

Getting a grip on flu shot numbers

According to data from the 2015/2016 Canadian Community Health Survey, the majority of Canadians (58.8%) aged 12 and older had received a flu shot at some point in their lives, while almost one-third (32.4%) had gotten a flu shot in the previous 12 months. Overall, females (35.6%) were more likely than males (29.2%) to have had a flu shot in the previous 12 months.

Source: [Canadian Community Health Survey: Combined data, 2015/2016](#)

The non-residential sector drives up building permits

Building permits rose in September for the first time in three months, as strength in the non-residential sector outweighed some



weakness in the residential sector. Canadian municipalities issued \$7.9 billion worth of building permits in September, up 3.8% from the previous month. A 1.7% decrease in the residential sector was more than offset by a 13.9% increase in the non-residential sector.

Source: [Building permits, September 2017](#)

British Columbia and Ontario lead the country in economic growth in 2016

Real gross domestic product in Canada rose 1.4% in 2016, following a 1.0% gain in 2015. Economic growth in British Columbia (+3.5%) outpaced the national average for a third consecutive year and Ontario increased 2.6%. Alberta (-3.7%) and Saskatchewan (-0.5%) posted declines. In nominal terms, Canadian household disposable income grew 2.2% in 2016 following a 4.7% gain in 2015, and increased in every province and territory except Alberta (-7.4%) and Saskatchewan (-0.8%).

Source: [Provincial and territorial economic accounts, 2016](#)

Canada's crime rate:

Number of *Criminal code* incidents (excluding traffic) per 100,000 population

5,224

Total federal offences	2,142,545	100%
Property crime	1,163,647	54%
Violent crime	381,594	18%
Other <i>Criminal code</i> offences	350,305	16%
<i>Criminal code</i> traffic offences	123,930	6%
Drug offences	95,417	4%
Other federal statute violations	27,652	1%

Source: [Police-reported crime in Canada, 2016](#)

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