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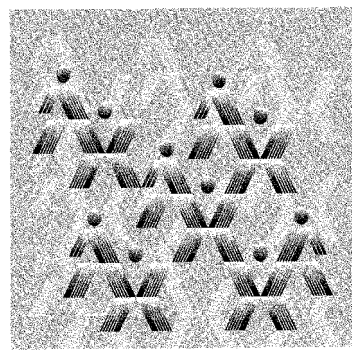
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A Portrait of Seniors in Canada

Third Edition



A portrait of seniors in Canada

The third edition of *A portrait of seniors in Canada*, available today, provides a comprehensive statistical profile of the population aged 65 and over, with details on family status and living arrangements, housing, health, education, income, and work and leisure patterns.

This 130-page publication was prepared, in part, to provide a data base on seniors for the current International Year of Older Persons, which has special relevance because seniors make up one of Canada's fastest growing groups. Issues associated with the aging population will become even more critical when the baby boomers begins turning 65 early next century.

A portrait of seniors in Canada: third edition (89-519-XPE, \$45) is now available. See *How to order publications*. For more information on this report, contact Colin Lindsay (613-951-2603; fax: 613-951-0387; lindcol@statscan.ca), Target Groups Project, Housing, Family and Social Statistics Division.



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A portrait of seniors in Canada

In 1998, there were an estimated 3.7 million individuals aged 65 and over in Canada, a 57% increase from 1981. Seniors made up 12% of the total population in 1998, up from 10% in 1981 and just 5% in 1921.

This population is expected to grow even more rapidly during the next several decades, particularly once baby boomers start turning 65 around 2011. By 2041, a projected 23% of the population will be 65 and over.

The fastest growth is occurring among those in older age ranges. In 1998, there were an estimated 380,000 people aged 85 and over, nearly double the level in 1981 (196,000) and almost 20 times the 21,000 in this age group in 1921.

The senior population is predominantly female. In 1998, women represented 57% of all Canadians aged 65 and over and 70% of those aged 85 and older.

In 1996, 27% of seniors were immigrants, whereas immigrants made up only 17% of the overall population. Victoria, B.C., where 18% of the population is aged 65 and over, is the seniors' capital of Canada.

The life expectancy of seniors has risen substantially during this century. As of 1996, a 65-year-old person had an estimated remaining life expectancy of 18.4 years, roughly half a year more than in 1991, three years more than in 1971, and five years more than in 1921. As in other age groups, senior women have a longer remaining life expectancy than senior men: 20.2 years for a woman aged 65 in 1996, compared with 16.3 years for her male counterpart.

Most seniors describe their health in positive terms. Still, in 1997, 82% of seniors living at home reported that they had been diagnosed with at least one chronic health condition, while 25% had a long-term disability or handicap.

While the majority of seniors are retired, a substantial number are still part of the paid work force. In 1998, just over 225,000 people aged 65 and over, or 6% of the total senior population, had jobs. At the same time, 23% of the senior population participated in formal volunteer activities and 58% in informal volunteer activities.

The average income of seniors in 1997 was 18% higher than it was in 1981, once inflation was taken into account. However, in 1997, close to 700,000 seniors, or 19% of the total, had incomes below Statistics Canada's low income cut-offs. There are also

considerable differences in economic circumstances depending on family status and sex. In 1997, 49% of all unattached senior women had low incomes, compared with only about 6% of senior women who lived in families.

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Production and disposition of tobacco products

August 1999

August cigarette production fell below the level in July but sales increased. While closing inventories were down, they remained high compared with the level of August last year.

During August, 2.8 billion cigarettes were produced, 5% less than in July and 15% less than in August 1998. Year-to-date production reached 32 billion cigarettes, which was marginally below last year's level.

Manufacturers' shipped 4.1 billion cigarettes in August, up 3% over the previous month and up 2% over the level in August 1998. Year-to-date shipments, at 31 billion cigarettes, were 2% lower than total shipments for the same period in 1998.

With decreased production and increased shipments, the number of cigarettes produced stayed well below numbers sold and a significant portion was shipped from inventory. Closing inventories were drawn down to 4.2 billion cigarettes (-19%). All the same, this level was relatively high, with 16% more cigarettes in inventory than the 3.6 billion at the end of August 1998.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 46.

The August 1999 issue of *Production and disposition of tobacco products* (32-022-XIB, \$5/\$47) is now available. See *How to order publications*.

For more information, or to enquire about the concepts, methods and data quality of this

release, contact Peter Zylstra (613-951-3511; zylspet@statcan.ca), Manufacturing, Construction and Energy Division. ■

Pipeline transportation of crude oil and refined petroleum products

July 1999

Net receipts of crude oil and equivalent hydrocarbons totalled 12 426 542 cubic metres in July, down 3.3% from July 1998. Year-to-date receipts to the end of July 1999 (85 034 569 cubic metres) were down 5.9% over the same period in 1998. Net receipts of liquefied petroleum gases and refined petroleum products in July (6 596 346 cubic metres) decreased 1.3% from July 1998. Year-to-date receipts increased 0.9% to 45 138 707 cubic metres.

