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Featured Websites

Superintendent of Financial Institutions Canada:

http://www.osfi-bsif.gc.ca/osfi/index_e.aspx?ArticleID=3



OSFI is "responsible for the regulation and supervision of all federally chartered, licensed or registered banks, insurance companies, trust and loan companies, " etc. in Canada. The site has OSFI reports and speeches, as well as information/publications on pension plan regulations, insurance company acts/regulations, trust & loan companies, foreign banks & co-ops.



ASBA:

http://www.pacweb.org/e/index.php?option=com_frontpage&Itemid=1

ASBA's mission is to "develop, disseminate, and promote banking supervisory practices throughout the Americas in line with international standards and too support the development of banking supervision expertise and resources in the Americas, through the effective provision of training and technical cooperation services." The site provides full-text access to the Association's publications, working papers, and committee documents - in both Spanish and English.



NATIONAL ARCHIVE of CRIMINAL JUSTICE DATA

THE SOURCE FOR CRIME AND JUSTICE DATA

NACJD:

<http://www.icpsr.umich.edu/NACJD/>

This site provides access to criminal justice data, articles and books. Content is not produced by NACJD, but is deposited by external agencies, such as the Bureau of Justice Statistics, the Census Bureau and the Bureau of Justice Assistance. Also provides access to data resource guides on an array of topics, including capitol punishment, homicide, violence against women, correctional facilities, crime victimization and much more.

Banking/Economy/Trade

Electronic Commerce Branch: <http://www.ic.gc.ca/eic/site/ecic-ceac.nsf/eng/home>. A branch of Industry Canada devoted to supporting the adoption, use and development of e-business and its continued growth in the Canadian economy. Provides links to information on international policy, statistics and research in this area. Also provides full-text access to its publications.

Key Economic Events: <http://www.canadianeconomy.gc.ca/English/economy/key.html>. From the Government of Canada site, this particular webpage provides links to a summary of major economic events in Canadian history, from 1670 to present. Also provides information about the context and impact of each event on the Canadian economy.

Office of the Chief Actuary: http://www.osfi-bsif.gc.ca/osfi/index_e.aspx?ArticleID=497. OCA monitors the financial status of the CPP, Old Age Security (OAS) program and federal public sector employee pension and insurance plans. The site links to its actuarial reports and studies. Report topics include Canada Student Loan Program, and the pension plans for Canadian Forces, Members of Parliament and the RCMP. The actuarial studies contain many statistical tables.

Office of the Superintendent of Bankruptcy Canada: <http://www.ic.gc.ca/eic/site/bsf-osb.nsf/eng/home>. OSB is a special operating agency associated with Industry Canada mandated to "protect the integrity of the bankruptcy and insolvency system." Provides information, publications and statistics relating to bankruptcies as well as national insolvency rates as well as economic analyses of the rates. Also has a database of bankruptcy and insolvency records.

WTO Regional Trade Agreements Information System: <http://rtais.wto.org/UI/PublicMaintainRTAHome.aspx>. This is a database containing all the Regional Trade Agreements (RTAs) notified to WTO or GATT (General Agreement on Tariffs & Trade). You can retrieve information by WTO member or criteria and you can find a list of all RTAs currently in force, early announcements and pre-defined reports.



Crime & Justice Statistics

Dept of Justice Canada Research & Statistics:

<http://www.justice.gc.ca/eng/pi/rs/index.html>. “The Research and Statistics Division produces and communicates high-quality empirical research and statistical analysis.” Research focuses include: Aboriginal issues, criminal justice issues, drug addictions, family violence, governance, human rights, organized crime, sentencing, terrorism and security.

Juristat: Statistics Canada: <http://www.statcan.gc.ca/bsolc/olc-cel/olc-cel?catno=85-002-XIE&lang=eng>. This Stats Canada periodical provides analysis and detailed statistics on a variety of justice-related topics and issues, including crime, homicide, the court system, and correctional services.

UN Centre for International Crime Prevention:

<http://www.uncjin.org/CICP/cicp.html>. This UN agency “is responsible for crime prevention, criminal justice and criminal law reform. It pays special attention to combating transnational organized crime, money laundering, drug control, corruption and illicit trafficking in human beings.” Links to its own documents & reports as well as external links to (official) sources of related statistics.

