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Farm product prices

November 2005

Prices received by farmers in November for grains, oilseeds, specialty crops, potatoes, cattle, hogs, poultry, eggs and dairy products are now available.

The Alberta non-board barley price in November was \$90.59 per metric tonne, unchanged from October 2005 but down 8% from November 2004 when the price was \$98.97.

The November hogs price in Quebec was \$63.38 per hundredweight, down 4% from October 2005 and down 16% from the November 2004 price of \$75.51.

Definitions, data sources and methods: survey number 3436.

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Steel primary forms, weekly data

Week ending December 31, 2005 (preliminary)

Steel primary forms production for the week ending December 31 totalled 270 618 metric tonnes, down 5.1% from 285 186 tonnes a week earlier and down 0.1% from 270 809 tonnes in the same week of 2004.

The year-to-date total as of December 31 was 15 236 548 tonnes, down 5.4% from 16 114 535 tonnes in the same period of 2004.

Definitions, data sources and methods: survey number 2131.

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Natural gas transportation and distribution

June 2005

Data on natural gas transportation and distribution for June 2005 are now available.

Available on CANSIM: tables 129-0001 to 129-0004.

Definitions, data sources and methods: survey number 2149.

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Couriers and Messengers Services Price Index

November 2005

The Couriers and Messengers Services Price Index (CMSPI) measures the change over time in prices for courier and messenger services provided by long and short distance delivery companies to Canadian-based business clients.

The CMSPI reached 114.2 in November (2003=100), up 0.8% overall. The courier portion rose 1.1%, while the local messengers component (revised) fell 0.5%.

These indexes are available at the Canada level only.

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Definitions, data sources and methods: survey number 5064.

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Consulting Engineering Services Price Index

2004 (preliminary)

The Consulting Engineering Services Price Index (CESPI) is now available for 2004. The CESPI measures the change in the total price of engineering and consulting services, as well as changes in the wage rate and realized net multiplier components. Detailed indexes are available for fields of specialization and for regional, domestic and foreign markets.

The Canada total CESPI for 2004 was 117.8 (1997=100), up 5.0% from the revised index of 112.2 for 2003.

Available on CANSIM: table 327-0007.

Definitions, data sources and methods: survey number 2328.

Consulting engineering services price indexes will be published in the third quarter 2005 issue of *Capital Expenditure Price Statistics* (62-007-XIE, \$20/\$59), which will be available soon.

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Despite the emphasis on taking urban transit, Canadians are using it less and less. In 1996, each Canadian took an average of about six trips on some form of urban transit, the lowest level in the past 25 years.
- **Productivity, hourly compensation and unit labour cost, 1995** 4
Growth in productivity among Canadian businesses was relatively weak again in 1996 accompanied by sluggish gains in employment and slow economic growth during the year.

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