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### **Employment, earnings and hours**

July 2000 (preliminary)

Average weekly earnings for all employees in July rose \$2.29 compared with June. Average earnings were estimated at \$627.49 per week, an increase of 2.7% from July 1999.

While both salaried and hourly rated employees saw increases in average weekly earnings since July 1999, those in the other employees group have lost a bit of ground. Weak earnings for commissioned salespersons in the wholesale trade, business services and finance and insurance industries contributed to a decline of 1.2% in average weekly earnings since July 1999 for other employees.

Average hourly earnings for hourly rated employees rose to \$15.80 in July, an increase of 2.7% from July 1999. Average weekly hours for hourly rated employees were down 0.1 hours to 31.2, and average overtime hours were unchanged.

Payroll employment rose slightly (+13,500) in July. This is the third consecutive month of small payroll employment gains. By industry, the largest employment gain was in business services. Among the provinces, employment gains were concentrated in Ontario and Alberta.

**Note:** In May 1998 Statistics Canada finished incorporating administrative records into the production of employment, earnings and hours estimates (this was the third phase of the redesign). As a result of this change in methodology, estimates derived from

administrative records may show a different pattern than the previous data. This may affect the historical comparability of employment and earnings series.

Beginning with the January 2001 data, estimates from the Survey on Employment, Payrolls and Hours will be based on the North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) instead of the 1980 Standard Industrial Classification. At the same time, the historical series will be revised to reflect the new phase-three levels of employment and earnings derived from administrative records on a NAICS basis. In addition, seasonal factors will be revised, thus improving the historical consistency of seasonally adjusted estimates. For more information on NAICS, consult Statistics Canada's Web site ([www.statcan.ca](http://www.statcan.ca); see the *Concepts, definitions and methods* page), or contact Jean Leduc (613-951-4090; fax: 613-951-4087; [labour@statcan.ca](mailto:labour@statcan.ca)).

**Available on CANSIM: matrices 4285-4466, 4493, 4494, 9438-9452, 9639-9664 and 9899-9911.**

Detailed industry data and other labour market indicators will be available in October in standard tables in the monthly publication *Employment, earnings and hours* (72-002-XPB, \$32/\$320). Annual averages for 1999 are now available through CANSIM and by custom tabulations from Labour Statistics Division. See *How to order products*.

For more information, or to enquire about the concepts, methods or data quality of this release, contact Robert Frindt or Jean Leduc (613-951-4090; fax: 613-951-4087; [labour@statcan.ca](mailto:labour@statcan.ca)), Labour Statistics Division. □

## Average weekly earnings for all employees

Industry group (1980 Standard Industrial Classification)	July 1999	June 2000 <sup>r</sup>	July 2000 <sup>p</sup>	June to July 2000	July 1999 to July 2000
seasonally adjusted					
	\$			% change	
<b>Industrial aggregate</b>	<b>611.18</b>	<b>625.20</b>	<b>627.49</b>	<b>0.4</b>	<b>2.7</b>
Logging and forestry	783.30	829.06	817.22	-1.4	4.3
Mining, quarrying and oil wells	1,123.55	1,165.61	1,184.96	1.7	5.5
Manufacturing	764.41	774.78	781.10	0.8	2.2
Construction	696.91	718.75	719.85	0.2	3.3
Transportation and storage	736.86	748.51	746.11	-0.3	1.3
Communication and other utilities	816.54	821.86	820.35	-0.2	0.5
Wholesale trade	664.56	666.51	665.62	-0.1	0.2
Retail trade	370.95	371.13	369.80	-0.4	-0.3
Finance and insurance	814.92	825.91	830.16	0.5	1.9
Real estate operators and insurance agencies	644.17	650.67	666.39	2.4	3.4
Business services	701.45	724.14	729.76	0.8	4.0
Education-related services	639.87	674.81	668.62	-0.9	4.5
Health and social services	526.84	541.19	542.00	0.1	2.9
Accommodation, food and beverage services	231.55	242.81	241.77	-0.4	4.4
Public administration	744.36	763.57	764.96	0.2	2.8
Miscellaneous services	409.58	423.50	423.99	0.1	3.5
<b>Provinces and territories</b>					
Newfoundland	545.81	556.19	555.35	-0.2	1.7
Prince Edward Island	480.63	480.83	488.16	1.5	1.6
Nova Scotia	529.15	533.41	532.05	-0.3	0.5
New Brunswick	531.35	553.27	552.15	-0.2	3.9
Quebec	572.41	583.92	585.92	0.3	2.4
Ontario	652.24	667.03	670.95	0.6	2.9
Manitoba	545.24	564.35	562.63	-0.3	3.2
Saskatchewan	542.18	559.70	560.01	0.1	3.3
Alberta	621.10	643.16	645.13	0.3	3.9
British Columbia	622.99	633.58	634.66	0.2	1.9
Yukon	683.29	702.98	703.19	0.0	2.9
Northwest Territories and Nunavut	788.94	820.28	820.89	0.1	4.0

