

# Homicide Survey 2019

## Incident Questionnaire

STATISTICS CANADA USE ONLY									
Incident identifier					Province code				
Police force location					CMA				
Data entry date					Year		Month		Day
Amendment date					Year		Month		Day
Record status									

Complete a set of Homicide Survey questionnaires for all incidents of homicide that are founded and culpable (i.e., determined to be criminal in nature). This includes incidents of: **murder - first degree, murder - second degree, manslaughter** and **infanticide** as defined by the *Criminal Code*. Information is reported as of the **incident date** unless otherwise stated. Separate Victim and Charged / Suspect-Chargeable (CSC) questionnaires are required for each person identified in the incident. To ensure records are complete, avoid leaving questions blank or scoring 'unknown' unless necessary. Detailed reporting instructions are found in the **Homicide Survey Reporting Guide**; available upon request. Verify that homicide information reported to the Homicide Survey matches with homicide information reported by your police service to the Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) Survey.

### GENERAL INFORMATION

This information is collected under the authority of the *Statistics Act*, Revised Statutes of Canada, 1985, Chapter S-19.  
**COMPLETION OF THIS QUESTIONNAIRE IS A LEGAL REQUIREMENT UNDER THIS ACT.**

#### Objective

This survey collects essential data to produce statistics on the incidence and characteristics of homicide offences in Canada. The information is used by federal and provincial policymakers as well as public and private researchers. The data are also widely disseminated by the media for purposes of general public information. The information may also be used by Statistics Canada for other statistical and research purposes.

#### Confidentiality

Statistics Canada is prohibited by law from releasing any information it collects which could identify any person, business, or organization, unless consent has been given by the respondent or as permitted by the *Statistics Act*. Statistics Canada will use the information from this survey for statistical purposes.

#### Record linkages

To enhance the data from this survey and to minimize the reporting burden for respondents, Statistics Canada may combine the information you provide with other survey or administrative data sources.

#### Instructions

Please return this questionnaire by December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2019. Questionnaires may be returned by mail (see address below) or through the Electronic File Transfer system.

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1. What is the **incident file number** assigned to the incident by the investigative police service?

Incident file number

INC\_005

**2. What is the name of the police service and, if applicable, detachment that completed the investigation and reported the incident?**

**Note:** This is the police service that is the **primary** or **lead investigative police service** in the incident, even if the incident occurred within the boundaries of **another** police service jurisdiction.

INC\_Q10

**Municipal or First Nations police service**

INC\_S10A

**Royal Canadian Mounted Police (RCMP)**

Specify detachment:

INC\_S10B

Specify service type:

**e.g.**, rural, municipal, headquarters

INC\_S10C

**Ontario Provincial Police (OPP)**

Specify detachment:

INC\_S10D

Specify service type:

**e.g.**, rural, municipal, headquarters

INC\_S10E

**Sûreté du Québec (SQ)**

Specify detachment:

INC\_S10F

**Royal Newfoundland Constabulary (RNC)**

Specify detachment:

INC\_S10G

**Special / independent investigative unit**

INC\_S10H

**3. Who is the lead investigative police officer for this incident from the primary investigative police service?**

**Rank or position**

INC\_Q15A

**Given name**

INC\_Q15B

**Surname**

INC\_Q15C

**Telephone number**

(including area code)

Example: 123-123-1234

INC\_Q15D

**Extension number**

(if applicable)

INC\_Q15E

**E-mail address**

INC\_Q15F

**4. What is the name of the police service and, if applicable, detachment in whose jurisdiction the incident occurred?**

**Note:** The option **Same as reported in question 2** does not apply to an incident investigated by a **special / independent investigative unit**.

INC\_Q20

**Same as reported in question 2.**  
i.e., primary or lead investigative police service is also the police service in whose jurisdiction the incident occurred

**Municipal or First Nations police service**

INC\_S20A

**Royal Canadian Mounted Police (RCMP)**

Specify detachment:

INC\_S20B

Specify service type:

e.g., rural, municipal, headquarters

INC\_S20C

**Ontario Provincial Police (OPP)**

Specify detachment:

INC\_S20D

Specify service type:

e.g., rural, municipal, headquarters

INC\_S20E

**Sûreté du Québec (SQ)**

Specify detachment:

INC\_S20F

**Royal Newfoundland Constabulary (RNC)**

Specify detachment:

INC\_S20G

**5. How many homicide victims are in this incident?**

INC\_Q25

**6. How many charged / suspect-chargeable (CSC), i.e., accused, persons are identified in this incident?**

INC\_Q140

**Number of CSCs:**

INC\_S140

**CSCs not identified, i.e., incident is not cleared**

7. What was the **incident date, i.e.**, the date of attack?

**Note:** If the exact date is unknown, provide an estimated date. In the case of a missing person, report the date the victim was last seen alive or was reported missing.