Pipeline exports of crude oil (5 983 166 cubic metres) decreased 4.1% from July 1998 and pipeline imports (1 708 161 cubic metres) increased 11.6%. Year-to-date exports (37 929 540 cubic metres) were down 12.1% from 1998. Year-to-date imports (11 616 604 cubic metres) increased 10.3%.

July deliveries of crude oil by pipeline to Canadian refineries totalled 5 931 705 cubic metres, a 1.4% increase from 1998. July deliveries of liquefied petroleum gases and refined petroleum products decreased 5.1% to 594 920 cubic metres. Year-to-date deliveries of crude oil to refineries at the end of July totalled 39 097 582 cubic metres, up 0.5% from the same period in 1998.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 181 and 591-595.

The July 1999 issue of *Pipeline transportation of crude oil and refined petroleum products* (55-001-XIB, \$9/\$86) will be available shortly. See *How to order publications*.

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Domestic travel

First quarter 1999

Canadians made 29.5 million trips within Canada in the first quarter of 1999 and spent \$3.6 billion on these trips. Compared with the same period last year, the number of trips advanced 13.7% while expenditures increased 6.0%. Both same-day trips (+13.9% to 16.3 million) and overnight trips (+13.5% to 13.2 million) contributed to this upward trend. During the overnight trips, 37.0 million nights were spent in all types of accommodation, up 11.4% compared with the first quarter last year. These increases coincided with an 11% decline in the number of Canadians going to the United States as well as good economic conditions in Canada and relatively low inflation of 3% for travel prices.

Of the 29.5 million trips recorded in the first quarter, 10.9 million were taken to visit friends or relatives, 9.6 million for pleasure, 4.7 million were for business and conventions and 4.3 million for personal reasons. All these categories of trips increased compared with the same quarter last year, with the largest advance posted in the pleasure (+21.2%) trip category.

Canadians travelling outside their own province accounted for 3.5 million trips or just more than 1 trip out of 10 in the first quarter of 1999. However, the money spent on these trips totalled \$1.5 billion, which represented 40% of total travel expenditures in the first quarter. Average expenditures for inter-provincial trips were \$413 per person and \$111 per person each night with an average distance travelled of 854 kilometres.

Note: Domestic travel is defined as any trip of 80 kilometers or more one way, taken by Canadian residents and having a Canadian destination.

Various statistical profiles and micro-data files are available on request. For more information, or to enquire about the concepts, methods and data quality of this release, contact Lizette Gervais-Simard (613-951-1672; fax: 613-951-2909; gervliz@statcan.ca), Tourism Statistics Program. For more information on the tourism industry, contact John Olsthoorn (613-957-9220; fax: 613-276-2841; olsthoorn.john@gc.ca), Canadian Tourism Commission. ■

Dwelling characteristics and household equipment

1997

Standard data tables on the dwelling characteristics and household equipment of households in 1997 are now available. The dwelling characteristics include the type of dwelling, whether repairs are needed, tenure (owned or rented), year of move, period of construction, number of rooms and bathrooms, and the age and type of heating equipment and fuel used. The household equipment includes a variety of household appliances, communications and entertainment equipment, and the number of vehicles owned.

The data are from the Survey of Household Spending which, starting with the 1998 data, will replace the Household Facilities and Equipment Survey (conducted for the last time in 1997). The Survey of Household Spending also collects data about the complete range of household spending on consumer goods and services. It is therefore possible to analyse data about dwelling characteristics and equipment present in the household along with spending data.

Five standard tables for dwelling characteristics and household equipment are now available for \$125 each: for Canada, provinces/territories, and selected metropolitan areas (62F0041XDB); by household income quintile (62F0042XDB); by housing tenure (62F0043XDB); by household type (62F0044XDB) and by size of area of residence (62F0045XDB). Similar tables based on expenditure data from the same survey are also available. See *How to order publications*.

For more information about survey results and related products and services, or to enquire about the concepts, methods or data quality for this release, contact Client Services (613-951-7355; 1 888 297-7355; fax: 613-951-3012; income@statcan.ca), Income Statistics Division. ■

Input-output tables and gross domestic product

1995 and 1996

Final input-output tables for 1995 and preliminary tables for 1996 at current and constant prices are now available. Current dollar inputs, outputs and final demand tables for 1995 and 1996 are added in CANSIM.

In addition to the input-output tables, the 1995 and 1996 gross domestic product at factor cost derived from the input-output tables are also now available.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 4763-4770, 6986-6999, 8930-8951, 9359-9380, 9391-9410, 9431-9435, 9493-9499 and 9596-9638.

For more information, or to enquire about the concepts, methods and data quality of this release, contact Ronald Rioux (613-951-3697), Input-output Division. ■

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