<sup>r</sup> Revised estimates.

<sup>p</sup> Preliminary estimates.

## Number of employees

Industry group (1980 Standard Industrial Classification)	May 2000	June 2000 <sup>r</sup>	July 2000 <sup>p</sup>	May to June 2000	June to July 2000
seasonally adjusted					
	'000			% change	
<b>Industrial aggregate</b>	<b>12,130</b>	<b>12,152</b>	<b>12,166</b>	<b>0.2</b>	<b>0.1</b>
Logging and forestry	69	69	68	0.0	-1.4
Mining, quarrying and oil wells	141	139	140	-1.4	0.7
Manufacturing	2,001	2,002	2,004	0.0	0.1
Construction	562	554	552	-1.4	-0.4
Transportation and storage	517	517	518	0.0	0.2
Communication and other utilities	390	389	391	-0.3	0.5
Wholesale trade	802	805	807	0.4	0.2
Retail trade	1,463	1,461	1,458	-0.1	-0.2
Finance and insurance	529	534	539	0.9	0.9
Real estate operators and insurance agencies	194	195	191	0.5	-2.1
Business services	943	957	966	1.5	0.9
Education-related services	932	932	933	0.0	0.1
Health and social services	1,226	1,226	1,226	0.0	0.0
Accommodation, food and beverage services	876	878	879	0.2	0.1
Public administration	681	680	680	-0.1	0.0
Miscellaneous services	723	725	726	0.3	0.1
<b>Provinces and territories</b>					
Newfoundland	157	157	154	0.0	-1.9
Prince Edward Island	53	52	52	-1.9	0.0
Nova Scotia	337	335	334	-0.6	-0.3
New Brunswick	269	267	267	-0.7	0.0
Quebec	2,876	2,883	2,885	0.2	0.1
Ontario	4,756	4,764	4,778	0.2	0.3
Manitoba	475	475	475	0.0	0.0
Saskatchewan	360	362	363	0.6	0.3
Alberta	1,274	1,278	1,282	0.3	0.3
British Columbia	1,530	1,532	1,530	0.1	-0.1
Yukon	16	15	15	-6.3	0.0
Northwest Territories and Nunavut	28	28	27	0.0	-3.6

<sup>r</sup> Revised estimates.

<sup>p</sup> Preliminary estimates.

## Crude oil and natural gas

July 2000 (preliminary)

Crude oil production totalled 10 751 500 cubic metres in July, up 1.8% from July 1999. Saskatchewan and Newfoundland posted increases, but Alberta production declined. The decrease in Alberta was the result of much lower synthetic crude oil production. Imports rose 18.6% over July 1999. Exports advanced 2.4%.

Year-to-date production of crude oil grew 5.7% over the same period of 1999. Exports jumped 14.9%,

owing to higher demand for Canadian crude oil by U.S. refineries.

Marketable natural gas production rose 1.2% over July 1999. Domestic sales climbed 8.8%, reflecting higher demand by the residential, commercial and industrial sectors. Exports of natural gas were up 1.7% from July 1999.

