

NUNIVAAT – NUNAVIK STATISTICS PROGRAM

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Nunivaat was initiated by the Kativik Regional Government (KRG) in 2005 to establish a permanent, public and independent databank concerning the socioeconomic situation of Nunavik. The research project is directed by the Université Laval. Additional technical support for Nunivaat is provided by the Makivik Corporation.

ON-GOING RESEARCH PROJECTS

Nunavik Comparative Price Index – The writing of the Nunavik Comparative Price Index 2011 is finished and translated. The report will be available soon. A new issue of “Nunivaat Bulletin” will be produced and released as well.

Poverty in Nunavik: From Facts to Action – During the last months, the review of strategies used to fight against poverty in several countries and regions has been completed. The transcripts of the interviews with Inuit households have been prepared for analysis: for instance, to preserve anonymity, the names (persons, places, employers, and so on) have been withdrawn from narratives. All research assistants will have a first training session in order to start up the “coding” of the material from interviews and from the Consultation table. At the end of this winter, we plan to release a new set of statistics measuring poverty in Nunavik, and the first draft of a Strategy for Nunavik.

Nunavik Prices Monitoring Project – A consumer price monitoring project has been launched last fall. The list of the products to be monitored has been developed, and we got the cooperation of a grocery store in Québec City; this store will be used as a “control”. The first monitoring survey in the five selected communities has been done in October, and the second survey in January.

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Development and maintenance – During the last quarter of 2011, the main effort has been to add a third hierarchical level to some sub-indicators. The idea behind this operation is to simplify the search of data by offering more specific sub-indicators and reducing the number of resulting tables. So far, the sub-indicators that have been touched by this operation are found under Health/Social Services, Migration and Personal/Household Income.

Visits – The number of visits to the Nunivaat databank has increased slightly in the last quarter with an average of 6312 visits a month. November has been especially high in activities with 8012 visits. The average visitor stay length has been 20:13 minutes a visit with a decline in December to 9:22 minutes.

Promotion activities – A logo has been created according to the new look of the website. This logo is intended to be used in any official communications and papers as well as in promotional material. The selection of such material is currently undergoing.

