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### Gross domestic product by industry

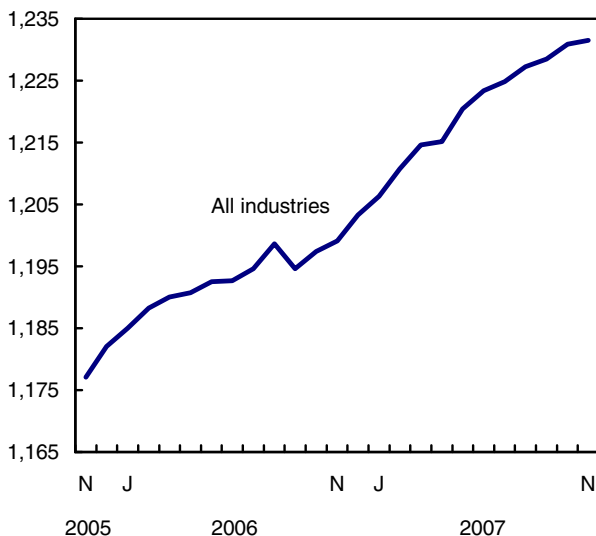
November 2007

Economic activity increased 0.1% in November, after growing 0.2% in October and 0.1% in September. So far, in the second half of 2007, monthly economic growth has remained modest compared with the first half.

In November, output of the service industries increased 0.2% while the production of goods declined 0.2%. Gains in service industries were widespread, with retail trade as well as arts and entertainment posting the strongest advances. Small increases were also registered in construction and utilities. Conversely, forestry, manufacturing, mining and wholesale trade declined.

#### Economic activity edges up

GDP in billions of chained (2002) dollars



#### Retail trade rises

Retail trade rose 0.4% in November. Significant increases in sales by computer, convenience and general merchandise stores (which include department stores) propelled the sector. Additional momentum came from gasoline stations and pharmacies. However,

#### Note to readers

The monthly gross domestic product (GDP) by industry data are chained volume estimates with 2002 as their reference year. This means that the estimates for each industry and aggregate are obtained from a chained volume index multiplied by the industry's value added in 2002. For the 1997 to 2004 period, the monthly estimates are benchmarked to annually chained Fisher volume indexes of GDP obtained from the constant-price input-output tables.

For the period starting with January 2005, the estimates are derived by chaining a fixed-weight Laspeyres volume index to the prior period. The fixed weights are the industry output and input prices of 2004. This makes the monthly GDP by industry estimates more comparable with the expenditure-based GDP data, chained quarterly.

#### Revisions

With this release of monthly GDP by industry, revisions have been made back to January 2007.

For more information about monthly GDP by industry, see the National economic accounts module on our website ([www.statcan.ca/nea](http://www.statcan.ca/nea)).

these increases were dampened by reduced sales at new car dealers and furniture and home electronics stores.

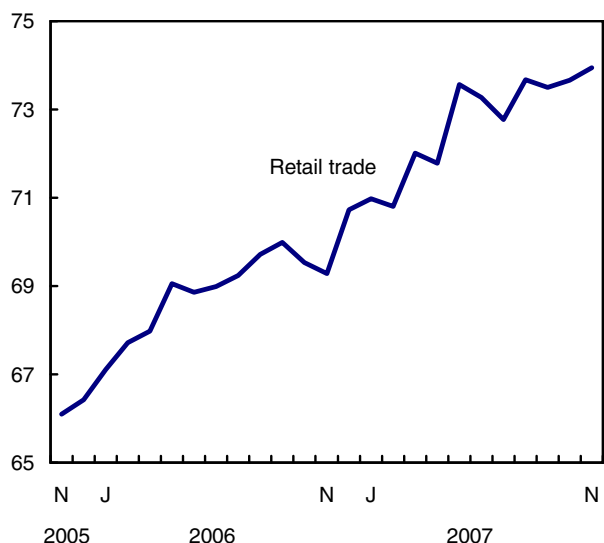
#### Manufacturing retreats

Manufacturing output decreased 0.3% in November, reaching its second lowest level since the beginning of 2007. The November decline occurred as the Canadian dollar appreciated a further 0.8% vis-à-vis its US counterpart, following two months of much stronger appreciation. The 0.9% decline in durable goods overshadowed the 0.6% increase in non-durable manufacturing.

Of the 21 major manufacturing groups, 12 decreased, accounting for 75% of total manufacturing value added. In particular, the production of motor vehicles and parts, and primary metal products fell. Conversely, paper production leaped forward as raw materials began to flow again. A major labour dispute affecting the West Coast forest industry, which ended in late October, had significantly reduced the supply of raw materials to producers in previous months. Furthermore, the output of refineries increased following two months of partial shutdowns for maintenance.

