HEALTH-RELATED GOVERNMENT INFORMATION & STATISTICS

Useful Tips:

1. Search your local University Library catalogue.
2. Use Google Custom Searches \( \Rightarrow (http://library.queensu.ca/webdoc/) \)
3. Consult a Librarian, and the library web site http://library.queensu.ca/webdoc/
4. Consider contacting government agencies/departments – finding the right person can get you the information you need
5. Don’t let statistics (or even ‘survey data’) scare you off… 😊

Major Canadian Reports

- **Health Region Report Cards and Ranking** (University of Regina)
  http://www.uregina.ca/admin/faculty/Lockhart/download.html

- **For the Public's Health**: Initial Report of the Ontario Expert Panel on SARS and Infectious Disease Control

- **Learning from SARS - Renewal of Public Health in Canada** (Naylor report)

- **Building on Values: The Future of Health Care in Canada** (Romanow report)

  For a more complete listing, check out the ‘publications’ list at URL:

- **The Health of Canadians - The Federal Role** (Kirby report)... from the Canadian Senate

- **Caring for Medicare: Sustaining a Quality System** (Fyke report)
  Saskatchewan Commission on Medicare

- **Walkerton Inquiry** (water quality and water-borne diseases)
  http://www.walkertoninquiry.com/
http://www2.parl.gc.ca/Sites/LOP/VirtualLibrary/ResearchPublications-e.asp

OR http://www.publications.gc.ca/

- Abortion in Canada: Twenty Years After R. v. Morgentaler (24 September 2008)
- Alzheimer’s Disease (18 September 2007)
- Antibiotic Resistance (23 October 2008)
- Bill C-6: An Act respecting the safety of consumer products (5 February 2009)
- Bill C-11: Human Pathogens and Toxins Act (28 May 2009)
- Bill C-32: An Act to amend the Tobacco Act (4 June 2009)
- The Canada Health Act: Overview and Options (16 May 2005)
- The Canada Health Transfer (15 January 2009)
- Canada's Blood Supply Ten Years After the Krever Commission (10 July 2008)
- Catastrophic Drug Coverage in Canada (1 September 2009)
- Childhood Autism in Canada: Some Issues Relating to Behavioural Intervention (26 January 2006)
- Duplicate Private Health Care Insurance: Potential Implications for Quebec and Canada (20 March 2006)
- The Effects of Smog on the Health of Canadians (October 1998)
- Euthanasia and Assisted Suicide: International Experiences (17 July 2008)
- Euthanasia and Assisted Suicide in Canada (17 July 2008)
- Federal Funding for Health Research (5 October 2006)
- Health Care at the Supreme Court of Canada I: Auton (Guardian ad litem of) v. British Columbia (Attorney General) (20 October 2008)
- Health Care at the Supreme Court of Canada II: Chaoulli v. Quebec (Attorney General) (5 October 2005)
- Hepatitis C (30 October 2007)
- HIV/AIDS - Past, Present and Future (20 November 2008)
- The Human Papillomavirus Vaccine (9 September 2008)
- Immigration Status and Legal Entitlement to Insured Health Services (28 October 2008)
- The Impact of Economic Instruments That Promote Healthy Eating, Encourage Physical Activity and Combat Obesity: Literature Review (8 January 2007)
- Influenza Pandemic (23 July 2009)
- International Food Standards (14 October 2008)
- The Medical Isotope Shortage: Cause, Effects and Options (1 September 2009)
- Molecular Farming (4 July 2005)
- The Obesity Epidemic in Canada (15 July 2005)
- Organ Donation and Transplantation in Canada (25 June 2009)
- Private Health Care Funding and Delivery Under the Canada Health Act (28 December 2005)
- Provincial and Territorial Funding Programs for Autism Therapy (1 November 2006)
- Reproductive Technologies: Surrogacy, and Egg and Sperm Donation (9 February 2006)
- Substance Abuse Issues and Public Policy in Canada: I. Canada’s Federal Drug Strategy (13 April 2006)
- Substance Abuse Issues and Public Policy in Canada: IV. Prevalence of Use and its Consequences (11 April 2006)
- Substance Abuse and Public Policy (23 January 2001)
- Trans Fats: The Health Burden (21 June 2007)
- The Wait Times Issue and the Patient Wait Times Guarantee (2 October 2009)
- West Nile Virus in Canada (31 August 2009)
Official Sites

- **CIHI** - Canadian Institute for Health Information

- **CIHR** - Canadian Institutes of Health Research

- **Health Canada**

- **PHAC** - Public Health Agency of Canada

- **Ontario Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care**

- **Other Provincial Ministries of Health**
  [http://library.queensu.ca/webdoc/gov/canada_provincial](http://library.queensu.ca/webdoc/gov/canada_provincial) → Use Google Custom Search...

