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Website of the week

Statistics Canada

Canada Year Book Historical Collection (1867 to 1967)

— a new way of looking at our past.



What forces have influenced immigration to and emigration from Canada?

How has Canada become one of the most culturally diverse countries in the world?

How has industrialization affected the way Canadians live and work?

What impact did industrialization have in the different regions of Canada?

How and why have traditional roles of men and women changed?

These are just some of the questions that are explored by Statistics Canada's research and record keeping since the beginning of Confederation. Discover Canada's social and economic past through the people, events and facts that have shaped this vast country. Now the wealth of historical data in Statistics Canada's annual Canada Year Book is available **free** on the Internet in the [Canada Year Book \(CYB\) Historical Collection \(1867-1967\)](#).

The [Teachers' toolbox](#) which accompanies the CYB Historical Collection offers theme-based lesson plans that support curriculum in history and social studies. Specially designed lessons for intermediate and secondary grade levels will help students to develop critical thinking skills and interpret original source documents.

Lessons cover:

- Changing families and households [Intermediate](#) [Secondary](#)
- Lives of men and women [Intermediate](#) [Secondary](#)
- Occupations [Intermediate](#) [Secondary](#)
- Economic gains [Intermediate](#) [Secondary](#)
- The Great Depression [Intermediate](#) [Secondary](#)
- Communications [Intermediate](#) [Secondary](#)
- Ethnocultural diversity [Intermediate](#) [Secondary](#)
- Provinces and manufacturing [Intermediate](#) [Secondary](#)
- Immigration and emigration [Intermediate](#) [Secondary](#)



Discover Contemporary Canada

Written in accessible, plain language, students will want to check out StatCan's current **Canada Year Book**, [new edition every Fall] [now available online](#), for their research projects. Each of its 31 chapters summarizes these and many other aspects of our country's society and economy:

- Aboriginal peoples
- Children and youth
- Ethnic diversity & immigration
- Environment
- Families and housing
- Health
- Incomes
- International trade
- Population and demography
- Prices

Go to www.statcan.ca/canadayearbook, click on **2007 Canada Year Book**. [Note: 30% educators' discount available on print version.]

Educators — Need help using StatCan resources?

Ask one of the five StatCan education full-time regional representatives across the country, who offer these free services:

- one-on-one telephone/e-mail support
- workshops on StatCan resources at professional development days and conferences, or made-to-measure for your school or district
- consultation with curriculum advisors and textbook publishers
- articles for teacher newsletters and websites

To find your nearest representative, go to the Teacher's page of Learning Resources, under "Regional support" at <http://www.statcan.ca/english/edu/reprs-tea.htm>.