

## Overtime earnings at hospitals rise

Total hours worked in hospitals increased from February to April and overtime earnings rose by almost one-third (unadjusted). Despite these increases, the number of payroll employees working in hospitals declined as many elective treatments and consultations were cancelled or delayed.



Source: [Payroll, employment and hours, April 2020](#)

## Indigenous people more likely than non-Indigenous people to report fair or poor mental health since onset of pandemic

Almost half of Indigenous women and one-third of Indigenous men reported symptoms consistent with moderate or severe generalized anxiety since the onset of the pandemic, according to a recent crowdsourcing survey. Indigenous participants were more likely than non-Indigenous participants to report fair or poor mental health and that their mental health had worsened since physical distancing began.



Source: [Study: Indigenous people and mental health during the COVID-19 pandemic](#)

## New residential construction progressed across most of the country in April

Excluding Quebec, new residential construction increased 11.7% on an unadjusted year-over-year basis in April, as construction firms adapted to public health requirements such as improved on-site sanitation, physical distancing and staggered work schedules.



Source: [Investment in building construction, April 2020](#)

## Boomers hold the most wealth, but younger generations are catching up

Households with a major income earner in the baby boom generation held on average almost \$1.2 million in net worth in 2019, accounting for about half of all wealth in the year prior to the pandemic. Generation X and millennials accounted for just over one-third of the wealth.

Source: [Distributions of household economic accounts for income, consumption, saving and wealth of Canadian households, 2019](#)