

The AMSSA Info Sheet series has been created to inform and support settlement service providers and key stakeholders across British Columbia. The Info Sheets cover a wide range of topics and highlight important facts and trends from across Canada and BC. Our goal is to assist organizations in navigating the rapidly changing landscape of the BC settlement sector.*

2015 Call for Proposals (CFP) Resources

With guidance from AMSSA's Research Advisory Committee, this Info Sheet highlights the many sources of information that organizations may find helpful when creating their proposals for the 2015 National Call for Proposals (CFP) for Settlement, Resettlement and Inter-Action programs. To learn more about these resources, please visit the AMSSA [CFP Resource Page](#).

What is the CFP Process?

The Call for Proposals (CFP) process is Citizenship and Immigration Canada's (CIC's) established means of arriving at funding decisions for the delivery of settlement services and undertaking multicultural initiatives across the country. It is a transparent process through which eligible groups can apply for funding to support their proposals.

The [National Call For Proposals 2015](#) for settlement programs will be open June 22 to August 10, 2015. [Funding Guidelines](#), [Frequently Asked Questions](#), and an [Applicant Tutorial](#) will also be available as of June 22, 2015.

Information on the previous CFP 2013 can be found here:

[Overview of the CFP Process](#).

Provincial Demographic Information

To support your organization's proposal and describe your targeted beneficiary group, you may choose to include demographic information on your community. The most recent demographic statistics can be found online:

- WelcomeBC – [Immigration Data, Facts and Trends](#) (2013)
- CIC – [Facts and Figures](#) (2013)
- BC Statistics – [Regional District Data Tables](#) (2014)
- NewtoBC – [Metro Vancouver & Fraser Valley](#) (2011)
- City of Vancouver – [Vancouver Immigrant Profile](#) (2014)
- City of Surrey – [Surrey Immigrant Demographics](#) (2014)
- Metro Vancouver – [Census Bulletins](#) (2011)
- Law Foundation of BC – [Diversity Profile](#) (2014)
- MyHealthMyCommunity – [Metro Van. & Fraser Valley](#) (2015)
- AMSSA – [Info Sheet Series](#) & [Specialized Webpages](#) (2015)
- Statistics Canada – [Labour Force Survey Data Tables](#) (2014)

Finding Information for your Community

The most detailed demographic information for most communities across British Columbia can be found on the Statistics Canada website. To find a list of all data available for your community, gathered through the 2011 Census and National Household Survey, follow these steps:

1. Find your [Census Subdivision](#) (**not** "division")
2. Select the "All data" view on the "NHS data" tab

The following National Household Survey information is available for all Census Subdivisions:

- Number of immigrants
- Immigrant arrivals by period (e.g. 2006-2011)
- Age at immigration
- Place of Birth (all immigrants / citizens)
- Place of Birth (recent immigrants)
- Non-official languages spoken at home
- Non-official languages spoken at work
- Education level (total population)
- Labour force statistics (total population)
- Shelter Costs
- Income levels

Click on the "Census data" tab to access the following information for the total population (not just immigrants):

- Age characteristics
- Family Status / Characteristics (size)
- Mother tongue

Finding Information for your Region

[National Household Survey Data Tables](#) provide some of the most detailed information available for recent immigrants (i.e. those who arrived between 2006-2011).

Unfortunately, this data is only available at the Census Metropolitan Area (CMA) level, and not the Census Subdivision level.

Immigration Settlement Services and Gaps

Recent research from the University of Brandon provides an inventory of settlement services in selected communities across Western Canada. This research project was conducted in 33 small communities to better understand the gaps, barriers and needs of immigrants in regions where no formal Local Immigration Partnership (LIP) had been established.

The following regions were examined:

1. [British Columbia](#)
2. [Cranbrook and Kimberley](#)
3. [Kamloops](#)
4. [Langley](#)
5. [Nanaimo](#)
6. [Nelson, Trail, and Grand Forks](#)
7. [Port Alberni](#)
8. [Prince Rupert](#)
9. [Squamish and Whistler](#)
10. [Sunshine Coast](#)
11. [Terrace, Kitimat, and Smithers](#)

Other Recent Research / Program Evaluations

- Immigration Research West (2014) – [What are the Settlement Experiences of Newly Settled Newcomers to Western Canada: An Interim Report](#)
- Western Consortium on Integration, Citizenship and Cohesion and Pathways to Prosperity (2013) – [Western Settlement Outcomes Survey](#)
- Association of Canadian Studies (2015) – [Special Issue of Canadian Diversity on Settlement Issues](#)
- Citizenship and Immigration Canada – [Program Evaluations](#)

National Settlement Program Information

Developed at a national / regional level, these documents help to outline the strategic direction of the National Settlement Program and the regional priorities across Western Canada.

Summit Reports & Resources

AMSSA – [BC/Yukon Immigrant Integration Summit Resources](#)

AAISA – [Alberta Integration Summit Resources](#)

SAISA – [Saskatchewan Summit Report](#)

MIRSSA – [Manitoba/Nunavut Summit Report](#)

Western Region – [Summit Report Matrix](#)

Western Region – [Summit Themes Across Jurisdictions](#)

Social Innovation Resources

Innoweave - [Practical Tools for Social Innovation \(9 modules\)](#)

National Settlement Council (NSC) – [Social Innovation](#)

Other Resources

Agency of the Future – [Technology Task Force Report](#)

NSC – [Professional Development Working Group Survey](#)

National Orientation Standard – [Welcome to Canada Guide](#)

Need Help?

Online: AMSSA has created a [Specialized Resource Page](#) with even more helpful links and resources. As well, our 'Migration Matters' [Info Sheets](#) contain a great deal of research on themes ranging from Temporary Foreign Workers to Citizenship and Western Region demographic statistics.

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