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Canadian Census and Indigenous People

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History of Indigenous People

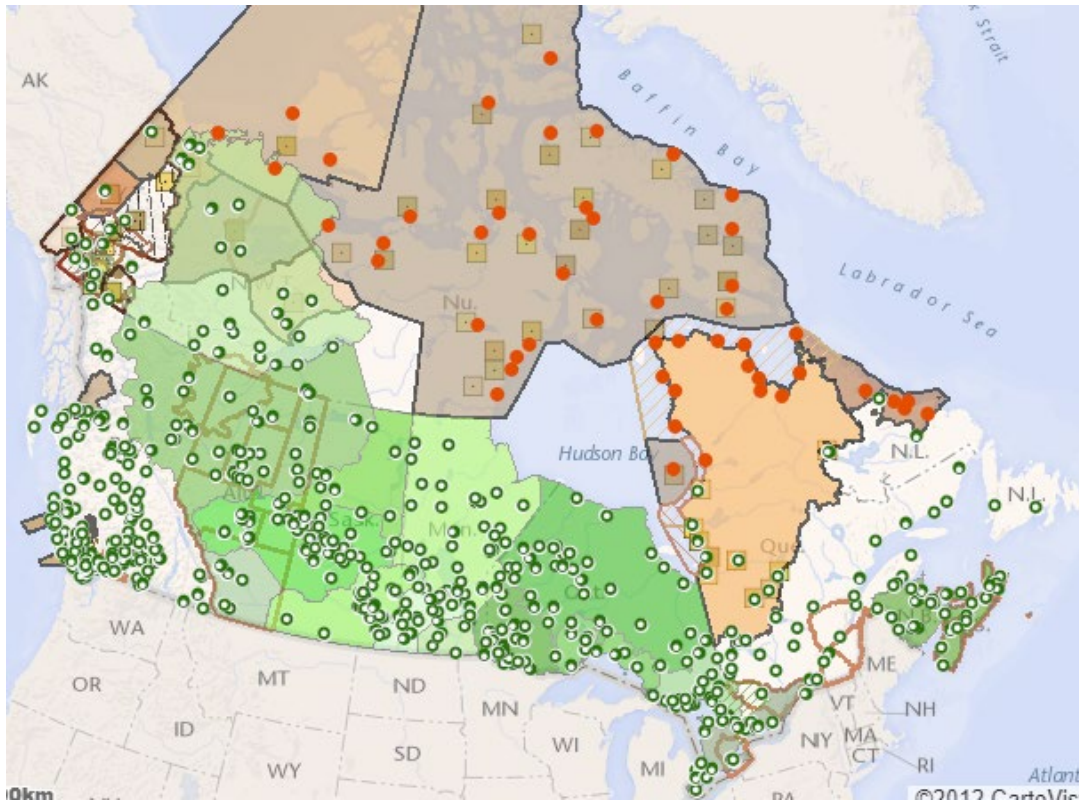
- Three distinct groups with different culture, traditions, languages and worldviews
- Canada has 600+ First Nations communities; 53 Inuit communities; and eight Métis Settlements
- Treaty and self-government agreements negotiated and ratified (most)





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Diversity of Indigenous Population



- Total Indigenous population – 1,673,785
- First Nations people – 977,230
- Métis – 587,545
- Inuit – 65,025





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Census History

Statistics Act mandates Census be conducted every five years.

Over 130 (out of 600) First Nations did not participate in 1986.

Efforts to engage Indigenous peoples have continued since.





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Engagement

Indigenous Liaison Program

Building direct individual partnerships with communities.

Statistical Capacity Building

Helping Indigenous communities and organizations through training and technical support.





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Defining the Indigenous population

24 Is this person First Nations, Métis or Inuk (Inuit)?

Note: First Nations (North American Indian) includes Status and Non-Status Indians.

If “Yes”, mark “” the circle(s) that best describe(s) this person now.

No, not First Nations, Métis or Inuk (Inuit)

