

Data dictionary for “BC Sub-Provincial Household Estimates and Projections”

COLUMN HEADING	DATA TYPE	POSSIBLE VALUES	DEFINITION	EXAMPLE
YEAR	Number	4-digit integer matching the pattern 19NN or 20NN	Year of the estimate or projection. Unless otherwise indicated, all estimates and projections are calculated as of July 1.	2011
TYPE	Character String	Estimate; Projection	Indicator of whether the calculation is an estimate or a projection. A population estimate is a measure of the current or historical population whereas a population projection is a forecast of the future population.	Estimate
REGION_ID	Number	Non-negative integer ranging between 1 and 5 digits	Unique numeric identifier for the given sub-provincial region. '0' denotes the province of B.C. for all region types. A region ID ending in '999' represents a sub-total of all unincorporated areas within the regional district.	1
REGION_TYPE	Character String	Development Region; Regional District; Municipality	Geographic category to which the given sub-provincial region belongs. "Development Region", "Regional District", "Municipality" correspond	Development Region

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			to Statistics Canada's Economic Region, Census Division, and Census Subdivision classifications respectively.	
REGION_NAME	Character String		Name of the given sub-provincial region. In most cases, the region naming follows Statistics Canada's Standard Geographic Classification. A region named as "Unincorporated areas - XXX" represents a sub-total of all unincorporated areas within the regional district.	Vancouver Island and Coast
HOUSEHOLDS	Number	Non-negative integer	Number of private households estimated/projected for the given sub-provincial region and year. A private household refers to a person or group of persons who occupy the same dwelling and do not have a usual place of residence elsewhere in Canada or abroad. The household may consist of a family group such as a census family, of	332511

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			two or more families sharing a dwelling, of a group of unrelated persons or of a person living alone. Household members who are temporarily absent on reference day are considered part of their usual household. Collective dwellings are excluded from the household count.	
POPULATION	Number	Non-negative integer	Population count estimated/projected for the given sub-provincial region and year.	773313
PERSONS_PER_HOUSEHOLD	Number	Non-negative decimal	Average number of persons per private household for the given sub-provincial region and year. Calculated as the ratio of POPULATION to HOUSEHOLDS.	2.325676444