

Because Canada has one of the best medical and social service in world, we also have one of the

oldest populations in the world. Canada needs a steady flow of new immigrants in order to maintain a healthy social and economic growth and support an infrastructure of the second largest country in the world. Consider some of these factors:

- Demographics - aging population, low birth rate and shrinking work force.
- “Baby Boomers” will need social, medical, and old age assistance – there is a need to be able to finance the numerous social programmes.
- The country's rapidly ageing population, coupled with a dearth of young workers, will cause a major shortage of potential employees and could mean immigrants will account for almost all of the labour force growth within a decade, Statistics Canada suggests.
- Census data for 2002, predicts potential worker shortfalls in a vast range of occupations by 2011, from family doctors to bricklayers.
- By 2021, Canada will have only two working Canadians for each retiree, compared with a current 6-to-1 ratio.
- Changing world economic trends require Canada to have a dynamic and competitive society
- Canada competes for the best and the brightest immigrants, with countries like New Zealand, Australia, and U.S.A.
- The Canadian government sets annual immigration quotas which need to be met