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EnviroStats

Spring 2009

The Spring 2009 edition of *EnviroStats* contains two articles.

"Transportation in the North," describes some of the different transportation challenges faced by residents of the North, using available statistics on Canada's road and rail networks, shipping activity, aviation, vehicle registrations, and spending on transportation.

"Production of nitrogen and phosphorus from livestock manure, 2006," presents information on nitrogen and phosphorous generated through manure production and maps the intensity of nitrogen and phosphorous production by sub-sub-drainage area.

The Spring 2009 edition of *EnviroStats*, Vol. 3, no. 1 (16-002-XWE, free), is now available from the *Publications* module of our website.

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Canada's population estimates

Fourth quarter 2008 (preliminary)

Canada's population grew by 0.19% in the fourth quarter of 2008, the fastest fourth-quarter growth rate since 1992. The increase in population continues to be steadier in the western part of the country, notably in Alberta.

As of January 1, 2009, Canada's population was an estimated 33,504,700, up 63,400 from October 1, 2008.

The increased pace in population growth can be explained by a marked increase in net international migration, specifically a rise in net non-permanent residents.

During the fourth quarter of 2008, the net international migration to Canada rose to 35,700, an increase of 7,700 compared with the same period in 2007.

Net losses in non-permanent residents went from 17,500 in the fourth quarter of 2007 to 7,700 in the fourth quarter of 2008. This had the affect of increasing Canada's net international migration by 9,700.

Immigration to Canada reached 53,600 during the fourth quarter of 2008, declining by just over 2,000 from the same quarter of 2007.

Except for Prince Edward Island and the Northwest Territories, the population rose in every province and territory during the fourth quarter of 2008.

Sustained demographic growth in the West

Demographic growth remained higher in Western Canada in the fourth quarter. The four provinces west of Ontario all posted growth rates higher than the national level.

Alberta continued to be the province posting the country's highest demographic growth. At 0.60%, the pace of Alberta's population growth is more than triple the national rate.

In the fourth quarter of 2008, Alberta's net international migration increased and reached 9,000, a level never before seen for a fourth quarter. The number of non-permanent residents grew by 6.3%, the fastest growth in the country. In addition, the province

Note to readers

Due to the seasonality of demographic events, comparisons are made against the same quarter. Unless otherwise stated, the comparisons presented in the text concern the fourth quarters of 2007 and 2008.

*The **natural increase** is the variation in population size over a given period as a result of the difference between the number of births and deaths.*

***International migration** represents a movement of population between Canada and a foreign country that involves a change in the usual place of residence. A distinction is made with regard to immigrants, emigrants, returning emigrants, net temporary emigrants and net non-permanent residents.*

***Non-permanent residents (also called temporary residents)** are people from another country who have a work or study permit, or who are refugee claimants, and family members living in Canada with them.*

received 5,200 immigrants during the period, a level not seen in a fourth quarter since 1981.

The growth in Alberta was also supported by an increase in net interprovincial migration. During the fourth quarter of 2008, Alberta recorded a net increase of 6,200 people through population exchanges from other parts of the country, compared with 900 the previous year.

Moderate growth for Ontario

In the fourth quarter, the population growth of Ontario (+0.08%) continued to be below the national level. During this period, the province registered a net outflow in interprovincial migration of 6,500 people, the largest fourth quarter net outflow since 1975.

Ontario received 23,800 immigrants in the fourth quarter of 2008, 2,400 less than during the same period in 2007. The province's attraction for new immigrants continues to diminish. During the fourth quarter, Ontario received slightly less than 45% of the country's new immigrants.

The Atlantic region posts demographic growth

In the fourth quarter, all the Atlantic provinces, except for Prince Edward Island, posted population growth.

With demographic growth of 0.07%, New Brunswick dominated the region in the fourth quarter. The province's growth can be explained by a dual increase in both its net interprovincial and international migrations. Total migration net inflows in New Brunswick reached 500, a level not observed in a fourth quarter since 1975.

The number of births continues to rise in Quebec. During the fourth quarter of 2008, the province had a 3.9% increase in births compared with the same period in the previous year. An increase in the number of births was also noted in some other provinces, particularly in the West, but not on the scale seen in Quebec.

Available on CANSIM: tables 051-0005, 051-0006, 051-0017, 051-0020, 051-0037, 051-0045 and 053-0001.

Definitions, data sources and methods: survey numbers, including related surveys, 3231, 3233 and 3601.

