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# Full-time enrolment in trade/vocational and preparatory training

1998/99

In 1998/99, 240,133 students were enrolled in trade/vocational and preparatory training programs in community colleges, as well as in CEGEPs and high schools in Quebec, down 4% from 1997/98. From 1995/96 to 1998/99, enrolment in these programs dropped 11%, although community college and CEGEP postsecondary enrolment generally rose.

## Full-time enrolment in trade/vocational and preparatory training

	1997/98	1998/99	1-year	3-year
			% change	% change
Trade/vocational				
Pre-employment/pre-				
apprenticeship Registered	86,582	80,758	-6.7	-12.0
apprenticeship	43,402	42,559	-1.9	-18.6
Skill-upgrading Special and contract	7,412	7,156	-3.5	-14.1
training <sup>1</sup>	34,412	23,204	-32.6	2.3
Total	171,808	153,677	-10.6	-12.2
Preparatory training				
Academic upgrading	39,765	42.907	7.9	-12.6
Language training Job-readiness training	24,170	24,558	1.6	-23.8
and orientation	14,279	18,991	33.0	49.7
Total	78,214	86,456	10.5	-8.1
Total	250,022	240,133	-4.0	-10.8

Because of respondents' difficulty collecting special and contract training enrolments, incomplete reporting may be possible for some survey years.

Trade/vocational programs are designed to provide students with the basic knowledge needed to work in a particular occupation or trade. Included are pre-employment or pre-apprenticeship programs or courses, in-class instruction for registered apprentices, skill upgrading or courses to introduce workers to new technology in their field, and special or contract training.

Enrolment in trade/vocational programs fell from 1995/96 to 1998/99; the greatest decrease (-19%) was in registered apprenticeship in-class training. Enrolment in special and contract training programs fluctuated but changed little over the period.

The decrease in trade/vocational enrolment is partly the result of changes in entrance requirements, especially in the pre-employment or pre-apprenticeship programs and, consequently, in the way institutions report enrolment. In most provinces, many trade/vocational programs now require secondary

school completion for admission — previously, Grade 10 or 11 was needed. Programs that require high school completion for admission are reported to the postsecondary community college survey rather than the trade/vocational survey.

Enrolment in preparatory training programs, aimed at developing general non-occupation-specific skills, rose 11% in 1998/99. Despite the increase, enrolment remained 8% below its 1995/96 peak. The program types in this group consist of academic upgrading, job-readiness training, orientation and language training.

All the preparatory training programs saw higher enrolment in 1998/99 compared with 1997/98. Job-readiness training and orientation programs led the way with a 33% gain. Job-readiness and orientation are also the only program types to have gained from 1995/96 to 1998/99.

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## Monthly railway carloadings

January 2002

The freight loaded by railways in January totalled 18.4 million metric tonnes (excluding intermodal traffic), down 11.2% from January 2001. Intermodal tonnage, made up of containers on flatcars and trailers on flatcars, was 1.8 million tonnes, down 1.9% from January 2001.

#### Available on CANSIM: table 404-0002.

The January 2002 issue of *Monthly railway carloadings*, Vol. 79, no. 1 (52-001-XIE, \$8/\$77) is now available. See *How to order products*.

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#### Coal and coke statistics

January 2002

Coal production totalled 5 525 kilotonnes in January, down 8.2% from January 2001. Production in British Columbia, which is directed mainly to export markets, fell 14.8% from January 2001 to 1 945 kilotonnes.

Production fell 4.1% in the other producing provinces, which mainly supply power-generating stations.

Exports in January declined 29.0% from January 2001 to 1 722 kilotonnes. Exports to Japan, the largest consumer of Canadian coal, were down 48.4% from January 2001 to 479 kilotonnes.

Coke production in January was 264 kilotonnes, up 0.3% from January 2001.

#### Available on CANSIM: table 303-0016.

The January 2002 issue of *Coal and coke statistics* (45-002-XIB, \$9/\$85) will be available soon. See *How to order products*.

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#### Canadian business patterns

December 2001

In December, Canada had 2,190,278 active business establishments. Data from the December 2001 version of *Canadian business patterns* are now available on CD-ROM. The data are presented by the 1996 Standard Geographical Classification, by both the 1980 Standard Industrial Classification and the North American Industry Classification System, and by employment categories. A concordance table showing the relationships between both classification systems is included with the product.

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The following standard tables from the Survey of Financial Security are now available: 13F0051XDB; 13F0052XDB; 13F0053XDB; 13F0055XDB; 13F0056XDB; 13F0055XDB; 13F0056XDB; 13F0060XDB. Each table costs \$60. These tables are related to the December 14, 2001 Daily release of the publication The assets and debts of Canadians: focus on private pension savings (13-596-XIE).

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Private pension assets of family units by selected characteristics, Canada, regions and provinces, 1999
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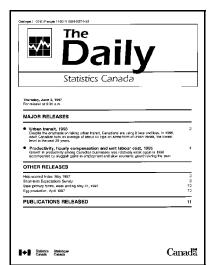
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