

Variable description in the population number files

This document provides a description of the population number files' content. These files contain the population numbers by age and sex groups and for the different Canadian 1991 index versions.

The population numbers are used in calculations for which the population denominator is needed (ratios, etc.)

The files are numbered according to the deprivation index version. There is one file for each version (national, regional and local versions) containing the number of the population groups by age and sex.

1. National version (Canada)

Can1991_Population_sex_age_MSDI_eng.xlsx

2. Regional version (5 major Canadian regions)

CanReg_1991_Population_sex_age_MSDI_eng.xlsx

3. Local versions :

Geographic areas (4 Canadian territorial zones)

a. CanZones_1991_Population_sex_age_MSDI_eng.xlsx

Metropolitan areas (3 largest CMAs in Canada : Montréal, Toronto and Vancouver)

b. CanCMA_1991_Population_sex_age_MSDI_eng.xlsx

Each file is organized in 6 tabs (plus the legend), which represent the index dimension and the number of age groups :

CanPop1991_mat8 (material dimension)

CanPop1991_mat12 (material dimension)

CanPop1991_soc8 (social dimension)

CanPop1991_soc12 (social dimension)

CanPop1991_matsoc8 (combination of the dimensions)

CanPop1991_matsoc12 (combination of the dimensions)

Two age groupings are available :

8 groups : 0-5 years, 6-17 years, 18-24 years, 25-44 years, 45-64 years, 65-74 years, 75-84 years, 85 years and over

12 groups : 0-4 years, 6-14 years, 15-17 years, 18-19 years, 20-24 years, 25-34 years, 35-44 years, 45-54 years, 55-64 years, 65-74 years, 75-84 years, 85 years and over

Each tab in the quintile files contains 5 lines for each geographical unit indicating the deprivation quintiles from the most privileged (quintile 1) to the most deprived (quintile 5).

The columns show the total population number and the population number for each age group. The prefixes indicate totals (T), males (H) and females (F). Thus, you can identify the number of females aged 18 to 24 in zone 3 (Census agglomerations) living in a socially very deprived area (quintile 5):

→ file 7a. CanZones_1991_Population_sex_age_MSDI_eng.xlsx

→ tab CanZones_pop1991_soc8

→ column N, line 6 : 55 145 persons