OR

Continue with the next question

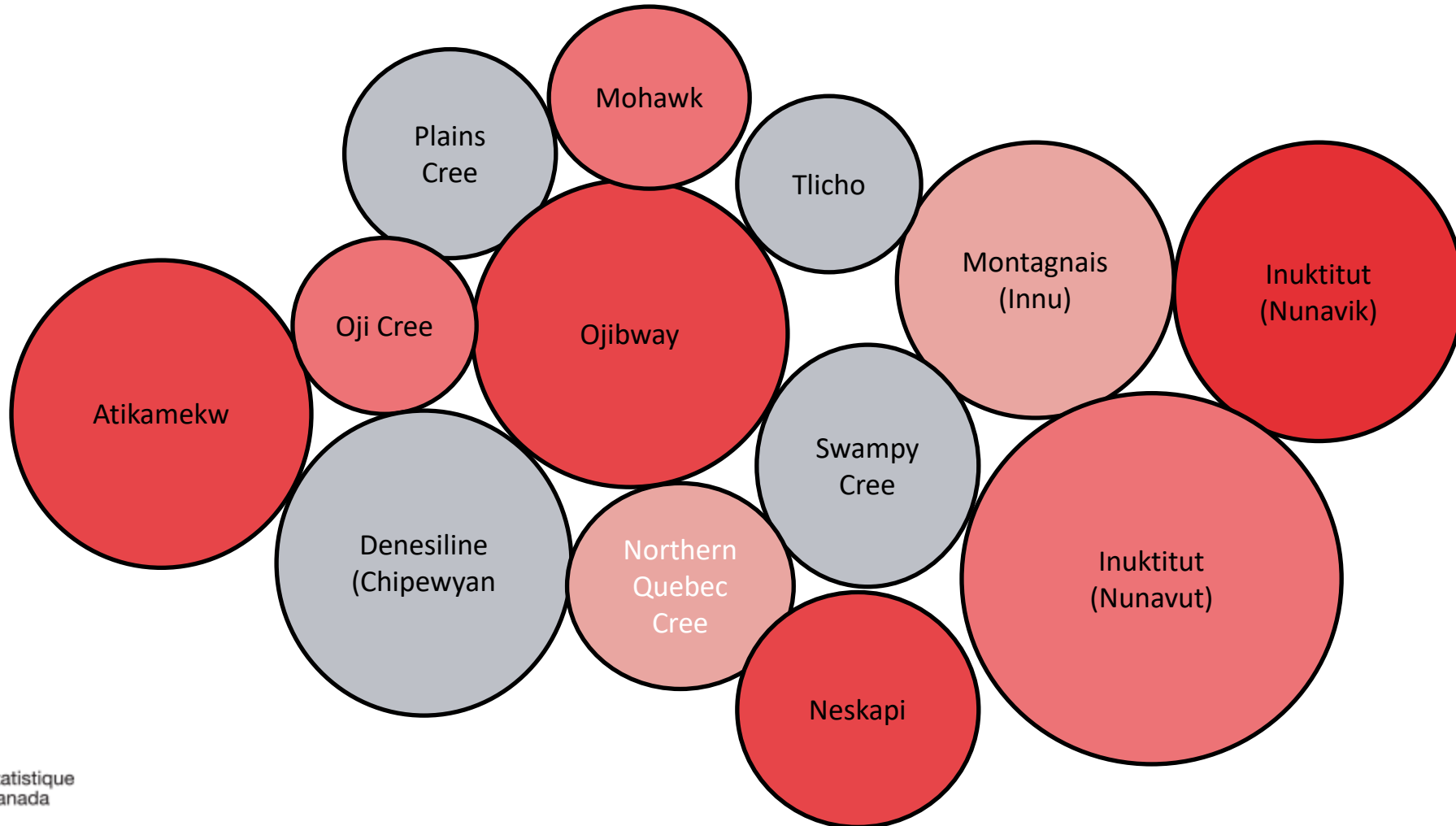
- Yes, First Nations (North American Indian)
- Yes, Métis
- Yes, Inuk (Inuit)

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Translation of Questionnaire

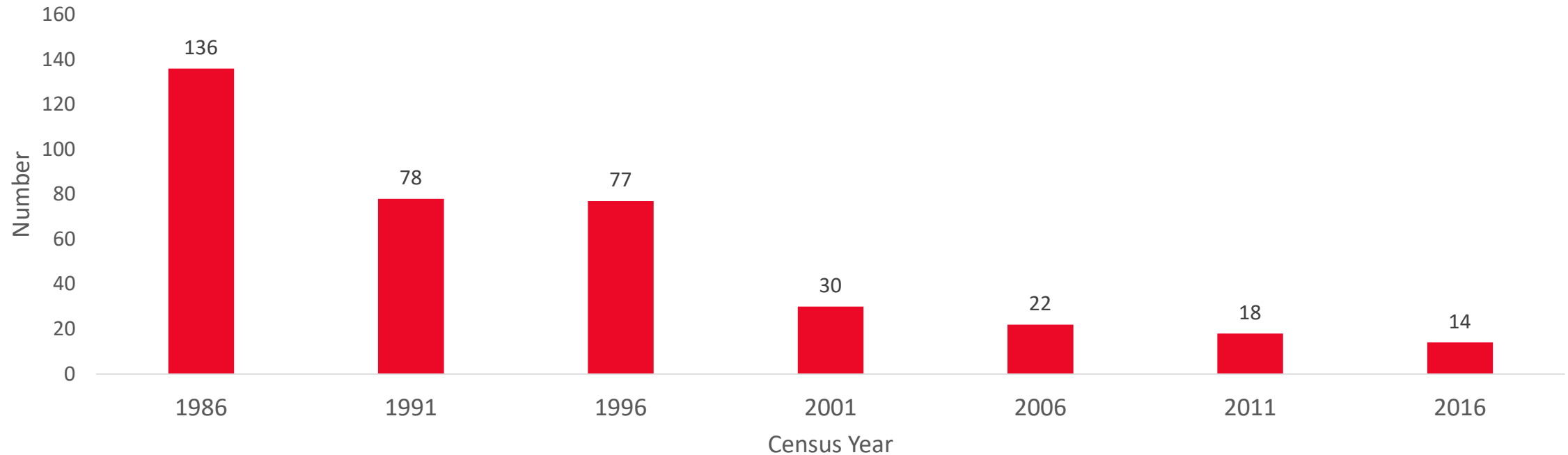




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Non-Participating Communities

Incompletely enumerated Indian reserves and settlements



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- **Community Participation**
- **Local hiring**
- **Online enumeration**
- **Enhanced Safety procedures**



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Thank you! Merci! Nakummek!

QUESTIONS?

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