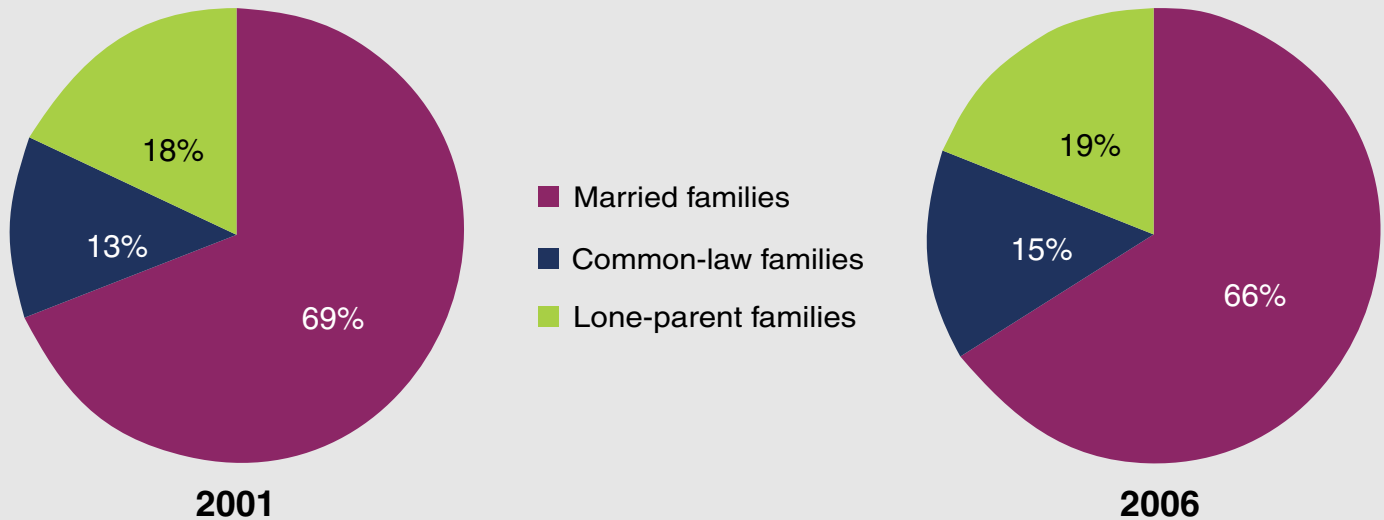




2.1.4 Family Structure

Fig. 2.1.4 Distribution of children under 15 years by family structure, Canada, Census, 2001 and 2006



Note: Excludes census data for one or more incompletely enumerated Indian reserves or Indian settlements.

Adapted from Statistics Canada <http://www12.statcan.gc.ca/census-recensement/2006/dp-pd/tbt/Rp-eng.cfm?LANG=E&APATH=3&DETAIL=0&DIM=0&FL=A&FREE=0&GC=0&GID=0&GK=0&GRP=1&PID=89021&PRID=0&PTYPE=88971,97154&S=0&SHOWALL=0&SUB=0&Temporal=2006&THEME=68&VID=0&VNAMEE=&VNAMEF=>, accessed on December 13, 2011.

Although married couples remain the most common Census family with children under the age of 15, findings from the 2006 Census suggest a shifting distribution among Census family structures. In 2006, married families with children under 15 accounted for 66% of all families with children under 15, down from 69% in 2001. The proportion of common-law families with children under 15 rose to 15% from 13%.

