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How do I calculate time spent in Canada when applying for Canadian citizenship?

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Dreaming of becoming a Canadian citizen? Get ready to dive into the exciting world of maple syrup, moose, and... calculating your physical presence in Canada!

This crucial requirement, often referred to as the "3 years in 5" rule, means spending at least 1,095 days physically present in Canada within the 5 years before applying for citizenship.

But wait, Depending on your immigration journey, you might be able to count some of your pre-permanent resident (PR) days as well.

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This blog unravels the mysteries of time-counting for aspiring Canadians, with clear examples and helpful tips.



Who can count some pre-permanent residence days?

Temporary Residents (TRs): [Students](#), [workers](#), [visitors](#), and [temporary resident permit](#) holders – rejoice! Each full day you spend in Canada as a [Temporary Resident](#) counts as half a day (up to a maximum of 365 days) towards your physical presence requirement.

Protected Persons: Fled conflict or persecution? If the Immigration and Refugee Board recognizes you as a refugee or grants you protected person status, your days in Canada after receiving that confirmation also count as half days (again, up to 365 days).

Let's Understand it with an example!



Meet **Romesh**, an international student who arrived in Canada in September 2019 and became a [Canada permanent resident](#) in 2022. He's applying for citizenship on March 24, 2024, and has stayed in Canada since arriving.

Temporary Residence days: He spent 855 days as a TR (September 4, 2019, to January 5, 2022), but only 365 days count (half days, remember?).

Permanent residence days: All 808 days as a PR (January 6, 2022, to March 23, 2024) count in full.

Voila! Romesh racks up a total of 1,173 days (365 TR + 808 PR) – exceeding the minimum requirement with flying colours.

Now, let's meet Kevin, a protected person who arrived in Canada in 2021 and became a PR in 2023. He applied for citizenship on July 16, 2024, and never left Canada either.

Protected person days: He spent 640 days as a protected person (May 20, 2021, to February 18, 2023), but only 320 days count (half days again).

Permanent residence days: All 513 days as a PR (February 19, 2023, to July 15, 2024) count in full.

Kevin lands at 833 days (320 protected person + 513 PR) – still short of the minimum. But don't fret, Kevin! You can apply once you reach the 1,095-day mark.

Finally, we have Shelly, a PR since 2017, applying for citizenship on June 6, 2024. Between January 4 and August 18, 2019, she was out of Canada for personal reasons.

Permanent residence days: She spent 1,827 days as a PR (June 6, 2019, to June 5, 2024), but we need to subtract her time outside Canada (227 days).

Shelly clocks in at 1,600 days (1,827 PR – 227 outside Canada) – comfortably above the minimum!

Remember:

This blog is a simplified guide, and specific situations might require consulting IRCC's official resources.

The clock stops the day before you apply, so don't count the application day itself.

Some minors also need to meet the physical presence requirement.

Feel free to leave your questions and Canadian citizenship dreams in the comments below! We're here to help you navigate this exciting journey.

P.S. Don't forget to apply with more than the minimum of 1,095 days – just in case of any calculation hiccups.

Now go forth and conquer your Canadian citizenship adventure! Remember, counting days can be fun, especially when the prize is maple syrup and moose-ments to cherish.

FAQ's

1. Can I count time spent outside Canada during my eligibility period?

Yes, you can count on SOME time spent outside Canada!

Temporary Residents and Protected Persons: Count ½ your days in Canada, up to 365 days.

Crown Service and Family Ties: Count ALL days while officially serving or accompanying eligible family.

Full details and exceptions: IRCC website! Remember: Minimum 1,095 days inside Canada still applies. Happy counting!

2. Does COVID-19 affect my physical presence requirement?

With COVID-19 travel restrictions still fresh in many minds, answer the question "Does COVID-19 impact my physical presence requirement?" Explain IRCC's temporary measures for absences due to COVID-19, including border closures and travel restrictions. Link to the latest IRCC COVID-19 updates for accuracy.

3. How can I track my physical presence efficiently?

Many users seek streamlined solutions. Suggest user-friendly tools like the IRCC Citizenship Calculator and official government timelines to help applicants track their days.

Mention alternative methods like travel stamps or immigration records for those without digital access.

4. What happens if I fall short of the physical presence requirement?

Clear communication is key. Guide users through options if they don't meet the 1,095-day minimum. Explain how to extend their stay in Canada or postpone their application. Highlight relevant IRCC resources for detailed information.

5. Are there any upcoming changes to the physical presence requirement?

Stay ahead of the curve by addressing concerns about possible changes. Mention any proposed or confirmed legislative updates affecting the physical presence requirement, and link to official government announcements for transparency.

6. Can I count time outside Canada for Canadian citizenship?

Generally, no. Only time spent physically present in Canada counts towards the residence requirement (1,095 days in 5 years). **However, exceptions exist for:**

Temporary residents and protected persons: Count 50% of your days up to 365 days.



Crown service and family ties: Count all days while serving Canada or accompanying eligible family members.

7. Canadian citizenship calculator:

You can use the IRCC [Citizenship Calculator](#) to track your physical presence

8.. How to prove physical presence for Canadian citizenship:

Provide documents like:

Entry stamps and records
Canadian tax returns
Employment records
Bank statements
Utility bills

9. What if I don't meet the physical presence requirement?

- Extend your stay in Canada to reach the minimum days.
- Postpone your application until you meet the requirements.

10. Will Canada change the "3 years in 5" rule?

There have been proposals to modify the physical presence requirement, but no confirmed changes yet. Stay updated on [IRCC announcements](#):

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