

Exchanges - Area Code 416 - Central Ontario (17 November 1991)

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| 44 | 1 | 66 | // | 2222 | 000 | 000 | 55555 | 999 | 999 | |
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| 44444 | 1 | 6666 | // | 222 | 0 | 0 0 0 | == | 5555 | 9999 | 9999 |
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| 4 | 111 | 666 | // | 22222 | 000 | 000 | 5555 | 9 | 9 | |

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| 22 | - | - | <----- | Toronto | -----> | St Cth | - | - | Tor | 22 | | | |
| 23 | Toro/C | <----- | Toronto | -----> | Cksvll | Tor | 23 | | | | | | |
| 24 | <----- | Toronto | -----> | | | | 24 | | | | | | |
| 25 | <----- | Toronto | -----> | Oakvil | Toro/C | Tor | 25 | | | | | | |
| 26 | Tor | Tor | Niag F | Hmpton | <----- | Toronto | -----> | - | - | Tor | 26 | | |
| 27 | Cksvll | Pt Crd | <-Cooksville> | Pt Crd | <- | Cooksville | --> | Pt Crd | Cksvll | 27 | | | |
| 28 | - | - | <----- | Toronto | -----> | | | | | 28 | | | |
| 29 | <----- | Toronto | -----> | Mrkham | Niag F | <----- | Toronto | -----> | | 29 | | | |
| 30 | - | - | - | - | Ancstr | - | - | Tor | - | - | 30 | | |
| 31 | - | - | - | - | - | Tor | - | - | <- Hamilton > | - | 31 | | |
| 32 | ??? | <----- | Toronto | -----> | | | | | | 32 | | | |
| 33 | [To/I] | Tor | <-Burlington> | Tor | <-Burlington> | Tor | Oakvil | Tor | | 33 | | | |
| 34 | <- | Toronto | -> | Cd Spr | Tor | Cstltn | <- | Toronto | -> | Toro/B | Tor | Graftn | 34 |
| 35 | <- | Toronto | -> | Rsenth | Tor | Niag F | Colbrn | <- | Niagara Falls | -> | Tor | 35 | |
| 36 | <----- | Toronto | -----> | | | | | | | | 36 | | |
| 37 | [Pgr?] | - | - | <- Cobourg | -> | Niag F | [PgCa] | [PgCa] | [PgCa] | [PgCa] | 37 | | |
| 38 | [Pgr?] | [Pgr?] | Stvnsv | Ham | Pt Rob | Ham | Wldprt | <- | Hamilton | --- | 38 | | |
| 39 | <----- | Toronto | -----> | | | | | | | | 39 | | |
| 40 | - | - | <- | Toronto | -> | ??? | Oshawa | Malton | Tor | Toro/C | Tor | Toro/C | 40 |
| 41 | [T-??] | [Diry] | <- | Toronto | -> | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 41 |
| 42 | S Pick | <----- | Toronto | -----> | | | <Ajax-Pickrg> | | Tor | | | | 42 |
| 43 | Whitby | Tor | Osha/C | <----- | Oshawa | -----> | - | - | <- | Toronto | -> | | 43 |
| 44 | <----- | Toronto | -----> | | | | | | | | | | 44 |
| 45 | <----- | Brampton | -----> | | | | | | | | | | 45 |
| 46 | <----- | Toronto | -----> | | | | | | | | | | 46 |
| 47 | Unionv | <- | Markham | -> | Mt Alb | <- | Unionville | Keswck | Unionv | Qnsvil | Unionv | 47 | |
| 48 | <----- | Toronto | -----> | | | | | | | | | | 48 |
| 49 | <----- | Toronto | -----> | | | | | | | | | | 49 |
| 50 | - | - | <----- | Toronto | -----> | Cksvll | Rich H | Tor | | | | | 50 |
| 51 | Tor | ??? | | Tor | Unionv | [P514] | <----- | Toronto | -----> | [P519] | | | 51 |
| 52 | Toro/C | <----- | Hamilton | -----> | | | | | | | | | 52 |
| 53 | <----- | Toronto | -----> | | | | | | | | | | 53 |
| 54 | Toro/B | Ham | Strtsv | Toro/C | <----- | Hamilton | -----> | | | | | | 54 |
| 55 | [PgCO] | [Pgr?] | [Pgr?] | [Pgr?] | [Pgr?] | [Diry] | [Pgr?] | [Pgr?] | [Pgr?] | [Pgr?] | [Pgr?] | | 55 |
| 56 | <- | Hamilton | > | Vineld | Beamsv | Malton | Toro/C | Cksvll | Strtsv | Cksvll | Strtsv | | 56 |
| 57 | Haml/C | Oshawa | <----- | Hamilton | -----> | Oshawa | <- | Hamilton | > | Oshawa | | | 57 |
| 58 | <----- | Toronto | -----> | Cldn E | <----- | Toronto | -----> | | | | | | 58 |
| 59 | <----- | Toronto | -----> | | | | | | | | | | 59 |

