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Introduction

Summary of the purpose of the *Access to Information Act*

The purpose of the *Access to Information Act*, which was enacted on July 1, 1983, is to expand access to federal government documents. It enshrines the principle of the public's right to the communication of information and is intended to complement the methods for accessing documents.

To address this principle of law, federal institutions must implement standardized practices and procedures intended to process access to information requests. These practices and procedures must include a commitment to make reasonable efforts to assist requesters, regardless of their identity. Institutions must also apply the Act in an effective, coordinated and proactive manner to provide, subject to the regulations, complete, accurate and prompt responses to access-to-information requests.

With Bill C-58 having received royal assent during the 2019-2020 fiscal year, proactive disclosure now takes on a greater role as a broader range of information has now been made available.

> The *Access to Information Act* allows Canadians, permanent residents and any person present in Canada to exercise a general right to access information from a federal institution, subject to specific and limited exceptions.

Annual report prepared in accordance with section 94

This document was prepared in response to section 94 of the Act, which requires federal institutions to submit an annual report to Parliament on the administration of the Act. This report gives a detailed look at the activities related to the Act's administration in Canada Economic Development for Quebec Regions (CED).

About the institution

CED is the key federal organization for economic development in the regions and among small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs) in Quebec. It aims to stimulate the start-up and growth of businesses to make the regions more innovative, productive and competitive. Thus, CED offers adapted services and fosters local collaboration. This support also attracts investments for greater economic prosperity in Quebec and Canada.

CED's mission is to promote the long-term economic development of the regions of Quebec by giving special attention to those where slow economic growth is prevalent or opportunities for productive employment are inadequate. In addition to playing a crucial role in dynamizing regional economies by drawing on regional strengths, CED helps help communities diversify their economies, especially those hit by economic shocks. We support SMEs and non-profit organizations (NPOs) through strategic investments. CED keeps abreast of the needs of Quebec's regions and businesses through its 11 business offices across the province and through the links it establishes with other economic development players.

To learn more about CED's mandate, programming and activities, visit its website: ced.canada.ca.

Organizational structure

Access to Information and Privacy Office

CED fulfills its responsibilities under the *Access to Information Act* (ATIA), including Part 2 on proactive publication[1], and the *Privacy Act* (PA) through an Access to Information and Privacy (ATIP) Office to process requests. ATIP Office reports to the manager of the Corporate Secretariat, which in turn reports to the Chief of Staff to The Deputy Minister/President.

The ATIP Office is composed of an access to information and privacy coordinator and an advisor. In addition to being responsible for all daily ATIP activities, the coordinator, supported by the advisor, oversees the development, coordination and implementation of policies, guidelines and procedures necessary to manage the agency's compliance with the acts.

Through its delegated authority, the ATIP Office represents CED on matters relating to the ATIA and PA in dealings with the public, the Treasury Board Secretariat, information and privacy commissioners, and with other federal institutions and departments.

During the reporting period, CED did not receive or provide any services under section 96 of the ATIA.

The ATIP Office is primarily responsible for the following functions:

- Processing requests and coordinating all attendant administrative and legal operations.
- Assisting applicants.
- Developing opinions, general guidelines and procedures relating to the application of the ATIA and the PA.
- Reporting on CED's application of the ATIA and the PA.
- Meeting the information and training needs of CED employees.

[1] For a breakdown of the groups or positions responsible for ensuring that each applicable proactive publication requirement under Part 2 of the *Access to Information Act* is met, see the section "Proactive publication under Part 2 of the ATIA" on pages 16 to 20.

Agreement with the Access to Information and Privacy Communities Development Office

In 2022-2023, CED joined the newly formed Access to Information and Privacy Communities Development Office (APCDO). This was created to address capacity issues within the Access to Information and Privacy community across Government of Canada institutions subject to the Acts.

During the reporting period, CED's ATIP Office actively participated in several training sessions offered by the APCDO. Thus, the APCDO contributed to the development and sustainability of the Access to Information and Privacy community by conducting recruitment, retention, learning, networking and partnership activities in the spirit of diversity, inclusiveness and accessibility focused on community engagement.

Delegation order

In accordance with its enabling act, CED defines its chief executive officer as being the Deputy Minister/President. In addition to leading the institution and overseeing management of its staff, he is responsible for administering the *Access to Information Act* and the *Privacy Act*.

To this end, he has delegated authority for the application of these acts to the position of Manager of the Corporate Secretariat and to the position of Coordinator, Access to Information and Privacy. Administrative authorities were also delegated to the position of Advisor, Access to Information and Parliamentary Affairs.

