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Canada's International Trade in Services 2003

Detailed data on international trade in services for 2003 are now available. Data by country, geographical and economic areas for commercial services, travel, transportation and government services are available up to 2002. Also, new series on imports and exports of commercial services by category and industry based on the North American Industrial Classification System 2002 have been introduced for the years 1999 to 2002.

The services trade deficit increased by \$4.0 billion to \$10.9 billion in 2003 as exports of services fell for the first time since 1982, while imports remained unchanged.

In 2003, both travel spending by foreigners and revenues on passenger fares suffered a combined drop of \$2.9 billion as a result of several factors, including concerns about SARS.

The deficit on commercial services rose marginally by \$0.7 billion in 2003 as the deficit on reinsurance continued to increase.

Note: Trade in services covers transactions in travel, transportation, a range of business and professional services referred to as commercial services, and government services.

Available on CANSIM: tables 376-0031 to 376-0033, 376-0036 and 376-0062.

Definitions, data sources and methods: survey number 1536.

The 2003 issue of *Canada's International Trade in Services* (67-203-XIE, \$35) will soon be released.

For more information, or to enquire about the concepts, methods or data quality of this release, contact Denis Caron (613-951-1861; denis.caron@statcan.ca), Balance of Payments Division. ■

Production and value of ranch-raised pelts 2003 (preliminary)

Ranchers who raise fox and mink enjoyed strong growth in sales in 2003. They sold \$77.5 million in pelts, up 55.3% from 2002. The gain was partly caused by rising prices for pelts.

The number of ranch-raised pelts sold increased to levels not seen since the mid-1980s.

Available on CANSIM: tables 003-0014 and 003-0015.

Definitions, data sources and methods: survey number 3426.

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Production and value of wildlife pelts 2001 (revised) and 2002 (preliminary)

Trappers harvested \$23.6 million worth of wildlife pelts in 2002, down 2.6% from 2001. Ontario, Quebec and Manitoba accounted for about 60% of the total value.

Available on CANSIM: table 003-0013.

Definitions, data sources and methods: survey number 3428.

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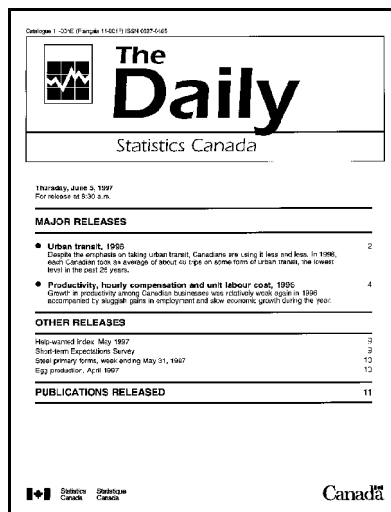
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