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Payroll employment, earnings and hours

November 2005 (preliminary)

The average weekly earnings of payroll employees edged up \$1.97 from October to November to \$739.82 (seasonally adjusted).

The year-to-date annual growth rate for 2005 is 3.1%. This rate of change is obtained by comparing the average weekly earnings of the first 11 months of 2005 with the average of the same months of 2004. Industries showing the strongest year-to-date annual increase include information and culture (+5.6%), accommodation and food services (+5.6%), mining and oil and gas (+4.9%), construction (+4.0%), and forestry, logging and support (+3.8%).

Payroll employment in November was up a substantial 48,200 from the previous month to 13,826,300. British Columbia showed a notably strong increase of 19,500 jobs in November.

Nationally, employment has increased by 1.5% or by 205,000 jobs since the beginning of 2005.

Available on CANSIM: tables 281-0023 to 281-0046.

Definitions, data sources and methods: survey number 2612.

Detailed industry data, data by size of enterprise based on employment, and other labour market indicators will be available soon in the monthly publication *Employment, Earnings and Hours* (72-002-XIB, \$26/\$257).

Data on payroll employment, earnings and hours for December 2005 will be released on February 27.

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Average weekly earnings for all employees

Industry group (North American Industry Classification System)	November 2004	October 2005 ^r	November 2005 ^p	October to November 2005	November 2004 to November 2005	Year-to-date average 2005 ¹
	seasonally adjusted					
	\$			% change		
Industrial aggregate	708.82	737.85	739.82	0.3	4.4	3.1
Forestry, logging and support	871.23	903.98	901.06	-0.3	3.4	3.8
Mining and oil and gas	1,269.03	1,317.88	1,326.62	0.7	4.5	4.9
Utilities	1,073.09	1,068.16	1,063.39	-0.4	-0.9	0.3
Construction	854.70	885.30	890.11	0.5	4.1	4.0
Manufacturing	862.23	901.48	900.92	-0.1	4.5	2.8
Wholesale trade	806.99	844.62	846.04	0.2	4.8	3.1
Retail trade	456.91	474.25	481.09	1.4	5.3	3.9
Transportation and warehousing	765.89	786.51	789.77	0.4	3.1	2.5
Information and cultural industries	845.01	908.28	907.71	-0.1	7.4	5.6
Finance and insurance	916.07	948.53	943.28	-0.6	3.0	3.4
Real estate and rental and leasing	639.38	654.16	654.80	0.1	2.4	3.7
Professional, scientific and technical services	928.92	959.45	963.89	0.5	3.8	2.7
Management of companies and enterprises	859.86	915.16	904.20	-1.2	5.2	4.8
Administrative and support, waste management and remediation services	563.16	575.29	581.30	1.0	3.2	3.1
Educational services	779.1	822.77	824.26	0.2	5.8	3.6
Health care and social assistance	643.75	669.70	665.03	-0.7	3.3	2.5
Arts, entertainment and recreation	415.10	431.97	432.96	0.2	4.3	1.3
Accommodation and food services	291.46	319.93	320.64	0.2	10.0	5.6
Other services (excluding public administration)	547.66	568.00	566.59	-0.2	3.5	3.7
Public administration	872.14	904.80	912.79	0.9	4.7	2.9
Provinces and territories						
Newfoundland and Labrador	643.33	678.65	677.74	-0.1	5.3	2.0
Prince Edward Island	558.59	576.45	579.67	0.6	3.8	2.4
Nova Scotia	614.42	643.29	645.37	0.3	5.0	4.3
New Brunswick	646.17	676.82	678.47	0.2	5.0	3.5
Quebec	666.83	693.30	690.55	-0.4	3.6	2.4
Ontario	750.36	778.24	779.23	0.1	3.8	2.7
Manitoba	643.40	661.07	660.87	0.0	2.7	3.7
Saskatchewan	652.99	685.72	686.90	0.2	5.2	4.2
Alberta	744.16	783.04	789.15	0.8	6.0	5.4
British Columbia	697.00	725.96	731.04	0.7	4.9	2.5
Yukon	810.02	836.23	842.21	0.7	4.0	4.0
Northwest Territories ²	938.63	992.75	989.63	-0.3	5.4	4.2
Nunavut ²	758.76	875.32	848.41	-3.1	11.8	10.7

^r Revised.

