

CANDEV 2020

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Business Case

Title: Uncovering Canada's Smart City Potential (C427), Team 2105.

Statement

Assess the state of smart technology and infrastructure capacity of municipalities across Canada. Infrastructure Canada would like your team to develop a tool that characterizes and identifies common features of 'smart city early adopters' in Canada.

Potential Datasets Data Resources to Consider

- Open Governments Across Canada: <https://open.canada.ca/en/maps/open-data-canada>
- Open Government Portal: <https://open.canada.ca/en>
- CIHR Funding Decision Database:
<http://webapps.cihr-irsc.gc.ca/decisions/p/main.html?lang=en&sort=namesort%20asc&start=0&rows=20&wbdisabl e=true#sort=namesort%20asc&start=0&rows=20>
- SSHRC Awards Search Engine:
https://www.sshrc-crsh.gc.ca/results-resultats/award_search-recherche_attributions/index-eng.aspx
- NSERC Awards Database: https://www.nserc-crsng.gc.ca/ase-oro/index_eng.asp
- Community Data Program: <https://communitydata.ca/>
- OECD Key STI statistics, databases and publications: <https://www.oecd.org/innovation/stistics.htm>
- UrbanSim Data Science Tool Kit: <https://urbansim.com/udst>
- StatCan datasets: <https://www144.statcan.gc.ca/sdg-odd/goal-objectif11-eng.htm>
 - Contains several datasets that

Other Resources to Consider

- OpenNorth: <https://www.opennorth.ca/>
- Open Smart Cities Guide: <https://www.opennorth.ca/publications/#open-smart-cities-guide>
- State of Open Smart Cities in Canada:
<https://www.opennorth.ca/publications/#the-state-of-open-smart-communities-2019>
- Future Cities Canada: <https://futurecitiescanada.ca/>
- How to be Smart[er] in Mid-Sized Cities in Ontario: [HOW TO BE SMART\(ER\)](#)
- OECD/Bloomberg Philanthropies: [Enhancing Innovation Capacity in City Government](#)
- OECD/Bloomberg [City Innovation](#) Map
- OECD Going Digital Toolkit: <https://goingdigital.oecd.org/en/> and <https://www.oecd.org/going-digital/>
- World Council on City Data (WCCD): <https://www.dataforcities.org/>
- McMaster University Smart City Technologies in Canada:
<https://mcmaster.maps.arcgis.com/apps/MapSeries/index.html?appid=e785bc894ee94cceb31feda573b35e4>
- Canada's Core Public Infrastructure Survey: <https://www.infrastructure.gc.ca/plan/ccpi-ipecc-eng.html>

Organisation name: Infrastructure Canada

Mentor: Natalie Frank, Jacqueline Ha

Factors to consider

- Diversity of origin
- Age distribution
- Education level (bradley) [Canadian 2016 census](#) VBA code (or other) needs to be written to mine this data from all of the census files.
 - CMA (census municipality)
- Average internet speed
- (?) Entrepreneurial spirit: numbers of small businesses CFIB per capital (Frank)
- Median income (carter)
- How does the city communicate\how much info is there
- Municipal funding per capita
- Employee per sector (Dan)
- State of infrastructure
- Tweet analysis/facebook
- Electoral involvement/voter turnout (bradley)

Questions for Mentor

- Dynamic analysis of data
- Visually represent these trends
- Represent non-relationships, to breakdown assumptions and risks (eg it might not all be money)
- Data on applicants on infrastructure canada, all 130 applicants
- ISO has smart cities indicators, list of headlines of indicators of what they measure/metrics
 - Bloomberg
 - OECD
 - McMaster map for smart tech (imp element)
- **Visual rep of coloration to guide funding streams.**

Workshops [\(link\)](#)

Workshop (1)	Names	Workshop (2)	Names
14:00 – 15:00 C308, CRX GitHub Crash Course	Everyone	---	---
15:00 – 16:00 C407, CRX FastText: Text Classification Speedrun	Bradley (leave early) Frank (leave early) Dan (leave early)	15:00 – 16:00 C308, CRX Developing a Dashboard using R-Shiny	Carter (leave early)
15:45 C427, group mentor meeting	Everyone	---	---
16:00 – 17:00 C407, CRX Intro to RegEx: String searching for data extraction and cleaning	Dan	16:00 – 17:00 C308, CRX PowerBI Building Blocks	Carter Frank
17:00 – 18:00 C407, CRX Topic Modelling: Latent Dirichlet Allocation in R	Frank	17:00 – 18:00 C308, CRX Getting Data from the Internet with Python: APIs, Requests, and HTML Parsing	Carter Dan

Roles

- Graphics/Visual
- Data acquisition
- Output: how to measure how smart a city is
- Input: which data will we be using (which data is available, which should we prioritise?)

