

DATA PURCHASE AND ACCESS WORKING GROUP

January 28, 2021

2:30pm - 4:00pm Eastern time

Connection details:

Adobe Connect: <https://cdp.adobeconnect.com/theboardroom/>

Teleconference: 1-866-398-2885 ; access code: 908904

Attendance

- Michael Ditor, CDP team
- Saeideh Hejazi, CDP team
- Andrea Dort, Peel Region
- Albert Boakye, Social Planning Council of Winnipeg
- Cheryl Hitchen, Kingston, Frontenac, Lennox and Addington
- Graham Good, Muskoka
- Jasmine Ing, City of Calgary
- Kholah Nisar, Simcoe County
- Kylee van der Poorten, City of Calgary
- Louisa Wong, Hamilton
- Luke Grazier, Regina
- Morgane Dunot, Simcoe
- Nancy Fischer Peterborough
- Peter Marriott, City of Vancouver
- Prerna Bhasin, City of Toronto
- Raven Wheesk, Northern Policy Institute (NPI)
- Ted Hildebrandt, Halton
- Victoria Chapman, Simcoe

Agenda

- Data acquisition updates
- Standard table requests
- CCHS PUMF data sets
- reviewing CMHC data request priorities
- Request from CMHC re: the Social and Affordable Housing Survey
- Meeting format proposal
- Other business
- Next meeting

Data acquisition updates

These products have been acquired and cataloged recently:

- [Labour Force Survey - supplemental tables, monthly](#)
- [Postal Code Conversion File, November 2020 update](#)
- [Postal Code Conversion File Plus \(PCCF+\) Version 7C, November 2019](#) – note that an updated version released Feb/March 2021
- [Annual population estimates by age and sex, July 1, 2001 to 2020](#)
- [T1FF Migration estimates](#)

Upcoming

- HH TGP of households in dwellings that are unsuitable (overcrowded) – **also at CUSTOM GEOS**
- HH TGP of households in subsidized housing
- HH TGP of households in dwellings in need of major repairs
- Canadian Housing Survey
- LFS tables at re-based geographies – 2016 SGC
- Updated PCCF+
- Custom 2016 Census tabulation requests – CPP-10 (EF/UI)

UPDATE: In addition to the tables listed above, we should be getting these soon:

These tables are in QC:

- CPP-9A-UI: Age groups (5), Income Status in 2015 (9), Selected cultural and activity difficulty characteristics (13) and Selected dwelling, income and household characteristics (27) for persons 15 years and over not in economic families in private households in non-farm, non-reserve private dwellings, 2016 Census (standard geos)
- Table 23 - Selected characteristics (16), Employment Income Statistics (4), Sex and Age (15), Work Activity During the Reference Year (7), Occupation - National Occupational Classification (NOC) 2016 - Skill-level Category (8A), Highest certificate, diploma or degree (4) for Population 15 years and over (standard geos) – **UNDER-EMPLOYMENT BY SEX**
- CPP-10A-UI: Age groups (5), Income Status in 2015 (9), Selected cultural and activity difficulty characteristics (13) and Selected income characteristics (38) for persons 15 years and over not in economic families in private households in non-farm, non-reserve private dwellings, 2016 Census (standard geos) - **DEPTH OF POVERTY/MODEST INCOME TABLE**

and these tables are in production:

- CPP-10A-EF: Selected income characteristics (38), Income status in 2015 - CPP (9), Selected cultural and activity limitation characteristics (13), Presence of children (7), Elderly or non-elderly status of

spouse or economic family reference person (5) for the economic family households in non-farm, non-reserve private dwellings, 2016 Census (standard geos) - **DEPTH OF POVERTY/MODEST INCOME TABLE**

- Selected characteristics (28), Income Statistics (7), Sex and Age (15), Working Activity during the Reference Year (7), **Working Poor Status** (3), Highest certificate diploma or degree (7), for the Population 18 years and over in Private Households (Census working poor table)

Standard table requests

With the end of the program year in sight, and custom tabulations taking a long time to produce, it's worthwhile considering if there are any standard table requests that could fill out the budget.

ACTION: check with STC if standard tables at custom geos are appropriate for quick turnaround

UPDATE: STC can produce custom tables at custom geos, so long as the custom table has already been created. I have asked STC to continue to produce our custom tabulations at custom geos – namely the remaining HH TGP's and the Census Working Poor table (once it has been produced).

Along the same lines, these are products that were tagged "Low priority", but which could be acquired if there is space in the budget :

- TransUnion 2020Q1 – mortgage debt and NMCD
- Canadian Index of Multiple Deprivation (CIMD) – acquire this late this year or early next year

NOTE: considerable support was shown for acquiring CIMD

UPDATE: CIMD has been ordered. An estimated delivery date has not yet been provided.

Canadian Community Health Survey (CCHS) Public Use Microdata File (PUMF) data sets

The recent releases of the CCHS PUMF do not include data in IVT format, making it more difficult to extract data sets. The CDP team has received a couple requests to pull out data on food insecurity. Are there any other data sets of interest?

CMHC – CDP data sharing agreement

Priority areas that have been identified include standard and custom geography tables from these sources:

- New Housing Construction
- Rental Market Survey
- Core Housing Need
- Social and Affordable Housing Survey
- Secondary Rental Market Survey

- National Housing Strategy

Calgary request: Market information received more frequently than annually, with quick turnaround, otherwise of less value (new housing, rental market, etc. – more details to follow)

Request from CMHC re: the Social and Affordable Housing Survey

We appreciate your data advocacy efforts and any help you can provide us to reinforce the participation of CDP members in our Social and Affordable Housing Survey - Rental Structures.

The Social & Affordable Housing Survey – Rental Structures (SAHS-RS) is an initiative supported by the National Housing Strategy to portray the social housing stock in Canada and better understand its evolution. Data collected include the number of units by bedroom size per centre, the physical characteristics of the buildings, average monthly rents, type of rent/rent program (e.g. rent-gear-to-income or rent set against market), services provided in the building, general clientele/target groups, etc.

We are currently conducting the second annual survey (“second cycle”) out of a planned 10 year survey horizon. The data collection period by phone and other electronic means should continue until the end of March 2021 for the small-to-medium portfolios, while it might be extended in April for the larger ones (like Provinces, Territories, Large Municipalities, Co-op Associations, etc.). Attaining the highest response rates possible across the country is essential for our ability to release results at the centre level (maybe even at finer geography levels) with high statistical reliability. Such results will allow policy makers to take the appropriate decisions in order to improve the housing conditions of all Canadians.

Here are links to the results from the first cycle conducted in 2019:

Summary Results

<https://www.cmhc-schl.gc.ca/en/housing-observer-online/2020-housing-observer/measuring-social-affordable-housing-outcomes>

Data Tables

<https://www.cmhc-schl.gc.ca/en/data-and-research/data-tables/social-affordable-housing-survey-rental-structures-data>

iCARE data to be released by the IMDB group at STC

In a recent conversation with the IMDB group, we learned that iCARE data (Immigration Contribution Agreement Reporting Environment) on use of settlement services will be released. The CDP team will look into acquiring these data at community-level geographic scales.

Meeting format proposal – what are you using the data for?

It would be helpful to the CDP team to learn more about how the data we acquire is being used or how it will be used. In future meetings, DPAWG members will be asked to provide some information on what their plans are for the data being discussed. Information can take the form of a couple sentences or 1-2 power point slides, if members are so inclined.

Support for this idea was expressed by several members of the working group.

Next meeting

Propose the week of March 22nd, 2021. Will send Doodle poll around end of February to confirm availability.

Other business

No other business proposed.