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## About this publication

This publication presents an overview of the economic developments reported in Canada's national accounts for the most recent quarter. The overview covers several broad areas:1) Gross domestic product (GDP) by income and by expenditure, 2) GDP by industry, 3) Balance of international payments, 4) Financial flow accounts 5) Labour productivity and other related variables, 6) International investment position and 7) National balance sheet.

The publication examines quarterly trends in the major aggregates that comprise GDP, both income- and expenditure-based, as well as prices and the financing of economic activity by institutional sector. GDP is also examined by industry, both for the last month of the quarter and the quarter as a whole. Canada's transactions with non-residents related to international trade, investment income flows, transfers and international investing and financing activities are summarized. The quarterly productivity estimates are meant to assist in the analysis of the short-run relationship between the fluctuations of output, employment, compensation and hours worked. Complete national balance sheets provide estimates of Canada's wealth. Canada's financial position with the rest of the world is also articulated. The overview is accompanied by graphics and several detailed statistical tables. Some issues also contain more technical articles, explaining national accounts methodology or analysing a particular aspect of the economy.

This publication carries the detailed analyses, charts and statistical tables that, prior to its first issue, were released in The Daily (11-001-XIE) under the headings National Economic and Financial Accounts, Canada's Balance of International Payments and Gross Domestic Product by industry.

## Revision policy

GDP by income and by expenditure, Balance of international payments, Financial flow accounts, Labour productivity, hourly compensation and unit labour cost, International investment position, National balance sheet:

Preceding quarters of the year are revised when the current quarter is published. Each year revisions extending back four years are made with the publication of first quarter data. They are not normally revised again except when historical revisions are carried out.

## GDP by industry:

Revisions arise from updates to benchmark data, projectors and seasonal adjustment. January to June: Back to the beginning of the previous year; July: Back to January of fifth previous year; August to December: Back to January of current year. Occasionally, there are historical revisions due to conceptual, methodological and classification changes-the most recent with the July 2002 GDP release.

## Revisions in this issue

GDP by income and by expenditure, Balance of international payments, Financial flow accounts, International investment position, National balance sheet:

With this release revisions have been made back to the first quarter of 2006.

## GDP by industry:

Since the last release of the Canadian economic accounts quarterly review, revisions were made back to January 2005.

## Labour productivity, hourly compensation and unit labour cost:

With this release revisions have been made back to the first quarter of 2006 at the aggregate level and to the first quarter of first quarter of 2002 at the industry level.

## Overview

Second quarter 2006 and June 2006

The economy slowed in the second quarter as real gross domestic product (GDP) advanced $0.5 \%$, following a robust $0.9 \%$ in the first quarter. This slower growth reflected reduced but sustained growth in consumer spending and business investment in plant and equipment as well as a cooling in the housing market. Economic activity in June was essentially unchanged from May, as the production of goods declined, offsetting gains in service industries. The economy grew by $0.2 \%$ in April, followed by a $0.1 \%$ increase in May. A more detailed analysis is available in Canadian Economic Accounts Quarterly Review.

Real gross domestic product, chained (1997) dollars ${ }^{1}$

|  | Change | Annualized <br> change | Year-over- <br> year <br> change |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| First quarter 2005 | 0.6 | 2.2 | 3.2 |
| Second quarter 2005 | 0.8 | 3.4 | 3.0 |
| Third quarter 2005 | 0.8 | 3.2 | 2.7 |
| Fourth quarter 2005 | 0.6 | 2.6 | 2.8 |
| First quarter 2006 | 0.9 | 3.6 | 3.2 |
| Second quarter 2006 | 0.5 | 2.0 | 2.9 |
| 1. The change is the growth rate from one period to the next. The |  |  |  |
| annualized change is the growth compounded annually. The year-over- |  |  |  |
| year change is the growth of a given quarter compared with the same |  |  |  |
| quarter in a previous year. |  |  |  |

Service-producing industries continued to record strong growth ( $+0.8 \%$ ) in the second quarter, as activities in retail and wholesale trade, finance, insurance and real estate all advanced. Output of goods-producing industries continued to soften - decreasing $0.3 \%$ in the second quarter - partly reflecting waning foreign demand for Canadian products, as exports declined for the second consecutive quarter. Output in the manufacturing sector as well as in the mining and oil and gas extraction sectors decreased. These declines were partially offset by a gain in the output of utilities. Industrial production - the output of factories, mines and utilities - fell $0.6 \%$. In the United States, the index of industrial production rose $1.5 \%$, with all three sectors showing strength.

Rising domestic spending on final goods and services continued to drive the economy forward. However, final domestic demand slowed as the first quarter jump in residential construction was not sustained in the second quarter. Continued strength in business investment in plant and equipment, particularly in machinery and equipment and engineering construction, and consumer expenditure
were behind most of the second quarter GDP growth. A surge in investment in telecommunication equipment and a jump in computers and other office equipment purchases accounted for much of the increase. Consumer spending, while having eased from the first quarter, increased at a moderate pace. A large business inventory investment was also evident in the second quarter.

## Final domestic demand continues to outpace GDP



Economy-wide prices, as measured by the chain price index for GDP, fell $0.2 \%$ in the quarter (the fall was $0.1 \%$, excluding energy). However, aggregate prices rose $0.3 \%$ in the second quarter when adjusting out the impact of a special pension contribution in the first quarter, which had the effect of reducing the price index for government goods and services in the second quarter. This reflected firmer prices for consumer non-durable goods and services as well as in construction, which were only partly offset by continuing declines in goods export prices. Excluding energy and the special pension payment, economy-wide prices advanced 0.5\%

[^0]Real gross domestic product at basic prices, by industry

|  | January <br> $2006^{r}$ | February <br> $2006^{r}$ | March <br> $2005^{r}$ | April <br> $2006^{r}$ | May <br> $2006^{r}$ | June <br> $2006^{p}$ |  |
| :--- | ---: | :---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | :---: |
|  |  | Seasonally adjusted, chained (1997) dollars, month-to-month \% change |  |  |  |  |  |
| All industries | $\mathbf{0 . 2}$ | $\mathbf{0 . 3}$ | $\mathbf{0 . 1}$ | $\mathbf{0 . 2}$ | $\mathbf{0 . 1}$ | $\mathbf{0 . 0}$ |  |
| Goods-producing industries | -0.5 | 0.4 | -0.3 | -0.0 | -0.2 | -0.2 |  |
| Service-producing industries | 0.5 | 0.2 | 0.4 | 0.3 | 0.2 | 0.1 |  |
| Industrial production | -0.9 | 0.2 | -0.2 | -0.3 | -0.2 | -0.2 |  |
| Construction | 0.8 | 1.3 | -0.6 | 0.7 | -0.3 | -0.3 |  |
| Retail trade | 1.1 | 0.3 | 1.2 | 1.4 | -0.6 | 0.2 |  |
| Energy sector | -2.8 | 1.7 | 0.7 | -0.8 | -0.8 | -0.8 |  |

The economy grew at an annualized rate of $2.0 \%$ in the second quarter, a sharp deceleration from the $3.6 \%$ pace set during the previous quarter. The growth in the US economy slowed to $2.9 \%$ in the second quarter, in tandem with the Canadian economy.

Contributions to percent change in GDP, second quarter 2006


## Residential investment declines

Output in the residential construction and real estate agents-brokers industries retreated, as investment in residential structures declined $1.3 \%$, following the $3.0 \%$ jump in the first quarter.

Much of the strength in new residential construction in the first quarter likely resulted from mild winter weather conditions, which allowed builders to get an early start to the season. This activity returned to more normal levels in the second quarter. Declines in resale activity also contributed to the quarterly decline in overall residential investment.

## Business investment in plant and equipment eases

Businesses continued to invest in plant and equipment, though at a slower pace ( $+1.8 \%$ ) than in the first quarter. Capital expenditure on machinery and equipment increased across the board with the exception of automobiles and other transportation equipment which posted significant declines. Business engineering construction activity accelerated while building construction declined.

## Consumer spending slows

While consumer spending slowed slightly in the second quarter ( $+1.0 \%$ compared to $+1.3 \%$ in the first quarter), it continued to significantly support growth in the economy. The retail trade industry advanced at a good clip (+2.0\%), as many consumer expenditure components recorded strong growth. Consumption of non-durables accelerated, led by food and beverages as well as motor fuels.

Consumer expenditure on durable goods decelerated sharply, as purchases of new trucks and vans declined on the heels of a significant increase in the first quarter. Weakened spending on furniture and household appliances reflected, in part, the dip in the housing market. Expenditure on recreational, sporting and camping equipment remained strong.

## Exports decline for a second consecutive quarter

Exports fell $0.3 \%$, adding to the decline in the first quarter. This slump in foreign demand was reflected in manufacturing output, which weakened further in the quarter. Production slid among export driven manufacturing industries including motor vehicles and wood products manufacturers, as well as selected nondurable industries.

Automotive exports (-5.1\%), which had increased significantly in the last half of 2005, fell for a second consecutive quarter. Likewise, exports of agricultural and fish products, which performed well throughout 2005, declined $1.8 \%$. Exports of forestry products posted a second significant decline. Energy was the only group to register a significant increase in exports (+5.8\%), following a modest increase in the first.

Imports rebounded following a weak first quarter, as the Canadian dollar appreciated. The strength in business investment accounted for much of the increase, as imports of machinery and equipment advanced. Likewise retailers and wholesalers continued to snatch up cheaper foreign goods. Imports of crude petroleum products and automotive products also picked up in the second quarter.

## Non-farm inventory accumulation picks up steam

Over $\$ 16$ billion was added to inventories in the second quarter, up from the $\$ 11$ billion build-up in the first. Nonfarm inventory accumulation picked up steam, despite lower production in manufacturing. Wholesale inventories of durable goods piled up, in line with sagging foreign demand. Manufacturers also added to their stocks at a faster clip in the quarter. Retail inventories posted a third consecutive quarter of strong accumulation. Both motor vehicle and other durable goods inventories were built up, reflecting softer demand in these areas.

## Labour income remains strong, corporate profits edge ahead

Current dollar labour income remained strong, despite the sharp deceleration from the first quarter (+2.4\%). The jump in the first quarter was due to a large special payment to reduce an actuarial deficit of a government employersponsored defined benefit pension plan. Removing the effect of this special payment, the first and second quarter growth in labour income would be $1.3 \%$. Wages and salaries grew by $1.4 \%$ and $1.3 \%$ in the first and second quarters, respectively. The strength in the second quarter was driven by the services industries.

Corporate profits, in nominal terms, edged ahead ( $+0.4 \%$ ) in the second quarter, following a sharp decline (-3.7\%) in the first, which arose from lower export prices for energy. The sluggish growth in the second quarter was in line with the second consecutive decline in the output of the manufacturing sector. In addition, profits of financial industries declined (-1.6\%).

## GDP by industry, June 2006

The Canadian economy remained stable in June, after registering increases of $0.2 \%$ in April and $0.1 \%$ in May. The production of goods, which has been showing signs of weaknesses since the beginning of the year, declined $0.2 \%$ in June. Service industries gained $0.1 \%$. Oil and gas extraction, the manufacturing of chemical products, wholesale trade as well as construction recorded declines, while the manufacturing of motor vehicles and parts, of fabricated metal products, and forestry and logging posted the largest increases.

For a third consecutive month, the energy sector declined in June ( $-0.8 \%$ ). This loss was largely attributable to a decrease in oil and gas extraction (-3.1\%), particularly of natural gas. Declining prices and a high level of inventories of natural gas were the main factors behind this contraction.

Manufacturing output remained essentially unchanged in June. Of the 21 major groups, ten, accounting for $54 \%$ of total manufacturing output, boosted their production. The increase in durable goods production (+0.4\%) was offset by a decline in non-durable goods output ( $-0.6 \%$ ).

Industrial production, the output of mines, factories and utilities, slipped $0.2 \%$, with utilities alone reporting a gain $(+1.0 \%)$. In the United States, industrial production increased $0.8 \%$ in June, with the three sectors posting increases.

Wholesale trade fell $0.5 \%$, with notable weakness in wholesale sales of motor vehicles and parts and of computers and office equipment. Retail trade advanced $0.2 \%$ in June. New and used car dealers contributed notably to the reduced growth of retail trade.

## Canadian economic accounts key indicators[1]


GDP by income and by expenditure
Wages, salaries and supplementary labour income
Corporation profits before taxes
Interest and miscellaneous investment income
Net income of unincorporated business
Taxes less subsidies
Personal disposable income
Personal saving rate[2]

Seasonally adjusted at annual rates, millions of dollars at current prices

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| 672,252 | 682,340 | 694,340 | 703,668 | 720,672 | 721,844 | 651,888 | 688,150 |
| 1.5 | 1.5 | 1.8 | 1.3 | 2.4 | 0.2 | 5.0 | 5.6 |
| 178,936 | 183,704 | 192,368 | 202,812 | 195,268 | 196,080 | 171,323 | 189,455 |
| 1.3 | 2.7 | 4.7 | 5.4 | -3.7 | 0.4 | 18.3 | 10.6 |
| 56,460 | 57,036 | 60,392 | 67,724 | 64,544 | 63,968 | 54,084 | 60,403 |
| 0.3 | 1.0 | 5.9 | 12.1 | -4.7 | -0.9 | 8.9 | 11.7 |
| 85,516 | 85,764 | 86,556 | 86,988 | 87,408 | 88,020 | 84,084 | 86,206 |
| 0.1 | 0.3 | 0.9 | 0.5 | 0.5 | 0.7 | 7.3 | 2.5 |
| 152,072 | 155,740 | 156,352 | 157,024 | 159,868 | 161,656 | 148,564 | 155,297 |
| 0.4 | 2.4 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 1.8 | 1.1 | 5.8 | 4.5 |
| 772,444 | 781,652 | 793,836 | 802,164 | 830,448 | 825,332 | 755,931 | 787,524 |
| 0.7 | 1.2 | 1.6 | 1.0 | 3.5 | -0.6 | 4.7 | 4.2 |
| 1.2 | 1.0 | 1.3 | 1.3 | 3.0 | 1.0 | 2.6 | 1.2 |
| $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ |


| Personal expenditure on consumer goods and services | Seasonally adjusted at annual rates, millions of chained (1997) dollars |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 655,823 | 661,391 | 665,602 | 671,517 | 679,985 | 686,980 | 638,825 | 663,583 |
|  | 1.4 | 0.8 | 0.6 | 0.9 | 1.3 | 1.0 | 3.3 | 3.9 |
| Government current expenditure on goods and | 215,267 | 216,627 | 218,239 | 220,622 | 222,016 | 224,571 | 211,883 | 217,689 |
| services | 0.5 | 0.6 | 0.7 | 1.1 | 0.6 | 1.2 | 3.0 | 2.7 |
| Gross fixed capital formation | 255,191 | 258,014 | 264,002 | 269,080 | 275,221 | 277,085 | 244,221 | 261,572 |
|  | 1.7 | 1.1 | 2.3 | 1.9 | 2.3 | 0.7 | 8.0 | 7.1 |
| Investment in inventories | 17,624 | 14,503 | 14,992 | 14,937 | 11,274 | 16,393 | 9,767 | 15,514 |
| Exports of goods and services | 466,955 | 464,866 | 474,439 | 481,889 | 477,303 | 475,858 | 462,239 | 472,037 |
|  | 1.3 | -0.4 | 2.1 | 1.6 | -1.0 | -0.3 | 5.2 | 2.1 |
| Imports of goods and services | 467,457 | 463,089 | 475,574 | 490,041 | 487,724 | 498,814 | 442,421 | 474,040 |
|  | 2.0 | -0.9 | 2.7 | 3.0 | -0.5 | 2.3 | 8.2 | 7.1 |
| Gross domestic product at market prices | 1,144,136 | 1,153,623 | 1,162,822 | 1,170,239 | 1,180,674 | 1,186,555 | 1,124,688 | 1,157,705 |
|  | 0.6 | 0.8 | 0.8 | 0.6 | 0.9 | 0.5 | 3.3 | 2.9 |
| GDP at basic prices, by industry |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Goods producing industries | 337,012 | 338,959 | 342,680 | 345,288 | 345,657 | 344,692 | 332,217 | 340,985 |
|  | 0.2 | 0.6 | 1.1 | 0.8 | 0.1 | -0.3 | 4.1 | 2.6 |
| Industrial production | 250,396 | 251,208 | 253,579 | 255,102 | 253,882 | 252,464 | 247,374 | 252,571 |
|  | -0.0 | 0.3 | 0.9 | 0.6 | -0.5 | -0.6 | 3.8 | 2.1 |
| Energy sector | 62,842 | 63,817 | 65,170 | 65,938 | 65,161 | 64,779 | 63,109 | 64,441 |
|  | -1.2 | 1.6 | 2.1 | 1.2 | -1.2 | -0.6 | 1.8 | 2.1 |
| Manufacturing | 183,611 | 183,162 | 184,092 | 184,927 | 184,813 | 183,819 | 180,070 | 183,948 |
|  | 0.4 | -0.2 | 0.5 | 0.5 | -0.1 | -0.5 | 4.6 | 2.2 |
| Non-durable manufacturing | 73,653 | 73,234 | 73,517 | 72,960 | 72,394 | 72,129 | 73,714 | 73,341 |
|  | -0.6 | -0.6 | 0.4 | -0.8 | -0.8 | -0.4 | 2.0 | -0.5 |
| Durable manufacturing | 109,722 | 109,691 | 110,336 | 111,722 | 112,173 | 111,446 | 106,132 | 110,368 |
|  | 1.1 | -0.0 | 0.6 | 1.3 | 0.4 | -0.6 | 6.5 | 4.0 |
| Construction | 62,352 | 63,251 | 64,241 | 65,754 | 67,314 | 67,610 | 60,689 | 63,900 |
|  | 1.4 | 1.4 | 1.6 | 2.4 | 2.4 | 0.4 | 4.6 | 5.3 |
| Services producing industries | 722,895 | 730,301 | 736,164 | 740,825 | 749,425 | 755,652 | 709,357 | 732,546 |
|  | 0.9 | 1.0 | 0.8 | 0.6 | 1.2 | 0.8 | 2.7 | 3.3 |
| Wholesale trade | 65,154 | 67,025 | 67,802 | 69,112 | 71,043 | 71,839 | 62,306 | 67,273 |
|  | 1.9 | 2.9 | 1.2 | 1.9 | 2.8 | 1.1 | 5.3 | 8.0 |
| Retail trade | 61,453 | 62,121 | 62,241 | 62,635 | 64,160 | 65,420 | 59,405 | 62,112 |
|  | 1.8 | 1.1 | 0.2 | 0.6 | 2.4 | 2.0 | 3.8 | 4.6 |
| Transportation and warehousing | 51,089 | 51,466 | 52,424 | 52,842 | 53,210 | 53,660 | 49,804 | 51,955 |
|  | 1.1 | 0.7 | 1.9 | 0.8 | 0.7 | 0.8 | 4.5 | 4.3 |
| Finance, insurance, real estate and renting | 210,450 | 212,595 | 214,618 | 215,842 | 218,247 | 220,074 | 206,340 | 213,376 |
|  | 1.1 | 1.0 | 1.0 | 0.6 | 1.1 | 0.8 | 3.4 | 3.4 |
| Information and communication technologies | 60,153 | 61,111 | 61,936 | 62,084 | 63,183 | 63,893 | 58,112 | 61,321 |
|  | 1.6 | 1.6 | 1.4 | 0.2 | 1.8 | 1.1 | 4.3 | 5.5 |

[^1]2. Actual rate.

## GDP by income and by expenditure

Second quarter 2006

The economy slowed in the second quarter as real gross domestic product (GDP) advanced $0.5 \%$, following a strong performance in the first quarter ( $+0.9 \%$ ). This slower growth reflected reduced but sustained growth in consumer spending and business investment in plant and equipment as well as a cooling in the housing market. Nevertheless, final domestic demand continued to outpace overall GDP growth, as exports softened further. Notably, a large business inventory investment was also evident in the second quarter.

## Investment in residential structures

Investment in residential structures declined $1.3 \%$, following the jump registered in the first quarter. This was largely accounted for by a pronounced swing in new housing construction.

Much of the strength in new residential construction in the first quarter likely resulted from mild winter weather conditions, which allowed builders to get an early start to the season. This activity returned to more normal levels in the second quarter. Housing starts in the second quarter dropped to 228.9 thousand units from the notable 248.0 thousand units in the first quarter-rivalling the peak of the late ' 80 s boom.

## Residential construction dips



Activity in the resale housing market also declined in the second quarter, following a rebound in the first quarter. Renovation activity recorded its slowest pace in over a year.

## Investment in plant and equipment

Businesses continued to invest in plant and equipment, though at a reduced pace from the first quarter.

Investment in machinery and equipment led the way (+2.1\%), matching its growth in the first quarter. Expenditure increased across the board, with stronger investment in computers and other office equipment and telecommunications equipment, in particular. However, these gains were largely offset by significant declines in spending on automobiles and other transportation equipment.

Overall investment in non-residential structures was constrained by lower building construction activity (such as construction of offices, factories and shopping malls), marking the largest decrease since the beginning of 2003. However, engineering construction activity (such as dams, pipelines and oil and gas facilities) accelerated in the quarter.

## Personal expenditure

While consumer spending slowed slightly in the second quarter ( $+1.0 \%$ compared to $+1.3 \%$ in the first quarter), it continued to be a major supporting factor in the economy. Consumption of non-durable goods accelerated, particularly spending on food, beverages and motor fuels. This stood in contrast to the deceleration in consumer spending on durables, semi-durables and services.

Consumer expenditure on durable goods decelerated sharply, as purchases of new motor vehicles-specifically, trucks and vans - declined on the heels of a significant increase in the first quarter. Growth in spending on furniture and household appliances also weakened in the quarter reflecting, in part, the dip in the housing market.

Expenditure on consumer services slowed to $0.8 \%$ from $1.2 \%$ in the first quarter, mostly due to financial services and net expenditure abroad. Uncertainty and volatility in financial markets affected both asset prices and trading activity, which reduced spending on stock and bond commissions and acquisition of mutual funds. Net expenditure abroad slowed considerably after the significant growth recorded in the last six quarters, as Canadian travel spending abroad grew at a similar rate to the spending of foreigners in Canada. Spending on air transport increased significantly in the quarter.

## Consumer spending still strong



## International trade

Following a large decline in the in the first quarter, exports fell a further $0.3 \%$ in the second quarter. Imports, supported by a strengthened Canadian dollar, were up 2.3\%.

Exports of goods slipped a further $0.6 \%$. Automotive products exports led the way, dropping sharply ( $-5.1 \%$ ) for the second consecutive quarter. Forest product exports fell further ( $-2.6 \%$ ), continuing a trend started about two years ago. Next in line were machinery and equipment ( $-2.5 \%$ ), including exports of industrial machinery and aircraft.

