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National Household Survey now underway

OTTAWA – The National Household Survey (NHS) is underway. Statistics Canada announced today that 4.5 million Canadian households are being asked to participate.

The information collected is vital to communities for planning services, such as child care, schooling, family services, housing, roads and public transportation, and skills training for employment.

Households can fill in the NHS questionnaire online by using their secure access code. It's easy and secure. Or, they can complete a paper questionnaire.

Yellow packages, containing a questionnaire, information on how to complete the NHS and the secure access code are being delivered to each selected household. Respondents who need more information can call the Help Line at 1-877-308-2777. TTY users may call 1-866-753-7083.

The NHS includes questions on citizenship and immigration, ethnic origin, Aboriginal identity, language of work, education, labour market activity, child care and support payments, income and housing as well as a question asking for consent to release the personal information collected to Library and Archives Canada after 92 years.

Statistics Canada strongly encourages selected households to complete the NHS so communities will have the information they need to make decisions.

For more information, contact Media Relations at 613-951-4636.

Cet avis aux médias est aussi disponible en français.