A signed and dated copy of the delegation order is appended to this report.

2025-2026 Performance

Assessment for 2025-2026

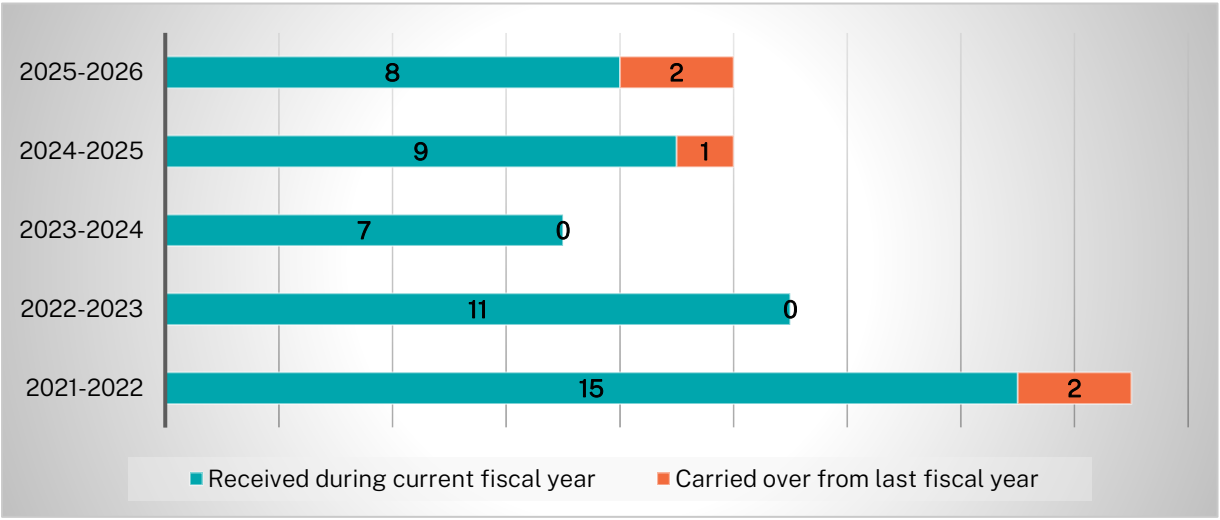
- CED received a total of 8 requests, representing an 11% decrease compared to the previous year, when 9 requests were received.
- Two requests were carried over from the previous year and the ATIP Office did not have to carry over any requests to the following year.
- For the 10 requests closed during the reporting period, 8,417 pages were reviewed. Of these, 7,630 were disclosed in whole or in part.
- CED responded to 90% of the requests within the time limits specified in the Act, including 30% before the 15th day following receipt of the request.
- The source of the applicants breaks down as follows: 50% from the business sector, 38% from media, 11% from academia sector and 0% from organizations, the public and those that declined to identify themselves.
- Considering the requests for which documents were disclosed, the ATIP Office cited exceptions in 60% of cases.
- For the 16 consultations received from other federal institutions, and one that was carried over from last year, 445 pages were reviewed.
- In addition, 5 informal access to information requests were processed, resulting in the disclosure of 605 pages were re-released.

Requests received and processed

During the 2025-2026 fiscal year, the number of access to information requests received and processed increased is identical to the previous reporting period. As such, CED received 8 access to information requests in addition to 2 requests carried over from the previous reporting period. Each of these requests were processed in full during the year and none needed to be transferred to the next fiscal year.

For the past 9 fiscal years, CED has accepted online access to information requests. As a result, all requesters submitted their requests online during 2025-2026.