Year-to-date marketable production of natural gas increased by 2.1% over the same period in 1999. Year-to-date exports of natural gas were up 4.4%, while year-to-date Canadian domestic sales rose 5.6%.

## Crude oil and natural gas

	July 1999	July 2000	July 1999 to July 2000 % change
	thousands of cubic metres		
<b>Crude oil and equivalent hydrocarbons<sup>1</sup></b>			
Production	10 564.7	10 751.5	1.8
Exports	6 593.3	6 751.2	2.4
Imports <sup>2</sup>	4 102.3	4 865.6	18.6
Refinery receipts	8 527.0	8 847.9	3.8
	millions of cubic metres		
<b>Natural gas<sup>3</sup></b>			
Marketable production	13 357.9	13 512.6	1.2
Exports	7 912.3	8 046.3	1.7
Domestic sales <sup>4</sup>	3 690.9	4 015.8	8.8
	Jan. to July 1999	Jan. to July 2000	Jan.-July 1999 to Jan.-July 2000
	thousands of cubic metres		
<b>Crude oil and equivalent hydrocarbons<sup>1</sup></b>			
Production	70 073.4	74 073.3	5.7
Exports	41 073.6	47 210.6	14.9
Imports <sup>2</sup>	28 261.4	31 033.0	9.8
Refinery receipts	56 940.2	58 002.0	1.9
	millions of cubic metres		
<b>Natural gas<sup>3</sup></b>			
Marketable production	94 320.5	96 318.8	2.1
Exports	54 298.5	56 712.7	4.4
Domestic sales <sup>4</sup>	41 171.8	43 457.0	5.6

<sup>1</sup> Disposition may differ from production because of inventory change, industry own-use, etc.

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

<sup>3</sup> Disposition may differ from production because of inventory change, usage as pipeline fuel, pipeline losses, line-pack fluctuations, etc.

<sup>4</sup> Includes direct sales.

## Available on CANSIM: matrices 530 and 539.

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

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## Mineral wool including fibrous glass insulation

August 2000

Manufacturers shipped 2 888 470 square metres of R12 factor (RSI 2.1) mineral wool batts in August, 33.3% more than the 2 167 250 square metres shipped in July and 28.6% more than the 2 246 518 square metres shipped in August 1999.

Year-to-date shipments to the end of August totalled 17 616 852 square metres, a 11.2% decrease from the same period in 1999.

## Available on CANSIM: matrices 40 and 122 (series 32 and 33).

The August issue of *Mineral wool including fibrous glass insulation* (44-004-XIB, \$5/\$47) is now available. See *How to order products*.

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## Light bulbs and tubes

August 2000

Light bulb and tube manufacturers sold 23.5 million light bulbs and tubes in August, an increase of less than 1% from the 23.4 million sold in August 1999.

Year-to-date sales at the end of August totalled 172 million light bulbs and tubes, the same amount as in the same period of 1999.

The August 2000 issue of *Electric lamps, light bulbs and tubes* (43-009-XIB, \$5/\$47) is now available. See *How to order products*.

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## NEW PRODUCTS

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**Catalogue number 44-004-XIB (\$5/\$47).**

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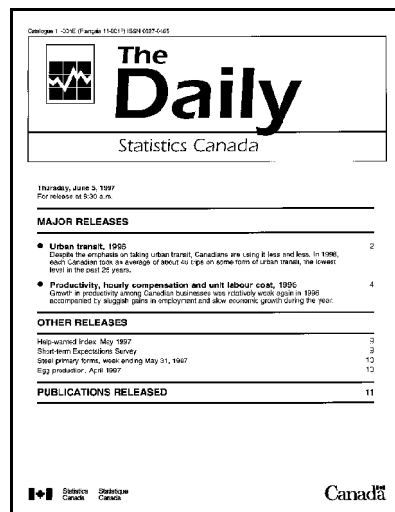
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