

Brampton Peace Monument

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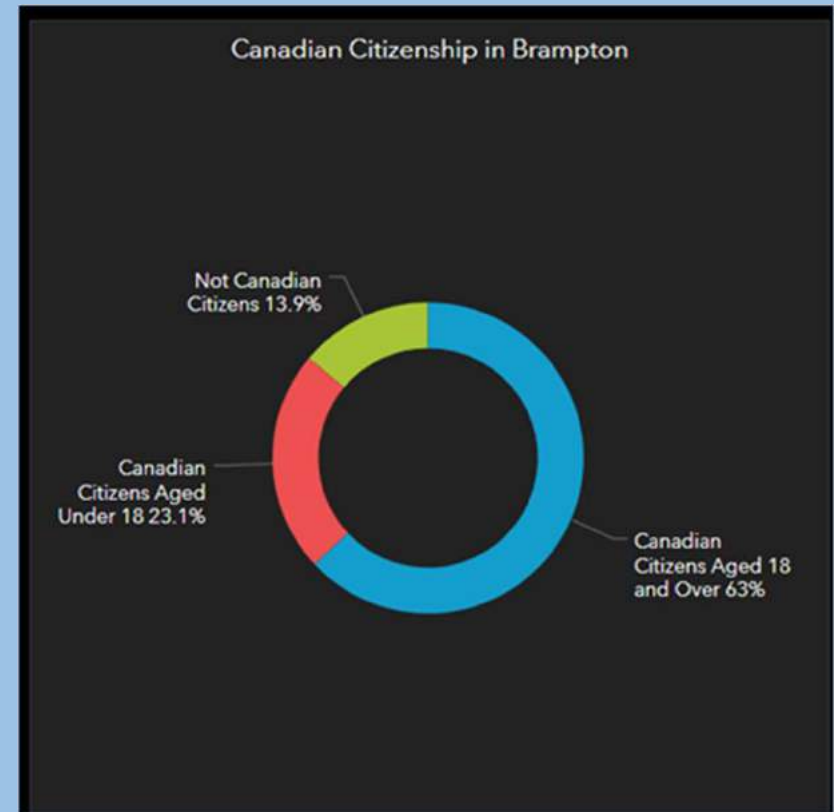
- The essence of Brampton is diversity and the essence of what the people want for the future is that their city be arranged, governed,
- Seen, and celebrated as a mosaic of people, places and endeavours of all kinds, coexisting in harmony.
- Living the mosaic in 2040 is the central and simple aspiration of the people of Brampton.

Source: [Brampton 2040 Executive Summary.pdf](#)

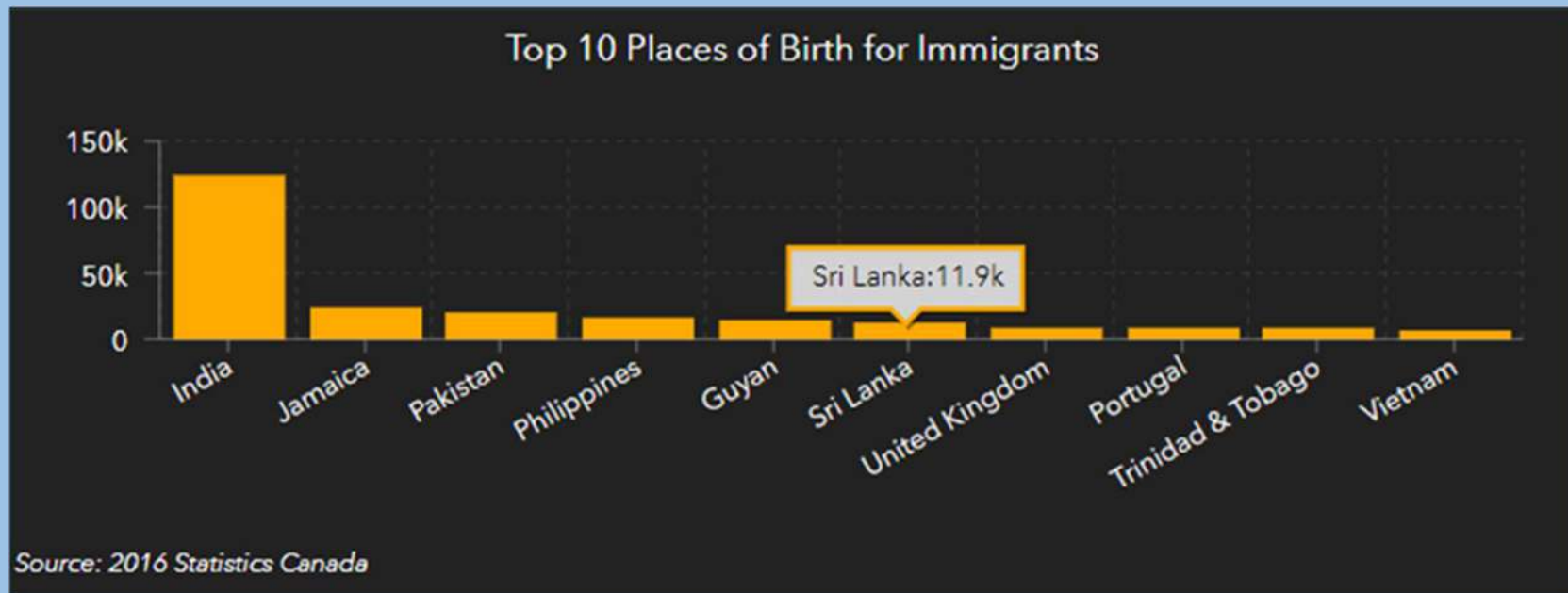
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- 2016 Census
 - City of Brampton has 4th largest visible minority population
 - 234 Ethnic origins and speaks 89 languages
 - 86.1% are Canadian Citizens
 - Between 2011 to 2016 39,915 immigrants arrived in Brampton
 - 52.5% population born outside Canada
 - Diversity is our strength

