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Higher equity prices and falling mortgage rates and bond yields highlighted financial market development in the third quarter. The Standard and Poor's composite index continued to gain ground again this quarter, up 10%, closing out the quarter at 11,400. This marked the second consecutive quarter of double-digit growth for the index.

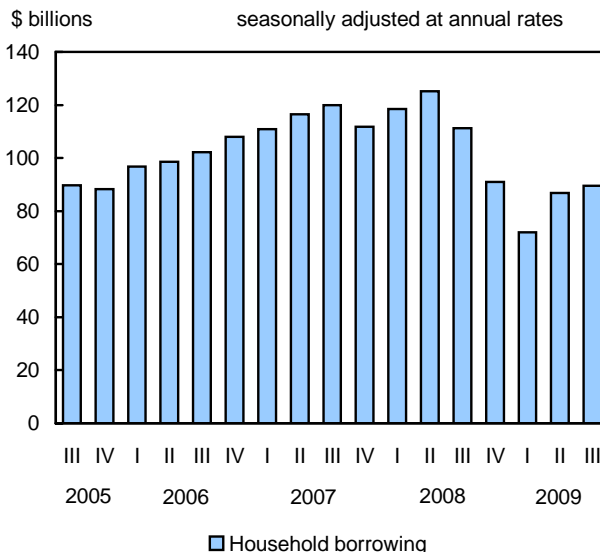
The five-year conventional mortgage rate fell more than 35 basis points while average yields on Government of Canada three to five year bonds fell 12 basis points in the third quarter. The Bank of Canada's target overnight rate remained unchanged during the quarter. The Canadian dollar appreciated for the second consecutive quarter relative to its US counterpart, closing the quarter at US 92.4 cents.

Persons and unincorporated businesses

Household borrowing increased during the third quarter, reaching \$89.5 billion (seasonally adjusted at annual rates), up from \$86.8 billion in the previous quarter. The household sector remained a net borrower in the economy due to its continued investment in non-financial assets exceeding their saving.

Net new mortgage borrowing has increased for two consecutive quarters following three quarters of decline. This increase contributed to the sharp recovery in existing home sales and renovation activity. In addition, consumer credit rose 23% to \$41.9 billion during the quarter, reflected in increased auto purchases. The household debt service ratio (7.6%) was virtually unchanged from the second quarter (7.7%). The debt service ratio has fallen over 0.5 percentage points since the first quarter of 2008, as growth in personal disposable income and lower interest rates have helped reduce the ratio.

Household borrowing up slightly



Government

Borrowing by all levels of government increased to \$128 billion in the third quarter, up from \$113 billion in the second quarter (expressed at seasonally adjusted annual rates, on a quarterly basis, governments borrowed \$32 billion in the third quarter). Federal bond issues were substantial in the quarter, accounting for the bulk of total federal government borrowing activity.

The overall government sector was again a net borrower from the rest of the economy, a pattern that emerged in the latter part of 2008. The increased level of borrowing over this period was due in part to the financing of the federal government stimulus plan, as well as other special government initiatives (such as the insured mortgage purchase program and investment by government in private non-financial corporations).

Corporations

Following three quarters of substantial declines, overall corporate profits and fixed capital investment of non-financial corporations increased in the third quarter. The corporate sector continues to supply funds to the rest of the economy, though net lending was lower as saving declined.

The third quarter was marked by a significant return by non-financial corporations to equity financing. Their net new issuances increased by \$41.5 billion (to \$72.5 billion), accounting for the majority of this sector's overall funds raised in the third quarter. This represented a notable shift since the fourth quarter of 2008, when non-financial corporations borrowed heavily from financial institutions by way of loans. Non-financial corporations' net new loans have declined for the first three quarters of 2009, while short-term paper issuances have declined for five straight quarters.

Among lenders, mortgage and consumer credit activity to the household sector was up in the third quarter, while loans to other sectors slowed. Institutional investors and financial institutions increased their investments in domestic fixed income securities over the quarter.

Non-residents

The non-resident sector continued to be a net lender to the economy in the third quarter, a pattern that emerged in the fourth quarter of 2008. Foreign investment in Canadian securities remained high in the third quarter, led by non-resident purchases of Canadian equities. Canadian investors reduced their holdings of foreign securities, largely debt instruments,

during the same period. The economy posted its fourth consecutive quarterly current account deficit, with the deficit increasing from the previous quarter.

