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Public sector employment 1999 (preliminary)

Employment in the public sector continued to stabilize in 1999. The public sector employed an average of just under 2.8 million people last year, an increase of 900 jobs from 1998. This is the first such rise in seven years. (Employment is measured monthly, and averaged for the year.) The public sector contains all institutional units controlled by governments.

After several years of tighter budgetary control and restructuring by governments, there are as many people working in the public sector today as there were in 1985. However, there were less than 92 public sector employees per 1,000 persons in 1999, down from more than 108 in 1985.

Ontario and Alberta registered the largest increases in public sector employment in 1999. Ontario had 958,200 public sector employees, up 4,700 (+0.5%) from 1998; there were 259,300 in Alberta, up 4,300 (+1.7%). Public sector employment declined most in Quebec, where 12,000 jobs were lost.

The stability of public sector employment reflects trends in government employment, which accounts for almost 91% of the public sector work force. In 1999, federal, provincial/territorial and local governments employed just over 2.5 million people, virtually unchanged from 1998.

Employment fell slightly in two of the three levels of government. The provincial/territorial work force declined by about 1,800 employees (-0.1%) to 1.3 million. Hospitals and universities in Quebec, as well as colleges in Ontario, accounted for the provincial/territorial decline.

The federal government (including the military) employed an average of 330,000 people in 1999, down 0.3% or 970 jobs from 1998. A drop in the military of 2,400 jobs more than offset a 1,400-job increase in general government employees.

However, local government employment increased by about 2,200 jobs to 894,000 in 1999. Increases in the local government work force were highest in Ontario and Alberta, which had, respectively, 2,660 and 1,800 more jobs than in 1998.

Public business enterprises, which account for the remaining portion of the public sector, registered a second consecutive annual increase. In 1999, public business enterprises employed 262,000 people, up 0.6% or 1,500 jobs from the previous year.

These data, as well as other public sector employment, wages and salaries data are available on CANSIM and through custom tabulation.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 2720, 2860, 2863, 2864 and 2866.

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Public sector employment
1999 (preliminary)

	Federal government	Provincial and territorial governments	Local governments	Total government	Government business enterprises	Total public sector ¹	1998 to 1999
							% change
Canada	330,003	1,312,806	893,709	2,536,519	262,451	2,798,970	- -
Newfoundland	7,011	31,059	13,453	51,523	4,049	55,572	-0.2
Prince Edward Island	3,165	8,679	2,838	14,682	452	15,134	-5.0
Nova Scotia	23,328	47,703	24,588	95,619	7,062	102,681	-1.6
New Brunswick	13,057	54,264	6,975	74,297	6,789	81,085	2.6
Quebec	66,443	383,139	202,956	652,537	66,493	719,031	-1.6
Ontario	130,428	362,384	363,766	856,578	101,675	958,253	0.5
Manitoba	14,888	64,408	38,135	117,430	13,346	130,776	2.4
Saskatchewan	8,890	55,445	35,118	99,453	12,468	111,921	0.8
Alberta	24,270	126,461	92,698	243,429	15,900	259,329	1.7
British Columbia	33,549	168,532	110,011	312,091	33,559	345,650	0.1
Yukon Territory	851	3,493	360	4,705	x	4,705	-4.4
Northwest Territories	1,066	5,276	1,830	8,172	x	8,172	-25.2
Nunavut	60	1,964	981	3,005	x	3,005	0.0
Outside of Canada	2,998	2,998	x	2,998	2.1

¹ Excluding government public enterprises.

-- Amount too small to be expressed.

x Indicates confidential data.

... Figures not appropriate or not applicable.

Note: Federal government includes military. Provincial and territorial government includes provincial and territorial general government, universities and colleges, and health and social services institutions. Local government includes school boards. The Canada total may differ from the sum of provinces/territories due to rounding.

Employer pension plans (trusteed pension funds)

Third quarter 1999

The market value of the total assets of employer-sponsored pension plans was \$524 billion at the end of the third quarter, virtually unchanged from the previous quarter.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 5749.

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Crude oil and natural gas

January 2000 (preliminary)

Crude oil production increased by 4.5% over January 1999; Newfoundland and Saskatchewan were the chief contributors to this gain. Exports, which accounted for 64.2% of total production, rose by 16.7% compared with January 1999.

Marketable natural gas production rose by 1.2% over January 1999. Domestic sales increased by 3.1%, the third consecutive monthly year-over-year growth. This increase is due in part to greater demand for natural gas by electric utilities. Exports continued a long-standing trend of increases, posting a 2.1% gain from January 1999.

Crude oil and natural gas

	Jan. 1999	Jan. 2000	Jan. 1999 to Jan. 2000 % change
	thousands of cubic metres		
Crude oil and equivalent hydrocarbons¹			
Production	10 287.4	10 753.4	4.5
Exports	5 915.8	6 902.7	16.7
Imports ²	4 212.3	4 288.5	1.8
Refinery receipts	8 719.3	8 305.2	-4.7
	millions of cubic metres		
Natural gas³			
Marketable production	14 603.8	14 780.0	1.2
Exports	8 195.2	8 365.9	2.1
Canadian domestic sales ⁴	8 584.7	8 854.9	3.1

¹ Disposition may differ from production due to inventory change or industry own use, etc.

² Crude oil received by Canadian refineries from foreign countries for processing. Data may differ from International Trade Division estimates due to timing differences and the inclusion of crude oil landed in Canada for future re-export.

³ Disposition may differ from production due to inventory change, usage as pipeline fuel, pipeline losses, line-pack fluctuations, etc.

⁴ Includes direct sales.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 530 and 539.

The January 2000 issue of *Supply and disposition of crude oil and natural gas* (26-006-XPB, \$19/\$186) will be available in April. See *How to order publications*.

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