

## New housing prices rise nationally for the first time in just over one year

Nationally, new housing prices were up 0.1% in August, the first increase since July 2018. Prices were up sharply in the census metropolitan areas of Sherbrooke (+2.1%), Montréal (+1.1%) and Trois-Rivières (+0.5%).



Source: [New Housing Price Index, August 2019](#)

## Employment growth in September driven by full-time work

Employment rose by 54,000 in September, driven by gains in full-time work. The unemployment rate declined 0.2 percentage points to 5.5%. On a year-over-year basis, employment grew by 456,000 or 2.4%.

Source: [Labour Force Survey, September 2019](#)

## The value of building permits rises on higher multi-family and industrial permits

The value of building permits issued by Canadian municipalities rose 6.1% to \$9.0 billion in August, largely because of increases in multi-family and industrial permits.



Source: [Building permits, August 2019](#)

## Households are responsible for about two-fifths of Canada's total greenhouse gas emissions

Canadian households were responsible for 42% of Canada's total greenhouse gas emissions in 2015, including both direct emissions related to household fuel use (44%) and indirect emissions related to household spending on goods and services (56%).



Source: [Environment Fact Sheets: Household food consumption and Canadian greenhouse gas emissions, 2015](#)