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| 44444 | 1 | 6666 | // | 6666 | 0 | 0 0 | 0 | == | 9999 |
| 4 | 1 | 6 6 | // | 6 | 6 0 | 0 0 | 0 | 9 | 9 9 |
| 4 | 111 | 666 | // | 666 | 000 | 000 | 9 | 9 | 9 |

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| 60 | - - | Tor | Cksvll | <- Toronto -> | Toro/B | <---- | Toronto | -----> | 60 | | |
| 61 | - - | [Repr] | Malton | [P613] | Tor | Cksvll | Toro/? | <- Toronto -> | Aj-Pck | 61 | |
| 62 | <---- | Toronto | --- | > Bowmvl | <- Cooksville | Tor | <-- Dundas -> | Cksvll | 62 | | |
| 63 | <- Toronto -> | Burl | Tor | Burl | <- Toronto -> | Burl | Tor | Burl | 63 | | |
| 64 | Stouff | St Cth | Stouff | Winona | Oshawa | Ham | St Cth | Unionv | Ancstr | Clarmt | |
| 65 | <----- | Toronto | -----> | Brklin | <---- | Toronto | ---> | Frlton | 65 | | |
| 66 | Thornh | Tor | Sy Crk | Tor | Sy Crk | Tor | Whitby | Tor | Whitby | Thornh | |
| 67 | <----- | Malton | -----> | <- Toronto -> | <-- Malton | --- | > Mt Hop | 67 | | | |
| 68 | St Cth | Burl | St Cth | Aj-Pck | <St Cath'nes> | Aj-Pck | <St Cath'nes> | Wtrdw | 68 | | |
| 69 | <- Toronto -> | Binbrk | <----- | Toronto | -----> | Bowmvl | <- Toronto -> | 69 | | | |
| 70 | - - | - - | - - | - - | [P705] | - - | - - | - - | 70 | | |
| 71 | - - | ??? | - - | - - | - - | - - | - - | - - | 71 | | |
| 72 | Toro/C | Oshawa | Sutton | Oshawa | Tor | Oshawa | Toro/C | Aurora | Oshawa | Beeton | |
| 73 | Tor | Thornh | Wellnd | Tor | <- Welland -> | Tor | Rich H | Thornh | Tor | 73 | |
| 74 | <----- | Toronto | -----> | | | | | | | 74 | |
| 75 | <---- | Toronto | --- | > Welcom | <----- | Toronto | -----> | | | 75 | |
| 76 | <----- | Toronto | -----> | Thornh | Cldnia | <- Toronto -> | Hgrsvl | Tor | 76 | | |
| 77 | Rich H | Thornh | Cayuga | Oak Ri | Dunnvl | Brdfrd | Selkrk | <- Toronto -> | Fshrvl | 77 | |
| 78 | - - | <----- | Toronto | -----> | Nwtnvl | Tor | Wellnd | Tor | 78 | | |
