.2%	100.0%	79.9%	74.0%	7.5%	20.0%
<b>Chinese</b>	100.0%	80.9%	70.2%	13.2%	21.3%	100.0%	78.7%	72.3%	-	23.4%
<b>Not a visible minority</b>	100.0%	67.6%	63.3%	6.7%	32.2%	100.0%	70.4%	67.1%	4.6%	29.6%

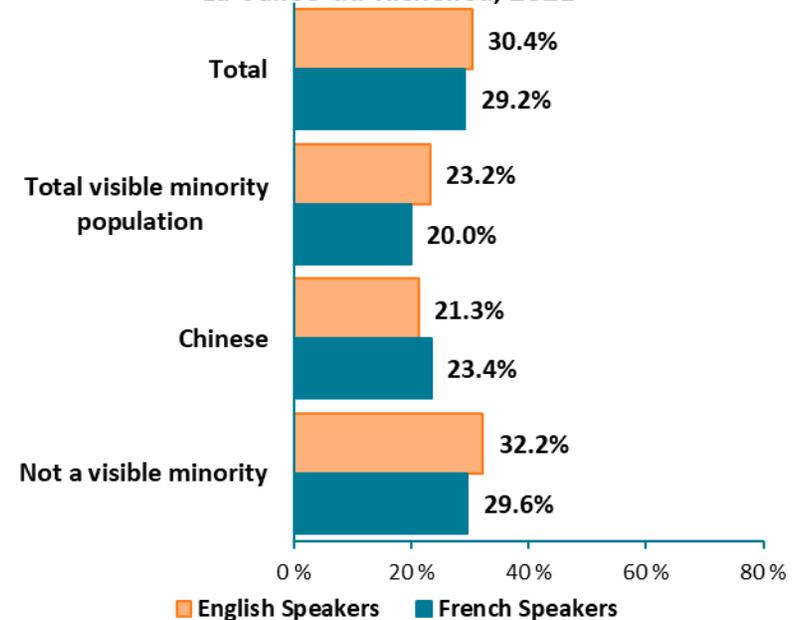
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**Unemployment Rate  
by Language and Visible Minority Group  
La Vallée-du-Richelieu, 2021**



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**Out of the Labour Force  
by Language and Visible Minority Group  
La Vallée-du-Richelieu, 2021**