TABLE 1: REQUESTS RECEIVED



Decline to act on a request

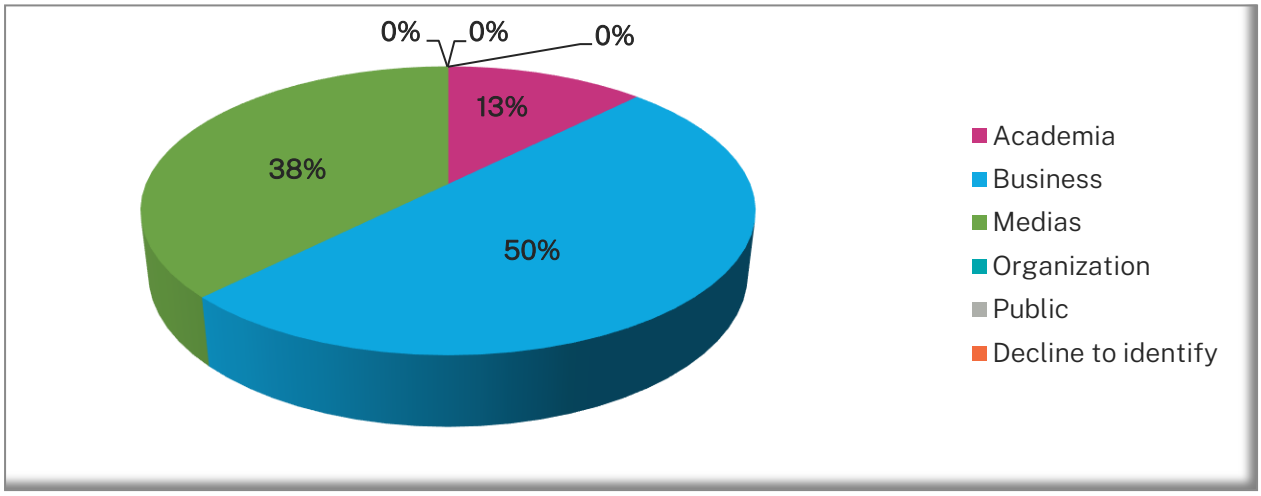
Section 6.1(1) allows an agency to refuse to process a request, with the authorization of the Information Commissioner, if this request is deemed frivolous, vexatious or made in bad faith.

In 2025-2026, CED did not invoke this section to refuse to process a request.

Source of applicants

The 2025-2026 fiscal year saw a change in the breakdown of the source of applicants compared with the previous year. Indeed, this year we noted that the group representing the largest proportion of requests is the business sector, which accounted for 50% compared with 22% last year. As for requests from the media, they represented 38%, compared with 44% in the previous year. In addition, the academia sector represented 13%, as comparer to 11% last year. Also, no requests came from those that declined to identify themselves, compared to 22% in the previous reporting period. Finally, as the previous fiscal year, no requests came from organizations nor the public.

TABLE 2: SOURCES OF REQUESTS



Subject of requests

Year after year, the same pattern can be seen in the subject of the requests that are received. Again, this year applicants submitted requests for documents related to grants and contributions awarded by CED or for documents related to CED's internal activities.

Of the 10 requests for which documents were disclosed in 2025-2026, 3 (30%) were related to CED's internal activities and 7 (70%) were related to projects involving grants and contributions.

Disposition and processing times

The Act stipulates that access to information requests must normally be answered within 30 calendar days. Of the 10 requests closed in 2025-2026, 6 (60%) were answered in less than 30 days, which is slightly lower than the previous year (63%). Furthermore, of the requests closed during the fiscal year, 3 (30%) were responded to in less than 15 days, which represents an increase compared to the previous year, when 25% of requests were responded to before the 15th day. These differences in response times can be explained in particular by the marked increase in the number of pages to be processed in 2025-2026 compared to the previous fiscal year.

It is also important to note that the Act provides for the extension of certain request deadlines for reasons such as consultations with third parties or other organizations, or when a large volume of documents is involved. Thus, considering the number of requests closed during the year, 4 requests required such extensions. It was therefore necessary for the ATIP Office to extend the deadlines in order to fulfill its duties under the Act. Of these requests, 3 of them were processed within the time limits set out in the Act, while 1 was considered late.

As in the previous fiscal year, CED did not receive or process any requests during the fiscal year for which no records existed.

TABLE 3: DISPOSITION AND PROCESSING TIME

	1 to 15 days	16 to 30 days	31 to 60 days	61 to 120 days	121 to 180 days	181 to 365 days	More than 365 days	Total
All disclosed	3	1	0	0	0	0	0	**4**
Disclosed in part	0	2	1	2	1	0	0	**6**
All exempted	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	**0**
All excluded	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	**0**
No records exist	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	**0**
Request transferred	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	**0**
Request abandoned	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	**0**
Neither confirmed nor denied	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	**0**
Decline to act, with the approval of the Information Commissioner	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	**0**
TOTAL	3	3	1	2	1	0	0	10

Informal requests

In 2025-2026, the number of informal requests decreased by 76% compared to the previous year. In fact, 5 informal requests were processed during the reporting period, compared to 21 in 2024-2025.

A total of 605 pages were re-released informally in 2025-2026.

