

Three-quarters of New Brunswick Households Owned Their Dwelling

A person or a group of persons who occupy the same private dwelling is a **household**. Households can be divided into family and non-family households. **Couple-family households** consist of either one married couple or one common-law couple (with or without children) and without additional persons. Couples can be opposite or same sex. **Other family households** refer to one-family households with additional persons and multiple-family households with or without additional persons. **Non-family households** consist of one person living alone or several persons who share the same private dwelling but who do not constitute a [census family](#), such as roommates or siblings.

- Households in the Atlantic provinces had the highest homeownership rates in the country. Data from the 2011 National Household Survey showed that of New Brunswick's 314,035 households, three-quarters (75.7%) owned their dwelling, the second highest rate of homeownership in Canada behind only Newfoundland and Labrador (77.5%). Nationally, 69.0% of households owned their dwelling.
- Similar rates of homeownership were evident at the time of the 2006 Census, with 75.5% of New Brunswick households owning their dwelling and 68.4% of Canadian households owning theirs.
- Regardless of household type, homeownership rates in New Brunswick were above the national rates. Couple-family households in New Brunswick had the highest prevalence of homeownership with 87.4% owning their dwelling, while non-family households had the lowest incidence at 57.2%. Among lone-parent households, six of ten (59.1%) owned their dwelling.

