

## **8 Key Issues for Indigenous Peoples in Canada** **(Indigenous Corporate Training Inc.)**

### ***Extra Resources***

#### **Poorer Health as it relates to Indigenous Peoples:**

- <https://www.thecanadianencyclopedia.ca/en/article/aboriginal-people-health>
  - Article from the Canadian Encyclopedia – Health of Indigenous Peoples in Canada
- <https://www.ohchr.org/sites/default/files/Documents/Issues/IPeoples/EMRIP/Health/UniversityManitoba.pdf>
  - Academic article from the University of Manitoba – “Ignored to Death: Systemic Racism in the Canadian Healthcare System”
- <https://www150.statcan.gc.ca/n1/pub/45-28-0001/2022001/article/00008-eng.htm>
  - Statistics Canada – Unmet health care needs during the pandemic and resulting impacts among First Nations people living off reserve, Metis and Inuit
- <https://yellowheadinstitute.org/2021/02/04/the-failure-of-federal-indigenous-healthcare-policy-in-canada/>
  - Yellowhead Institute – Social Policy – The Failure of Federal Indigenous Healthcare Policy in Canada (article)
- <https://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/british-columbia/bc-health-care-indigenous-women-healthcare-1.5995790>
  - CBC news article – “Pandemic has increased health-care inequity for Indigenous women, report finds”
- <https://www.ctvnews.ca/health/no-single-fix-for-anti-indigenous-racism-in-canada-s-health-care-system-doctor-1.6090855>
  - CTV news article – “No single fix for anti-Indigenous racism in Canada’s health-care system: doctor”
- <https://globalnews.ca/news/9303161/quebec-forced-sterilizations-indigenous-women/>
  - Global news article – “Quebec study confirms practice of forced sterilizations of Indigenous women”
- <https://globalnews.ca/news/7962992/indigenous-health-birth-travel-study/>
  - Global news article – “staggering disparity: Study finds Indigenous people travel further to give birth”
- <https://globalnews.ca/news/6640966/inuit-north-coronavirus-concerns/>
  - Global news article and video – “ Coronavirus: Inuit say potential spread of COVID-19 a greater risk for northern communities”
- <https://globalnews.ca/news/6076114/indigenous-health-clinics-care/>
  - Global news article – “Deaths at Indigenous health clinics not being investigated, documents show”
- <https://globalnews.ca/news/4445582/brian-sinclair-health-care-racism/>

- Global news report Winnipeg – “A man was ignored to death in an ER 10 years ago. It could happen again”

### **Lower levels of education as it relates to Indigenous peoples:**

- <https://cfsontario.ca/wp-content/uploads/2021/11/Indigenous-Education-Factsheets-2021-EN.pdf>
  - Factsheet: Indigenous Education - CFS Ontario
- <https://www.thecanadianencyclopedia.ca/en/article/aboriginal-people-education>
  - Article from The Canadian Encyclopedia – Education of Indigenous Peoples in Canada
- <https://www.macleans.ca/news/canada/why-fixing-first-nations-education-remains-so-far-out-of-reach/>
  - Maclean’s – “Why fixing First Nations education remains so far out of reach”
- [https://www12.statcan.gc.ca/nhs-enm/2011/as-sa/99-012-x/99-012-x2011003\\_3-eng.cfm](https://www12.statcan.gc.ca/nhs-enm/2011/as-sa/99-012-x/99-012-x2011003_3-eng.cfm)
  - Statistics Canada – The educational attainment of Aboriginal peoples in Canada
- <https://www.canada.ca/en/employment-social-development/corporate/reports/research/education-training-indigenous.html>
  - The Government of Canada Research Summary – Education and training experiences of Indigenous People (from Employment and Social Development Canada)
- [https://www.afn.ca/uploads/files/events/fact\\_sheet-ccoe-3.pdf](https://www.afn.ca/uploads/files/events/fact_sheet-ccoe-3.pdf)
  - Chiefs Assembly on Education – A Portrait of First Nations and Education
- [https://www.canada.ca/en/indigenous-services-canada/news/2018/01/quality\\_education.html](https://www.canada.ca/en/indigenous-services-canada/news/2018/01/quality_education.html)
  - Government of Canada – Quality Education (from Indigenous Services Canada)
- <https://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/edmonton/indigenous-students-high-school-completion-rates-1.6724969>
  - CBC news article – “Fewer than half of Indigenous students graduate on time from Edmonton public high schools”