- **WHO** - World Health Organization
  [http://www.who.int/en/](http://www.who.int/en/)

International Reports, Publications, & Databases

- **Human Development Report**
  [http://hdr.undp.org/](http://hdr.undp.org/) ; Click on “Reports”

- **World Economic Outlook**

- **World Development Report**

- **Social Indicators of Development**

- **World Development Indicators**

- **Development Data & Statistics**

- **Asian Development Outlook**

- **Key Indicators of Developing Asian and Pacific Countries**
  [http://www.adb.org/Documents/Books/Key_Indicators/default.asp](http://www.adb.org/Documents/Books/Key_Indicators/default.asp)

- **African Development Report**

- **African Development Indicators**
  [http://go.worldbank.org/U4SN5H1FC0](http://go.worldbank.org/U4SN5H1FC0)

- **OECD Health Data**
  find using the ‘Databases’ tab on the library home page

- **WHO - Global Health Observatory**

Country Information → [http://library.queensu.ca/webdoc/gov/countries_other](http://library.queensu.ca/webdoc/gov/countries_other)
Statistics

Statistics Canada [www.statcan.gc.ca → Search by KEYWORD, or browse...

- Health in Canada
  
  [http://www4.statcan.gc.ca/health-sante/index-eng.htm]

- Health Indicators
  
  [http://www.statcan.gc.ca/pub/82-221-x/82-221-x2010001-eng.htm]

- Health Profile
  
  Health region data from a number of sources including Statistics Canada's health surveys, administrative data, and the census of population.

- Health Reports –
  
  [http://dsp-psd.communication.gc.ca/Collection-R/Statcan/82-003-XIE/82-003-XIE.html]

- Health Statistics - From "Canadian Statistics" on the Web
  
  [http://www40.statcan.gc.ca/l01/ind01/l2_2966-eng.htm]

- Canadian Health Measures Survey
  
  - Lead, bisphenol A and mercury
    [http://www.statcan.gc.ca/daily-quotidien/100816/dq100816a-eng.htm]
  
  - Vitamin D blood plasma concentrations in the population
    [http://www.statcan.gc.ca/daily-quotidien/090702/dq090702a-eng.htm]
  
  - Blood pressure in children and adolescents
    [http://www.statcan.gc.ca/daily-quotidien/100519/dq100519c-eng.htm]

  - Fitness of Canadian children and youth
    [http://www.statcan.gc.ca/pub/82-003-x/2010001/article/11065-eng.htm]

- Census of Canada – for detailed demographic data to a fine level of geography
  
  [http://library.queensu.ca/webdoc/ssdc/statistics → look under Quick Links]

- CANSIM via E-STAT -- [http://www.statcan.gc.ca/estat/licence-eng.htm]*
  
  *FREE – don’t pay to access CANSIM!
Surveys & Polls

- **Survey and Polling files** are available to Ontario Universities through [odesi.ca](http://odesi.ca).

Use surveys and/or polls to generate your own tables. The possibilities are endless.

Mapping files

- **Health Regions -- Canada --**

Health regions are defined by the provinces and represent administrative areas or regions of interest to health authorities. This product contains health region boundary files and correspondence files (link health regions to the latest census geographic units).

[http://library.queensu.ca/webdoc/maps/health_regions](http://library.queensu.ca/webdoc/maps/health_regions)

[RefWorks](http://library.queensu.ca/help/refworks) an online reference manager at URL: [http://library.queensu.ca/help/refworks](http://library.queensu.ca/help/refworks)

Use RefWorks to capture citations as you do your research, then use **RefWorks** to create a bibliography automatically in the ‘citation style’ you choose (MLA, Chicago, etc.).

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