



Sex and Gender-Based Analysis Plus to advance equity, diversity, and inclusion at the Public Health Agency of Canada

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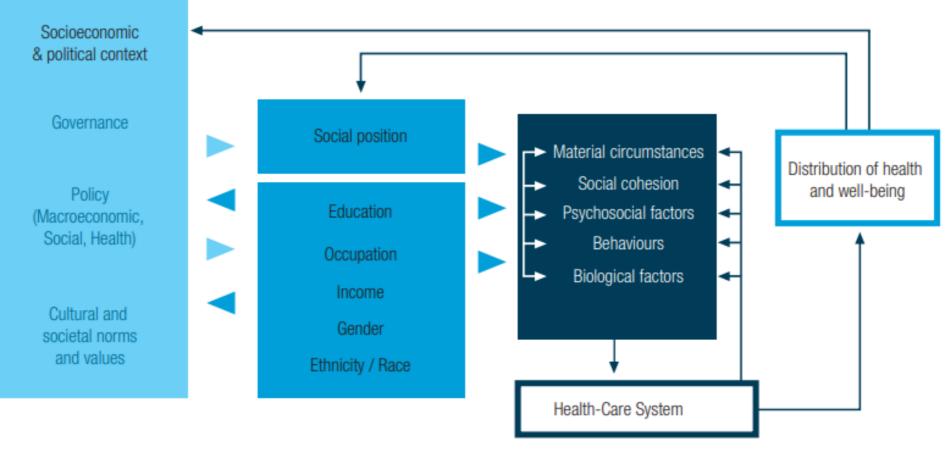
PROTECTING AND EMPOWERING CANADIANS TO IMPROVE THEIR HEALTH



Health inequalities monitoring and reporting in Canada: Domestic and global drivers



HIRI Function : Strengthens the measurement, monitoring and reporting of health inequalities in Canada to guide health equity-informed policy and action : Conceptual framework for action on the Social Determinants of Health



SOCIAL DETERMINANTS OF HEALTH AND HEALTH INEQUITIES

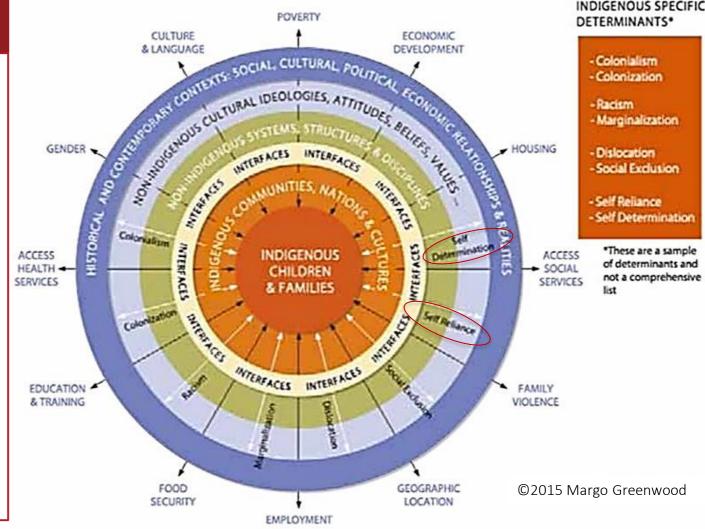
Source: Amended from Solar & Irwin, 2007

Social determinants of health

Social determinants of health refer to the structural conditions and social circumstances that influence one's health and well-being, incl.:

- Socioeconomic resources (e.g., income, education, employment),
- Physical and social environments (e.g., housing, neighbourhood, and work conditions; geographic differences),
- Stigma and discrimination based on one's group identities (e.g., race/ethnicity, gender, sexual orientation, Indigenous identity, etc.).
- Key determinants may vary according to the sub group of the population and the importance of their impact may also differ, for example, for Indigenous peoples other determinants such as selfdetermination and self-reliance.