### **Inadequate housing and crowded living conditions as it relates to Indigenous peoples:**

- <https://www12.statcan.gc.ca/census-recensement/2021/as-sa/98-200-x/2021007/98-200-x2021007-eng.cfm>
  - Statistics Canada – Housing conditions among First Nations people, Metis, and Inuit in Canada from the 2021 Census
- <https://globalnews.ca/news/9145572/indigenous-housing-issues-statcan-report-2022/>
  - Global news article – “Indigenous people more likely to have housing issues as population grows: StatsCan”
- <https://centre.support/housing-crisis-has-long-plagued-canadas-indigenous-communities/>

- Community Housing Transformation Centre – “Northern Blights – Housing crisis has long plagued Canada’s Indigenous communities”
- <https://www.ictinc.ca/blog/8-things-you-need-to-know-about-on-reserve-housing-issues>
  - Indigenous Corporate Training Inc – Blog – “8 Things You Need to Know About On-Reserve Housing Issues”
- <https://www12.statcan.gc.ca/census-recensement/2016/as-sa/98-200-x/2016021/98-200-x2016021-eng.pdf>
  - Statistics Canada Census in Brief – The housing conditions of Aboriginal people in Canada
- <https://winnipeg.citynews.ca/2022/09/21/poor-housing-conditions-indigenous/>
  - City News Winnipeg article and video – “Poor housing conditions rising among Indigenous population, exacerbating poverty: advocates”
- <https://www.aptnnews.ca/national-news/study-first-nations-childrens-health-impacted-by-poor-housing-conditions/>
  - APTN National News article – “Study: First Nations children’s health impacted by poor housing conditions”
- <https://www.indigenouswatchdog.org/subcategory/housing/>
  - Indigenous Watchdog – Housing

#### **Lower income levels as it relates to Indigenous peoples:**

- <https://www150.statcan.gc.ca/n1/pub/89-645-x/2015001/income-revenu-eng.htm>
  - Statistics Canada - Income
- <https://www150.statcan.gc.ca/n1/daily-quotidien/210921/dq210921d-eng.htm>
  - Statistics Canada – Low-income statistics for the population living on reserve and in the North using the 2016 Census
- <https://policyalternatives.ca/sites/default/files/uploads/publications/reports/docs/Aboriginal%20Income%20Gap.pdf>
  - Canadian Centre for Policy Alternatives academic article – “The Income gap between Aboriginal peoples and the rest of Canada”
- <https://globalnews.ca/news/3795083/reserves-poverty-line-census/>
  - Global news article and video – “Over 80% of reserves have median income below poverty line, census data shows”
- <https://www.nccih.ca/docs/determinants/FS-TacklingPovertyCanada-SDOH-Wien-EN.pdf>
  - National Collaborating Centre for Aboriginal Health academic report – “Social Determinants of Health: Tackling Poverty in Indigenous Communities in Canada”
- <https://livingwagealberta.ca/2022/06/29/the-indigenous-wage-gap-in-canada/>
  - Alberta Living Wage Network – The Indigenous Wage Gap in Canada
- <https://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/north/wage-gap-indigenous-north-1.4223414>
  - CBC news article – “Indigenous, non-Indigenous wage gap in the North up to 3 times national average: report”

- <https://publications.gc.ca/collections/Collection/CS11-0019-109E.pdf>
  - Academic article – The Dimensions of Wage Inequality among Aboriginal Peoples
- <https://monitormag.ca/articles/canadas-population-is-changing-but-income-inequality-remains-a-problem/>
  - Canadian Centre for Policy Alternatives – Canada’s population is changing but income inequality remains a problem

