

ATIP A2004-0059

The Department has received a request under the Access to Information Act, worded as follows:

"In a letter dated February 3, 2005 with respect to his File #34548/001, the Information Commissioner of Canada stated: "While statistics exist in the approximate level of compliance with the licencing and registration provisions of the Firearms Act they were not considered in response to your request."

Please provide copies of reports, briefing notes, documents and correspondence that would show the current levels of compliance with the licencing and registration provisions of the Firearms Act in each province and territory and in aboriginal communities in Canada including any documents with respect to the impact of the non-compliance problem and the Centre's attempts to solve the non-compliance problem." **PLEASE INCLUDE STATISTICAL MATERIAL.**

A comprehensive study conducted by GPC Research in the fall of 2000 shows that there are approx. 2.32 million firearm owners and 7.92 million firearms in Canada.

All Statistics are as of Feb. 12, 2005

Valid Licences

	# of Licences
AB	217,395
BC	225,104
MB	90,307
NB	94,817
NF	76,579
NS	93,314
NU	5,561
NT	6,430
ON	536,799
PE	8,451
QC	530,725
SK	105,738
YT	6,468
TOTAL	1,997,688

Firearms Registered

	Individuals	*Others	Totals
AB	759,486	25,038	784,524
BC	816,739	20,175	836,914
MB	316,276	8,155	324,431
NB	284,997	2,840	287,837
NF	183,255	2,947	186,202
NS	311,872	3,394	315,266
NT	18,754	429	19,183
NU	10,778	483	11,261
ON	2,072,507	95,758	2,168,265
PE	23,926	303	24,229
QC	1,546,311	63,336	1,609,647
SK	371,202	5,655	376,857
YT	19,699	421	20,120
No Province Indicated	106	0	106
Outside Canada	19,818	65	19,883
Total	6,755,726	228,999	6,984,725

*Others: includes Businesses, Museums, Public Agencies

Total number of firearms owners compliant: **1,997,688**

Total number of firearms that have been registered: **6,755,726**