DATA PURCHASE AND ACCESS WORKING GROUP
April 9, 2024
2:30pm - 4:00pm Eastern time

Connection details:
Zoom: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85913733707

<u>Attendance</u>

Michael Ditor, CDP

Janessa Boutin, Simcoe
Ted Hildebrandt, Hamilton
Sarah Tiller, Simcoe County
Mat Krepicz, Toronto
Rachel Lewis, Kawartha Lakes
Louisa Wong, Hamilton
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Peter Marriott, Vancouver
Jennifer Rojas, Brant
Laurie Dixon, Kingston

<u>Agenda</u>

- Data acquisition updates / Schedule B
- 2021 Census data production
- LFS
- Disability tax credits
- Webinars
- Tableau products
- Next meeting
- Other business

<u>Data acquisition updates / Schedule B</u>

Please check the catalogue to see what data sets were uploaded since the January 30 DPAWG meeting.
A summary is provided below:

- **Household & Family TGP of the low-income population (MBM)**
- **<u>Community Profile Infographic - Business Count Profile, December 2023</u>**

- **[Household & Family TGP of the population spending 30%+ and 50%+ of income on shelter costs](#)**
- **[EIS - Employment insurance (EI) beneficiaries, monthly, unadjusted for seasonality](#)**
- **[Postal Code Conversion File, December 2023 update](#)**
- **Activity Limitations Table 1: Age (22), Gender (3), Activity limitation frequency (7), Activity limitation type (9) and Selected cultural and demographic characteristics (10) for Population in Private Households**
- **[Household & Family TGP of the immigrant and recent immigrant populations](#)**
- **[Canadian business counts, establishment and location counts, employment size and North American Industry Classification System (NAICS), December 2023](#)**
- **[IRCC - Admission of Resettled Refugees by Census Division and Census Subdivision of Intended Destination, and Immigration Category, CD and CSD, 2018 to 2023](#)**
- **[Canadian Survey on Disability, 2022](#)**

Revised Core Housing Need table

We received a revised core housing need table that uses the CMHC definition of an Indigenous household:
An Indigenous household is any family household in which at least one spouse, common-law partner, or lone parent self-identified as Indigenous, or any household (family or non-family) in which at least 50% of household members self-identified as Indigenous.

The table we originally received defined an Indigenous household as any household with at least one member self-identifying as Indigenous. As such, these household counts were not comparable to the 2011 and 2016 tables we received (or with CMHC data).

2021 Census production – upcoming

Household and Family Target Group Profiles – will continue to come in over the next month or so

Combination of these two tables
- Selected Language, Labour Force, Education, Income and Mobility Status Characteristics (73), Admission Category and Applicant Type (13), Period of Immigration (15) and Sex (3)
- Selected household and housing characteristics (28), Admission category and applicant type (13), Period of immigration (16) and Sex (3) for the Population in Private Households

Custom geography data run

Geocoding on the second round of custom geography submissions is almost complete and we should proceed with the next custom geo data run before the end of the month.

Labour Force Survey tables

We receive annual tables (typically in January) from the Labour Force Survey at the Economic Region (ER) and CMA levels:

- Table 1: duration of unemployment x age x sex
- Table 2: median/avg hourly wage x NAICS x age x sex
- Table 3: median/avg hourly wage x NOC x age x sex
- Table 4: LFS estimates x age groups x sex
- Table 5: characteristics (counts of self-employed, part-time, full-time, temporary) x age x sex

We are going to submit a cost estimate request to expand the tables to include some additional concepts:

- Labour Force Survey (LFS) estimates by highest level of educational attainment
- Labour Force Survey (LFS) estimates by industry, North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) 2017
- Wages for employed employees by industry, North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) 2017, and type of work (Total, full-time, part-time)

Please let us know if there are other variables that you would like to see introduced into the LFS tables we receive. This dictionary of concepts and definitions gives an idea of what is available from the survey: https://www150.statcan.gc.ca/n1/pub/71-543-g/71-543-g2020001-eng.htm#a3

There is no guarantee that we will acquire an expanded set of tables, but we are interested to know what members could use. The tables will not be acquired until next program year, so feedback can be submitted over the next few months.