| 79 | <----- | Brampton | -----> | Cstlmr | Malton | Brampt | Gard H | Tor | Brampt | 79 | |
| 80 | - - | - - | - - | - - | - - | - - | - - | - - | - - | 80 | |
| 81 | - - | - - | - - | Tor | - - | Oakvil | (Tor?) | - - | Strtsv | 81 | |
| 82 | <Streetsville> | <- Clarkson--> | Strtsv | Oakvil | Strtsv | Oakvil | Strtsv | Oakvil | 82 | | |
| 83 | Newmkt | S Pick | Maple | King C | <Pt Colborne> | Newmkt | S Pick | Vctria | S Pick | 83 | |
| 84 | Brampt | Aurora | Oakvil | Snlgrv | <- Oakville -> | Brampt | Oakvil | Cksvll | Oakvil | 84 | |
| 85 | <- Woodbridge> | Uxbrdg | Newmkt | Cmpblv | Clrksn | Wdbrig | Bolton | Strtsv | Nobltn | 85 | |
| 86 | <----- | Toronto | -----> | | | | | | | 86 | |
| 87 | Tor | F Erie | Tor | Geotwn | Cksvll | <- Milton -> | Geotwn | Milton | Thornh | 87 | |
| 88 | Palgrv | < Thornhill > | <Richmd Hill> | Pt Hop | Thornh | Gormly | Bthsda | Thornh | 88 | | |
| 89 | Cksvll | Pt Crd | Pelham | Kleinb | Rdgway | Newmkt | <- Cooksville | Newmkt | Wainft | 89 | |
| 90 | - - | - - | - - | - - | - - | - - | - - | - - | - - | 90 | |
| 91 | - - | [Emrg] | - - | - - | - - | - - | - - | - - | - - | 91 | |
| 92 | <----- | Toronto | -----> | | | | | | | 92 | |
| 93 | Tor | Toro/B | <- Toronto -> | <St Cath'nes> | Totten | St Cth | - - | Schmbg | 93 | | |
| 94 | Unionv | Tor | ?L? | ??? | Tor | Grmsby | Unionv | Tor | Toro/B | Cksvll | |
| 95 | (950S) | Bolton | [T-??] | [T-??] | Tor | [T-TK] | [T-??] | W Linc | [T-TK] | [T-??] | 95 |
| 96 | <----- | Toronto | -----> | | | | | | | 96 | |
| 97 | [T-VA] | <----- | Toronto | -----> | [976S] | <---- | Toronto | ---> | 97 | | |
| 98 | <---- | Toronto | --- | > Orono | St Cth | Pt Pry | Blkstk | Nwcstl | St Cth | Keswck | 98 |
| 99 | - - | - - | [T-??] | [T-??] | - - | [T-??] | [T-??] | [T-ID] | [T-??] | [T-??] | 99 |

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Exchanges - Area Code 416 - Appendix

Abbreviations of towns and cities used in the table:

| | | | |
|--------|-----------------------|--------|-----------------------------|
| Aj-Pck | - Ajax-Pickering | Newmkt | - Newmarket |
| Ancstr | - Ancaster | Niag F | - Niagara Falls |
| Beamsv | - Beamsville | Ni-Lak | - Niagara-on-the-Lake |
| Binbrk | - Binbrook | Nobltn | - Nobleton |
| Blkstk | - Blackstock | Nwcstl | - Newcastle |
| Bolton | - Bolton | Nwtnvl | - Newtonville |
| Bowmvl | - Bowmanville | Oak Ri | - Oak Ridges |
| Brampt | - Brampton | Oakvil | - Oakville |
| Brdfrd | - Bradford | Orono | - Orono |
| Brklin | - Brooklin | Oshawa | - Oshawa |
| Bthsda | - Bethesda | Palgrv | - Palgrave |
| Burl | - Burlington | Pelham | - Pelham |
| Cd Spr | - Cold Springs | Pt Crd | - Port Credit |
| Cksvll | - Cooksville | Pt Hop | - Port Hope |
| Clarmt | - Claremont | Pt Pry | - Port Perry |
| Cldn E | - Caledon East | Pt Rob | - Port Robinson |
| Cldnia | - Caledonia | Qnsvil | - Queensville |
| Clrksn | - Clarkson | Rdgway | - Ridgeway |
| Cmpblv | - Campbellville | Rich H | - Richmond Hill |
| Coburg | - Cobourg | Rsenth | - Roseneath |
| Colbrn | - Colborne | Schmbg | - Schomberg |
| Cstlmr | - Castlemore | Selkrk | - Selkirk |
| Cstltn | - Castleton | Snlgrv | - Snelgrove |
| Dunnvl | - Dunnville | S Pick | - South Pickering |
| F Erie | - Fort Erie | St Cth | - St Catharines-Thorold |
| Frlton | - Freelton | Sy Crk | - Stoney Creek |
| Fshrvl | - Fisherville | Strtsv | - Streetsville |
| Gard H | - Garden Hill-Bewdley | Stvnsv | - Stevensville |
| Geotwn | - Georgetown | Thornh | - Thornhill |
| Gormly | - Gormley | Tor | - Toronto |
| Graftn | - Grafton | Totten | - Tottenham |
| Grmsby | - Grimsby | Uxbrdg | - Uxbridge |
| Ham | - Hamilton | Vctria | - Victoria |
| Hgrsvl | - Hagersville | Vineld | - Vineland |
| Hmpton | - Hampton | Wainft | - Wainfleet |
| Keswck | - Keswick | Wdbrig | - Woodbridge |
| King C | - King City | Welcom | - Welcome |
| Kleinb | - Kleinburg | Wellnd | - Welland |
| Malton | - Malton | Whitby | - Whitby |
| Markha | - Markham | Wldprt | - Wellandport |
| Milton | - Milton | W Linc | - West Lincoln (Smithville) |
| Mt Alb | - Mount Albert | Wtrdw | - Waterdown |
| Mt Hop | - Mount Hope | | |

Other abbreviations

- ??? - This exchange seems active, but details are unknown
- ?L? - like ???, but considered as a long distance call from Toronto

- Haml/C - Cellular exchange, Hamilton (not currently certain if Cantel or not)
- Toro/B - Bell Cellular exchange, Toronto
- Toro/C - Cantel cellular exchange, Toronto
- Toro/? - unknown cellular/other exchange, Toronto
- Osha/C - Cantel cellular exchange, Oshawa

- [Diry] - Directory Assistance Exchange
- [Emrg] - Emergency 911 service
- [P514] - protected prefix - for 514 Montreal - presumably to avoid confusion
- [P519] - protected prefix - for 519 area code boundary
- [P613] - protected prefix - for 613 area code boundary
- [P705] - protected prefix - for 705 area code boundary
- [PgCa] - This exchange active for pagers (Page Canada, etc)
- [PgCO] - Customer-owned toll paging exchange
- [Pgr?] - This exchange active for some special service, likely for pagers
- [Repr] - Repair
- [To/I] - Toronto exchange, needs valid identifier number though
- [T-ID] - Used for identifying current telephone number
- [T-VA] - used for various tests or communications
- [T-TK] - listed as a talk test exchange
- [T-??] - possibly a phone test active using this exchange
- [976S] - 976 Service - for special announcements, party lines, etc.

- (Tor?) - reported as an exchange for Toronto; not found to be in service yet

- (T-??) - reserved for phone test
- (950S) - reserved for future alternate long distance services, etc

Notes on Area 416

In the fall of 1993, the 416 area code will be split. Bell Canada has announced that only Toronto exchange will retain the 416 area code. Every other place in what is now 416 will be changed to the new 905 area code. From this list, Toronto prefixes (including cellular and pager) will remain in 416. All other localities will move to 905.