Guiding questions

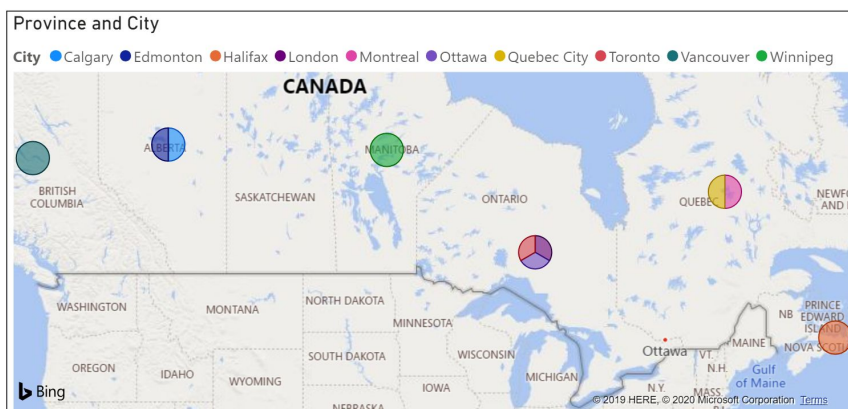
- What are factors that determine a municipality's propensity to be an early adopter of smart technology and infrastructure?
- Are there interesting patterns that can be observed? For example: Geospatial? Partnerships? Citizen engagement?
- Could these factors be used to model whether a community has the capacity to implement smart city approaches? Or is it possible to model how a change in one factor would affect the outcome of another?

Census Results: <https://www12.statcan.gc.ca/census-recensement/2016/dp-pd/dt-td/Index-eng.cfm>
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Major Cities

City
London, Ontario
Toronto, Ontario
Calgary, Alberta
Ottawa, Ontario
Québec City, Québec
Edmonton, Alberta
Halifax, Nova Scotia
Vancouver, British Columbia
Winnipeg, Manitoba
Montreal, Québec



What makes a city smart? - Metrics

Factor	Possible source(s) +hyperlink(s)	Importance	Weight
(1) Percentage of population that takes public transit to work	Census	High	15
(2) Internet speed in city		High	23
(3) Percentage of population in education, R&D ¹ , or IT ²	NO DATA FOUND	Med	-
(4) Electric car charging stations per capita		Low	7
(5) City-wide transit score from Walk Score ®		Med	25
(6) Percentage of population with door to door solid waste removal	NO DATA FOUND	Low	-
(7) Percentage of municipal budget spent on parks and recreation		Med	15
(8) Percentage of population living in high density area	NO DATA FOUND	High	-
(9) Cities with Lyft/Uber		Low	5

¹ Research and development

² Information Technology

Evaluations

1. We only looked at Canadian cities. Populations 400k-2.9M.
2. We picked 10 smart cities (in our opinion), and used six categories and a matrix grid scoring system to:
 - a. Define how well each city is doing in each category
 - b. Give an overall percentage score for how “smart” each city was. This was used to rank them
3. For each category, a score between 0 and 4.5 out of 5 was given. With 0 being set to zero on the metric, and 4.5 being set to the max in the category in our cities. We chose a 4.5/5 (90%) as a maximum score per category because we felt that there is always room for improvement – even for the best city in said category
4. A weight was given to each category, as follows:
 - a. Transit to work (15)
 - b. Internet speed (23)
 - c. Electric car chargers (7)
 - d. Transit score (25)
 - e. Portion of budget for Parks & rec (15)
 - i. * where no data was available, category did not count towards final score
 - ii. A
 - f. Rideshare available (5)
 - i. A zero was given if not available, five if it was. Only one city did not have Uber.
 - ii. A municipality with Uber is perhaps one that has relevant law makers and is open to innovation

How *Smart* is each city

CITY	SMART SCORE
London, Ontario	49.34%
Toronto, Ontario	72.98%
Calgary, Alberta	51.56%
Ottawa, Ontario	63.04%
Québec City, Québec	62.51%
Edmonton, Alberta	49.96%
Halifax, Nova Scotia	52.47%
Vancouver, British Columbia	81.63%
Winnipeg, Manitoba	45.30%
Montreal, Québec	61.56%

Predictors

What factors could correlate with a smart city?

Factor	Possible source(s) +hyperlink(s)		
(1) Median age			
(2) Number of public libraries per 100,000			
(3) Median family income after-tax			
(4) Average number of City's monthly tweets			
(5) Municipal election turnout			

(6) Number of DLI ³ in city			
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³ Designated learning institutions list, Certified by IRCC.