## **Open Database of Educational Facilities**

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A new version of the Open Database of Educational Facilities (ODEF) is now available as part of Statistics Canada's Linkable Open Data Environment (LODE) initiative. The LODE aims to enhance the use, accessibility and harmonization of open microdata from authoritative sources, such as governments and professional associations. It also supports collaboration on open data and their use for the production of official statistics and for geospatial research.

The current version (version 2.1) of the ODEF contains information on approximately 19,000 educational facilities across Canada, and coverage was enhanced to include an educational facility's status as an official language minority school (OLMS). An OLMS is a school where the teaching language is the minority official language in that province or territory, such as an English-speaking school in Quebec.

Facilities in the ODEF are classified by grade ranges into International Standard Classification of Education levels. The ODEF contains the following information: facility name, source facility type (as contained in the data source), OLMS status, data provider, address of facility, city, province or territory, latitude and longitude, and unique identifier for each record.

Data were collected from August 2019 to March 2022. The database leverages both open and publicly available data. The ODEF is provided as open data under the Open Government Licence – Canada.

## Note to readers

The Open Database of Educational Facilities was made possible by the ongoing efforts of organizations that produce and maintain open data and by the cooperation with Statistics Canada of organizations that have either given permission to include their publicly available data or directly provided their data for release as open data. The contribution and help of these organizations are gratefully acknowledged.

For more information on this initiative and to access the data and the accompanying Linkable Open Data Environment (LODE) geospatial data visualization tool, visit the Open Database of Educational Facilities.

For more information on the LODE, visit the Linkable Open Data Environment.

Definitions, data sources and methods: survey number 5301.

The Open Database of Educational Facilities is now available online.

For more information, or to enquire about the concepts, methods or data quality of this release, contact us (toll-free 1-800-263-1136; 514-283-8300; infostats@statcan.gc.ca) or Media Relations (statcan.mediahotline-ligneinfomedias.statcan@statcan.gc.ca).



