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Post-Secondary Institution Data

WHAT IS IT?

Both of Newfoundland and Labrador's public post-secondary institutions (Memorial University of Newfoundland and the College of the North Atlantic) collect a wealth of information on their students and graduates. This provides a potentially excellent source of labour market information, particularly for those interested in examining the province's future labour supply.

REASONS TO USE (STRENGTHS)

- **Wealth of beneficial data** – Both institutions provide data on important indicators such as enrolments and graduates (by gender, program, campus, etc.). This offers a good indication of the most recent labour supply in the province as well as potential future labour supply. Furthermore, many of these data have been collected for many years, meaning you can compare current numbers to past years.
- **Annual updates** – Both institutions update the information related to their students and graduates every year, meaning all such data remains relatively current all the time. Some of this information is publicly available on their websites via their annual reports and other documents.

AREAS OF CAUTION (WEAKNESSES)

- **Different degrees of access** – Memorial University provides in-depth statistics and indicators on their students and graduates online through their online Fact Book. College of the North Atlantic does present some information through its publicly released annual report and other documents, but for more detailed information users will have to request it (either through the College itself, the Office of Institutional Research or through the Department of Education – see reference links below). Furthermore, some specific data may not be available even if requested.

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- **No source of data on provincial private training institutions** – Private training institutions collect data on their own students; however, this information is not usually accessible to individuals outside of the institution itself. In addition, there is no single standard by which all institutions collect their student data, meaning comparing their numbers could prove difficult even if you can get it. If you are interested in data from such institutions, you should contact the Government of Newfoundland and Labrador's Department of Education for further guidance (see link below).

RELATED LINKS

- **Memorial University Fact Book** - <https://www.mun.ca/ciap/FactBook/>
- **Memorial University of Newfoundland** (main page) - <https://www.mun.ca/>
- **College of the North Atlantic** (main page) - <https://www.cna.nl.ca/>
- **College of the North Atlantic** (contact page for more information) - <https://www.cna.nl.ca/admissions/contact-us.aspx>
- **College of the North Atlantic** (Office of Institutional Research) - <https://www.cna.nl.ca/business-and-industry/office-of-irp.aspx>
- **Department of Education** (post-secondary contact page for more information) - <https://www.gov.nl.ca/education/department/branches/postsecondary/literacy-and-institutional-services-division/>
- **Private Training Institution Directory** (Department of Education) - <https://www.gov.nl.ca/education/post-secondary-education/private-training/private-training-institution-directory/>