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Survey of Wage Rates for Hired Farm Labour  
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### **Demographics & population groups**

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Demography/Population Estimates  
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Earnings Supplement Project  
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Apprenticeship - Registered Apprenticeship Training  
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Family Expenditure Survey  
Financial Data and Charitable Donations2320e.htm  
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Household Income, Facilities and Equipment Survey  
Household Spending, Survey of  
Homeowner Repair and Renovation Survey  
Rent Survey  
Shelter Cost Survey

### **Health of workers**

Disability - Canada Pension Plan Disability Beneficiaries Survey  
Health and Activity Limitation Survey  
National Population Health Survey  
Work injuries - National Work Injuries Statistics Program

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Census of Population  
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Disability - Canada Pension Plan Disability Beneficiaries Survey  
Earnings Supplement Project  
Employment Insurance Statistics  
Employment insurance - Survey of Employment Insurance Coverage  
Family Estimates (Annual) - tax file  
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Labour income - Estimates of labour income  
Labour and Income Dynamics, Survey of  
Longitudinal Administrative Databank  
National Longitudinal Survey of Children and Youth  
Provincial Wage and Salary Survey  
(see also Earnings and wages; Wealth and financial well-being; Demographics and population groups; Agriculture)

**Labour**

Absence from Work Survey  
Census of Population  
Employment Insurance Coverage, Survey of  
Employment Insurance Statistics  
Employment, Payrolls and Hours, Survey of  
General Social Survey on Education, Work and Retirement  
General Social Survey on Time Use  
Help-wanted Index  
Job Opportunities, Survey of  
Labour and Income Dynamics, Survey of  
Labour Force Survey  
Labour Market Activity Survey  
Labour Unions Returns  
Literacy - International Adult Literacy Survey  
Provincial Wage and Salary Survey  
Work Arrangements, Survey of  
Workplace and Employee Survey  
Self-employed, Survey of the  
Short Term Expectations Survey  
(see also Earnings and wages, Health of workers, Education, apprenticeship and labour market experience, Agriculture, Demographics and population groups)

**Wealth and financial well-being**

Census of Agriculture  
Financial Security, Survey of  
Pension Plans in Canada Survey  
Trusteed Pension Funds, Survey of  
(see also Income, Earnings and wages)

## Aboriginal Peoples Survey

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**Description:** collects data on Aboriginal persons (North American Indian, Métis and Inuit) living both on and off Indian reserves and settlements in Canada; it was designed to provide a wide range of information on their lifestyles and living conditions, including such information as housing conditions, health, social issues, income and expenses, employment history, schooling, disability, mobility, and the use of Aboriginal language(s)

**Whom/what is surveyed:** The Census of Population was used as the sampling frame for this survey. Individuals who indicated on question 15 of their census questionnaire that they had Aboriginal ancestry and/or indicated on question 16 that they were registered under the Indian Act of Canada were identified as the target population. A selected sample of the target population then participated in the survey. Respondents were asked whether they identify with an Aboriginal group; that is, do they consider themselves to be North American Indian, Métis or Inuit.

**How the data is collected:** a sample of 135,000 persons (92,000 on reserve and 43,000 off reserve) participated in the 1991 Aboriginal Peoples Survey. Data for the adult questionnaire were collected through personal interviews with selected persons. Data for the children's questionnaire (for those under 15 years) were obtained from a parent or guardian; however, some children 12 or older could respond for themselves. The data were collected approximately six months after Census day.

**Geographic detail:** Canada, provinces, territories, 11 census metropolitan areas, Indian reserves and settlements with a minimum APS population of 40 persons, selected Aboriginal communities with a minimum APS population of 40 persons, an aggregate of all other rural areas for a province, an aggregate of all other urban areas for a province.

**Demographic detail:** age, sex, marital status, household relationship, mother tongue, language spoken at home, knowledge of official languages, place of birth, citizenship and period or year of immigration



### Information collected:

1. selected census variables
2. Aboriginal groups
3. on reserves and settlements/off reserves and settlements
4. level of schooling
5. employment and training history
6. nature and type of business ownership
7. expenditures and sources of income
8. housing conditions
9. ability to speak, read or write an Aboriginal language
10. availability of services in an Aboriginal language
11. participation in traditional activities
12. nutrition and health condition
13. social issues facing Aboriginal communities
14. mobility patterns
15. nature and severity of disability

**Frequency:** Quinquennial, if funding available

**Data availability:** 1991

**Reference period:** Varies according to information collected

**Release dates:** staged release of data starting 18 months after collection

**Response rates:** On-reserve population – 79%; Off-reserve population – 78%.

**What makes the data valuable:**

Data can assist communities, organizations and government departments to:

- a) plan economic development strategies
- b) support Aboriginal businesses
- c) identify business opportunities
- d) identify barriers to Aboriginal employment
- e) help develop needed training programs
- f) help determine gaps and priorities in Aboriginal health and social services, facilities and programs
- g) plan school curricula and adult training courses
- h) improve services and facilities at home, work and school for persons with disabilities
- i) assess the demand for programs and services in Aboriginal languages
- j) determine the extent of participation in traditional activities and barriers to participation
- k) assess perceived health conditions and social issues in the community
- l) determine the demand for housing and related services

**Products and services:**

1. *User's Guide to 1991 Aboriginal Data* (Catalogue no. 89F0028GPE) (free of charge)
2. *Age and Sex—Aboriginal Data* (Catalogue no. 94-327-XPB)
3. *Language, Tradition, Health, Lifestyle and Social Issues* (Catalogue no. 89-533-XPB)
4. *Schooling, Work and Related Activities, Income, Expenses and Mobility* (Catalogue no. 89-534-XPB)
5. *Disability 2—Housing* (Catalogue no. 89-535-XPB)

Community profiles:

6. A statistical profile of approximately 600 Aboriginal communities with a population of 40 or more who participated in the APS.
7. A diskette version of the community profiles, using C-91 software
8. *A Profile of The Métis* (Catalogue no. 89-547-XPE)
9. *Health Profile of Aboriginal Children* (under 15 years of age): Canada, Provinces and Territories (Catalogue no. 89-535-SPE)
10. Microdata file for Aboriginal adults living on and off Indian reserves and settlements, and selected Aboriginal communities

**For more information:**

For further information on the 1991 APS, please contact

The Post-Censal Surveys Program  
(613) 951-9416  
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patrmar@statcan.ca

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## Absence from Work Survey

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**Description:** obtains information about work absences of at least two weeks duration due to illness, accident or pregnancy, and the financial compensation received by paid employees for such absences

**Whom/what is surveyed:** subset of the Labour Force Survey (LFS) sample; namely, persons employed as paid workers at some time during the previous year

**How the data is collected:** subsample of the LFS consisting usually of 31,000 households; data collected mainly by telephone interviews

**Geographic detail:** Canada, provinces

**Demographic detail:** age, sex, marital status and family relationships



### Information collected:

1. number of absences of two or more weeks
2. reason for the two most recent absences and their duration
3. types of compensation received from most recent absence
4. number of weeks each type of compensation was received

**Frequency:** annual supplement to the February LFS

**Sample size:** 31,000 households

**Data availability:** data are consistent since 1977

**Reference period:** Previous calendar year

**Release dates:** three months after collection

**Response rates:** 95%

### What makes the data valuable:

1. very timely information
2. provides detailed compensation data
3. can be linked to data from the Labour Force Survey

### Related surveys or data:

The Survey of Labour and Income Dynamics and the Labour Force Survey also provide data on absences from work.

### Products and services:

Microdata user's guide 75M0007GPE

**For more information:**

For further information, please contact your closest Statistics Canada Regional Office or Client Services, Income Statistics Division,  
(613) 951-7355,  
1-888-297-7355  
[income@statcan.ca](mailto:income@statcan.ca)



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## Annual Family Estimates - tax file

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**Description:** These data provide annual estimates of population by age, income by source and family characteristics for small area aggregations, e.g. census divisions, census metropolitan areas, postal areas, etc.

**Whom/what is surveyed:** Using Income Tax files mainly, information is compiled for all individuals who complete a personal income tax form and their dependents

**How the data is collected:** Administrative sources

**Geographic detail:** Canada, provinces and territories; census divisions, census metropolitan areas, postal areas, etc.

**Demographic detail:** age, sex, family type and composition



**Information collected:**

Family characteristics: income, family members, children, family composition, family type, age and sex of family members

**Frequency:** Annual

**Sample size:** 29,118,220 persons approx.

**Reference period:** Taxation year

**Release dates:** 1 1/2 years after the reference calendar year

**What makes the data valuable:**

- annual availability of income and demographic data on families for small geographic units.

**For more information:**

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## Canada Pension Plan Disability Beneficiaries Survey

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**Description:** Health and Welfare Canada sponsored this study to learn more about the views and needs of disabled persons receiving Canada Pension Plan benefits. The information is intended to help in the evaluation and improvement of the Canada Pension Plan disability program. The survey was run in conjunction with Health and Welfare Canada, Program Evaluation Group.

**Whom/what is surveyed:** Canada Pension Plan disability beneficiaries

**How the data is collected:** Self-completion - mail-out/mail-back

**Geographic detail:** Canada and provinces

**Demographic detail:** age, sex, marital status, place of birth, urban size group (urban/rural)



**Information collected:**

- 1- Reason(s) for no longer receiving CPP benefits
- 2- Demographic characteristics of CPP disability benefits recipients
- 3- Dwelling characteristics
- 4- Main health condition
- 5- Activity limitations
- 6- Long term physical conditions or health problems
- 7- Long term emotional, psychological, nervous or mental condition
- 8- Assistance required in daily activities
- 9- Highest level of education
- 10- Reading and writing skills
- 11- Participation or interest in taking work-related training courses
- 12- Employment and job characteristics prior to receiving disability benefits
- 13- Ability to do any type of work
- 14- Current class of worker
- 15- Barriers to employment
- 16- Requirements in order to return to work
- 17- Service received from the CPP
- 18- Expenses directly related to disability
- 19- Total family income
- 20- Total personal income
- 21- Adequacy of personal income level to meet daily needs
- 22- Sources of income
- 23- Sources of income prior to receiving CPP disability benefits

**Frequency:** One time only

**Sample size:** 4,000

**Data availability:** 1995

**Reference period:** May 1995 and most recent employment

**Release dates:** November 1995

**Related surveys or data:**

The Health and Activity Limitations Surveys and the National Population Health Surveys cover the wider population of disabled.

**Products and services:**

1. Microdata User's Guide - 74M0001GPE
2. Special tabulations are available upon request.

**For more information:**

Client services, Income Statistics Division, (613) 951-7355; Toll-free in North America only: 1-888-297-7355, [income@statcan.ca](mailto:income@statcan.ca)

## Census of Agriculture

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**Description:** The census collects data on agricultural operations. This information is used by the Agriculture Division of Statistics Canada as a benchmark for the calculation of estimates and for the determination of the sample frame for the agricultural surveys. The information is also used by Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada and provincial governments for the development, administration and evaluation of agricultural policies as well as by universities and agri-businesses for research and planning.

**Whom/what is surveyed:** All census farms

**How the data is collected:** 98% Self-enumeration, drop off/mail back; 2% personal interviews

**Geographic detail:** Canada, provinces and territories; Census Agricultural Regions; Census divisions; Census Consolidated Subdivisions; Federal electoral districts/Enumeration areas; Aggregation of enumeration areas; User defined boundary areas (e.g. soil landscape areas, agricultural resource areas, watersheds)

**Demographic detail:** age, sex, mother tongue, marital status, ethnicity, family size, farm population



### Information collected:

Characteristics of farms and farm operators for Canada, provinces, territories and sub-provincial areas

Farm operators, number (up to three per farm)

- residence status
- time commitments to the operation and to paid employment
- business operated separately from the farm
- injuries suffered while performing agricultural activities

Farms, operating arrangements, location and area operated

Agricultural land profile by land use

Area, by crop type

Poultry, by type, by age, by number of birds type

Livestock, by number, by type

Fur bearing animals, number, by type

Maple trees, number of tappings

Bee colonies

Commercial fertilizer, herbicides, insecticides, fungicides: area applied

Irrigation, land area irrigated

Manure application methods: area applied

Practices used to control soil erosion

Weed control used on summerfallow

Tillage used to prepare land seeding

Market value:

- farm vehicles, machinery and equipment, by number, by type
- farm land and buildings, owned, rented or leased from governments or others

Farm business expenses, by type

Farm capital purchases and improvements, by type

Hired agricultural labour, weeks

Forest products on farms, value of products sold

Agricultural products sold, gross value of sales

Farms using computers, number  
Agriculture-Population Linkage Database: Age, sex, mother tongue, marital status, ethnicity, education, income sources of farm operators, occupation, family size, farm population

**Frequency:** Quinquennial

**Sample size:** 276,548 census farms

**Data availability:** 1966 to 1996

**Reference period:** The reference period for the Census of Agriculture data varies with the variable under consideration. The most common reference periods include the previous calendar year (e.g. value of agricultural products sold) and census day (e.g. number of livestock on the operation).

**Release dates:** May 1997 (1996 Census)

**Response rates:** 100%

**What makes the data valuable:**

1. Detail on small geographic areas not available from other sources
2. Comprehensive picture of the major characteristics of the agriculture industry
3. Data reflect new agricultural practices, new crops and livestock
4. Many characteristics available for cross tabulation
5. Consistent historical data
6. Data from the Agriculture-Population Linkage database provides a socio-economic portrait of farm operators, their spouses, children, families and households

**Related surveys or data:**

For a complete list of products and services from the Agriculture Division, consult *People, Products and Services* (catalogue no. 21F0003XPB) or the on-line catalogue at [www.statcan.ca](http://www.statcan.ca)

**Products and services:**

1. *1996 Census of Agriculture* CD-ROM (catalogue no 93F0031XCB)
2. *Canadian Agriculture at a Glance* (catalogue no 96-325-XPB)
3. Custom tabulations: This service develops custom tables to meet clients' specific needs in terms of geography and content
4. For a complete list of products and services from the Census of Agriculture consult *People, Products and Services* (catalogue no. 21F0003XPB) or the on-line catalogue at [www.statcan.ca](http://www.statcan.ca) or contact your closest Statistics Canada Regional Reference Centre.

**For more information:**

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## Census of Population

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**Description:** provides demographic, social, economic and cultural information on the Canadian population (families, households and dwellings)

**Whom/what is surveyed:** all Canadian citizens and landed immigrants; refugee claimants and persons in Canada on student visas or work permits were also enumerated in 1996.

**How the data is collected:** labour market and income data are collected from a 20% sample of the population aged 15 and over excluding institutional residents, through self-enumeration, or by canvasser enumeration in remote and northern areas of the country and on Indian reserves.

**Geographic detail:** Canada, provinces and territories, counties, federal electoral districts, census metropolitan areas, census agglomerations (urban centres with a population from 10,000 to 99,999), municipalities, census consolidated subdivisions, enumeration areas, census tracts (neighbourhoods) and block faces (geocoding allows data users to obtain estimates for very specific geographic areas)

**Demographic detail:** age, sex, marital status, household relationship, ethnic and cultural origin, mother tongue, language spoken at home, knowledge of official languages, place of birth, citizenship and period or year of immigration



### Information collected:

1. occupation (approximately 500 codes)
2. industry (approximately 400 codes)
3. class of worker (paid worker, self-employed, unpaid family worker)
4. place of work and mode of transportation (employed labour force)
5. number of full-time and/or part-time weeks worked in calendar year preceding census
6. labour market activities in week preceding census
7. actual hours worked in week preceding census
8. unpaid work
9. employment income: wages and salaries, net non-farm self-employment income, and net farm income
10. government transfer payments: Old Age Security and Guaranteed Income Supplement, Canada/Quebec Pension Plan Benefits, Employment Insurance Benefits, Child Tax Benefits, and other government transfers
11. other money income: investment income, retirement pensions and other income
12. total income from various sources for individuals, families and households

**Frequency:** With the 1986 Census, labour market and income data have been collected every 5 years (quinquennial census). Prior to that, they were collected every 10 years (decennial census).

