

Table 1: Details of Household Characteristics Variables

Variables	Definitions	Numbers of Observations
Size of household	Unattached individuals; married couples; married couples with one child; married couples with two children; married couples with more than two children (F1–F5 respectively).	F1, 4401; F2, 2337; F3 981; F4, 782; F5, 432
Age of head of household	Household head aged: 15–24, 25–34, 35–44, 45–54, 55–65 and 65 and over (A1–A6 respectively).	A1, 1304; A2, 3095; A3, 1173; A4, 654; A5, 901; A6, 1806
Region of residence of household	Household residing in: Atlantic Provinces (New Brunswick, Newfoundland, Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island); Québec; Ontario; Prairie Provinces (Alberta, Manitoba and Saskatchewan); and British Columbia (R1–R5 respectively).	R1, 1379; R2, 2190; R3, 2040; R4, 2302; R5, 1022
Area of residence of household	Household residing in an area where population exceeds 30,000 persons, UR = 0. Otherwise, UR = 1.	UR=0, 6717; UR=1, 2116