^p Preliminary.

1. Rate of change for the first 11 months of 2005 compared to the same months for 2004.

2. Data not seasonally adjusted.

Number of employees

Industry group (North American Industry Classification System)	December 2004	September 2005	October 2005 ^r	November 2005 ^p	September to October 2005	October to November 2005	December 2004 to November 2005
	seasonally adjusted						
	'000				% change		
Industrial aggregate	13,621.3	13,781.5	13,778.1	13,826.3	0.0	0.3	1.5
Forestry, logging and support	51.7	49.0	48.8	48.7	-0.4	-0.2	-5.8
Mining and oil and gas	161.1	162.4	163.1	167.1	0.4	2.5	3.7
Utilities	122.1	120.6	121.1	121.4	0.4	0.2	-0.6
Construction	677.2	689.8	689.7	692.9	0.0	0.5	2.3
Manufacturing	1,988.6	1,944.9	1,937.3	1,943.9	-0.4	0.3	-2.2
Wholesale trade	739.9	739.1	736.6	736.4	-0.3	0.0	-0.5
Retail trade	1,678.4	1,702.8	1,703.6	1,706.5	0.0	0.2	1.7
Transportation and warehousing	622.2	627.4	628.2	628.5	0.1	0.0	1.0
Information and cultural industries	344.4	344.2	348.8	354.5	1.3	1.6	2.9
Finance and insurance	576.5	585.1	586.3	587.4	0.2	0.2	1.9
Real estate and rental and leasing	239.1	243.3	244.0	244.6	0.3	0.2	2.3
Professional, scientific and technical services	661.1	666.8	666.9	667.6	0.0	0.1	1.0
Management of companies and enterprises	91.5	97.7	97.7	99.2	0.0	1.5	8.4
Administrative and support, waste management and remediation services	639.7	678.1	677.7	679.8	-0.1	0.3	6.3
Educational Services	986.1	995.9	997.4	992.4	0.2	-0.5	0.6
Health care and social assistance	1,381.8	1,415.1	1,420.4	1,424.8	0.4	0.3	3.1
Arts, entertainment and recreation	245.3	247.3	247.3	247.8	0.0	0.2	1.0
Accommodation and food services	948.1	960.7	955.5	957.0	-0.5	0.2	0.9
Other services (excluding public administration)	509.4	509.7	509.3	512.5	-0.1	0.6	0.6
Public administration	774.1	791.0	792.9	796.3	0.2	0.4	2.9
Provinces and territories							
Newfoundland and Labrador	190.1	179.7	176.9	176.3	-1.6	-0.3	-7.3
Prince Edward Island	64.5	66.1	64.5	65.5	-2.4	1.6	1.6
Nova Scotia	379.4	389.3	391.2	391.9	0.5	0.2	3.3
New Brunswick	296.8	300.7	297.7	300.7	-1.0	1.0	1.3
Quebec	3,195.9	3,216.9	3,208.5	3,214.2	-0.3	0.2	0.6
Ontario	5,304.7	5,376.7	5,376.2	5,381.3	0.0	0.1	1.4
Manitoba	532.2	537.9	536.0	536.8	-0.4	0.1	0.9
Saskatchewan	406.6	413.2	412.2	414.5	-0.2	0.6	1.9
Alberta	1,510.3	1,545.1	1,552.1	1,559.0	0.5	0.4	3.2
British Columbia	1,698.8	1,712.2	1,714.1	1,733.6	0.1	1.1	2.0
Yukon	16.0	16.9	16.7	16.6	-1.2	-0.6	3.8
Northwest Territories ¹	22.0	23.5	22.5	21.7	-4.3	-3.6	-1.4
Nunavut ¹	12.0	11.8	11.2	11.3	-5.1	0.9	-5.8

^r Revised.

^p Preliminary.