### Higher rates of unemployment as it relates to Indigenous peoples:

- <https://www150.statcan.gc.ca/t1/tbl1/en/tv.action?pid=1410036501>
  - Statistics Canada – Labour force characteristics by region and detailed Indigenous group
- <https://indigenousworks.ca/en/resources/getting-started/labour-market-overview>
  - indigenous Works – Overview: Canada’s Aboriginal Labour Market
- <https://www.j2dw.ngo/2022/07/indigenous-unemployment-crisis/>
  - Journey to Diversity Workplaces – The Unemployment Crisis of Indigenous People in Canada
- <https://www.statista.com/statistics/1167887/aboriginal-unemployment-rate-canada/>
  - Statista – graphs of the unemployment rate of Aboriginals in Canada from 2007 to 2022
- <https://globalnews.ca/news/7440640/unemployment-indigenous-coronavirus-economy/>
  - Global news article – “Unemployed Indigenous workers disproportionately suffering from COVID-19 economy compared to non-Indigenous”
- <https://www.ictinc.ca/blog/8-basic-barriers-to-indigenous-employment>
  - indigenous Corporate Training Inc – article – Working Effectively with Indigenous Peoples – “8 Basic Barriers to Indigenous Employment”
- <https://policyoptions.irpp.org/magazines/july-2020/filling-canadas-indigenous-skills-gap-would-be-an-economic-boon/#:~:text=Indigenous%20peoples%20cite%20a%20lack,experience%20as%20reasons%20for%20unemployment>
  - Policy Options article – “Filling Canada’s indigenous skills gap would be an economic boon”
- <https://www150.statcan.gc.ca/n1/daily-quotidien/170316/dq170316d-eng.htm>
  - Statistics Canada – Aboriginal people and the labour market
- <https://trc86.wordpress.com/2017/04/07/unemployment/>
  - TRC#86 – Unemployment issues faced by Indigenous people
- [https://www.oag-bvg.gc.ca/internet/English/att\\_e\\_43055.html](https://www.oag-bvg.gc.ca/internet/English/att_e_43055.html)
  - Office of the Auditor General of Canada – Report 6 – Employment Training for Indigenous People – Employment and Social Development Canada

## Higher levels of incarceration as it relates to Indigenous peoples:

- <https://www.justice.gc.ca/eng/rp-pr/jr/oip-cjs/p3.html#:~:text=The%20incarceration%20rates%20and%20total,that%20of%20non%20Indigenous%20women>
  - Statistics Canada – Overrepresentation of Indigenous People in the Canadian Criminal Justice System: Causes and Responses
- <https://www.justice.gc.ca/eng/rp-pr/jr/gladue/p2.html>
  - Statistics Canada – spotlight on Gladue: Challenges, experiences, and possibilities in Canada’s criminal justice system
- <https://www.firstpeopleslaw.com/public-education/blog/the-over-representation-of-indigenous-people-in-prison>
  - First Peoples Law – Blog – Indigenous People in Prison
- <https://www.aptnnews.ca/national-news/canadas-prison-system-has-changed-little-for-indigenous-peoples-report/>
  - APTN news article – Canada’s prison system has changed little for Indigenous Peoples: Report
- <https://www.cbc.ca/news/politics/indigenous-women-half-inmate-population-canada-1.6289674>
  - CBC news article – Indigenous women make up almost half the female prison population, ombudsman says
- <https://www.oci-bec.gc.ca/cnt/comm/press/press20200121-eng.aspx>
  - Government of Canada – Office of the Correctional Investigator – Indigenous people in federal custody surpasses 30% correctional investigator issues statement and challenge
- <https://www.thestar.com/opinion/contributors/2022/01/03/canada-must-end-the-over-incarceration-of-indigenous-people.html?rf>
  - Toronto Star article – Canada must end the over-incarceration of Indigenous people
- <https://www.publicsafety.gc.ca/cnt/rsrscs/pblctns/xmnng-brgnl-crrctns/index-en.aspx>
  - Government of Canada – Public Safety Canada – Examining Aboriginal Corrections in Canada
- <https://www.theguardian.com/world/2020/jan/22/one-third-canada-prisoners-indigenous-report>
  - The Guardian article – ‘National travesty’: report shows one third of Canada’s prisoners are Indigenous
- <https://www.cbc.ca/news/indigenous/indigenous-incarceration-justice-system-panel-1.4729192>
  - CBC news article – “Indigenous incarceration rates: why are Canada’s numbers so high and what can be done about it?”
- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=weHlzD6WS1c>

- YouTube video from The Agenda – “Addressing Indigenous Over-Incarceration”