Partially offsetting some of these declines was a sharp increase in the export of energy products (+5.8\%), led by natural gas. Exports of services accelerated, with most of the gains in commercial services.

## Automotive exports decline

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- Exports of automotive products

Meanwhile, imports of goods (+2.2\%) rebounded in the second quarter. Imports of machinery and equipment reflected the strength in business investment in the quarter. Energy products imports, including crude petroleum, were particularly strong in the second quarter after having dropped in the first quarter. In addition, automotive products were up, and retailers and wholesalers continued to take advantage of cheaper foreign consumer goods. Growth in imports of services was led by a spike in purchases of commercial services and a second strong quarter in transportation services.

## Energy imports surge



## Investment in inventory

Over $\$ 16$ billion was added to inventories in the second quarter, up from the $\$ 11$ billion build-up in the first. Nonfarm inventory accumulation picked up steam, despite lower production in manufacturing. Wholesale inventories of durable goods piled up, in line with sagging foreign demand. Manufacturers also added to their stocks at a faster clip in the quarter. Retail inventories posted a third quarter of strong accumulation. Both, motor vehicle and other durable goods inventories were built up, reflecting softer demand in these areas.

Wholesalers build up inventories


## Labour income

Current dollar labour income remained strong, despite the sharp deceleration from the spike ( $+2.4 \%$ ) in the first quarter. The jump registered in the first quarter was due to a large special payment to reduce an actuarial deficit of a government employer-sponsored defined benefit pension plan, which served to drive up supplementary labour income in that period. Removing the effect of this special payment, the first and second quarter growth in labour income would be $1.3 \%$. Wages and salaries grew by $1.4 \%$ and $1.3 \%$ in the first and second quarters, respectively.

The service-producing industries provided the strength in the second quarter, rising by $1.7 \%$. Growth in these industries has averaged $1.7 \%$ over the last 6 quarters compared to an average growth of $1 \%$ in the goodsproducing industries. Within the service-producing industries, continuing strength in the health care and social assistance and the finance, insurance and real estate industries have contributed to the overall growth.

## Corporate profits

Corporate profits, in nominal terms, edged ahead (+0.4\%) in the quarter following a sharp decline ( $-3.7 \%$ ) in the first quarter, which arose from lower export prices for energy. The sluggish growth in the second quarter was in line with the second consecutive decline of the output in manufacturing. In addition, profits of financial industries declined (-1.6\%). Profits in the mining, retail and wholesale trade advanced in the second quarter.

## Sector accounts

Personal disposable income fell ( $-0.6 \%$ ), and the saving rate (1.0\%) returned closer to the average for 2005, This follows the special pension contribution-driven hike in both income and saving in the first quarter. Household financial assets accumulated at a slower pace, reflecting both the impact on pension assets and the strong growth of mutual funds in the first quarter. Household demand for credit also softened in the second quarter, consistent with slower growth in consumer spending and the drop in housing market activity.

Corporate undistributed earnings strengthened in the quarter, reflecting both the increase in profits and lower dividends paid to non-residents. Despite higher nonfinancial capital acquisition, corporations generated a level of surplus on par with the first quarter. The corporate sector has remained as a significant net lender to the rest of the economy, extending this trend to over six years.

A special pension contribution in the first quarter had contributed to increased government current expenditures and a reduced overall government surplus (national accounts basis) in the first quarter. The total government surplus rose to $\$ 17.7$ billion in the second quarter, up sharply from $\$ 6.8$ billion in the first. Government debt was repaid on a net basis in the second quarter.

## Economy-wide prices

Economy-wide prices, as measured by the chain price index for GDP, fell $0.2 \%$ in the quarter (the fall was $0.1 \%$, excluding energy). However, adjusting out the impact on the index of a special pension contribution in the first quarter, aggregate prices rose $0.3 \%$ in the second quarter. This reflected firmer prices for consumer non-durable goods and services as well as in construction which were only partly offset by continuing declines in goods export prices. Excluding energy and the special pension payment, economy-wide prices advanced $0.5 \%$.

Gross domestic product, income-based, current prices and quarterly percentage change[1]

|  | First quarter 2005 | Second quarter 2005 | Third quarter 2005 | Fourth quarter 2005 | First quarter 2006 | Second quarter 2006 | 2004 | 2005 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Seasonally adjusted data at annual rates, millions of dollars |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Wages, salaries and supplementary labour income | $\begin{array}{r} 672,252 \\ 1.5 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 682,340 \\ 1.5 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} \hline 694,340 \\ 1.8 \end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 703,668 \\ & \hline 1.3 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 720,672 \\ 2.4 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} \hline 721,844 \\ 0.2 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 651,888 \\ 5.0 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 688,150 \\ 5.6 \end{array}$ |
| Corporation profits before taxes | $\begin{array}{r} 178,936 \\ 1.3 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 183,704 \\ 27 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 192,368 \\ 4.7 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 202,812 \\ 5.4 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 195,268 \\ -3.7 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 196,080 \\ 0.4 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 171,323 \\ 18.3 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 189,455 \\ 10.6 \end{array}$ |
| Government business enterprise profits before taxes | $\begin{array}{r} 13,584 \\ 2.5 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 14,228 \\ 4.7 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 14,596 \\ 2.6 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 15,516 \\ 6.3 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 13,924 \\ -10.3 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 13,592 \\ -2.4 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 12,508 \\ 1.8 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 14,481 \\ 15.8 \end{array}$ |
| Interest and miscellaneous investment income | $\begin{array}{r} 56,460 \\ 0.3 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 57,036 \\ 1.0 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 60,392 \\ 5.9 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 67,724 \\ 12.1 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 64,544 \\ -4.7 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 63,968 \\ -0.9 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 54,084 \\ 8.9 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 60,403 \\ 11.7 \end{array}$ |
| Accrued net income of farm operators from farm production | $\begin{array}{r} 2,312 \\ -36.3 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 1,612 \\ -30.3 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 1,580 \\ -2.0 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 1,320 \\ -16.5 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 672 \\ -49.1 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 324 \\ -51.8 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 3,256 \\ 137.1 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 1,706 \\ -47.6 \end{array}$ |
| Net income of non-farm unincorporated business, including rent | $\begin{array}{r} 83,204 \\ 1.7 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 84,152 \\ 1.1 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 84,976 \\ 1.0 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 85,668 \\ 0.8 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 86,736 \\ 1.2 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 87,696 \\ 1.1 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 80,828 \\ 5.0 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 84,500 \\ 4.5 \end{array}$ |
| Inventory valuation adjustment | -1,136 | -1,944 | 2,976 | -1,200 | 2,344 | 520 | -1,574 | -326 |
| Taxes less subsidies, on factors of production | $\begin{array}{r} 59,980 \\ -0.6 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 61,404 \\ 2.4 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 61,848 \\ 0.7 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 62,376 \\ 0.9 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 63,004 \\ 1.0 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 63,972 \\ 1.5 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 59,099 \\ 5.4 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 61,402 \\ 3.9 \end{array}$ |
| Net domestic product at basic prices | $\begin{array}{r} 1,065,592 \\ 0.8 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 1,082,532 \\ 1.6 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 1,113,076 \\ 2.8 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 1,137,884 \\ 2.2 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 1,147,164 \\ 0.8 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 1,147,996 \\ 0.1 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 1,031,412 \\ 6.7 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 1,099,771 \\ 6.6 \end{array}$ |
| Taxes less subsidies, on products | $\begin{array}{r} 92,092 \\ 1.0 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 94,336 \\ 2.4 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 94,504 \\ 0.2 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 94,648 \\ 0.2 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 96,864 \\ 2.3 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 97,684 \\ 0.8 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 89,465 \\ 6.0 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 93,895 \\ 5.0 \end{array}$ |
| Capital consumption allowances | $\begin{array}{r} 174,224 \\ 0.9 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 176,156 \\ 1.1 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 178,216 \\ 1.2 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 180,692 \\ 1.4 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 182,944 \\ 1.2 \end{array}$ | $185,128$ | $\begin{array}{r} 169,858 \\ 4.7 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 177,322 \\ 4.4 \end{array}$ |
| Statistical discrepancy | 804 | -464 | 512 | 896 | -248 | -1,008 | 53 | 437 |
| Gross domestic product at market prices | $\begin{array}{r} 1,332,712 \\ 1.0 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 1,352,560 \\ 1.5 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 1,386,308 \\ 2.5 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 1,414,120 \\ 2.0 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 1,426,724 \\ 0.9 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 1,429,800 \\ 0.2 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 1,290,788 \\ 6.4 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 1,371,425 \\ 6.2 \end{array}$ |

[^2]Gross domestic product, expenditure-based, current prices and quarterly percentage change[1]

|  | First quarter 2005 | Second quarter 2005 | Third quarter 2005 | Fourth quarter 2005 | First quarter 2006 | Second quarter 2006 | 2004 | 2005 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Seasonally adjusted data at annual rates, millions of dollars |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Personal expenditure on consumer goods and services <br> Durable goods | 745,616 | 756,184 | 765,928 | 773,792 | 786,468 | 798,032 | 719,869 | 760,380 |
|  | 1.7 | 1.4 | 1.3 | 1.0 | 1.6 | 1.5 | 4.9 | 5.6 |
|  | 98,296 | 99,216 | 100,184 | 100,048 | 102,860 | 103,224 | 94,502 | 99,436 |
|  | 2.1 | 0.9 | 1.0 | -0.1 | 2.8 | 0.4 | 1.1 | 5.2 |
| Semi-durable goods | 62,548 | 63,164 | 63,160 | 63,732 | 65,764 | 66,852 | 60,632 | 63,151 |
|  | 2.5 | 1.0 | -0.0 | 0.9 | 3.2 | 1.7 | 3.7 | 4.2 |
| Non-durable goods | 184,548 | 187,404 | 191,444 | 192,084 | 193,340 | 197,888 | 177,640 | 188,870 |
|  | 1.2 | 1.5 | 2.2 | 0.3 | 0.7 | 2.4 | 5.5 | 6.3 |
| Services | 400,224 | 406,400 | 411,140 | 417,928 | 424,504 | 430,068 | 387,095 | 408,923 |
|  | 1.8 | 1.5 | 1.2 | 1.7 | 1.6 | 1.3 | 5.7 | 5.6 |
| Government current expenditure on goods and services | 258,380 | 262,928 | 266,552 | 269,108 | 279,952 | 278,208 | 249,779 | 264,242 |
|  | 1.7 | 1.8 | 1.4 | 1.0 | 4.0 | -0.6 | 4.3 | 5.8 |
| Government gross fixed capital formation | 32,924 | 33,744 | 34,572 | 35,708 | 36,312 | 36,948 | 31,553 | 34,237 |
|  | 3.4 | 2.5 | 2.5 | 3.3 | 1.7 | 1.8 | 4.9 | 8.5 |
| Government investment in inventories | 28 | 72 | -36 | 44 | 132 | -92 | 21 | 27 |
| Business gross fixed capital formation | 242,108 | 247,204 | 252,176 | 257,756 | 264,932 | 268,088 | 229,787 | 249,811 |
|  | 2.1 | 2.1 | 2.0 | 2.2 | 2.8 | 1.2 | 10.7 | 8.7 |
| Residential structures | 86,384 | 88,632 | 89,980 | 91,408 | 96,024 | 96,992 | 82,972 | 89,101 |
|  | 0.1 | 2.6 | 1.5 | 1.6 | 5.0 | 1.0 | 14.0 | 7.4 |
| Non-residential structures and equipment | 155,724 | 158,572 | 162,196 | 166,348 | 168,908 | 171,096 | 146,815 | 160,710 |
|  | 3.3 | 1.8 | 2.3 | 2.6 | 1.5 | 1.3 | 8.8 | 9.5 |
| Non-residential structures | 66,296 | 68,176 | 70,632 | 73,320 | 75,348 | 77,452 | 61,600 | 69,606 |
|  | 3.6 | 2.8 | 3.6 | 3.8 | 2.8 | 2.8 | 13.2 | 13.0 |
| Machinery and equipment | 89,428 | 90,396 | 91,564 | 93,028 | 93,560 | 93,644 | 85,215 | 91,104 |
|  | 3.0 | 1.1 | 1.3 | 1.6 | 0.6 | 0.1 | 5.9 | 6.9 |
| Business investment in inventories | 14,032 | 10,176 | 9,772 | 10,652 | 8,132 | 13,392 | 6,216 | 11,158 |
| Non-farm | 12,948 | 9,360 | 9,628 | 10,328 | 8,444 | 14,328 | 4,755 | 10,566 |
| Farm | 1,084 | 816 | 144 | 324 | -312 | -936 | 1,461 | 592 |
| Exports of goods and services | 498,276 | 506,224 | 526,944 | 547,276 | 524,260 | 517,328 | 494,578 | 519,680 |
|  | 1.7 | 1.6 | 4.1 | 3.9 | -4.2 | -1.3 | 7.1 | 5.1 |
| Goods | 431,852 | 439,780 | 460,384 | 480,232 | 458,120 | 450,024 | 429,122 | 453,062 |
|  | 2.0 | 1.8 | 4.7 | 4.3 | -4.6 | -1.8 | 7.6 | 5.6 |
| Services | 66,424 | 66,444 | 66,560 | 67,044 | 66,140 | 67,304 | 65,456 | 66,618 |
|  | -0.1 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 0.7 | -1.3 | 1.8 | 4.4 | 1.8 |
| Deduct: Imports of goods and services | 457,848 | 464,440 | 469,084 | 479,320 | 473,712 | 483,112 | 440,963 | 467,673 |
|  | 2.6 | 1.4 | 1.0 | 2.2 | -1.2 | 2.0 | 5.9 | 6.1 |
| Goods | 379,884 | 384,732 | 389,968 | 398,256 | 391,724 | 398,928 | 363,639 | 388,210 |
|  | 3.0 | 1.3 | 1.4 | 2.1 | -1.6 | 1.8 | 6.1 | 6.8 |
| Services | 77,964 | 79,708 | 79,116 | 81,064 | 81,988 | 84,184 | 77,324 | 79,463 |
|  | 0.8 | 2.2 | -0.7 | 2.5 | 1.1 | 2.7 | 4.7 | 2.8 |
| Statistical discrepancy | -804 | 468 | -516 | -896 | 248 | 1,008 | -52 | -437 |
| Gross domestic product at market prices | 1,332,712 | 1,352,560 | 1,386,308 | 1,414,120 | 1,426,724 | 1,429,800 | 1,290,788 | 1,371,425 |
|  | 1.0 | 1.5 | 2.5 | 2.0 | 0.9 | 0.2 | 6.4 | 6.2 |
| Final domestic demand | 1,279,028 | 1,300,060 | 1,319,228 | 1,336,364 | 1,367,664 | 1,381,276 | 1,230,988 | 1,308,670 |
|  | 1.8 | 1.6 | 1.5 | 1.3 | 2.3 | 1.0 | 5.8 | 6.3 |

[^3]Real gross domestic product, expenditure-based, quarterly percentage change[1]

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|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

1. The first line is the series itself expressed in millions of dollars, seasonally adjusted at annual rates. The second line, italicized, is the period to period percentage change.
2. Chained dollar series are calculated as the product of the chain-type quantity index and the current-dollar value of the corresponding series, divided by 100 . Because the formula for
the chain-type quantity indexes uses weights of more than one period, the corresponding chained-dollar estimates are usually not additive.

Real gross domestic product, expenditure-based, annualized percentage change[1]

|  | $\begin{array}{r} \text { First } \\ \text { quarter } \\ 2005 \end{array}$ | Second quarter 2005 | Third quarter 2005 | Fourth quarter 2005 | First quarter 2006 | Second quarter 2006 | 2004 | 2005 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Quarter to quarter \% change at annual rates, chained (1997) dollars |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Personal expenditure on consumer goods and services | 5.6 | 3.4 | 2.6 | 3.6 | 5.1 | 4.2 | 3.3 | 3.9 |
| Durable goods | 9.1 | 6.3 | 3.4 | -0.4 | 12.0 | 4.8 | 2.5 | 5.8 |
| Semi-durable goods | 9.5 | 5.0 | -0.7 | 6.1 | 14.1 | 8.4 | 4.1 | 4.4 |
| Non-durable goods | 3.1 | 0.8 | 0.5 | 0.6 | -0.1 | 4.7 | 2.1 | 2.3 |
| Services | 5.3 | 3.8 | 3.9 | 5.6 | 4.7 | 3.2 | 3.9 | 4.1 |
| Government current expenditure on goods and services | 1.9 | 2.6 | 3.0 | 4.4 | 2.6 | 4.7 | 3.0 | 2.7 |
| Government gross fixed capital formation | 13.5 | 5.0 | 8.1 | 13.4 | 5.4 | 3.7 | 3.3 | 6.8 |
| Government investment in inventories[2] | 216 | 36 | -88 | 64 | 72 | -184 | 5 | 4 |
| Business gross fixed capital formation | 5.9 | 4.4 | 9.8 | 7.2 | 10.0 | 2.6 | 8.6 | 7.1 |
| Residential structures | -4.5 | 6.4 | 5.5 | 0.0 | 12.7 | -5.2 | 7.8 | 3.2 |
| Non-residential structures and equipment | 12.3 | 3.4 | 12.3 | 11.4 | 8.5 | 7.3 | 9.1 | 9.4 |
| Non-residential structures | 12.4 | 6.1 | 10.9 | 12.0 | 8.2 | 5.5 | 7.4 | 7.9 |
| Machinery and equipment | 12.2 | 1.3 | 13.4 | 10.8 | 8.8 | 8.8 | 10.3 | 10.5 |
| Business investment in inventories[2] | -4,014 | -3,163 | 593 | -132 | -3,745 | 5,333 | 1,075 | 5,739 |
| Non-farm[2] | -3,698 | -3,085 | 909 | -363 | -2,312 | 5,739 | 1,515 | 5,904 |
| Farm[2] | -301 | -26 | -390 | 247 | -1,678 | -690 | -610 | -398 |
| Exports of goods and services | 5.3 | -1.8 | 8.5 | 6.4 | -3.8 | -1.2 | 5.2 | 2.1 |
| Goods | 6.7 | -1.9 | 10.3 | 7.2 | -3.8 | -2.3 | 5.5 | 2.5 |
| Services | -3.2 | -0.7 | -2.8 | 1.5 | -3.8 | 6.3 | 3.4 | -0.1 |
| Deduct: Imports of goods and services | 8.1 | -3.7 | 11.2 | 12.7 | -1.9 | 9.4 | 8.2 | 7.1 |
| Goods | 10.3 | -5.2 | 13.0 | 13.1 | -3.8 | 9.2 | 8.4 | 7.9 |
| Services | -2.1 | 4.2 | 2.8 | 11.0 | 7.8 | 10.2 | 7.2 | 3.5 |
| Statistical discrepancy[2] | -1,742 | 1,089 | -832 | -308 | 946 | 632 | 216 | -315 |
| Gross domestic product at market prices | 2.2 | 3.4 | 3.2 | 2.6 | 3.6 | 2.0 | 3.3 | 2.9 |
| Final domestic demand | 5.1 | 3.5 | 4.1 | 4.7 | 5.5 | 4.0 | 4.2 | 4.3 |

Quarter to quarter percentage change, annualized.
2. Actual change in millions of dollars, at annual rates.

Contributions to percentage change in real gross domestic product, expenditure-based[1]

|  | First quarter 2005 | Second quarter 2005 | Third quarter 2005 | Fourth quarter 2005 | First quarter 2006 | Second quarter 2006 | 2004 | 2005 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Using seasonally adjusted data, percentage points |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Personal expenditure on consumer goods and services | 0.761 | 0.475 | 0.354 | 0.488 | 0.691 | 0.569 | 1.851 | 2.139 |
| Durable goods | 0.161 | 0.112 | 0.060 | -0.007 | 0.203 | 0.085 | 0.190 | 0.416 |
| Semi-durable goods | 0.106 | 0.057 | -0.009 | 0.067 | 0.151 | 0.093 | 0.195 | 0.202 |
| Non-durable goods | 0.106 | 0.026 | 0.019 | 0.022 | -0.005 | 0.156 | 0.292 | 0.310 |
| Services | 0.388 | 0.279 | 0.284 | 0.405 | 0.342 | 0.235 | 1.175 | 1.210 |
| Government current expenditure on goods and services | 0.091 | 0.123 | 0.144 | 0.208 | 0.122 | 0.224 | 0.589 | 0.523 |
| Government gross fixed capital formation | 0.078 | 0.030 | 0.049 | 0.079 | 0.034 | 0.023 | 0.081 | 0.164 |
| Government investment in inventories | 0.019 | 0.003 | -0.008 | 0.006 | 0.006 | -0.016 | 0.000 | 0.000 |
| Business gross fixed capital formation | 0.261 | 0.198 | 0.429 | 0.317 | 0.441 | 0.120 | 1.469 | 1.254 |
| Residential structures | -0.075 | 0.101 | 0.088 | 0.000 | 0.198 | -0.090 | 0.472 | 0.205 |
| Non-residential structures and equipment | 0.336 | 0.097 | 0.341 | 0.317 | 0.243 | 0.210 | 0.997 | 1.049 |
| Non-residential structures | 0.143 | 0.075 | 0.131 | 0.146 | 0.104 | 0.072 | 0.335 | 0.380 |
| Machinery and equipment | 0.192 | 0.022 | 0.210 | 0.170 | 0.139 | 0.138 | 0.662 | 0.669 |
| Business investment in inventories | -0.320 | -0.251 | 0.040 | -0.015 | -0.281 | 0.389 | 0.063 | 0.442 |
| Non-farm | -0.300 | -0.248 | 0.068 | -0.030 | -0.177 | 0.430 | 0.124 | 0.470 |
| Farm | -0.020 | -0.003 | -0.028 | 0.015 | -0.104 | -0.041 | -0.061 | -0.029 |
| Exports of goods and services | 0.484 | -0.168 | 0.772 | 0.600 | -0.362 | -0.111 | 1.980 | 0.820 |
| Goods | 0.525 | -0.159 | 0.807 | 0.582 | -0.317 | -0.182 | 1.805 | 0.827 |
| Services | -0.041 | -0.009 | -0.035 | 0.017 | -0.045 | 0.071 | 0.175 | -0.006 |
| Deduct: Imports of goods and services | 0.665 | -0.324 | 0.910 | 1.018 | -0.160 | 0.755 | 2.756 | 2.378 |
| Goods | 0.696 | -0.385 | 0.870 | 0.869 | -0.268 | 0.613 | 2.326 | 2.175 |
| Services | -0.031 | 0.061 | 0.040 | 0.149 | 0.108 | 0.142 | 0.430 | 0.203 |
| Statistical discrepancy | -0.153 | 0.095 | -0.072 | -0.027 | 0.081 | 0.053 | 0.021 | -0.029 |
| Gross domestic product at market prices | 0.555 | 0.829 | 0.797 | 0.638 | 0.892 | 0.498 | 3.299 | 2.936 |
| Final domestic demand | 1.190 | 0.826 | 0.976 | 1.092 | 1.288 | 0.937 | 3.990 | 4.080 |