Energy Poverty tables

We are planning on ordering energy poverty tables similar to what we ordered from the 2016 Census: https://communitydata.ca/data?field_title_value=home+energy

We would like to get feedback from the group on the specifications for the tables.

We are only planning on ordering one table. In order to keep the table to a reasonable size, we will not be including the various demographic dimensions that were previously ordered (visible minority status, immigrant status, etc.).

If you are interested in these tables, please review the specifications and indicate if they appear acceptable or if there are other concepts to include.

We would like to place an order before the end of April, so a quick turnaround would be appreciated.

Disability Tax Credit Statistics from the T1FF

We have requested cost estimate for these data from Income Division. It will be possible to produce these data but there are some concerns about suppression at low levels of geography. Some questions and comments from Income Division need to be addressed, but the cost estimate request is moving forward.

Note that we will likely not get this data in 2024, but see about working them into our 2025 acquisitions.

The notes below are from the previous meeting's summary:

The intention is to use these data to get counts of persons with disabilities from counts of persons claiming the disability tax credit.
Some credits are transferred to a spouse or from a dependant, so we want to incorporate these concepts as well. This could be as the sum of credits being claimed or counts of families claiming credits. Feedback from Income Division has been requested regarding this question.

We would acquire these data for the most recent year available, which may be 2023 by the time we are ordering the data (2025).

We've requested a cost estimate for counts (of credits being claimed) and percentage of persons claiming credits, cross-tabulated by :

- age group (can we get the age of a dependent for whom a credit is transferred?) : under 15, 15-24, 25-44, 45-64, 65+
- gender
- family type of person (in couple family, in couple family with children, non-family person)
- after-tax income group (under $20K, $20K-40K, $40K-60K, $60K-80K, $80K-100K, 100K+)
- low-income status (CF-LIM-AT)
- Restriction / basic activities of daily living

To avoid suppression caused by these cross-tabulations, best to have these as four separate tables? The gender cross-tabulation could likely be included with the age groups.

Geography levels of interest:

- Province/territories
- Census division
- Census subdivision
- Census metropolitan areas
- Census agglomeration

- Census tracts (for regions in the census tract program)
- Forward Sortation Area (First 3 digits of the postal code) -

Several members indicated that FSA is not a very useful geographic level. This geographic level is useful however for members that correlate the Statistics Canada data with their in-house data that contain address information, including postal codes.

Special Interest Profiles

Statistics Canada recently released a set of products called Special Interest Profiles which greatly resemble Target Group Profiles:
https://www12.statcan.gc.ca/census-recensement/2021/dp-pd/sip/index.cfm?Lang=E

The profile "presents information from the 2021 Census of Population for various populations of interest and levels of geography, including provinces and territories, census metropolitan areas, and communities with a population over 10,000."

There are some profiles that are more detailed that TGPs, in that they have more dimensions (e.g., immigration cohort crossed with age and admission category) and there are some 'populations of interest' for which we do not get Target Group Profiles.

Given that the product does not have data for communities with populations under 10,000 and that no sub-municipal geographies or custom geographies are available, it doesn't seem like the free release of this product will affect our acquisition of Target Group Profiles.

If there are profiles that are of interest to our members, we could consider acquiring these data as a semi-custom request.

Webinars

We are in touch with the authors of this paper to see about them presenting to our members:

Modelled Market Basket Measure poverty rates for 2022 and 2023

There may be more published on this topic by the Fall, so we are looking at an October presentation date.

We are holding a webinar on using the CCHS Public Use Microdata File on April 30:
- Using Canadian Community Health Survey (CCHS) Public Use Microdata File (PUMF)

IMDB order

Our partnership agreement with the National LIP Secretariat has been renewed and so an update of the IMDB tables will proceed. Besides updating the tables we already received, we have requested a cost estimate for CT-level data on economic outcomes. Previously, the IMDB group indicated that data at this level was not possible, but they are will to try producing something for CTs in Canada's 10 largest CMAs.

It is worth noting however that there is no budget for acquiring CT-level data. The cost estimate will hopefully help the National LIP Secretariat update its funding request from IRCC.

Tableau Infographics and Dashboards

The CDP team is soliciting the DPAWG members for infographic and dashboard ideas.

Next meeting

Week of June 10th

Other business

Note that Statistics Canada is sending out Census Tract maintenance feedback requests for 2026

Meeting ended 3:35pm