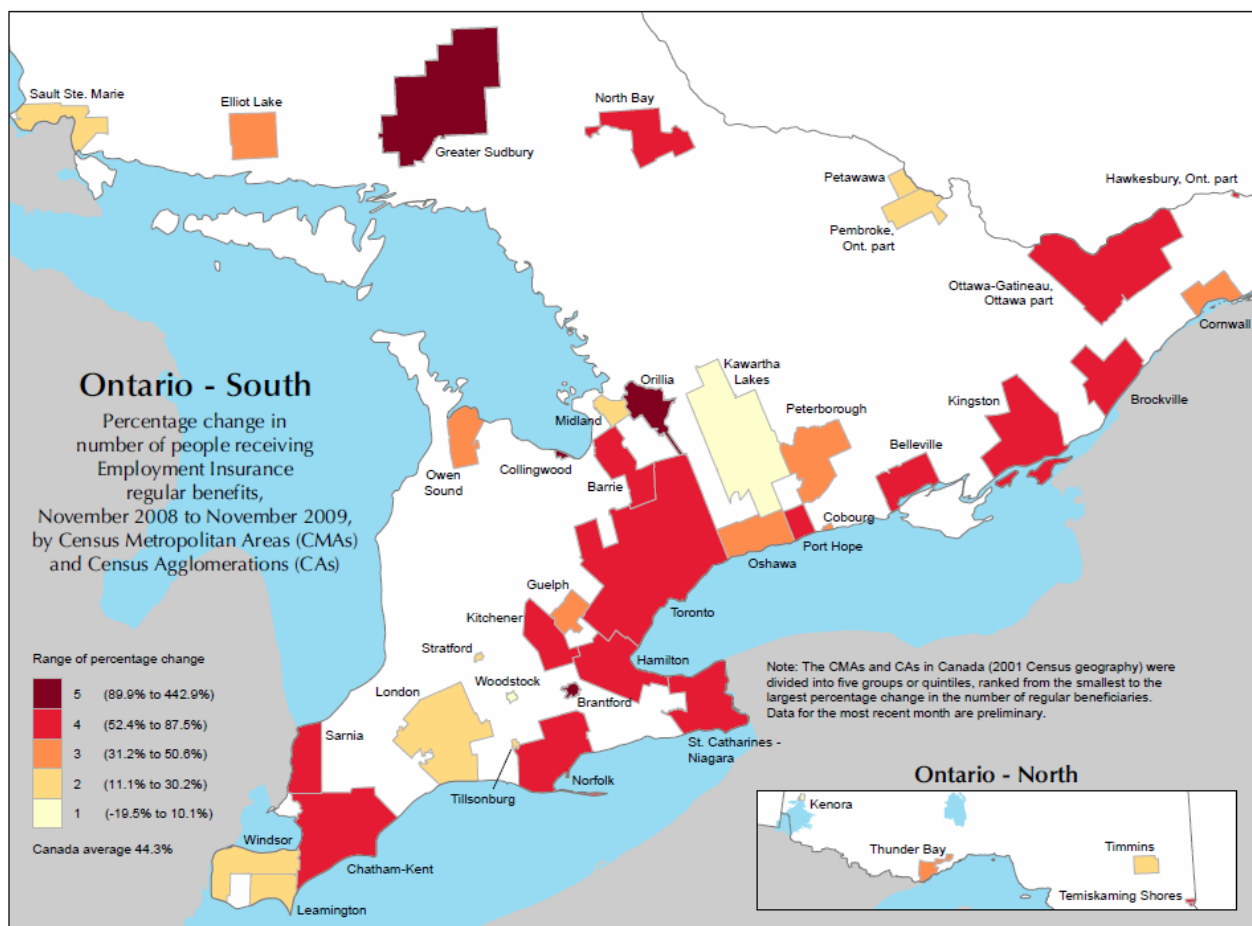


Regular EI Beneficiaries by Census Metropolitan Area

- Provincial growth rates in regular beneficiaries reflect increases that occurred in Canada's Census Metropolitan Areas (CMAs). Between November 2008 and November 2009, the number of regular beneficiaries increased in all CMAs.
- In Ontario, the number of regular beneficiaries more than doubled in Sudbury, rising from 1,800 to 4,300. This year-over-year increase coincided with a decline in employment, particularly in the natural resources sector. In Toronto, the number of beneficiaries increased by 35,600 (72%) over the period. The southwestern part of Ontario continues to be particularly affected as large employment losses occurred in the province's manufacturing sector. In Hamilton, the number rose from 5,600 to 10,200 (83%) and it went from 4,800 to 8,200 (71%) in Kitchener and from 5,100 to 8,400 (65%) in St. Catharines–Niagara.



Source: Statistics Canada, 2009