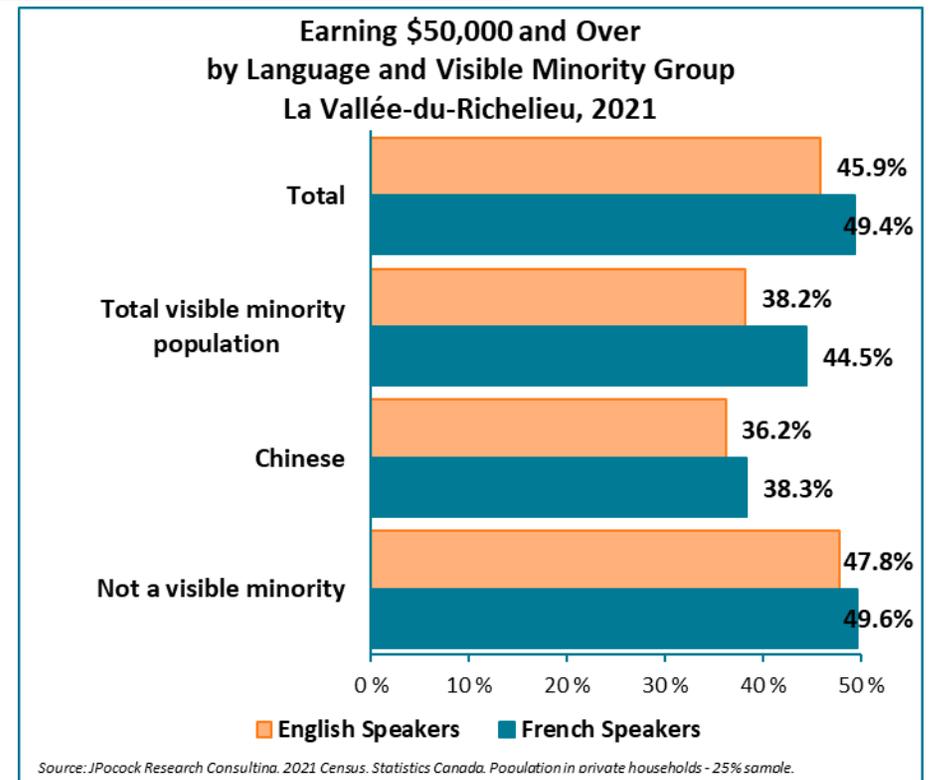
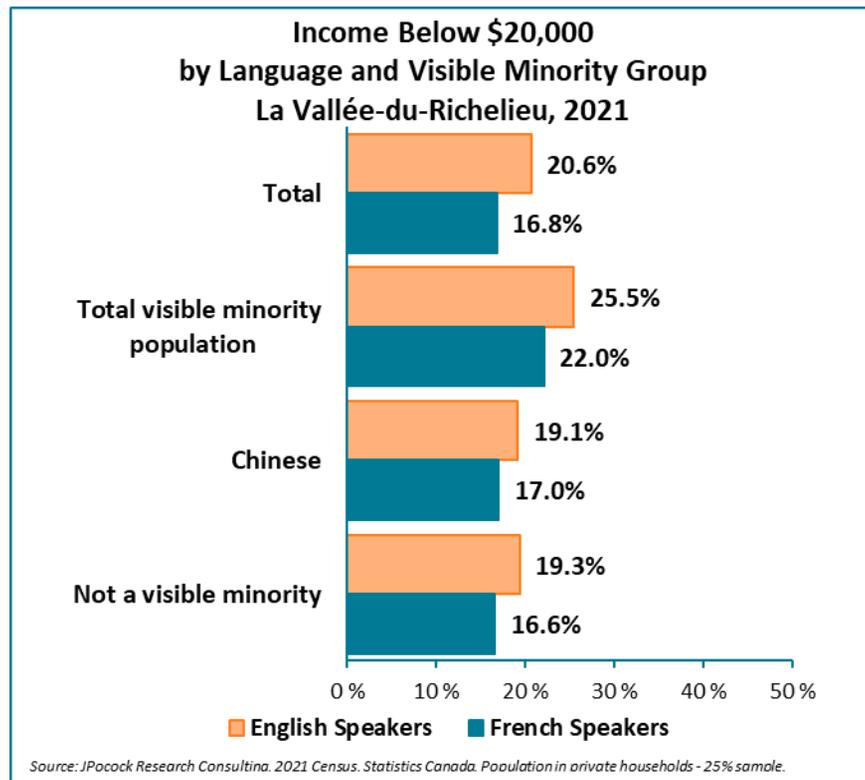


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## Income Levels of Visible Minority Populations

Income Categories of Visible Minority Populations by Language Group La Vallée-du-Richelieu, 2021								
Visible Minority	English Speakers				French Speakers			
	Total Population Aged 15+	Earning Less Than \$20,000	\$20,000 - \$49,999	Earning \$50,000 and Over	Total Population Aged 15+	Earning Less Than \$20,000	\$20,000 - \$49,999	Earning \$50,000 and Over
<b>Total</b>	5,525	1,140	1,850	2,535	98,570	16,585	33,290	48,690
<b>Total visible minority population</b>	1,100	280	400	420	4,150	915	1,380	1,845
<b>Chinese</b>	235	45	90	85	235	40	90	90
<b>Not a visible minority</b>	4,425	855	1,450	2,115	94,425	15,660	31,905	46,845
<b>Total</b>	100.0%	20.6%	33.5%	45.9%	100.0%	16.8%	33.8%	49.4%
<b>Total visible minority population</b>	100.0%	25.5%	36.4%	38.2%	100.0%	22.0%	33.3%	44.5%
<b>Chinese</b>	100.0%	19.1%	38.3%	36.2%	100.0%	17.0%	38.3%	38.3%
<b>Not a visible minority</b>	100.0%	19.3%	32.8%	47.8%	100.0%	16.6%	33.8%	49.6%

