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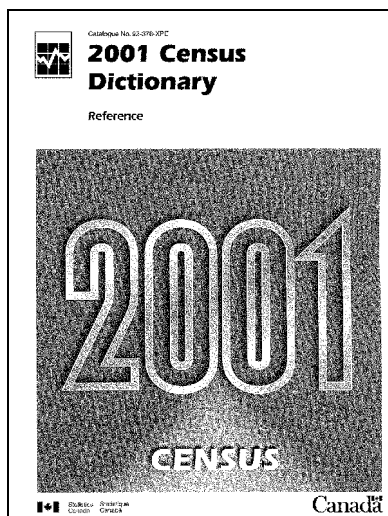
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The *2001 Census Dictionary* provides detailed information on all of the concepts, universes, variables and geographic terms of the 2001 Census. The information provided for each variable includes a definition, the associated census question(s), the applicable response categories or classifications and special notes, for instance, on historical aspects.

The *2001 Census Dictionary* (92-378-XPE, \$25) is now available in print format. See *How to order products*. For more information, contact the Statistics Canada Regional Reference Centre nearest you.



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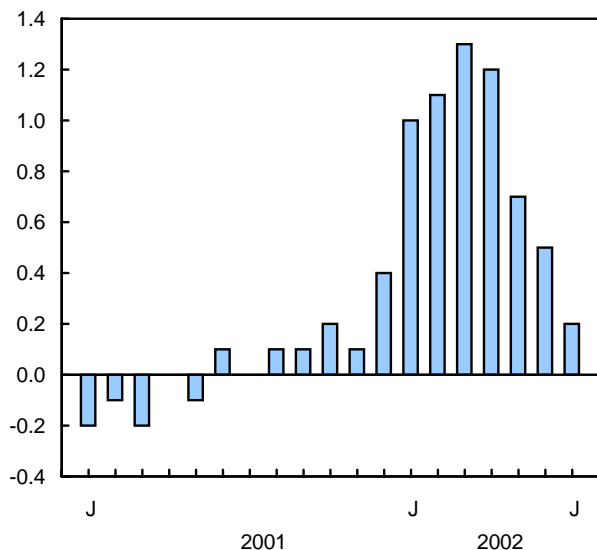
Composite Index

July 2002

The leading indicator rose 0.2% in July, its twelfth straight advance. The rise would have matched June's 0.5% had the stock market not tumbled again. Manufacturing continued to lead the advance, as five components increased, three declined, and two were unchanged.

Composite Index

Smoothed % change



New orders for durable goods rose strongly for the fourth month in a row. Rising demand continued to be filled in part from inventories, with

the ratio of shipments to inventories of finished goods recording the two strongest consecutive advances since the end of 1998. These good results, combined with manufacturers' optimism in July's Business Conditions Survey, are encouraging for the outlook for production. Manufacturers continued to meet their labour requirements by increasing employment in July, and average weekly hours worked remained close to a 30-year high.

Housing starts continued to exceed 200,000 units at the annual rate for the fifth month this year, thanks to renewed growth in central Canada. A drop in sales of existing homes, together with shortages in some market sectors, led to a continued gradual fall in the housing index from the 25-year high recorded in May. Strong sales of new homes continued to stimulate spending on furniture and appliances. The interruption in rebate programs in the automobile sector, prior to their reintroduction during the summer, led to a levelling-off in sales of other durable goods.

Over the last two months, the Toronto stock market has been one of the main sources of weakness in the Canadian index, losing almost 15% of its value. Stock markets in the United States also had a negative effect on their leading indicator, which posted the smallest increase (+0.1%) among the components that were up.

Available on CANSIM: table 377-0003.

For more information on the economy, see the August 2002 issue of *Canadian economic observer* (11-010-XPB, \$23/\$227), which will be available soon. See *How to order products*.

For more information, or to enquire about the concepts, methods or data quality of this release, contact Francine Roy (613-951-3627), Current Economic Analysis Group. □

Composite Index

| | February 2002 | March 2002 | April 2002 | May 2002 | June 2002 | July 2002 | Last month of data available % change |
|--|------------------|---------------|---------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--|
| Composite leading indicator (1992=100) | 170.9 | 173.1 | 175.1 | 176.3 | 177.2 | 177.6 | 0.2 |
| Housing index (1992=100) ¹ | 126.7 | 129.9 | 131.3 | 132.0 | 127.6 | 125.8 | -1.4 |
| Business and personal services employment ('000) | 2,517 | 2,529 | 2,535 | 2,541 | 2,545 | 2,545 | 0.0 |
| S&P/TSX stock price index (1975=1,000) | 7,457 | 7,650 | 7,697 | 7,691 | 7,591 | 7,384 | -2.7 |
| Money supply, M1 (\$ millions, 1992) ² | 106,657 | 107,258 | 107,423 | 107,312 | 107,331 | 108,065 | 0.7 |
| US composite leading indicator (1992=100) ³ | 108.6 | 109.2 | 109.7 | 110.0 | 110.2 | 110.3 | 0.1 |
| Manufacturing | | | | | | | |
| Average workweek (hours) | 38.9 | 39.0 | 39.0 | 39.1 | 39.0 | 39.0 | 0.0 |
| New orders, durables (\$ millions, 1992) ⁴ | 20,080 | 20,079 | 20,378 | 20,809 | 21,417 | 21,827 | 1.9 |
| Shipments/inventories of finished goods ⁴ | 1.65 | 1.66 | 1.68 | 1.69 | 1.71 | 1.73 | 0.02 ⁵ |
| Retail trade | | | | | | | |
| Furniture and appliance sales (\$ millions, 1992) ⁴ | 1,673 | 1,701 | 1,730 | 1,750 | 1,768 | 1,773 | 0.3 |
| Other durable goods sales (\$ millions, 1992) ⁴ | 7,336 | 7,484 | 7,668 | 7,755 | 7,787 | 7,758 | -0.4 |
| Unsmoothed composite | 175.7 | 177.0 | 177.5 | 176.7 | 178.9 | 178.0 | -0.5 |

¹ Composite index of housing starts (units) and house sales (multiple listing service).

