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### Other releases

## Population of businesses with employees Third quarter 2004

There were approximately 1,022,000 businesses with employees in the third quarter of 2004, down 0.26% from the second quarter of 2004, when the number of employer businesses was 1,025,000.

All provinces and territories posted decreases (ranging from -0.05% to -1.07%). The largest contributors to the decline were Saskatchewan (-0.71%), Alberta (-0.23%) and Ontario (-0.14%).

Information on Nunavut and the Northwest Territories will be available individually when sufficient quarterly observations are collected.

Available on CANSIM: table 178-0001.

## Definitions, data sources and methods: survey number 1105.

For more information, or to enquire about the concepts, methods or data quality of this release, contact Beau Cinnamon (613-951-9021; fax: 613-951-0104; beau.cinnamon@statcan.ca), Business Register Division.

### **Commercial Software Price Index**

November 2004

The Commercial Software Price Index (CSPI) is a monthly series measuring the change in the purchase price of pre-packaged software typically bought by businesses and governments. The CSPI for November was 76.2, down 1.2% from October.

This index is available at the Canada level only.

Available on CANSIM: table 331-0003.

## Definitions, data sources and methods: survey number 5068.

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#### Cement

November 2004

Data on cement for November are now available.

Available on CANSIM: tables 303-0060 and 303-0061.

## Definitions, data sources and methods: survey number 2140.

The November 2004 issue of *Cement*, Vol. 56, no. 11 (44-001-XIB, \$6/\$51) 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.

## Steel primary forms, weekly data

Week ending January 1, 2005 (preliminary)

Steel primary forms production for the week ending January 1 totalled 274 809 metric tonnes, up 1.2% from 271 469 tonnes a week earlier and down 2.7% from 282 420 tonnes in the same week of 2004.

## Definitions, data sources and methods: survey number 2131.

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Infomat: A Weekly Review, January 11, 2005 Catalogue number 11-002-XWE (\$100).

Production of Eggs, November 2004 Catalogue number 23-003-XIB (free).

Cement, November 2004, Vol. 56, no. 11 Catalogue number 44-001-XIB (\$6/\$51).

Unpaid Work, 2001 Census Technical Report Catalogue number 92-397-XIE (free).

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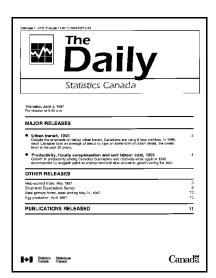
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