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New Housing Price Index

June 2002

The New Housing Price Index (1992=100) rose 0.2% in June from May. Compared with June 2001, this index of contractors' selling prices increased 4.1%.

Monthly rises occurred in 14 of the 21 urban centres surveyed. The largest monthly advance was in Kitchener–Waterloo (+1.2%). Increased material costs pushed these prices upward.

Regina followed with an increase of 0.9% for June, citing updated land pricing from builders.

New Housing Price Index (1992=100)

	June 2002	June 2001 to June 2002	May to June 2002
		% change	
Canada	110.3	4.1	0.2
House only Land only	114.6 104.8	5.3 1.1	0.3 0.0
St.John's Halifax Charlottetown Saint John-Moncton-Fredericton Québec Montréal Ottawa-Gatineau Toronto Hamilton St. Catharines-Niagara Kitchener-Waterloo London Windsor Sudbury-Thunder Bay Winnipeg Regina Saskatoon Calgary Edmonton Vancouver Victoria	104.8 122.6 107.7 96.1 108.8 120.2 129.8 112.6 112.0 111.2 115.0 106.9 97.9 122.3 138.7 121.6 142.6 122.5 86.0 75.8	5.5 4.0 0.6 2.8 5.3 8.2 3.0 3.8 5.1 2.7 0.4 0.8 2.5 2.1 1.3 5.4 7.8 2.9 4.7	0.3 0.0 0.0 0.2 0.2 0.2 0.0 0.7 0.2 1.2 0.6 0.0 -0.7 0.6 0.9 0.2 0.4 0.7 0.0

Hamilton, Edmonton and Victoria all reported increases of 0.7%. Each city saw material and labour costs increase, and Victoria experienced high demand for new housing.

Winnipeg and London each rose 0.6%, as higher operating costs put prices up. Calgary's index was up 0.4% for the same reasons.

The indexes for Québec and St. John's were both up 0.3%, as a result of increased labour and material costs. St John's also reported an active market.

Montréal (+0.2%), Ottawa (+0.2%), St. Catharines–Niagara (+0.2%) and Saskatoon (+0.2%) all reported moderate demand for new housing; Montréal also cited higher operating costs.

Five urban centres showed no monthly change: Halifax, Charlottetown, Toronto, Windsor and Vancouver.

Two centres posted a decrease from May: St. John–Moncton–Fredericton (-0.2%) and Sudbury–Thunder Bay (-0.7%).

On an annual basis, Ottawa still led the way with the largest 12-month increase (+8.2%) for new homes. Edmonton (+7.8%) was right behind, followed by St. John's (+5.5%) and Calgary (+5.4%). There were no annual decreases in June.

Available on CANSIM: table 327-0005.

The second quarter 2002 issue of *Capital expenditure price statistics* (62-007-XPB, \$24/\$79) will be available in September. See *How to order products*.

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Shipments of rolled steel

June 2002

Rolled steel shipments for June totalled 1 308 730 metric tonnes, down 9.9% from 1 452 482 tonnes in May and up 5.9% from 1 235 408 tonnes in June 2001.

Year-to-date shipments at the end of June 2002 reached 7 874 747 tonnes, up 8.8% from 7 236 533 tonnes in the same period of 2001.

Available on CANSIM: table 303-0010.

The June 2002 issue of *Primary iron and steel*, Vol. 57, no 6 (41-001-XIB, \$5/47) is now available. See *How to order products*.

For general information, to order data or to enquire about the concepts, methods or data quality of this release, contact the dissemination officer (1-866-873-8789; 613-951-9497;

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Steel primary forms

June 2002

Steel primary forms production for June totalled 1 377 779 metric tonnes, up 4.9% from 1 313 984 tonnes in June 2001.

Year-to-date production reached 8 247 314 tonnes, up 10.2% from 7 485 731 tonnes in the same period of 2001.

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Aircraft movement statistics

June 2002 (preliminary)

There were 436,177 take-offs and landings recorded in June at the 43 airports with Nav Canada air traffic control towers, down 6.3% from June 2001.

The June 2002 issue of Aircraft movement statistics, Vol. 1, no. 6 (51F0001PIE, TP1496, free) is now available on Statistics Canada's Web site (www.statcan.ca). From the Our products and services page, choose Free publications, then Transport and warehousing. Historical issues are available on Transport Canada's Web site (http://www.tc.gc.ca/pol/en/report/TP1496/tp1496.htm).

Statistics for the 56 Canadian airports with Nav Canada flight service stations are also available for June.

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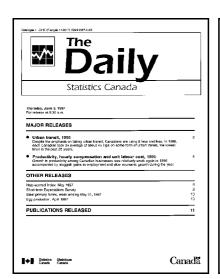
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