**Sample size:** A 20% sample of the Canadian population (for the labour and income data)

**Data availability:** combined industry/occupation data since 1881, wage and salary data since 1901, labour force data since 1951, employment income and total income since 1961

**Reference period:** the previous calendar year for income and weeks worked; the week before Census Day for labour force activity and for class of worker, occupation and industry of employed persons; the previous 17 months for class of worker, occupation and industry of persons not employed the week before Census Day

**Release dates:** employment and unemployment data from the 1996 Census were available 22 months after Census Day; income data were available 24 months after Census Day

**Response rates:** approximately 95% (varies according to question)

**What makes the data valuable:**

1. extensive geographic and characteristic detail
2. many characteristics available for cross-tabulation
3. includes the Yukon and the Northwest Territories
4. consistent historical database
5. accurate data
6. ability to derive new variables and create custom tabulations

**Related surveys or data:**

**Products and services:**

1996 Census labour and income products:

1. *Labour Market Activities including Industry and Occupation, Household Activities, Place of Work and Mode of Transportation*, Catalogue no. 93F0027XDB96000
2. *Sources of Income, Earnings and Total Income, Family and Household Income*, Catalogue no. 93F0029XDB96000
3. *Labour Characteristics of the Canadian Population*, Catalogue no. 94F0024XDB
4. *Unpaid Work Profile*, Catalogue no. 94F0025XDB
5. *Profile of Occupations*, Catalogue no. 94F0026XDB
6. *Profile of Industries*, Catalogue no. 94F0027XDB
7. *Occupation by Industry with Employment Income*, Catalogue no. 94F0028XDB
8. *Workplace Location Tables*, Catalogue no. 94F0029XDB
9. *Mode of Transportation Tables*, Catalogue no. 94F0030XDB
10. *Total Income of Individuals*, Catalogue no. 94F0018XDB
11. *Employment Income of Individuals*, Catalogue no. 94F0019XDB
12. *Wages and Salaries of Paid Workers*, Catalogue no. 94F0020XDB
13. *Income of Census Families and Non-Family Persons*, Catalogue no. 94F0021XDB
14. *Low Income Among Children, Families and Population*, Catalogue no. 94F0022XDB
15. *Income of Private Households*, Catalogue no. 94F0023XDB

1991 Census labour and income publications:

16. *Labour Force Activity*, Catalogue no. 93-324-XPB
17. *Labour Force Activity of Women by Presence of Children*, Catalogue no. 93-325-XPB

18. Occupation, Catalogue no. 93-327-XPB, (according to the 1980 Standard Occupational Classification)
  19. Industry and Class of Worker, Catalogue no. 93-326-XPB, (according to the 1980 Standard Industrial Classification)
  20. Selected Income Statistics (for individuals, families and households), Catalogue no. 93-331-XPB
  21. Employment Income by Occupation, Catalogue no. 93-332-XPB
  22. Place of Work, Catalogue no. 93-323-XPB
  23. Female Baby Boomers: A Generation at Work, Catalogue no. 96-315-XPE
  24. The Self-employed, Catalogue no. 96-316-XPE
  25. The Earnings of Canadians, Catalogue no. 96-317-XPE
  26. Family Income in Canada, Catalogue no. 96-318-XPE
  27. Occupation according to the 1991 Standard Occupational Classification, Catalogue no. 92-344-XPE
  28. Occupation according to the National Occupational Classification, Catalogue no. 93-352-XPE
- 1986 Census trends publications:
29. Occupational Trends, 1961-1986, Catalogue no. 93-151-XPB, (according to the 1971 Standard Occupational Classification)
  30. Industry Trends, 1951-1986, Catalogue no. 93-152-XPB, (according to the 1970 Standard Industrial Classification)
  31. Articles in "Perspectives on Labour and Income", Catalogue no. 75-001-XPE, quarterly
  32. Technical reports or user guides:  
Summary reports for selected variables are available on the Internet at [www.statcan.ca](http://www.statcan.ca)
  33. Machine-readable summary tables, profiles:  
The 1996 summary and profile tables are designed to meet the needs of users who wish to study the characteristics of small areas. Summary tables generally feature two or three interrelated variables (for example, labour force activity by age and sex), while profile tables provide basic univariate distributions. Data are available on CD-ROM, diskette and hard copy. Refer to the 1996 Census Catalogue (Catalogue no. 92-350-XPE).
  34. The 1996 public use microdata files contain a wide selection of social, cultural, labour and income data on the population of Canada, the provinces and selected metropolitan areas with a population of 250,000 or more. Data files are available at the individual (Catalogue no. 95M0010XCB), family (Catalogue no. 95M0012XCB) or household (Catalogue no. 95M0011XCB) level.
  35. For a complete list of all 1996 Census products and services, consult the 1996 Census Catalogue (Catalogue no. 92-350-XPE) or the Statistics Canada online Catalogue of Products and Services at [www.statcan.ca](http://www.statcan.ca)



36. The special tabulations service develops products that meet clients' exact requirements in terms of content, geography, format and output medium.

**For more information:**

For further information, please contact your closest Statistics Canada Regional Office.

## Demography/Population Estimates

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**Description:** Statistics Canada collects, produces, analyzes and publishes quarterly and annual demographic statistics and is also responsible for census demographic and demolinguistic characteristics. The estimates program is used in the calculation of demographic, social and economic indicators (fertility, mortality, nuptiality, divorce, unemployment, school enrolment rates, etc.) in which the population or a part thereof, serves as the denominator. These data are used in the calculation of weights for use in selected Statistics Canada surveys. They are also used in the determination of the annual level of immigration by the Government of Canada. In addition, the data helps in the preparation of population projections by Statistics Canada, where estimates of population by age and sex are used as the base population. Estimated population counts play a vital role under the “Federal-Provincial Fiscal Arrangements and Federal-Post-Secondary Education and Health Contributions Act” and the “Canada Student Loans Act” in determining the amounts of federal-provincial/territorial transfers.

**Whom/what is surveyed:**

**How the data is collected:**

**Geographic detail:** Canada, provinces and territories, census divisions and census metropolitan areas

**Demographic detail:** age, sex, marital status, total number of census families and census family characteristics



**Information collected:**

Current population counts derived from estimates and future population counts derived from projections are both available and include (among others)

1. total number of census families, estimates of total population, population by age and sex and age, sex and marital status for Canada, provinces and territories
2. population estimates for census metropolitan areas and census divisions
3. household, family and population projections for Canada, the provinces and the territories
4. population projections for census metropolitan areas (CMAs)
5. components of population growth (births, deaths, marriages, immigration, total emigration, interprovincial migration, and non-permanent residents)
6. type of family (husband-wife, lone-parent)
7. census family characteristics by size and by type for Canada and provinces.

**Frequency:** Quarterly and annual

**Sample size:**

**Data availability:**

**Reference period:**

**Release dates:**

**Response rates:**

**What makes the data valuable:**

**Related surveys or data:**

**Products and services:**

Internet products:

1. Quarterly Demographic Statistics (Catalogue no. 91-002-XIB)
2. Annual Demographic Statistics (Catalogue no. 91-213-XIB)

Print products:

3. Report on the Demographic Situation in Canada (Catalogue no. 91-209-XPE)
4. Projections of Households and Families for Canada, Provinces and Territories, 1994-2016 (Catalogue no. 91-522-XPB)
5. Projections of Population for Canada, Provinces and Territories, 1993-2016 (Catalogue no. 91-520-XPB)
6. CANSIM matrices: 1, 2, 4 to 6, 397, 5731, 5772 to 5777, 5779, 6213 to 6224, 6226, 6227, 6270 to 6281, 6283 to 6294, 6303 to 6314, 6316 to 6327, 6329 to 6340, 6343, 6365, 6366, 6380, 6396 to 6409, 6470, 6516, 6900 to 6913\*, 6981, 8151, 9235 to 9296  
\* Revised projections for Canada, provinces and territories at July 1, 1999 to 2026 are only available in CANSIM, matrices 6900 to 6913.
7. Customized data products are available on a cost-recovery basis.

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## Earnings Supplement Project

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**Description:** The Earning Supplement Project is a federal project conducted by Statistics Canada on behalf of the Human Resources Development Canada and managed by the Social Research Demonstration Corporation. It is a research demonstration project designed to determine the effectiveness of an earnings supplement incentive as a means of helping employment insurance claimants return to work. The survey evaluates the supplement's effect on employment rates, earnings, employment insurance receipt, duration of unemployment, and supplement's cost-effectiveness.

**Whom/what is surveyed:** Participants enrolled in the Earnings Supplement Project in the selected centers of Employment Canada: Granby , Toronto, Oshawa, Winnipeg, and Saskatoon.

**How the data is collected:** Computer-assisted telephone interviews

**Geographic detail:** Granby, Toronto, Oshawa, Winnipeg and Saskatoon

**Demographic detail:** age, sex, language, ethnic origin



**Information collected:**

Age, sex, ethnicity, language, job search methods, earnings and income

**Frequency:** One-time only

**Sample size:** Approximately 8,500 persons

**Data availability:**

**Reference period:** 15 months after enrolment in the project

**Release dates:** May 1999

**Response rates:** 89%

**What makes the data valuable:** Allows an assessment of the impact of an earning supplement as an incentive to re-employ quickly the displaced workers

**Related surveys or data:**

**Products and services:**

1. Research paper released by Human Resources Development Canada, "Testing a Re-Employment Incentive for Displaced Workers: The Earnings Supplement Project".
2. Microdata file, Catalogue no. 89M0007XDB, \$2,000
3. Microdata user's guide, Catalogue No. 89M0007GPE, \$50
4. Special tabulations meeting specific user requirements are available on a cost-recovery basis (89C0014).

Note: Since the survey was a demonstration project, the data only applies to the five cities selected for this project and the survey results can only be used to evaluate the impact of the initiative.

**For more information:**

For further information, please contact your closest Statistics Canada Regional Office or

Special Surveys Division, (613) 951-4598; Toll-free in North America only: 1-800-461-9050;  
special@statcan.ca

## Employment Insurance statistics

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**Description:** Statistics Canada has the mandate to compile Employment Insurance statistics, which are prepared from the information obtained from Human Resources Development Canada. This activity provides government, businesses, universities and other users with a complete source of information on claims, payments made to individuals and the characteristics of beneficiaries.

**Whom/what is surveyed:** All persons contributing Employment Insurance (EI) premiums (insured population), those who are claiming EI benefits (claimants), and those who are receiving benefits (beneficiaries)

**How the data is collected:** administrative data provided by Human Resources Development Canada

**Geographic detail:** Canada, provinces, territories, census divisions, census metropolitan areas, and small areas defined by postal codes

**Demographic detail:** age and sex



**Information collected:**

1. claims (initial and renewal) received (by province)
2. disqualifications and disentitlements by reason
3. benefit payments (regular, sickness, training, maternity, and others) and weeks paid
4. beneficiaries by type of benefit (regular, sickness, training, maternity, and others)
5. beneficiaries by sex, age, occupation
6. weeks of insurable employment
7. insurable earnings and weeks on claim
8. hours of insurable employment
9. contributors and their contributions

**Frequency:** Monthly

**Sample size:**

**Data availability:** summary data start in 1943

**Reference period:** for beneficiaries, the Labour Force Survey (LFS) reference week (usually the week including the 15th day of the month); for claims and benefits, the whole month

**Release dates:** preliminary data are available 60 days after the reference month, and final data are available 120 days after the reference month

**Response rates:**

- What makes the data valuable:**
1. timely information
  2. long time series
  3. free of sampling errors
  4. small area data
  5. presents information complementary to the LFS for the purpose of comparison and analysis
  6. covers all provinces and territories

**Related surveys or data:**

**Products and services:**

1. Articles in Perspectives on Labour and Income (Catalogue no. 75-001-XPE), quarterly
2. CANSIM (Canadian Socio-Economic Information Management System), Statistics Canada's publicly accessible database; for further information, please call: (613) 951-8200
3. Employment Insurance statistics for detailed geographic areas are available on a cost-recovery basis.

**For more information:**

For further information, please contact your closest Statistics Canada Regional Office or Labour Statistics Division  
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[labour@statcan.ca](mailto:labour@statcan.ca)

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## Estimates of labour income

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**Description:** provides estimates of wages and salaries and supplementary labour income by province and industry

**Whom/what is surveyed:** all paid employees

**How the data is collected:** combination of administrative data from Revenue Canada and data based on various annual and monthly Statistics Canada surveys (mainly the Survey of Employment, Payrolls and Hours and Labour Force Survey)

**Geographic detail:** Canada, provinces, territories and abroad

**Demographic detail:**



**Information collected:**

1. wage and salary data by industry and province
2. supplementary labour income, such as employers' contributions to health and welfare schemes, pension plans, workers' compensation, Employment Insurance, Canada/Quebec Pension Plans and retirement allowances
3. wage and salary data by government, personal and business sector

**Frequency:** monthly

**Sample size:**

**Data availability:** data are available from 1961

**Reference period:** calendar month

**Release dates:** two months after collection

**Response rates:**

- What makes the data valuable:**
1. long time series
  2. detailed industry data by province
  3. annual government, personal and business sector estimates
  4. labour income is over 50% of gross domestic product
  5. only source of supplementary labour income estimates

**Related surveys or data:**

**Products and services:**

Regular publications:

1. Estimates of Labour Income (Catalogue no. 13F0016XPB), monthly
2. Provincial economic accounts, annual estimates (Catalogue nos. 13-213-PPB and 13-213-PIB)
3. Articles in Perspectives on Labour and Income, Catalogue no. 75-001-XPE, quarterly
4. Articles in Canadian Economic Observer, Catalogue no. 11-010-XPB, monthly
5. Articles in National Economic and Financial Accounts, Catalogue no. 13-001-XPB, quarterly



6. CANSIM (Canadian Socio-Economic Information Management System), Statistics Canada's publicly accessible database; for further information, please call (613) 951-8200
7. Special tabulations meeting specific user requirements are available on a cost-recovery basis.

**For more information:**

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Government, Labour and Unincorporated Business Section  
Income and Expenditure Accounts Division  
(613) 951-4049  
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## Family Expenditure Survey (replaced by the Survey of Household Spending)

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**Description:** provides information on the expenditures, income, and other characteristics of families and individuals living in private households in Canada

**Whom/what is surveyed:** families and individuals living in private households in the 10 provinces, plus Whitehorse and Yellowknife for the national survey, and in selected metropolitan areas for the urban survey; excludes persons living on Indian reserves, families of official representatives of foreign countries living in Canada, members of religious and other communal colonies, persons living full time in institutions (for example, inmates of penal institutions or chronic care patients living in hospitals and nursing homes)

**How the data is collected:** personal interviews in January, February and March following the reference year

**Geographic detail:** Canada (10 provinces), provinces, selected metropolitan areas, and size of area of residence (rural/urban) for the national survey, and selected metropolitan areas only for the urban survey

**Demographic detail:** age, sex, marital status, family relationship to reference person, mother tongue and place of birth



### Information collected:

1. expenditures for detailed categories of consumer goods and services (e.g., food, shelter, communications, child care, furniture, household equipment, clothing, transportation, health care, personal care, recreation, reading materials, education, tobacco and alcohol, games of chance, taxes, insurance payments, pension contributions, and gifts and donations)
2. quantity owned for detailed categories of household appliances, home entertainment equipment and dogs and cats
3. type of cars and recreation vehicles owned by households, as well as distance driven and business use
4. types of stores where detailed categories of household furnishings and equipment, and recreation equipment were purchased
5. dwelling characteristics
6. change in assets
7. mortgages and other loans
8. annual income, detailed for various sources (for example, wages and salaries, net income from self-employment, interest, dividends, pension, social programs)

**Frequency:** national coverage: 1969, 1978, 1982, 1986, 1992, 1996; urban coverage: 1955, 1957, 1962, 1972, 1974, 1976, 1984, 1990. In 1997, this survey was replaced by the Survey of Household Spending.

**Sample size:** 14,000 households for the national survey; 7,000 for the urban survey

**Data availability:** related data available since 1938; conceptually similar since 1964; easily accessible by computer since 1969

**Reference period:** Previous calendar year

**Release dates:** eight months after the end of the data collection period

**Response rates:** on average 75%

**What makes the data valuable:** the only source of detailed expenditures by household characteristics

**Related surveys or data:**

1. Food Expenditure Survey
2. Homeowner Repair and Renovation Survey
3. Survey of Household Spending
4. Household Facilities and Equipment Survey

**Products and services:**

- 1) Family Expenditure in Canada (Catalogue no. 62-555-XPB)
- 2) Standard and custom tabulations
- 3) Public use microdata file

**For more information:**

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## Farm Cash Receipts

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**Description:** This survey provides, by province and by product, a measure of the value of agricultural products sold by the agriculture sector to other sectors of the economy. It also includes direct payments to farmers from various federal, provincial and municipal programs.

