

# Census numbers no surprise— Carr

# A snapshot of Halton

The 2006 Census information released Tuesday presents the following information about Halton:

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Carr said the Census numbers didn't come as a surprise to the Region, noting that one only has to drive down the road to see the massive growth taking place in Halton.

In addition, the Region's planning department prepared a forecast some years ago that estimated Halton would grow by 17 per cent between 2001 and 2006. Region staff had also projected Burlington would grow by nine per cent, Halton Hills by 14 per cent, Oakville by 12 per cent and Milton by 87 per cent, which is 16 per cent more than the town actually grew.



GARY CARR

So why push the Fairness for

Halton campaign now?

According to Carr, part of the reason is that a provincial election is on the horizon.

"An election campaign is a good opportunity to talk about the issues," he said.

He also said that during the recent municipal election, he and other members of regional council heard loud and clear concerns from the community about growth, in turn bringing about the Fairness for Halton message now being delivered



Halton Hills' population rose by nearly 15 per cent between 2001 and 2006 according to Census stats released this week. Much of the growth can be attributed to new home construction in Georgetown South.

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by the new council.

He noted the Census figures "basically underline what we're saying" in the fairness campaign.

Carr urged residents to visit Halton's Web site, [www.halton.ca](http://www.halton.ca), to find out more about the Fairness

for Halton campaign and to forward an on-line postcard to local MPs and MPPs in support of the fairness initiative.

—With files from Lisa Tallyn, staff writer

## Halton Region

2006 population: 439,256  
2001 population: 375,229  
Population change: 17.1 per cent  
Total private dwellings: 162,346  
Population density per square kilometre: 454.2  
Land area: 967.17 sq. km

## Town of Halton Hills

2006 population: 55,289  
2001 population: 48,184  
Population change: 14.7 per cent  
Total private dwellings: 19,265  
Population density per square kilometre: 200.1  
Land area: 276.26 sq. km

## Town of Milton

2006 population: 53,939  
2001 population: 31,471  
Population change: 71.4 per cent  
Total private dwellings: 18,913  
Population density per square kilometre: 147.1  
Land area: 366.61 sq. km

## Town of Oakville

2006 population: 165,613  
2001 population: 144,738  
Population change: 14.4 per cent  
Total private dwellings: 58,828  
Population density per square kilometre: 1,195.2  
Land area: 138.56 sq. km

## City of Burlington

2006 population: 164,415  
2001 population: 150,836  
Population change: nine per cent  
Total private dwellings: 65,340  
Population density per square kilometre: 885.2  
Land area: 185.74 sq. km

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