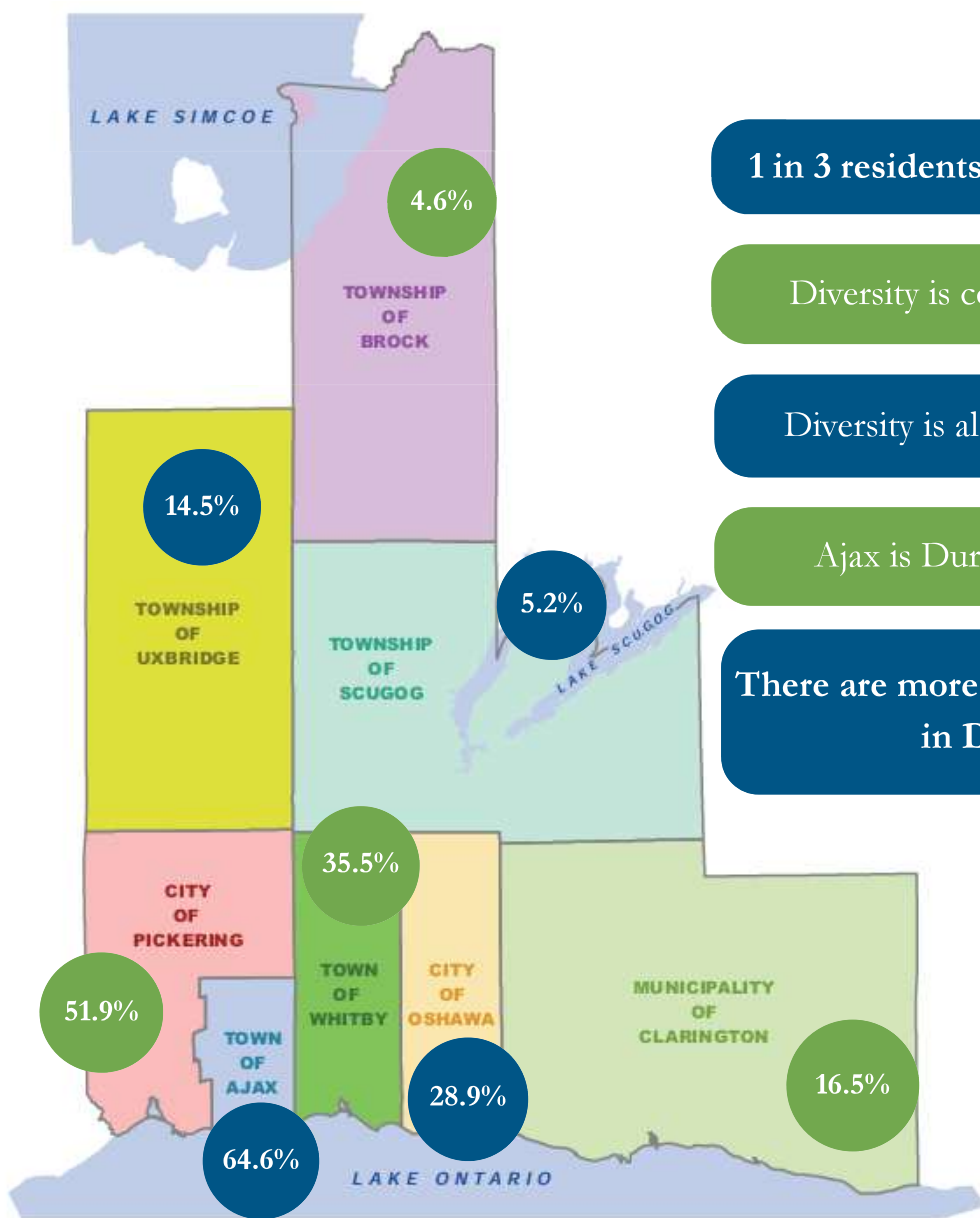


Between 2016 and 2021, Durham's racialized populations grew by 45%, over 4 times faster than the total population.



1 in 3 residents in Durham are racialized.

Diversity is concentrated in urban areas.

Diversity is also increasing in rural areas.

Ajax is Durham's most diverse city.

There are more racialized women than men in Durham Region.

Citizenship and Immigration

In 2021, the strong majority (**86.6%**) of racialized populations were citizens. More than half (**54.6%**) of racialized populations were immigrant. About **8%** of racialized populations were refugees.

South Asians were the largest racialized groups in Durham (**92,305**), followed by Black (**66,035**) and Filipino (**20,065**) communities.



Education

Racialized populations are **more educated** than general population. The most educated group in Durham is **racialized women**. **1 in 3 racialized women** hold a bachelor's degree or higher.

Postsecondary Education: Racialized | Total Populations
Whitby **63.1%** | **60.3%**
Uxbridge **61.6%** | **57.5%**

Higher Education Does Not Guarantee Opportunity

Unemployment Rates: Racialized | Total Populations (2021):

Ajax: **14.2%** | **13.4%**
Oshawa: **14.7%** | **13.2%**
Clarington: **14.8%** | **11%**
Brock: **12.7%** | **8.6%**



Racialized women have lower employment rates than racialized men, despite being more educated



Income Gaps: Race, Gender and Geography

In Brock, racialized women earn just only **59.3%** of what total men earn.
In Whitby, racialized women earn **68.5%** of what total men earn

Median Income: Racialized | Total populations (2020):
Ajax: \$ **39,600** vs. \$ **42,400**
Whitby: \$ **41,600** vs. \$ **47,600**
Uxbridge: \$ **38,400** vs. \$ **48,400**
Brock: \$ **28,400** vs. \$ **41,600**

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Racialized and Gendered Poverty

Poverty Rates Racialized | Total Population:

Oshawa: **6%** vs. **5.3%**

Uxbridge: **9.3%** vs. **5.2%**

In Oshawa and other cities, racialized women tend to be more low-income than men.
In Uxbridge and other rural areas, racialized men experienced exceptionally high poverty.

Racial & Gender Gaps in Accessing Safe, Affordable Housing

Unaffordable Housing: Racialized | Total Population

Oshawa: **25.8%** vs. **17.1%**

Scugog: **26.6%** vs. **11.4%**

Racialized populations living in housing in core of need of repair:

Oshawa: **12.2%**

Uxbridge: **9.3%**

Gendered Disparities:

In Oshawa, **12.7%** of racialized women live in housing needing major repairs.

In Uxbridge, **12.6%** of racialized men live in poor quality housing.



Refugees in Durham: Need for More Services

Rural areas like Brock, Uxbridge, and Scugog are now receiving more racialized refugees.

Many rural communities lack public transit, affordable housing, language supports and anti-racism services.

Bottom Line

Durham Region is growing and becoming more diverse, with racialized populations making up over one-third of the region's populations in 2021. Racial, gender and geographic inequalities run deep in Durham Region. There is a critical need for coordinated equity-focused policies at all levels of government to address the systemic barriers faced by racialized populations across Durham.