[^4]Gross domestic product, implicit chain price indexes[1]

|  | First quarter 2005 | Second quarter 2005 | Third quarter 2005 | Fourth quarter 2005 | First 2006 | Second quarter 2006 | 2004 | 2005 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Using seasonally adjusted data, (1997 = 100) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Personal expenditure on consumer goods and services | $\begin{array}{r} 113.7 \\ 0.4 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 114.3 \\ 0.5 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 115.1 \\ 0.7 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 115.2 \\ 0.1 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 115.7 \\ 0.4 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 116.2 \\ 0.4 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 112.7 \\ 1.5 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 114.6 \\ 1.7 \end{array}$ |
| Government current expenditure on goods and services | $\begin{array}{r} 120.0 \\ 1.2 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 121.4 \\ 1.2 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 122.1 \\ 0.6 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 122.0 \\ -0.1 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 126.1 \\ 3.4 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 123.9 \\ -1.7 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 117.9 \\ 1.3 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 121.4 \\ 2.9 \end{array}$ |
| Government gross fixed capital formation | $\begin{array}{r} 104.7 \\ 0.2 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 106.0 \\ 1.2 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 106.5 \\ 0.5 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 106.6 \\ 0.1 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 107.0 \\ 0.4 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 107.8 \\ 0.7 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 104.3 \\ 1.5 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 106.0 \\ 1.6 \end{array}$ |
| Business gross fixed capital formation | $\begin{array}{r} 108.2 \\ 0.7 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 109.3 \\ 1.0 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 108.9 \\ -0.4 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 109.4 \\ 0.5 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 109.8 \\ 0.4 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 110.4 \\ 0.5 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 107.4 \\ 1.8 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 109.0 \\ 1.5 \end{array}$ |
| Exports of goods and services | $\begin{array}{r} 106.7 \\ 0.4 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 108.9 \\ 2.1 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 111.1 \\ 2.0 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 113.6 \\ 2.3 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 109.8 \\ -3.3 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 108.7 \\ -1.0 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 107.0 \\ 1.8 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 110.1 \\ 2.9 \end{array}$ |
| Imports of goods and services | $\begin{array}{r} 97.9 \\ 0.6 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 100.3 \\ 2.5 \end{array}$ | $\begin{gathered} 98.6 \\ -1.7 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 97.8 \\ -0.8 \end{array}$ | $\begin{gathered} 97.1 \\ -0.7 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 96.9 \\ -0.2 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 99.7 \\ -2.2 \end{gathered}$ | 98.7 -1.0 |
| Gross domestic product at market prices | $\begin{array}{r} 116.5 \\ 0.4 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 117.2 \\ 0.6 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 119.2 \\ 1.7 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 120.8 \\ 1.3 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 120.8 \\ 0.0 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 120.5 \\ -0.2 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 114.8 \\ 3.0 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 118.4 \\ 3.2 \end{array}$ |
| Final domestic demand | $\begin{array}{r} 113.7 \\ 0.6 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 114.6 \\ 0.8 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 115.1 \\ 0.4 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 115.3 \\ 0.2 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 116.4 \\ 1.0 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 116.4 \\ 0.0 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 112.5 \\ 1.5 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 114.7 \\ 1.9 \end{array}$ |

[^5]
## GDP by industry

The Canadian economy remained stable in June, after registering increases of $0.2 \%$ in April and $0.1 \%$ in May. The production of goods, which has shown signs of weaknesses since the beginning of the year, declined $0.2 \%$ in June. Service industries gained $0.1 \%$. Oil and gas extraction, the manufacturing of chemical products, wholesale trade as well as construction recorded declines, while the manufacturing of motor vehicles and parts, of fabricated metal products, and forestry and logging posted the largest increases.

## Economic growth slows

GDP billions of chained (1997) dollars


For a third consecutive month, the energy sector declined in June ( $-0.8 \%$ ). This loss was largely attributable to a decrease in oil and gas extraction (-3.1\%), particularly of natural gas. Declining prices and high level of inventories of natural gas were the main factors behind this contraction.

The reduced production of oil and natural gas contributed to a $2.7 \%$ decrease in pipeline transportation. However, electricity and natural gas distribution advanced $0.9 \%$ and $3.1 \%$ respectively.

Oil and gas producers reduce their output


Manufacturing output was essentially unchanged in June. Of the 21 major groups, ten, accounting for $54 \%$ of total manufacturing output, boosted their production. An increase in durable goods production ( $+0.4 \%$ ) was offset by a decline in non-durable goods output ( $-0.6 \%$ ). The largest increases were reported by manufacturers of light motor vehicles and parts, fabricated metal products, and computers and electronic equipment. A rise in US demand resulted in an increase in exports of some models of Canadian-made cars. There was, however, a marked decrease in the production of heavy trucks. Manufacturers of chemical and wood products recorded some of the largest decreases.

## Note to readers

A new reference manual, Gross Domestic Product by Industry: Sources and Methods with Industry Details (15-548-XIE, 15-548-XWE, free), is now available. This document describes in detail the data sources used in the derivation of monthly GDP by industry series. For more information on this manual, contact Erika Young (613-951-3631; erika.young@statcan.ca), Industry Accounts Division.

The monthly gross domestic product (GDP) by industry data are chained volume estimates with 1997 as their reference year. This means that the estimates for each industry and aggregate are obtained from a chained volume index multiplied by the industry's value added in 1997. For the period 1997 to 2002, the monthly estimates are benchmarked to annually chained Fisher volume indexes of GDP obtained from the constant-price input-output tables. For the period starting with January 2003, the estimates are derived by chaining a Laspeyres volume index at 2002 prices to the prior period. This makes the monthly GDP by industry estimates more comparable with the expenditurebased GDP data, chained quarterly. For more information, see the Chain Fisher Volume Index page on our website.

Industrial production, the output of mines, factories and utilities, slipped $0.2 \%$, with utilities alone reporting a gain ( $+1.0 \%$ ). In the United States, industrial production increased $0.8 \%$ in June, with the three sectors posting increases.

Construction activities declined $0.3 \%$ for a second consecutive month, largely as a result of a decrease in residential construction (-1.2\%), while non-residential construction edged down $0.1 \%$ and engineering and repair work rose $0.3 \%$.

Wholesale trade fell $0.5 \%$, with notable weakness in sales of motor vehicles and parts and of computers and office equipment. Retail trade advanced $0.2 \%$ in June. New and used car dealers contributed notably to the slower growth of retail trade. Excluding new and used vehicle dealers, retail sales advanced 0.5\%.

A slump in stockbrokers activities (-2.1\%) that began in May contributed to hold back growth in the financial sector in June (+0.1\%). As well, despite a rebound in activity in May, real estate agents and brokers saw a $1.6 \%$ decline in June, in line with the weakening of the home resale market observed since March.

## Main industrial sectors' contribution to total growth June 2006


*Education, health and putbic administration.

## GDP by industry, second quarter 2006

Economy activity grew at a slower pace in the second quarter of 2006 than in the first. An increase in the production of services ( $+0.8 \%$ ) more than offset the decline $(-0.3 \%)$ observed in the goods-producing industries. The growth came mainly from retail and wholesale trade, finance and public administration. For a second consecutive quarter, industrial production (the output of utilities, mines and factories) contracted overall.

Retail trade rose $2.0 \%$, led by increased sales of automotive products, and by pharmacies and retailers of other goods. Wholesale trade continued to grow at a healthy pace (+1.1\%). The main contributors were wholesalers of motor vehicles, of computers and other electronic equipment, and of household and personal products. The financial sector advanced $0.8 \%$ in the second quarter, despite reduced activities in the insurance industries $(-0.1 \%)$, and by real estate agents and brokers ($3.0 \%$ ). The resale market for existing homes declined substantially during this quarter.

Construction activities rose $0.4 \%$ in the second quarter, a much slower pace than in the two previous ones (+2.4\%). All of the strength was in engineering and repair work, as both residential and non-residential building construction fell in the second quarter.

Industrial production dropped $0.6 \%$ in the second quarter, marking a second consecutive quarterly decline. Both the manufacturing and the mining and oil and gas extraction sectors receded, while utilities gained ground. In the United States, industrial production rose $1.5 \%$ with all three sectors showing strength.

Manufacturing output fell $0.5 \%$ during the second quarter. Of the 21 major groups, eleven, accounting for $50 \%$ of total manufacturing output, declined. The production of both non-durable ( $-0.4 \%$ ) and durable goods ( $-0.6 \%$ ) retreated. The appreciation of the Canadian dollar with respect to the US currency during the quarter ( $+2.8 \%$ ) played a role in weakening efforts by export-oriented manufacturers. The mining and oil and gas extraction sector decreased $1.2 \%$ in part because of unexpected maintenance work on oil extraction sites. Output of utilities increased $0.7 \%$, partially offsetting the downturns in the manufacturing and mining sectors.

In the second quarter, output of the federal public administration excluding defence increased $2.5 \%$ largely as a result of the activities related to the 2006 Census.

Real gross domestic product by industry, at basic prices, monthly[1]

|  | January 2006 | February 2006 | $\begin{array}{r} \text { March } \\ 2006 \end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { April } \\ & 2006 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{array}{r} \text { May } \\ 2006 \end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { June } \\ & 2006 \end{aligned}$ | June 2005 to June 2006 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| All industries | Seasonally adjusted at annual rates, millions chained (1997) dollars |  |  |  |  |  | \% |
|  | $\begin{array}{r} 1,091,374 \\ 0.2 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 1,094,713 \\ 0.3 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 1,096,303 \\ 0.1 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 1,098,610 \\ 0.2 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 1,099,622 \\ 0.1 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 1,099,686 \\ 0.0 \end{array}$ | 2.6 |
| Goods-producing industries | $\begin{array}{r} 345,029 \\ -0.5 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 346,534 \\ 0.4 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 345,407 \\ -0.3 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 345,300 \\ -0.0 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 344,741 \\ -0.2 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 344,035 \\ -0.2 \end{array}$ | $\ldots$ |
| Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting | 25,097 1.0 | 25,259 0.6 | 25,111 -0.6 | 25,286 0.7 | 25,383 0.4 | 25,356 -0.1 | 1.3 |
| Mining and oil and gas extraction | 40,422 -2.1 | 40,338 -0.2 | 40,747 1.0 | 40,638 -0.3 | 39,964 -1.7 | 39,393 | 2.1 |
| Utilities | 26,250 | 27,490 4 | 27,348 -0.5 | 27,053 | 27,171 0.4 | 27,444 |  |
| Construction | -4.6 66,866 | 4.7 67,742 | -0.5 67,333 | -1.1 67,825 | 0.4 67,595 | 1.0 67,411 | -2.5 |
| Manufacturing | 0.8 185,556 -0.0 | 1.3 184,962 -0.3 | -0.6 183,920 -0.6 | 0.7 183,585 -0.2 | $183,940$ | $183,931$ | 5.9 $\ldots$ 0.4 |
|  | -0.0 | -0.3 | -0.6 | -0.2 | $0.2$ | $-0.0$ | 0.4 |
| Services-producing industries | $\begin{array}{r} 747,287 \\ 0.5 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 749,109 \\ 0.2 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 751,880 \\ 0.4 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 754,322 \\ 0.3 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 755,921 \\ 0.2 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 756,714 \\ 0.1 \end{array}$ | 3.2 |
| Wholesale trade | 70,813 | 71,095 | 71,220 | 71,411 | 72,222 | 71,885 |  |
|  | 1.9 | 0.4 | 0.2 | 0.3 | 1.1 | -0.5 | 5.9 |
| Retail trade | 63,778 | 63,952 | 64,749 | 65,627 | 65,249 | 65,385 | ... |
|  | 1.1 | 0.3 | 1.2 | 1.4 | -0.6 | 0.2 | 4.9 |
| Transportation and warehousing | 53,033 | 53,168 | 53,430 | 53,645 | 53,608 | 53,726 | $\ldots$ |
|  | -0.2 | 0.3 | 0.5 | 0.4 | -0.1 | 0.2 | 3.7 |
| Information and cultural industries | 44,734 | 44,793 | 44,849 | 44,683 | 44,744 | 45,090 |  |
|  | 0.7 | 0.1 | 0.1 | -0.4 | 0.1 | 0.8 | 1.8 |
| Finance, insurance and real estate | 217,495 | 218,300 | 218,946 | 219,646 | 220,163 | 220,413 |  |
|  | 0.5 | 0.4 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 3.3 |
| Professional, scientific and technical services | 46,372 | 46,372 | 46,524 | 46,441 | 46,529 | 46,600 |  |
|  | 0.3 | 0.0 | 0.3 | -0.2 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 1.6 |
| Administrative and waste management services | 24,273 | 24,319 | 24,509 | 24,637 | 24,863 | 25,031 |  |
|  | 0.4 | 0.2 | 0.8 | 0.5 | 0.9 | 0.7 | 5.2 |
| Educational services | 47,457 | 47,481 | 47,308 | 47,451 | 47,457 | 47,393 |  |
|  | 0.3 | 0.1 | -0.4 | 0.3 | 0.0 | -0.1 | 0.9 |
| Health care and social assistance | 62,847 | 62,980 | 63,197 | 63,282 | 63,345 | 63,369 |  |
|  | 0.3 | 0.2 | 0.3 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 2.4 |
| Arts, entertainment and recreation | 9,602 | 9,557 | 9,719 | 9,935 | 9,782 | 9,793 |  |
|  | -2.2 | -0.5 | 1.7 | 2.2 | -1.5 | 0.1 | 3.5 |
| Accommodation and food services | 23,613 | 23,671 | 23,847 | 23,634 | 23,723 | 23,564 |  |
|  | 0.4 | 0.2 | 0.7 | -0.9 | 0.4 | -0.7 | 1.3 |
| Other services (except public administration) | 26,172 | 26,256 | 26,311 | 26,313 | 26,369 | 26,448 |  |
|  | 0.2 | $0.3$ | 0.2 | 0.0 | $0.2$ | 0.3 | 2.0 |
| Public administration | 59,180 | 59,281 | 59,386 | 59,715 | 60,030 | 60,190 |  |
|  | 0.4 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 0.6 | 0.5 | 0.3 | 2.9 |
| Other aggregations |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Industrial production | 253,740 | 254,245 | 253,661 | 252,919 | 252,485 | 251,987 |  |
|  | -0.9 | 0.2 | -0.2 | -0.3 | -0.2 | -0.2 | 0.5 |
| Non-durable manufacturing industries | $73,136$ | 72,140 | 71,906 | 72,040 | 72,393 | 71,955 |  |
|  | 0.3 | -1.4 | -0.3 | 0.2 | $0.5$ | $-0.6$ | -1.3 |
| Durable manufacturing industries | 112,175 | 112,574 | 111,769 | 111,302 | 111,305 | 111,732 | ... |
|  | -0.2 | 0.4 | -0.7 | -0.4 | 0.0 | 0.4 | 1.6 |
| Business sector industries | 930,348 | 933,472 | 935,041 | 936,764 | 937,446 | 937,348 |  |
|  | 0.2 | 0.3 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 0.1 | -0.0 | 2.7 |
| Non-business sector industries | 161,567 | 161,797 | 161,828 | 162,402 | 162,722 | 162,877 |  |
|  | 0.3 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.4 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 2.2 |
| ICT sector, total | 62,866 | 63,103 | 63,580 | 63,686 | 63,621 | 64,371 |  |
|  | 1.4 | 0.4 | 0.8 | 0.2 | -0.1 | 1.2 | 4.5 |
| Energy sector | 64,269 | $65,369$ | $65,844$ | $65,285$ | $64,769$ | $64,283$ |  |
|  | -2.8 | 1.7 | 0.7 | $-0.8$ | -0.8 | -0.8 | 1.2 |

[^6]Real gross domestic product by industry, at basic prices, quarterly and annually[1]

|  | First quarter 2005 | Second quarter 2005 | Third quarter 2005 | Fourth quarter 2005 | First quarter 2006 | Second quarter 2006 | 2004 | 2005 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Goods-producing industries | Seasonally adjusted at annual rates, millions chained (1997) dollars |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | $\begin{array}{r} 337,012 \\ 0.2 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 338,959 \\ 0.6 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 342,680 \\ 1.1 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 345,288 \\ 0.8 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 345,657 \\ 0.1 \end{array}$ | $344,692$ | $\begin{array}{r} 332,217 \\ 4.1 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 340,985 \\ 2.6 \end{array}$ |
| Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting | 24,746 -0.0 | 25,018 | 25,403 1.5 | 25,036 -1.4 | 25,156 0.5 | 25,342 0.7 | 24,583 6.3 | 25,051 1.9 |
| Mining and oil and gas extraction | -0.0 38,466 | 1.1 39,187 | 1.5 40,354 | -1.4 41,069 | 0.5 40,502 | 0.7 39,998 | 6.3 39,458 | 1.9 39,769 |
|  | -2.2 | 1.9 | 3.0 | 1.8 | -1.4 | -1.2 | 2.8 | 0.8 |
| Utilities | 27,368 | 27,676 | 27,632 | 27,417 | 27,029 | 27,223 | 26,349 | 27,523 |
|  | 1.2 | 1.1 | -0.2 | $\begin{array}{r}-0.8 \\ \hline 6554\end{array}$ | -1.4 67.314 | 0.7 | 0.6 | 4.5 |
| Construction | $\begin{array}{r} 62,352 \\ 1.4 \end{array}$ | 63,251 1.4 | 64,241 1.6 | 65,754 2.4 | 67,314 2.4 | 67,610 0.4 | 60,689 4.6 | 63,900 5.3 |
| Manufacturing | 183,611 | 183,162 | 184,092 | 184,927 | 184,813 | 183,819 | 180,070 | 183,948 |
|  | 0.4 | -0.2 | 0.5 | 0.5 | -0.1 | -0.5 | 4.6 | 2.2 |
| Services-producing industries | $\begin{array}{r} 722,895 \\ 0.9 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 730,301 \\ 1.0 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 736,164 \\ 0.8 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 740,825 \\ 0.6 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 749,425 \\ 1.2 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 755,652 \\ 0.8 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 709,357 \\ 2.7 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 732,546 \\ 3.3 \end{array}$ |
| Wholesale trade | 65,154 | 67,025 | 67,802 | 69,112 | 71,043 | 71,839 | 62,306 | 67,273 |
|  | 1.9 | 2.9 | 1.2 | 1.9 | 2.8 | 1.1 | 5.3 | 8.0 |
| Retail trade | 61,453 | 62,121 | 62,241 | 62,635 | 64,160 | 65,420 | 59,405 | 62,112 |
|  | 1.8 | 1.1 | 0.2 | 0.6 | 2.4 | 2.0 | 3.8 | 4.6 |
| Transportation and warehousing | 51,089 | 51,466 | 52,424 | 52,842 | 53,210 | 53,660 | 49,804 | 51,955 |
|  |  | 0.7 | 1.9 | 0.8 | 0.7 | 0.8 | 4.5 | 4.3 |
| Information and cultural industries | 43,552 | 44,193 | 44,555 | 44,498 | 44,792 | 44,839 | 42,478 | 44,199 |
|  | 1.1 | 1.5 | 0.8 | -0.1 | 0.7 | 0.1 | 1.3 | 4.1 |
| Finance, insurance and real estate | 210,450 | 212,595 | 214,618 | 215,842 | 218,247 | 220,074 | 206,340 | 213,376 |
|  | 1.1 45.554 | 1.0 45.835 | 1.0 45979 | 0.6 46.136 | 1.1 46.423 | 0.8 46.523 | 3.4 45.343 | 3.4 45,876 |
| Professional, scientific and technical services | 45,554 -0.0 | 45,835 0.6 | 45,979 0.3 | 46,136 0.3 | 46,423 0.6 | 46,523 0.2 | 45,343 2.0 | 45,876 1.2 |
| Administrative and waste management services | 23,464 | 23,727 | 23,877 | 24,080 | 24,367 | 24,844 | 23,051 | 23,787 |
|  | 0.9 | 1.1 | 0.6 | 0.8 | 1.2 | 2.0 | 2.2 | 3.2 |
| Educational services | 46,328 | 46,788 | 47,160 | 47,015 | 47,415 | 47,434 | 45,404 | 46,823 |
|  | 0.8 | 1.0 | 0.8 | -0.3 | 0.9 | 0.0 | 0.9 | 3.1 |
| Health care and social assistance | 61,131 | 61,572 | 62,169 | 62,556 | 63,008 | 63,332 | 61,012 | 61,857 |
|  | -0.2 | 0.7 | 1.0 | 0.6 | 0.7 | 0.5 | 1.5 | 1.4 |
| Arts, entertainment and recreation | 9,362 | 9,365 | 9,532 | 9,753 | 9,626 | 9,837 | 9,425 | 9,503 |
|  | 1.7 | 0.0 | 1.8 | 2.3 | -1.3 | 2.2 | 0.6 | 0.8 |
| Accommodation and food services | 23,178 | 23,140 | 23,116 | 23,359 | 23,710 | 23,640 | 22,925 | 23,198 |
|  | 0.8 | -0.2 | -0.1 | 1.0 | 1.5 | -0.3 | 1.5 | 1.2 |
| Other services (except public administration) | 25,809 | 25,917 | 25,953 | 26,055 | 26,246 | 26,377 | 25,541 | 25,934 |
|  | 0.2 | 0.4 | 0.1 | 0.4 | 0.7 | 0.5 | 1.5 | 1.5 |
| Public administration | $57,980$ | $58,365$ | $58,594$ | $58,867$ | $59,282$ | $59,978$ | $57,523$ | 58,452 |
|  | 0.7 | 0.7 | 0.4 | 0.5 | 0.7 | 1.2 | 0.9 | 1.6 |
| Other aggregations |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Industrial production | 250,396 | 251,208 | 253,579 | 255,102 | 253,882 | 252,464 | 247,374 | 252,571 |
|  | -0.0 | 0.3 | 0.9 | 0.6 | -0.5 | -0.6 | 3.8 | 2.1 |
| Non-durable manufacturing industries | 73,653 | 73,234 | 73,517 | 72,960 | 72,394 | 72,129 | 73,714 | 73,341 |
|  | -0.6 | -0.6 | 0.4 | -0.8 | -0.8 | -0.4 | 2.0 | -0.5 |
| Durable manufacturing industries | 109,722 | 109,691 | 110,336 | 111,722 | 112,173 | 111,446 | 106,132 | 110,368 |
|  | 1.1 | -0.0 | 0.6 | 1.3 | 0.4 | -0.6 | 6.5 | 4.0 |
| Business sector industries | 901,940 | 910,047 | 918,366 | 925,260 | 932,954 | 937,186 | 884,924 | 913,903 |
|  | 0.7 | 0.9 | 0.9 | 0.8 | 0.8 | 0.5 | 3.6 | 3.3 |
| Non-business sector industries | 157,604 | 158,822 | $160,108$ | 160,521 | $161,731$ | 162,667 | 156,250 | 159,264 |
|  | 0.4 | 0.8 | 0.8 | 0.3 | $0.8$ | 0.6 | 1.0 | 1.9 |
| ICT sector, total | 60,153 | 61,111 | 61,936 | 62,084 | 63,183 | 63,893 | 58,112 | 61,321 |
|  | 1.6 | 1.6 | 1.4 | 0.2 | 1.8 | 1.1 | 4.3 | 5.5 |
| Energy sector | 62,842 | 63,817 | 65,170 | 65,938 | 65,161 | 64,779 | 63,109 | 64,441 |
|  | -1.2 | 1.6 | 2.1 | 1.2 | -1.2 | -0.6 | 1.8 | 2.1 |

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## Balance of international payments

Second quarter 2006

## Highlights

Canada's current account surplus with the rest of the world, on a seasonally adjusted basis, fell by $\$ 4.0$ billion in the second quarter to $\$ 4.2$ billion. This was the second consecutive important decrease in the surplus after it had peaked at the end of 2005. As in the previous quarter, most of the decline came from a lower surplus on trade in goods.