**Whom/what is surveyed:** All agricultural commodities and government programs that provide direct payments to producers

**How the data is collected:** Extraction of data from administrative files

**Geographic detail:** Canada and provinces

**Demographic detail:**



**Information collected:**

Farm cash receipts

- cash receipts from sale of agricultural products
- direct payments or subsidies

Field crops, by type of crop

- Canadian Wheat Board payments
- deferred grain receipts
- liquidation of deferred grain receipts

Livestock and products by type

Farming operations, direct payments by type of payment

- Net Income Stabilization Account payments (NISA)
- Gross Revenue Insurance Plan payments (GRIP)
- Western Grain Stabilization payments
- crop insurance payments
- ASA, Tripartite Plans
- ASA, price stabilisation
- provincial income stabilization program payments
- dairy subsidies
- other payments

**Frequency:** Quarterly

**Sample size:**

**Data availability:** 1926 to 1999

**Reference period:** Quarter

**Release dates:** 45 to 50 days after the reference quarter

**Response rates:**

**What makes the data valuable:**

**Related surveys or data:**

**Products and services:**

**For more information:**

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## Financial Data and Charitable Donations

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**Description:** These annual data provide demographic and income characteristics of Canadian taxfilers classified as investors, savers, RRSP contributors and charitable donors.

**Whom/what is surveyed:** Using Income Tax files, information is compiled for all individuals who complete a personal income tax form

**How the data is collected:** Administrative sources

**Geographic detail:** Canada, provinces and territories, postal geography and user-defined areas

**Demographic detail:** age and sex



**Information collected:**

Financial and charitable donation characteristics: RRSP contributions, investment income; savers; interest income; charitable donors and donations

**Frequency:** Annual

**Sample size:** 20,883,430

**Data availability:** 1990-ongoing

**Reference period:** Taxation year

**Release dates:** 10 months after the reference calendar year

**Response rates:**

**What makes the data valuable:** The availability of annual data for small geographic units.

**Related surveys or data:**

**Products and services:**

**For more information:**

Small Area and Administrative Data Division  
Client Services  
(613) 951-9720  
fax: (613) 951-4745  
saadinfo@statcan.ca

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## Follow-up of 1990 Graduates

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**Description:** This survey, conducted in 1995 on behalf of Human Resources Development Canada, provided information on the integration of recent graduates or completers, into the labour force in terms of the correspondance between education or training and occupation.

**Whom/what is surveyed:** Graduates from Canadian postsecondary educational institutions who completed the requirements for degrees, diplomas or certificates during calendar year 1990.

**How the data is collected:** Computer-assisted interviews (lists of addresses and telephone numbers of graduates, alumni lists)

**Geographic detail:** Canada, provinces and territories

**Demographic detail:** age, sex, marital status, language spoken at home, mother tongue, dependent children, - ethnic origin, place of birth



**Information collected:**

Education; Work history (before/during/after graduation); multiple-job holding; field of study; student loans; skills and abilities developed; activities that helped in finding a job; activity limitation; gross income; federal training programs; job information details, labour force status

**Frequency:** One-time only

**Sample size:** 36,276 individuals

**Data availability:**

**Reference period:** June 1992 to May 1995

**Release dates:**

**Response rates:**

**What makes the data valuable:**

**Related surveys or data:**

1. Survey of 1986 Graduates
2. Follow-up Survey of 1986 Graduates
3. Survey of 1990 Graduates
4. Survey of 1995 graduates

**Products and services:**

**For more information:**

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Special Surveys Division, (613) 951-4598; Toll-free in North America only: 1-800-461-9050; special@statcan.ca

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## Follow-up Survey of 1986 Graduates

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**Description:** This survey, conducted in 1990, is a follow-up to the Survey of 1986 Graduates(1988). It examined the labour market experiences of university, college and trade/vocational graduates and completers.

The follow-up contributed to the analysis of a major youth labour market segment. It provided a sound analytical basis for youth employment programming and the overall implementation of the mandate of the Ministry of State for Youth. The results were also used by Employment and Immigration for data and monitoring activities of the Labour Force Development Strategy and the Stay-in-School Initiative.

**Whom/what is surveyed:** 1986 graduates or completers of university, college or trade-vocational programs

**How the data is collected:** Telephone interviews

**Geographic detail:** Atlantic; Quebec; Ontario; Western Provinces and Territories

**Demographic detail:** age, sex, marital status, language spoken at home, mother tongue, dependent children, - ethnic origin, place of birth



**Information collected:**

Labour force participation last week  
Labour force participation May 1988  
Description of main job  
Most recent job lasting 6 months or more  
Labour force participation in 1990  
Education taken since May 1988

**Frequency:** One-time only

**Sample size:** 40,443 individuals

**Data availability:**

**Reference period:** June 1988 to March 1991

**Release dates:** 1993

**Response rates:**

**What makes the data valuable:**

**Related surveys or data:**

1. Survey of 1986 Graduates
2. Survey of 1990 Graduates
3. Follow-up survey of 1990 Graduates
4. Survey of 1995 graduates



**Products and services:**

**For more information:**

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## Food Expenditure Survey

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**Description:** provides information on food expenditures, income, and other characteristics of families and individuals living in private households in Canada

**Whom/what is surveyed:** families and individuals living in private households in the 10 provinces, plus Whitehorse and Yellowknife, for the national survey, and in selected metropolitan areas for the urban survey; excludes persons living on Indian reserves, families of official representatives of foreign countries living in Canada, members of religious and other communal colonies, persons living full time in institutions (for example, inmates of penal institutions or chronic care patients living in hospitals and nursing homes)

**How the data is collected:** annual sample divided into 12 monthly subsamples; personal interviews and 2 one-week diaries in which household members enter their detailed food expenditures

**Geographic detail:** Canada (10 provinces), provinces, selected metropolitan areas, and size of area of residence (rural/urban) for the national survey, and selected metropolitan areas only for the urban survey

**Demographic detail:** age, sex, marital status, family relationship to reference person, immigration status, mother tongue and place of birth



### Information collected:

1. expenditures for detailed categories of food purchased from stores and types of meals purchased from restaurants
2. quantities purchased for the detailed categories of food from stores and number of meals from restaurants
3. type of store and type of restaurant where expenditure made

**Frequency:** national coverage: 1969, 1978, 1982, 1986, 1992, 1996; urban coverage: 1955, 1957, 1962, 1972, 1974, 1976, 1984, 1990

**Sample size:** 14,000 households for the national survey; 7,000 for urban survey surveys

**Data availability:** related data available since 1938; conceptually similar since 1964; easily accessible by computer since 1969

**Reference period:** Present calendar year

**Release dates:** 11 months after the end of the data collection period

**Response rates:** 77.3% in 1996

**What makes the data valuable:** the only source of detailed household food expenditures (also quantities and where purchased) by household characteristics

### Related surveys or data:

1. Family Expenditure Survey
2. Survey of Household Spending

**Products and services:**

- 1) Family Food Expenditure in Canada (Catalogue no. 62-554-XPB)
- 2) Standard and custom tabulations
- 3) Public-use Microdata File

**For more information:**

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## General Social Survey on Education, Work and Retirement

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**Description:** collects data on education, work and retirement and focuses on the transition into retirement and post-retirement activities

**Whom/what is surveyed:** persons aged 15 and over residing in private dwellings in the ten provinces of Canada

**How the data is collected:** telephone interviews from approximately 10,000 respondents selected by random digit dialing

**Geographic detail:** Canada and provinces

**Demographic detail:** age, sex, marital status, household composition, mother tongue, religion, year of immigration



### Information collected:

1. educational attainment and intentions
2. transition from education to work to retirement
3. occupational history
4. job satisfaction and working conditions
5. post-retirement activities (in 1994 cycle)
6. work interruptions (in 1994 cycle)
7. social mobility (in 1994 cycle as well as in 1992 time-use cycle)
8. computer use
9. annual income of respondent and of household

**Frequency:** Irregular (survey was conducted in 1989 and 1994)

**Sample size:** Approximately 10,000 individuals

**Data availability:** conducted in 1989 and 1994

**Reference period:** occupational history (first job, job held five years ago, last job and current job); depends on the variable

**Release dates:** 1989 and 1994 are available

**Response rates:** 81% in 1989 and 1994

**What makes the data valuable:**

1. provides partial information on work history
2. allows for linkage between work and education
3. provides detailed information on education history
4. provides information on perception and attitudes related to work

**Related surveys or data:**

**Products and services:**

1. Quality of Work in the Service Sector (Catalogue no. 11-612-MPE, no. 6)

2. Human Resource Challenges of Education, Computers and Retirement (Catalogue no. 11-612-MPE, no. 7)
3. Canada's Changing Retirement Patterns: Findings from the General Social Survey (Catalogue no. 89-546-XPE), based on 1994 data
4. Canadian Social Trends (Catalogue no. 11-008-XPE), quarterly, selected articles
5. Perspectives on Labour and Income (Catalogue no. 75-001-XPE), quarterly, selected articles
6. A public use microdata file for each survey cycle allowing users to do their own tabulations is available.
7. Special tabulations meeting specific user requirements are available on a cost-recovery basis.

**For more information:**

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## General Social Survey on Time Use

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**Description:** collects diary data on individuals for a reference day; provides statistics on average time spent per day on a series of activities such as paid work, unpaid work and leisure time

**Whom/what is surveyed:** persons aged 15 and over residing in private dwellings in the 10 provinces of Canada

**How the data is collected:** telephone interviews from approximately 10,000 respondents selected by random digit dialing

**Geographic detail:** Canada and provinces

**Demographic detail:** age, sex, marital status, household composition, mother tongue, religion, year of immigration



### Information collected:

1. start and end time of each activity, duration, activity type, where and with whom
2. work experience (weeks worked last year, occupation and industry last week, work arrangement)
3. annual income of respondent and of household

**Frequency:** quinquennial; conducted in 1986, 1992 and 1998

**Sample size:** Approximately 10,000 individuals

**Data availability:** data are available for years 1986, 1992 and 1998

**Reference period:** for the diary, one or two days prior to the interview; depends on the variable

**Release dates:**

**Response rates:** 79% in 1986, 77% in 1992, estimated 78% in 1998

**What makes the data valuable:**

1. measure trends in time use
2. provide data on perception and attitudes on time use
3. allow for analysis by wide variety of socio-demographic variables

**Related surveys or data:**

**Products and services:**

1. Where Does Time Go? (based on 1986 data, Catalogue no. 11-612-MPE, no. 4)
2. As Time Goes By...Time Use of Canadians (based on 1992 data, Catalogue no. 89-544-XPE)
3. General Social Survey: Overview of the Time Use of Canadians, 1998, Catalogue Number 12F0080XIE, available free of charge at [www.statcan.ca](http://www.statcan.ca)
4. Canadian Social Trends articles, Catalogue No. 11-008-XPE:
  - a) Time Use of Canadians, Autumn, 1993, no. 30
  - b) Are You Time Crunched, Winter 1993, no. 31
  - c) Sport Participation in Canada, Spring 1995, no. 36
  - d) Measuring & Valuing Households' Unpaid Work, Autumn 1996, no. 42

- e) Working Arrangements and Time Stress, Winter 1996, no. 43
- f) Canadian Television in Transition, Spring 1997, no. 44
- g) The Leisurely Pursuit of Reading, Autumn 1997, no. 46
- h) Traffic report: Weekday commuting patterns – spring 2000, no.56

- 5. Perspectives on Labour and Income (Catalogue no. 75-001-XPE), quarterly, Summer 1994: Getting there
- 6. Public use microdata files are available for each year of the survey.
- 7. Special tabulations meeting specific user requirements are available on a cost-recovery basis

**For more information:**

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## Health and Activity Limitation Survey

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**Description:** the Health and Activity Limitation Survey (HALS), together with the 1983-84 Canadian Health and Disability Survey, is part of Statistics Canada's National Disability Database Program. HALS collected data on persons with disabilities living in Canada; it provides a wide range of information on the nature and severity of disabilities, and the barriers that persons with disabilities encounter with household tasks, employment, education, accommodation, transportation, finances and economic self-sufficiency, and recreation and lifestyles, as well as their use of and need for assistive devices, and their out-of-pocket expenses related to disability.

**Whom/what is surveyed:** the Census of Population was used as the sampling frame for this post censal survey. Individuals who responded affirmatively to question 18 (on activity limitation) and/or question 19 (on long-term disability) on the census questionnaire were identified as the target population. A sample of the target population was then selected to participate in the survey. There are two components to the Health and Activity Limitation household surveys, one for adults (aged 15 and older), and one for children (under 15 years of age). The survey was also conducted in institutions where the questionnaire was administered to adults (aged 15 and older) with disabilities who had spent a continuous six months or more in a health-care institution.

**How the data is collected:** A sample of approximately 35,000 individuals was selected for the two household components of the survey, and 10,000 for the institutions survey. A significantly large sample of 113,000 persons who responded negatively to census questions 18 or 19 was also selected in order to test for false negatives. For the household surveys, interviews were conducted by telephone; the institutions survey was conducted through face-to-face interviews with the selected individual or, when this was not possible, with the institutional staff or next-of-kin. The data were collected approximately six months after Census day.

**Geographic detail:** 1986 - Canada, provinces, territories, 19 census metropolitan areas, 200 sub-provincial areas for all age groups;  
1991 - Canada, provinces and territories for all age groups, and 17 census metropolitan areas for the population aged 15 to 64

**Demographic detail:** age, sex, marital status, household relationship, ethnic and cultural origin, mother tongue, language spoken at home, knowledge of official languages, place of birth, citizenship, and period or year of immigration



### Information collected:

1. selected census variables
2. age, sex, nature and severity of disability
3. difficulty experienced in carrying out everyday tasks (for example, preparing meals, shopping, personal finances)
4. use of technical aids and services
5. level of education and barriers to education
6. employment and barriers to employment
7. modifications required to the work or home environment
8. need for and access to transportation
9. type of accommodation
10. extent of participation in recreational activities

**Frequency:** following the 1986 and 1991 censuses of population



**Sample size:** 35,000 persons for household survey; 10,000 for institutions survey

**Data availability:** 1986, 1991

**Reference period:** Varies according to information collected

**Release dates:** staged release of data starting 12 months after collection

**Response rates:** for the household surveys—87%; for the institutions survey—96%

**What makes the data valuable:** This data can help individuals and agencies to:

1. establish the size of the population of adults and children with disabilities
2. determine the nature and severity of disability among adults and children
3. develop policies, programs and services for persons with disabilities
4. improve services and facilities at home, at work, and in other areas for adults with disabilities
5. evaluate existing employment programs
6. design employment programs and identify needed training programs
7. assess educational trends
8. plan school curricula and training programs
9. develop recreational activities for children with disabilities
10. improve services and facilities at home, at play, and at school for children with disabilities
11. establish the size of the population of adults with disabilities living in institutions.

**Related surveys or data:**

**Products and services:**

1991 Health and Activity Limitation Survey

1. Health and Activity Limitation Survey—1991 User's Guide (free of charge)
2. Adults with Disabilities: Their Employment and Education Characteristics (Catalogue no. 82-554-XPB)
3. Selected Characteristics of Persons with Disabilities Residing in Households (Catalogue no. 82-555-XPB)
4. Methodology: The Health and Activity Limitation Survey 1991 (Household component)(non-catalogued document)
5. Methodology: The Health and Activity Limitation Survey 1991 (Institutions component) (non-catalogued document)

1986 Health and Activity Limitation Survey

6. The Health and Activity Limitation Survey User's Guide (free of charge)
7. Highlights: Disabled Persons in Canada (Catalogue no. 82-602-XPB)
8. Subprovincial/Subterritorial Data (Catalogue nos. 82-603-XPB to 82-614-XPB)
9. Special Topic Reports (Catalogue no. 82-615-XPB, Volumes 1-6) selected characteristics of sub-groups with disabilities
10. A Profile of Persons with Disabilities in Canada (Focus on Canada Series) (Catalogue no. 98-126-XPB)
11. Disability and the Labour Market (STC 2208)
12. A Profile of Three Disabled Populations (82-559-XPB)
13. Children and Youth with Disabilities in Canada (82F0004XPB)
14. Sample Design for the Health and Activity Limitation Survey (STC 2960)

Microdata file for adults living in households (1986 and 1991)

Microdata file for adults living in institutions (1986)

Microdata file for children in households (1986)

Custom data tabulations are available on a cost-recovery basis

**For more information:**

For further information on both the 1986 and 1991 surveys, please contact:

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## Help-wanted Index

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**Description:** Serves as an early indicator of labour market conditions by measuring changes in the demand for labour from help-wanted ads published in selected metropolitan area newspapers

**Whom/what is surveyed:** What we analyze: 22 newspapers from across Canada (excluding the Yukon and Northwest Territories)

**How the data is collected:** Measure help-wanted advertisement volume in the classified sections of 22 major metropolitan area newspapers

**Geographic detail:** Canada and five regions (Atlantic, Quebec, Ontario, Prairies and British Columbia) and metropolitan areas surveyed

### Demographic detail:



#### Information collected:

1. help-wanted advertisements

**Frequency:** Monthly

**Sample size:** 22 newspapers

**Data availability:** data are available from 1981 onwards

**Reference period:** the Saturday of the Labour Force Survey reference week (usually the week including the 15th day of the month)

**Release dates:** usually the first week following the reference month

### Response rates:

**What makes the data valuable:** 1. the only labour demand indicator published on a regular basis by Statistics Canada

### Related surveys or data:

#### Products and services:

1. Help-wanted Index, 1981-1998 (Catalogue no. 71-540-XIB)
2. Articles in Perspectives on Labour and Income (Catalogue no. 75-001-XPE), quarterly
3. CANSIM (Canadian Socio-Economic Information Management System), Statistics Canada's publicly accessible database; for further information, please call: (613) 951-8200
4. Indices are available for the metropolitan areas surveyed.

