

Chapter 3 - Documentation

1986 Census Reference Publications

A variety of publications are available for users requiring more information and are grouped below according to the type of information they contain.

(i) Concepts and Methodology

1986 Census Dictionary (Cat. No. 99-101E)

The Dictionary defines all major census variables and terms, including the geographic terms, and discusses historical comparability of census data.

1986 Census Handbook (Cat. No. 99-104E)

The Handbook provides an overview of the census. Topics covered include a history of the census, the steps involved in taking a census, and a description of each question asked on the census questionnaire.

(ii) Geography

In addition to the 1986 Census Dictionary (99-101E), the user can consult: 1986 Census Geography: A Historical Comparison (Cat. No. 99-106E) and Census Metropolitan Areas and Census Agglomerations: A 1986-1981 Comparison (Cat. No. 99-105E).

These publications explain the geographic concepts used in the 1986 and previous censuses, and provide notes on historical comparability.

(iii) Data Availability

1986 Census Products and Services - Final Edition (Cat. No. 99-103E).

This document provides a complete list of all publications, their content and price. Information regarding data available in machine-readable form is also indicated.

How to Order Microdata Files

Census Microdata Files are available from Electronic Data Dissemination Division (EDDD), formerly called CANSIM.

The 1986 Census files will be available at the following dates and prices:

File	Release date	Price
Individual	Last quarter of 1989	\$4,000
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To order, complete the attached form (pink page) and return to:

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Other Services

The EDDD, through the Census Summary Data Service, offers a set of tabulations that provides data from the 1961 to 1986 Censuses for standard geographic areas.

Census Custom Data Products Service

Statistics Canada has produced the Census Public Use Microdata Files to provide users with a powerful research tool. Users requiring tabulations to meet more exact requirements in terms of content, geographic level and medium can, however, obtain special tabulations. These data products are available from the Census Custom Data Products Service.

WHERE TO FIND US

Statistics Canada's regional reference centres provide a full range of the census products and services. Each reference centre is equipped with a library and a sales counter where users can consult or purchase census publications, microcomputer diskettes, microfiche, maps and more. Each centre has facilities to retrieve information from Statistics Canada's computerized data retrieval systems - CANSIM and TELICHART. A telephone inquiry service is also available with toll-free numbers for regional clients outside local calling areas. Many other services - from seminars to consultations - are offered. Call or write your regional reference centre for information.

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