

Periodicals and newspapers on microfilm in the National Library collection are available to researchers on interlibrary loan; original newspapers must be consulted in the library.

*Checklist of Canadian ethnic serials* was published by the National Library in May 1981, listing all known Canadian ethnic serial publications.

## 14.6 Native communications program

This program provides core-funding to 15 native communications organizations established to serve the varied media needs of native people in designated regions of the country. Most of the societies supported under this program publish newspapers; others provide maintenance to native community radio stations, produce radio and video programs, provide translation services, and

support point-to-point survival communications through high frequency and single band radio systems.

The northern native broadcast access program, established in 1983, provides support to 13 northern native broadcasting centres to produce regional radio and television programs in the native languages of the region. The programs are then available on existing broadcasting services in the North, such as CBC or TVOntario. Announced with the government's northern broadcasting policy, the program seeks to offset the effects of satellite-delivered TV to the isolated North with programming that is culturally relevant and which will have a significant impact on the survival of approximately 30 northern native dialects. Thirteen broadcasters are presently producing 23 hours per week of regional radio. Seven native broadcasters are producing 12 hours per week of regional television programs.

### Sources

- 14.1 - 14.3 Information Services, Department of Communications.
- 14.3 Telefilm Canada.
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- 14.5 - 14.5.1, 14.5.3 - 14.5.4 Education, Culture and Tourism Division, Statistics Canada.
- 14.5.2 The Canadian Press.
- 14.5.5 Reference and Information Services, Public Services Branch, National Library of Canada.
- 14.6 Communications Branch, Department of the Secretary of State.

### FOR FURTHER READING \_\_\_\_\_

**Selected publications from Statistics Canada**

- Telecommunications Statistics, annual. 56-201
- Telephone Statistics, annual. 56-203
- Radio and Television Broadcasting, annual. 56-204
- Cable Television, annual. 56-205

**More information about these publications is available from Statistics Canada. See Appendix F for a complete list of Statistics Canada offices.**