Measuring income mobility in Canada

This study measures income mobility in Canada over two five-year periods (1996-2001 and 2002-2007) and over a 10-year and a 19-year period (1990-2000 and 1990-2009). By dividing Canadians into five groups based on their initial income (earned through wages and salaries before taxes), the study tracks how income changed over time.

Fraser Institute researchers found that, in all periods, Canadians initially in the lowest income group (the bottom 20%) experienced the greatest relative income increase. That means that if someone started in the lowest income group in one year, they likely moved to a higher group after several years, thus experiencing upward mobility.

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Waiting your turn: Wait times for health care in Canada

Waiting Your Turn is based on a national survey of physicians and measures the wait times between referral by a general practitioner and consultation with a specialist, the times between seeing the specialist and receiving elective treatment, and the total wait times from GP referral to elective treatment.

In the 22nd annual edition of the report, Fraser Institute researchers found that the median wait times for surgical and other therapeutic treatments in Canada is 17.7 weeks. This is an improvement from last year, but Canadians are still waiting more than four months, on average, for medically necessary treatment.

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