Exemptions and exclusions invoked

Considering the 10 requests for which documents were disclosed, 4 (40%) were disclosed in full, without any reaction. Exceptions were invoked in the other 6 (60%) cases. Through its activities, CED holds a great deal of information from third parties (s. 20) and regularly provides advice or recommendations to the government (s. 21). These are therefore the sections that are most often cited to justify redacting information. Given the nature of this year's requests, section 19 pertaining to personal information was also often invoked when redacting certain documents. In addition, the ATIP Office invoked paragraph 16(2)c) concerning information relating to methods of protection, section 23 concerning the protected information of solicitor-client privilege as well as subsection 24(1) concerning statutory prohibitions against disclosure.

TABLE 4: EXEMPTIONS INVOKED[2]

Section		Number of requests
Methods of protection	16(2)c)	1
Personal information	19(1)	5
Third party information	20(1)(b)	5
	20(1)(c)	3
Advice to government	21(1)(a)	4
	21(1)(b)	1
Protected solicitor-client privilege	23	1
Statutory prohibitions against disclosure	24(1)	1

Format of information released documents

In recent years, we have noted an increase in the trend where requesters would like to receive the documents electronically. For the 8th year in a row, all documents were sent to requesters electronically. Compared to 2015-2016, when only 10% of requesters required electronic documents. This trend is partly attributable to the fact that CED accepts access requests submitted online and prioritizes electronic communication when the response documents are voluminous.

Active complaints

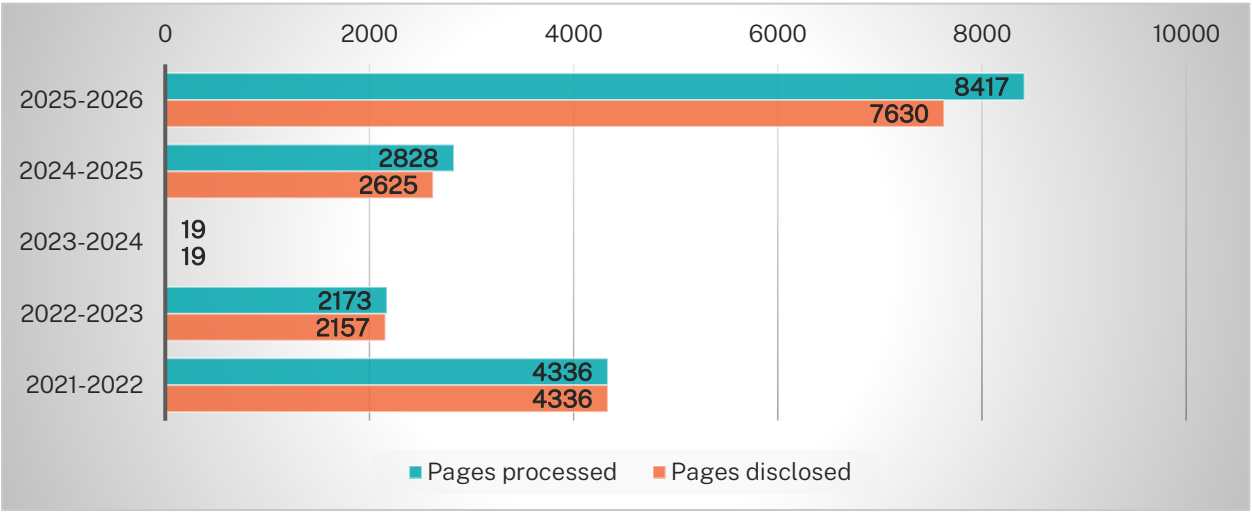
CED did not receive any complaints in 2025–2026, and there are no active complaints with the Office of the Information Commissioner for previous reporting periods.

[2] A request may lead to the administration of more than one section.

Pages processed and disclosed

The number of pages processed and disclosed varies considerably from one year to the next, depending on the subject of the requests and the quantity of relevant records held by CED. The number of pages reviewed in 2025-2026 increased significantly from the previous year. In fact, this number rose to 8,417 pages during the reporting period, which is 5,589 pages more than in 2024-2025. As for the pages disclosed to requesters, they total 7,630, or 91% of the pages reviewed.

TABLE 5: PAGES REVIEWED AND DISCLOSED



Extensions

Due to the nature of CED's activities, particularly in relation to granting financial assistance to SMEs and organizations, it is common for requests to lead to consultations with third parties, and similarly, extend the time limit set out in the Act. In addition, internal consultations and consultations with other federal institutions are sometimes required when processing requests, which also leads to extensions to time limits. During the reporting period, 5 requests (50%) required these types of consultations.