### **Higher rates of unintentional injuries and early deaths among children and youth as it relates to Indigenous peoples:**

- <https://cps.ca/en/documents/position/unintentional-injuries-indigenous-children-youth>
  - Canadian Pediatric Society – academic article – Preventing unintentional injuries in Indigenous children and youth in Canada
- <https://www150.statcan.gc.ca/n1/pub/82-003-x/2021010/article/00001-eng.htm>
  - Statistics Canada – mortality among First Nations people, 2006 to 2016
- <https://www.canada.ca/en/public-health/services/publications/science-research-data/inequalities-unintentional-injury-mortality-infographic.html>
  - Government of Canada – Infographic: Inequalities in unintentional injury mortality in Canada
- <https://bmcpublikealth.biomedcentral.com/articles/10.1186/s12889-016-3078-x>
  - Academic article – Injuries to Aboriginal populations living on- and off- reserve in metropolitan and non-metropolitan areas in British Columbia, Canada: Incidence and trends, 1986-2010
- <https://www.med.ubc.ca/byline-date-only/indigenous-peoples-in-canada-have-higher-death-rates-complications-after-surgery/>
  - University of British Columbia – Indigenous peoples in Canada have higher death rates, complications after surgery
- <https://www.sociologylens.net/article-types/opinion/indigenous-death-rates-canada/24407>
  - Sociology Lens Insights – First People Lost: New Statistics show Alarming Patterns in Indigenous Death rates in Canada
- <https://pubmed.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/26288317/>
  - Academic article – Avoidable mortality among First Nations adults in Canada: a cohort analysis
- <https://www150.statcan.gc.ca/n1/pub/82-003-x/2014002/article/11902-eng.htm>
  - Statistics Canada – unintentional injury hospitalizations and socio-economic status in areas with a high percentage of First Nations identity residents

### **High suicide rates as it relates to Indigenous peoples:**

- <https://www.sac-isc.gc.ca/eng/1576089685593/1576089741803>
  - Government of Canada – Suicide prevention in Indigenous communities
- <https://globalnews.ca/news/5448390/first-nations-suicide-rate-statscan/>
  - Global news article – First Nations suicide rate 3 times higher than for non-Indigenous people: StatsCan
- <https://www.nationalobserver.com/2019/09/10/analysis/canadas-indigenous-suicide-crisis-worse-we-thought>

- Canada's National Observer – article – Canada's Indigenous suicide crisis is worse than we thought
- <https://www.suicideinfo.ca/resource/mental-health-and-suicide-in-indigenous-communities-in-canada/>
  - Centre for Suicide Prevention – Mental health and suicide in Indigenous communities in Canada
- [https://www.suicideinfo.ca/local\\_resource/trauma-and-suicide-in-indigenous-people/](https://www.suicideinfo.ca/local_resource/trauma-and-suicide-in-indigenous-people/)
  - Centre for Suicide Prevention – Indigenous people, trauma, and suicide prevention
- <https://www.theindigenousfoundation.org/articles/indigenous-mental-health-and-suicide>
  - The Indigenous Foundation – Indigenous Mental Health and Suicide
- <https://www.cbc.ca/news/politics/indigenous-mental-health-resources-federal-budget-2021-1.5989070>
  - CBC news article – “we don't want anymore tears: First Nations urge Ottawa to boost mental health spending”
- <https://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/saskatoon/saskatchewan-first-nations-on-track-to-be-number-one-for-suicides-in-the-world-1.6635965>
  - CBC news article – Sask. First Nation leaders call for government funding to fight high suicide rates
- <https://jsis.washington.edu/news/suicide-among-young-indigenous-peoples-in-the-canadian-arctic/>
  - University of Washington – Suicide among young Indigenous peoples in the Canadian Arctic
- <https://www.theguardian.com/news/2022/jul/21/the-deepest-silences-what-lies-behind-the-indigenous-suicide-crisis>
  - The Guardian article – “The deepest silences: what lies behind the Arctic's Indigenous suicide crisis”
- <https://fcpp.org/2020/02/09/the-institutionalization-and-suicide-crisis-among-indigenous-youth/>
  - Frontier Centre for Public Policy – the institutionalization and Suicide crisis among Indigenous Youth