

Simcoe County Data Consortium

UPDATE

Community Data Program | July 2015

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Annual Data Meeting

On May 21, 2015, leads from across Ontario gathered for a two day meeting in Montreal to network and share information, as well as generate input on program decisions and strategic direction.

The 30 members in attendance discussed the following topics:

- Review 2014-2015
- Data Usage 2014-2015
- Data Usage by consortia
- Work plan and budget 2015-2016
- Data purchase and access
- Building capacity
- Communications and sharing results
- Building and fostering partnerships



What's New...

There is new data in the communitydata.ca catalogue

Target Group Profiles (Batch 3)

- Population Living in Subsidized Housing
- Population Aged 0-17
- Population Living Alone

Custom Geographies Round 1 and 2

- Census and NHS Profiles
- Target Group Profiles
- Community Poverty Project

EnviroNics Analytics

- Enhanced Postal Code Conversion File, 2015

Other Data

- Welfare Incomes, 2013
- Canadian Business Patterns, December 2014

Schedule B 2015-2016 has been approved. Here is what's to come within the next couple months:

- CMHC, Market Analysis Centre Products, 2014

Statistics Canada

- Building Permits, 2014
- Canadian Community Health Survey, 2014
- TaxFiler Data and Migration Estimates for 2013

What Have You Been Up To?

Have you created something using data from the CCSD Community Data Program? If so, you can show off your work to the network and drive traffic to your website!

Find what others have done with CDP data at <http://communitydata.ca/resources> under **Community Snapshots**.



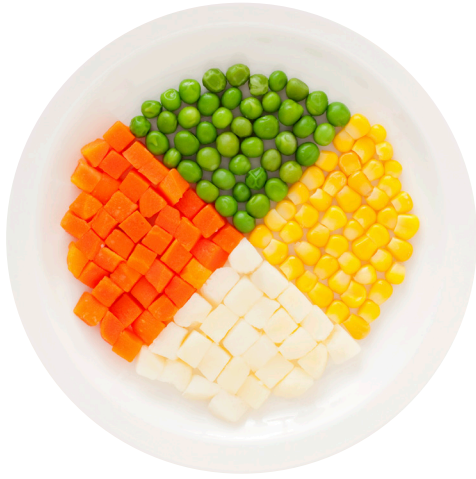
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Agri-Food Asset Mapping in the Greater Golden Horseshoe

Asset mapping is an important tool when building a robust regional database to support growth, decision making, and opportunity for the sector.



What: Seeking business information based on resources that are currently available, such as:

- Business directories
- Information from employment surveys
- Business retention and expansions surveys
- Any data across the whole agri-food value chain, from on farm production to consumption.

Why: By participating, Planning and Economic Development staff will have the tools to access accurate and current data that can be used on both local and regional levels.

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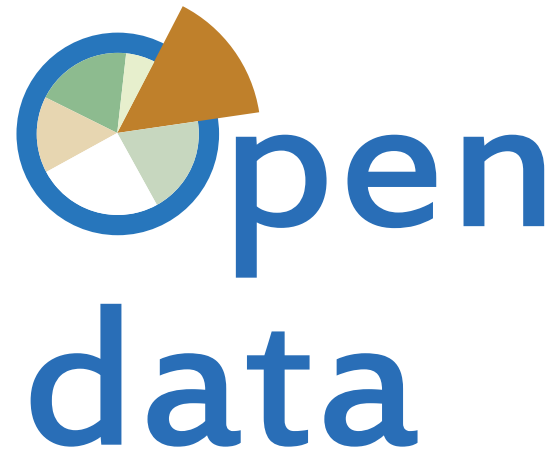
An Open and Transparent Ontario

As of May 1, 2015, Ontario is the first province to post a draft Open Data Directive for public feedback and is currently in the process of reviewing comments. This directive aims to maximize access to government data by requiring all data to be made public unless it is exempted for privacy, security, or commercially-sensitive reasons. It sets out key principles and requirements for publishing open data and will apply to data created and managed by Ontario ministries and provincial agencies.

To date, Ontario has released nearly 400 open data sets, posted an inventory of government data, launched a voting tool for the public to vote on data sets they'd like released, and released six of the top 25 most-voted on data sets.

To access Government of Ontario's Open Data Catalogue, go to:

<http://www.ontario.ca/open-data>



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