In order to comply with the ATIA, extensions were granted in 4 of the 5 requests (80%) for which consultations were required and documents were disclosed. In these 4 cases, the applicants were notified of the extension beyond the 30-day time limits specified in the Act, and 3 of these requests were answered within the prescribed timeframe. Therefore the deadline was not met for only one of the requests closed during the reporting period, whether or not they were extended.

TABLE 6 : LENGTH OF EXTENSIONS [3]

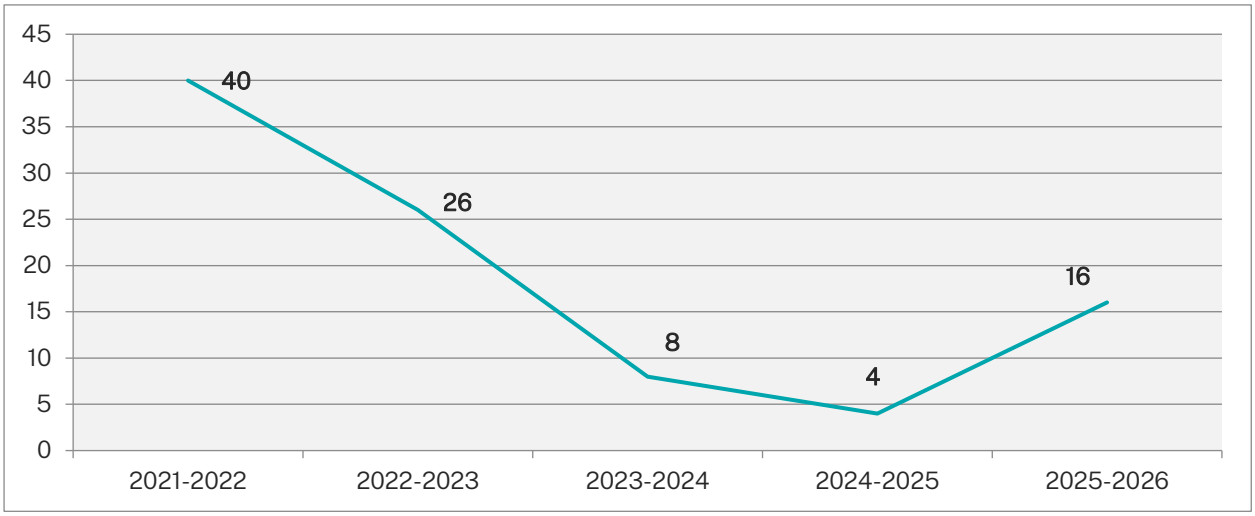
Length of extensions	9(1)(a) Interference with operations	9(1)(b) Consultation		9(1)(c) Third party notice
		Section 69	Other	
30 days or less	0	0	0	0
31 to 60 days	1	0	1	1
61 to 120 days	1	0	0	0
121 to 180 days	0	0	0	0
181 to 365 days	0	0	0	0
More than 365 days	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	2	0	1	1

[3] More than one type of extension may be reported for the same request.

Consultations received from other federal institutions

For this fiscal year, the ATIP Office received a total of 16 consultations requests from federal institutions. Each and every of these requests were closed in 2025-2026. This represents an increase from the 4 consultations closed in 2024-2025.

TABLE 7: CONSULTATIONS RECEIVED



Consultations with the Privy Council Office

No consultations with the Privy Council Office (PCO) were held during the 2025-2026 fiscal year. In addition, section 69 was not applied to any document subject to an access-to-information request, in accordance with the PCO decision in 2013 to develop a new process for determining which information is confidential for the King's Privy Council for Canada.

Training and awareness

The ATIP Office provides ongoing advisory services to all employees of the organization on the interpretation of the *Access to Information Act* and the *Privacy Act*, as well as on the processing of ATIP requests to ensure the efficient and consistent processing of all requests received.

In 2025-2026, various training and awareness activities were offered to employees of the organization regarding access to information and privacy. An awareness video and training material on the principles of access to information and protection of personal information, created by the ATIP Office, are an integral part of the information kit given to all new employees of the organization.

Furthermore, an internal communication to all CED employees was also shared via the organization's intranet platform to mark Right to Know Week 2025, highlight good ATIP practices and remind employees of the obligation to complete the Canada School of Public Service's online training on access to information and privacy. During the fiscal year, 93 more employees completed this training. As a result, by the end of the reporting period, 88% of CED employees had completed the course.

The ATIP Office remains available to provide specific training to employees whose tasks require some knowledge of access to information.