INC\_S35Y      INC\_S35M      INC\_S35D

Incident date

Year                  Month                  Day

8. What was the **report date, i.e.**, date when incident determined to be a homicide?

INC\_S40Y      INC\_S40M      INC\_S40D

Report date

Year                  Month                  Day

9. In what **time frame** did the incident occur?

INC\_Q45

- From 00:01 to 04:00
- From 04:01 to 08:00
- From 08:01 to 12:00
- From 12:01 to 16:00
- From 16:01 to 20:00
- From 20:01 to 24:00
- Unknown

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10. What is the **location type** where the incident occurred?

**Residential location**

INC\_050

- Single home, house, townhouse  
INC\_050A
- Dwelling unit, **e.g.**, apartment, rooming house, dormitory
- Commercial dwelling unit, **e.g.**, hotel, motel, bed & breakfast
- Nursing home, **e.g.**, long-term care facility
- Retirement home, **e.g.**, assisted or supportive living residence
- Community group home

**Non-residential location**

- Private property structure  
INC\_050B
- New or used car dealership
- Bank or other financial institution
- Convenience store
- Gas station
- School, during supervised activity
- School, not during supervised activity
- University/College
- Other commercial / corporate place
- Other non-commercial / corporate place, **i.e.**, public institution
- Parking lot
- Transit bus / Bus shelter
- Subway / Subway station
- Other public transportation or connected facility
- Street, road, highway
- Open area
- Construction site
- Bar, restaurant, after hours club
- Religious institution
- Hospital
- Pharmacy
- Correctional institution
- Halfway house / Young offender group home
- Homeless shelter / Mission
- Privately owned vehicle
- Taxi, limousine

Other location type – Specify location type:

INC\_S50

➔ Go to question 12

**OR**

Unknown ➔ Go to question 12

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If you selected a location from the Non-residential list  
➔ Go to question 12

11. What was the **occupancy status** of the **residence** where the incident occurred?

**Note:** Occupancy status for **dwelling unit** and **commercial dwelling unit** is based on whether the victims and/or the charged / suspect-chargeables (CSCs) reside in the same **unit** where the incident occurred.

INC\_055

- Joint occupancy by one or more victims and any CSC
- Occupied by one or more victims, but not occupied by any CSC
- Occupied by any CSC, but not occupied by any victim
- Occupied by any victim, and unknown if occupied by any CSC
- Not occupied by any victim, and unknown if occupied by any CSC
- Neither any victim nor any CSC were occupants
- Unknown

12. Is the **geographic location** where the incident occurred **on-reserve** or **off-reserve**?

**Occurred on-reserve:** refers to where the geographic location where the incident occurred is within an area, i.e., a census subdivision (CSD), legally affiliated with First Nations or Indian bands such as: Indian reserve (IRI), Indian settlement (S-É), Indian government district (IGD), terres réservées aux Cris (TC), terres réservées aux Naskapis (TK) and Nisga'a land (NL).

**Occurred off-reserve:** refers to where the geographic location where the incident occurred is in an area, i.e., a CSD, not defined as on-reserve.

**Note:** If the police service jurisdiction in which the incident occurred **does not have** any **on-reserve areas** within its boundaries, select **Occurred off-reserve**. For more information about determining on-reserve or off-reserve locations, consult the **Homicide Survey Reporting Guide**.

INC\_060

- Occurred on-reserve
- Occurred-off reserve
- Unknown

13. What is the **street address** where the incident occurred?

**Note:** If the specific street address is not available, provide the nearest intersecting street names.

**Specific street address**

INC\_065

**Street number**

**Street name**

INC\_065A

INC\_065B

**Apartment/unit**

**Street direction**

**Street type**

INC\_065C

INC\_065D

INC\_065E

**OR**

**Nearest intersecting streets**

**Nearest intersecting street name 1**

**Street direction 1**

**Street type 1**

INC\_065F

INC\_065G

INC\_065H

**Nearest intersecting street name 2**

**Street direction 2**

**Street type 2**

INC\_065I

INC\_065J

INC\_065K

14. What is the **city, postal code, county or reserve** where the incident occurred?

**City, town, village**

INC\_070A

**Postal code** (Example: A9A 9A9)

INC\_070B

**County, township, rural municipality** (if applicable)

INC\_070C

**Reserve** (if applicable)

INC\_070D

15. What are the **X-Y coordinates** of the location where the incident occurred?

**Latitude (X-Coordinate)**

**Longitude (Y-Coordinate)**

INC\_071A

INC\_071B

16. What is the **most serious violation** of the incident?

INC\_075

- Murder – first degree
- Murder – second degree
- Manslaughter
- Infanticide

17. What is the incident clearance status?

Select only one.