A FRAMEWORK FOR UNDERSTANDING THE SOCIAL DETERMINANTS OF HEALTH AND INDIGENOUS PEOPLE



- There is a long public health history of gathering evidence that connects physical and mental wellbeing with social, economic, political factors (i.e., "social determinants")
- Social determinants of health account for between 30-55% of health outcomes (more than health care or lifestyle choices)
- Health and disease follow a 'social gradient'

Framework retrieved from https://cps.ca/uploads/imich/Plenary_Friday_PM_SDOH_Greenwood.pdf

The Pan-Canadian Health Inequalities Reporting Initiative (HIRI)



Health Inequalities Reporting Initiative: Research scope

QUANTITATIVE APPROACH

Complex/intersectional data analysis accessing multiple data sources (listed below)



- Statistique Statistics Canada Canada
- Canadian Community Health Survey
- Vital Statistics databases
- Canadian Cancer Registry
- Census data
- National Household Survey
- Canadian Health Measures Survey

- Canadian Survey on Disability
- Survey of Young Canadians
- Employment Insurance Coverage Survey
- Uniform Crime Reporting Survey (UCR)



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- Canadian Tuberculosis Reporting System
- National HIV/AIDS Surveillance System





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Early Development Instrument



First Nations Regional Health Survey



Hospital Mental Health Database

QUALITATIVE APPROACH

Recognition and analysis of different perspectives as part of knowledge production and use of a variety of approaches and methods

- Ensure health inequalities data reflect needs • perspectives and experiences of affected and diverse communities (cultural, religious, etc.)
- Identify culturally sensitive promising practices ٠ for data collection, analysis and reporting (full data cycle)
- Incorporate knowledge transmission methods ٠ from First Nations, Inuit and Métis peoples, i.e. story-telling

The Pan-Canadian Health Inequalities Reporting Initiative (cont.)

Data for	Health Status	He	Health Determinants		
OVER 100 HEALTH-	Including indicators for: Mortality and life expectancy		 Including indicators for: Health behaviours Physical and social environments Health care Social protection Social protection 		
RELATED	 Morbidity and disability Mental illness and suicide Self-assessed physical and m 	►			
INDICATORS	 Disease/Health conditions 		 Working conditions Socioeconomic conditions 		
disaggregated by each of 16 SOCIAL AND	Socioeconomic Status	Indigenous Identities	Place of Residence	Population Groups	
DEMOGRAPHIC	 Income Education Employment 	 First Nations / Inuit / 	[/] Métis ► Urban/rural	 Age Immigrant status Sexual orientation 	
STRATIFIERS meaningful to health equity.	 Occupation Material and social deprivation 			 Functional health Race/ethnicity Living arrangement First official language spoken 	
meaning ar to nearth equity.	Sex:	Male/female			
* Where data allow	Jurisdiction:	National or Provincial/Territorial			

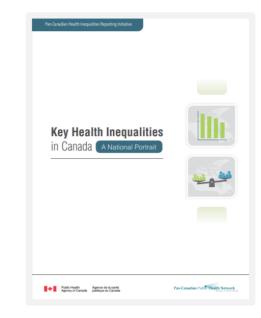
Health Inequalities Reporting Initiative: Key Deliverables





Key deliverables include:

- An online, interactive Health Inequalities Data Tool with over 100 indicators of health status and determinants disaggregated by up to 14 different social and demographic variables meaningful to health equity
- 2. A narrative report on key health inequalities in Canada
- 3. A video on social determinants of health and health equity
- 4. Infographics highlighting key inequalities in Canada