Policies, guidelines, procedures and initiatives

Internal procedure for recording meetings

During the reporting period, the ATIP Office continued to apply the internal procedure to record meetings in Teams. This procedure was drafted and implemented in 2023-2024. With the audio and video recording option disabled by default in Teams, the organization's employees must follow the procedure in order to submit a request for temporary activation of recording in Teams. In addition to raising awareness among the organization's employees, this new procedure is designed to minimize the risk of disclosing personal and confidential information. In 2025–2026, 6 requests were submitted to the ATIP Office for analysis. This represents a significant increase compared to the previous fiscal year, during which 3 requests were submitted.

Info Source

In 2025-2026, the ATIP Office conducted its annual update of the information contained on the *Info Source* page of CED's website. As a result, CED complied with the requirements for online publication of *Info Source*, which came into effect in July 2023. These requirements were established under paragraph 70(1)(c) of the *Access to Information Act* and paragraph 71(1)(d) of the *Privacy Act*. They also apply to the objectives and expected results stipulated in sections 3.1.1 and 3.2.1 of the Access to Information Policy, and sections 3.1.2 and 3.2.2 of the Privacy Policy.

Internal process to determine records under the control of government institutions.

According to subsection 4(1) of the ATIA and paragraph 12(1)(b) of the PA, the right of access to information provided for by these acts applies only to records under the control of government institutions. The term "under the control of" is not defined in the ATIA, but it has been interpreted extensively by the courts. In short, it is imperative to determine whether the content of the records relates to an institutional issue, in other words, whether they are related to the institution's mandate, obligations, activities and functions.

During the reporting period, the ATIP Office implemented an internal process to determine that information is under CED's control.

Initiatives and projects aimed at improving access to information

Request management and processing systems

Since 2022, CED has subscribed to the Treasury Board Secretariat (TBS) services of ATIP Online Portal, following TBS's announcement of the completion of its online system for filing access to information and personal information requests used by CED. TBS's new ATIP Online Portal enables requesters to submit access to information and personal information requests to any government institution, and institutions to provide responses to completed requests. This ATIP Online Portal, under the operational responsibility of TBS on behalf of all government institutions subject to the *Access to Information Act and Privacy Act* includes the ATIP Online Management Tool (AOMT), the ATIP Online Request Service (AORS), and the ATIP Online Administration Service.

In addition, during the period covered by the previous report, CED continued its process to replace the software for managing and processing access to information and personal information requests used by the organization since 2011, because the software will soon be no longer available to government institutions. The objective of this new system is to better equip the ATIP Office in the processing and management of access to information and privacy requests, intergovernmental consultations, informal requests and complaints filed with the Office of the Information Commissioner or the Office of the Privacy Commissioner.

Summary of key issues and action taken following complaints

No new complaints were received or concluded during the reporting period.

Proactive publication under Part 2 of the *Access to Information Act*

According to section 81(b) of the *Access to Information Act* (ATIA), Canada Economic Development for Quebec Regions (CED) is a government entity, and as such is a government institution subject to the *Access to Information Act* and is also mentioned in column I of Schedule I.1 of the *Financial Administration Act*.

In addition, CED is subject to proactive publication requirements under Part 2 of the ATIA, i.e. sections 74 and 82 to 88. It should be noted that during the reporting period, the Minister Responsible for CED was the Minister of Tourism. Consequently, the responsibilities for proactive publication under sections 75 to 78 of the ATIA fell to Innovation, Science and Economic Development Canada (ISED).

The tables in the next few pages details the percentage of proactive publication requirements due in fiscal year 2025-2026 that CED published. In addition, the table includes links to where CED published the proactive publication requirements that were due during the reporting period.

Legislative Requirement	Section of ATIA	Publication Timeline	Does requirement apply to CED?	Branch responsible for fulfilling requirement	Percentage of proactive publication requirements published within the timelines prescribed by the ATIA	Link to web page where published
Apply to all Government Institutions as defined in section 3 of the Access to Information Act						
Travel Expenses	82	Within 30 days after the end of the month of reimbursement	Yes	Departmental Finance Branch	100%	Travel Expenses
Hospitality Expenses	83	Within 30 days after the end of the month of reimbursement	Yes	Departmental Finance Branch	100%	Hospitality Expenses
Reports tabled in Parliament	84	Within 30 days after tabling	Yes	Corporate Secretariat	100%	Reports tabled in Parliament
Apply to government entities or Departments, agencies, and other bodies subject to the Act and listed in Schedules I, I.1, or II of the Financial Administration Act						
Contracts over $10,000	86	Q1-3: Within 30 days after the quarter Q4: Within 60 days after the quarter	Yes	Departmental Finance Branch	100%	Contracts over $10,000
Grants & Contributions over $25,000	87	Within 30 days after the quarter	Yes	Client Experience and Business Intelligence Directorate	100%	Grants & Contributions
Packages of briefing materials prepared for new or incoming deputy heads or equivalent	88(a)	Within 120 days after appointment	Yes	Corporate Secretariat	N./A. for 2025-2026	Packages of briefing materials prepared for new or incoming deputy heads or equivalent

