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### Employment, earnings and hours

May 2003 (preliminary)

In May, average weekly earnings for all employees were estimated at \$691.38, up \$5.04 from April. This represents a 1.8% increase from May 2002.

Year-over-year growth was strongest in Newfoundland and Labrador (+4.3%), Quebec (+3.4%), and New Brunswick (+3.3%). Manitoba (+0.8%) showed weak growth, while Alberta (0.0%) remained unchanged.

Average hourly earnings for hourly paid employees edged up 0.6% since May 2002, while their average number of paid hours rose from 31.8 to 32.6 hours over the same period.

Total payroll employment was up slightly in May (+16,600) compared with April, with gains in every province except Manitoba. Ontario (+5,200) had the largest gain, but the largest percentage increases were in the Atlantic provinces. Manufacturing (+10,300) and retail trade (+9,600) had the strongest employment increases in May. Accommodation and food (-11,000) had the largest decline, with almost all employment losses in Ontario.

Available on CANSIM: tables 281-0023 to 281-0046.

**Definitions, data sources and methods: survey number 2612.**

Detailed industry data, data by size of enterprise based on employment, and other labour market indicators will be available in August in the standard tables of the monthly publication *Employment, earnings and hours* (72-002-XIB, \$24/\$240). See *How to order products*. Annual averages for 2002 are now available through CANSIM and by custom tabulations from Labour Statistics Division.

For general information or to order data, contact Client Services (1-866-873-8788; 613-951-4090; fax: 613-951-2869; [labour@statcan.ca](mailto:labour@statcan.ca)). To enquire about the concepts, methods or data quality of this release, contact Jamie Brunet (613-951-6684; [jamie.brunet@statcan.ca](mailto:jamie.brunet@statcan.ca)) or Robert Frindt (613-951-4069; [robert.frindt@statcan.ca](mailto:robert.frindt@statcan.ca)), Labour Statistics Division.

**Average weekly earnings for all employees**

Industry group (North American Industry Classification System)	May 2002	April 2003 <sup>r</sup>	May 2003 <sup>p</sup>	April to May 2003	May 2002 to May 2003
	seasonally adjusted				
	\$			% change	
<b>Industrial aggregate</b>	<b>679.36</b>	<b>686.34</b>	<b>691.38</b>	<b>0.7</b>	<b>1.8</b>
Forestry, logging and support	860.00	825.16	832.97	0.9	-3.1
Mining and oil and gas	1,163.73	1,145.58	1,167.41	1.9	0.3
Utilities	1,054.48	1,078.93	1,103.33	2.3	4.6
Construction	801.51	803.65	825.27	2.7	3.0
Manufacturing	826.27	838.57	845.24	0.8	2.3
Wholesale Trade	776.64	787.57	786.63	-0.1	1.3
Retail trade	432.48	443.33	446.16	0.6	3.2
Transportation and warehousing	763.69	766.02	769.73	0.5	0.8
Information and cultural industries	820.55	802.90	803.73	0.1	-2.0
Finance and insurance	845.62	852.10	866.76	1.7	2.5
Real estate and rental and leasing	618.93	598.49	593.08	-0.9	-4.2
Professional, scientific and technical services	899.29	916.08	916.94	0.1	2.0
Management of companies and enterprises	846.42	855.68	842.66	-1.5	-0.4
Administrative and support, waste management and remediation services	535.55	535.33	549.93	2.7	2.7
Educational Services	719.53	753.78	755.26	0.2	5.0
Health care and social assistance	602.74	610.47	608.72	-0.3	1.0
Arts, entertainment and recreation	438.56	414.99	425.54	2.5	-3.0
Accommodation and food services	295.12	275.44	278.43	1.1	-5.7
Other services (excluding public administration)	532.10	523.53	531.16	1.5	-0.2
Public administration	835.54	856.45	852.24	-0.5	2.0
<b>Provinces and territories</b>					
Newfoundland and Labrador	612.84	634.18	639.32	0.8	4.3
Prince Edward Island	541.77	543.98	549.66	1.0	1.5
Nova Scotia	589.40	595.97	601.21	0.9	2.0
New Brunswick	603.76	617.14	623.77	1.1	3.3
Quebec	642.06	653.77	663.63	1.5	3.4
Ontario	724.52	729.24	734.01	0.7	1.3
Manitoba	605.00	606.56	610.04	0.6	0.8
Saskatchewan	609.40	620.60	619.57	-0.2	1.7
Alberta	696.43	701.62	696.51	-0.7	0.0
British Columbia	671.17	680.29	682.29	0.3	1.7
Yukon	766.71	760.16	765.11	0.7	-0.2
Northwest Territories <sup>1</sup>	882.49	891.12	889.52	-0.2	0.8
Nunavut <sup>1</sup>	788.60	802.06	797.66	-0.5	1.1

<sup>p</sup> Preliminary estimates.

