



Survey of Approaches to Educational Planning (SAEP)

The *Survey of Approaches to Educational Planning (SAEP)* is now available for use by researchers in the Atlantic Research Data Centre.

Statistics Canada was approached by Employment and Social Development Canada (ESDC) to conduct a cross-sectional survey which would examine how Canadians are preparing their children for post-secondary education.

The primary objective of the Survey of Approaches to Educational Planning (SAEP) is to improve our understanding of the processes by which the parents/guardians of children aged 0-17 marshal the monetary and non-monetary resources needed to successfully pursue post-secondary education.

Parents/guardians can participate in several ways. They can pro-actively plan for the financing of their children's post-secondary education by putting aside savings for that purpose and by actively participating in government sponsored mechanisms that facilitate savings for post-secondary education (i.e., Registered Education Savings Plans (RESPs), Canada Education Savings Grants (CESGs)). They can also prepare in a non-monetary fashion by encouraging, guiding and supporting their children through their early education, thereby laying the groundwork for successful participation in post-secondary education.

For more information on The Survey of Approaches to Educational Planning (SAEP):

<http://www23.statcan.gc.ca/imdb/p2SV.pl?Function=getSurvey&SDDS=4442>

For more information on the ARDC and application procedures:

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