Titles and reference numbers of memoranda prepared for a deputy head or equivalent, that is received by their office	88(b)	Within 30 days after the end of the month received	Yes	Corporate Secretariat	92%	Titles and reference numbers of memoranda prepared for a deputy head or equivalent, that is received by their office
Packages of briefing materials prepared for a deputy head or equivalent's appearance before a committee of Parliament	88(c)	Within 120 days after appearance	Yes	Corporate Secretariat	N./A. for 2025-2026	Packages of briefing materials prepared for a deputy head or equivalent's appearance before a committee of Parliament
Applies to government institutions that are departments named in Schedule I to the Financial Administration Act or portions of the core public administration named in Schedule IV to that Act (i.e. government institutions for which Treasury Board is the employer)						
Reclassification of positions	85	Within 30 days after the quarter	Yes	People, Culture and Workplace Branch	100%	Reclassification of positions
Apply to Ministers' Offices (therefore apply to any institution that performs proactive publication on behalf of a Minister's Office)						
Packages of briefing materials prepared by a government institution for new or incoming ministers	74(a)	Within 120 days after appointment	Yes	Corporate Secretariat	100%	Packages of briefing materials prepared by a government institution for new or incoming ministers
Titles and reference numbers of memoranda prepared by a government institution for the minister, that is received by their office	74(b)	Within 30 days after the end of the month received	Yes	Corporate Secretariat	92%	Titles and reference numbers of memoranda prepared by a government institution for the minister, that is received by their office

Package of question period notes prepared by a government institution for the minister and in use on the last sitting day of the House of Commons in June and December	74(c)	Within 30 days after last sitting day of the House of Common in June and December	Yes	Corporate Secretariat	50%[4]	Question Period Notes
Packages of briefing materials prepared by a government institution for a minister's appearance before a committee of Parliament	74(d)	Within 120 days after appearance	Yes	Corporate Secretariat	N./A. for 2025-2026	Packages of briefing materials prepared by a government institution for a minister's appearance before a committee of Parliament
Travel Expenses	75	Within 30 days after the end of the month of reimbursement	No	N./A.	N./A.	N./A.
Hospitality Expenses	76	Within 30 days after the end of the month of reimbursement	No	N./A.	N./A.	N./A.
Contracts over $10,000	77	Q1-3: Within 30 days after the quarter Q4: Within 60 days after the quarter	No	N./A.	N./A.	N./A.
Ministers' Offices Expenses Note: This consolidated report is currently	78	Within 120 days after the fiscal year	No	N./A.	N./A.	N./A.

[4] One of the two publications planned for this requirement in 2025–2026 was made 4 days after the prescribed deadline on the Open Government website

published by TBS on behalf of all institutions.						

Monitoring compliance

Monitoring processing time

The ATIP Office monitors the time needed to process access to information requests by maintaining a weekly report of outstanding requests. This report lists each request, including the date by which a response is expected and its status, whether it is in the process of retrieving documents, analysis, consultation, or approval. This report is sent to CED's senior management, including its Deputy Head.

Since 2011, the ATIP Office has been using software to manage and process access to information and privacy requests. This system also makes it easier to track every activity and task related to any request and is used as a tool to ensure compliance with the time limits set out in the ATIA.

Limitation of inter-institutional consultations

In order to limit the need for inter-institutional consultations, the ATIP Office ensures that it targets only the information in each request for which it needs more information to properly exercise its discretion not to disclose information or where the ATIP Office intends to disclose potentially sensitive information.

As CED effectively identifies the need for such consultations, no specific monitoring was conducted during the period covered by this report to limit them.

Frequently requested information

Year after year, the same trend is seen with respect to information frequently sought in requests received at CED, namely, information related to grants and contributions granted by CED or information related to the institution's internal activities.

Since some of this information is already available through the proactive publications that CED issues in accordance with the requirements set out in Part 2 of the ATIA, no specific monitoring was conducted during the period covered by this report to make this information available by other means.

Measures to support the right of public access to information

In accordance with section 4.2.8 of the Directive on Access to Information Requests, CED applies measures to support the right of public access to information when signing contracts and agreements.