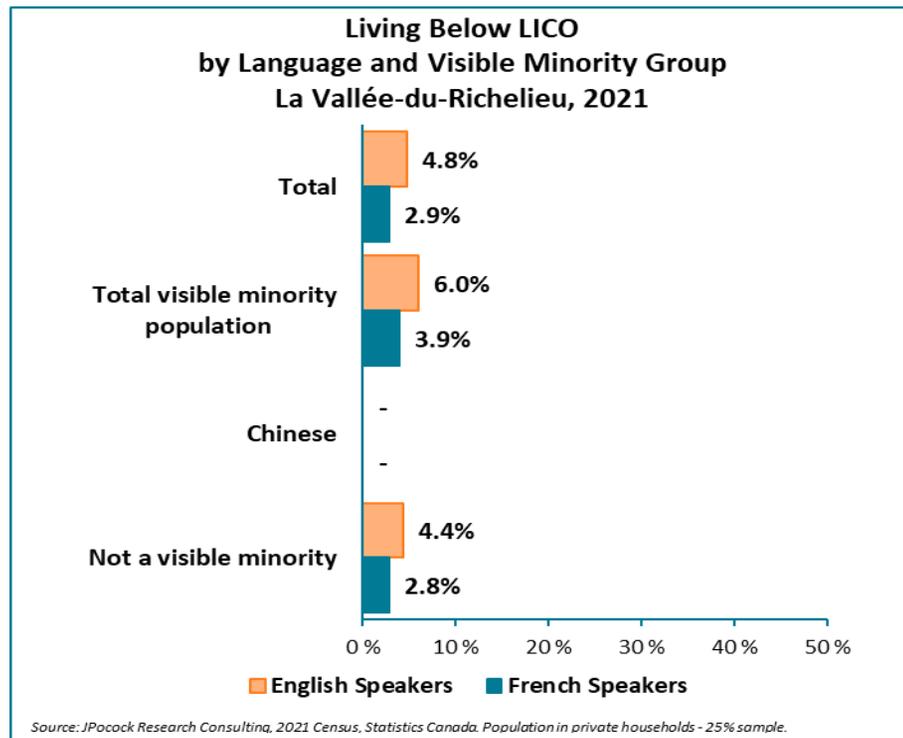
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## Low-income Cut-off Status of Visible Minority Populations

Low-income Cut-off Status of Visible Minority Populations by Language Group La Vallée-du-Richelieu, 2021						
Visible Minority	English Speakers			French Speakers		
	Total to Whom LICO Applies	Living Above LICO	Living Below LICO	Total to Whom LICO Applies	Living Above LICO	Living Below LICO
<b>Total</b>	6,810	6,485	325	122,700	119,160	3,540
<b>Total visible minority population</b>	1,425	1,340	85	6,100	5,860	240
<b>Chinese</b>	300	280	20	425	425	-
<b>Not a visible minority</b>	5,385	5,150	235	116,595	113,300	3,295
<b>Total</b>	100.0%	95.2%	4.8%	100.0%	97.1%	2.9%
<b>Total visible minority population</b>	100.0%	94.0%	6.0%	100.0%	96.1%	3.9%
<b>Chinese</b>	100.0%	93.3%	-	100.0%	100.0%	-
<b>Not a visible minority</b>	100.0%	95.6%	4.4%	100.0%	97.2%	2.8%

Source: JPocock Research Consulting, 2021 Census, Statistics Canada. Population in private households - 25% sample. (LICO-BT) shown.



## Appendix - Definitions

### Income

The *low-income* category includes those with less than \$20,000 in reported income combined with those who reported no income.

### Labour Force Status

The *Unemployment Rate* is calculated using the number of unemployed persons as the numerator and the population in the labour force as the denominator. It represents the proportion of people who are looking for work but cannot find any.

The *Employment Rate* is calculated using the number of employed persons as the numerator and the total population aged 15 and over as the denominator. It represents the proportion of adults who were employed, regardless of circumstances.

*Out of the Labour Force* Refers to persons who, in the week (Sunday to Saturday) prior to Census Day, were neither employed nor unemployed. It includes students, homemakers, retired workers, seasonal workers in an 'off' season who were not looking for work, and persons who could not work because of a long-term illness or disability.

### Low-income Cut-off (LICO)

The *Low-income Cut-off* refers to income levels at which families or persons not in economic families spend 20% more than average of their before tax income on food, shelter and clothing

### Recent Mobility

*Non-movers* are persons who lived at the same address 5 years previously.

*Non-migrants* are persons who have moved but live within the same municipality as they did 5 years previously.

*Intraprovincial migrants* are persons who moved over the past 5 years but within the same province.

*Interprovincial migrants* are persons who moved over the past 5 years from another province into Québec.

*External migrants* are persons who moved into Québec from another country over the past 5 years.

### Visible Minority

*Visible Minority, n.i.e.* refers to all visible minority groups not included elsewhere.

*Multiple visible minorities* refer to those who reported belonging to more than one visible minority group.