Source: <https://geohub.brampton.ca/pages/profile-diversity>



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Sri Lanka in top 10 places of birth for Immigrants

Estimated 11,900 are living in Brampton

4,660 Tamils , 7,300 Sinhalese and Muslims

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- On January 20, 2021 Councillor Medeiros presented a motion to support constructing a Tamil monument at the Committee of Council meeting,
- Motion carried 11/0.
- SLCAB welcomes the motion and initiative by the Council and Mayor, but we request the move to be inclusive.
- Sinhalese and Muslim community (estimated 7,300) in Brampton have also made and continue to make significant contribution to the City of Brampton's growth in the areas of business, arts and culture.
- By constructing a peace monument the City of Brampton would recognize the contributions of all communities of Sri Lankan origin.

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- **Armed Conflict in Sri Lanka**

- All ethnic groups Tamils, Sinhalese, Muslims were equally affected by the three decade armed conflict.
- Armed conflict brought trauma and destruction to all; Tamils, Sinhalese Muslims and other minority groups all over Sri Lanka.
- LTTE terrorists have massacred 126,235 innocent Sinhalese and Muslims civilians as part of ethnic cleansing.
- Additionally, 81,346 Sinhalese and Muslims died as a results of LTTE terrorists' suicide bomb attacks.
- Tens of thousands of innocent Tamil civilians also had died during the armed conflict.

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- As Sri Lankans we mourn all loss of lives from this unfortunate conflict.
- Constructing monument for only one ethnic group is not reflecting the City of Brampton Vision 2040 – living the Mosaic.
- It brings back trauma to Sinhalese and Muslims who have experienced three decades of suffering.
- Brampton is a shining symbol of Canadian cultural mosaic and peace.
- All ethnic groups are living peacefully while enjoying their cultures.

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"Inclusivity"

We are stronger together!

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SLCAB requests

- To build a **Peace Monument** inclusive of all ethnic groups from Sri Lanka: Sinhalese, Tamils, Muslims and others effected by armed conflict who have made Brampton as their home, and who also make significant contributions to the City of Brampton's growth in the areas of business, arts and culture.

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SLCAB requests

The City of Brampton to work with the Sri Lanka Canada Association of Brampton, to locate a sufficiently large city park or facility, including consideration of Chinguacousy Park if feasible, to construct a **Peace Monument** to recognize the end of armed conflict on May 18, 2009, and the dawn of peace in Sri Lanka.

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- Peace monument – One Brampton
- Aligned with Brampton 2040 vision
- Let's Unite
- Celebrate, respect each Other
- We are the Mosaic of Brampton



Thank You!

Sri Lanka Canada Association Brampton