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Components and factors of demographic growth

	Fourth quarter 2007 ¹	Fourth quarter 2008 ²	Fourth quarter 2007 and fourth quarter 2008
	number		difference
Total growth	56,343	63,403	7,060
Natural increase	28,294	27,687	-607
Births	88,603	90,160	1,557
Deaths	60,309	62,473	2,164
Net international migration	28,049	35,716	7,667
Immigration	55,572	53,549	-2,023
Net non permanent residents	-17,473	-7,737	9,736
Emigration ³	10,050	10,096	46

1. Updated estimates.
2. Preliminary estimates.
3. Emigration also takes into account net temporary emigration and returning emigration.

Quarterly demographic estimates

	October 1, 2008 ¹	January 1, 2009 ¹	October 1, 2008 to January 1, 2009
	number		% change
Canada	33,441,277	33,504,680	0.19
Newfoundland and Labrador	508,944	508,990	0.01
Prince Edward Island	140,750	140,402	-0.25
Nova Scotia	939,125	939,531	0.04
New Brunswick	747,790	748,319	0.07
Quebec	7,771,854	7,782,561	0.14
Ontario	12,977,059	12,986,857	0.08
Manitoba	1,210,547	1,213,815	0.27
Saskatchewan	1,020,847	1,023,810	0.29
Alberta	3,610,782	3,632,483	0.60
British Columbia	4,405,534	4,419,974	0.33
Yukon	33,372	33,442	0.21
Northwest Territories	43,151	42,940	-0.49
Nunavut	31,522	31,556	0.11

1. Preliminary postcensal estimates.

Note: These estimates are based on 2006 Census population counts adjusted for census net undercoverage.



Sawmills

January 2009

Lumber production by sawmills increased 16.7% to 4 045.9 thousand cubic metres in January from December.

Compared with January 2008, lumber production declined 22.8%.

Sawmills shipped 3 800.5 thousand cubic metres of lumber in January 2009, up 9.5% from December.

Available on CANSIM: table 303-0009.

Definitions, data sources and methods: survey number 2134.

The January 2009 issue of *Sawmills*, Vol. 63, no. 1 (35-003-XWE, free), is now available from the *Publications* module of our website.

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Farm operating revenues and expenses

2007 (final)

Farm operating revenues and expenses are now available for 2007.

Note: The Taxation Data Program uses taxation records to produce estimates of operating revenues and expenses for the agriculture sector.

Available on CANSIM: tables 002-0044 to 002-0063.

Definitions, data sources and methods: survey number 3447.

The *Extraction System of Agricultural Statistics* (21F0001XBB, free) is now available from the *Publications* module of our website.

For custom data requests, or to enquire about the concepts, methods or data quality of this release, contact Client Services (toll-free 1-800-465-1991; agriculture@statcan.gc.ca), Agriculture Division. ■

Cereals and oilseeds review

January 2009

Data from the January issue of *Cereals and Oilseeds Review* are now available. January's issue contains an overview of February's market conditions.

Definitions, data sources and methods: survey numbers, including related surveys, 3401, 3403, 3404, 3443, 3464, 3476 and 5046.

The January 2009 issue of *Cereals and Oilseeds Review*, Vol. 32, no. 1 (22-007-XIB, free), is now available from the *Publications* module of our website.

For more information, or to enquire about the concepts, methods or data quality of this release, contact Client Services (toll-free 1-800-465-1991; agriculture@statcan.gc.ca), Agriculture Division. ■

Deliveries of major grains

February 2009

Data on February major grain deliveries are now available.

Available on CANSIM: table 001-0001.

Definitions, data sources and methods: survey numbers, including related surveys, 3403, 3404, 3443 and 5046.

The February 2009 issue of *Cereals and Oilseeds Review* (22-007-XIB, free) will be available in April.

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<small>The current account surplus with the rest of the world (on a seasonally adjusted basis) increased sharply to \$5.5 billion in the first quarter of 2008, led by higher prices for several exported commodities compared with a lower level of oil. In the financial account, foreign direct investment flows into Canada slowed significantly from the expansion-driven pace of the previous quarter, while Canadian direct investment abroad continued to strengthen.</small>	
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2008 Census profiles

While the majority of the census and earnings release components, the complete cumulative profile is now available for census divisions, census subdivisions, dissemination areas, forward sortation areas, designated places, urban areas, and census metropolitan areas and census agglomerations with census subdivisions. To obtain these profiles in electronic format (links vary for different geography levels), contact Statistics Canada's National Contact Centre.

 

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