## Retailers post gains

GDP in billions of chained (2002) dollars



## Energy sector slips

The energy sector slipped 0.1% in November. Natural gas and petroleum extraction contracted 0.5%. The quantity of natural gas in storage remains high in both Canada and the United States. Furthermore, natural gas distribution declined 2.0% in November, as industrial demand returned to normal levels, while the distribution of natural gas to residential and commercial users increased. The production of electricity advanced 0.5% in November.

The output of the mining sector excluding oil and gas eased back 0.2% in November. The 2.1% drop registered by the metal ore mines outweighed the 1.8% increase in non-metallic mineral mines. Support activities for mining and oil and gas extraction advanced 0.2%.

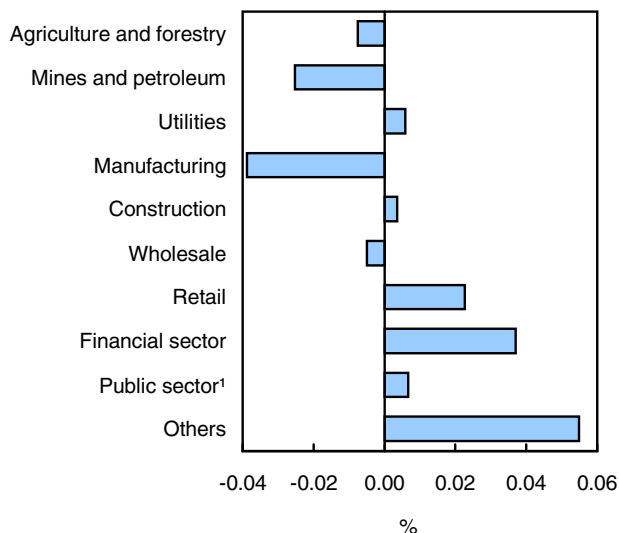
Industrial production (the output of mines, utilities and factories) decreased 0.2% in November. The increase in utilities was not enough to offset the declines in manufacturing and mining. In the United States, industrial production rose 0.3% in November, as both manufacturing and mining moved ahead, while utilities stood still.

## Construction up slightly

The construction sector edged up 0.1% in November. The increases in non-residential building construction (+0.1%) and engineering and repair work (+0.7%) outpaced the 1.0% drop in residential

construction. Commercial building construction posted a gain, while industrial and public building construction retreated. The increases in double and row house construction were not enough to offset the declines in apartments, single-family homes, and alterations and improvement work. The real estate agents and brokers industry remained unchanged for the month.

## Main industrial sectors' contribution to total growth



1. Education, health and public administration.

## Wholesale trade down marginally

Wholesale trade slipped 0.1% in November, after six months of growth. This decline was largely due to the tumble in the trade of building materials. Declines were also recorded in sales of machinery and equipment, and grains. Conversely, the wholesaling of motor vehicles leaped forward. Further gains were realized in sales of apparel, computer and other electronic equipment, and office and professional equipment.

## Other industries

Activities in the finance and insurance sector grew 0.1% in November. Banking activities increased 0.7% on the strength of personal loans and residential mortgages, but reduced sales of mutual funds as well as a decrease in the volume of transactions on the stock exchanges pulled down the growth of the sector.

Available on CANSIM: table 379-0027.

**Definitions, data sources and methods: survey number 1301.**

The November 2007 issue of *Gross Domestic Product by Industry*, Vol. 21, no. 11 (15-001-XWE, free) is now available from the *Publications* module of our website.

Data on gross domestic product by industry for December will be released on March 3.

For more information or to order data, contact our dissemination agent (613-951-4623; toll-free 1-800-887-4623; [iad-info-dci@statcan.ca](mailto:iad-info-dci@statcan.ca)). To enquire about the concepts, methods or data quality of this release, contact Bernard Lefrançois (613-951-3622), Industry Accounts Division.