## Current account surplus down sharply again



In the capital and financial account (not seasonally adjusted), Canada's international assets and liabilities grew strongly in roughly equal measures for a second consecutive quarter. The increase to Canada's foreign assets came, in part, from near record acquisitions by portfolio investors.

## Current account

## Goods surplus falls again

The surplus on trade in goods decreased $\$ 3.8$ billion to $\$ 12.8$ billion in the second quarter following a similar reduction in the first quarter. While the first quarter saw imports and exports decline, second quarter exports continued to decline while imports rebounded.

Exports shrank $\$ 2.0$ billion to $\$ 112.5$ billion while imports rose $\$ 1.8$ billion to a record $\$ 99.7$ billion.

The value of energy product exports improved somewhat in the second quarter, following a drop of $\$ 4.5$ billion in the previous quarter. While prices of natural gas continued to diminish, prices of crude petroleum rose by more than $20 \%$ during the quarter, notably due to much higher prices for heavy crude petroleum which accounted for roughly twothirds of the total export volume.

[^8]
## Goods surplus all from energy



Lower exports of cars during the second quarter resulted in a $\$ 1.7$ billion reduction in exports of automotive products. This was the lowest level of exports for this group of products since 1998.

Machinery and equipment exports fell $\$ 0.8$ billion during the quarter, the drop being spread among most of the components while forestry products continued their downward trend which started two years ago. These decreases were partly offset by an improved performance for industrial goods, notably metal and alloys products.

Imports of energy products rose $\$ 1.8$ billion in the second quarter. Crude petroleum accounted for most of the rise as both prices and volumes went up while petroleum and coal products also registered a significant increase.

## Deficit on investment income widens

The deficit on investment income increased $\$ 0.4$ billion to $\$ 4.4$ billion. Despite a second consecutive increase, the deficit remained low on an historical basis.

Investment income deficit widens but remains historically low


Profits earned by non-residents on their direct investments in Canada remained relatively stable in the second quarter. However, the dividends paid declined to more normal levels after two consecutive quarters above the $\$ 5$ billion level. At the same time, the profits earned by Canadian direct investors went down $\$ 0.8$ billion.

Receipts of interest on foreign bonds and money market instruments increased for the ninth consecutive quarter as Canadians continued to augment their holdings of such securities. Payments of interest on Canadian portfolio liabilities remained low, as lower payments on bonds were partly offset by higher transactions related to money market instruments.

## Services deficit up slightly again

The services deficit increased $\$ 0.3$ billion during the second quarter to $\$ 4.5$ billion, another record. Higher payments for transportation services were the main contributor to the increase with the travel deficit remaining high. Both commercial service exports and imports registered similar increases and the deficit stayed at $\$ 0.8$ billion.

Canadian travellers have again increased their international payments in the second quarter, notably in countries other than the United States. However, for the first quarter since the end of 2004, there was an increase in spending by U.S. travellers in Canada.

While the total number of travellers from the United States coming to Canada decreased slightly in the second quarter, there was a larger number of people staying at least one night in the country. On average, this group of travellers stay three to four days in the country and spend eight times more than same-day travellers.

## Financial account

## Near record investment in foreign securities

Canadians purchased $\$ 18.8$ billion of foreign securities in the second quarter, consisting of bonds and equities. Together with the record first quarter buying, the back-toback quarters showed a $\$ 38.7$ billion investment, already over $60 \%$ of the record total for 2000.

Strong investment in foreign securities continues ${ }^{1}$


1. Reverse of Balance of Payments signs.

Two-thirds of the $\$ 18.8$ billion investment was in foreign bonds, a high-water mark for a second straight quarter. The investment in foreign bonds was roughly split between US corporate bonds and overseas bonds. Canadian investment in US treasuries was little changed after 10 quarters of investment. Similar to the first quarter, some of the Canadian investment was channelled into "maple bonds". Foreign issuers have been marketing their debt in Canada for some time now. Typically, the bonds are denominated in Canadian dollars and sold to institutional investors.

The second quarter saw Canadian investors again buy large amounts of foreign equities, totalling $\$ 7.6$ billion. Canadian pension funds have been particularly active in acquiring foreign shares. Just over half of the total was in US shares with the remainder in overseas equities. At the same time, Canadian investors sold back the $\$ 1.1$ billion worth of foreign money market paper they acquired in the
first quarter. During the second quarter, investors bought $\$ 1.6$ billion of US paper but sold $\$ 2.8$ billion of overseas paper.

## Direct investment abroad up strongly from a low in quarter one

An $\$ 11$ billion injection into foreign economies by Canadian direct investors was a return to a more usual level of investment comparable to those observed over the last few years. The first quarter investment of $\$ 7.3$ billion was the lowest quarterly amount in two years. Most of the investments in the current quarter were injections of working capital into existing foreign affiliates. From an industry perspective, investment was concentrated in the finance and insurance sector. Direct investment abroad was well spread geographically, led by investment in Europe.

Canadian direct investment abroad rebounds ${ }^{1}$


- Other Canadian direct investment abroad - Acquisition of direct investment interest

1. Reverse of Balance of Payments signs.

## Foreign direct investment lower in Canada after three strong quarters

In the second quarter, foreign direct investors injected \$8.4 billion into the Canadian economy, down from the average of $\$ 14.4$ billion of the past three quarters. The foreign investment was split between acquisitions, advances of working capital and strong reinvested earnings. While there have been a number of announcements of major foreign acquisitions during the second quarter, many of these have not formally closed. Much of the quarter-two investment came from American investors and was widely spread by industry.

## Strongest foreign investment in Canadian securities in six quarters

Foreign portfolio investment strengthened in the current quarter as investors bought equities and money market paper. They bought $\$ 10.4$ billion worth of Canadian securities in the quarter which exceeded investment for all of 2005 .

Equities lead foreign investment in Canadian securities


Foreign investors bought $\$ 9.1$ billion worth of equities during the quarter despite a falling S\&P/TSX Composite Index. The investment came largely from the United States while investment from British investors was offset by sales of other Europeans.

## Biggest quarterly foreign investment in Canadian paper since 1997

Foreign investors made a significant investment in Canadian money market paper for a third consecutive quarter. They bought $\$ 4.6$ billion worth of Canadian money market paper after buying a similar amount in the two previous quarters. Over half of the investment went to paper issued by federal enterprises with the remainder spread between corporate and government paper. Regionally, investors out of the US and UK led the buying. Short-term rates continued upward in the United States and in Canada, with the differential favouring investment in the US narrowing to just under one-half of a percentage point.

Largest foreign investment in Canadian paper in almost 10 years


Non-residents continued to sell Canadian bonds for a fourth straight quarter. The foreign divestment of $\$ 3.2$ billion in the second quarter was the largest of the four quarters, which have totalled $\$ 8.9$ billion. In quarter-two, they sold federal government and corporate bonds but bought some bonds issued by federal enterprises. Regionally, the divestment came mainly from the US and emerging economies countered by some buying from European investors. On a currency basis, the foreign selling was largely in Canadian bonds denominated in US dollars. However, there were purchases of bonds denominated in other foreign currencies.

## Transactions in deposits, loans and reserves

The other investment account recorded a large net inflow of $\$ 13.8$ billion. The inflow was mostly related to higher deposit liabilities and secondly loan liabilities. Deposits and loans also increased strongly on the asset side partly offsetting the increased liabilities. The Canadian dollar jumped 4 full cents during the quarter to close at 89.6 US cents against its American counterpart. The Canadian dollar declined somewhat against most other major foreign currencies except the yen.

Balance of payments

|  | First quarter 2005 | Second quarter 2005 | Third quarter 2005 | Fourth quarter 2005 | First quarter 2006 | Second quarter 2006 | 2004 | 2005 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Not seasonally adjusted, millions of dollars |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Current account |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Receipts |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Goods and services | 120,833 | 130,461 | 131,581 | 135,153 | 128,368 | 132,351 | 492,984 | 518,028 |
| Goods | 106,140 | 114,276 | 112,599 | 120,045 | 113,539 | 115,963 | 429,121 | 453,060 |
| Services | 14,693 | 16,185 | 18,982 | 15,108 | 14,829 | 16,388 | 63,863 | 64,968 |
| Investment income | 10,528 | 12,805 | 11,307 | 13,559 | 13,381 | 12,989 | 37,532 | 48,199 |
| Direct investment | 5,721 | 7,120 | 5,467 | 7,686 | 7,265 | 6,804 | 20,677 | 25,994 |
| Portfolio investment | 2,911 | 3,069 | 3,208 | 3,455 | 3,506 | 3,691 | 10,182 | 12,644 |
| Other investment | 1,896 | 2,616 | 2,631 | 2,418 | 2,610 | 2,494 | 6,673 | 9,561 |
| Current transfers | 2,292 | 1,830 | 1,816 | 2,128 | 3,011 | 2,103 | 7,427 | 8,066 |
| Current account receipts | 133,653 | 145,097 | 144,704 | 150,839 | 144,760 | 147,443 | 537,943 | 574,293 |
| Payments |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Goods and services | 112,345 | 121,145 | 115,462 | 117,945 | 117,794 | 125,672 | 440,218 | 466,896 |
| Goods | 92,521 | 101,457 | 95,584 | 98,649 | 96,942 | 104,744 | 363,639 | 388,210 |
| Services | 19,824 | 19,688 | 19,878 | 19,296 | 20,852 | 20,928 | 76,580 | 78,686 |
| Investment income | 15,747 | 17,154 | 17,027 | 17,082 | 18,012 | 17,638 | 62,346 | 67,010 |
| Direct investment | 6,635 | 7,898 | 8,338 | 8,082 | 7,815 | 8,371 | 27,489 | 30,953 |
| Portfolio investment | 6,740 | 6,838 | 6,848 | 6,765 | 6,133 | 6,111 | 28,139 | 27,192 |
| Other investment | 2,371 | 2,418 | 1,842 | 2,234 | 4,063 | 3,156 | 6,717 | 8,865 |
| Current transfers | 3,133 | 1,651 | 1,817 | 1,985 | 3,512 | 1,687 | 7,746 | 8,585 |
| Current account payments | 131,224 | 139,950 | 134,306 | 137,011 | 139,318 | 144,997 | 510,310 | 542,491 |
| Balances |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Goods and services | 8,488 | 9,316 | 16,119 | 17,208 | 10,573 | 6,678 | 52,765 | 51,132 |
| Goods | 13,620 | 12,819 | 17,015 | 21,396 | 16,597 | 11,219 | 65,482 | 64,850 |
| Services | -5,131 | -3,503 | -896 | -4,188 | -6,024 | -4,541 | -12,717 | -13,718 |
| Investment income | -5,219 | -4,349 | -5,720 | -3,523 | -4,631 | -4,649 | -24,814 | -18,811 |
| Direct investment | -915 | -778 | -2,870 | -397 | -550 | -1,567 | -6,812 | -4,960 |
| Portfolio investment | -3,829 | -3,769 | -3,640 | -3,310 | -2,628 | -2,420 | -17,957 | -14,548 |
| Other investment | -475 | 198 | 790 | 184 | -1,454 | -662 | -44 | 696 |
| Current transfers | -841 | 180 | -1 | 143 | -501 | 417 | -319 | -519 |
| Current account balance | 2,429 | 5,147 | 10,398 | 13,828 | 5,442 | 2,446 | 27,633 | 31,802 |
| Capital and financial account[1] |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Capital account | 1,472 | 1,712 | 1,769 | 979 | 1,016 | 1,003 | 4,449 | 5,932 |
| Financial account | -12,391 | -9,624 | -7,236 | $-5,857$ | -10,842 | 2,787 | -36,956 | -35,109 |
| Canadian assets, net flows |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Canadian direct investment abroad | -9,229 | -8,180 | -12,786 | -11,105 | -7,271 | -10,990 | -56,274 | -41,300 |
| Portfolio investment | -9,073 | -11,991 | -18,291 | -12,297 | -19,888 | -18,833 | -24,369 | -51,652 |
| Foreign bonds | -6,284 | -5,601 | -9,234 | -6,496 | -10,633 | -12,339 | -15,290 | -27,615 |
| Foreign stocks | -3,091 | -5,263 | -8,407 | -5,187 | -8,250 | -7,623 | -8,092 | -21,947 |
| Foreign money market | 302 | -1,127 | -651 | -614 | -1,005 | 1,129 | -987 | -2,089 |
| Other investment | -15,351 | -2,775 | -13,277 | 9,238 | -20,575 | -18,047 | -7,396 | -22,164 |
| Loans | -334 | 3,886 | -251 | 5,229 | -1,936 | -4,323 | 3,505 | 8,529 |
| Deposits | -9,372 | -4,448 | -12,911 | 11,043 | -11,990 | -13,866 | -10,666 | -15,688 |
| Official international reserves | -3,437 | 585 | 1,092 | 108 | -3,800 | 899 | 3,427 | -1,653 |
| Other assets | -2,206 | -2,798 | -1,207 | -7,141 | -2,849 | -757 | -3,662 | -13,352 |
| Total Canadian assets, net flows | -33,652 | -22,946 | -44,355 | -14,164 | -47,734 | -47,869 | -88,039 | -115,116 |
| Canadian liabilities, net flows |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Foreign direct investment in Canada | 6,445 | 5,295 | 14,109 | 15,135 | 14,094 | 8,352 | 1,995 | 40,984 |
| Portfolio investment | 5,362 | -807 | 3,836 | 81 | 8,546 | 10,415 | 54,267 | 8,472 |
| Canadian bonds | 2,067 | 896 | -1,934 | -2,212 | -1,514 | -3,244 | 18,955 | -1,183 |
| Canadian stocks | 5,235 | -2,679 | 7,389 | -812 | 8,046 | 9,108 | 35,742 | 9,133 |
| Canadian money market | -1,940 | 976 | -1,619 | 3,105 | 2,013 | 4,550 | -429 | 522 |
| Other investment | 9,453 | 8,834 | 19,174 | -6,910 | 14,252 | 31,889 | -5,179 | 30,551 |
| Loans | 7,710 | 3,249 | -5,423 | -3,528 | 2,476 | 4,852 | -2,345 | 2,007 |
| Deposits | -1,235 | 5,187 | 24,654 | 336 | 11,052 | 27,067 | -531 | 28,942 |
| Other liabilities | 2,979 | 398 | -58 | -3,717 | 724 | -30 | -2,303 | -398 |
| Total Canadian liabilities, net flows | 21,261 | 13,322 | 37,118 | 8,307 | 36,892 | 50,656 | 51,083 | 80,008 |
| Total capital and financial account, net flows | -10,920 | -7,912 | -5,467 | -4,878 | -9,826 | 3,790 | -32,507 | -29,177 |
| Statistical discrepancy | 8,491 | 2,765 | -4,931 | -8,951 | 4,384 | -6,235 | 4,874 | -2,625 |

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## Current account

|  | First quarter 2005 | Second quarter 2005 | Third quarter 2005 | Fourth quarter 2005 | First quarter 2006 | Second quarter 2006 | 2004 | 2005 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Seasonally adjusted at quarterly rates, millions of dollars |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Receipts |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Goods and services | 124,184 | 126,139 | 131,319 | 136,386 | 130,613 | 128,861 | 492,984 | 518,028 |
| Goods | 107,964 | 109,942 | 115,095 | 120,060 | 114,528 | 112,506 | 429,121 | 453,060 |
| Services | 16,220 | 16,197 | 16,225 | 16,327 | 16,084 | 16,355 | 63,863 | 64,968 |
| Travel | 4,218 | 4,107 | 4,100 | 4,035 | 3,914 | 4,036 | 16,745 | 16,460 |
| Transportation | 2,882 | 2,842 | 2,919 | 2,989 | 3,019 | 2,990 | 11,024 | 11,632 |
| Commercial services | 8,700 | 8,808 | 8,742 | 8,865 | 8,714 | 8,918 | 34,511 | 35,115 |
| Government services | 420 | 441 | 463 | 438 | 438 | 410 | 1,582 | 1,761 |
| Investment income | 10,709 | 12,516 | 11,433 | 13,541 | 13,452 | 12,693 | 37,532 | 48,199 |
| Direct investment | 5,827 | 6,925 | 5,613 | 7,629 | 7,277 | 6,587 | 20,677 | 25,994 |
| Interest | 235 | 310 | 340 | 391 | 259 | 319 | 754 | 1,275 |
| Profits | 5,592 | 6,615 | 5,273 | 7,239 | 7,018 | 6,268 | 19,923 | 24,718 |
| Portfolio investment | 2,922 | 3,067 | 3,217 | 3,438 | 3,563 | 3,672 | 10,182 | 12,644 |
| Interest | 861 | 912 | 1,042 | 1,190 | 1,221 | 1,336 | 2,387 | 4,006 |
| Dividends | 2,061 | 2,155 | 2,175 | 2,248 | 2,342 | 2,335 | 7,795 | 8,638 |
| Other investment | 1,960 | 2,524 | 2,603 | 2,474 | 2,612 | 2,435 | 6,673 | 9,561 |
| Current transfers | 1,941 | 2,010 | 2,060 | 2,056 | 2,616 | 2,335 | 7,427 | 8,066 |
| Private | 690 | 623 | 661 | 614 | 714 | 693 | 2,785 | 2,587 |
| Official | 1,250 | 1,387 | 1,400 | 1,442 | 1,902 | 1,642 | 4,642 | 5,479 |
| Total receipts | 136,833 | 140,665 | 144,812 | 151,983 | 146,681 | 143,888 | 537,943 | 574,293 |
| Payments |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Goods and services | 114,273 | 115,910 | 117,075 | 119,637 | 118,227 | 120,565 | 440,218 | 466,896 |
| Goods | 94,969 | 96,183 | 97,493 | 99,565 | 97,933 | 99,734 | 363,639 | 388,210 |
| Services | 19,305 | 19,727 | 19,582 | 20,072 | 20,294 | 20,831 | 76,580 | 78,686 |
| Travel | 5,497 | 5,526 | 5,520 | 5,717 | 5,790 | 5,869 | 20,747 | 22,260 |
| Transportation | 4,221 | 4,391 | 4,413 | 4,503 | 4,719 | 4,940 | 16,001 | 17,528 |
| Commercial services | 9,346 | 9,571 | 9,413 | 9,615 | 9,545 | 9,758 | 38,885 | 37,946 |
| Government services | 240 | 238 | 237 | 237 | 240 | 264 | 946 | 952 |
| Investment income | 15,373 | 16,855 | 17,604 | 17,177 | 17,424 | 17,079 | 62,346 | 67,010 |
| Direct investment | 6,665 | 7,429 | 8,726 | 8,134 | 7,709 | 7,555 | 27,489 | 30,953 |
| Interest | 578 | 582 | 579 | 574 | 578 | 579 | 2,280 | 2,313 |
| Profits | 6,087 | 6,847 | 8,147 | 7,559 | 7,130 | 6,977 | 25,209 | 28,640 |
| Portfolio investment | 6,772 | 6,839 | 6,823 | 6,758 | 6,180 | 6,133 | 28,139 | 27,192 |
| Interest | 5,855 | 5,937 | 5,799 | 5,649 | 5,404 | 5,394 | 24,137 | 23,239 |
| Dividends | 918 | 903 | 1,024 | 1,109 | 776 | 739 | 4,003 | 3,953 |
| Other investment | 1,936 | 2,587 | 2,056 | 2,286 | 3,535 | 3,391 | 6,717 | 8,865 |
| Current transfers | 2,393 | 2,012 | 2,037 | 2,143 | 2,853 | 2,050 | 7,746 | 8,585 |
| Private | 1,180 | 1,202 | 1,202 | 1,228 | 1,940 | 1,266 | 4,657 | 4,812 |
| Official | 1,214 | 810 | 835 | 915 | 913 | 783 | 3,089 | 3,773 |
| Total payments | 132,040 | 134,777 | 136,717 | 138,957 | 138,503 | 139,694 | 510,310 | 542,491 |
| Balances |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Goods and services | 9,911 | 10,229 | 14,244 | 16,749 | 12,386 | 8,295 | 52,765 | 51,132 |
| Goods | 12,995 | 13,759 | 17,602 | 20,494 | 16,595 | 12,772 | 65,482 | 64,850 |
| Services | -3,084 | -3,530 | -3,358 | -3,745 | -4,209 | -4,476 | -12,717 | -13,718 |
| Travel | -1,279 | -1,420 | -1,419 | -1,682 | -1,876 | -1,833 | -4,002 | -5,800 |
| Transportation | -1,339 | -1,550 | -1,494 | -1,515 | -1,701 | -1,950 | -4,977 | -5,897 |
| Commercial services | -646 | -763 | -671 | -750 | -831 | -840 | -4,374 | -2,831 |
| Government services | 180 | 203 | 226 | 201 | 199 | 146 | 636 | 810 |
| Investment income | -4,664 | -4,339 | -6,172 | -3,636 | -3,972 | -4,386 | -24,814 | -18,811 |
| Direct investment | -838 | -504 | -3,113 | -505 | -432 | -969 | -6,812 | -4,960 |
| Interest | -342 | -272 | -239 | -184 | -320 | -260 | -1,527 | -1,038 |
| Profits | -496 | -232 | -2,874 | -321 | -112 | -709 | -5,286 | -3,922 |
| Portfolio investment | -3,850 | -3,772 | -3,606 | -3,320 | -2,618 | -2,461 | -17,957 | -14,548 |
| Interest | -4,993 | -5,024 | -4,757 | -4,459 | -4,183 | -4,057 | -21,750 | -19,234 |
| Dividends | 1,143 | 1,253 | 1,151 | 1,139 | 1,566 | 1,596 | 3,793 | 4,686 |
| Other investment | 24 | -64 | 547 | 188 | -923 | -956 | -44 | 696 |
| Current transfers | -453 | -2 | 23 | -87 | -236 | 285 | -319 | -519 |
| Private | -490 | -579 | -542 | -614 | -1,225 | -574 | -1,872 | -2,225 |
| Official | 37 | 577 | 564 | 528 | 989 | 859 | 1,554 | 1,706 |
| Current account | 4,794 | 5,888 | 8,095 | 13,026 | 8,178 | 4,194 | 27,633 | 31,802 |

## Financial flows

Second quarter 2006

Total funds raised by domestic non-financial sectors on credit markets amounted to $\$ 89.5$ billion in the second quarter of 2006 (seasonally adjusted at annual rates), down sharply from the first quarter of 2006. This reflected a significant reduction in public sector debt and an easing in the demand for funds by the private sector. The ratio of total funds raised by domestic non-financial private sectors to final domestic demand was $9.4 \%$ in the second quarter, a drop from $10.4 \%$ in the previous quarter.