<sup>r</sup> Revised estimates.

<sup>1</sup> Data not seasonally adjusted

## Number of employees

Industry group (North American Industry Classification System)	March 2003	April 2003 <sup>r</sup>	May 2003 <sup>p</sup>	March to April 2003	April to May 2003
	seasonally adjusted				
	'000			% change	
<b>Industrial aggregate</b>	<b>13,313.3</b>	<b>13,314.7</b>	<b>13,331.3</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.1</b>
Forestry, logging and support	59.3	58.9	59.0	-0.7	0.2
Mining and oil and gas	143.5	145.3	146.8	1.3	1.0
Utilities	112.9	113.1	112.9	0.2	-0.2
Construction	630.0	626.1	627.9	-0.6	0.3
Manufacturing	2,065.4	2,070.1	2,080.4	0.2	0.5
Wholesale trade	748.5	752.6	754.7	0.5	0.3
Retail trade	1,593.5	1,594.3	1,603.9	0.1	0.6
Transportation and warehousing	616.9	618.2	618.6	0.2	0.1
Information and cultural industries	350.5	353.0	353.4	0.7	0.1
Finance and insurance	576.2	579.3	574.9	0.5	-0.8
Real estate and rental and leasing	227.4	226.6	228.1	-0.4	0.7
Professional, scientific and technical services	654.4	650.7	654.6	-0.6	0.6
Management of companies and enterprises	91.8	90.7	91.3	-1.2	0.7
Administrative and support, waste management and remediation services	585.8	586.9	595.8	0.2	1.5
Educational Services	959.2	964.1	960.7	0.5	-0.4
Health care and social assistance	1,347.9	1,349.0	1,354.4	0.1	0.4
Arts, entertainment and recreation	246.0	246.2	243.1	0.1	-1.3
Accommodation and food services	953.7	938.6	927.6	-1.6	-1.2
Other services (excluding public administration)	496.9	493.6	494.5	-0.7	0.2
Public administration	756.2	754.6	760.3	-0.2	0.8
<b>Provinces and territories</b>					
Newfoundland and Labrador	185.0	183.9	185.6	-0.6	0.9
Prince Edward Island	60.7	62.2	65.0	2.5	4.5
Nova Scotia	376.3	377.8	380.4	0.4	0.7
New Brunswick	302.8	304.2	306.7	0.5	0.8
Quebec	3,166.2	3,149.4	3,151.3	-0.5	0.1
Ontario	5,179.5	5,168.6	5,173.8	-0.2	0.1
Manitoba	522.2	525.1	524.3	0.6	-0.2
Saskatchewan	390.5	394.3	397.0	1.0	0.7
Alberta	1,447.4	1,448.1	1,448.2	0.0	0.0
British Columbia	1,642.4	1,645.2	1,647.2	0.2	0.1
Yukon	15.5	15.9	16.1	2.6	1.3
Northwest Territories <sup>1</sup>	21.8	21.7	22.1	-0.5	1.8
Nunavut <sup>1</sup>	11.1	11.2	10.9	0.9	-2.7

<sup>p</sup> Preliminary estimates.

<sup>r</sup> Revised estimates.

<sup>1</sup> Data not seasonally adjusted

## Asphalt roofing

June 2003

Data on asphalt roofing are now available for June.

Available on CANSIM: table 303-0006.

Definitions, data sources and methods: survey number 2123.

The June 2003 issue of *Asphalt roofing*, Vol. 55, no. 6 (45-001-XIB, \$5/\$47) is now available. See *How to order products*.

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## Natural gas liquids and liquefied petroleum gases

February 2003

Data on the supply and demand for natural gas liquids and liquefied petroleum gases are now available for February.

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**Available on CANSIM: table 132-0001.**

**Definitions, data sources and methods: survey number 7524.**

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