

Comparison of the Census and Alternative Sources of Data

Data Source	Type and Size of Sample	Frequency and Most Recent	Lowest Level of Geography	Registration	Identity	Band	Ethnic Origin
Census of Population	1 in 5 households	Every 5 years 1996/2001	Enumeration Area	✓	✓	✓	✓
Aboriginal Peoples Survey	53,100 individuals off reserve 138,700 individuals on reserve	1991/to be determined	Indian reserves and settlements	✓	✓		
Population Projections	Total population	Occasional/ upon request	To be determined by users	✓			✓
Corrections Survey	Administrative records; all individuals admitted in adult custodial facilities and to probation systems	Annual	Federal, provincial and territorial prison systems		✓		
Tuberculosis Statistics	All individuals with tuberculosis in Canada	Annual	Provinces and territories	✓			
Labour Market Activity Survey	62,000 individuals	1986-1990 discontinued (1)	Provinces				✓

(1) Now integrated with Survey of Labour and Income Dynamics.