### For more information:

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## Homeowner Repair and Renovation Survey

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**Description:** provides information on repair and renovation expenditures made by homeowners on their dwellings; provides information on the type of expenditure, and on work contracted out and materials purchased separately

**Whom/what is surveyed:** homeowner households living in private dwellings, except for households in the territories and households on Indian reserves

**How the data is collected:** supplementary survey to the Labour Force Survey (LFS); data collected by telephone interviews

**Geographic detail:** Canada (10 provinces), provinces and size of area of residence (rural/urban)

**Demographic detail:** age of reference person, year the household moved into the dwelling



### Information collected:

1. repairs and maintenance (e.g., patios, carpentry, complete re-roofing)
2. replacement of equipment (e.g., plumbing, flooring, built-in appliances)
3. additions (e.g., garages, inground swimming pools, fences, structural additions to the dwelling)
4. renovations and alterations (interior and exterior)
5. new installations (e.g., electrical or plumbing fixtures, air conditioning equipment, built-in appliances)
6. period of construction of dwelling

**Frequency:** annual

**Sample size:** 24,000 households

**Data availability:** data available since 1987

**Reference period:** previous calendar year

**Release dates:** end of calendar year in which survey is conducted

**Response rates:** 80.8% in 1998

**What makes the data valuable:**

1. the most complete source of information on repair and renovation work
2. provides entrepreneurs with a good estimate of their market share and help them to target potential markets
3. identifies the type of household most likely to spend on home improvement
4. highlights the most frequently reported types of repair and renovation projects

### Related surveys or data:

Family Expenditure Survey  
Survey of Household Spending

**Products and services:**

- 1) Homeowner Repair and Renovation Expenditure in Canada (Catalogue no. 62-201-XPB), annual
- 2) Standard and custom tabulations
- 3) Public-use microdata file

**For more information:**

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## Household Income, Facilities and Equipment Survey (Replaced by the Survey of Household Spending)

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**Description:** provided information on household facilities and equipment based on a sample representative of virtually all private households in Canada. By linking the survey data base with the Survey of Consumer Finances, the Household Income Facilities and Equipment Database was created which provided estimates of household income together with estimates of household facilities and equipment.

**Whom/what is surveyed:** Private households, excluding residents of the territories, residents of Indian reserves, residents of military camps, inmates of institutions, and residents of collective-type households

**How the data is collected:** : supplementary survey to the Labour Force Survey; 95% telephone interview, 5% face-to-face interview

**Geographic detail:** Canada; provinces; size of area of residence (urban/rural); selected metropolitan areas

**Demographic detail:** data linked to the demographic variables from the Labour Force Survey such as household type, age, sex and marital status



### Information collected:

1. Dwelling characteristics
2. Heating and cooking equipment and fuel
3. Water supply facilities and plumbing equipment
4. Household appliances and equipment
5. Home audio-visual equipment (e.g., TVs, VCRs, Radios)
6. Owned vehicles
7. Communications equipment (e.g., telephone, Internet)

**Frequency:** Annual

**Sample size:** 34,000 households

**Data availability:** Data available since 1947; accessibility for early years is limited; content varies. Last survey conducted in 1997. This survey is replaced by the Survey of Household Spending.

**Reference period:** Time of survey

**Release dates:** Provincial and national data 5 months after collection; data by income group, type of household, etc. 8 months after collection

**Response rates:** 84.0%

**What makes the data valuable:** the only annual source of data on household equipment, dwelling characteristics and household facilities

### Related surveys or data:

1. Family Expenditure Survey

## 2. Survey of Household Spending

### **Products and services:**

1. Household Facilities and Equipment (Catalogue no 64-202)
2. Household Facilities by Income and Other Characteristics (Catalogue no 13-218)
3. Household Income Facilities and Equipment Public-use Microdata File
4. Custom tabulations

### **For more information:**

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## International Adult Literacy Survey

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**Description:** The International Adult Literacy Survey was a collaborative effort by seven governments and three intergovernmental organizations. Canada, Germany, the Netherlands, Poland, Sweden, Switzerland and the United States participated in the survey. Since 1994, fourteen additional countries have applied the survey's statistical instruments. They are: Australia, New Zealand, Chile, the Czech Republic, Belgium, Denmark, Finland, the Irish Republic, Northern Ireland, Great Britain, Hungary, Norway, Portugal and Slovenia.

The Canadian component of the survey had a number of objectives, namely:

1. to provide an updated profile of adult literacy abilities for Canada for comparison to that provided by the 1989 Survey of Literacy Skills Used in Daily Activities;
2. to provide sufficiently large numbers of Franco-Ontarians, seniors, social assistance recipients, employment insurance recipients and out-of-school youth to profile their skill levels;
3. to shed light on the relationship between performance, educational attainment, labour market participation and employment for those at certain literacy levels and;
4. to compare Canadian literacy levels with those in other countries.

**Whom/what is surveyed:** Non-institutionalized persons, 16 years of age and over

**How the data is collected:** All data are collected by personal interview

**Geographic detail:** Canada and provinces

**Demographic detail:** age, sex, country of birth, immigration variables, linguistic profile, parental profile



### Information collected:

Classification content:

- country/province of birth
- year of immigration
- years of stay in Canada
- highest level of education attained before immigration
- years of formal education attained before immigration
- years of formal education during lifetime
- highest level of schooling

Type of education program:

- academic
- college/preparatory
- business/commercial or trade/vocational
- high school equivalency program
- province or country of secondary education
- reason for stopping schooling

Linguistic profile:

- language first spoken as a child
- current ability to speak / understand the language first spoken as a child
- current reading / writing skills in language first learned
- age when started to learn English
- language (s) spoken at home when growing up

- language first learned to read and write
- ability to understand and/or speak English
- skills in reading and writing English
- languages spoken well enough to hold a conversation
- language spoken most often at home / at school / at work / during leisure activities
- language used to express most easily
- ethnic or cultural group of ancestors

Parental information:

- citizenship / age / educational profile of mother (or female guardian)
- citizenship / age / educational profile of father (or male guardian)

Labour force information:

- employment status
- class of worker
- full-time / part-time work
- industry
- occupation
- reason for not looking for work
- reason for not working
- unemployment

Skills

- reading and writing skills at work, and limitations if any
- mathematical skills and limitations, if any
- adult education programs taken (by type, by sponsorship, by duration, by purpose)
- reading and writing skills, by activity type
- family literacy, children, educational profile

Household income, by source

**Frequency:** Quinquennial

**Sample size:** 5,660 respondents

**Data availability:** Data are available for 1994

**Reference period:** September 1994

**Release dates:** November 1995

**Response rates:**

**What makes the data valuable:**

**Related surveys or data:**

**Products and services:**

1. Reading the future: A portrait of Literacy in Canada, Catalogue No. 89-545-XPE, Canada \$49, US \$59US, Other countries \$69US
2. Literacy, Economy and Society: Results of the First International Adult Literacy Survey, Catalogue No. 89-551-XPE, Canada \$40, US \$40US, Other countries \$40US
3. Microdata file and user's guide, Catalogue no. 89M0014GPE - \$2000
4. Microdata user's guide (only), Catalogue no. 89M0014GPE - \$30
5. Special tabulations are available on a cost-recovery basis (#89C0023)

**For more information:**

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## Labour Force Survey

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**Description:** Collects data on the labour market activities and demographic characteristics of the working-age population of Canada; provides estimates of the number and characteristics of the employed, the unemployed, and persons not in the labour force; is a vehicle for supplementary surveys on the labour market and other issues.

**Whom/what is surveyed:** the population aged 15 and over residing in Canada, except residents of the Northwest Territories and Nunavut, (Yukon is surveyed, but is not included in the national totals), persons living on Indian reserves, inmates of institutions and full-time members of the Armed Forces (exclusions account for about 2% of the population).

**How the data is collected:** sample of about 53,000 households or more than 100,000 individuals. Households are in the sample for six months—a personal interview is conducted the first time; telephone interviews are conducted in subsequent months.

**Geographic detail:** Canada, provinces, census metropolitan areas, economic regions and some census agglomerations and urban and rural areas (the smaller the population of an area, the more the data are subject to sampling variability)

**Demographic detail:** age, sex, marital status, family relationships and household composition



### Information collected:

1. employment
2. unemployment
3. usual and actual hours of work
4. employee hourly and weekly wages
5. industry of current or most recent job
6. occupation of current or most recent job
7. class of worker (employee, self-employed, unpaid family worker)
8. public/private sector
9. union status
10. overtime hours, whether paid or unpaid
11. permanent/temporary work
12. workplace and firm size
13. family information (for example, the number of unemployed family members)
14. school attendance (full- or part-time and type of institution)
15. hours of work lost, by reason
16. job tenure
17. duration of unemployment
18. methods of job search and type of job sought
19. reasons for working part time
20. identification of “discouraged workers”
21. involuntary part-time work
22. multiple jobholding
23. retirement age
24. hirings and separation

**Frequency:** Monthly

**Sample size:** About 53,000 households or more than 100,000 individuals

**Data availability:** some data back to 1946; most data series are consistent since 1976; NAICS and SOC91 data back to 1987

**Reference period:** Usually the week including the 15th day of the month

**Release dates:** within 13 days of collection

**Response rates:** 95%

**What makes the data valuable:**

1. very timely information
2. long time series
3. can be linked to supplementary survey data such as volunteer work, child care, and absence from work
4. seasonally adjusted data available for many series
5. cover all industries
6. cover the self-employed

**Related surveys or data:**

**Products and services:**

Regular publications:

1. Labour Force Information (Catalogue no. 71-001-PPB or 71-001-PIB), monthly
2. Labour Force Update (Catalogue no. 71-005-XPB), quarterly. Topics covered:
  - a) Spring 1997: Youths and the labour market
  - b) Summer 1997: Hours of work
  - c) Fall 1997: The self-employed
  - d) Winter 1998: An overview of the 1997 labour market
  - e) Spring 1998: Older workers
  - f) Summer 1998: A new perspective on wages.
  - g) Fall 1998: A Canada-U.S. labour market comparison
  - h) Winter 1999: An overview of the 1998 labour market
  - i) Spring 1999: Employment by industry and occupation based on new classifications
  - j) Summer 1999: Supplementary measures of unemployment
  - k) Fall 1999: Youths and the labour market, 1998-99
  - l) Winter 2000: An overview of the 1999 labour market
  - m) Spring 2000: An overview of average wages and wage distributions in the late 1990s
  - n) Summer 2000: New hirings and permanent separations
3. Labour Force Historical Review on CD-ROM (Catalogue no. 71F0004XCB), annual
4. Historical Labour Force Statistics (Catalogue no. 71-201-XPB), annual
5. Guide to the Labour Force Survey (Catalogue no. 71-543-GIE)  
[www.statcan.ca/english/concepts/labour/index.htm](http://www.statcan.ca/english/concepts/labour/index.htm)
6. CANSIM (Canadian Socio-Economic Information Management System), Statistics Canada's publicly accessible database; for further information, please call: (613) 951-8200
7. Articles in Perspectives on Labour and Income (Catalogue no. 75-001-XPE), quarterly
8. Microdata files and special tabulations are available on a cost-recovery basis.

**For more information:**

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## Labour Market Activity Survey

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**Description:** provided measures of labour market participation (for example, periods of unemployment through a one-, two- or three-year period) and information on the characteristics of up to five jobs held during the calendar year

**Whom/what is surveyed:** persons aged 16 to 69 residing in Canada, except residents of the Yukon and Northwest Territories, persons living on Indian reserves, institutional residents and full-time members of the Armed Forces

**How the data is collected:** subsample of the Labour Force Survey (LFS) consisting of 40,000 households; cross-sectionally representative sample for 1986, 1987, 1988, 1989, 1990 and two longitudinally representative files for 1986/1987 and 1988/1989/1990; data initially collected by personal or telephone interview as a supplement to the LFS, with a subsequent telephone interview one to two years later

**Geographic detail:** Canada, provinces, economic regions and census metropolitan areas

**Demographic detail:** age, sex, marital status, family relationships and household composition



### Information collected:

1. labour market participation (employment, unemployment and inactivity) over the past year
2. usual work schedule (hours per day, days per week, weeks per month)
3. usual wage or salary (hourly, weekly, annually)
4. union membership and collective agreement coverage
5. private pension plan coverage
6. firm size
7. reasons for job loss or work interruptions
8. duration of spells of employment, unemployment and inactivity

**Frequency:** this survey was conducted annually from 1987 to 1991 with the reference year being the previous calendar year (this survey has been replaced by the Survey of Labour and Income Dynamics [SLID])

**Sample size:** 40,000 households

**Data availability:** first conducted in 1987 (data exist for 1986 to 1990 reference years). The survey has been superseded by the Survey on Labour and Income Dynamics.

**Reference period:** Previous calendar year

**Release dates:**

**Response rates:** 96% of responding LFS individuals, 3% attrition for longitudinal component

**What makes the data valuable:** 1. detailed information on employment patterns and concentration of unemployment 2. provide longitudinal data on patterns of employment and unemployment over a two- or three-year period 3. availability of wage rate, salary, union membership and pension plan coverage data 4. the first year of each two- or three-year cycle of the survey can be linked to Labour force survey data

**Related surveys or data:**

the design of this survey was based in part on three former supplementary surveys to the Labour Force Survey:

- a) Annual Work Patterns Survey: conducted annually from 1979 to 1986 (except 1982); estimated the number of persons employed, unemployed or attending school full time during the reference year
- b) Survey of 1981 Work History: conducted in January 1982; provided detailed information on up to four jobs held by Canadians in 1981, including industry, occupation, work schedules, wages and salaries, and union membership
- c) Survey of Union Membership: conducted in December 1984; restricted to the current or most recent paid job held that year; collected information on wages and salaries, union membership, pension coverage and work schedules

**Products and services:**

Past publications:

1. Labour Market Activity Survey (discontinued)
2. Patterns of Full- and Part-year Employment and Unemployment: Results of the Annual Work Patterns Survey, 1977 to 1980 (Catalogue no. 71-531-XPB)
3. FLUX: Two Years in the Life of the Canadian Labour Market: findings of the Statistics Canada Labour Market Activity Survey 1986-87 (Catalogue no. 71-538-XPE)
4. Articles in "The Labour Force" (Catalogue no. 71-001-XPB), monthly
5. Articles in "Perspectives on Labour and Income" (Catalogue no. 75-001-XPE), quarterly
6. Microdata files and special tabulations are available on a cost-recovery basis.

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## Labour Unions Returns

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**Description:** evaluates the extent and effect of the association of Canadian unions with international labour unions. Financial and other information from certain corporations and labour unions with activities in Canada is collected under the auspices of the Corporations and Labour Unions Returns Act (CALURA).

**Whom/what is surveyed:** all labour unions having 100 or more members resident in Canada that meet the requirements of the Act

**How the data is collected:** information supplied by various unions and corporations through a mail-out/mail-back survey and telephone follow-up

**Geographic detail:** Canada, provinces, territories and census metropolitan areas

**Demographic detail:** sex (obtained from membership data)



**Information collected:**

1. number of unionized workers by industry
2. the amount of dues paid by union members
3. assets, liabilities, income and expenditures by fund and type of union (international, national, government)

**Frequency:** annual (the last survey data released by Statistics Canada pertain to 1995)

**Sample size:**

**Data availability:** data have been collected since 1962; a major series break occurred in 1983 when 1981 revisions to CALURA came into effect. CALURA ceased collecting data with the 1996 survey.

