



## SOCIAL INSURANCE NUMBER

The [Social Insurance Number \(SIN\)](#) is a 9 digit number that you need to work in Canada or to have access to government programs and benefits. A SIN is issued to one person only and it cannot legally be used by anyone else. You are responsible for [protecting your SIN](#). Store any document containing your SIN and personal information in a safe place—do not keep your SIN with you.

To apply for a SIN, you may go to at any [Service Canada](#) location with a study permit indicating you are authorized to work in Canada and your passport.