## Total funds raised by all domestic non-financial

 sectors fall backBillions of dollars, seasonally adjusted at annual rates


- Total funds rais ed by all domestic non-financial sectors

The correction in the Toronto stock market was a highlight of the quarter. Financial markets were further marked with rising interest rates, including mortgage rates and bond yields. The Canadian dollar continued to gain strength, closing the quarter just under the 90 cents mark.

## Household borrowing remains steady

Household borrowing remained steady in the second quarter. Mortgage demand eased, reflecting slower residential investment. While overall consumer spending remained strong, weakness in expenditures on durable goods-in particular motor vehicles-translated into slower consumer debt growth.

Total household debt, the sum of mortgages and consumer credit, edged up. Debt amounted to $109.2 \%$ of personal disposable income. However, debt servicing charges remained stable at about 8\% of personal disposable income.

The saving rate was $1.0 \%$ in the second quarter following the special pension contribution-driven hike in the first quarter. Correspondingly, household financial assets accumulated at a slower pace, largely accounted for in pension assets and shares (including mutual funds).

## Household borrowing steady



## Note to readers

The Financial Flow Accounts (FFA) measure net lending or borrowing by examining financial transactions in the economy by sector. The FFA arrive at a measure of net financial investment which is the difference between change in financial assets and liabilities. (e.g., net purchases of securities less net issuance of securities).

The Financial Flow Accounts also provide the link between financial and non-financial activity in the economy which ties estimates of saving and non-financial asset formation (e.g., investment in new housing) with the underlying financial transactions.

## Corporations continue to save in excess of their capital spending needs

Corporations continued to internally generate more than enough funds to finance strong fixed capital investment, which was led by investment in machinery and engineering structures as well as in inventories in the second quarter. As a result, the corporate sector maintained its position as net lenders to the rest of the economy.

Demand for funds by non-financial private corporations was correspondingly down in the quarter, reflected in bonds and equities. Net new share issues fell back after a strong first quarter, a likely impact of stock price declines.

Corporate net lending continues


## Government surplus up, borrowing down

In the second quarter, the government sector surplus widened substantially, and government debt was repaid on a net basis. In particular, the federal government redeemed short-term debt and both the federal and provincial governments reduced bond debt. This net repayment reflected reduced current expenditures in the quarter combined with stable capital finance requirements.

Total government marketable debt reduced

Billions of dollars. seasorelly adiusted at annual rates


Financial market summary table

|  | First quarter 2005 | Second quarter 2005 | Third quarter 2005 | Fourth quarter 2005 | First quarter 2006 | Second quarter 2006 | 2004 | 2005 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Seasonally adjusted data at annual rates, millions of dollars |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Funds raised: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Persons and unincorporated business | 61,516 | 63,032 | 64,476 | 64,564 | 67,424 | 67,996 | 61,280 | 63,397 |
| Consumer credit | 21,576 | 21,824 | 21,864 | 21,404 | 21,844 | 21,612 | 21,329 | 21,667 |
| Bank loans | 2,684 | 1,332 | 1,276 | 1,148 | 1,872 | 3,604 | 1,535 | 1,610 |
| Other loans | 436 | 1,288 | 1,308 | 1,212 | 1,432 | 56 | 3,072 | 1,061 |
| Mortgages | 36,820 | 38,588 | 40,028 | 40,800 | 42,276 | 42,724 | 35,344 | 39,059 |
| Non-financial private corporations | 53,260 | 47,632 | 59,976 | 54,748 | 74,588 | 60,996 | 51,282 | 53,904 |
| Bank loans | 4,108 | 5,820 | -1,188 | 9,736 | 11,840 | 14,796 | 8,953 | 4,619 |
| Other loans | 4,200 | 4,904 | 1,380 | -336 | 5,712 | 10,332 | -4,671 | 2,537 |
| Other short-term paper | 5,364 | -448 | 9,548 | 1,236 | 10,488 | 15,828 | 2,654 | 3,925 |
| Mortgages | 7,296 | 7,692 | 11,068 | 12,228 | 11,248 | 11,520 | 6,442 | 9,571 |
| Bonds | 13,256 | 11,908 | 20,392 | 12,624 | 13,776 | -7,292 | 16,065 | 14,545 |
| Shares | 19,036 | 17,756 | 18,776 | 19,260 | 21,524 | 15,812 | 21,839 | 18,707 |
| Non-financial government enterprises | -760 | 1,008 | -1,308 | 232 | 224 | 560 | -1,654 | -207 |
| Bank loans | -304 | -312 | 580 | 56 | -364 | 768 | 7 | 5 |
| Other loans | -40 | 3,068 | -1,136 | -928 | 724 | 736 | 250 | 241 |
| Other short-term paper | -2,748 | -912 | 1,612 | 1,424 | 1,148 | -1,636 | -1,160 | -156 |
| Mortgages | -4 | 12 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | -4 | 2 |
| Bonds | 2,336 | -848 | -2,364 | -320 | -1,284 | 692 | -747 | -299 |
| Shares | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Federal government | 27,312 | -17,796 | 440 | -720 | 2,988 | -32,540 | -18,791 | 2,309 |
| Bank loans | 160 | 136 | 132 | 136 | 156 | 128 | 140 | 141 |
| Other loans | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Canada short-term paper | 33,064 | -8,200 | 11,108 | 8,172 | 13,500 | -26,792 | -55 | 11,036 |
| Canada Savings Bonds | -2,656 | -1,644 | -1,572 | -1,132 | -2,420 | -1,504 | -1,443 | -1,751 |
| Other bonds | -3,256 | -8,088 | -9,228 | -7,896 | -8,248 | -4,372 | -17,433 | -7,117 |
| Other levels of government | 16,540 | 19,052 | -4,820 | 8,164 | 692 | -7,552 | 18,346 | 9,734 |
| Bank loans | -72 | 168 | 248 | 492 | 856 | -216 | -502 | 209 |
| Other loans | 1,180 | 248 | 732 | 768 | -224 | 176 | 1,090 | 732 |
| Other short-term paper | -17,344 | -4,220 | -5,036 | 8,840 | 4,612 | 1,012 | -1,764 | -4,440 |
| Mortgages | -16 | -12 | -12 | -12 | 4 | -120 | -33 | -13 |
| Provincial bonds | 31,036 | 22,072 | -3,684 | -2,832 | -6,364 | -8,988 | 17,334 | 11,648 |
| Municipal bonds | 1,332 | 832 | 2,368 | 628 | 1,656 | 512 | 1,878 | 1,290 |
| Other bonds | 424 | -36 | 564 | 280 | 152 | 72 | 343 | 308 |
| Total funds raised by domestic non-financial sectors | 157,868 | 112,928 | 118,764 | 126,988 | 145,916 | 89,460 | 110,463 | 129,137 |
| Consumer credit | 21,576 | 21,824 | 21,864 | 21,404 | 21,844 | 21,612 | 21,329 | 21,667 |
| Bank loans | 6,576 | 7,144 | 1,048 | 11,568 | 14,360 | 19,080 | 10,133 | 6,584 |
| Other loans | 5,776 | 9,508 | 2,284 | 716 | 7,644 | 11,300 | -259 | 4,571 |
| Canada short-term paper | 33,064 | -8,200 | 11,108 | 8,172 | 13,500 | -26,792 | -55 | 11,036 |
| Other short-term paper | -14,728 | -5,580 | 6,124 | 11,500 | 16,248 | 15,204 | -270 | -671 |
| Mortgages | 44,096 | 46,280 | 51,084 | 53,016 | 53,528 | 54,124 | 41,749 | 48,619 |
| Bonds | 42,472 | 24,196 | 6,476 | 1,352 | -2,732 | -20,880 | 15,997 | 18,624 |
| Shares | 19,036 | 17,756 | 18,776 | 19,260 | 21,524 | 15,812 | 21,839 | 18,707 |

Sector accounts - Persons and unincorporated businesses[1]

|  | First quarter 2005 | Second quarter 2005 | Third quarter 2005 | Fourth quarter 2005 | First quarter 2006 | Second quarter 2006 | 2004 | 2005 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Income | Seasonally adjusted data at annual rates, millions of dollars |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 1,005,028 | 1,020,336 | 1,036,668 | 1,048,900 | 1,079,024 | 1,074,872 | 979,012 | 1,027,733 |
|  | 0.9 | 1.5 | 1.6 | 1.2 | 2.9 | -0.4 | 5.0 | 5.0 |
| Wages, salaries and supplementary labour income | 672,252 | 682,340 | 694,340 | 703,668 | 720,672 | 721,844 | 651,888 | 688,150 |
|  | 1.5 | 1.5 | 1.8 | 1.3 | 2.4 | 0.2 | 5.0 | 5.6 |
| Unincorporated business net income[2] | 85,516 | 85,764 | 86,556 | 86,988 | 87,408 | 88,020 | 84,084 | 86,206 |
|  | 0.1 | 0.3 | 0.9 | 0.5 | 0.5 | 0.7 | 7.3 | 2.5 |
| Interest, dividends and miscellaneous investment income | 112,204 1.2 | 113,304 | 115,184 1.7 | 117,416 1.9 | 119,336 1.6 | 121,208 | 108,958 4.2 | 114,527 5.1 |
| Current transfers from government | 130,868 | 134,976 | 136,436 | 136,792 | 147,128 | 139,392 | 129,956 | 134,768 |
|  | -1.5 | 3.1 | 1.1 | 0.3 | 7.6 | -5.3 | 4.2 | 3.7 |
| Current transfers from corporations | 1,428 | 1,464 | 1,512 | 1,580 | 1,624 | 1,640 | 1,341 | 1,496 |
|  | 7.2 | 2.5 | 3.3 | 4.5 | 2.8 | 1.0 | 9.5 | 11.6 |
| Current transfers from non-residents | 2,760 | 2,488 | 2,640 | 2,456 | 2,856 | 2,768 | 2,785 | 2,586 |
|  | -1.1 | -9.9 | 6.1 | -7.0 | 16.3 | -3.1 | 7.7 | -7.1 |
| Outlay | 995,412 | 1,012,380 | 1,026,644 | 1,038,660 | 1,053,784 | 1,066,812 | 959,297 | 1,018,274 |
|  | 1.8 | 1.7 | 1.4 | 1.2 | 1.5 | 1.2 | 5.1 | 6.1 |
| Personal expenditure on goods and services | 745,616 | 756,184 | 765,928 | 773,792 | 786,468 | 798,032 | 719,869 | 760,380 |
|  | 1.7 | 1.4 | 1.3 | 1.0 | 1.6 | 1.5 | 4.9 | 5.6 |
| Current transfers to government | 232,584 | 238,684 | 242,832 | 246,736 | 248,576 | 249,540 | 223,081 | 240,209 |
|  | $1.7$ | 2.6 | 1.7 | 1.6 | 0.7 | 0.4 | 5.9 | 7.7 |
| Current transfers to corporations | 13,548 | 13,840 | 14,168 | 14,484 | 14,928 | 15,424 | 12,741 | 14,010 |
|  | 3.7 | 2.2 | 2.4 | 2.2 | 3.1 | 3.3 | 5.6 | 10.0 |
| Current transfers to non-residents | 3,664 | 3,672 | 3,716 | 3,648 | 3,812 | 3,816 | 3,606 | 3,675 |
|  | 0.9 | 0.2 | 1.2 | -1.8 | 4.5 | 0.1 | 7.8 | 1.9 |
| Saving | 9,616 | 7,956 | 10,024 | 10,240 | 25,240 | 8,060 | 19,715 | 9,459 |
|  | -45.7 | -17.3 | 26.0 | 2.2 | 146.5 | -68.1 | -1.3 | -52.0 |
| Disposable income[3] | 772,444 | 781,652 | 793,836 | 802,164 | 830,448 | 825,332 | 755,931 | 787,524 |
|  | 0.7 | 1.2 | 1.6 | 1.0 | 3.5 | -0.6 | 4.7 | 4.2 |
| Saving rate | 1.2 | 1.0 | 1.3 | 1.3 | 3.0 | 1.0 | 2.6 | 1.2 |
| Gross saving and capital transfers | 53,396 | 53,624 | 56,184 | 53,572 | 69,236 | 52,432 | 60,519 | 54,194 |
|  | -10.3 | 0.4 | 4.8 | -4.6 | 29.2 | -24.3 | 5.1 | -10.5 |
| Saving | 9,616 | 7,956 | 10,024 | 10,240 | 25,240 | 8,060 | 19,715 | 9,459 |
|  | -45.7 | -17.3 | 26.0 | 2.2 | 146.5 | -68.1 | -1.3 | -52.0 |
| Capital consumption allowances | 39,184 | 39,812 | 40,184 | 40,648 | 41,064 | 41,436 | 37,799 | 39,957 |
|  | 1.4 | 1.6 | 0.9 | 1.2 | 1.0 | 0.9 | 5.9 | 5.7 |
| Net capital transfers | 4,596 | 5,856 | 5,976 | 2,684 | 2,932 | 2,936 | 3,005 | 4,778 |
|  | 45.6 | 27.4 | 2.0 | -55.1 | 9.2 | 0.1 | 57.8 | 59.0 |
| Deduct: Non-financial capital acquisition | 105,260 | 109,148 | 106,488 | 109,392 | 115,820 | 116,668 | 100,178 | 107,572 |
|  | 1.1 | 3.7 | -2.4 | , 2.7 | -5.9 | 0.7 | 12.4 | -7.4 |
| Net lending | -51,864 | -55,524 | -50,304 | -55,820 | -46,584 | -64,236 | -39,659 | -53,378 |
|  | ... | ... | ... | ... | $\cdots$ | ... | ... | ... |
| Transactions in financial assets | 10,456 | 9,624 | 24,796 | 8,860 | 27,284 | 4,820 | 21,964 | 13,434 |
| Currency and deposits | -5,432 | 10,532 | 7,176 | 4,480 | 23,936 | 32,932 | 27,752 | 4,189 |
| Canadian debt securities | -3,608 | -9,876 | -8,984 | -21,348 | -44,184 | -27,156 | -12,330 | -10,954 |
| Corporate shares and mutual funds | 18,340 | 8,944 | 10,364 | 9,840 | 18,944 | -10,652 | -1,906 | 11,872 |
| Life insurance and pensions | 36,336 | 36,124 | 39,892 | 39,732 | 51,160 | 44,828 | 31,960 | 38,021 |
| Other financial assets | -35,180 | -36,100 | -23,652 | -23,844 | -22,572 | -35,132 | -23,512 | -29,694 |
| Transactions in liabilities | 65,012 | 60,944 | 72,672 | 63,672 | 71,684 | 68,812 | 59,874 | 65,575 |
| Consumer credit | 21,576 | 21,824 | 21,864 | 21,404 | 21,844 | 21,612 | 21,329 | 21,667 |
| Bank and other loans | 3,120 | 2,620 | 2,584 | 2,360 | 3,304 | 3,660 | 4,607 | 2,671 |
| Mortgages | 36,820 | 38,588 | 40,028 | 40,800 | 42,276 | 42,724 | 35,344 | 39,059 |
| Trade payables | 3,496 | -2,088 | 8,196 | -892 | 4,260 | 816 | -1,406 | 2,178 |
|  | $\cdots$ | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | $\ldots$ |
| Net financial investment | -54,556 | -51,320 | -47,876 | -54,812 | -44,400 | -63,992 | -37,910 | -52,141 |
| Sector discrepancy | 2,692 | -4,204 | -2,428 | -1,008 | -2,184 | -244 | -1,749 | -1,237 |
|  | ... | ... | ... | ... | $\cdots$ | .. | ... | ... |

[^10]Sector accounts - Corporations and government business enterprises, total[1]


| Income |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 328,632 | 340,000 | 355,936 | 374,748 | 364,084 | 363,484 | 315,804 | 349,829 |
|  | 0.3 | 3.5 | 4.7 | 5.3 | -2.8 | -0.2 | 9.8 | 10.8 |
| Corporation profits before taxes | 178,936 | 183,704 | 192,368 | 202,812 | 195,268 | 196,080 | 171,323 | 189,455 |
|  | 1.3 | 2.7 | 4.7 | 5.4 | -3.7 | 0.4 | 18.3 | 10.6 |
| Government business enterprise profits before taxes | 13,584 | 14,228 | 14,596 | 15,516 | 13,924 | 13,592 | 12,508 | 14,481 |
|  | 2.5 | 4.7 | 2.6 | 6.3 | -10.3 | -2.4 | 1.8 | 15.8 |
| Inventory valuation adjustment | -1,136 | -1,944 | 2,976 | -1,200 | 2,344 | 520 | -1,574 | -326 |
| Interest, dividends and miscellaneous receipts[2] | 69,456 | 75,712 | 77,148 | 88,452 | 82,404 | 81,648 | 65,840 | 77,692 |
|  | 2.0 | 9.0 | 1.9 | 14.7 | -6.8 | -0.9 | 10.5 | 18.0 |
| Interest on consumer debt | 13,548 | 13,840 | 14,168 | 14,484 | 14,928 | 15,424 | 12,741 | 14,010 |
|  | 3.7 | 2.2 | 2.4 | 2.2 | 3.1 | 3.3 | 5.6 | 10.0 |
| Interest on public debt[3] | 54,244 | 54,460 | 54,680 | 54,684 | 55,216 | 56,220 | 54,966 | 54,517 |
|  | -0.2 | 0.4 | 0.4 | 0.0 | 1.0 | 1.8 | 0.4 | -0.8 |
| Outlay | 230,444 | 237,344 | 244,236 | 263,196 | 261,124 | 254,412 | 227,033 | 243,805 |
|  | -3.7 | 3.0 | 2.9 | 7.8 | -0.8 | -2.6 | 5.4 | 7.4 |
| Interest, dividends and miscellaneous payments | 182,528 | 187,928 | 193,156 | 210,344 | 206,652 | 201,964 | 181,299 | 193,489 |
|  | -4.7 | 3.0 | 2.8 | 8.9 | -1.8 | -2.3 | 3.8 | 6.7 |
| Direct taxes | 46,252 | 47,644 | 49,308 | 50,852 | 49,772 | 50,392 | 44,132 | 48,514 |
|  | 0.3 | 3.0 | 3.5 | 3.1 | -2.1 | 1.2 | 12.7 | 9.9 |
| Other current transfers | 1,664 | 1,772 | 1,772 | 2,000 | 4,700 | 2,056 | 1,602 | 1,802 |
|  | 4.8 | 6.5 | 0.0 | 12.9 | 135.0 | -56.3 | 13.1 | 12.5 |
| Saving | 98,188 | 102,656 | 111,700 | 111,552 | 102,960 | 109,072 | 88,771 | 106,024 |
|  | 11.0 | 4.6 | 8.8 | -0.1 | -7.7 | 5.9 | 22.6 | 19.4 |
| Gross saving and capital transfers | 211,160 | 217,216 | 227,704 | 229,524 | 222,656 | 230,268 | 199,775 | 221,401 |
|  | 5.2 | 2.9 | 4.8 | 0.8 | -3.0 | 3.4 | 11.5 | 10.8 |
| Saving | 98,188 | 102,656 | 111,700 | 111,552 | 102,960 | 109,072 | 88,771 | 106,024 |
|  | 11.0 | 4.6 | 8.8 | -0.1 | -7.7 | 5.9 | 22.6 | 19.4 |
| Capital consumption allowances | 110,732 | 112,032 | 113,604 | 115,460 | 117,112 | 118,764 | 108,474 | 112,957 |
|  | 0.9 | 1.2 | 1.4 | 1.6 | 1.4 | 1.4 | 4.1 | 4.1 |
| Net capital transfers | 2,240 | 2,528 | 2,400 | 2,512 | 2,584 | 2,432 | 2,530 | 2,420 |
|  | -12.6 | 12.9 | -5.1 | 4.7 | 2.9 | -5.9 | -3.6 | -4.3 |
| Deduct: Non-financial capital acquisition | 150,880 | 148,232 | 155,460 | 159,016 | 157,244 | 164,812 | 135,825 | 153,397 |
|  | -0.8 | -1.8 | 4.9 | 2.3 | -1.1 | 4.8 | 10.0 | 12.9 |
| Net lending | 60,280 | 68,984 | 72,244 | 70,508 | 65,412 | 65,456 | 63,950 | 68,004 |
|  | ... | ... | $\cdots$ | ... | ... | $\cdots$ | ... | ... |
| Transactions in financial assets | 415,636 | 482,652 | 459,244 | 455,728 | 558,448 | 379,452 | 352,032 | 453,315 |
| Of which: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Consumer credit | 21,576 | 21,824 | 21,864 | 21,404 | 21,844 | 21,612 | 21,329 | 21,667 |
| Bank and other loans | 5,072 | 13,280 | 14,500 | 28,856 | 31,128 | 30,208 | 28,681 | 15,427 |
| Mortgages | 48,608 | 53,268 | 60,548 | 63,736 | 61,680 | 61,740 | 46,849 | 56,540 |
| Short-term paper | 22,504 | 2,720 | 51,292 | 27,520 | 74,972 | -21,484 | -3,659 | 26,009 |
| Bonds | 59,612 | 91,144 | 68,128 | 82,356 | 103,812 | 54,052 | 55,484 | 75,310 |
| Shares | 29,280 | 30,860 | 5,868 | 960 | -16,556 | -11,196 | 22,486 | 16,742 |
| Foreign investments | 35,012 | 52,956 | 60,528 | 57,816 | 75,252 | 59,344 | 17,907 | 51,578 |
| Transactions in liabilities | 350,832 | 412,544 | 403,948 | 389,920 | 505,780 | 331,976 | 286,511 | 389,311 |
| Of which: | ... | $\cdots$ | ... | $\cdots$ | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| Currency and deposits | 72,468 | 123,412 | 96,180 | 79,988 | 91,108 | 58,644 | 90,712 | 93,012 |
| Bank and other loans | 15,936 | 17,084 | 8,748 | 12,192 | 23,324 | 25,372 | 14,892 | 13,490 |
| Short-term paper | 17,584 | 20,480 | 39,184 | 12,744 | 45,232 | 9,124 | 4,903 | 22,498 |
| Bonds | 51,244 | 72,672 | 81,496 | 80,400 | 92,416 | 29,832 | 66,173 | 71,453 |
| Shares | 56,876 | 48,276 | 46,224 | 83,872 | 95,360 | 53,800 | 33,289 | 58,812 |
| Life insurance and pensions | 34,392 | 32,804 | 38,228 | 36,168 | 45,652 | 39,856 | 28,773 | 35,398 |
|  | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| Net financial investment | 64,804 | 70,108 | 55,296 | 65,808 | 52,668 | 47,476 | 65,521 | 64,004 |
| Sector discrepancy | -4,524 | -1,124 | 16,948 | 4,700 | 12,744 | 17,980 | -1,571 | 4,000 |
|  | ... | ... | ... | $\ldots$ | ... | ... | ... | ... |