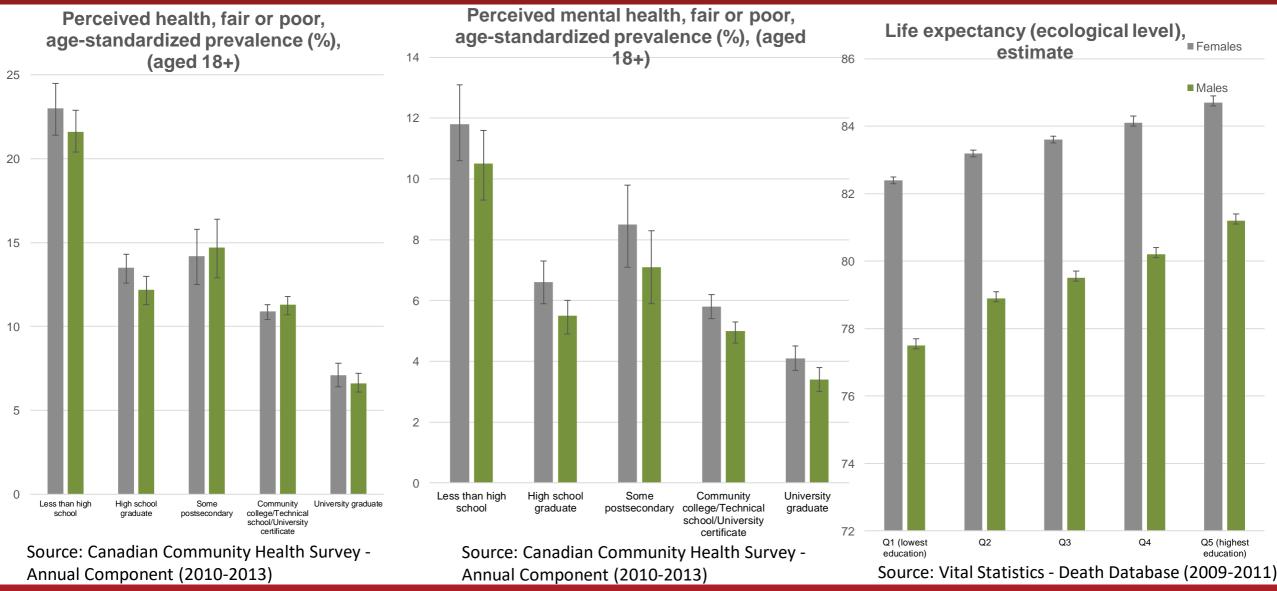




The Health Inequalities Data Tool: A key resource for evidence-based, intersectoral decision-making

The Health Inequalit	ties Data Tool:		Health Inequalities Data Tool
Informs surveillance and research activities, as well as program and policy decisions to more effectively reduce health inequalities in Canada	Identifies where inequalities in health outcomes and determinants exist between subgroups of Canadians at the national and provincial/territorial level, and the magnitude of these inequalities	Provides baseline data for ongoing monitoring of progress in reducing health inequalities in Canada.	

Inequalities by education Perceived health, mental health and life expectancy

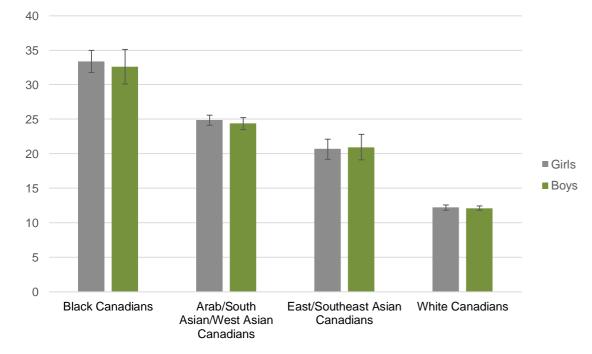


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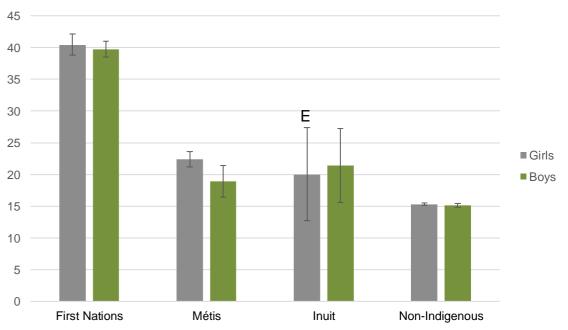
Key inequalities Children in low-income families

Low-income affects the capacity to live in quality housing and access healthy foods, and is associated with unfavourable physical and mental health outcomes as children age.

(Lipman & Boyle, 2011; Spencer, Thanh & Louise, 2013)



Children in low income families by cultural/racial background (prevalence, %)