**Monthly gross domestic product by industry at basic prices in chained (2002) dollars**

	June 2007 <sup>r</sup>	July 2007 <sup>r</sup>	August 2007 <sup>r</sup>	September 2007 <sup>r</sup>	October 2007 <sup>r</sup>	November 2007 <sup>p</sup>	November 2007	November 2006 to November 2007
Seasonally adjusted								
	month-to-month % change						\$ millions <sup>1</sup>	% change
<b>All Industries</b>	<b>0.2</b>	<b>0.1</b>	<b>0.2</b>	<b>0.1</b>	<b>0.2</b>	<b>0.1</b>	<b>1,231,534</b>	<b>2.7</b>
<b>Goods-producing industries</b>	<b>0.2</b>	<b>-0.2</b>	<b>0.1</b>	<b>-0.1</b>	<b>-0.1</b>	<b>-0.2</b>	<b>376,770</b>	<b>1.0</b>
Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting	-1.4	-0.9	1.2	0.2	-0.5	-0.4	26,424	-3.8
Mining and oil and gas extraction	2.0	-0.9	0.8	-0.0	-1.8	-0.4	56,771	-0.7
Utilities	-0.2	-1.2	-0.7	2.0	1.0	0.2	31,763	7.5
Construction	0.7	0.1	0.6	0.5	0.1	0.1	78,319	3.8
Manufacturing	-0.6	0.2	-0.4	-0.9	0.5	-0.3	183,830	0.2
<b>Services-producing industries</b>	<b>0.3</b>	<b>0.3</b>	<b>0.2</b>	<b>0.2</b>	<b>0.3</b>	<b>0.2</b>	<b>855,762</b>	<b>3.5</b>
Wholesale trade	0.5	1.5	0.2	0.9	1.7	-0.1	73,994	8.8
Retail trade	-0.4	-0.7	1.2	-0.2	0.2	0.4	73,947	6.7
Transportation and warehousing	-0.2	1.2	0.2	0.0	-0.2	0.3	56,994	2.1
Information and cultural industries	0.7	-0.2	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.1	44,586	2.1
Finance, insurance and real estate	0.3	0.3	0.0	0.1	0.3	0.2	242,367	3.6
Professional, scientific and technical services	0.2	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.0	0.3	57,868	3.0
Administrative and waste management services	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.3	32,121	3.7
Education services	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.1	-0.0	57,549	1.7
Health care and social assistance	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.1	77,155	2.2
Arts, entertainment and recreation	4.3	-1.8	-0.4	0.7	-0.3	1.2	11,937	3.5
Accommodation and food services	0.1	0.6	0.6	1.0	0.2	0.2	28,147	0.9
Other services (except public administration)	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.0	31,152	2.3
Public administration	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.3	0.1	68,026	1.8
<b>Other aggregations</b>								
Industrial production	0.2	-0.3	-0.1	-0.3	-0.1	-0.2	272,844	0.7
Non-durable manufacturing industries	0.2	0.1	-0.8	-1.4	-0.6	0.6	71,954	-2.0
Durable manufacturing industries	-1.1	0.3	-0.1	-0.5	1.2	-0.9	112,099	1.7
Business sector industries	0.3	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.1	1,038,399	2.9
Non-business sector industries	0.1	0.2	0.0	0.1	0.2	0.0	193,029	1.8
Information and communication technologies industries	1.1	-0.1	0.0	-0.2	0.4	0.1	57,304	3.9
Energy sector	1.4	-0.9	-0.0	0.6	-1.1	-0.1	85,808	1.4

<sup>r</sup> revised

<sup>p</sup> preliminary

1. Millions of chained (2002) dollars, seasonally adjusted at annual rates.



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## **Crude oil and natural gas: Supply and disposition**

November 2007 (preliminary)

Canadian companies produced 13.4 million cubic metres of crude oil and equivalent hydrocarbons in November, up 0.3% from November 2006.

Exports of crude oil and equivalent hydrocarbons declined by 7.0% to 8.9 million cubic metres compared with November 2006. Two-thirds (66.4%) of Canada's total production in November went to the export market.

Domestic sales of natural gas reached 6.8 billion cubic metres in November, a 0.5% decrease from the same month in 2006. This drop was a result of a decrease in residential and commercial gas sales.

Marketable natural gas production in November declined 3.2% from November 2006. Natural gas exports, which made up 62.5% of marketable natural

gas, increased 3.5% from the same month a year earlier.

**Available on CANSIM: tables 126-0001 and 131-0001.**

**Definitions, data sources and methods: survey number 2198.**

**Note:** Preliminary data are available on CANSIM at the national level to November 2007 inclusive. At the national and provincial level detailed information is available for crude oil (126-0001) up to September 2007 inclusive, and for natural gas (131-0001) up to February 2007 inclusive.

