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Natural gas sales

April 2010 (preliminary)

Natural gas sales totalled 6 109 million cubic metres in April, up 1.5% compared with April 2009.

The volumes of sales to the residential and commercial sectors were down 6.5% and 5.8% respectively in April compared with April 2009. The volume of sales to the industrial sector was up 7.4% in April compared with April 2009.

Total sales in April were 21.8% lower compared with March.

Natural gas sales

	April 2009	March 2010	April 2010 ^P	March to April 2010	April 2009 to April 2010
	thousands of cubic metres			% change	
Total sales	6 018 830	7 808 562	6 109 080	-21.8	1.5
Residential ¹	1 508 746	2 056 386	1 409 930	-31.4	-6.5
Commercial ²	1 105 702	1 731 222	1 041 273	-39.9	-5.8
Industrial ³	3 404 382	4 020 954	3 657 877	-9.0	7.4

^P preliminary

1. Gas sold for domestic purposes, including space heating, water heating and cooking, to a residential dwelling unit.
2. Gas sold to customers engaged in wholesale or retail trade, governments, institutions, office buildings, etc.
3. Gas sold to customers engaged in a process that creates or changes raw or unfinished materials into another form or product. Includes mining and manufacturing establishments. Includes firm, interruptible and buy/sell agreements.

Canadian Vehicle Survey

October to December 2009

Canadians drove less during the fourth quarter of 2009 compared with the same quarter in 2008. For the fourth quarter, Canadian vehicles were driven 77.4 billion kilometres, down 5.4% from the same quarter in 2008.

The number of vehicles on the road increased by 1.3% in the fourth quarter of 2009.

Canadians drove their vehicles, on average, 3,739 kilometres during the quarter, down 6.6% compared with the same quarter a year earlier.

Note: This will be the final quarterly release from the Canadian Vehicle Survey as this survey has been discontinued. The final annual release, for reference year 2009, is expected to take place in July.

Definitions, data sources and methods: survey number 2149.

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Definitions, data sources and methods: survey number 2749.

The October to December 2009 issue of *Canadian Vehicle Survey: Quarterly* (53F0004X, free) is now available from *Key resource* module of our website under *Publications*.

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Aircraft movement statistics: Major airports

May 2010

Aircraft take-offs and landings at the 93 Canadian airports with NAV CANADA air traffic control towers and flight service stations decreased 4.0% in May compared with May 2009. These airports reported 539,905 movements in May compared with 562,502 movements in May 2009.

Available on CANSIM: tables 401-0007 to 401-0020.

Definitions, data sources and methods: survey number 2715.

The May 2010 issue of *Aircraft Movement Statistics: NAV CANADA Towers and Flight Service Stations (TP 141)* (51-007-X, free) is now available from *Key resource* module of our website under *Publications*. This report is a joint publication of Statistics Canada and Transport Canada.

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
MAJOR RELEASES

- **Urban transit, 1996** 2
Despite the emphasis on taking urban transit, Canadians are using it less and less. In 1996, each Canadian took an average of about six rides on some form of urban transit, the lowest level in the past 25 years.
- **Productivity, hourly compensation and unit labour cost, 1996** 4
Growth in productivity among Canadian businesses and industry weak again in 1996, accompanied by sluggish gains in employment and slow economic growth during the year.

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