

October 2016

## RDC @ Western Newsletter



The Research Data Centre will be closed on Monday, October 10 for Thanksgiving.  
Happy Thanksgiving everyone!

### Research Data Centre at Western's Monthly Newsletter

The University of Western Ontario Research Data Centre's monthly newsletter is a great resource for researchers who would like to be informed of new data sets, changes in the RDC hours of operation, holiday/closures, and new RDC protocols.

The newsletter is also available [online](#).

### New Data Sets at the RDC

In the upcoming weeks we will be receiving new data sets and surveys at the Research Data Centre at Western. Researchers interested in accessing these data sets are encouraged to submit proposals.

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## 2014 Canadian Community Health Survey (CCHS) Rapid Response on Tanning Equipment Use and Laser Beam Exposure



New data on [tanning equipment use and laser beam exposure](#) are now available as a component of the Canadian Community Health Survey. The data were collected in all provinces from March to June 2014.

The module on tanning equipment use asked respondents a number of questions related to the use of sunlamps or tanning beds in the 12 months preceding the survey. If respondents used tanning beds, they were asked questions about their use of the equipment, such as: their reasons for using it; whether they are a regular or periodic user; the precautions that were taken while using it; any injuries or discomfort incurred as a result of using it, in particular to the eyes and skin; and how often and for what duration their injury occurred.

The module on laser beam exposure asked respondents a number of questions related to their exposure to laser beams in the 12 months preceding the survey, not including medical devices. Respondents were asked: what laser devices they have been exposed to; if there has been an injury as a result of this exposure; the number of injuries and the type of injuries incurred; and their worst injury as it relates to type, duration, device used, who used the device and where they got the device.

The RDC at Western is now accepting [proposals](#) for work with this data.

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## Recent Releases from Health Canada Reports

*Health Reports* is a peer-reviewed journal of population health and health services research published by the Health Analysis Division of Statistics Canada.



### [Physical activity and sedentary behavior of Canadian children aged 3 to 5](#)

by Didier Garriguet, Valerie Carson, Rachel C. Colley, Ian Janssen, Brian W. Timmons and Mark S. Tremblay

### [Outdoor time, physical activity, sedentary time, and health indicators at ages 7 to 14: 2012/2013 Canadian Health Measures Survey](#)

by Richard Larouche, Didier Garriguet, Katie E. Gunnell, Gary S. Goldfield and Mark S. Tremblay

### [Epilepsy in Canada: Prevalence and impact](#)

by Heather Gilmour, Pamela Ramage-Morin and Suzy L. Wong

Online [subscriptions](#) to Health Reports are available for free from Statistics Canada.

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## Upcoming Conferences



CRDCN National Conference 2016 is taking place in Saskatoon, Saskatchewan from October 31 – November 1, 2016.

Health, wealth and happiness are states of being to which most Canadians aspire. How well are Canadians doing in achieving those aspirations? Is Canada becoming more or less equitable? Conference highlights include keynote speaker John F. Helliwell, one of Canada's leading health economists and internationally renowned researcher on the economics of happiness and well-being as well as a special address by S. Martin Taylor, the new executive director of the CRDCN.

Further details are available on the [event page](#).

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# Statistics Canada is Hiring: Post-Secondary Recruitment and Development Programs

The rotation component of the Recruitment and Development Programs let recruits assume diverse assignments. Through these workplace rotations, recruits quickly gain knowledge about how StatCan works. Recruits also find the rotation process useful for making informed decisions about their individual career paths at StatCan.

Currently, StatCan offers Recruitment and Development Programs for the following subject matter areas:

- Social statistics and economics
- Mathematical statistics
- Computer and information systems

More information can be found on [Statistics Canada's website](http://www.statcan.gc.ca).

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## ICES Faculty Scholars Program



The Institute for Clinical Evaluative Sciences (ICES) has officially launched the ICES Faculty Scholars Program on a province-wide basis. Established at ICES Western in 2013 for the faculty of Western University, the two-year, part-time learning opportunity will be open to Ontario-based academic researchers in the medical, health and social sciences.

The program aims to develop high-caliber researchers who are passionate about population health and health services research and wish to obtain an appointment as an ICES scientist. An interactive e-learning environment enables remote faculty to fully participate in the program.

The program offers:

- Training in the use of Ontario's health administrative databases for research
- Seminars on advanced methods relevant to population health research
- Opportunities for collaboration with experts across the ICES network
- Individual project mentorship and data analytic support to develop and complete one or more research studies using Ontario's health administrative databases

Applications for the 2017–2019 program will be accepted until December 31, 2016.

For more information on the ICES Faculty Scholars Program, please visit our website [www.ices.on.ca/facultyscholars](http://www.ices.on.ca/facultyscholars)

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### RDC Information:

#### Regular Hours of Operation:

Monday - Friday 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM

***Closed October 10, 2016***

### Protocol Reminder:

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