UN Survey on Crime Trends: <http://www.unodc.org/unodc/en/data-and-analysis/United-Nations-Surveys-on-Crime-Trends-and-the-Operations-of-Criminal-Justice-Systems.html>.

This survey is sent to countries and regional governments around the world to “collect data on the incidence of reported crime and the operations of criminal justice systems.” Results are available for download, though the most recent, fully complete survey is 2001/2002.

US Sentencing Commission: <http://www.ussc.gov/>. The Commission is an independent agency in the judicial branch of government mandated to establish sentencing policies and practices for the federal courts and to collect, analyze, research, and distribute a broad array of information on federal crime and sentencing issues. Provides access to its statistics and publications including its annual *Sourcebook of Federal Sentencing Statistics*.

Europe



Medstat:

http://epp.eurostat.ec.europa.eu/portal/page?_pageid=2313,59852546,2313_65332058&_dad=portal&_schema=PORTAL. Medstat is "the regional statistical co-operation programme between the European Union and 10 Mediterranean partner countries. Provides statistics by theme, including Economy and finance; Population and social conditions; Tourism; Agriculture; Transport; Environment; and Energy. Datasets, statistical tables and quick facts all provided.

Freedom of Information

CIA Freedom of Information Act Vietnam Collection: <http://www.ussc.gov/>. The Commission is an independent agency in the judicial branch of government mandated to establish sentencing policies and practices for the federal courts and to collect, analyze, research, and distribute a broad array of information on federal crime and sentencing issues. Provides access to its statistics and publications including its annual *Sourcebook of Federal Sentencing Statistics*.

Open CRS: <http://opencrs.com/>. This site was created and is maintained by a division of the Center for Democracy & Technology. Its purpose is to act as a portal site to Congressional Research Service (CRS) reports, which are not directly made available to the public despite being tax-payer supported. Provides a single interface to search multiple collections and subject browsing.

Infrastructure/Services

Infrastructure Canada: <http://www.infc.gc.ca/infc-eng.html>. Infrastructure Canada departments contribute to rural and urban infrastructure, and make sure that Canadian roads, bridges, railroads, water systems, transit, waste management systems, ports and airports are well-built and maintained, safe and secure. Provides links to major infrastructure programs and to the *Research Gateway* - a web portal highlighting resources "on infrastructure, cities and communities issues."

Service Canada: <http://www.servicecanada.gc.ca/eng/home.shtml>. Federal government portal to government programs and services. Major focus on Aboriginal Peoples, Families & Children, Immigrants, Seniors, People with Disabilities, Veterans, Employers & Students. The site provides full-text access to its publications/reports - which includes access to its public opinion research - as well as online forms, news releases, FAQ, and a directory of all Service Canada locations.



Science

Europa Research: Science & Society: <http://ec.europa.eu/research/science-society/index.cfm?fuseaction=public.topic&id=781&lang=en>. A division of the Research branch of the European Commission. This site is a portal to science information, programs/activities, and publications. Major themes are science education, scientific advice & governance, women and science and science & social action. Highlight publications are freely available to download as pdf files.

Federation of American Scientists: <http://www.fas.org/index.html>. An NGO dedicated to warning "the public and policy leaders of potential dangers from scientific and technical advances and to show how good policy could increase the benefits of new scientific knowledge." The site provides access to FAS publications, news, reports, and its collection of *Congressional Research Reports*.

Hydrogen Economy Portal: <http://www.ussc.gov/>. A gateway to information on Canadian hydrogen and fuel cell initiatives." Provides information on success stories, the basic science and applications of hydrogen and fuel cell technologies, research organizations and researcher activities and also links to its publications and external resources.

National Science Foundation Science & Engineering Statistics: <http://www.nsf.gov/statistics/>. provides access to NSF publications, news releases, data/surveys and analyses of US science and engineering resources. Also provides links to NSF Institute for Social, Behavioral and Economic Sciences. Publications are keyword searchable or browsable by subject. Subjects include social/cultural perceptions of science in the US, education, research, development, industry and the workforce.

Statistics Canada Science Statistics: <http://www.statcan.gc.ca/bsolc/olc-cel/olc-cel?catno=88-001-XWE&lang=eng>. A Statistics Canada journal that presents a variety of science and technology statistics. Each issue concerns a different topic, for example: federal expenditures on research and development and science and technology; provincial distribution of federal government projects; and R & D expenditures of private non-profit organizations."