Since a portion of this information is already accessible through proactive publications which CED makes in compliance with requirements set out in Part 2 of the ATIA, subject to necessary exceptions that are limited and specific, no specific monitoring was carried out during this reporting period to ensure that the right to public access is reflected in it.

Monitoring the accuracy and completeness of published information

The internal procedure on proactive publication under Part 2 of the ATIA implemented by the ATP Office states that the responsible sectors must ensure the accuracy and completeness of the information and must have it approved before publishing it within the prescribed time limits.

During this reporting period, the ATIP Office conducted quality control of CED's proactive publications on the "Open Government" portal. The goal was to ensure that the organization's proactive publications were compliant. Since at the time of the quality control all proactive publications were compliant, no follow-up was carried out with the sectors responsible for CED's proactive publication requirements.

The ATIP Office conducted 2 quality controls of CED's proactive publications on the "Open Government" portal. The first was conducted in December 2024 to verify publications made for the months of April to September 2024, and the second was conducted in July 2025 for publications made for the months of October 2024 to March 2025. For each of the control performed, a verification report, including findings and recommendations, was sent to the manager of the Corporate Secretariat and to the chiefs of staff of the sectors responsible for CED's proactive publication requirements.

Conclusion

The right of access to information is not only a fundamental right, but also a considerable power in today's society. A cornerstone of good governance and knowledge, this access fosters responsibility and the obligation of government accountability, but also the freedom of expression and the ability of citizens to make informed decisions and participate in democratic activities with full knowledge of the facts.

In Canada, the *Access to Information Act* is the framework for the right of Canadians to request information from government institutions and thus expand access to documents held by the government in order to ensure increased public participation, promote equity in decision and government transparency while protecting sensitive information. This balance means that each person has the right to search for, receive, and convey information while protecting sensitive information, including the personal information of individuals.

Through the priority processing of access to information requests, the limited use of redacting governed by the Act, and the ongoing compliance with prescribed time limits, Canada Economic Development for Quebec Regions is proud to have contributed to the administration of these principles and will continue its efforts in this regard over the coming years.

Appendices

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ACCESS TO INFORMATION AND *PRIVACY ACT* DELEGATION ORDER

ARRÊTÉ DE DÉLÉGATION EN VERTU DE LA *LOI SUR L'ACCÈS À L'INFORMATION* ET DE LA *LOI SUR LA PROTECTION DES RENSEIGNEMENTS PERSONNELS*

The President, pursuant to section 95 of the *Access to Information Act* and to section 73 of the *Privacy Act*, hereby designates the persons holding the positions set out in the schedule hereto, or the persons occupying on an acting basis those positions, to exercise the powers, duties and functions of the President as the head of the Economic Development Agency for the Regions of Quebec, under the provisions of the Acts and related regulations set out in the schedule opposite each position. This delegation order replaces all previous delegation orders.

En vertu de l'article 95 de la *Loi sur l'accès à l'information* et de l'article 73 de la *Loi sur la protection des renseignements personnels*, le président délègue aux titulaires des postes mentionnés à l'annexe ci-après, ainsi qu'aux personnes occupant à titre intérimaire lesdits postes, les attributions dont il est, en qualité de responsable de l'Agence de développement économique du Canada pour les régions du Québec, investi par les dispositions des Lois mentionnées et de leurs règlements en regard de chaque poste. Le présent document remplace et annule tout arrêté antérieur.

Schedule / Annexe

Position / Poste	*Access to Information Act* and Regulations / *Loi sur l'accès à l'information* et règlements	*Privacy Act* and Regulations / *Loi sur la protection des renseignements personnels* et règlements
Manager, Corporate Secretariat / Gestionnaire, Secrétariat ministériel	Full authority / Autorité absolue	Full authority / Autorité absolue
Coordinator, Access to Information and Privacy / Coordonnateur, Accès à l'information et protection des renseignements personnels	Full authority / Autorité absolue	Full authority / Autorité absolue
Advisor, Parliamentary Affairs and Access to Information / Conseiller, Affaires parlementaires et accès à l'information	Section / Disposition: 7, 8(1), 9, 12(2)(b), 12(3)(b), 27(1)(4), 44(2); Regulation / Règlement: 6(1)	Section / Disposition: 14

Signed in _____ on this _____ day of _____, 2025

Signé à _____, le _____ jour de _____ 2025

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Sony Perron, Deputy Minister/President of
Canada Economic Development for Quebec Regions

Sony Perron, sous-ministre/président de
Développement économique Canada pour les régions du Québec