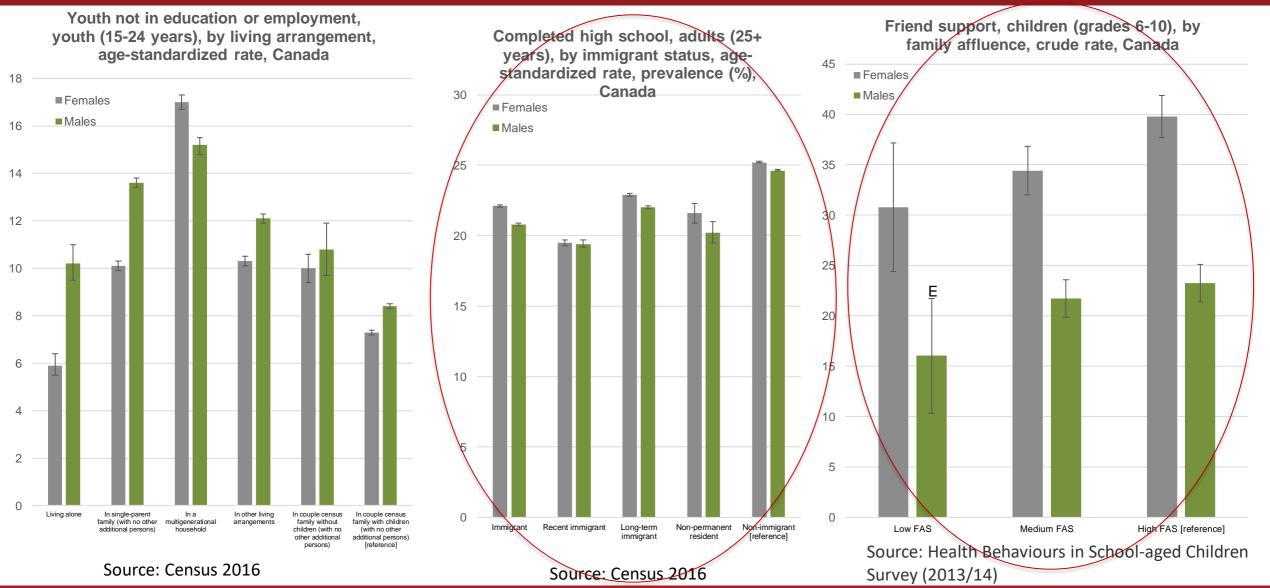


Children in low income families by Indigenous identity (prevalence, %)

Source: National Household Survey (2011)

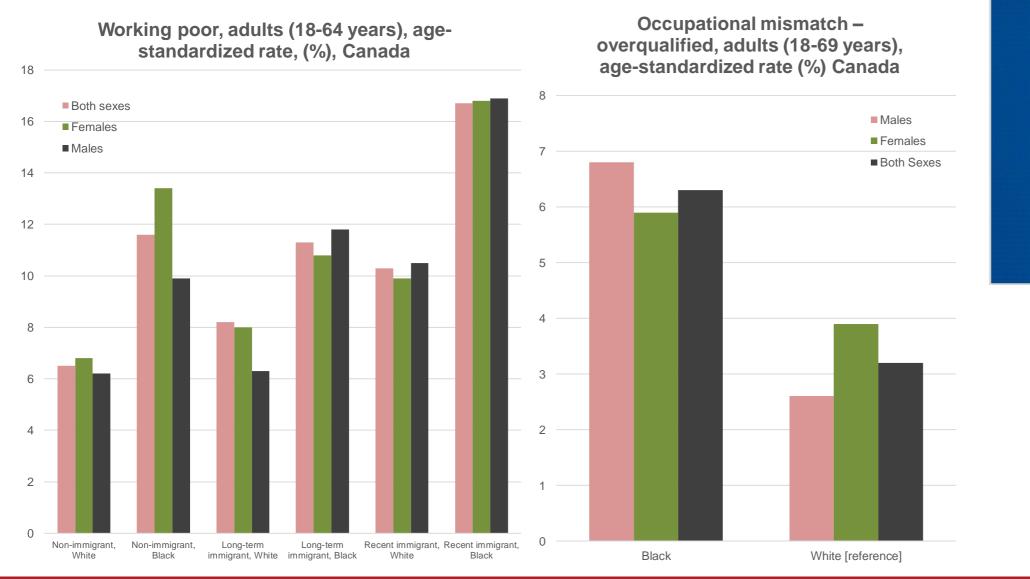


Key inequalities Youth not in education or employment, youth (15-24 years), Completed high school, adults (25+ years) and Friend support



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A snapshot of health inequities among Black Canadians

