

	<h2>Nunavut</h2> <p>Population – 33,413 Total Area – 2,093,190 km² Population Density – 0.014 people/km² Capital (Population) – Iqaluit (7,054) Number of K–12 Schools – 42 (2009-10) Number of K–12 Students – 8,855 (2010-11) Number of K–12 Distance Education Programmes – 0 Number of K–12 Distance Education Students – Estimated at 0</p>
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Category	Yes/No	Comments
Territory-led programme	No	
Other online programmes	No	Uses distance offerings from the Alberta Distance Learning Centre (ADLC) and other distance learning programs in Alberta
Territorial-level policy	No	

Distance Programmes

Nunavut does not have any active K–12 distance education programmes; however, the territory has piloted programmes in the past and has indicated that it has plans for future pilot projects.

The Alberta Distance Learning Center (ADLC) continues to provide the majority of distance learning courses to Nunavut secondary students. These courses are largely print-based. Some students will take distance learning courses from other jurisdictions, although those courses need to be approved by the Department of Education as being equivalent in order for the students to receive credit. In examining the enrolment data from the ADLC for September 2011, there appeared to be no students from Nunavut enrolled in distance education courses. This could very well be an indication that there are no students taking distance education courses from the ADLC, although at present the monitoring of such enrolments occurs at the school and regional levels. The Department is currently working on a new information system that will capture this kind of enrolment information as a matter of course when it is implemented.

Governance and Regulation

When it was first created, Nunavut continued to utilise the *Education Act, 1996*, a piece of legacy legislation from the Northwest Territories. This legislation contained a provision that allowed various educational bodies to “authorise, supervise and evaluate the use of distance learning programmes in the provision of the education programme” (p. 58).

This was later replaced when the territory passed its own legislation. The only reference to distance education in the current Education Act, 2008 is a statement that a university providing “distance learning programmes by mail or by electronic means from outside Nunavut to persons in Nunavut” was not considered to be operating in the territory (p. 95).