

## Are there financial benefits to a graduate degree?

Women (+13%) and men (+11%) with a master's degree earned more than those who had a bachelor's degree. A doctorate also contributed to increased earnings of both men and women. Among women, those with a doctorate earned 10% more than those with a master's degree. Among men, a doctorate was associated with a 5% increase in earnings.



Source: [Study: Is field of study a factor in the payoff of a graduate degree?, 2016](#)

## Manufacturing pushes up gross domestic product

Real gross domestic product grew 0.2% in July after essentially no change in June; 12 of 20 sectors were up, led by growth in manufacturing, wholesale trade, utilities and transportation and warehousing.



Source: [Gross domestic product by industry, July 2018](#)

## Women own nearly one in five private businesses

According to the results of a new study, there were 275,300 women-owned enterprises on average each year from 2005 to 2013, employing 828,700 workers. Women-owned enterprises accounted for 18% of all private enterprises and 15% of employment in private enterprises (for which the gender of business ownership could be identified).

Source: [Study: Women-owned Enterprises in Canada](#)

## Canada's population tops the 37 million mark

According to preliminary estimates, Canada's population was 37,058,856 on July 1, 2018, up 518,588 from July 1, 2017. This translates into an increase of approximately one person every minute over the last 12 months. The country's annual population growth rate for 2017/2018 was 1.4%, the highest since 1989/1990 (1.5%).



Source: [Canada's population estimates: Total population, July 1, 2018](#)