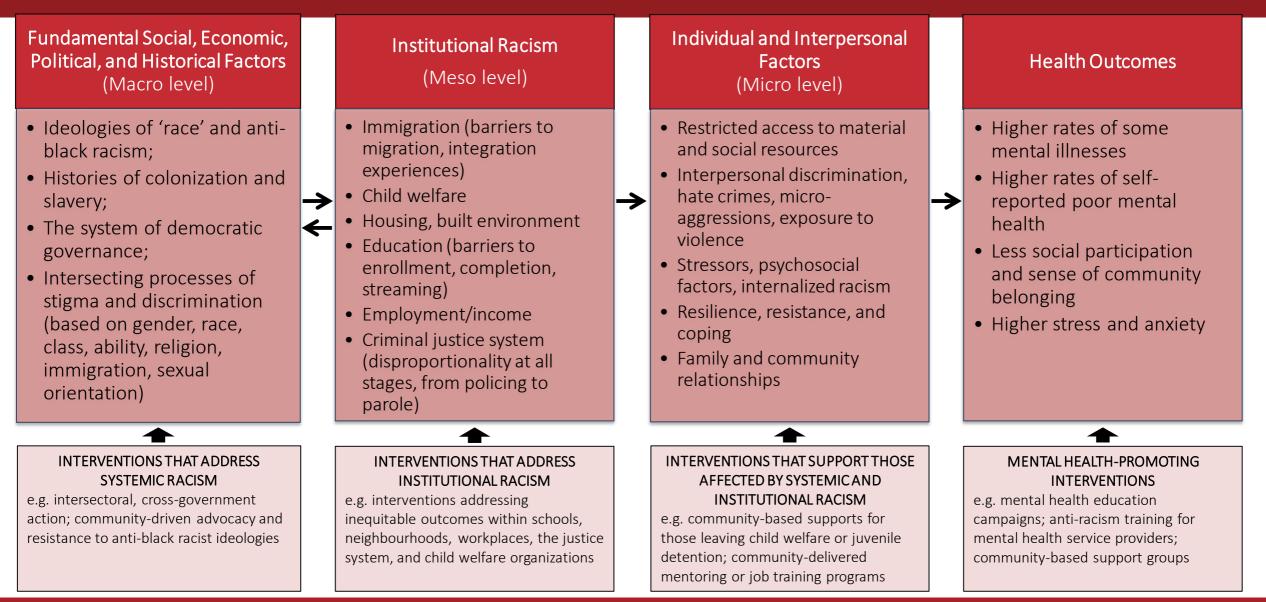


SOCIAL DETERMINANTS AND INEQUITIES IN HEALTH FOR BLACK CANADIANS:

a snapshot

Canada

The Promoting Health Equity: Mental Health of Black Canadians Fund What are the pathways to mental health for Black Canadians and potential interventions?



The Promoting Health Equity: Mental Health of Black Canadians Fund Examples of projects

Jane & Finch Wellness Advocates for Youth – Black Creek Community Health Centre

 Aims to integrate mental health and determinants into tailored education programming to improve education, employment and wellbeing outcomes for Black youth at risk of involvement with the criminal justice system, experiencing low socio-economic circumstances and/or homelessness/hidden homelessness

Pathways to Care – Black Health Alliance

• Aims to develop culturally-informed guidance and protocols to address barriers to mental health services for Black children, youth and families

LGBTQI+ – Ribbon Rouge Foundation

 Aims to improve support and skills and share programs and interventions that have a positive impact on the mental health and well-being of Black LGBTQI+ communities, while gathering and mobilizing information on the experiences and barriers faced by LGBTQI+ individuals as they navigate services for mental health, substance use and addictions, sexually transmitted and blood borne infections (STBBI), and criminal justice involvement.



List of resources

- Health Inequalities Data Tool
- Key Health Inequalities in Canada: A National Portrait
- Suite of 16 infographics
- Health Inequalities in Canada (animated video)
- Social inequalities in COVID-19 deaths in Canada
- Social determinants of health and inequities in health for Black Canadians: A Snapshot

List of infographics

Inequalities in children in low income families in Canada Inequalities in diabetes in Canada Inequalities in housing below standards in Canada Inequalities in infant mortality in Canada Inequalities in perceived mental health in Canada Inequalities in mental illness hospitalization in Canada Inequalities in tuberculosis (TB) in Canada, 2010 – 2014 in Canada

Inequalities in Oral Health in Canada

Inequalities in unintentional injury mortality in Canada Inequalities in working poor Canadians Inequalities in obesity in Canada Inequalities in smoking in Canada Inequalities in Death by Suicide in Canada Inequalities in Food Insecurity in Canada Inequalities in High Alcohol Consumption in Canada Inequalities in Early Childhood Development