**Reference period:** Calendar year for membership data and fiscal year for financial data

**Release dates:** 18 to 24 months after the reference period

**Response rates:**

**What makes the data valuable:**

1. the only continuous major source of data on unionization
2. provide a breakdown of members affiliated with international, national and government unions
3. give a financial picture of trade unions

**Related surveys or data:**

Survey of Union Membership 1984; Labour Force Survey (since January 1997); Survey of Labour and Income Dynamics (SLID); Survey of Work Arrangements

**Products and services:**

1. Annual Report of the Minister of Industry, Science and Technology under the Corporations and Labour Unions Returns Act. Part II, Labour Unions (Catalogue no. 71-202-XPB) (discontinued after 1995)

2. Articles in Perspectives on Labour and Income, Catalogue no. 75-001-XPE, quarterly
3. "Unionization in Canada: A retrospective", Supplement to the Summer 1999 issue of "Perspectives on Labour and Income"

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# Longitudinal Administrative Databank

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**Description:** consists of a 20% longitudinal sample of people identified on the personal tax file (T1). Income and some demographic data are available for individuals and census families as well as non-family persons.

**Whom/what is surveyed:**

**How the data is collected:** The databank consists of annual segments. Each year consists of a 20% sample from the annual T1 Family File (T1FF). A sample of individuals is followed through time. Once selected, individuals are in the sample whenever they appear on the annual T1 Family File (T1FF). Since the population of taxfilers increases over time, the databank is topped up each year with a sample of new filers to maintain a 20% sample.

**Geographic detail:** The large sample (4.4 million persons in 1996) ensures reliable estimates for Canada, the provinces, census metropolitan areas and some subprovincial regions, based on aggregations of postal codes.

**Demographic detail:** age, sex, marital status, and census family composition



**Information collected:**

The following is a partial list of the income variables that are available.

1. total income
2. earnings from T4 slips
3. wages and salaries
4. Employment Insurance benefits
5. investment income
6. self-employment income
7. income after-tax
8. transfer payments
9. RRSP contributions
10. RRSP/RRIF income
11. C/QPP contributions
12. C/QPP benefits
13. taxes

**Frequency:** on an annual basis, an additional year of data is added to the databank

**Sample size:** 20% sample from the T1 Family File

**Data availability:** available for the years 1982 to 1997

**Reference period:** Taxation year

**Release dates:** data are released within 18 months of tax filing

**Response rates:** coverage was 96% of Statistics Canada's official population estimates in 1996

**What makes the data valuable:** 1. span a 16-year period  
2. annual segments are added as they become available

3. provide researchers and analysts with a comprehensive tool for studying the changes in income that Canadians and their families experience

**Related surveys or data:**

T1 Family File

**Products and services:**

1. Articles in "Perspectives on Labour and Income" (Catalogue no. 75-001-XPE), quarterly
2. An Introduction to the Longitudinal Administrative Databank (reference document, available on request)
3. LAD Dictionary (reference document, available on request)
4. Income Dynamics: 1989-1994 (Catalogue no. 13F0023XPE)
5. Research papers
6. Custom tabulations are available on a cost-recovery basis for Canada, the provinces, census metropolitan areas, cities and some subprovincial regions based on postal codes. Availability of data are dependent on sample size and confidentiality restrictions.

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# National Apprenticed Trades Survey

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**Description:** This survey is to examine the labour market experience of completers and discontinuers of a registered apprenticeship program two years after they left the program.

**Whom/what is surveyed:** All individuals who completed or discontinued an apprenticeship program in 1992.

**How the data is collected:** Computer-assisted telephone interviews

**Geographic detail:** Canada, provinces and territories

**Demographic detail:** age, marital status at the beginning/end of the apprenticeship program, number of dependents, language most often spoken at home/at work, ethnic origin



## Information collected:

### 1) General:

- age
- marital status at beginning/end of program
- number of dependents
- language most often spoken at home/at work
- total employment income
- ethnic origin
- province/territory

### 2) Screening:

- Type of registered apprenticeship
- Interest in/Reason for not becoming a registered apprentice
- apprenticed trade
- hours of on-the-job and in-school training
- certificate of apprenticeship and/or of qualification
- requirements of the program
- year certificate obtained

### 3) Prior to apprenticeship:

- education, training and programs taken
- main activity
- work experience
- reason for registering
- union membership
- move to register in program

### 4) During apprenticeship:

- year of registration
- type of institution
- equipment provided (adequacy)
- techniques and theory (adequacy)
- knowledge, proficiency and ability of teachers
- satisfaction with program
- provincial and interprovincial certification and assessment of exams

5) Since apprenticeship:

- work activity and labour force status in the 12 months after the end of the program
- reason for part-time work
- class of worker
- training or courses taken

**Frequency:** One time only

**Sample size:** 20,000 individuals were traced, 13,000 completed the interview

**Data availability:** 1994

**Reference period:** Data were gathered on individuals who were deemed to have completed or discontinued an apprenticeship program in 1992 according to administrative records provided by provincial governments

**Release dates:** Fall 1995

**Response rates:**

**What makes the data valuable:**

**Related surveys or data:**

**Products and services:**

**For more information:**

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## National Construction Industry Wage Rate Survey

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**Description:** Human Resources Development Canada have commissioned Statistics Canada to produce new statistical information on wages for a maximum of 36 occupations in the construction industry in selected provinces across Canada. The National Construction Industry Wage Rate Survey is a telephone survey of a sample of establishments in New Brunswick (Phase 1) and Saskatchewan, Manitoba, Nova Scotia, Prince Edward Island and Newfoundland (Phase 2), Alberta (Phase 3) and Ontario (Phase 4). Data for all phases with the exception of Phase 4, for which collection is presently in progress have been released. The information collected will be used by the clients to establish a fair wage schedule for federal contracts in the construction industry for the provinces noted.

This survey is being conducted on a voluntary basis.

**Whom/what is surveyed:** Establishments with 6 or more employees, in the construction industry. Data is collected by occupation and by economic region within each province.

**How the data is collected:** Computer-assisted telephone interviews

**Geographic detail:** Geographic detail is dependent on the province. The wage data collected for each occupation may also vary by province. Province is generally divided into a number of economic regions and, if available, data are released by occupation.

### Demographic detail:



#### Information collected:

\* Wages paid for the occupations working on institutional and commercial projects.

- number of employees currently employed by the establishment for commercial or institutional construction work, excluding owners, contract workers and volunteers

For each selected occupation, up to six from a list of 12 possible occupations:

- union membership of employees

- number of full-time employees currently working in specified occupation

- usual number of hours worked per week by a full-time employee in specified occupation, excluding overtime

- starting journeyman wage or its equivalent for a full-time employee

- usual journeyman wage or its equivalent for a full-time employee

- maximum wage the establishment would be willing to pay full-time workers in specified occupation

- wage most frequently paid to full-time workers in specified occupation by the establishment

- commercial or institutional construction work done by the establishment in Nunavut Territory in the 12 months prior to the survey

- commercial or institutional construction work done by the establishment in the Northwest Territories in the 12 months prior to the survey

**Frequency:** Occasional

**Sample size:** New Brunswick – 573  
Newfoundland - 400  
Prince Edward Island – 176  
Nova Scotia – 825  
Manitoba – 1026  
Saskatchewan – 1019  
Alberta – 3074  
Ontario – 7104

**Data availability:** Data have been released for all provinces surveyed except for Ontario where data collection is presently in progress.

**Reference period:** Twelve months prior to collection period.

Collection period:  
New Brunswick – May 1999  
Maritimes, Saskatchewan and Manitoba – June 1999  
Alberta - November 1999  
Ontario – June 2000

**Release dates:** New Brunswick – August 1999  
Maritimes, Saskatchewan and Manitoba – September 1999  
Alberta – March 2000  
Ontario – Fall 2000

**Response rates:** Vary by province; higher than 70%

**What makes the data valuable:** Data is used to establish schedules for the Fair Wages and Hours of Labour Act.

Human Resources Development Canada uses the data to establish fair wage schedules for selected occupations by economic region.

**Related surveys or data:**

**Products and services:**

**For more information:**

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## National Longitudinal Survey of Children and Youth

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**Description:** The purpose of this survey is to determine the critical factors influencing the growth and development of Canadian children. The survey has three components; In 1994, a longitudinal cohort of children aged between 0-11 years old was introduced. This cohort will be followed every two years until the children reach adulthood (age 25). Starting in 1996, new cohorts of young children have also been introduced. These new cohorts cover children aged 0-1 and once again, information will be collected every two years, until the children reach the age of 5. These mini-cohorts should give a better measures for understanding the early years. A new cohort is introduced every two years, and every four years, the cohort of one year olds is large enough to allow provincial estimates. Finally, the third component is the community component. Those are five-year projects done on children in kindergarten. By contrast to the main survey, the community is the longitudinal unit of analysis in those projects. The projects will assess the impact of the community on child development, and will also provide information at the community level. The survey is administered at year 1 and year 5 of the community project. Currently, six communities participate in this project.

**Whom/what is surveyed:** Information is collected about children. However, in order to have a good understanding of children, information is gathered from various sources including: the person most knowledgeable about the child and his/her spouse, the teacher of the child, the school principal (with parental consent only). Children also participate in testing, and, when they reach the age of 10 years or more, they are asked to complete a questionnaire.

**How the data is collected:** Computer-assisted personal interviews, mail-out/mail-back questionnaires (school component)

**Geographic detail:** Canada, provinces and territories

**Demographic detail:** date of birth, sex, marital status, household relationships



### Information collected:

Household demographics: date of birth, sex, marital status, relationships

Dwelling characteristics

Ethno-cultural characteristics

Labour force activity (last 12 months)

Main activity

Employment

Employment income

Sources and amount of household income

Parent questionnaire: General health, smoking, alcohol consumption, maternal history, depression, family functioning, marital satisfaction, neighbourhood characteristics, social support

Children's questionnaire: health status, height, weight, activity, injuries, health conditions, activity limitation, infections, contacts with health professionals, medications, medical/biological (perinatal) information, mother's prenatal health and habits, birth and delivery details, schooling, school history, languages, progress in school, behaviour, parent expectations, literacy, activities, general behaviour, motor and social development, relationships with family and friends, family and custody history, child care arrangements, interviewer neighbourhood observation,

Tests: Peabody picture vocabulary test, Who Am I, Number Knowledge, Ages and Stages

Self-complete questionnaires (10 years and older): relationships with family, parents, teachers, perception of self, feelings and behaviours, puberty, smoking, drinking and drugs, activities

Teacher's questionnaire: Student's education, grades and educational history, academic performance and potential, subjects and languages of instruction, student's social and personal skills, academic strengths and weaknesses, special education, student's behaviour and absences, parental involvement, class characteristics and teaching practices, perceptions of school, personal information on teacher

Principal's questionnaire: students in school, parental involvement, school characteristics, perceptions of school, personal information on principal

Skill indicator (home)  
Mathematics computation (school)  
Reading comprehension (school)  
Literacy measure (home)

**Frequency:** Biennial

**Sample size:** 17,000 persons (longitudinal cohort)  
18,000 children (understanding early years cohort)  
3,500 children (community projects)

**Data availability:** Cycle 1 and cycle 2 have been released  
The public use micro-data file are cross-sectional files only and they do not link the self-complete or the teacher/principal information with the parent information

**Reference period:** Depends on the section, but usually, the last year

**Release dates:** Cycle 3 community North York : June 2000  
(Cycle 1 and cycle 2 have been released)  
Cycle 3 planned release 1 : October 2000  
Cycle 3 planned release 2 : March 2001

**Response rates:**

**What makes the data valuable:**

**Related surveys or data:**

**Products and services:**

**For more information:**

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# National Population Health Survey

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**Description:** The purpose of this survey is to provide information to monitor the health status of Canadians and to provide information to better understand the factors that influence health. The data are used by those in government and others interested in program planning and analysis in the areas of health care, health promotion and disease prevention.

**Whom/what is surveyed:** Individuals in Canadian households excluding persons living on reserves

**How the data is collected:** This longitudinal household survey data collection started in June 1994 and is conducted every two years. Estimates are produced at a national and provincial level for basic health information such as current health status and utilization of health services plus demographic, economic and household characteristics for all household members.

**Geographic detail:** Canada, provinces and territories

**Demographic detail:** Socio-demographic characteristics: age, sex, country of birth/year of immigration, ethnicity, language, race



**Information collected:**

Canadian population, health status including health index, chronic conditions, injuries, restrictions of activity and mental health.

Utilization of health care services and drug use.

Determinants and correlates of health, smoking, alcohol, stress, mastery, social support, self esteem and physical activities.

Labour, income and education variables.

**Frequency:** (Biennial) Re-interviewing respondents every two years for up to two decades, for longitudinal purposes

**Sample size:** 17,276 households

**Data availability:** 1994, 1996, 1998

**Reference period:** Varies by topic from past week to past 5 years

**Release dates:**

**Response rates:** 94% in 1996-97

**What makes the data valuable:** These data allow the analysis of various factors that either make Canadians ill or maintain their health. The survey is designed to enhance understanding, as the survey accumulates additional information on the processes affecting health.

**Related surveys or data:**

**Products and services:**

For details on products and services from this survey, refer to Catalogue No. 82F0068XIE, Information about the National Population Health Survey.

**For more information:**

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## National Work Injuries Statistics Program

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**Description:** supplies data on work-related time-loss injuries and illnesses

**Whom/what is surveyed:** census of all persons whose claims for compensation for time-loss or permanent disability were accepted by workers' compensation boards and commissions

**How the data is collected:** administrative records obtained from provincial and territorial workers' compensation boards and commissions

**Geographic detail:** Canada, provinces and territories

**Demographic detail:** age and sex



**Information collected:**

1. month and year of injury
2. occupation of injured person
3. industry of the employer
4. nature of injury (burn or fracture, for example)
5. part of body injured (arm, leg or back, for example)
6. source of injury (machine or chemical, for example)
7. type of accident (fall or electric shock, for example)

**Frequency:** annual up to 1994 (data are now compiled by the National Work Injuries Statistics Program [NWISP] of the Association of Workers' Compensation Boards of Canada)

**Sample size:**

**Data availability:** data are available from 1982 to 1994 (paper only)

**Reference period:** calendar year

**Release dates:**

**Response rates:**

**What makes the data valuable:** 1. data available by industry, occupation and province  
2. very detailed classification of injuries

**Related surveys or data:**

**Products and services:**

1. Work Injuries (Catalogue no. 72-208-XPB), annual (discontinued after 1994)

**For more information:**

For further information, please contact your closest Statistics Canada Regional Office or

NATIONAL WORK INJURIES STATISTICS PROGRAM (NWISP)  
Association of Workers' Compensation Boards of Canada (AWCBC)

(905) 542-3633  
fax: (905) 542-0039  
contact@awcbc.org or  
www.awcbc.org

## Pension Plans in Canada Survey

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**Description:** offers a wide range of data on pension plans provided by employers

**Whom/what is surveyed:** census of all employer-sponsored pension plans in Canada

**How the data is collected:** the information is taken from administrative records of government pension authorities provided to Statistics Canada; for approximately 1% of the plans, employers are surveyed directly by Statistics Canada

**Geographic detail:** Canada, provinces and territories

**Demographic detail:** sex



**Information collected:**

1. type of pension plan
2. proportion of earnings contributed to pension plans
3. pension coverage by province
4. private/public sector and industry breakdown

**Frequency:** Annual (except for 1991)

**Sample size:**

**Data availability:** comparable data are available for selected years starting in 1960

**Reference period:** January 1

**Release dates:** 21 months after the reference period

**Response rates:**

**What makes the data valuable:** 1. the major source of data on work-related pension plans  
2. contain information on the extent of pension plan coverage  
3. provide data on selected characteristics of pension plans such as eligibility criteria, type of plan, contribution and benefit rates, retirement ages and death benefits

**Related surveys or data:**

**Products and services:**

1. Pension Plans in Canada (Catalogue no. 74-401) which is available both in paper and electronically.
2. Microdata files and special tabulations are available on a cost-recovery basis.

**For more information:**

For further information, please contact your closest Statistics Canada Regional Office or

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Income Statistics Division,

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## Provincial Wage and Salary Survey

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**Description:** The objective of this survey is to produce statistical information on wages and salaries paid for various occupations classified to the 1990 National Occupation Classification (NOC).

The results of the survey help governments and businesses by providing accurate and up-to-date information on the wages paid by employers for workers in different occupations and industries.

This is a client-sponsored special survey that has been conducted in various provinces at different times. To date, the survey has been conducted in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta in 1996, Prince Edward Island and Saskatchewan in 1998, and Ontario and New Brunswick in 1999.