[^11]
## Sector accounts - Government[1]

|  | First quarter 2005 | Second quarter 2005 | Third quarter 2005 | Fourth quarter 2005 | First quarter 2006 | Second quarter 2006 | 2004 | 2005 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Seasonally adjusted data at annual rates, millions of dollars |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Income | 538,908 | 550,156 | 561,268 | 575,036 | 574,904 | 576,576 | 520,780 | 556,342 |
|  | 0.8 | 2.1 | 2.0 | 2.5 | -0.0 | 0.3 | 5.7 | 6.8 |
| Taxes on incomes | 210,596 | 217,608 | 223,148 | 228,556 | 230,456 | 229,616 | 199,588 | 219,977 |
|  | 1.8 | 3.3 | 2.5 | 2.4 | 0.8 | -0.4 | 9.3 | 10.2 |
| Contributions to social insurance plans | 63,372 | 64,324 | 64,516 | 64,872 | 65,444 | 66,756 | 62,437 | 64,271 |
|  | 1.2 | 1.5 | 0.3 | 0.6 | 0.9 | 2.0 | 1.1 | 2.9 |
| Taxes on production and imports | 169,496 | 171,764 | 173,324 | 174,612 | 176,572 | 177,916 | 165,063 | 172,299 |
|  | 0.6 | 1.3 | 0.9 | 0.7 | 1.1 | 0.8 | 4.4 | 4.4 |
| Other current transfers from persons | 9,872 | 9,944 | 10,076 | 9,928 | 10,056 | 10,132 | 9,831 | 9,955 |
|  | -0.3 | 0.7 | 1.3 | -1.5 | 1.3 | 0.8 | 2.8 | 1.3 |
| Investment income | 44,124 | 44,724 | 47,080 | 53,752 | 48,752 | 48,348 | 43,408 | 47,420 |
|  | -3.9 | 1.4 | 5.3 | 14.2 | -9.3 | -0.8 | 2.0 | 9.2 |
| Sales of goods and services[2] | 41,448 | 41,792 | 43,124 | 43,316 | 43,624 | 43,808 | 40,453 | 42,420 |
|  | 1.4 | 0.8 | 3.2 | 0.4 | 0.7 | 0.4 | 5.7 | 4.9 |
| Outlay | 516,656 | 522,860 | 530,244 | 534,076 | 554,984 | 545,612 | 504,717 | 525,959 |
|  | 0.9 | 1.2 | 1.4 | 0.7 | 3.9 | -1.7 | 3.2 | 4.2 |
| Gross current expenditure on goods and services[2] | 299,828 | 304,720 | 309,676 | 312,424 | 323,576 | 322,016 | 290,232 | 306,662 |
|  | 1.7 | 1.6 | 1.6 | 0.9 | 3.6 | -0.5 | 4.5 | 5.7 |
| Current transfers | 153,968 | 155,072 | 157,576 | 158,884 | 168,356 | 159,620 | 150,333 | 156,375 |
|  | -0.2 | 0.7 | 1.6 | 0.8 | 6.0 | -5.2 | 3.0 | 4.0 |
| Interest on the public debt | 62,860 | 63,068 | 62,992 | 62,768 | 63,052 | 63,976 | 64,152 | 62,922 |
|  | -0.4 | 0.3 | -0.1 | -0.4 | 0.5 | 1.5 | -2.1 | -1.9 |
| Saving | 22,252 | 27,296 | 31,024 | 40,960 | 19,920 | 30,964 | 16,063 | 30,383 |
|  | -0.9 | 22.7 | 13.7 | 32.0 | -51.4 | 55.4 | 334.0 | 89.1 |
| Gross saving and capital transfers | 45,608 | 50,072 | 54,152 | 64,264 | 43,232 | 54,536 | 38,562 | 53,524 |
|  | 0.3 | 9.8 | 8.1 | 18.7 | -32.7 | 26.1 | 49.9 | 38.8 |
| Saving | 22,252 | 27,296 | 31,024 | 40,960 | 19,920 | 30,964 | 16,063 | 30,383 |
|  | -0.9 | 22.7 | 13.7 | 32.0 | -51.4 | 55.4 | 334.0 | 89.1 |
| Capital consumption allowances | 24,308 | 24,312 | 24,428 | 24,584 | 24,768 | 24,928 | 23,585 | 24,408 |
|  | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.5 | 0.6 | 0.7 | 0.6 | 5.3 | 3.5 |
| Net capital transfers | -952 | -1,536 | -1,300 | -1,280 | -1,456 | -1,356 | -1,086 | -1,267 |
| Deduct: Non-financial capital acquisition | 32,952 | 33,816 | 34,536 | 35,752 | 36,444 | 36,856 | 31,574 | 34,264 |
|  | 4.2 | 2.6 | 2.1 | 3.5 | 1.9 | 1.1 | 4.9 | 8.5 |
| Net lending | 12,656 | 16,256 | 19,616 | 28,512 | 6,788 | 17,680 | 6,988 | 19,260 |
|  | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | ... | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | ... | $\cdots$ |
| Transactions in financial assets | 60,520 | 56,340 | 47,188 | 55,244 | 13,400 | 952 | 18,256 | 54,823 |
| Currency and deposits | 5,260 | 2,872 | 2,140 | 1,532 | 4,588 | 2,184 | 35 | 2,951 |
| Loans | 4,376 | 3,776 | 3,176 | 4,884 | 10,112 | -2,860 | 5,993 | 4,053 |
| Canadian securities | 25,572 | 12,048 | 8,780 | 22,900 | 2,440 | -10,136 | 9,325 | 17,325 |
| Other financial assets | 25,312 | 37,644 | 33,092 | 25,928 | $-3,740$ | 11,764 | 2,903 | 30,494 |
| Transactions in liabilities | 52,664 | 37,920 | 27,064 | 20,560 | 3,868 | -16,920 | 9,609 | 34,552 |
| Bank and other loans | 1,268 | 552 | 1,112 | 1,396 | 788 | 88 | 728 | 1,082 |
| Short-term paper | 15,720 | -12,420 | 6,072 | 17,012 | 18,112 | -25,780 | -1,819 | 6,596 |
| Bonds | 26,272 | 12,324 | -11,852 | -11,344 | -16,672 | -16,056 | 19 | 3,850 |
| Other liabilities | 9,404 | 37,464 | 31,732 | 13,496 | 1,640 | 24,828 | 10,681 | 23,024 |
| Net financial investment | 7,856 | 18,420 | 20,124 | 34,684 | 9,532 | 17,872 | 8,647 | 20,271 |
| Sector discrepancy | 4,800 | -2,164 | -508 | -6,172 | -2,744 | -192 | -1,659 | -1,011 |
|  | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |

1. The first line is the series itself expressed in millions of dollars, seasonally adjusted at annual rates. The second line, italicized, is the period to period percentage change. 2. In GDP, government current expenditure is recorded on a net basis, that is, after deduction of sales of goods and services. In the government sector accounts, sales of goods and services to other sectors are shown separately as part of revenue, and current expenditure is recorded on a gross basis, which leaves saving unchanged.

Sector accounts - Non-residents[1]

|  | First quarter 2005 | Second quarter 2005 | Third quarter 2005 | Fourth quarter 2005 | First quarter 2006 | Second quarter 2006 | 2004 | 2005 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Seasonally adjusted data at annual rates, millions of dollars |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Income | 516,068 | 525,824 | 531,384 | 551,136 | 548,012 | 548,376 | 498,913 | 531,103 |
|  | 1.0 | 1.9 | 1.1 | 3.7 | -0.6 | 0.1 | 5.4 | 6.5 |
| Sales of goods (imports) | 379,884 | 384,732 | 389,968 | 398,256 | 391,724 | 398,928 | 363,639 | 388,210 |
|  | 3.0 | $1.3$ | 1.4 | 2.1 | -1.6 | 1.8 | 6.1 | 6.8 |
| Sales of services (imports) | 77,964 | 79,708 | 79,116 | 81,064 | 81,988 | 84,184 | 77,324 | 79,463 |
|  | 0.8 | 2.2 | -0.7 | 2.5 | 1.1 | 2.7 | 4.7 | 2.8 |
| Interest, dividends and miscellaneous receipts | 48,644 | 53,332 | 54,156 | 63,244 | 62,888 | 57,064 | 50,205 | 54,844 |
|  | -14.1 | 9.6 | 1.5 | 16.8 | -0.6 | -9.3 | 1.2 | 9.2 |
| Current transfers | 9,576 | 8,052 | 8,144 | 8,572 | 11,412 | 8,200 | 7,745 | 8,586 |
|  | 15.9 | -15.9 | 1.1 | 5.3 | 33.1 | -28.1 | 8.7 | 10.9 |
| Outlay | 532,864 | 547,760 | 566,892 | 592,212 | 569,072 | 561,248 | 525,848 | 559,932 |
|  | 2.0 | 2.8 | 3.5 | 4.5 | -3.9 | -1.4 | 7.4 | 6.5 |
| Purchases of goods (exports) | 431,852 | 439,780 | 460,384 | 480,232 | 458,120 | 450,024 | 429,122 | 453,062 |
|  | 2.0 | 1.8 | 4.7 | 4.3 | -4.6 | -1.8 | 7.6 | 5.6 |
| Purchases of services (exports) | 66,424 | 66,444 | 66,560 | 67,044 | 66,140 | 67,304 | 65,456 | 66,618 |
|  | -0.1 | 0.0 | 0.2 | 0.7 | -1.3 | 1.8 | 4.4 | 1.8 |
| Interest, dividends and miscellaneous payments | 26,824 | 33,500 | 31,708 | 36,712 | 34,348 | 34,580 | 23,842 | 32,186 |
|  | 7.8 | 24.9 | -5.3 | 15.8 | -6.4 | 0.7 | 13.0 | 35.0 |
| Current transfers | 7,764 | 8,036 | 8,240 | 8,224 | 10,464 | 9,340 | 7,428 | 8,066 |
|  | 3.3 | 3.5 | 2.5 | -0.2 | 27.2 | -10.7 | 10.2 | 8.6 |
| Saving | -16,796 | -21,936 | -35,508 | -41,076 | -21,060 | -12,872 | -26,935 | -28,829 |
|  | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| Gross saving and capital transfers | -22,680 | -28,784 | -42,584 | -44,992 | -25,120 | -16,884 | -31,384 | -34,760 |
| Saving | -16,796 | -21,936 | -35,508 | -41,076 | -21,060 | -12,872 | -26,935 | -28,829 |
| Net capital transfers | -5,884 | -6,848 | -7,076 | -3,916 | -4,060 | -4,012 | -4,449 | -5,931 |
| Net lending[2] | -22,680 | -28,784 | -42,584 | -44,992 | -25,120 | -16,884 | -31,384 | -34,760 |
|  | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| Transactions in financial assets | 56,156 | 38,600 | 107,632 | 53,236 | 133,024 | 169,604 | 42,261 | 63,906 |
| Currency and deposits | -1,308 | 3,780 | 5,728 | 8,600 | -11,852 | 49,360 | 2,184 | 4,200 |
| Loans | 5,388 | -708 | -1,564 | -16,644 | -6,776 | 804 | -5,140 | -3,382 |
| Short-term paper | 656 | -3,820 | 1,860 | 3,384 | 12,732 | 9,716 | -150 | 520 |
| Bonds | 7,356 | -1,876 | -508 | -11,064 | -5,760 | -12,576 | 18,507 | -1,523 |
| Shares | 19,992 | -20,992 | 32,412 | 5,124 | 30,784 | 21,804 | 35,743 | 9,134 |
| Other financial assets | 24,072 | 62,216 | 69,704 | 63,836 | 113,896 | 100,496 | -8,883 | 54,957 |
| Transactions in liabilities | 74,260 | 75,808 | 135,176 | 98,916 | 150,824 | 170,960 | 78,519 | 96,040 |
| Official reserves | 7,412 | -976 | -2,636 | 2,820 | 6,572 | -1,492 | -3,426 | 1,655 |
| Currency and deposits | 4,188 | 5,124 | 7,464 | 8,292 | 8,468 | 9,856 | 11,198 | 6,267 |
| Bank and other loans | -5,488 | -3,908 | 3,668 | 1,148 | 7,048 | -968 | 9,307 | -1,145 |
| Foreign investments | 47,388 | 57,360 | 68,216 | 65,464 | 85,364 | 75,316 | 21,323 | 59,607 |
| Other liabilities | 20,760 | 18,208 | 58,464 | 21,192 | 43,372 | 88,248 | 40,117 | 29,656 |
|  | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\cdots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ | $\ldots$ |
| Net financial investment | -18,104 | -37,208 | -27,544 | -45,680 | -17,800 | -1,356 | -36,258 | -32,134 |
| Sector discrepancy | -4,576 | 8,424 | -15,040 | 688 | -7,320 | -15,528 | 4,874 | -2,626 |
|  | ... | $\ldots$ | ... | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ | $\cdots$ |

1. The first line is the series itself expressed in millions of dollars, seasonally adjusted at annual rates. The second line, italicized, is the period to period percentage change.
2. This account presents the saving as well as the net lending or borrowing position of non-residents with respect to their transactions with Canadian residents. The sign of these aggregates is, therefore, the reverse of what appears in the Canadian Balance of International Payments.

## Labour productivity, hourly compensation and unit labour cost

Second quarter 2006

Labour productivity in the Canadian business sector, measured on a quarterly basis, fell by $0.4 \%$ between April and June. This is the first time in two years that it has slipped into negative territory. On a year-over-year basis, productivity growth has declined from $2.1 \%$ in the first quarter of 2006 to $1.4 \%$ in the second quarter of 2006.

The second-quarter decline in productivity was the direct result of a slowdown in economic activity combined with a more pronounced increase in hours worked. The goods producing industries which experienced a decline of $1.0 \%$ in labour productivity were primarily responsible for the overall decline.

However, labour costs per unit of output, a key measure of inflationary pressure on wages, continued to increase at a slow pace in the second quarter ( $+0.3 \%$ ). Since the beginning of 2006, the increase in unit labour costs in Canadian businesses has remained modest.


## Note to readers

This chapter presents an analysis on labour productivity for the aggregate business sector and its constituent industries ( 15 two-digit NAICS industries) and subsectors (goods and services). The statistical series for total economy, business sector and non-commercial sector start with the first quarter of 1981, while those at industry level are available only back to the first quarter of 1997.

The term "productivity" refers to labour productivity. Calculations of the productivity growth rate and its related variables are based on index numbers rounded to one decimal place.

For more information about the productivity program, see the new National Economic Accounts module (www.statcan.ca/nea). You can also order a copy of a technical note about the quarterly estimates of productivity by sending an email to productivity.measures@statcan.ca.

## Revisions

With this release, Canadian revisions have been made back to the first quarter of 2006 at the aggregate level and to the first quarter of 2002 at the industry level.
In the United States, the Bureau of Labor Statistics recently made revisions to its labour productivity estimates for the years 2003 to 2005 , incorporating recent revisions of the U.S. National Accounts by the Bureau of Economic Analysis. The data on hours worked were revised to reflect the inclusion of the information on jobs from the legal questionnaire of organizations from the 2002 economic census.
Labour productivity is the ratio of output to labour input (hours worked). Quarterly estimates of productivity are derived from a Fisher chained index of GDP, or of value added, in the business sector. Economic performance as measured by labour productivity must be interpreted carefully, since these estimates reflect changes in other inputs in addition to the growth in productive efficiency

Labour compensation includes all payments in cash or in kind made by domestic producers to persons as remuneration for work. This includes salaries and supplementary labour income of paid workers, plus the imputed labour income of self-employed workers.

Unit labour cost is the labour cost per unit of output. It is calculated as the ratio of labour compensation to real value added. It is also the equivalent of the ratio of labour compensation per hour worked to labour productivity. The unit labour cost will increase when hourly compensation rises faster than labour productivity.

Unit labour cost in US dollars is the equivalent of the ratio of Canadian unit labour cost to the exchange rate. This latter corresponds to the U.S. dollar value expressed in Canadian dollars.

Labour productivity is a measure of real gross domestic product (GDP) per hour worked. Growth in productivity over time serves to improve the population's standard of living and business competitiveness. Generally speaking, businesses enjoy productivity gains when the growth rate of GDP surpasses the rise in hours of work devoted to production.

From April to June 2006, growth in hours worked accelerated, whereas that of production slowed down, resulting in a drop in productivity. This stands in contrast with the previous seven quarters, when the growth of activity outpaced that of hours worked during every quarter, leading to quarterly productivity gains during the period.

In the United States, business productivity rose by only $0.4 \%$ between April and June, after posting 1.1\% growth (revised) in the first quarter of 2006. Since the second quarter of 2005, business productivity in the U.S. has been up and down.

## U.S. productivity makes moderate gains



For 2005 as a whole, the average annual rate of growth in productivity for both Canadian and US businesses was identical, a $2.3 \%$ increase.

Canada's annual performance in 2005 was the best since 2000. In the United States, the rate was the lowest on record since 1997, but it matched the average annual gain of $2.3 \%$ between 1995 and 2001.

## Decrease in productivity can largely be attributed to the goods sector

The drop in productivity for businesses as a whole in the second quarter of 2006 can largely be attributed to goodsproducing businesses. On a quarterly basis, productivity in that sector decreased by $1.0 \%$, while remaining stagnant for service-producing businesses (0.1\%).

The stagnation in productivity among service-producing businesses in the second quarter occurred despite the performance of the wholesale trade (+1.7\%) and the retail trade ( $+1.1 \%$ ), the latter two industries having posted strong productivity growth since the beginning of 2006. However, accommodation and restaurant services and the information and cultural industries posted significant decreases.

The virtual lack of productivity growth among serviceproducing businesses happened in the context of strong output growth combined with similar increases in hours worked. This differs from goods-producing businesses, which have shown slow economic growth since the beginning of 2006, with a $0.2 \%$ increase in the first quarter and a $0.3 \%$ decrease in the second quarter. However, the number of hours worked rose during the same period, their growth rate moving from $0.4 \%$ in the first quarter to $0.7 \%$ in the second quarter.

The drop in productivity among goods-producing businesses was largely a reflection of the substantial decreases noted in the mining industry and in manufacturing. These downward trends were partly offset by productivity increases in the construction industry and in utilities.

In the goods sector, there was a drop in production in the mining and oil and gas extraction sector which suffered a number of production stoppages due to unforeseen repairs. In addition, economic activities in the construction sector slowed down dramatically from the first quarter when unseasonably warm weather favoured this industry. Construction grew only $0.4 \%$ in the second quarter, a much slower pace than in the previous quarter (+2.4\%). Despite a net slowdown in production, the construction industry experienced a productivity increase for a fourth straight quarter, rising 0.6\% between April and June 2006.

Also, manufacturing output has declined for two quarters in a row while its labour input has not yet adjusted to this decline. As a result, productivity in this sector dropped $1.5 \%$, after showing almost no growth during the first quarter. In 2004 and 2005, quarterly growth in productivity in this sector was at least $1.0 \%$ during six of the eight quarters that comprise those two years.

In the second quarter of 2006, the productivity decline in the manufacturing sector took place in the context of a $0.6 \%$ drop in production, combined with a $0.9 \%$ increase in hours worked. Prior to this increase, growth in hours worked in manufacturing had been nil in the first quarter of 2006 after having declined for seven consecutive quarters.

## Despite the decrease in productivity, growth in unit labour cost remains moderate

Unit labour cost is obtained by calculating the ratio of hourly compensation to labour productivity.

In the second quarter of 2006, labour costs per unit of GDP did not change for goods-producing businesses, while they rose by $0.3 \%$ in service-producing businesses. The slow growth in labour costs in the second quarter was largely the result of the drop in hourly wages in goods-producing industries ( $-1.0 \%$ ) and the slow rate of increase in serviceproducing industries (+0.4\%).

In service-producing businesses, the main decreases were observed in professional services (-1.4\%), transport and warehousing ( $-1.2 \%$ ) and the wholesale trade ( $-0.4 \%$ ). Conversely accommodation and restaurant services (+2.5\%), information and cultural industries (+1.7\%), administrative and support, waste management and remediation services (1.3\%) and other services (+1.3\%) posted the largest increases in unit labour cost among service-producing industries.

As for goods-producing businesses, agriculture, fishing and forestry ( -2.9 ) and utilities ( $-1.5 \%$ ) saw their unit labour costs decline, whereas such costs were up in the mining and oil and gas extraction sector ( $+3.6 \%$ ) and in construction ( $+1.5 \%$ ). Since the beginning of 2006, the mining and oil and gas extraction sector, among others, has suffered a number of production stoppages due to unforeseen repairs. This resulted in an increase in labour costs and a downturn in productivity.

## Net slowdown in activity in both countries, but Canadian labour market was more dynamic

Productivity in Canada and in the United States followed opposite trends during the second quarter of 2006, owing to the very different situations in the two countries in terms of economic performance and the labour market.

Both experienced a net slowdown in GDP growth between April and June, while their labour markets evolved in opposite directions. While hours increased at about the same pace than in the first quarter in the United States, hours worked by Canadian workers accelerated in the second quarter.

The lesser increase in hours worked south of the border resulted in a positive, albeit modest, rate of productivity growth in the United States during the period from April to June (+ $0.4 \%$ ). During the same period, productivity in Canadian businesses declined by $0.4 \%$.

Productivity growth slows dramatically in Canada and the U.S.


Even though GDP growth was decidedly slower in both countries in the second quarter, it increased more rapidly for American businesses than it did for their Canadian competitors. Between April and June 2006, GDP in the United States rose at a rate twice that of Canada.

Following robust growth of $0.8 \%$ during the first three months of 2006, the growth in Canadian GDP fell by half in the second quarter to $0.4 \%$. This was the slowest gain in the past three years. A smaller increase in consumer spending and business investment accounted for most of this deceleration. The slowdown in the housing market also played a role.