² Deflated by the Consumer Price Index for all items.

³ The figures in this row reflect data published in the month indicated, but the figures themselves refer to data for the month immediately preceding.

⁴ The figures in this row reflect data published in the month indicated, but the figures themselves refer to data for two preceding months.

⁵ Difference from previous month.



OTHER RELEASES

Apartment building construction price indexes

Second quarter 2002

The composite price index for apartment building construction (1997=100) was 113.4 in the second quarter, up 0.7% from the first quarter and 2.3% from the second quarter of 2001.

Toronto and Calgary recorded the highest quarterly change (both +1.0%), followed by Halifax (+0.8%), Edmonton (+0.7%), Vancouver (+0.6%), Ottawa (+0.5%) and Montréal (+0.4%).

Montréal and Calgary saw the highest year-over-year gain from the second quarter of 2001 (both +2.6%), followed by Halifax and Edmonton (both +2.5%), Toronto (+2.2%), and Ottawa and Vancouver (both +1.7%).

Apartment building construction price indexes (1997=100)

| | Second quarter 2002 | Second quarter 2001 to second quarter 2002 % change | First quarter to second quarter 2002 % change |
|------------------|---------------------------|---|--|
| Composite | 113.4 | 2.3 | 0.7 |
| Halifax | 109.9 | 2.5 | 0.8 |
| Montréal | 113.9 | 2.6 | 0.4 |
| Ottawa | 116.8 | 1.7 | 0.5 |
| Toronto | 119.6 | 2.2 | 1.0 |
| Calgary | 116.8 | 2.6 | 1.0 |
| Edmonton | 114.9 | 2.5 | 0.7 |
| Vancouver | 108.4 | 1.7 | 0.6 |

Note: The apartment building construction price indexes provide an indication of new construction cost changes in seven major urban areas across Canada (Halifax, Montréal, Ottawa, Toronto, Calgary, Edmonton and Vancouver).

Besides each of the urban areas' indexes and the composite index, there are further breakdowns of cost changes by trade groups within the building (structural, architectural, mechanical and electrical). These price indexes are derived from surveys of general and special trade-group contractors who report on the categories of costs (material, labour, equipment, taxes, overhead and profits) relevant to the detailed construction specifications included in the surveys.

Available on CANSIM: table 327-0040.

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*.

For more information, or to enquire about the concepts, methods or data quality of this release, contact Louise Chaîné (613-951-9606; fax: 613-951-1539; infounit@statcan.ca), Prices Division. ■

Restaurants, caterers and taverns

June 2002

Total receipts of restaurants, caterers and taverns in June were an estimated \$2.90 billion, up 2.1% from the June 2001 estimate.

Available on CANSIM: table 355-0001.

The June 2002 issue of *Restaurant, caterer and tavern statistics* (63-011-XIE, \$6/\$55) will be available soon. See *How to order products*.

For more information, or to enquire about the concepts, methods or data quality of this release, contact Bill Birbeck (613-951-3506), Service Industries Division. ■

Refined petroleum products

June 2002 (preliminary)

Data on production, inventories and domestic sales of refined petroleum products are now available for June. Other selected data about these products are also available.

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Real estate agents, brokers, appraisers and other real estate activities industries 2000

Total revenue for the real estate agents, brokers, appraisers and other real estate activities industries in 2000 was \$5.9 billion, down 2.4% from \$6.1 billion in 1999. An increase of 0.8% in total revenue for agents and brokers was offset by sharp revenue declines for appraisers and other real estate activities industries.

Total expenses for the whole sector reached \$3.2 billion in 2000, down 19.2% from the \$4.0 billion posted in 1999. These industries are largely dominated by the offices of real estate agents and brokers, which generate 97% of the total revenue.

Data on the real estate agents, brokers, appraisers and other real estate activities industries are now available for 2000. These data provide information on revenue and expenses at the provincial and territorial level.

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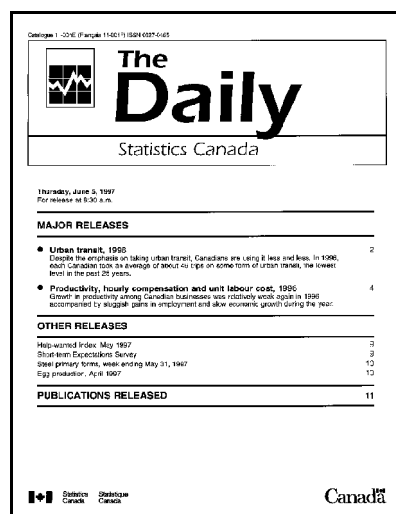
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| 20 | Wholesale trade | June 2002 |
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