INC\_080

Not cleared

- Still under investigation  
INC\_080A
- Insufficient evidence to proceed

If you selected Not cleared  
➔ Go to question 19

Cleared by charge or charges recommended ➔ Submit CSC form(s)

- Cleared by charge (includes charges recommended)  
INC\_080B
- Charges recommended but all declined by Crown

Cleared otherwise ➔ Submit CSC form(s)

- Suicide of the CSC  
INC\_080C
- Death of the CSC (not suicide)
- Reason beyond control of department (policy)
- Diplomatic immunity
- CSC is under 12 years of age
- Committal of the CSC to a mental health facility
- CSC outside Canada, cannot be returned
- CSC involved in other incidents
- CSC is already sentenced
- Departmental discretion
- Diversionary program
- Incident cleared by a lesser statute
- Incident cleared by other municipal / provincial / federal agency

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18. What is the clearance date of the incident?

**Note:** The clearance date of the incident **cannot be before** the **incident date**, i.e., date of attack, or the **report date**, i.e., date when incident determined to be a homicide.

Clearance date

<small>INC_S85Y</small>	<small>INC_S85M</small>	<small>INC_S85D</small>
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Year	Month	Day



19. What was the **most serious related offence** committed by the charged / suspect-chargeables (CSCs) that led to the incident?

**Note:** A CSC **does not** have to be identified to provide a response to this question. There must be a **direct and immediate connection** between the **related offence** and the **incident** itself.

Select only one.

INC\_090

- No related offence associated with the incident, **i.e.**, intent to commit the homicide from the outset

**Crime against the person**

- Sexual assault violation, **i.e.**, aggravated sexual assault, sexual assault with a weapon, other sexual assault  
INC\_090A
- Other sexual violations, **e.g.**, exploitation, invitation to sexual touching, incest, corruption of morals, etc.
- Assault, **i.e.**, aggravated assault, assault with a weapon or causing bodily harm, assault level 1, all other types of assault
- Kidnapping, abduction, or forcible confinement
- Trafficking of persons
- Hostage taking
- Robbery – personal
- Robbery – bank, other commercial institution
- Commodification of sexual activities, **e.g.**, obtaining sexual services, procuring
- Harassment, **e.g.**, criminal harassment, harassing communications
- Utter threats to person
- Other crime against the person

**Crime against property**

- Arson  
INC\_090B
- Break and enter
- Theft
- Fraud
- Mischief
- Other crime against property

**Other offences**

- Other *Criminal Code* offence, **e.g.**, gaming/betting, offensive weapons, other *Criminal Code* not otherwise specified above  
INC\_090C
- Controlled Drugs and Substances Act* (CDSA) or *Cannabis Act* offence
- Other federal or provincial statute

**OR**

- Unknown

20. Was the incident **related** to **illegal drug trade** activities?

**Note:** Refers to if the incident was related to the illegal *Controlled Drugs and Substances Act* (CDSA) or *Cannabis Act* offences for: possession, trafficking, import/export, and production of illegal drugs. This question **does not refer** to whether any CSC, and/or victim, were under the influence of drugs at the time of the incident.

INC\_095

- Yes
- Suspected
- No → **Go to question 22**

**21. What types of drugs were associated with the illegal drug trade activities in this incident?**

**Note:** This question does not refer to whether the CSC and/or victims were under the influence of these drugs at the time of the incident.

Select all that apply.

- Heroin  
INC\_Q100A
- Cocaine, and cocaine derivatives, e.g., crack cocaine  
INC\_Q100B
- Fentanyl, and fentanyl derivatives, e.g., carfentanil  
INC\_Q100C
- Other opioids (other than heroin and fentanyl), e.g., morphine, oxycodone, hydrocodone, methadone  
INC\_Q100D
- Meth / crystal meth, i.e., methamphetamine  
INC\_Q100E
- Ecstasy / MDMA, i.e., methylenedioxymethamphetamine  
INC\_Q100F
- Other dissociative or hallucinogenic drugs, e.g., PCP, LSD, GHB, ketamine  
INC\_Q100G
- Cannabis and cannabis derivatives  
INC\_Q100H
- Other controlled drugs and substances  
INC\_Q100I
- Related to illegal drug trade – types of drugs unknown  
INC\_Q100J

**22. Was the incident related to organized crime / street gang involvement?**

**Note:** Refers to incidents committed by, and for the benefit of, a criminal organization. Differences in the number of organized crime / street gang related homicide incidents reported to the UCR survey and Homicide Survey will result in a follow-up from Statistics Canada.

