

### 3.3 Prince Edward Island (PE)

*Population: 145,211*

*Number of K-12 Schools: 63*

*Number of K-12 Students: 20,131*

*Number of K-12 Distance Education Programs: 0*

*Number of K-12 Distance Education Students: 108*



#### **K-12 Distance Programs**

At present there are no K-12 distance education programs in Prince Edward Island. Through an inter-provincial agreement students in Prince Edward Island have the ability to access online courses offered by the New Brunswick Department of Education and Early Childhood Development's distance education program. During the 2013-14 school year there were 15 French-first language students and 93 English language students enrolled in online courses through this program.

#### **Governance and Regulation**

Internal regulation continues to be driven by Ministerial Directives No. MD 2008–05 which applies to courses delivered during the regular school day. The directive broadly defines distance education and outlines a series of beliefs about the nature of distance education instruction. Further, individual schools and districts that participate in distance education programs must adhere to guidelines found in the provincial *Distance Education Handbook* document. The updated document specifies the use of distance education for students in particular circumstances.