

# Report on Citizenship Test Results August 2010

## Notes:

The report is in two sections, reflecting the two distinct (and non-commensurable) data sources used in its construction. The first is drawn from local office test reports, which distinguish between test versions and, crucially, separate first-time tests from re-tests, allowing us to see that access to re-testing has so far raised the overall success rate from 75% to 80%.

The second section draws on the Global Case Management System (GCMS), which provides demographic data but cannot distinguish re-tests from first tries. Since applicant success on re-tests is much lower – these are people who have already failed once – their inclusion somewhat paradoxically reduces the overall pass rate in this section to 71%. It also tends to amplify demographic differences.

**SECTION 1 – Office Test Summaries Data:**

**Test Pass Rates:**

1 <sup>st</sup> Time Test Takers	73.9%	4,744	75.2%	27,265
2 <sup>nd</sup> Time Test Takers	47.0%	1,423	47.5%	5,229

**Cumulative Pass Rate (Number of applicants that passed the test with one or two attempts):**

Cumulative Pass Rate (March 15-August 31)	79.6%
Total Number of Test Takers (March 15-August 31)	37,210 (29,631 passed 1 <sup>st</sup> or 2 <sup>nd</sup> time; 2,365 failed twice; and 5,214 are not yet re-tested)

**Test Pass Rates by Version:**

Version	76.5%	52.5%	77.5%	52.6%
Version	70.3%	43.1%	71.9%	45.6%
Version	74.4%	49.1%	77.8%	48.3%
Version	74.6%	43.0%	73.6%	43.7%

**SECTION 2 – GCMS Data:**

**Overall Test Pass Rate (rate based on total number of tests administered):**

Test Takers	68.8%	6,243	71.5%	34,386

Note: The overall pass rates correspond to the average pass rates including 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> time tests (weighted average)

**Test Pass Rates by Gender:**

Male	72.3%	2,794	74.5%	15,747
Female	65.9%	3,449	69.0%	18,639

**Test Pass Rates by Language:**

English Test Pass Rates	68.4%	5,436	71.3%	30,143
French Test Pass Rates	71.4%	807	73.3%	4,243

**Colour Coding for Differential from Average:**

10% or more above average pass rate	
0% - 9% above average pass rate	
0% - 9% below average pass rate	
10% or more below average pass rate	

**Test Pass Rates by Country of Birth -Top 10 Source Countries (May-August):**

Country	Pass Rate	Total
India	65.5%	5,264
China	76.4%	3,418
Philippines	74.7%	2,690
Pakistan	75.0%	1,867
Romania	89.3%	654
Columbia	74.0%	873
Korea	81.3%	691
Iran	77.6%	1,024
UK	90.4%	594
Sri Lanka	42.9%	916
Other Countries	71.5%	16,395

**Test Pass Rates by Age Groups (May-August):**

Age Group	Pass Rate	Total
Age 18-25	68.96%	4,614
Age 26-35	70.69%	12,359
Age 36-45	74.22%	12,026
Age 46-54	69.48%	5,387

**Test Pass Rates by Region (May-August):**

Region	Pass Rate	Total
Atlantic	86.3%	292
Québec	71.6%	5,876
Ontario	71.3%	17,255
Prairies / NT	71.5%	48,51
British Columbia / Yukon	71.5%	6,112