1. Data not seasonally adjusted.

Annual Survey of Software Development and Computer Services 2004

Three computer services industries, representing almost one-third of the information and communications technology (ICT) services sector, reported a sharp increase in revenues for 2004 following modest growth through 2002 and 2003. Unlike the ICT manufacturing sector, ICT services have continued to grow from levels recorded before the "technology meltdown" in 2000/01.

In 2004, computer systems design and related services, software publishing, and data processing, hosting and related services together saw operating revenues grow by 9% to \$29.7 billion. These three

industries are all covered by a single Statistics Canada survey.

Computer systems design and related services, the largest of the industries, enjoyed the highest growth in operating revenues, up by 10% from 2003. Operating expenses for this industry grew by a slightly higher rate, resulting in an operating profit margin of 5%, down marginally from 2003. The industry generated \$950 million in profits in 2004.

Software publishers had a positive profit margin of 5% in 2004, up from a small operating loss the previous year. The turnaround was due to operating revenues growing by 8%, a rate similar to the growth in 2003, while operating expenses edged up.

Data processing lagged the other two industries with operating revenue growth of just 1%. However, thanks to a decline in operating expenses the industry's operating profit margin doubled to 8% in 2004 from 4% a year earlier.

The source of the operating revenue growth varied for the three industries. Computer systems design saw a 25% jump in sales to government customers, while software publishing saw government sales decline and sales to businesses increase by 14%. Also notable for software publishing was an estimated 45% share of sales resulting from exports — a minor increase from 2003, but maintaining a very high level of export intensity compared to other service industries. For data processing, increases in exports and sales to the consumer market slightly offset declines in sales to the business and government markets.

Ontario led the growth with a \$1.4 billion or 10% increase in operating revenues, nearly all of which came from the computer systems design industry. British Columbia saw \$671 million in growth, which was good for a 24% year-over-year increase. All three industries contributed to the growth in British Columbia, with software publishers contributing over half of the increase. Quebec (up \$237 million, or 4%) and Alberta (up \$131 million, or 5%) also saw significant overall growth despite declines in the data processing industry for both provinces. Manitoba bucked the national trend, with operating revenues declining in all three industries for a combined drop of \$91 million or 14%.

Employment increased by 7% to 189,000 for the industries overall. Computer systems led with an 11% gain. Software publishing employment went up by 4%, with the highest gains coming in British Columbia. Data processing saw employment drop by 14%, equivalent to almost 2,300 jobs lost.

Available on CANSIM: table 354-0005.

Definitions, data sources and methods: survey number 2410.

Results from the 2004 Survey of Software Development and Computer Services are now available.

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Placement of hatchery chicks and turkey poults

December 2005 (preliminary)

Placements of hatchery chicks onto farms were estimated at 57.9 million birds in December, down 7.1% from December 2004. Placements of turkey poults on farms decreased 2.7% to 1.4 million birds.

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Definitions, data sources and methods: survey number 5039.

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Aircraft movement statistics: Small airports

September 2005

The September 2005 monthly report, Vol. 2 (TP141, free) is available on Transport Canada's Web site (<http://www.tc.gc.ca/pol/en/Report/tp141e/tp141.htm>).

Note: The TP 141 monthly report is issued in two volumes. Volume 1 presents statistics for the major Canadian airports (i.e., those with NAV CANADA air traffic control towers or flight service stations). Volume 2 presents statistics for the smaller airports (i.e., those without air traffic control towers). Both volumes are available free upon release at Transport Canada's website.

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Definitions, data sources and methods: survey number 2715.

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Stocks of frozen and chilled meats

January 2006

Total frozen and chilled red meat in cold storage at the opening of the first business day of January 2006 amounted to 96 279 metric tonnes, up 5% from 91 418 tonnes in December 2005 and up 10% from 87 296 tonnes in January 2005. Stocks of frozen poultry meat in cold storage on January 1st totalled 56 403 metric tonnes, up 13% from a year ago.

Available on CANSIM: tables 003-0005 and 003-0041.

Definitions, data sources and methods: survey number 3423.

The publication *Stocks of Frozen and Chilled Meats* (23-009-XIE, free) is available online. From the *Our products and services* page, choose *Free publications*, then *Agriculture*.

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