

MEMORANDUM TO: Local Boards

FROM: Program Delivery Support Branch

DATE: July 15, 2015

SUBJECT: **Changes to Canadian Business Patterns Affecting the Local Labour Market Planning Update**

OBJECTIVE:

The purpose of this bulletin is to communicate how local boards should report on two of the eight core indicators of the Local Labour Market Planning (LLMP) update affected by the changes to the Canadian Business Patterns (CBP) Canadian Socio-Economic Information Management System (CANSIM) tables.

WHAT IS HAPPENING:

As part of the local boards' LLMP update, boards are required to track, analyze and report on local data, collected and classified by Statistics Canada, for eight core indicators.

In 2015, Statistics Canada reclassified data that the local boards have analyzed and compared annually to report on the 'total number of employers' and 'changes in local industries.' The updates to the CBP information impact the comparability of previous fiscal data. Statistics Canada has stated that there will be no historical revision of the CBP data.

NEXT STEPS:

As the CBP data is no longer comparable to previous years, local boards will include the reclassified data with an explanation of how the information has changed and cannot be used to show the changes in two of the eight core indicators.

For future, CBP data for the 'total number of employers' and 'change in local industries' indicators should be tracked based on the 2015-2016 fiscal start data.