Overview

• Context
  • Federal Government
  • Immigration, Refugees, and Citizenship Canada (IRCC)

• IRCC Research Data Development
  • Open Data
  • Canadian Research Data Centres
  • Provincial Institutes

• Next Steps
Federal Government policies in support of data and evidence

• Open Government/Open Data

• Statistics Canada Modernization Agenda

• Policy on Results

• A Data Strategy Roadmap for the Federal Public Service
### DEPARTMENTAL RESULTS FRAMEWORK AND PROGRAM INVENTORY

#### CORE RESPONSIBILITIES (WHAT WE DO)

- **Visitors, International Students and Temporary Workers**
- **Immigrant and Refugee Selection and Integration**
- **Citizenship and Passports**

#### DEPARTMENTAL RESULTS (WHY WE DO IT)

1. Entry to Canada of eligible visitors, international students and temporary workers is facilitated
2. Facilitation of temporary entry helps to generate economic benefits
3. Potential permanent residents are selected for immigration to Canada
4. Permanent residents are welcomed and benefit from settlement supports
5. Immigrants and refugees achieve economic independence and contribute to labour force growth
6. Immigrants and refugees feel part of and participate in Canadian society
7. Eligible permanent residents become Canadian citizens
8. Canadians’ international travel is facilitated

#### PROGRAM INVENTORY (HOW WE DELIVER)

- **Visitors**
- **International Students**
- **Temporary Workers**

- **Federal Economic Immigration**
- **Provincial Economic Immigration**
- **Family Reunification**
- **Humanitarian/Compassionate and Discretionary Immigration**
- **Refugee Resettlement**
- **Asylum**
- **Settlement**

- **Citizenship**
- **Passport**
New analytical and research capacity

**IRCC@Open Data**
- Resettled refugees,
- Settlement services,
- Passports,
- Work permit holders,
- TR to PR transitions,
- Express Entry,
- Permanent residents,
- Study permit holders,
- Syrian refugees,
- Visitors
- Information on adoptions,
- Application processing (PR, TR),
- Asylum Claimants,
- Citizenship
- *Official Languages*

**IRCC@Statistics Canada website**
- **Aggregate data tables** are available on the Statistics Canada website.
  - Dynamic IMDB tables
  - Admission category census tables

**IRCC@CRDCNs**
- **Longitudinal Immigration Database (IMDB):** IRCC data linked to the tax data files.
- **Admission Category on the 2016 Census:** now a standard variable.
- **General Social Survey (2013 Social Identity)** - sample of over 27,000 that includes almost 10,000 immigrants
- **Canadian Community Health Survey (CCHS)-IMDB:** Brings together the annual component of the CCHS from 2004 to 2015 and the IMDB.
- **Discharge Abstract Database (DAD)-IMDB:** focuses on the hospitalization of immigrants
- **Beyond the IMDB: Longitudinal Immigration Statistical Environment**
- **Canadian Employee-Employer Dynamic Database (CEEDD)-IMDB:** includes Permanent Residents and Temporary Residents at the firm-level and individual-level.
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IRCC@Provincial Research Institutes

IRCC has been collaborating with interested provinces to allow linkages between IRCC data and provincial data sources.

- **Ontario** (Institute for Clinical and Evaluative Studies (ICES)), **British Columbia** (PopData BC) and **Manitoba** (Manitoba Centre for Health Policy) have agreements with IRCC.
  - Researchers access an environment which links IRCC administrative data to provincial data sources
  - In 2018 IRCC received 88 proposals, 54 manuscripts and 24 final publications
  - Updating all agreements to include Permanent and Temporary Residents

- IRCC recently signed a tripartite MOU with the **Province of New Brunswick and the University of New Brunswick** (Institute for Research, Data and Training) to integration our administrative data into this linkage environment.

- Discussions are occurring with Alberta and Nova Scotia.
So what does this mean for academics and SPOs

- Statistics Canada has 36 Research Data Centres across the country and immigration data is now more integrated in social and economic databases than ever before
  - Data is not straightforward and students will require guidance

- This is an opportunity for academic and SPOs to work together
  - For SPOs who do not necessarily have the capacity to fully utilize this data, it is important to connect with academic partners
  - For academics, it will be important to consider how students can be trained to work with this data and potentially fill important knowledge gaps for community base organizations

- IRCC will continue to support SPO-academic collaborative arrangements
Examples of some of the latest research


3. Helping Ontario’s small centres attract and retain immigrants (Victoria Esses, U of Western Ontario) (IMDB)

4. The role of social capital and ethnocultural characteristics in the employment income of immigrants over time (Rose Evra (Statistics Canada) and Abdolmohammad Kazemipur (U of C) (LSIC-IMDB)

5. Foreign credential recognition among immigrant medical professionals (James Ted McDonald, U of NB) (Census)

6. Mental Health of Immigrants and the Utilization of Mental Health Services (Haozhen Zhang (IRCC) and Edward Ng (Statistics Canada). (CCHS-IMDB)

7. Measuring the Impact of Ethnocultural Diversity on Canadian Firm Performance and Productivity, 2001-2015. (Bessma Momani and Kira Williams, University of Waterloo and Balsillie School of International Affairs) (CEEDD-PR)

8. Temporary Foreign Worker Trajectories in Canada. (Danièle Bélanger, Universite Laval) (CEEDD-TR)

9. The problem with defining foreign birth as a risk factor in tuberculosis epidemiology studies (James Johnson, UBC) (PopData)

10. Optimizing Health Care for Refugees, Astrid Guttmann (ICES)
Questions

Opportunities

Discussion