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## Crude oil and natural gas

	November 2006	November 2007 <sup>p</sup>	November 2006 to November 2007 % change
	thousands of cubic metres		
<b>Crude oil and equivalent hydrocarbons<sup>1</sup></b>			
Production	13 387.9	13 423.6	0.3
Exports	9 579.9	8 906.7	-7.0
Imports <sup>2</sup>	4 320.4	3 818.7	-11.6
Refinery receipts	8 496.1	8 166.5	-3.9
	millions of cubic metres		
<b>Natural gas<sup>3</sup></b>			
Marketable production	13 926.5	13 479.2	-3.2
Exports	8 143.2	8 426.0	3.5
Domestic sales <sup>4</sup>	6 862.5	6 830.7	-0.5
	January to November 2006	January to November 2007	January–November 2006 to January– November 2007
	thousands of cubic metres		
<b>Crude oil and equivalent hydrocarbons<sup>1</sup></b>			
Production	140 155.7	147 620.9	5.3
Exports	93 443.7	97 318.4	4.1
Imports <sup>2</sup>	45 310.9	45 634.3	0.7
Refinery receipts	94 416.2	96 998.0	2.7
	millions of cubic metres		
<b>Natural gas<sup>3</sup></b>			
Marketable production	156 891.9	153 343.7	-2.3
Exports	92 996.0	99 307.7	6.8
Domestic sales <sup>4</sup>	61 917.8	63 726.4	2.9

<sup>p</sup> preliminary

1. Disposition may differ from production because of inventory change, industry own-use, etc.

2. Crude oil received by Canadian refineries from foreign countries for processing. Data may differ from International Trade Division (ITD) estimates because of timing differences and the inclusion of crude oil landed in Canada for future re-export in the ITD data.

3. Disposition may differ from production because of inventory change, usage as pipeline fuel, pipeline losses, line-pack fluctuations, etc.

4. Includes direct sales. Includes other statistical adjustments.

## Stocks of frozen and chilled meats

January 2008

Stocks of frozen and chilled red meat in storage amounted to 95 373 metric tonnes in January, up 8% from a year ago, and up 20% from October 2007. Stocks of poultry meat amounted to 57 975 metric tonnes in January, up 25% from a year earlier but down 12% from October 2007.

This release contains details for various cuts of pork, beef, veal, poultry, mutton and lamb as well as fancy meats at the Canadian level. At the regional level it contains totals for the red meats. This release also contains the holdings of imported meat at the national level for the same periods.

Available on CANSIM: tables 003-0081 and 003-0082.

**Definitions, data sources and methods: survey number 3423.**

The January 2008 issue of *Stocks of Frozen and Chilled Meats*, Vol. 2, no. 4 (23-009-XWE, free) is now available. From the *Publications* module of our website, under *Free internet publications*, choose *Agriculture*.

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## **Couriers and Messengers Services Price Index**

December 2007

The Couriers and Messengers Services Price Index (CMSPI) is a monthly price index measuring 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 increased 0.3% to 126.2 (2003=100) in December. The courier portion advanced 0.3% on a monthly basis, while the local messengers component rose 0.3%.

These indexes are available at the Canada level only.

**Available on CANSIM: table 329-0053.**

**Definitions, data sources and methods: survey number 5064.**

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Client Services (613-951-9606; fax: 613-951-1539; [prices-prix@statcan.ca](mailto:prices-prix@statcan.ca)), Prices Division. ■

## **Mineral wool including fibrous glass insulation**

December 2007

Data on mineral wool including fibrous glass insulation are now available for December.

**Definitions, data sources and methods: survey number 2110.**

Data are available upon request only. For more information, or to enquire about the concepts, methods or data quality of this release, contact the dissemination officer (toll-free 1-866-873-8789; 613-951-9497; [manufact@statcan.ca](mailto:manufact@statcan.ca)), Manufacturing, Construction and Energy Division. ■

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**Catalogue number 15-001-XWE**  
(free).

**Direct Payments to Agriculture Producers:**  
**Agriculture Economic Statistics**, November 2007,  
Vol. 6, no. 2  
**Catalogue number 21-015-XIE**  
(free).

**Stocks of Frozen and Chilled Meats**, January 2008,  
Vol. 2, no. 4  
**Catalogue number 23-009-XWE**  
(free).

**Exports by Commodity**, November 2007, Vol. 64,  
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**Exports by Commodity**, November 2007, Vol. 64,  
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
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7	University enrolments	2005/2006
7	Sport participation in Canada	2005
8	Labour Force Survey	January 2008
11	New Housing Price Index	December 2007
13	Age of public infrastructure: A provincial perspective	1961 to 2007
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15	Monthly Survey of Manufacturing	December 2007
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20	Canada's international transactions in securities	December 2007
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