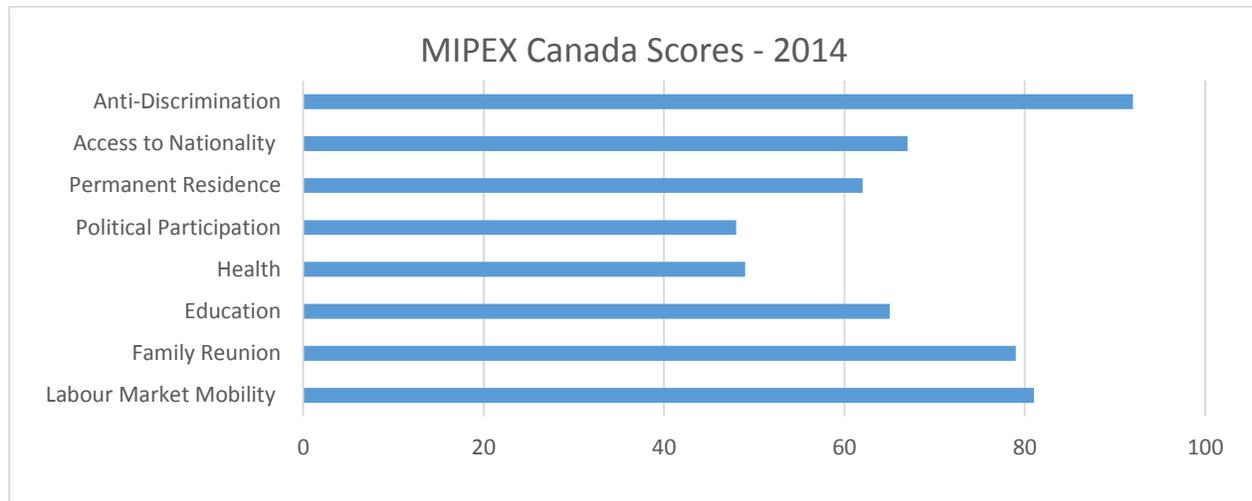


2015 MIPEX CANADA REPORT SUMMARY

SCORES

Canada's MIPEX Score = 68/100 - placing Canada 6th out of 38 MIPEX countries.



*Canada's overall MIPEX score lost one point on the 100 point scale due to increased restrictions and changes to Canadian immigration policy. MIPEX cited permanent residents facing greater wait times for citizenship, restrictions and documentation burdens to becoming a Canadian citizen and difficulties reuniting dependent family members along with securing them residence as reasons for this decreased score.

OBSERVATIONS AND CONCLUSIONS

The loss of one point on MIPEX's scale questions the future of Canada's traditionally inclusive integration policies. Canada's integration strength was bolstered by selected immigrants arriving as permanent residents with incentives to integrate and pursue citizenship. Recent delays and restrictions to citizenship and family reunion may negatively impact permanent residents' integration trajectory. The increase in temporary foreign workers and ensuing restrictions on their labour mobility, access to language and vocational training and paths to permanent residence and citizenship also adversely impacts immigrant integration within Canada.

Despite these shortcomings, Canada still leads the developed world in promoting rapid labour market integration, non-discrimination and a common sense of belonging. Immigrants and citizens generally enjoy the same access, social rights and strong discrimination protections within Canada's flexible labour market. New settlement services are piloted, developed and evaluated using qualitative data and specific performance indicators. All newcomers, regardless of education levels, benefit from government settlement services, language support and promotion of cultural diversity.

Overall, Canada's policies are slightly favourable for integration in most areas of life. These policies score 68/100 and rank 6th out of the 38 countries, alongside Australia, slightly below New Zealand, Portugal and Nordic countries. Canada's scores are above those of the US and UK.

For further details regarding Canada's MIPEX assessment see: <http://www.mipex.eu/canada>

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