**Whom/what is surveyed:** Information about occupational characteristics is obtained from Human Resource Managers of establishments with 6 or more employees.

**How the data is collected:** Computer-assisted telephone interviews

**Geographic detail:** Province; subprovincial detail is available for some surveys.

**Demographic detail:**



**Information collected:**

: Hourly wages paid for specific occupations;  
Number of workers;  
Unionized occupation;  
Seasonal occupation and season start and end dates;  
Number of part-time workers;  
Usual hours of work per week;  
Hourly wages paid: starting wages, without experience, with six months or more experience, after 1 year on the job, after 2 years on the job, after 3 years on the job, maximum  
Number of full-time workers in this occupation;  
Usual hours of work per week;  
Amount of other cash compensation provided to workers in addition to their base salary or wage;  
Number of workers in this occupation who are expected to vacate their positions over the next 12 months;  
Additional workers expected to be hired over the next 12 months.

**Frequency:** Occasional

**Sample size:**

**Data availability:** 1996, 1998, 1999

**Reference period:**

**Release dates:**

**Response rates:**

**What makes the data valuable:**

**Related surveys or data:**

**Products and services:**

**For more information:**

Anne Ladouceur ; Small Business and Special Surveys Division; (613) 951-2904;  
Anne.Ladouceur@statcan.ca

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## Registered Apprenticeship Training

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**Description:** The purpose of the survey is to gather information on registered apprentices who receive training and tradesman who obtain certification. The information is made available to federal and provincial agencies and departments, associations, non-government agencies and researchers.

**Whom/what is surveyed:** All registered apprenticeship programs, including in-class and on-the-job training

**How the data is collected:** Extraction from administrative files

**Geographic detail:** Canada, provinces and territories

**Demographic detail:** gender, age (most provinces)



### Information collected:

- Registered apprenticeship training for trades with or without Interprovincial Standards Examination: enrolment and graduation statistics
- Apprenticeship training: apprentices, registration detail: by trade program, by programme duration, gender and age
- Journeymen certificates granted with or without Interprovincial Standards Seal, by trade

**Frequency:** Annual

**Sample size:** 12 reporting units (provincial departments responsible for apprenticeship programs)

**Data availability:** 1991 to 1997

**Reference period:** Calendar year

**Release dates:** One year after the reference calendar year

**Response rates:** 100%

**What makes the data valuable:**

**Related surveys or data:**

**Products and services:**

Standard tables showing aggregate enrolment and completion information by trades and provinces are available. Gender and age information is only available by special request.

**For more information:**

Karl Skof, Culture, Tourism and the Centre for Education Statistics Division, (613) 951-1529

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## Rent Survey

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**Description:** This monthly survey collects rent data and rental characteristics to be used as input into the construction of the rental component of the Consumer Price Index and the System of National Accounts Income and Expenditure Accounts. The data are used by all levels of government and the private sector to measure the impact of price change on the purchasing power of the dollar and for economic and policy analysis.

**Whom/what is surveyed:** All non-institutional dwellings, excluding Indian Reserves and Military bases

**How the data is collected:**

80% Telephone interview

20% Face to face interview

(the survey uses the Labour force survey as a vehicle to collect the information on rent for the Consumer Price Index)

**Geographic detail:** Canada, provinces

**Demographic detail:**



**Information collected:**

Rent/shelter cost, by shelter/dwelling characteristics

- type, size of dwelling

- rent/rental characteristics

- parking facilities

- housing furnishings, equipment and related services

**Frequency:** Monthly

**Sample size:** 9,000 households

**Data availability:** 1949 to 1998

**Reference period:** Month

**Release dates:** 6 to 7 weeks after the reference month

**Response rates:** 90%

**What makes the data valuable:**

**Related surveys or data:**

**Products and services:**

**For more information:**

Cynthia Baumgarten, Prices Division, (613) 951-3803, baumcyn@statcan.ca

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## Shelter Cost Survey

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**Description:** Funded in part by Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation, this survey has provided information which helps to measure the adequacy and affordability of housing in Canada.

**Whom/what is surveyed:** Private households, excluding households in the territories, Indian Reserves and crown lands, and those living institutions.

**How the data is collected:** Telephone interview

**Geographic detail:** Canada, provinces, size of area of residence (urban/rural)

**Demographic detail:** data linked to the demographic variables from the Labour Force Survey such as household type, age, sex and marital status



### Information collected:

1. repairs and other maintenance expenditures (e.g., outdoor patios, fences and driveways, exterior walls, painting, wall papering, carpentry, wooden flooring, electrical systems, plumbing, heating and air conditioning, complete re-roofing, eavestroughing and other roof repair, hard surface flooring and carpeting, caulking and weather stripping)
2. replacement of equipment (e.g., electrical fixtures and equipment, plumbing fixtures, heating and air conditioning equipment, carpeting, built-in appliances)
3. additions (e.g., structural extensions, garages and car ports, inground swimming pools, fences, patios, driveways, landscaping)
4. renovations and alterations (interior and exterior)
5. new installations (e.g., electrical fixtures and equipment, plumbing fixtures, heating and air conditioning equipment, carpeting, built-in appliances)
6. type of dwelling
7. renter expenditures or costs (e.g., rent, parking, electricity, heating, water, repairs and maintenance, tenant's insurance)
8. homeowners' expenditures or costs (e.g., mortgage payments, property taxes, home-owner's insurance, condominium fees, taxes, fuel, heat, electricity, water and sewage)

**Frequency:** Occasional

**Sample size:** 45,000 households

**Data availability:** 1987 and 1990

**Reference period:** Calendar year

**Release dates:** 18 months after the reference calendar year

**Response rates:** 83.5%

**What makes the data valuable:** Comprehensive database of shelter expenditures for owners and renters

### Related surveys or data:

1. Homeowner Repair and Renovation Survey

2. Family Expenditure Survey
3. Survey of Household Spending

**Products and services:**

Public-use Microdata File (data from the Shelter Cost Survey were added to the Household Income, Facilities and Equipment File)

**For more information:**

For further information, please contact your closest Statistics Canada Regional Office or

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## Short Term Expectations Survey

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**Description:** Every month, Statistics Canada canvasses a group of economic analysts throughout Canada (on average 17) for one-month-ahead forecasts of key economic indicators. Participants in this survey forecast the year-over-year changes in the consumer price index, the unemployment rate, and merchandise exports and imports. They also forecast the monthly change in gross domestic product at constant prices.

**Whom/what is surveyed:** Economic analysts

**How the data is collected:** Fax and e-mail

**Geographic detail:** Canada

**Demographic detail:**



**Information collected:**

Consensus forecast of key economic indicators

**Frequency:** Quarterly

**Sample size:** 19 (Approximately)

**Data availability:**

**Reference period:** Quarter

**Release dates:** Three days prior to the release of the Labour Force Survey (beginning of every month)

**Response rates:** Usually, over 50%

**What makes the data valuable:**

**Related surveys or data:**

**Products and services:**

**For more information:**

Sylvain Hamel, Small Business and Special Surveys Division, (613) 951-6589

## Survey of 1986 Graduates

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**Description:** This survey provided information on labour-market experiences of 1986 graduates in the two years following graduation, specifically focusing on employment-occupation and geographic shifts of a key youth group at a key time.

**Whom/what is surveyed:** Graduates from Canadian postsecondary education institutions who graduated or completed the requirements for degrees, diplomas or certificates during the calendar year 1986, excluding graduates from private postsecondary institutions, continuing education (unless this led to a degree), part time trade courses for full time employees, some vocational programs and apprenticeship programs

**How the data is collected:** Telephone interviews

**Geographic detail:** Canada, provinces and territories

**Demographic detail:** age, sex, marital status, language spoken at home, mother tongue, dependent children, - ethnic origin, place of birth



### Information collected:

Postsecondary education, 1986 graduates: by socio-economic detail

- degree, diploma or certificate awarded, level of education attained
- principal residence, by province
- major field of study or specialization
- period of study, length in academic years
- participation in co-op program
- registration status: part-time, full-time
- leave of absence from studies, by reason
- reasons for part-time or non-continuous study
- highest level of study prior to the latest program and specialization
- work experience prior to postsecondary studies
- type of employment: business or industry duties
- activity prior to program of higher education
- reasons for absence from work
- reasons for not looking for job
- reasons for working part-time
- usual hours at work
- class of worker: paid worker, self-employed
- level of education needed for the current job
- work experience and skills required for the job
- job satisfaction
- income satisfaction
- length of job with same employer
- satisfaction with educational level, field of study, specialization
- financial aid taken from student loan program
- educational loan: current status
- age
- sex
- marital status
- language spoken at home
- mother tongue



- language of study
- number of dependent children
- personal income level
- educational level of parents
- ethnic origin, place of birth
- disability, if any, by type
- participation in Canada Employment and Immigration Commission financial assistance program
- long-term physical or mental health problems

**Frequency:** One-time only

**Sample size:** 53,000 individuals

**Data availability:** 1988

**Reference period:** Several, depending on information collected - the major one is the first week of May 1988

**Release dates:** 1 1/2 years after the reference period

**Response rates:** 77%

**What makes the data valuable:**

**Related surveys or data:**

1. Follow-up Survey of 1986 Graduates
2. Survey of 1990 Graduates
3. Follow-up survey of 1990 Graduates
4. Survey of 1995 graduates

**Products and services:**

**For more information:**

For further information, please contact your closest Statistics Canada Regional Office or

Special Surveys Division, (613) 951-4598; Toll-free in North America only: 1-800-461-9050;  
special@statcan.ca

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## Survey of 1990 Graduates

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**Description:** This survey, conducted in 1992, collected information on the socio-economic characteristics of post-secondary graduates, two years after they have graduated. It provided data on labour-market experiences of 1990 graduates in the two years since graduation, focusing on occupation and industry of employment in mid-1992.

**Whom/what is surveyed:** Graduates from Canadian public postsecondary education institutions (universities, colleges, trade schools) who graduated or completed the requirements for degrees, diplomas or certificates during the calendar year 1990. Excluded are: graduates from private postsecondary education institutions; completers of continuing-education programs (unless these led to a degree, diploma or certificate); part-time trade course completers and completers of provincial apprenticeship programs

**How the data is collected:** Telephone interviews

**Geographic detail:** Canada, provinces and territories

**Demographic detail:** age, sex, marital status, language spoken at home, mother tongue, dependent children, - ethnic origin, place of birth



**Information collected:**

University, college and trade/vocational programs, 1990 graduates: education level, major field of study, work experience during the 2 years following graduation, industry, occupation, class of worker, annual pay rate, hours worked and other characteristics of the graduates's job two years after graduation, further studies undertaken since graduation in 1990.

**Frequency:** One-time only

**Sample size:** 53,600 individuals

**Data availability:** 1992

**Reference period:** Reference period varies according to the variable collected - the major one is "last week" (during June and July 1992)

**Release dates:** August 1993

**Response rates:** 70%

**What makes the data valuable:**

**Related surveys or data:**

1. Survey of 1986 Graduates
2. Follow-up Survey of 1986 Graduates
3. Follow-up survey of 1990 Graduates
4. Survey of 1995 graduates

**Products and services:**

**For more information:**

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## Survey of 1995 Graduates

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**Description:** This survey was conducted in 1997. Its primary objective was to obtain information on the labour market experiences of graduates entering the labour market, focussing on employment, occupations and the relationship between jobs and education.

**Whom/what is surveyed:** Graduates from Canadian postsecondary education institutions who completed the requirements for degrees, diplomas or certificates during the calendar year 1995.

**How the data is collected:** Computer-assisted telephone interviews

**Geographic detail:** Canada, provinces and territories

**Demographic detail:** age, sex, marital status, language spoken at home, mother tongue, dependent children, - ethnic origin, place of birth



**Information collected:**

- Program confirmation
- Activities before completing post secondary studies
- Labour force activities last week (employed/unemployed)
- Details of other jobs for graduates currently working
- Details of other jobs for graduates not currently working
- Details of first job for graduates with more than 3 jobs since graduation
- Activities since graduation
- Education after graduation (complete programs)
- Education and training after graduation (incomplete programs and training)
- Higher education
- Program evaluation
- Student loans/finances
- Skills analysis
- School-work transition
- Volunteer activities
- Demographic/general questions

**Frequency:** One-time only

**Sample size:**

**Data availability:**

**Reference period:** May 1995 to May 1997

**Release dates:**

**Response rates:**

**What makes the data valuable:**

**Related surveys or data:**

1. Survey of 1986 Graduates
2. Follow-up Survey of 1986 Graduates

3. Survey of 1990 Graduates
4. Follow-up Survey of 1990 Graduates

**Products and services:**

1. Microdata file and User's Guide
2. Microdata user's guide
3. Custom tabulations

**For more information:**

For further information, please contact your closest Statistics Canada Regional Office or

Special Surveys Division, (613) 951-4598; Toll-free in North America only: 1-800-461-9050;  
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## Survey of Consumer Finances

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**Description:** collects data on the income of individuals, families and households; provides statistics on income distributions, earnings of men and women, dual-earner families, low income rates

Note: 1998 (1997 income) is the final year for the Survey of consumer finances. Commencing in 1999 (1998 income) cross-sectional estimates are derived from the Survey of Labour and Income Dynamics.

**Whom/what is surveyed:** all persons aged 15 and over residing in Canada, except residents of the Yukon and Northwest Territories, persons living on Indian reserves, institutional residents and full-time members of the Armed Forces (exclusions account for less than 3% of the population)

**How the data is collected:** sub-sample of the Labour Force Survey consisting of 35,000 households; telephone interviews since 1988 (before that, personal interviews)

**Geographic detail:** Canada, provinces, size of area of residence (from rural to cities with 500,000+ population) and selected census metropolitan areas

**Demographic detail:** age, sex, marital status, family relationship and household composition, Canadian-born or year of immigration, and mother tongue



**Information collected:**

1. annual income by source
2. earnings (wages, self-employment)
3. investment income (interest, dividends)
4. government transfers (Employment Insurance, Old Age Security, Canada/Quebec Pension Plan, Social Assistance, Child Tax Benefit)
5. pensions
6. other income
7. income tax payable, refundable tax credits
8. annual work experience (weeks worked, weeks unemployed)

**Frequency:** annual supplement to the Labour Force Survey

**Sample size:** 35,000 households

**Data availability:** most data are conceptually consistent since 1971

**Reference period:** Previous calendar year

**Release dates:** data are published by the end of the collection year

**Response rates:** 80%

**What makes the data valuable:**

1. provides time series data on sources of income of Canadian individuals, families and households
2. can be linked with the full range of data from the Labour Force Survey
3. provides annual low-income rates
4. can link income and labour market data of individuals with family data

5. provides income distribution from before-tax and after-tax bases

**Related surveys or data:**

**Products and services:**

1. Income Distributions by Size in Canada (Catalogue no. 13-207-XPB), annual
2. Family Incomes, Census Families (Catalogue no. 13-208-XPB), annual
3. Income After Tax, Distributions by Size in Canada (Catalogue no. 13-210-XPB), annual
4. Earnings of Men and Women (Catalogue no. 13-217-XPB), annual
5. Household Facilities by Income and Other Characteristics (Catalogue no. 13-218-XPB), annual
6. Characteristics of Dual-earner Families (Catalogue no. 13-215-XPB), annual
7. The Distribution of Wealth in Canada, 1984 (Catalogue no. 13-580-XPB)
8. Changes in the Distribution of Wealth in Canada, 1970-1984 (Catalogue no. 13-588-MPB, no. 1)
9. Pensions and Incomes of the Elderly in Canada, 1971-1985 (Catalogue no. 13-588-MPB, no. 2)
10. The Characteristics of Dual-earner Families (Catalogue no. 13-588-MPB, no. 3)
11. Articles in "Perspectives on Labour and Income", Catalogue no. 75-001-XPE, quarterly
12. Articles in Canadian Social Trends, Catalogue no. 11-008-XPE, quarterly
13. Five annual public use microdata files are available that allow users to do their own tabulations on individuals, census families, economic families and households; the fifth file permits record linkage among the four data files.
14. CANSIM (Canadian Socio-Economic Information Management System), Statistics Canada's publicly accessible database; for further information, please call: (613) 951-8200
15. Special tabulations meeting specific user requirements are available on a cost-recovery basis.

**For more information:**

For further information, please contact your closest Statistics Canada Regional Office or

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## Survey of Employment Insurance Coverage

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**Description:** The objective of the survey was to study the extent of coverage of the Employment Insurance program, to identify the segments of the non-working population that do not receive benefits and to improve the coverage and design of employment insurance in Canada.

