

How to Cite Statistics Canada Products

Release date: January 11, 2021

Introduction

This guide has been developed for authors, editors, researchers, academics, students, librarians and data librarians. It provides examples of how to build bibliographic references when citing Statistics Canada products and materials, citation style suggestions by subject matter and contact information for further questions and inquiries. Universities, educational institutions, corporations and other users may have their own guidelines for citing resources. This guide does not intend to displace those requirements, providing guidance on the best method when referencing Statistics Canada's products rather than acting as a "how-to" and "must use" guide.

Notice: Information from Statistics Canada must be acknowledged whenever it is used.

Authors and researchers must give full credit for any Statistics Canada data, analysis and other content material used or referred to in their studies, articles, papers and other research works. The user must use an existing and recognized citation style.

Citation suggestion by subject

The following is a suggested guidance chart when deciding on the most accurate citation style to use when building a bibliographic reference page.

APA (American Psychological Association): Business, Criminology, Education, Journalism, Psychology and Sciences (i.e. Biology, Chemistry, Medicine)

MLA (Modern Language Association): Humanities (i.e. History, Geography, Literature, Political Science, Sociology)

Chicago/Turabian: Anthropology, Business, Criminology, Fine Arts, History, International Studies and Philosophy

Vancouver: Sciences (i.e. Biology, Chemistry, Medicine)

Citation style guide resources

American Psychological Association (APA)

English: [Purdue OWL](#), [American Psychological Association](#), [APA Style](#)

French: [Citer selon les normes de l'APA](#)

Modern Language Association (MLA)

English: [Purdue OWL](#), [The MLA Style Center](#), [Modern Language Association](#)

French: [Citer œuvres et images en style MLA](#)

Chicago/Turabian

English: [Purdue OWL](#), [The Chicago Manual of Style Online](#)

French: [Citer selon le style Chicago](#)

Vancouver

English: [Vancouver Style \(BCIT\) \[Online PDF\]](#), [Citing Medicine](#), [University of Alberta Libraries](#), [The Michener Institute of Education at UHN](#)

French: [Citer selon le style Vancouver](#)

Examples

All examples presented below follow the APA style citation.

Data Visualization Tool (Electronic Source – Graphic Data)

Statistics Canada. (2019). *Canadian Community Crime Tracker* [Data visualization tool].
<https://www150.statcan.gc.ca/n1/pub/71-607-x/71-607-x2018008-eng.htm>

Data Table without a Digital Object Identifier (DOI)

*For the title, include the table number before the title.

Statistics Canada. (2019). *Table 13-10-0096-05 Life satisfaction, satisfied or very satisfied, by age group* [Data table].
<https://www150.statcan.gc.ca/t1/tbl1/en/tv.action?pid=1310009605>

Data Table with a Digital Object Identifier (DOI)

*For the title, include the table number before the title.

Statistics Canada. (2019). *Table 13-10-0096-05 Life satisfaction, satisfied or very satisfied, by age group* [Data table].
<https://www.doi.org/10.25318/1310009605-eng>

Infographic

Statistics Canada. (2019). *Self-employment in Canada, 2018* [Infographic].
<https://www150.statcan.gc.ca/n1/pub/11-627-m/11-627-m2019040-eng.htm>

Article in a Journal/Periodical

Clarke, J., Colley, R., Janssen, I., & Tremblay, M. S. (2019). Accelerometer-measured moderate-to-vigorous physical activity of Canadian adults, 2007 to 2017. *Health Reports*, 30(8), 3-10.
<https://www.doi.org/10.25318/82-003-x201900800001-eng>

Video

Statistics Canada. (2018, November 28). *Highlights from the Canadian Survey on Disability, 2017, American Sign Language version* [Video].
<https://www.statcan.gc.ca/eng/sc/video/csd-2017-asl>

Contact us

For help citing print or digitized historical publications, contact the Library Reference Desk:

Hours of Operation: Monday to Friday (except holidays) from 8:00 am to 4:00 pm.

Phone: 613-951-8219

Email: statcan.library-bibliotheque.statcan@canada.ca

For help citing digital products, contact the Author Liaison unit:

Hours of Operation: Monday to Friday (except holidays) from 8:30 am to 4:30 pm.

Email: statcan.authorliaison-liaisonauteur.statcan@canada.ca