## GDP growth in both countries was cut in half in the second quarter



In the United States, GDP grew by only $0.8 \%$ in the second quarter, significantly slower than the $1.6 \%$ growth recorded during the first three months of 2006.

This slower rate of growth in American GDP reflected a pronounced deceleration in consumer spending, particularly in purchases of durable goods. The drop in investment in hardware and software, as well as in federal public spending, also contributed to the slowdown.

In Canada, the modest growth in activity was accompanied by a more dynamic labour market.

Hours worked devoted to production in Canadian businesses increased in the second quarter at a rate twice that of the previous quarter, from $0.3 \%$ in the first quarter to $0.8 \%$ in the second quarter. Almost all the rise in employment between April and June was in full-time work.

Meanwhile, hours worked continued to increase among US businesses, although at a slightly slower pace ( $+0.4 \%$ ) than in the first quarter ( $+0.5 \%$ ).

Growth in hours worked accelerates in Canada, but remains moderate in the U.S.


Unit labour costs: Competitive position slipping for Canadian businesses
Unit labour cost, a major indicator of trends in production costs and inflation, rose more rapidly in the United States than in Canada during the second quarter when measured in the respective national currencies. (Unit labour costs represent the cost of wages and benefits of workers per unit of economic output.)

Without taking the exchange rate into account, the labour cost per unit of output for Canadian businesses rose $0.3 \%$ in the second quarter, an increase similar to the $0.4 \%$ rise recorded in the first quarter.

For US businesses, unit labour costs increased $1.2 \%$ in the second quarter of 2006, a net deceleration compared to $2.1 \%$ in the prior three months. In the first quarter, hourly compensation in the United States grew much faster than labour productivity.

However, the competitive position becomes advantageous for US businesses when unit labour costs are adjusted for the exchange rate.

## Canadian unit labour costs in US \$ increases again



In the second quarter, the strength of the Canadian dollar in relation to the American greenback resulted in a 3.1\% increase in Canada's unit labour cost expressed in US dollars. This was nearly three times the $1.2 \%$ increase posted in the United States. In the first quarter, this indicator of competitiveness had advanced at the same pace in both countries.

In the second quarter, the Canadian dollar appreciated by $2.8 \%$ in relation to its US cousin. This was the fourth consecutive quarterly rise.

However, Canadian businesses took advantage of the latest rise in the loonie by investing in efficiency-saving machinery and equipment. Their purchases in this area were up $2.1 \%$ in the second quarter.
Over the past four quarters, businesses made substantial investments in machinery and equipment, with average quarterly increases of $2.5 \%$.

## U.S. revisions: Productivity gap between the two countries disappears for the year 2005

The United States recently made revisions to its labour productivity estimates. The data released today incorporates these revisions to the U.S. data affecting both GDP and hours worked.

The American GDP data were revised to the first quarter of 2003. The data on hours worked were also revised to reflect the inclusion of the information on jobs from the legal questionnaire of organizations from the 2002 economic census.

No corresponding revision to hours worked was done in Canada. The most recent revision for the last four years of GDP in Canada can be obtained in the June 8, 2006, edition of The Daily.

On the whole, the revisions made to the U.S. data have served to bring down the rate of growth in labour productivity in the United States for each of the past three years (2003-2005). For this period, the scale of the downward revisions ranged between $0.3 \%$ and $0.4 \%$.
For 2005, productivity growth in the United States dropped from $2.6 \%$ before revision to $2.3 \%$ after revision, a rate identical to that observed in Canada during the same year. With these revised data, the productivity gap in favour of the United States disappeared in 2005.

Comparison of annual labour productivity growth in the business sector before and after revision

## Canada United States

|  | Before revision |  | After revision |
| ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
|  | annual \% change |  | 2.2 |
| $1981-2005$ | 1.5 | 2.2 | 1.9 |
| $1981-2000$ | 1.6 | 1.9 | 3.2 |
| $2000-2005$ | 1.0 | 3.3 | 4.1 |
| 2002 | 1.4 | 4.0 | 3.8 |
| 2003 | 0.0 | 4.1 | 3.1 |
| 2004 | 0.3 | 3.5 | 2.3 |
| 2005 | 2.3 | 2.6 |  |

Source: U.S. data are from the Bureau of Labor Statistics, Productivity and Costs - Second quarter 2006, published in NEWS, September 6.

Nonetheless, the previous estimates remained virtually unchanged over the medium term after the revisions. Between 2000 and 2005, productivity gains in the United States averaged $3.2 \%$ (instead of the $+3.3 \%$ first estimated), a rate that was three times the $1.0 \%$ increase recorded in Canada.

During the period from 2000 to 2005, Canada (+2.5\%) and the United States ( $+2.6 \%$ ) posted average rates of growth similar to that of the GDP. However, the number of hours worked was up an average of $1.4 \%$ in Canada, while declining $0.6 \%$ in the United States during the same period.

Business sector - Labour productivity and related variables for Canada and the United States[1]



[^12]Business sector - Some related variables for labour markets[1]


Canada
All jobs
Hours worked
Average hours
Labour share[2]
United States
All jobs
Hours worked
Average hours
Labour share[2]

|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| 2.0 | 1.9 | 1.4 | 1.2 | 1.2 | 1.4 |
| 1.5 | 0.1 | 0.3 | 0.8 | 0.9 | 1.3 |
| -0.5 | -1.9 | -0.9 | -0.3 | -0.2 | -0.1 |
| -1.8 | -0.6 | -0.9 | -1.6 | -0.4 | -0.3 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2.0 | 2.0 | 1.4 | 1.3 | 1.3 | 1.3 |
| 1.3 | 1.9 | 1.2 | 1.3 | 1.6 | 1.3 |
| -0.7 | 0.0 | -0.2 | 0.1 | 0.3 | 0.0 |
| -0.6 | -0.3 | -0.8 | -1.3 | 0.6 | 1.8 |


|  | $\%$ change from previous quarter at annualized rates[3] |  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Canada |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| All jobs | 1.7 | 2.4 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 1.7 | 3.4 |
| Hours worked | 0.7 | 1.7 | 0.0 | 0.7 | 1.4 | 3.1 |
| Average hours | -0.8 | -0.8 | 0.0 | 0.4 | -0.4 | -0.4 |
| Labour share[2] | 0.9 | 0.0 | -4.2 | -3.0 | 5.7 | 0.4 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| United States |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| All jobs | 2.0 | 2.0 | -0.3 | 1.3 | 2.4 | 1.7 |
| Hours worked | 1.0 | 2.9 | -0.1 | 1.6 | 2.1 | 1.7 |
| Average hours | -1.2 | 1.2 | 0.0 | 0.4 | -0.4 | 0.0 |
| Labour share[2] | -2.0 | -2.8 | 0.0 | -0.4 | 5.9 | 1.6 |

2. This is the ratio of labour compensation to GDP at market prices in current dollars.
3. The change at annualized rates corresponds to the annual growth rate that would have been observed if the growth over the quarter had been the same for the whole year.

## Labour productivity by industry

|  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |

Unit labour cost by industry

|  | First quarter 2005 | Second quarter 2005 | Third quarter 2005 | Fourth quarter 2005 | First quarter 2006 | Second quarter 2006 | 2004 | 2005 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Business sector - goods | Seasonally adjusted |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 108.7 | 108.8 | 110.0 | 110.7 | 111.9 | 111.9 | 107.9 | 109.6 |
|  | 0.7 | 0.1 | 1.1 | 0.6 | 1.1 | 0.0 | 1.3 | 1.5 |
| Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting | 108.2 | 102.6 | 100.2 | 102.5 | 103.5 | 100.5 | 110.9 | 103.4 |
|  | -0.3 | -5.2 | -2.3 | 2.3 | 1.0 | -2.9 | 3.6 | -6.7 |
| Construction | 105.6 | 107.1 | 109.1 | 108.7 | 105.9 | 107.5 | 104.6 | 107.6 |
|  | -0.7 | 1.4 | 1.9 | -0.4 | -2.6 | 1.5 | 3.8 | 2.9 |
| Manufacturing | 100.0 | 100.3 | 101.2 | 101.5 | 103.1 | 102.1 | 100.9 | 100.8 |
|  | 0.2 | 0.3 | 0.9 | 0.3 | 1.6 | -1.0 | -1.9 | -0.1 |
| Business sector - services | 109.2 | 110.0 | 111.0 | 112.5 | 112.5 | 112.8 | 107.9 | 110.7 |
|  | 0.4 | 0.7 | 0.9 | 1.4 | 0.0 | 0.3 | 2.5 | 2.6 |
| Wholesale trade | 92.2 | 89.3 | 90.6 | 92.4 | 91.5 | 91.1 | 93.6 | 91.1 |
|  | -1.6 | -3.1 | 1.5 | 2.0 | -1.0 | -0.4 | -0.8 | -2.6 |
| Retail trade | 100.1 | 102.8 | 104.0 | 105.4 | 103.2 | 103.1 | 101.2 | 103.1 |
|  | -0.8 | 2.7 | 1.2 | 1.3 | -2.1 | -0.1 | 2.7 | 1.9 |
| Transportation and warehousing | 109.9 | 111.5 | 110.9 | 111.9 | 112.9 | 111.5 | 110.1 | 111.1 |
|  | -0.3 | 1.5 | -0.5 | 0.9 | 0.9 | -1.2 | -0.5 | 0.9 |
| Information and cultural industries | 99.0 | 99.8 | 99.4 | 103.2 | 103.6 | 105.4 | 97.7 | 100.4 |
|  | 0.7 | 0.8 | -0.4 | 3.8 | 0.4 | 1.7 | 3.1 | 2.7 |
| Finance, real estate and company management | 112.0 | 113.5 | 115.2 | 117.4 | 117.8 | 119.2 | 109.3 | 114.5 |
|  | 1.1 | 1.3 | 1.5 | 1.9 | 0.3 | 1.2 | 3.0 | 4.8 |
| Professional, scientific and technical services | 119.2 | 119.9 | 120.8 | 123.6 | 124.2 | 122.5 | 115.9 | 120.9 |
|  | 1.7 | 0.6 | 0.8 | 2.3 | 0.5 | -1.4 | 3.5 | 4.3 |
| Administrative and support, waste management and remediation services | 127.5 | 129.6 | 132.2 | 132.0 | 134.1 | 135.8 | 124.3 | 130.3 |
|  | 2.3 | 1.6 | 2.0 | -0.2 | 1.6 | 1.3 | 6.1 | 4.8 |
| Accomodation and food services | 117.6 | 122.3 | 130.4 | 128.8 | 130.4 | 133.6 | 118.0 | 124.8 |
|  | -1.9 | 4.0 | 6.6 | -1.2 | 1.2 | 2.5 | 4.0 | 5.8 |
| Other commercial services | 115.2 | 115.6 | 113.9 | 113.6 | 114.1 | 115.6 | 109.1 | 114.6 |
|  | 2.9 | 0.3 | -1.5 | -0.3 | 0.4 | 1.3 | 4.1 | 5.0 |

## International investment position

Second quarter 2006

Canada's net liability to foreign residents increased by $\$ 12.5$ billion in the second quarter mostly due to valuation changes from a rising Canadian dollar.

The strengthening of the Canadian dollar against the US dollar had a much stronger negative impact on Canada's international assets than on its international liabilities.

Canada's net external liability (the difference between its external assets and liabilities) amounted to $\$ 148.8$ billion at the end of the second quarter. This was $9.2 \%$ higher than the revised level of $\$ 136.3$ billion at the end of the previous quarter, which was the lowest since the end of 1981.

The value of international assets rose $\$ 14.8$ billion to $\$ 1,096.5$ billion at the end of June. Net transactions of $\$ 47.9$ billion that occurred during the quarter were partly offset by the dollar, which removed $\$ 28.2$ billion from the value of these assets.

At the same time, Canada's international liabilities increased by $\$ 27.3$ billion to $\$ 1,245.3$ billion. Net transactions of over $\$ 50$ billion more than offset the effect of the strengthening dollar which removed $\$ 15.1$ billion from the position.


## Note to readers

## Estimates at market value

As of the first quarter of 2005, total portfolio investment (equities, bonds and money market instruments) are available at market value. Annual market value estimates of foreign direct investment are also available and were released earlier this year. These additional series are part of a multi-year initiative to improve the international investment position information. The following analysis focuses on the book value series, however, and this practice will continue until a full set of market value estimates becomes available.

## Currency valuation

The value of assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currency are converted to Canadian dollars at the end of each period for which a balance sheet is calculated. Most of Canada's foreign assets are denominated in foreign currencies while less than half of our international liabilities are in foreign currencies.
When the Canadian dollar is appreciating in value, the restatement of the value of these assets and liabilities in Canadian dollars lowers the recorded value. The opposite is true when the dollar is depreciating.

Net external liabilities represented 10.4\% of Canada's gross domestic product at the end of the second quarter, up from $9.6 \%$ in the previous quarter.

The Canadian dollar gained $4.6 \%$ against its U.S. counterpart during the quarter, but lost ground against the euro and the pound sterling.

Canada's net international liabilities to GDP


## Assets: Foreign bond holdings rise, Canadian direct investment abroad declines

Canadian holdings of foreign bonds increased significantly during the second quarter, rising nearly $10 \%$ to $\$ 102.8$ billion. These holdings have been substantially up each quarter for the past two years. As a consequence, Canadian investors more than doubled their total assets in foreign bonds since the beginning of 2004.

Holdings of foreign stocks declined slightly to $\$ 192.5$ billion, down $\$ 1.5$ billion from the end of March, mostly due to the strengthening Canadian dollar. At the same time, holdings of foreign money market paper decreased by $\$ 1.4$ billion to $\$ 12.7$ billion.

The stronger Canadian dollar had a significant impact on the total value of Canadian direct investment abroad, which fell by $\$ 3.2$ billion to $\$ 475.3$ billion at the end of June. The exchange rate revaluation removed $\$ 14.1$ billion from asset values while net transactions accounted for $\$ 11.0$ billion.

Canadian direct investment in the United States decreased $\$ 6.3$ billion to $\$ 213.2$ billion. At the same time, Canadian direct investment in all other countries increased to \$262.1 billion. Direct investments in the United States represented about $45 \%$ of all direct investments abroad.

## Increase in foreign direct investment in Canada

Foreign direct investment in Canada increased $\$ 7.5$ billion to $\$ 433.8$ billion at the end of the second quarter. Of the total, direct investments from the United States amounted to $\$ 276.7$ billion.

The net direct investment position (the difference between Canadian direct investment abroad and foreign direct investment in Canada) declined to $\$ 41.5$ billion at the end of June. This was a $\$ 10.7$ billion reduction from the previous quarter.

Foreign holdings of Canadian stocks increased $\$ 3.3$ billion to a record $\$ 113.6$ billion. Foreign investors bought Canadian shares during the quarter even though the S\&P/ TSX composite index lost over 4\% between March and June.

## Substantial decline in foreign holdings of Canadian bonds

Foreign holdings of Canadian bonds reached $\$ 369.1$ billion at the end of June, down $\$ 10.9$ billion from the end of March.

Foreign investors reduced their holdings of federal government bonds by $\$ 3.5$ billion to $\$ 43.6$ billion. This was the lowest level in almost two decades, as the federal government continued to pay down its external debt.

At the same time, foreign investors also reduced their holdings of provincial government bonds by $\$ 2.2$ billion to $\$ 93.9$ billion, the lowest level since the end of 1993.

Foreign investors made significant investments in Canadian money market paper for a third consecutive quarter. As a result, foreign holdings of Canadian money market paper increased $\$ 4.1$ billion to $\$ 27.0$ billion.

Finally, Canadian deposit liabilities to non-residents increased $\$ 20.3$ billion to $\$ 235.8$ billion.

Portfolio investment position in Canadian bonds


International investment position at period-end

|  | First quart 2005 | Second quarter 2005 | Third quarter 2005 | Fourth quarter 2005 | First quarter 2006 | Second quarter 2006 | 2004 | 2005 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Millions of dollars |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Assets |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Canadian direct investment abroad | 458,701 | 467,465 | 456,856 | 465,058 | 478,476 | 475,344 | 451,438 | 465,058 |
| Portfolio investment abroad |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Foreign bonds | 64,780 | 70,456 | 76,144 | 82,374 | 93,537 | 102,815 | 58,567 | 82,374 |
| Foreign bonds at market value | 69,266 | 77,301 | 82,107 | 88,827 | 99,017 | 107,940 | 62,941 | 88,827 |
| Foreign stocks | 195,350 | 195,545 | 188,543 | 189,175 | 193,958 | 192,513 | 195,573 | 189,175 |
| Foreign stocks at market value | 384,780 | 395,048 | 405,695 | 422,791 | 459,427 | 441,282 | 384,419 | 422,791 |
| Foreign money market | 11,017 | 12,218 | 12,516 | 13,055 | 14,084 | 12,687 | 11,079 | 13,055 |
| Foreign money market at market value | 11,040 | 12,243 | 12,542 | 13,108 | 14,128 | 12,735 | 11,108 | 13,108 |
| Other investment |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Loans | 54,450 | 52,664 | 51,662 | 48,325 | 63,609 | 66,996 | 49,813 | 48,325 |
| Deposits | 119,053 | 124,080 | 131,476 | 120,694 | 133,914 | 143,516 | 109,446 | 120,694 |
| Official international reserves | 43,072 | 41,769 | 38,459 | 38,030 | 42,149 | 40,311 | 40,315 | 38,030 |
| Other assets | 54,178 | 57,097 | 56,329 | 59,319 | 61,940 | 62,325 | 50,133 | 59,319 |
| Total assets |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| at book value | 1,000,602 | 1,021,294 | 1,011,985 | 1,016,031 | 1,081,668 | 1,096,506 | 966,363 | 1,016,031 |
| with portfolio investment at market value | 1,194,540 | 1,227,667 | 1,235,126 | 1,256,152 | 1,352,660 | 1,350,449 | 1,159,613 | 1,256,152 |
| Liabilities |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Foreign direct investment in Canada | 387,097 | 391,872 | 404,694 | 415,561 | 426,339 | 433,844 | 380,951 | 415,561 |
| Portfolio investment |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Canadian bonds | 399,310 | 400,315 | 383,642 | 380,017 | 380,014 | 369,096 | 398,070 | 380,017 |
| Canadian bonds at market value | 429,937 | 440,113 | 416,005 | 407,016 | 401,726 | 382,521 | 429,587 | 407,016 |
| Canadian stocks | 106,328 | 105,247 | 107,896 | 107,598 | 110,308 | 113,608 | 104,191 | 107,598 |
| Canadian stocks at market value | 265,212 | 270,545 | 308,234 | 314,712 | 346,164 | 341,046 | 250,085 | 314,712 |
| Canadian money market | 18,628 | 19,710 | 17,686 | 20,783 | 22,868 | 27,006 | 19,621 | 20,783 |
| Canadian money market at market value | 18,695 | 19,832 | 17,791 | 20,899 | 22,996 | 27,188 | 19,707 | 20,899 |
| Other investment |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Loans | 46,767 | 48,011 | 41,239 | 36,107 | 40,049 | 43,484 | 40,226 | 36,107 |
| Deposits | 175,243 | 181,229 | 198,918 | 201,639 | 215,486 | 235,809 | 175,978 | 201,639 |
| Other liabilities | 22,383 | 22,639 | 22,953 | 22,829 | 22,907 | 22,430 | 21,973 | 22,829 |
| Total liabilities |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| at book value | 1,155,755 | 1,169,024 | 1,177,030 | 1,184,534 | 1,217,971 | 1,245,277 | 1,141,011 | 1,184,534 |
| with portfolio investment at market value | 1,345,334 | 1,374,241 | 1,409,834 | 1,418,763 | 1,475,667 | 1,486,322 | 1,318,507 | 1,418,763 |
| Net international investment position |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| at book value | -155,153 | -147,729 | -165,045 | -168,503 | -136,303 | -148,771 | -174,647 | -168,503 |
| with portfolio investment at market value | -150,794 | -146,574 | -174,708 | -162,611 | -123,007 | -135,873 | -158,894 | -162,611 |

## National balance sheet accounts

Second quarter 2006

## Growth in national net worth slows

National net worth reached $\$ 4.7$ trillion by the end of the second quarter, or $\$ 142,900$ per person. The gain in net worth resulted from an increase in national wealth (economy-wide non-financial assets) which was partially offset by increased net foreign debt. The growth in national net worth slowed to $1.2 \%$ in the second quarter, less than the average of $1.6 \%$ for the previous four quarters.

## Growth in national net worth slows



Growth in national wealth was up $+1.7 \%$ in the second quarter from $1.0 \%$ in the first quarter. The increase in the market value of residential real estate continued to be the major contributor to the growth in national wealth. It accounted for about two thirds of the increase in national wealth in the quarter. Increases in other non-financial assets including increased value of non-residential construction added to national wealth in the quarter.

## Growth in household net worth stalls

Gains in household net worth stalled in the quarter, recording the lowest growth rate in seven quarters. Most notably, the stock market correction was reflected in a reduction in the value of corporate shares and mutual funds, as well as limited gains in the value of pension assets. This was only partly offset by continued advances in the value of residential real estate, with gains largely attributable to price increases.

## Note to readers

The national balance sheet accounts are statements of the balance sheets of all of the various sectors of the economy. They consist of the non-financial assets owned in the various sectors of the economy and of financial claims outstanding. National wealth is the sum of nonfinancial assets - produced assets, land surrounding structures and agricultural land - in all sectors of the economy. National net worth is national wealth less net foreign liabilities (i.e., what is owed to non-residents less what non-residents owe to Canadians). Alternatively, it is the sum of the net worth of persons, corporations and governments.

National saving is the sum of saving of persons, corporations and governments. National saving and investment contribute to change in national net worth. The revaluation of assets and liabilities is also responsible for changes in national net worth. The causes of revaluation include changes in share prices, interest rates, exchange rates and loan allowances. For more information on national saving and the relationship between saving in the different sectors of the economy, see the publication Trends in Saving and Net Lending in the National Accounts, no. 49 (13-604-MIE, free).

Quarterly series, both book and market value, run from the first quarter of 1990; market value estimates have been available since June 2004. Additional annual market value data from 1970 to 1989 will be available upon request on September 29, 2006. In addition, expanded sector detail for the market value estimates will be available at the same time. These new data will be available on CANSIM at a later date. For more information on the market value estimates, consult Balance sheet estimates at market value.

With the continued rise in household debt, and the modest increase in net worth, households had $\$ 0.18$ of debt for every dollar of net worth at the end of the second quarter, up slightly from the first quarter. Debt service charges represent about $8 \%$ of personal disposable income.

Household leverage edges up


## Corporate leverage eases

Growth in credit market debt of non-financial corporations slowed in the second quarter, and the ratio of debt to equity resumed its downward trend. Corporations continued to generate surplus funds on a net basis and remain a lender to the rest of the economy, a trend which began in 2000.

