## EXPORT PERFORMANCE MONITOR

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For the third month in a row Canada's trade balance was in deficit, as import growth outpaced that of exports. However, for 2014 as a whole Canada registered a trade surplus of $\$ 5.2$ billion.
Almost all sectors saw increase in exports with metal and non-metallic minerals leading with a gain of $13.1 \%$. The largest decline was in Energy exports which fell 10.3\%, as prices fell 12.3\% in December.
Export growth to the United was up just $0.6 \%$ while exports to the rest of the world grew by $4.5 \%$, led by exports to the UK (+46\%) due to shipments of precious metals.

| SECTOR PERFORMANCE |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | REGIONAL PERFORMANCE |  |  |  |  |
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| Sector | Growth Rate |  | Price Change |  | Rank |  | Provincial Contribution |  | Regions | Growth Rate |  | Rank |  |
|  | $\underline{\xi}$ | $\stackrel{\circ}{5}$ | $\underset{\xi}{\xi}$ | $\stackrel{\circ}{7}$ |  | $\stackrel{\circ}{5}$ |  |  |  | $\underline{E}$ | $\stackrel{0}{5}$ |  | $\stackrel{\square}{5}$ |
| Other Consumer Goods | 5.2\% | 12.8\% | 1.4\% | 5.7\% | 1 | 2 | SK | AB | United Kingdom | 46.0\% | 7.9\% | 1 | 3 |
| Machinery and Equipment | 4.6\% | 9.9\% | 0.5\% | 2.3\% | 2 | 4 | ON | MB | $\begin{gathered} \text { EU } \\ \text { (excluding } \\ \text { UK) } \end{gathered}$ | 18.5\% | 14.6\% | 2 | 1 |
| Agriculture and Fishing Products | 3.7\% | 11.5\% | 2.5\% | 0.8\% | 3 | 3 | QC | AB | China | 9.1\% | -5.9\% | 3 | 5 |
| Automotive products | 3.6\% | 9.3\% | 1.2\% | 6.4\% | 4 | 5 | QC | ON | Germany | 7.2\% | 1.1\% | 4 | 4 |
| Forestry Products | 1.2\% | 9.3\% | 0.5\% | 2.3\% | 5 | 6 | AB | ON | United States | 0.6\% | 11.6\% | 5 | 2 |
| Industrial Products and Materials | -2.2\% | 1.8\% | -2.6\% | 2.3\% | 6 | 7 | AB | ON | Japan | -9.6\% | -14.6\% | 6 | 6 |
| Energy Products | -10.3\% | 13.5\% | -13.0\% | 8.7\% | 7 | 1 | $A B$ | NL |  |  |  |  |  |
| TOTAL EXPORTS | 1.5\% | 10.3\% | -1.5\% | 4.4\% |  |  | AB | NB | TOTAL EXPORTS | 1.5\% | 10.3\% |  |  |

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PROVINCIAL PICTURE

| Province | Growth Rate |  | Top Contributor |  | Weakest Contributor |  |
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|  | m/m | YTD | Sector | Contribution | Sector | Contribution |
| NL | 2.5\% | 9.1\% | Agriculture and Fishing Products | 0.1\% | Energy Products | -0.6\% |
| PE | 11.7\% | 19.6\% | Agriculture and Fishing Products | 0.1\% | Other consumer goods | 0.0\% |
| NS | 9.5\% | 24.4\% | Agriculture and Fishing Products | 1.8\% | Automotive products | -0.1\% |
| NB | -7.7\% | -10.4\% | Agriculture and Fishing Products | 0.4\% | Industrial Products and Materials | -1.3\% |
| QC | 19.0\% | 14.7\% | Agriculture and Fishing Products | 4.2\% | Industrial Products and Materials | -0.7\% |
| ON | 0.9\% | 8.0\% | Machinery and equipment | 4.9\% | Automotive products | -3.4\% |
| MB | -0.7\% | 6.5\% | Energy Products | 0.3\% | Agriculture and Fishing Products | -2.5\% |
| SK | 17.2\% | 8.9\% | Energy Products | 2.1\% | Forestry Products | -0.1\% |
| AB | 16.1\% | 17.9\% | Energy Products | 16.2\% | Agriculture and Fishing Products | -3.7\% |
| BC | 1.1\% | 6.3\% | Forestry Products | 0.2\% | Agriculture and Fishing Products | -2.5\% |

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