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2001 Census profiles: Dissolved census subdivisions

2001

Profiles for the "Marital status of Canadians," "Families and household living arrangements" and "Housing" topics are now available at the dissolved census subdivision (CSD) level. The dissolved CSD concept provides a means of tabulating 2001 Census data for census subdivisions as they were delineated for the previous census in 1996.

These profiles and a new mapping feature are now available for free on Statistics Canada's Web site (www.statcan.ca). From the home page, choose *Community profiles*. For more information, contact the nearest Statistics Canada Regional Reference Centre.

OTHER RELEASES

Natural gas sales

August 2002 (preliminary)

Natural gas sales totalled 3 838 million cubic metres in August, down 1.7% from August 2001. Lower sales were posted in all three sectors (residential, commercial and industrial). Sales to the industrial sector (including industrial direct sales) fell 2.1% from August 2001, the result of lower demand for natural gas by electrical utilities and the chemical industry.

Year-to-date sales at the end of August were up 3.2% from the same period of 2001. Industrial sector sales (including industrial direct sales) posted a 2.3% increase from the same period of 2001.

Natural gas sales

	August 2002 ^P	August 2001	August 2001 to August 2002
	Thousands of cubic metres		% change
Natural gas sales	3 838 420	3 905 246	-1.7
Residential	406 230	406 755	-0.1
Commercial	374 259	375 888	-0.4
Industrial	1 444 756	1 389 638	-2.1
Direct	1 613 175	1 732 965	
Year-to-date			
	2002 ^P	2001	2001 to 2002
	Thousands of cubic metres		% change
Natural gas sales	45 932 877	44 508 571	3.2
Residential	11 405 697	10 862 067	5.0
Commercial	8 700 912	8 413 188	3.4
Industrial	12 123 463	12 494 313	2.3
Direct	13 702 805	12 739 003	

^P Preliminary figures.

Note: Since March, direct sales have been allocated to the appropriate sectoral sale category.

Available on CANSIM: tables 129-0001 to 129-0004. (The tables will be available soon.)

The August 2002 issue of *Natural gas transportation and distribution* (55-002-XIB, \$13/\$125) will be available in December. See *How to order products*.

For general information or to order data, contact the dissemination officer (1-866-873-8789; 613-951-9497; energ@statcan.ca). To enquire about the concepts,

methods or data quality of this release, contact John Svab (613-951-7382; john.svab@statcan.ca) or Andrew Beimers (613-951-2624; andrew.beimers@statcan.ca), Manufacturing, Construction and Energy Division. ■

Asphalt roofing

September 2002

Production of asphalt shingles totalled 3 730 590 metric bundles in September, up 3.3% from 3 611 378 bundles in September 2001.

Year-to-date production at the end of September amounted to 32 767 375 bundles, up 10.5% from 29 644 120 bundles in the same period of 2001.

Available on CANSIM: table 303-0006.

The September 2002 issue of *Asphalt roofing*, Vol. 54, no. 9 (45-001-XIB, \$5/\$47) is now available. See *How to order products*.

For more information, or to enquire about the concepts, methods or data quality of this release, contact the dissemination officer (1-866-873-8789; 613-951-9497; manufact@statcan.ca), Manufacturing, Construction and Energy Division. ■

Household Internet Use Survey

2001

The public-use microdata file for the 2001 Household Internet Use Survey, conducted in January 2002, is now available. The survey provides information on the use of the Internet by Canadian households in the 10 provinces.

This is the fifth cross-sectional microdata file to be released in the series, which began with the Household Internet Use Survey for 1997. In previous years, household electronic commerce data were collected only if the Internet shopping was conducted from home. In 2001, electronic commerce included shopping from all locations for personal or household consumption. This survey improvement constitutes a break in the data series, preventing a direct comparison of electronic commerce results of 2001 with previous years.

In addition, a revised version of the 1998 microdata file with minor changes to survey weights is now available.

The *Household Internet Use Survey* public-use microdata file on CD-ROM (56M0002XCB, \$2,000) is now available. See *How to order products*.

For more information, or to enquire about the concepts, methods or data quality of this release, contact Claire Simard (613-951-2183; fax: 613-951-9920; claire.simard@statcan.ca), Science, Innovation, and Electronic Information Division. ■

Traveller accommodation services price indexes

Third quarter 2002

Monthly indexes that measure price movements of accommodation services are now available for the third

quarter. These indexes reflect changes in room rates, excluding all indirect taxes, for overnight or short stays with no meals or other services provided. The indexes are available for Canada, by province and territory, and by major client group.

Available on CANSIM: table 326-0013.

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Catalogue number 11-002-XIE (\$3/\$109).

Infomat — a weekly review, October 25, 2002
Catalogue number 11-002-XPE (\$4/\$145).

Asphalt roofing, September 2002, Vol. 54, no. 9
Catalogue number 45-001-XIB (\$5/\$47).

Household Internet Use Survey,
Catalogue number 56M0002XCB (\$2,000).

Retail trade, August 2002, Vol. 74, no. 8
Catalogue number 63-005-XIB (\$16/\$155).

General summary of vital statistics by local area, 1998
Catalogue number 84F0001XPB (\$20).

All prices are in Canadian dollars and exclude sales tax. Additional shipping charges apply for delivery outside Canada.

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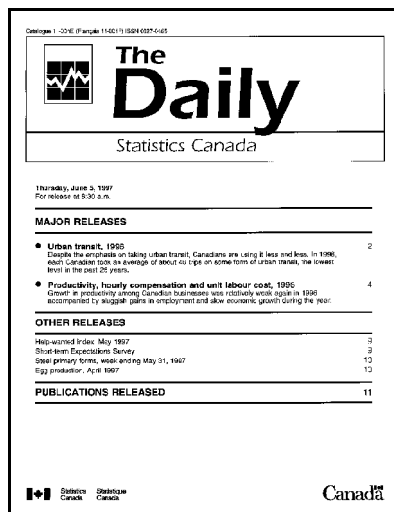
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1	Productivity growth and greenhouse gas emissions	1981–1996