## Corporate leverage eases



## Government debt continues to fall

Government net debt (total liabilities less total financial assets) declined significantly in the second quarter, led by a large government sector surplus. Net government debt (at book value) as a percentage of gross domestic product has continued its steady decline to about $45 \%$, a level not seen in more than 20 years.

## Net foreign debt advances on the heels of a large decline

Growth in Canadian assets abroad was exceeded by the growth in Canadian liabilities to non-residents. This largely reflected the negative impact of the strengthening Canadian dollar on Canada's foreign assets, which exceeded the moderating impact on foreign liabilities. In addition, non-resident investment in Canada outpaced Canadian investment abroad in the quarter. As a result, Canada's net foreign debt (the amounts owing to nonresidents less foreign assets held by Canadians) was up significantly in the second quarter, following a large decline at the time of the first quarter. This dampened the growth in national net worth in the second quarter.

## National balance sheet accounts[1]

|  | First quarter 2005 | Second quarter 2005 | Third quarter 2005 | Fourth quarter 2005 |  | Second quarter 2006 | 2004 | 2005 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Market value, not seasonally adjusted, billions of dollars |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| National net worth |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| National wealth | 4,476 | 4,545 | 4,610 | 4,675 | 4,721 | 4,800 | 4,427 | 4,675 |
|  | 1.1 | 1.5 | 1.4 | 1.4 | 1.0 | 1.7 | 6.6 | 5.6 |
| Net foreign debt | -151 | -146 | -175 | -162 | -119 | -142 | -159 | -162 |
| National net worth | 4,325 | 4,398 | 4,436 | 4,513 | 4,603 | 4,658 | 4,268 | 4,513 |
|  | 1.3 | 1.7 | 0.9 | 1.7 | 2.0 | 1.2 | 7.7 | 5.7 |
| National net worth per capita (dollars) | 134,400 | 136,300 | 137,000 | 139,200 | 141,600 | 142,900 | 132,900 | 139,200 |
|  | 1.1 | 1.4 | 0.5 | 1.6 | 1.7 | 0.9 | 6.7 | 4.7 |

[^13]National balance sheet, market value

|  | First quarter 2005 | Second quarter 2005 | Third quarter 2005 | Fourth quarter 2005 | First qua06 2006 | Second quarter 2006 | 2004 | 2005 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Millions of dollars at quarter end |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total assets | 14,229,631 | 14,536,574 | 14,880,632 | 15,124,640 | 15,577,890 | 15,659,274 | 13,928,243 | 15,124,640 |
| Non-financial assets | 4,475,736 | 4,544,703 | 4,610,490 | 4,675,140 | 4,721,407 | 4,800,156 | 4,427,195 | 4,675,140 |
| Residential structures | 1,223,860 | 1,243,227 | 1,267,502 | 1,293,245 | 1,323,602 | 1,356,933 | 1,209,054 | 1,293,245 |
| Non-residential structures | 1,092,659 | 1,103,195 | 1,117,227 | 1,131,290 | 1,122,246 | 1,133,848 | 1,084,323 | 1,131,290 |
| Machinery and equipment | 405,493 | 409,758 | 411,343 | 413,633 | 415,536 | 418,545 | 403,433 | 413,633 |
| Consumer durables | 359,829 | 364,811 | 368,365 | 376,072 | 377,159 | 379,772 | 359,373 | 376,072 |
| Inventories | 202,681 | 203,093 | 209,306 | 209,400 | 212,312 | 212,464 | 194,088 | 209,400 |
| Land | 1,191,214 | 1,220,619 | 1,236,747 | 1,251,500 | 1,270,552 | 1,298,594 | 1,176,924 | 1,251,500 |
| Net financial assets | -150,724 | -146,451 | -174,605 | -162,492 | -118,879 | -141,689 | -158,809 | -162,492 |
| Financial assets | 9,753,895 | 9,991,871 | 10,270,142 | 10,449,500 | 10,856,483 | 10,859,118 | 9,501,048 | 10,449,500 |
| Official reserves | 43,072 | 41,769 | 38,459 | 38,029 | 42,149 | 40,311 | 40,314 | 38,029 |
| Gold \& foreign currency | 38,137 | 37,631 | 34,973 | 35,357 | 39,865 | 38,043 | 35,204 | 35,357 |
| IMF reserve position | 3,827 | 3,044 | 2,439 | 1,629 | 1,213 | 1,219 | 3,999 | 1,629 |
| Special drawing rights | 1,108 | 1,094 | 1,047 | 1,043 | 1,071 | 1,049 | 1,111 | 1,043 |
| Currency and bank deposits | 820,972 | 854,790 | 857,176 | 864,234 | 884,247 | 897,827 | 782,036 | 864,234 |
| Other deposits | 194,865 | 199,379 | 202,594 | 209,181 | 210,297 | 214,644 | 193,067 | 209,181 |
| Foreign currency deposits | 88,917 | 92,734 | 101,966 | 107,541 | 115,528 | 103,071 | 94,783 | 107,541 |
| Consumer credit | 248,461 | 256,451 | 262,399 | 267,696 | 270,883 | 278,703 | 246,006 | 267,696 |
| Trade receivables | 235,511 | 239,568 | 245,192 | 251,283 | 251,958 | 255,520 | 230,371 | 251,283 |
| Bank loans | 209,983 | 213,874 | 213,482 | 216,670 | 223,552 | 230,660 | 204,636 | 216,670 |
| Other loans | 209,516 | 213,160 | 216,310 | 226,042 | 231,515 | 230,231 | 208,445 | 226,042 |
| Canada short-term paper | 122,886 | 116,345 | 116,848 | 120,159 | 122,768 | 109,859 | 110,759 | 120,159 |
| Other short-term paper | 150,699 | 159,543 | 169,060 | 171,059 | 182,807 | 190,392 | 151,737 | 171,059 |
| Mortgages | 694,261 | 709,954 | 728,649 | 741,904 | 754,168 | 771,314 | 685,056 | 741,904 |
| Canada bonds | 278,194 | 279,924 | 277,019 | 271,751 | 272,090 | 272,398 | 271,141 | 271,751 |
| (of which CSB's) | 19,080 | 18,860 | 18,651 | 17,712 | 17,652 | 17,434 | 19,462 | 17,712 |
| Provincial bonds | 312,008 | 321,387 | 322,041 | 323,792 | 326,055 | 317,658 | 304,846 | 323,792 |
| Municipal bonds | 37,841 | 39,353 | 39,091 | 38,605 | 38,311 | 38,348 | 37,963 | 38,605 |
| Other bonds | 377,982 | 398,843 | 415,214 | 436,564 | 458,376 | 464,189 | 367,442 | 436,564 |
| Life insurance \& pensions | 1,170,199 | 1,200,967 | 1,238,576 | 1,259,364 | 1,301,080 | 1,305,231 | 1,152,666 | 1,259,364 |
| Corporate claims | 1,183,212 | 1,194,038 | 1,216,698 | 1,228,263 | 1,257,677 | 1,274,759 | 1,163,854 | 1,228,263 |
| Government claims | 212,036 | 212,049 | 208,328 | 209,544 | 214,049 | 215,368 | 209,728 | 209,544 |
| Shares | 1,871,028 | 1,919,441 | 2,040,270 | 2,079,588 | 2,246,736 | 2,205,227 | 1,806,760 | 2,079,588 |
| Foreign investments | 469,405 | 490,917 | 505,359 | 532,417 | 581,601 | 571,697 | 460,303 | 532,417 |
| Other financial assets | 822,847 | 837,385 | 855,411 | 855,814 | 870,636 | 871,711 | 779,135 | 855,814 |
| Liabilities and net worth | 14,229,631 | 14,536,574 | 14,880,632 | 15,124,640 | 15,577,890 | 15,659,274 | 13,928,243 | 15,124,640 |
| Liabilities | 9,904,619 | 10,138,322 | 10,444,747 | 10,611,992 | 10,975,362 | 11,000,807 | 9,659,857 | 10,611,992 |
| Currency and bank deposits | 836,008 | 867,763 | 869,778 | 880,473 | 899,776 | 919,300 | 798,264 | 880,473 |
| Other deposits | 194,865 | 199,379 | 202,594 | 209,181 | 210,297 | 214,644 | 193,067 | 209,181 |
| Foreign currency deposits | 93,335 | 97,065 | 111,537 | 116,274 | 115,012 | 104,615 | 103,666 | 116,274 |
| Consumer credit | 248,461 | 256,451 | 262,399 | 267,696 | 270,883 | 278,703 | 246,006 | 267,696 |
| Trade payables | 236,221 | 239,223 | 246,475 | 251,783 | 254,752 | 258,231 | 232,745 | 251,783 |
| Bank loans | 199,527 | 204,158 | 202,496 | 205,583 | 210,491 | 216,420 | 194,971 | 205,583 |
| Other loans | 206,668 | 209,471 | 214,328 | 216,926 | 220,569 | 221,328 | 204,771 | 216,926 |
| Canada short-term paper | 131,062 | 124,756 | 124,832 | 129,632 | 136,334 | 123,882 | 118,787 | 129,632 |
| Other short-term paper | 160,712 | 169,641 | 177,985 | 181,433 | 190,745 | 201,736 | 162,635 | 181,433 |
| Mortgages | 694,611 | 710,306 | 728,999 | 742,252 | 754,513 | 771,655 | 685,405 | 742,252 |
| Canada bonds | 336,340 | 335,948 | 330,319 | 323,251 | 323,880 | 319,737 | 330,880 | 323,251 |
| (of which CSB's) | 19,080 | 18,860 | 18,651 | 17,712 | 17,652 | 17,434 | 19,462 | 17,712 |
| Provincial bonds | 439,620 | 453,637 | 445,016 | 445,725 | 445,990 | 432,040 | 430,455 | 445,725 |
| Municipal bonds | 41,383 | 43,095 | 42,870 | 42,360 | 41,909 | 41,778 | 41,691 | 42,360 |
| Other bonds | 610,748 | 639,372 | 643,551 | 659,668 | 677,523 | 675,292 | 600,755 | 659,668 |
| Life insurance \& pensions | 1,170,199 | 1,200,967 | 1,238,576 | 1,259,364 | 1,301,080 | 1,305,231 | 1,152,666 | 1,259,364 |
| Corporate claims | 437,062 | 437,575 | 460,161 | 465,205 | 492,523 | 511,198 | 430,350 | 465,205 |
| Government claims | 212,036 | 212,049 | 208,328 | 209,544 | 214,049 | 215,368 | 209,728 | 209,544 |
| Shares | 2,851,102 | 2,914,383 | 3,101,060 | 3,164,864 | 3,372,382 | 3,338,916 | 2,758,123 | 3,164,864 |
| Other liabilities | 804,659 | 823,083 | 833,443 | 840,778 | 842,654 | 850,733 | 764,892 | 840,778 |
| Net worth | 4,325,012 | 4,398,252 | 4,435,885 | 4,512,648 | 4,602,528 | 4,658,467 | 4,268,386 | 4,512,648 |

Credit market summary table

|  | First quarter 2005 | Second quarter 2005 | Third quarter 2005 | Fourth quarter 2005 | First quarter 2006 | Second quarter 2006 | 2004 | 2005 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Millions of dollars at quarter end |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Debt outstanding of: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Persons and unicorporated business | 923,381 | 943,913 | 962,519 | 977,074 | 989,244 | 1,009,748 | 913,622 | 977,074 |
| Consumer credit | 248,461 | 256,451 | 262,399 | 267,696 | 270,883 | 278,703 | 246,006 | 267,696 |
| Bank loans | 34,391 | 34,177 | 34,351 | 35,269 | 36,046 | 36,678 | 33,202 | 35,269 |
| Other loans | 72,119 | 72,005 | 71,750 | 72,271 | 72,946 | 71,640 | 71,759 | 72,271 |
| Mortgages | 568,410 | 581,280 | 594,019 | 601,838 | 609,369 | 622,727 | 562,655 | 601,838 |
| Non-financial private corporations | 592,638 | 599,451 | 602,663 | 604,075 | 617,980 | 622,913 | 583,239 | 604,075 |
| Bank loans | 113,001 | 115,644 | 115,526 | 117,001 | 120,541 | 123,516 | 113,301 | 117,001 |
| Other loans | 73,651 | 74,971 | 74,247 | 73,696 | 74,260 | 76,059 | 72,612 | 73,696 |
| Other short-term paper | 43,477 | 42,674 | 47,128 | 44,784 | 47,270 | 49,722 | 38,351 | 44,784 |
| Mortgages | 109,626 | 111,295 | 114,287 | 117,270 | 120,539 | 123,343 | 107,475 | 117,270 |
| Bonds | 252,883 | 254,867 | 251,475 | 251,324 | 255,370 | 250,273 | 251,500 | 251,324 |
| Non-financial government enterprises | 66,037 | 65,823 | 65,493 | 64,635 | 66,114 | 65,492 | 65,173 | 64,635 |
| Bank loans | 3,036 | 2,884 | 2,864 | 2,461 | 2,620 | 2,832 | 2,794 | 2,461 |
| Other loans | 7,093 | 7,685 | 7,668 | 7,260 | 7,456 | 7,564 | 7,011 | 7,260 |
| Other short-term paper | 5,194 | 5,134 | 5,664 | 5,686 | 6,026 | 5,657 | 5,843 | 5,686 |
| Mortgages | 96 | 98 | 100 | 99 | 99 | 98 | 97 | 99 |
| Canada bonds | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Provincial bonds | 48,736 | 48,274 | 47,485 | 47,411 | 48,176 | 47,603 | 47,512 | 47,411 |
| Municipal bonds | 121 | 121 | 121 | 121 | 121 | 121 | 121 | 121 |
| Other bonds | 1,761 | 1,627 | 1,591 | 1,597 | 1,616 | 1,617 | 1,795 | 1,597 |
| Federal government | 426,277 | 417,613 | 413,475 | 412,102 | 421,478 | 407,787 | 410,612 | 412,102 |
| Bank loans | 101 | 101 | 101 | 100 | 101 | 101 | 100 | 100 |
| Other loans | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Canada short-term paper | 131,062 | 124,756 | 124,832 | 129,632 | 136,334 | 123,882 | 118,787 | 129,632 |
| Canada bonds | 295,114 | 292,756 | 288,542 | 282,370 | 285,043 | 283,804 | 291,725 | 282,370 |
| Canada savings bonds | 19,080 | 18,860 | 18,651 | 17,712 | 17,652 | 17,434 | 19,462 | 17,712 |
| Other bonds | 276,034 | 273,896 | 269,891 | 264,658 | 267,391 | 266,370 | 272,263 | 264,658 |
| Other levels of government | 399,831 | 407,185 | 399,146 | 405,922 | 408,228 | 409,955 | 398,287 | 405,922 |
| Bank loans | 3,871 | 2,997 | 2,848 | 3,005 | 3,715 | 3,443 | 3,873 | 3,005 |
| Other loans | 12,920 | 12,652 | 12,854 | 13,041 | 15,267 | 15,214 | 12,853 | 13,041 |
| Other short-term paper | 12,422 | 13,794 | 10,650 | 13,947 | 13,096 | 18,359 | 18,524 | 13,947 |
| Mortgages | 2,033 | 2,033 | 2,031 | 2,029 | 2,028 | 1,996 | 2,036 | 2,029 |
| Provincial bonds | 326,102 | 332,598 | 327,263 | 330,453 | 330,440 | 326,739 | 318,609 | 330,453 |
| Municipal bonds | 38,982 | 39,628 | 39,902 | 39,706 | 39,955 | 40,473 | 38,959 | 39,706 |
| Other bonds | 3,501 | 3,483 | 3,598 | 3,741 | 3,727 | 3,731 | 3,433 | 3,741 |
| Total funds raised by domestic non-financial sectors | 2,408,164 | 2,433,985 | 2,443,296 | 2,463,808 | 2,503,044 | 2,515,895 | 2,370,933 | 2,463,808 |
| Consumer credit | 248,461 | 256,451 | 262,399 | 267,696 | 270,883 | 278,703 | 246,006 | 267,696 |
| Bank loans | 154,400 | 155,803 | 155,690 | 157,836 | 163,023 | 166,570 | 153,270 | 157,836 |
| Other loans | 165,783 | 167,313 | 166,519 | 166,268 | 169,929 | 170,477 | 164,235 | 166,268 |
| Canada short-term paper | 131,062 | 124,756 | 124,832 | 129,632 | 136,334 | 123,882 | 118,787 | 129,632 |
| Other short-term paper | 61,093 | 61,602 | 63,442 | 64,417 | 66,392 | 73,738 | 62,718 | 64,417 |
| Mortgages | 680,165 | 694,706 | 710,437 | 721,236 | 732,035 | 748,164 | 672,263 | 721,236 |
| Bonds | 967,200 | 973,354 | 959,977 | 956,723 | 964,448 | 954,361 | 953,654 | 956,723 |
| Non-residents | 44,340 | 44,387 | 42,547 | 44,165 | 48,691 | 47,109 | 42,644 | 44,165 |
| Bank loans | 10,456 | 9,716 | 10,986 | 11,087 | 13,061 | 14,240 | 9,665 | 11,087 |
| Other loans | 33,884 | 34,671 | 31,561 | 33,078 | 35,630 | 32,869 | 32,979 | 33,078 |
| Mortgages | 0 | 0 | 0 | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... |
| Total borrowing excluding domestic financial institutions | 2,452,504 | 2,478,372 | 2,485,843 | 2,507,973 | 2,551,735 | 2,563,004 | 2,413,577 | 2,507,973 |
| Domestic financial institutions | 525,051 | 555,318 | 583,609 | 610,075 | 639,088 | 656,851 | 510,461 | 610,075 |
| Bank loans | 45,127 | 48,355 | 46,806 | 47,747 | 47,468 | 49,850 | 41,701 | 47,747 |
| Other loans | 40,885 | 42,158 | 47,809 | 50,658 | 50,640 | 50,851 | 40,536 | 50,658 |
| Other short-term paper | 99,619 | 108,039 | 114,543 | 117,016 | 124,353 | 127,998 | 99,917 | 117,016 |
| Mortgages | 14,446 | 15,600 | 18,562 | 21,016 | 22,478 | 23,491 | 13,142 | 21,016 |
| Bonds | 324,974 | 341,166 | 355,889 | 373,638 | 394,149 | 404,661 | 315,165 | 373,638 |
| Total funds raised = total funds supplied | 2,977,555 | 3,033,690 | 3,069,452 | 3,118,048 | 3,190,823 | 3,219,855 | 2,924,038 | 3,118,048 |
| Assets of: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Persons and unicorporated business | 127,437 | 125,328 | 130,795 | 120,557 | 114,025 | 110,754 | 129,704 | 120,557 |
| Non-financial corporations | 72,122 | 72,202 | 73,459 | 76,473 | 77,320 | 77,272 | 71,324 | 76,473 |
| Governments | 214,185 | 223,767 | 227,823 | 227,155 | 235,099 | 234,405 | 206,851 | 227,155 |
| Non-residents | 441,015 | 442,591 | 422,866 | 417,452 | 419,290 | 412,506 | 439,452 | 417,452 |
| Domestic financial institutions | 2,147,358 | 2,194,046 | 2,238,661 | 2,300,461 | 2,368,975 | 2,408,011 | 2,101,285 | 2,300,461 |


[^0]:    Note to readers
    Percentage changes for expenditure-based and industry-based statistics (such as consumer expenditures, investment, exports, imports, production and output) are calculated using volume measures, i.e. adjusted for inflation. Percentage changes for income-based statistics (such as labour income, corporate profits and farm income) are calculated using nominal values, i.e. not adjusted for inflation.

[^1]:    1. The first line is the series itself expressed in millions of dollars, seasonally adjusted at annual rates. The second line, italicized, is the period to period percentage change.
[^2]:    1. The first line is the series itself expressed in millions of dollars, seasonally adjusted at annual rates. The second line, italicized, is the period to period percentage change.
[^3]:    1. The first line is the series itself expressed in millions of dollars, seasonally adjusted at annual rates. The second line, italicized, is the period to period percentage change.
[^4]:    1. The chained (1997) dollars data shown in the table "Real gross domestic product, expenditure-based, quarterly percentage change" are not additive. The contributions to percentage change shown in the above table are additive and provide a measure of the composition of GDP growth.
[^5]:    1. The first line is the series itself. The second line, italicized, is the percentage change.
[^6]:    1. The first line is the series itself expressed in millions of dollars, seasonally adjusted at annual rates. The second line, italicized, is the period-to-period percentage change at monthly rates.
[^7]:    1. The first line is the series itself expressed in millions of dollars, seasonally adjusted at annual rates. The second line, italicized, is the period to period percentage change.
[^8]:    Note to readers
    The balance of payments covers all economic transactions between Canadian residents and non-residents. It includes the current account and the capital and financial account.

    The current account covers transactions on goods, services, investment income and current transfers. Transactions in exports and interest income are examples of receipts, while imports and interest expense are payments. The balance from these transactions determines if Canada's current account is in surplus or deficit.

    The capital and financial account is mainly composed of transactions in financial instruments. Financial assets and liabilities with nonresidents are presented under three functional classes: direct investment, portfolio investment and other investment. These investments belong either to Canadian residents (Canadian assets) or to foreign residents (Canadian liabilities). Transactions resulting in a capital inflow are presented as positive values while capital outflows from Canada are shown as negative values.

    A current account surplus or deficit should correspond to an equivalent outflow or inflow in the capital and financial account. In other words, the two accounts should add to zero. In fact, as data are compiled from multiple sources, the two balance of payments accounts rarely equate. As a result, the statistical discrepancy is the net unobserved inflow or outflow needed to balance the accounts.

[^9]:    1. A minus sign (-) denotes an outflow of capital resulting from an increase in claims on non-residents or from a decrease in liabilities to non-residents. Transactions are recorded on a net basis.
[^10]:    1. The first line is the series itself expressed in millions of dollars, seasonally adjusted at annual rates. The second line, italicized, is the period to period percentage change.
    2. Sum of accrued net income of farm operators from farm production and net income of non-farm unincorporated business, including rent.
    3. Total income minus current transfers to government.
[^11]:    1. The first line is the series itself expressed in millions of dollars, seasonally adjusted at annual rates. The second line, italicized, is the period to period percentage change.
    2. Includes interest and dividends received from non-residents.
    3. Interest on the public debt is routed to other sectors of the economy through the corporate sector due to incomplete information on transactions of government debt instruments.
[^12]:    1. Source: U.S. data are from the Bureau of Labor Statistics, Productivity and costs, published in NEWS
    2. The exchange rate corresponds to the U.S. dollar value expressed in Canadian dollars.
    3. The change at annualized rates corresponds to the annual growth rate that would have been observed if the growth over the quarter had been the same for the whole year.
[^13]:    1. The first line is the series itself expressed in billions of dollars. The second line, italicized, is the period-to-period percentage change.