Some potential pitfalls of the 905 area code are 1) that 905 used to be the area code used to dial Mexico City (Mexico can now be called under the overseas dialing setup); 2) 905 somewhat resembles area code 705 which will be adjacent to the north adding to some confusion; 3) a preferable area code would have been 210 due to faster rotary dialing; since the announcement of the 416 split, 210 has been assigned to split the 512 area code in Texas. This split is expected to change the dialing of local calls that cross the Toronto boundary ie. dial area code + local number if dialing a local call into or out of Toronto (no 1 + is needed beforehand unless the call is indeed long distance). The split will be completed at the start of 1994 (the end of the "permissible" dialing period in which 905 may or may not be used for calls outside Toronto).

In March 1990, the dialing system in 416 was changed to allow for NXX codes (N is a digit from 2 to 8, X is any digit 0 to 9) from the previous NNX prefix format. Basically, area codes style numbers may now be used for exchanges. This means that the area code 416 will have to be dialed for all long distance calls within 416 (previously, just 1 + number has to be dialed). Local dialing will remain as is, with just the dialing of seven digits. The list shows new exchanges as they are assigned.

The first exchanges to get the new style of prefixes were of the form 50X, 51X, 60X and 61X. Note that exchanges like 514, 519, 613 were not assigned, and may never be assigned since it may become necessary to use the area codes for purposes of local dialing across area code boundaries. Indeed, since 905+number will be required to dial from Toronto to outlying local exchanges, 905 will not be assigned as a prefix. New prefixes of the 40X, 41X and 81X form have also been placed in service in recent months.

Some exchanges in the 90X or 91X series may be assigned for WATS line service as has been the case previous to the change to extra exchange prefixes. The exact assignments are unknown at this time. Possible mistakes resulting in calls to 911 may also be a factor in avoiding new prefixes of the 91X form at this time (and 911 itself will not become a prefix in ordinary service for obvious reasons).

Any blanks in the list mean the exchange is not in service as of last report, or the exchange number is being used for some other unknown purpose. There are sometimes things like billing codes used internally by Bell, for instance. There may also be other exchanges for such things as cellular telephones, pagers and test circuits that are not usually mentioned in phone books, etc. An effort was made to list each exchange that appears to be active, even if it is listed with question marks to mark an unknown status.

Some exchange profiles follow. Sometimes an exchange can be primarily devoted to use by a single company, since a Centrex or similar system can

take up most or all of a telephone exchange prefix. Here are some of these exchanges in Toronto (remember that not all numbers in a specific company exchange need to be related to that company; some parts of these exchanges can go to other services, companies or to the general public):

| | |
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| 392 - Metro Toronto municipal | 393 - TTC/Metro schools/other Metro |
| 539 - Toronto Transit "time line" | 592 - Ontario Hydro |
| 599 - Bell Canada | 866 - Bank of Nova Scotia |
| 867 - Bank of Montreal | 965 - Ontario government |
| 973 - Federal government | 974 - Royal Bank |
| 978 - University of Toronto | 980 - Bank of Commerce |
| 982 - Toronto-Dominion Bank | |

The above list is not complete; there may be other exchanges designated for a predominantly single company or usage.

In addition, 870 and 872 are Toronto exchanges used for recorded messages, broadcast station contest lines, ticket agencies, and other "mass calling" purposes. These kind of lines can be called "choke" exchanges, to handle conditions that can get very congested.

Exchanges like 320 and 942 seem to be active from some places, but not from others. These may be test exchanges, or exchanges to be activated in the near future, or localised testing exchanges. It could also be a programming error in a few telephone switches.

997 is an exchange used for numbers that will identify the telephone number that is calling. 996 is used for some testing as well. 958 and 970 are used for other tests and are accessed by dialing 1+416+ beforehand.

999 is sometimes used for testing; if so, the exchange will give another dial tone when 999 + the number that's calling is dialed.