The survey was funded by Human Resources Development Canada as part of the monitoring and analysis of the Employment Insurance (EI) program. In general, the survey provided data for research into the degree of income protection provided the Canadian population by the Employment Insurance Program. This will improve HRDC's ability to plan and design the program.

**Whom/what is surveyed:** Individuals who are not working in a reference week or worked part-time

**How the data is collected:** Computer-assisted telephone interviews

**Geographic detail:** Ten provinces and four regions of Canada

**Demographic detail:** age, sex, marital status, relationship to reference person, mother tongue



**Information collected:**

Job characteristics: Industry and occupation groups, employment insurance deductions, union membership, rate of pay, tips or commissions, hours worked, permanent/non permanent employment, weeks employed, work absences, work schedule, reason for job separation, notice received from employer  
payments from employer at separation: severance pay or pay instead of vacation, etc.

Employment Insurance Activity: claims, benefits received, type of benefits, weeks of benefits, reason for not receiving benefits

Income Adequacy:

sources of income and financial assistance, main source of income, sufficiency of income, job search experience, current working status, lowest wage acceptable, chances of finding an acceptable job, helpful means of finding work

Mother tongue

Labour Force Survey variables

**Frequency:** Quarterly

**Sample size:** 3,500 persons per year

**Data availability:**

**Reference period:** Four weeks in 1997, 1998 and 1999

**Release dates:** June following the reference year

**Response rates:** 82% - 85% contacted and responding



**What makes the data valuable:** 1. Correspondance to the labour force status variable from the Labour Force Survey  
2. Covers whole population who could theoretically get regular EI benefits

**Related surveys or data:**  
Employment Insurance Statistics (administrative data)

**Products and services:**

Catalogue No. 73F0008XPF available at [www.statcan.ca](http://www.statcan.ca) under "Free publications"

**For more information:**  
Stephan Roller, Special Surveys Division, (613) 951-4625

# Survey of Employment, Payrolls and Hours

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**Description:** measures payroll employment, paid hours and earnings of workers in most industries

**Whom/what is surveyed:** firms and institutions of all sizes in every industry (except agriculture, fishing and trapping, private households, religious organizations and the military)

**How the data is collected:** information is collected from

1. a census of administrative records from Revenue Canada for firms having 100 employees and more
2. a sample of administrative records from Revenue Canada for firms having fewer than 100 employees
3. a sample survey (Business Payrolls Survey) conducted to estimate the variables not reported on administrative records

**Geographic detail:** Canada, provinces, territories

**Demographic detail:**



**Information collected:**

1. employment (all employees, salaried employees, employees paid by the hour, other employees)
2. payrolls (all employees, salaried employees, employees paid by the hour, other employees)
3. average weekly earnings including/excluding overtime earnings for salaried employees, employees paid by the hour, and other employees
4. average weekly hours of employees paid by the hour
5. average standard work week of salaried employees
6. average weekly overtime hours of employees paid by the hour
7. average hourly earnings including/excluding overtime of salaried employees and employees paid by the hour

**Frequency:** Monthly

**Sample size:** 96,000 establishments

**Data availability:** data are available since January 1983

**Reference period:** the last seven days of the month

**Release dates:** preliminary data are published within 60 days of the reference period, and revised estimates 30 days later

**Response rates:** 85% (for final estimates)

**What makes the data valuable:** 1. largest monthly business survey in Canada

2. timely information
3. extensive industrial detail
4. detailed geographic data
5. the only source of current weekly earnings data

**Related surveys or data:**

Before the introduction of this survey in 1983, three main sources were used to collect data on employment, earnings and hours: the Employment, Payrolls and Manhours Survey (ES-1—survey of large firms in commercial industries); the Employment Sample Survey (ES-2—survey of small firms in the commercial industries), and other employment surveys covering institutions and organizations in the non-commercial sector (GAP—surveys of education, health and welfare, and religious organizations). For information on linking survey data with the ES-1, ES-2 and GAP, please consult one of the labour market consultants in the Labour Statistics Division.

**Products and services:**

1. Employment, Earnings and Hours (Catalogue no. 72-002-XPB), monthly.
2. Annual Estimates of Employment, Earnings and Hours, 1983-1999 (Catalogue no. 72F0002XCB) (CD-ROM product)
3. Annual Estimates of Employment, Earnings and Hours, 1987-1999 (Catalogue no. 72F0002XIB) (Internet)
4. Annual Estimates of Employment, Earnings and Hours, 1983-1999 (Catalogue no. 10-3009XKB) (kit, paper and CD-ROM)
5. Articles in Perspectives on Labour and Income (Catalogue no. 75-001E), quarterly
6. Articles in Canadian Economic Observer (Catalogue no. 11-010-XPB), monthly
7. Articles in Industry Profiles (Catalogue no. 15-205M), annual
8. Services Indicators (Catalogue no. 63-016-XPB), quarterly
9. Articles in Industrial Monitor (Catalogue no. 15F0015XPE), monthly
10. CANSIM (Canadian Socio-Economic Information Management System), Statistics Canada's publicly accessible database; for further information, please call (613) 951-8200
11. Data collected by the survey can be custom-tabulated to meet particular data needs on a cost-recovery basis.

**For more information:**

For further information please contact your closest Statistics Canada Regional Office or

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Labour Statistics Division,  
(613) 951-4090  
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## Survey of Financial Security

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**Description:** The survey measures the assets and debts of families and unattached individuals. The objectives of the survey are: to describe the financial situation of Canadians; to determine the manner in which wealth is distributed among the population; to develop a profile of persons holding different types of assets and debts; to assess future consumption capabilities and potential financial vulnerability; and, to assess the extent to which individuals' current assets will provide them with an income in retirement. Six previous household asset and debt surveys were conducted, between 1955 and 1984. The survey was conducted in 1999; future plans for the survey have not been finalized at this time

**Whom/what is surveyed:** Economic families in selected dwellings in the ten provinces. Detailed questions are asked of persons 15 years and older.

**How the data is collected:** Personal interviews plus record linkage to administrative data when authorized by the respondent

**Geographic detail:** Canada, excluding Yukon, the Northwest Territories and Nunavut

**Demographic detail:** age, sex, marital status, family composition; citizenship, immigration status, mother tongue; education



### Information collected:

For each person 15 years and older:

Demographic information:

- age, sex, marital status, family composition (for every person in household)
- citizenship, immigration status, mother tongue
- education

Labour market characteristics:

- current employment
- 1998 employment

Registered Pension Plan (RPP) - Accumulated Value:

- accrued RPP benefits from current and prior employment
- RPP benefits in pay
- RPP credits split following divorce or separation

Income (1998):

- employment earnings
- investment income
- government transfers
- pension income
- total income
- other tax form data (income tax paid, pension adjustment, RPP contributions, and RRSP contributions)

For the economic family as a whole:

Household transfers:

- financial support provided to persons outside the household
- financial support received from persons outside the household

**Behaviours and attitudes:**

- use of credit
- payment of debts
- method of financing purchases
- bankruptcy, financial assistance

**Assets (current value, at time of survey):**

- savings and investments (in bank accounts, term deposits, mutual funds, stocks, bonds, RRSPs, RRIFs, RESPs, DPSPs, annuities, etc.)
- property, vehicles, household contents
- equity in business
- life insurance

**Debts (amount owing at time of survey):**

- mortgages
- credit card balances, charge accounts, and lines of credit
- loans (including student loans)

**Frequency:**

**Sample size:** 23,000 dwellings. The unit of observation is the economic family, including unattached individuals, occupying a dwelling.

**Data availability:**

**Reference period:** Month of interview; income data is for 1998

**Release dates:** Release is planned for the fall of 2000.

**Response rates:** Approximately 75%

**What makes the data valuable:** The information from this survey will provide the most comprehensive picture of the net worth of Canadians that has been available for over 15 years. This will make it possible to better assess the ability of families and unattached individuals to sustain themselves financially in the event of retirement or unforeseen events such as disability, or unemployment. Because of the large number of demographic information collected by the survey, the results will also help in determining the financial needs of groups such as lone parents, seniors and the disabled.

**Related surveys or data:**

**Products and services:**

The results of the survey will be made available through:

- 1) analytical articles and reports
- 2) database files such as public-use microdata files
- 3) standard tabulations, custom retrievals, remote access.

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## Survey of Household Spending (formerly the Family Expenditure Survey and the Household Facilities and Equipment Survey)

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**Description:** The Survey of Household Spending merges the Family Expenditure Survey (FAMEX) and the Household Facilities and Equipment Survey. It provides information on the expenditures, income, dwelling characteristics, household equipment, and other characteristics of families and individuals living in private households in Canada.

**Whom/what is surveyed:** families and individuals living in private households in the ten provinces and territories, excluding persons living on Indian reserves, families of official representatives of foreign countries living in Canada, members of religious and other communal colonies, persons living full time in institutions (for example, inmates of penal institutions or chronic care patients living in hospitals and nursing homes).

**How the data is collected:** personal interviews in January, February and March following the reference year

**Geographic detail:** Canada, provinces and territories, selected metropolitan areas, size of area of residence (urban/rural)

**Demographic detail:** age, sex and marital status of reference person and spouse, relationship to reference person



### Information collected:

1. dwelling characteristics
2. heating and cooking equipment and fuel
3. water supply facilities and plumbing equipment
4. household appliances and equipment
5. home audio-visual equipment (e.g., TVs, VCRs, Radios)
6. owned vehicles
7. communications equipment (e.g., telephone, Internet)
8. expenditures for detailed categories of consumer goods and services (e.g., food, shelter, communications, child care, furniture, household equipment, clothing, transportation, health care personal care, recreation, reading materials, education, tobacco and alcohol, games of chance, taxes, insurance payments, pension contributions, and gifts and donations)
9. change in assets
10. annual income, detailed for various sources (for example, wages and salaries, net income from self-employment, interest, dividends, pension, social programs)

**Frequency:** annual since 1997

**Sample size:** 24,000 households in 1997; 20,000 households in 1998

**Data availability:** before 1997, refer to the Family Expenditure Survey (FAMEX) and the Household Facilities and Equipment Survey

**Reference period:** previous calendar year for expenditure data and December 31 of the reference year for household facilities and equipment data

**Release dates:** end of calendar year in which survey is conducted

**Response rates:** 76.4% in 1998

**What makes the data valuable:** 1. the only source of detailed household expenditures by household characteristics  
2. the only source of household facilities and equipment data  
3. the only annual source of data on dwelling characteristics

**Related surveys or data:**

1. Survey of Labour and Income Dynamics
2. Family Expenditure Survey
3. Homeowner Repair and Renovation Survey
4. Household Facilities and Equipment Survey

**Products and services:**

1. Spending Patterns in Canada (Catalogue no 62-202-XPB or 62-202-XIB)
2. Standard data tables (62F0031, 62F0032, 62F0033, 62F0034, 62F0035, 62F0041, 62F0042, 62F0043, 62F0044, 62F0045)
3. Public Use Microdata File (62M0004XCB)
4. Custom tabulations

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## Survey of Job Opportunities

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**Description:** identified persons not in the labour force who wanted to work, although they were not currently seeking employment (including discouraged workers); examined their recent labour market activities, the type of employment wanted and their reasons for not looking for work. The results of the Survey of Job Opportunities complemented the monthly measures of “discouragement” derived from the Labour Force Survey (LFS). The LFS identifies persons who looked for work in the previous six months but not in the past four weeks, because they believe no work is available. The Survey of Job Opportunities covered a much broader group, since it included all persons who reported wanting a job, whether or not they had ever actively looked for one.

**Whom/what is surveyed:** all persons aged 15 and over residing in Canada, except residents of the Yukon and Northwest Territories, persons living on Indian reserves, institutional residents and full-time members of the Armed Forces (exclusions account for less than 3% of the population)

**How the data is collected:** used complete LFS sample of 62,000 households; data were collected by personal and telephone interviews

**Geographic detail:** Canada and provinces

**Demographic detail:** age, sex, marital status, family relationships and household composition



**Information collected:**

- previous employment information and job search data on discouraged workers (also see the LFS profile)

**Frequency:** conducted annually as a supplement to the March LFS, except in 1989 and 1990; also conducted in September 1981 and 1984. This survey has been subsumed by the Labour Force Survey as of 1997.

**Sample size:** 50,000 households

**Data availability:** data are consistent since 1979

**Reference period:** March or September LFS reference week

**Release dates:**

**Response rates:** 95%

**What makes the data valuable:** 1. provide industry trends  
2. can be linked to data from the Labour Force Survey

**Related surveys or data:**

**Products and services:**

1. selected issues of The Labour Force (Catalogue no. 71-001-XPB), monthly
2. selected issues of Labour Force Information (Catalogue no. 71-001-PPB), monthly



3. Persons Not in the Labour Force: Job Search Activities and the Desire for Employment (Labour Force Survey Research Papers no. 21, 23, 25, 27 and 30)
4. Microdata files and special tabulations are available on a cost-recovery basis.

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## Survey of Labour and Income Dynamics

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**Description:** provides longitudinal and annual measures of the labour market experiences and economic well-being of Canadians

**Whom/what is surveyed:** all persons, regardless of age, residing in the ten Canadian provinces, except persons living on Indian reserves, inmates of institutions and full-time members of the Armed Forces

**How the data is collected:** a preliminary interview takes place at the beginning of each panel to collect background information. Each of the six years has a split-interview format, with labour topics covered in January and income topics in May

**Geographic detail:** Canada, provinces, economic regions, census metropolitan areas, urban/rural areas

**Demographic detail:** age, sex, marital status, marital spells, immigration status, mother tongue, country of birth, registered Indian or member of visible minority and place of birth of parents, fertility, household characteristics, and economic and census family characteristics, including life events, blended families, number of generations



### Information collected:

1. nature and pattern of labour market activity (class of worker, number of jobs, job changes, labour force status and main job, earnings)
2. job characteristics (firm size, how job obtained, industry, occupation, usual hours, work schedule, absences from work)
3. paid workers (union membership, job benefits)
4. jobless periods (duration, job search, desire for employment)
5. activity limitation (incidence and effect on labour market activity)
6. work history
7. educational attainment and activity (enrolment, type of institution, field of study, type of degree, years of schooling)
8. geographic mobility
9. income by source
10. earnings (wages, self-employment)
11. investment income (interest, dividends, capital gains)
12. government transfers (Employment Insurance benefits, workers' compensation, Social Assistance, Canada/Quebec Pension Plan)
13. pension income (employment pensions or superannuation, RRIFs)
14. other income (support payments, RRSP withdrawals)

**Frequency:** a new panel is introduced every three years (starting in 1993) and remains in the survey for six years; labour interview, annually in January after reference year; income interview, annually in May after reference year (the respondents can avoid this interview if they agree to have their income tax file consulted)

**Sample size:** Two panels, each with 15,000 to 20,000 households

**Data availability:** The first panel covers reference years 1993 to 1998; and the second panel covers reference years 1996 to 2001, and so on.

**Reference period:** previous calendar year

**Release dates:** 15 months after the reference year

**Response rates:** over 90% (labour and income interviews and access to income tax file combined)

**What makes the data valuable:** - detailed examination of changes and transitions at the microdata level

- analysis of spell durations (unemployment, not in labour force)
- analysis of flows into and out of different statuses
- data at the person level, economic and census family level and job level
- mix of detailed labour and income data for six years
- starting with reference year 1998, this survey will be the principal source of annual personal income statistics, replacing the Survey of Consumer Finances

**Related surveys or data:**

starting point for content development was the Labour Market Activity Survey for labour content; and the Survey of Consumer Finances for income content

**Products and services:**

1. Income in Canada, Catalogue No. 75-202XPE (paper) or 75-202XIE (internet), June 2000
2. A summary of the research themes is given in the June 1998 Survey Overview—Survey of Labour and Income Dynamics (Catalogue no. 75F0011XPB). More details are provided in the Survey of Labour and Income Dynamics Microdata User's Guide (Catalogue no. 75M0001GPE). Both are available free of charge on the Internet.
3. Working Paper Series: available on paper for a small fee, or free of charge on the Internet, 15 to 20 issues per year (Catalogue no. 75F0002MIE)
4. Public Use Microdata on CD-ROM: comes with the microdata user's guide. Latest issue: four waves of data available in Autumn 1999 (Catalogue no. 75M0001XCB)
5. The Survey of Labour and Income Dynamics Electronic Data Dictionary (Catalogue no. 75F0026XIB) provides a list of variables and code sets available on diskette or on the Internet (free of charge).
6. A workshop for data users is also offered by the survey staff when and where the demand is sufficient.
7. "Do-it-yourself" custom retrievals: a data user may write a program to be sent to Statistics Canada in electronic form and run against the internal database. After suppression for confidentiality, the output is sent back to the user.
8. Custom retrievals are available on a cost-recovery basis.