Available on CANSIM: tables 378-0015 to 378-0048.

Definitions, data sources and methods: survey number 1804.

The *National economic accounts* module, accessible from the home page of our website, features an up-to-date portrait of national and provincial economies and their structure.

Detailed analysis on today's release, including additional tables, will soon be available in the third quarter 2009 issue of *Canadian Economic Accounts Quarterly Review*, Vol. 8, no. 3 (13-010-X, free), from the *Publications* module of our website.

The complete quarterly *Financial Flow Accounts: Data Tables*, third quarter 2009, Vol. 2, no. 3 (13-020-X, free), is now available from the *Publications* module of our website.

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Crude oil and natural gas: Supply and disposition

September 2009 (preliminary)

Domestic production of crude oil and equivalent hydrocarbons totalled 12.4 million cubic metres in September, down 4.5% from September 2008.

Crude oil and equivalent exports were down 0.8% compared with the same month in 2008. About 72% of Canada's total domestic production went to the export market.

Marketable natural gas production totalled 11.0 billion cubic metres in September, down 10.7% from the same month a year earlier. Domestic sales of natural gas fell 12.4% from the same month a year earlier.

Natural gas exports rose 1.3% from the same month in 2008. Exports accounted for about 72% of marketable natural gas production.

Note: Preliminary data are available on CANSIM at the national level to September 2009 inclusive. At the national and provincial level, detailed information is available for crude oil (126-0001) up to August 2009 inclusive, and for natural gas (131-0001) up to March 2009 inclusive.

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Crude oil and natural gas: Supply and disposition (key indicators)

	September 2008	September 2009 ^P	September 2008 to September 2009
	thousands of cubic metres		% change
Crude oil and equivalent hydrocarbons			
Supply ¹			
Production	13 032.6	12 446.5	-4.5
Imports ²	3 792.7	3 258.6	-14.1
Disposition			
Refinery receipts ³	7 981.3	7 565.6	-5.2
Exports	9 030.6	8 961.5	-0.8
	millions of cubic metres		% change
Natural gas			
Supply ⁴			
Marketable production ⁵	12 345.6	11 022.3	-10.7
Imports	701.6	701.6 ^E	0.0
Disposition			
Domestic sales ⁶	3 991.2	3 496.7	-12.4
Exports	7 844.6	7 946.2	1.3

^P preliminary

^E use with caution

1. Disposition may differ from supply because of inventory change, own consumption, losses and adjustments.

2. Data may differ from International Trade Division estimates because of timing and the inclusion of crude oil landed in Canada for future re-export.

3. Volumetric receipts at refineries of all domestic and imported crude oils for refinery processing or storage.

4. Disposition may differ from supply because of inventory change, usage as pipeline fuel, pipeline losses, line-pack fluctuations.

5. Receipts from fields after processing for the removal or partial removal of some constituents and impurities and that meet specifications for residential, commercial and industrial use; and including other adjustments.

6. Domestic sales includes residential, commercial, industrial and direct sales (for example direct, non-utility, sales for consumption where the utility acts solely as transporter).

Residential construction investment

Third quarter 2009

Data on residential construction investment are now available for the third quarter.

Available on CANSIM: table 026-0013.

Definitions, data sources and methods: survey number 5016.

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Investment in non-residential building construction

Third quarter 2009 (revised)

Following the release of the Canadian economic accounts for the third quarter of 2009, revised data of the investment in non-residential building for the third quarter are now available.

Available on CANSIM: table 026-0016.

Definitions, data sources and methods: survey number 5014.

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Domestic travel

2008 (final)

The final data of domestic travel from the Travel Survey of Residents of Canada for the year 2008 are now available.

Definitions, data sources and methods: survey number 3810.

For more information or to obtain data, contact Client Services (613-951-9169; toll-free 1-800-307-3382; fax: 613-951-2909; tourism@statcan.gc.ca). To enquire about the concepts, methods or data quality of this release, contact Marinka Ménard (613-951-9602; fax: 613-951-2909; marinka.menard@statcan.gc.ca), Tourism and the Centre for Education Statistics Division. ■

Asphalt roofing

October 2009

Data on asphalt roofing are now available for October.

Available on CANSIM: table 303-0052.

Definitions, data sources and methods: survey number 2123.

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