

BC Demographic Survey Metadata Code Table Guide

Header Definitions:

- Q: the name of the question.
- QC_DESC: the label name of the code.
- Q_CODE: the answer code provided by respondents.
- OUT_CODE_1: the highest level of aggregation/roll-up of codes
- OUT_CODE_2: the second highest level of aggregation/roll up of codes, which may be left blank if no such aggregation exists.
- OUT_CODE_3: the third highest level of aggregation/roll up of codes, which may be left blank if no such aggregation exists.
- OUT_CODE_4: the fourth highest level of aggregation/roll up of codes, which may be left blank if no such aggregation exists.
- OUT_CODE_5: the lowest level of aggregation/roll up of codes, which may be left blank if no such aggregation exists.
- ORDERCLASS: used to sort categories outside of numerical order, allowing codes such as "prefer not to answer" to be sorted to the bottom.
- QC_DESC_Notes: Notes or further explanations for the code.
- Additional_Notes: Further notes or explanations for the code.
- Invalid: identifies answer codes that are non-responsive to the questions asked, including responses like "prefer not to answer," "I don't know," comments, and indeterminate answer.

OUT_CODE Navigations Guide:

Out Codes are hierarchical groupings that are specific to each survey question and don't have a predefined header labels.

Q	QC_DESC	Q_CODE	OUT_CODE_1	OUT_CODE_2	OUT_CODE_3	OUT_CODE_4
Q34CULTURE_C01	Acadian	8	1030	253	2021	8
Q34CULTURE_C01	African Canadian	22	1030	253	22	
Q34CULTURE_C01	African Nova Scotian	24	1030	253	2021	24
Q34CULTURE_C01	Albertan	46	1030	253	2017	46
Q34CULTURE_C01	British Columbian	233	1030	253	2017	233
Q34CULTURE_C01	Canadian	253	1030	253		
Q34CULTURE_C01	Cape Bretoner	254	1030	253	2021	254
Q34CULTURE_C01	Franco Ontarian	447	1030	253	449	447
Q34CULTURE_C01	French Canadian	449	1030	253	449	
Q34CULTURE_C01	Gambier Islander	464	1030	253	2017	464
Q34CULTURE_C01	Gaspesian	469	1030	253	2021	469
Q34CULTURE_C01	Manitoban	876	1030	253	2017	876
Q34CULTURE_C01	New Brunswicker	1001	1030	253	2021	1001
Q34CULTURE_C01	Newfoundlander	1008	1030	253	2021	1008
Q34CULTURE_C01	Nova Scotian	1036	1030	253	2021	1036
Q34CULTURE_C01	Ontarian	1064	1030	253	2021	1064
Q34CULTURE_C01	Prince Edward Islander	1120	1030	253	2021	1120
Q34CULTURE_C01	Quebecois	1133	1030	253	2021	1133
Q34CULTURE_C01	Saskatchewanian	1196	1030	253	2017	1196
Q34CULTURE_C01	Toronto	2012	1030	253	2021	1064
Q34CULTURE_C01	Western Canada	2017	1030	253	2017	
Q34CULTURE_C01	Prairies	2018	1030	253	2017	2018
Q34CULTURE_C01	Eastern Canada	2021	1030	253	2021	

In this example for Q34CULTURE_C01 if the respondent identified as British Columbian a code of 233 would be assigned and the following Out_Codes are generated:

1030 – Continent: North America

253 – Country: Canada

2017 – Country Region: Western Canada

233 – Region: British Columbia