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## Survey of the Self-employed

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**Description:** This survey, sponsored by Human Resources Development Canada, gathered information on paths leading to self-employment, on the characteristics, insurance coverage and opinions of self-employed persons, for reference year 1999.

**Whom/what is surveyed:** Conducted as a supplement to the Labour Force Survey, this special survey gathered information from individuals aged 15 to 69 whose main job is classified as self-employment. Excluded are those working on average fewer than 11 hours per week and full-time students.

**How the data is collected:** Computer-assisted telephone interviews, non-proxy

**Geographic detail:** Canada, provinces (master file), region (public use file), census metropolitan areas

**Demographic detail:** as on the Labour Force Survey public use file, age at immigration (if applicable)



### Information collected:

1. paths leading to self-employment (main activity before start of the current self-employment, work arrangements, main reason for self-employment)
2. Incidence of formal and informal training
3. Health, dental and disability insurance coverage
4. Financial security (experience of financial difficulties, revenue from self-employment, financial preparations for retirement)
5. Membership in associations relevant for self-employed, and
6. Opinions about positive and negative aspects of self-employment

**Frequency:** One time only

**Sample size:** 7,141 individuals (Five LFS rotation groups)

**Data availability:**

**Reference period:** 1999

**Release dates:** Public use microdata file planned for summer 2001

**Response rates:** Not yet available

**What makes the data valuable:** Little is known about paths leading to self-employment, about insurance coverage of self-employed, as well as about their perceptions of positive and negative aspects of this type of career.

**Related surveys or data:**

Labour Force Survey (LFS), Survey of Labour and Income Dynamics (SLID)

**Products and services:**

Public use microdata file planned for summer 2001 and, possibly, a joint analytical publication with the survey sponsor (HRDC)

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## Survey of Trusteed Pension Funds

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**Description:** provides data on the income, expenditures, and assets of trustee pension funds

**Whom/what is surveyed:** census of the approximately 3,500 trustee pension funds in Canada. The unit of analysis is the fund, not the plan (which describes the conditions for membership, collecting benefits, et cetera). Information on the plans is available through the survey, entitled Pension Plans in Canada.

**How the data is collected:** Data concerning the funds are collected from employers and unions who sponsor trustee pension plans, or from pension fund managers who manage the funds on behalf of the plan members. They mail back either completed questionnaires or financial statements in lieu of completed questionnaires.

**Geographic detail:** Canada only

**Demographic detail:**



**Information collected:**

1. sources of income of funds, including contributions by employees and employers, investment income, profits from securities transactions, and miscellaneous sources
2. types of disbursements from funds, including benefit payouts, the purchase of annuities for members, administration costs, losses on securities transactions, and administration costs charged to the fund
3. the book and market values of fund assets, by major asset type, for example, stocks and bonds
4. breakdown by sector (public/private)
5. type of organization of employer, such as provincial public sector or incorporated company

**Frequency:** annual (except for 1991) until 1994; biennial since then

**Sample size:**

**Data availability:** first published in 1953

**Reference period:** financial year-end of funds falling within April 1, 1996 to March 31, 1997 for the latest edition available (1996)

**Release dates:** the publication is released approximately 12 months after the reference end-period

**Response rates:**

**What makes the data valuable:** 1. the most comprehensive data on the investment of pension fund assets  
2. a complete measure of the second largest pool of investment capital in Canada (after the financial assets of chartered banks)

**Related surveys or data:**

**Products and services:**

1. Trusteed Pension Funds: Financial Statistics (Catalogue no. 74-201-XPB).
2. A quarterly survey of the largest trusteed pension funds is also conducted to collect summary information on income, expenditures and assets; these data are supplemented with estimates for smaller funds based on information from the census of funds, and are published in Quarterly Estimates of Trusteed Pension Funds (Catalogue no. 74-001-XPB).
3. Articles in Perspectives on Labour and Income (Catalogue no. 75-001-XPE), quarterly
4. Microdata files and special tabulations are available on a cost-recovery basis.

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## Survey of Wage Rates for Hired Farm Labour

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**Description:** This survey collects data on wage rates paid to and expenses incurred in hiring farm labour. This data which is a key component of the Farm Input Price Index (FIPI) is required by Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada as essential information to run their Gross Revenue Insurance Plan (GRIP). The GRIP program budget was reduced in 1998 and the funds that supported the survey were suspended in 1999. The latest available data reference 1997 for the annual series and the first quarter of 1999 for the quarterly series.

**Whom/what is surveyed:** Census farms reporting hired labour

**How the data is collected:** Computer-assisted telephone interviews

**Geographic detail:** Quebec; Ontario; Manitoba; Saskatchewan; Alberta; British Columbia; Atlantic Region

**Demographic detail:**



**Information collected:**

Entity: Hired farm labourers

Event: Wage rates

Disaggregation: Province, type of work

Measures: Annual averages, quarterly index

**Frequency:** Quarterly

**Sample size:** Quarterly: 700

Annual: 2800

**Data availability:** 1992 to 1999

**Reference period:** Quarter; Calendar year

**Release dates:** Annual averages - 10 days, Quarterly index - 50 days

**Response rates:** 95%

**What makes the data valuable:** This is the only source of information on this topic.

**Related surveys or data:**

Census of Agriculture; Agriculture Economic Statistics; Farm Input Price Index

**Products and services:**

The complete set of annual estimates from the survey are available in CANSIM (Canadian Socio-Economic Information Management System) in Matrix 160, Statistics Canada's publicly accessible database; for further information, please call: (613) 951-8200. The quarterly index is published in Farm Input Price Index, Catalogue No. 62-004-XPB.

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## Survey of Work Arrangements

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**Description:** collects comprehensive data on the work arrangements (for example, schedules and routines) of Canadian workers, as well as information on emerging work arrangements such as flexitime, on-call work, working from home and moonlighting; information on job quality is also collected

**Whom/what is surveyed:** the population aged 15 to 69 years and over residing in Canada, except residents of the Yukon or Northwest Territories, persons living on Indian reserves, institutional residents and members of the Armed Forces

**How the data is collected:** sub-sample of the Labour Force Survey (LFS), consisting of approximately 27,000 households

**Geographic detail:** Canada, provinces, and census metropolitan areas

**Demographic detail:** sex, age, marital status, family relationships



**Information collected:**

1. weekly and daily work schedules of employees
2. non-typical work arrangements such as shift work, flexitime and work from home, and reasons for arrangement
3. multiple jobholding (and reasons)
4. reasons for self-employment
5. selected indicators of job quality (for example, earnings, non-wage benefits)

**Frequency:** Irregular; supplement to LFS

**Sample size:** 27,000 households

**Data availability:** data are available for 1991 and 1995

**Reference period:** November Labour Force Survey reference period

**Release dates:**

**Response rates:** 90% in 1995

**What makes the data valuable:**

1. the only major source of data on the work arrangements of Canadians (and reasons)
2. many aspects of job quality of employees
3. motivations for moonlighting and self-employment

**Related surveys or data:**

Labour Force Survey; General Social Survey; Survey of Labour and Income Dynamics; Workplace and Employee Survey

**Products and services:**

1. Work Arrangements in the 1990s (Catalogue no. 71-535-MPB, no. 8)
2. Work Arrangements (Catalogue no. 71-535-MPB, no. 6)

3. Articles in "Perspectives on Labour and Income", Catalogue no. 75-001-XPE, quarterly
4. Microdata files and special tabulations are available on a cost-recovery basis.

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## The Farm Financial Survey

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**Description:** This biennial survey is carried out on a cost recovery basis for Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada. Major information collected is on farm assets, liabilities, income, expenses, capital investments and capital sales, as well as some information on non-farm finances.

**Whom/what is surveyed:** Agricultural exploitations (farms)

**How the data is collected:** Computer-assisted telephone interviews

**Geographic detail:** Provinces

**Demographic detail:**



**Information collected:**

Capital investments and capital sales (land and buildings, breeding and replacement livestock, quota, farm machinery and equipment, other farm assets);

Assets, values at current market value –Current assets (market livestock, accounts receivable, inventory, cash and short-term investments, other);

Long-term assets (breeding and replacement livestock, farmland and buildings, machinery and equipment, quota, NISA account balances, long-term investments, other);

Liabilities outstanding and capital borrowed (current and long-term liabilities, capital borrowed for long-term loans, by lender);

Receipts and expenses; Total gross farm receipts, receipts by type (including direct program payments); total farm operating expenses, interest expenses and family wages from the farm; provincial crop insurance premiums and receipts (gross); NISA contributions and withdrawals;

Other information collected: farm operator characteristics; type of farm ownership; land use (owned, rented from/to others, operated); livestock and poultry owned, by type; Non-farm finances: income of operators and family members; interest/dividends; pensions; other

**Frequency:** Biennial

**Sample size:** 18,000 farms in 2000 and 1998; 12,000 farms in 1996 and 1994

**Data availability:** 1993-present

**Reference period:** Previous calendar year

**Release dates:** December

**Response rates:** 85%

**What makes the data valuable:** this survey is the only source for farm financial data at the level of detail available (e.g. by farm type, revenue class).

**Related surveys or data:**

refer to the Whole Farm Data Base Reference Manual (Catalogue no. 21C0005GPE)

**Products and services:**

Farm Financial Survey publication (Catalogue No. 21F0008XIB, available for free at [www.statcan.ca](http://www.statcan.ca)); special requests.

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## The School Leavers Follow-up Survey

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**Description:** The primary objective of the School Leavers Follow-up Survey, conducted in 1995, was to study the school-work transitions of young people beyond high school, particularly: 1. from the end of high school to the first job and 2. after the first job (i.e. various school-work and work-work transitions).

**Whom/what is surveyed:** The target population consisted of young adults aged 18-20, residing in one of the 10 provinces in Canada. This follow-up survey re-interviewed the respondents to the 1991 School Leavers Survey.

**How the data is collected:** Computer-assisted telephone interviews

**Geographic detail:** Canada and provinces

**Demographic detail:** age, sex, marital status, dependent children



### Information collected:

School leaver rates, by province and sex

School leavers and graduates:

- date last in high school full-time
- educational attainment
- labour force status
- education/training
- employment while pursuing education/training
- occupation
- industry
- job duration
- job type
- job dissatisfaction
- wages/salaries
- size of employer
- job search methods

Reference job information

- total number of reference jobs (jobs of 20 or more hours per week for 6 months or more)
- first and most recent reference jobs
- occupation/industry
- size of employer
- job type
- wages/salary
- education and work activities between time last in school full-time and first reference job or education and work activities between time last in school full-time and time of interview

General work information

- total number of jobs
- description of job most important for career

Skills

Volunteer activities

Quality of life

Educational status:

Type of respondent: not attending and did not complete secondary school, (leavers), still in high school, graduated from high school

Demographic, socio-economic variables:

- sex
- age
- marital status
- dependent children
- education and income of spouse/partner
- living arrangements
- sources of income
- personal income
- financial satisfaction
- language
- immigration
- activity limitation
- parental education
- occupation/industry

Geographic variables:

- province of interview
- province of study

**Frequency:** The School Leavers Follow-up Survey is a one-time follow-up of respondents to the 1991 School Leavers Survey.

**Sample size:** 18,000 was the original sample size for the 1991 School Leavers Survey

**Data availability:** 1995

**Reference period:** Data collected for 1) labour market and educational activities during the week prior to the interview; 2) selected labour market and education activities since last in high school full-time; 3) selected information collected for the last 12 months.

**Release dates:** First release was in 1996

**Response rates:** 6,284 of the originally 9,460 respondents to the 1991 School Leavers Survey were re-interviewed: response rate of 66.4%.

**What makes the data valuable:** permits better estimation of high school leaver rates, more refined analysis of labour market experience and the transitions between high school, the labour force and additional education and training

**Related surveys or data:**

**Products and services:**

Publications:

1. After High School – The First Years - The First Report of the School Leavers Follow-up Survey, 1995. Minister of Public Works & Government Services Canada: 1996, Human Resources Development Canada, Catalogue LM-419-09-96. This publication is available at <http://www.hrhc-drhc.gc.ca/arb>.

2. High School May Not Be Enough – An Analysis of Results from the School Leavers Follow-up Survey, 1995. Minister of Public Works & Government Services Canada: 1998. Human



Resources Development Canada, Catalogue No. SP-105-05-98, Statistics Canada, Catalogue No. 81-585-XBE. . This publication is available at <http://www.hrdc-drhc.gc.ca/arb>.

3. A micro data file containing both the 1991 and 1995 data is available with a user's guide.

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## Union Wage Rate Indexes-Major Construction Trades

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**Description:** These city indexes measure monthly changes over time in the collective agreement rates, where they exist, for 16 trades engaged in building construction in 20 metropolitan areas. Union wage rates by trade are also published for 20 metropolitan areas, for both the basic rates and rates adjusted to include selected supplementary payments. The survey collects data from construction associations, Provincial Labour Relation Boards and Local Unions.

**Whom/what is surveyed:** 16 trades engaged in building construction in 20 selected census metropolitan areas and census agglomerations

**How the data is collected:** Extraction from administrative files

**Geographic detail:** 20 major cities:

- St. John's
- Halifax
- Saint John
- Québec
- Chicoutimi
- Montréal
- Ottawa
- Toronto
- Hamilton
- St. Catharines
- Kitchener
- London
- Windsor
- Sudbury
- Thunder Bay
- Winnipeg
- Calgary
- Edmonton
- Vancouver
- Victoria

**Demographic detail:**



**Information collected:**

Wage rates and indexes, by components, for 16 trades, for 20 cities:

- basic rate and index
  - rate including supplementary payments and index
- for 16 trades: carpenter, crane operator, cement finisher, electrician, labourer, plumber, reinforcing steel erector, structural steel erector, sheet metal worker, heavy equipment operator, bricklayer, painter, plasterer, roofer, truck driver, asbestos mechanic

**Frequency:** Monthly

**Sample size:**

**Data availability:** 1971 to 2000

**Reference period:** Month

**Release dates:** 5 weeks after the reference month

**Response rates:** 95%

**What makes the data valuable:**

**Related surveys or data:**

**Products and services:**

**For more information:**

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## Workplace and Employee Survey

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**Description:** measures the adjustments businesses are making in the face of rapid technological advancements, new directions in public policy and global competition. The emphasis is on human resource practices, labour requirements and the interaction of employers and employees in the workplace.

**Whom/what is surveyed:** the final pilot sample included 748 establishments and 1,960 workers. The 1999 production survey yielded a usable sample of 6,398 locations and about 25,000 workers.

**How the data is collected:** survey of employers selected from a register of all businesses in Canada; survey of employees from the same workplaces

**Geographic detail:** Canada, the four large provinces, Manitoba/Saskatchewan and the Atlantic region

### Demographic detail:



#### Information collected:

1. the structure of the workforce
2. hiring
3. unfilled vacancies and separations
4. compensation
5. training
6. hours of work
7. workplace organization
8. collective bargaining
9. business strategy
10. innovation
11. technology
12. job characteristics
13. educational requirements
14. many more variables for all major industries
15. As report is based on the pilot survey, the results are, in a sense, a case study. While they apply only to the particular industry/province combinations noted, the selected industries cover the major sectors of the economy.

**Frequency:** annual

**Sample size:** 6,398 locations; 25,000 workers

**Data availability:** pilot survey in 1996, full survey in 1999

**Reference period:** Fiscal year

**Release dates:** Late fall 2000

**Response rates:** Employer portion: 94%;  
Employee portion: 83% for the 1999 production survey

- What makes the data valuable:**
1. will help design training programs for unemployed workers
  2. will help to develop educational materials
  3. evaluate labour and social policies
  4. could be used to develop a labour cost index

**Related surveys or data:**

Special publication:

The Evolving Workplace: Findings from the Pilot Workplace and Employee Survey (Catalogue no. 71-583-XPE)

**Products and services:**

1. The 1999 survey results will be available in a series of four publications which are planned to be released sequentially between the end of November 2000 and March 31, 2001.
2. A compendium of tabulations will also be released with the first overview publication.
3. Selected research papers based on the 1999 survey data will be available by the end of March 31, 2001. The employer and employee micro data files are expected to be available in the regional offices in October 2000 and in the data research centers.
4. Microdata files and special tabulations will be available on a cost-recovery basis.

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