

New Data Announcements

Recent Data Releases

National Household Survey (NHS) and 2011 Census

The 2011 NHS is now available in the RDCs. This file includes lower levels of geography (Dissemination Area DA and the Forward Sortation Area - FSA) than previous Census files. Past Census files will also gradually be updated with these lower level geography variables.

A sample from the 2011 2A Census Files will be in the RDCs this summer.

Canadian Survey on Disability (CSD)

The 2012 Canadian Survey on Disability (CSD) includes information about Canadians aged 15 and over whose daily activities are limited due to a long-term condition or health-related problem. It is now available in the RDCs.

Aboriginal Peoples Survey (APS)

The Aboriginal Peoples Survey (APS) is a national survey on the social and economic conditions of First Nations people living off reserve, Métis and Inuit aged 6 years and over. The 2012 APS represents the fourth cycle of the survey and the first to take a focused thematic approach. The focus for 2012 is on issues of education, employment and health. The survey will continue to provide core indicators in the areas of language, income, housing and mobility. It is now available in the RDCs.

Longitudinal and International Study of Adults (Wave 1)

The Longitudinal and International Study of Adults (LISA) aims to improve our understanding of what is happening in the lives of Canadians to see what services are suitable for them, and what kinds of information they need to support their current and future decision-making. Data were collected both directly from survey respondents as well as from administrative data files. An RDC researcher can request access to the survey data only or to the survey and administrative data (including the T1 Personal Master File, T4 Summary and Supplementary Files, Pension Plan in Canada Files, and the T1 Family File) to merge the two sources of information. The 2012 data are in the RDCs.

Canadian Survey of Economic Well-being (CSEW)

The objective of this one time survey is to produce estimates of the incidence of goods or activities at the household level, to examine the basic economic needs and financial circumstances of households in Canada where data are lacking at the national and provincial geographies. The 2013 data are in the RDCs.

Programme for International Student Assessment (PISA)

PISA is an international assessment of the skills and knowledge of 15 year-olds. The programme aims to assess whether students approaching the end of compulsory education have acquired the knowledge and skills that are essential for full participation in society. An international dataset, which includes Canadian data and full documentation for this dataset, can be found under www.pisa.oecd.org.

Apart from PISA 2000, which was linked to the YITS, Statistics Canada only produced a master data file for 2009 and 2012 as these are the only years that we have a Canadian component for release. The 2009 and 2012 files are being staged and will be available in the RDCs in the coming weeks.

Data files for 2003, 2006, 2009 and 2012 were also produced and released by the international consortium and are available on the OECD website.

Future to Discover pilot project

In 2004 the Social Research and Demonstration Corporation (SRDC) ran the Future to Discover pilot project. It was established by the Canada Millennium Scholarship Foundation, with the provincial governments of Manitoba and New Brunswick, to determine what approaches work best to increase participation of young Canadians in post-secondary education. These data are in the RDCs.

Survey of Household Spending

The main purpose of the survey is to obtain detailed information about household spending as well as limited information on dwelling characteristics and household equipment. The 2010 and 2011 Survey of Household Spending data have been released to the RDC Program. These files are being staged and will be available in the RDCs in the coming weeks.

Canadian Community Health Survey: Rapid response on food skills – knowledge, planning and transference of skills, 2012

The Food skills knowledge, planning and transference of skills and use of Canada's Food Guide data files have been released to the RDCs. These files are from the rapid response component of the Canadian Community Health Survey - Annual Component. They are being staged and will be available in the RDCs in the coming weeks.

Canadian Tobacco Use Monitoring Survey 2011-2012

A new cycle of the Canadian Tobacco Use Monitoring Survey 2011-2012 (CTUMS) has been staged and is available for researchers in the RDCs.

Upcoming Pilot Projects

Hate Crime (2009-2011)

Pilot Length: 1 year (September 2014 to September 2015)

Target # of Participants: 5 – 6

Description: The Hate Crime data file is a supplemental data file to the Incident-based Uniform Crime Reporting Survey (i.e., UCR2). The Hate Crime data file identifies criminal incidents reported by police as being motivated by hate based on race, national or ethnic origin, language, colour, religion, sex, age, mental or physical disability, sexual orientation or any other similar factor (such as occupation or political beliefs). The Hate Crime data provide the detailed motivation of each incident, as well as additional information (e.g. type of crime, weapon use, level of injury and relationships) where it is available.

Hate Crime data from 2009, 2010 and 2011, will be available through an upcoming RDC pilot. There will be 3 separate sets of stand-alone files containing information on the incident, victim, and the accused.¹ These files are not suitable for trend analysis or year-over-year comparisons. Further, as stand-alone files, the Hate Crime data file should not be linked to the main UCR2 data files. For a reporting year, the UCR2 micro-data are frozen in June, while the Hate Crime files are frozen several months later. During those months, the UCR team works with police services to do a detailed verification on their hate crime incidents. During this verification, details of the incidents may change, and incidents may be determined to be unfounded and thus, removed from the file. Also, new incidents may have been submitted to the survey for the reporting year. For these reasons, the general UCR file cannot be linked or compared to the Hate Crime file.

Integrated Criminal Courts Survey (2005/06 – 2011/12)

Pilot Length: 2 years (November 2014 to November 2016)

Target # of Participants: 7 – 10

Description: The Integrated Criminal Court Survey (ICCS) is an annual administrative data survey that gathers national statistical information on appearances, charges, and cases in youth courts and adult criminal courts. The survey is intended to be a census of pending and completed federal statute charges heard in provincial-territorial and superior courts in Canada. Appeal courts, federal courts (e.g., Tax Court of Canada) and the Supreme Court of Canada are not covered by the survey.

The ICCS includes information on the age and sex of the accused, case decisions, sentencing information regarding the length of prison and probation terms, and amount of fine, as well as case-processing indicators such as case elapsed time. The adult component

¹ The Hate Crime data files contain information on incidents, as well as information about victims and persons accused of a hate crime. However, there are four UCR respondents who submit their Hate Crime data by a supplementary survey: Toronto, Calgary, Quebec and Saint John police services. These supplementary respondents provide the total number of hate crimes by motivation. No other information is provided about victims and accused persons in these jurisdictions.

of the survey includes persons aged 18 years or older at the time of the offence. The youth component of the survey includes persons aged 12 to 17 years old at the time of the offence.

Six years of ICCS data files (i.e., 2005/06 – 2001/12) will be available through RDC pilot project. Comparisons from one year to another are possible if the reporting jurisdictions used in the comparison are held constant.

Updates on previous data announcements

Canadian Cancer Registry

While CCR is already in the RDCs, we will soon be receiving, from Subject Matter, the national files for year of diagnosis 1992-2010. They will then be staged and available in the RDCs. Currently the RDCs have the provisional file, released in 2012, covering diagnosis years 1992-2010, with Quebec missing for 2009 and 2010. Therefore, fully national totals were not possible for 2009 and 2010. The updated file includes all provinces/territories for all years, so a national total is possible for all years.

Canadian Vital Statistics Data Pilot

The evaluation for this pilot has been completed and the Director responsible **has agreed to release it to all RDC researchers with approved projects.** Researchers will be required to random-round their outputs before submitting them to be vetted. Health Statistics Division will provide tools to enable random rounding and ensure it is done correctly and consistently.