



**RCMP GEOGRAPHICAL FIREARMS REPORT**

**Canadian Firearms Program Firearms Management and Strategic Services Directorate**

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Response to Informal Request submitted by Dennis R. Young

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**Subject:** File Request AI-2019-04863/ F122

**Importance:** High

Dear Mr. YOUNG:

This is in response to your informal request which was received by this office on May 27, 2019, for:

*Disclosure package pertaining to A-2018-09415*

**REQUEST SUMMARY**

**Please provide the most recent national version of the Geographical Firearms Report created by the Canadian Firearms Program Firearms Management and Strategic Services Directorate.**

**Release Date: Year: 2019 Month: 01**

**Number of Pages: 2 (see attached)**

Attached is a copy of the records which were previously released.

Should you wish to discuss this matter further, contact the undersigned. Please quote the file number appearing on this email.

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Firearms profile for  
**Canada**  
 Population: 33,476,688 (2011 Census)

Data as of: 31-Oct-18

No personal information is contained in this report. The firearms profile is composed of three categories: the number of firearms, the number of firearms owners, and police related statistics.

**The RCMP/ CFP is the source of firearms information for front-line police.** The RCMP/CFP supports front-line police officers by providing direct investigative support, firearms tracing, assistance with warrants, analysis of crime guns, and law enforcement training sessions.

**The RCMP/CFP regulates firearms in the interest of public safety.** The RCMP/CFP oversees universal licensing of firearms users, continual risk assessment, enhanced screening, and national firearms safety standards. It also combats the illicit movement of firearms and provides support for police and criminal justice system professionals.

**Knowing about the RCMP/CFP increases officer efficiency and safety.** Police contacting the RCMP/CFP for firearms assistance can be confident that they are receiving the most up-to-date information and advice available.

**Firearm related statistics**

**Registered firearms by class and type**

Firearm Type	Restricted	Prohibited	Total
Handgun	877,541	161,195	<b>1,038,736</b>
Rifle	93,834	13,094	<b>106,928</b>
Commercial Version	5,285	495	<b>5,780</b>
Submachine Gun	44	3,836	<b>3,880</b>
Other	528	2,540	<b>3,068</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>977,232</b>	<b>181,160</b>	<b>1,158,392</b>

**Registered firearms by class and client type**

Client Type	Restricted	Prohibited	Total
Individual	855,036	153,982	<b>1,009,018</b>
Business	118,835	21,001	<b>139,836</b>
Museum	3,361	6,177	<b>9,538</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>977,232</b>	<b>181,160</b>	<b>1,158,392</b>

Non-restricted firearms are typically shotguns and rifles, restricted firearms are predominantly handguns and prohibited firearms are mostly assault rifles and particular types of handguns.

**Statistics related to firearms owners/licences**

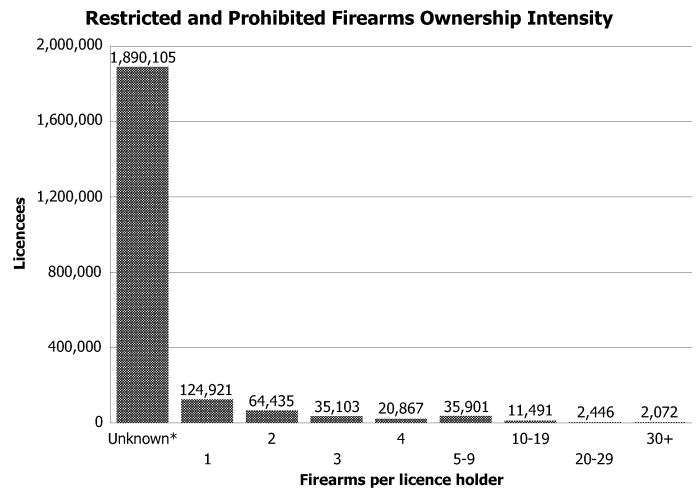
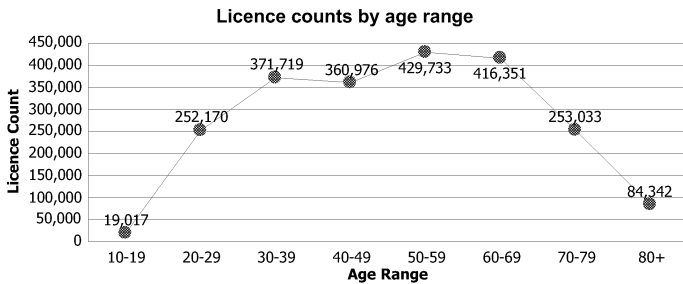
**Number of firearms licences broken down by class of firearms**

Licences	Non-Restricted	Restricted	Prohibited	Total
Possession and Acquisition Licence	1,536,882	592,141	49,328	<b>2,178,351</b>
Minor Licence	8,943	0	0	<b>8,943</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,545,825</b>	<b>592,141</b>	<b>49,328</b>	<b>2,187,294</b>

Individuals with firearms will have one of two types of firearms licences: a possession and acquisition licence (PAL) permits the acquisition and possession of a firearm, and a minor's licence allows minors under 18 to use firearms under supervision.

Licences that allow the holder to possess prohibited firearms generally also allow possession of non-restricted and restricted firearms.

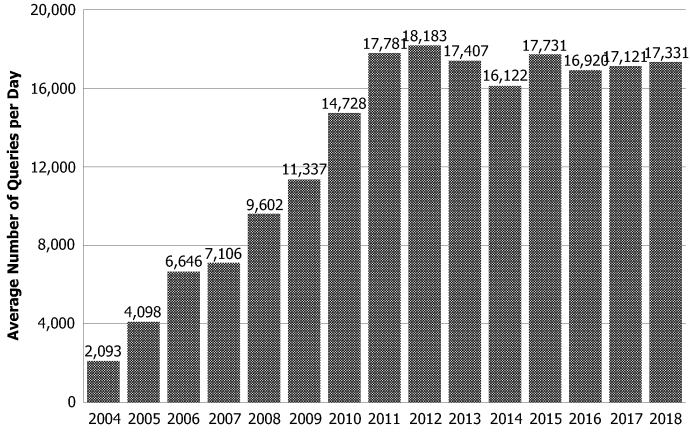
**General information on licensee population**



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**Average number of daily queries to the Canada Firearms Registry Online (CFRO)**



**Firearms-related CPIC events reported in the last five years**

Event Type	Reported by police	Matched with registered firearm
Stolen	21,605	3,541
Seized	21,605	121
Lost	11,585	2,346
Recovered	5,304	45
To be seized	466	74
<b>Total</b>	<b>60,565</b>	<b>6,127</b>

All firearm related CPIC events are reported to the RCMP/CFP to ensure that lost or stolen firearms cannot be re-registered, as well as provide a central database to support police services with firearm related investigations.