INC\_Q105

- Yes
- Suspected
- No

**23. Was the incident related to a terrorist or security threat group?**

**Note:** Refers to incidents committed in relation to, in whole or in part, political, religious, or ideological purpose, objective, or cause, with the intention of intimidating the public, or a segment of the public, with regard to its security.

INC\_Q110

- Yes
- Suspected
- No

**24. Was the incident motivated by hate?**

**Note:** Refers to incidents motivated by hate based on race, national or ethnic origin, language, colour, religion, sex, age, mental or physical disability, sexual orientation, or any other similar factor. Differences in the number of homicide incidents motivated by hate reported to the UCR survey and to the Homicide Survey will result in a follow-up from Statistics Canada.

INC\_Q115

- Yes
- Suspected
- No → Go to question 26

**25. What was the principal factor that motivated the hate crime?**

**Note:** If more than one option could apply, report the **principal factor** motivating the incident.

Select only one.

INC\_Q120

- Race/ethnicity  
**Includes** race, colour, nationality or ethnic origin
- Religion
- Sexual orientation  
**Includes** bisexual, heterosexual, homosexual, asexual, pansexual and unknown sexual orientation
- Language
- Mental or physical disability
- Sex  
**Includes** transgender and intersex
- Age
- Other similar factor, **e.g.**, political motivation, person in uniform

**26. What was the primary apparent motive related to the incident?**

**Note:** If more than one option applies, report the apparent motive **most relevant** to the incident. If, after an investigation, **no apparent motive** was determined, select **No apparent motive**. In incidents where the apparent motive **cannot be determined** because the incident is not cleared, or involves unidentified remains, select **Unknown**.

Select only one.

INC\_Q125

- No apparent motive, **i.e.**, where the investigation has not determined an apparent motive
- Hate motivation
- Terrorism or security threat
- Illegal drug trade activities, **e.g.**, possession, trafficking, import/export, and production of illegal drugs
- Concealment of a child, **e.g.**, killing and hiding a newborn
- Intent to conceal information or actions
- Assisting a suicide, **i.e.**, not in relation to legal application of medical assistance in dying
- Euthanasia, **i.e.**, not in relation to legal application of medical assistance in dying
- Sexual motivation
- Custody dispute, **e.g.**, access to children
- Settling of accounts or debts, **e.g.**, drug or gang-related debts, gambling debts
- Financial gain or protection of assets
- Revenge
- Jealousy or envy
- Argument or quarrel
- Frustration, anger, despair
- Fear of apprehension
- Personal protection, **e.g.**, battered spouse
- Honour based
- Other primary apparent motive – Specify motive:

INC\_S125

**OR**

- Unknown

27. Did a **child** or **youth witness** the incident?

**Includes** witnesses under the age of 18 at the time of the incident, whether or not they were related to any victim or CSC in the incident.

INC\_Q130

- Yes
- No
- Unknown

28. Provide the **narrative** for this homicide incident.

**Note:** In the **lead investigators own words**, provide greater detail of the **circumstances** and the **events** leading up to the incident.

INC\_Q135

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## Waiver

Statistics Canada is seeking your permission to publish data from this survey for your police service. This permission must be provided by someone with the **authority to provide consent on behalf of your organization**.

1. Do you provide consent on behalf of your police service to the Chief Statistician of Canada to authorize the release and publication of aggregated data reported on the Homicide Survey questionnaires for this incident, **i.e.**, Incident, Victim, Charged / Suspected-chargeable, Supplemental Policing Victim, and Supplemental Correctional Worker Victim questionnaires, excluding personal identifiers, **e.g.**, name, date of birth, FPS number, to the public?

Aggregated data may directly or indirectly identify your police service. It is understood that this permission may be rescinded at any time by telephoning the Canadian Centre for Justice Statistics and then confirming by letter.

WAI\_Q01

- Yes, I agree
- No, I do not agree

2. Please provide **contact information** for the person with the **authority to provide consent on behalf of your organization**.

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WAI\_Q02A

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Extension number

(if applicable)

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Example: 123-123-1234

WAI\_Q02G

Name of police service / special investigations unit

WAI\_Q02H

Detachment (if applicable)

WAI\_Q02I

Date

WAI\_S02Y

WAI\_S02M

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Year

Month

Day