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Monthly Survey of Manufacturing

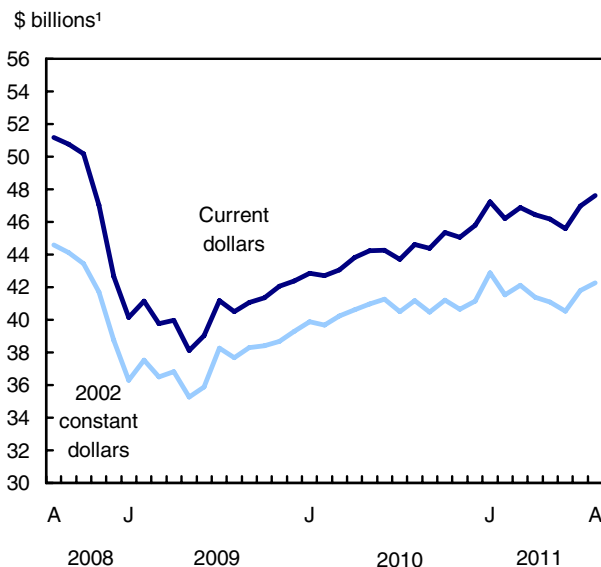
August 2011

Manufacturing sales rose 1.4% to \$47.6 billion in August, the highest level since October 2008. The gains were concentrated in the transportation equipment, food, and petroleum and coal product industries.

Constant dollar manufacturing sales were up 1.1%, the second consecutive increase.

Higher sales were reported in 11 of 21 industries, representing 70.0% of total manufacturing. Quebec, Newfoundland and Labrador, and Ontario led the provincial increases.

Manufacturing sales rise in August for a second consecutive month



Transportation equipment industry leads the advances

Sales of transportation equipment rose 7.0% in August, following a 3.5% gain in July. The gain in August was associated with increases in the aerospace product and parts, railroad rolling stock, and ship and boat building industries. These gains were partially offset by declines in sales of motor vehicles and motor vehicle parts.

Note to readers

All data in this release are seasonally adjusted and are expressed in current dollars unless otherwise specified.

Preliminary data are provided for the current reference month. Revised data, based on late responses, are updated for the three previous months.

Non-durable goods industries include food, beverage and tobacco products, textile mills, textile product mills, clothing, leather and allied products, paper, printing and related support activities, petroleum and coal products, chemicals, and plastics and rubber products.

Durable goods industries include wood products, non-metallic mineral products, primary metal, fabricated metal products, machinery, computer and electronic products, electrical equipment, appliances and components, transportation equipment, furniture and related products and miscellaneous manufacturing.

Production-based industries

For the aerospace industry and shipbuilding industries, the value of production is used instead of sales of goods manufactured. This value is calculated by adjusting monthly sales of goods manufactured by the monthly change in inventories of goods in process and finished products manufactured.

Unfilled orders are a stock of orders that will contribute to future sales assuming that the orders are not cancelled.

New orders are those received whether sold in the current month or not. New orders are measured as the sum of sales for the current month plus the change in unfilled orders from the previous month to the current month.

In the food industry, sales increased 3.9% in August, the first increase in four months. Advances were widespread in the industry.

Sales in the petroleum and coal products industry rose 2.7% in August to \$6.4 billion. A portion of the increase reflected higher volumes reported by some petroleum refineries following maintenance shutdowns in July.

The gains were somewhat offset by declines in the fabricated metal product (-7.0%) and primary metal (-2.7%) industries.

Manufacturing sales rise in most provinces

Manufacturing sales rose in eight provinces in August, with Quebec, Newfoundland and Labrador, and Ontario reporting the largest provincial sales increases in dollar terms.

In Quebec, manufacturers reported a 3.5% increase in sales to \$11.8 billion. The aerospace product and

parts, the food, and the petroleum and coal product industries were the main contributors to the increase.

Sales rose 53.6% to \$397 million in Newfoundland and Labrador, reflecting substantial gains in the non-durable goods industries. The increase in August is the largest since June 2009.

Manufacturing sales in Ontario increased 0.4% to \$21.5 billion in August as advances were reported in 13 of 21 industries. The largest gains occurred in the aerospace product and parts, food, and miscellaneous industries. These gains were largely offset by declines in the primary metal, motor vehicle, fabricated metal product, and motor vehicle parts industries.

Sales declined 5.6% in Nova Scotia and 2.4% in Manitoba, the only provinces with decreases.

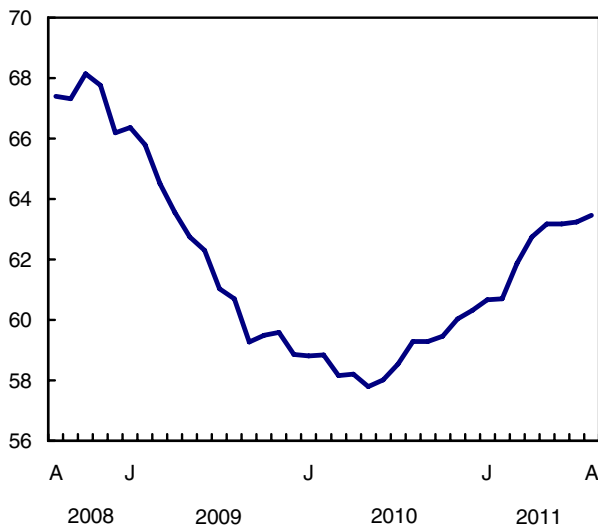
Modest gains in inventory levels

Inventory levels edged up 0.3% to \$63.5 billion in August. Inventory levels were trending upwards after their recent low in May 2010 but have levelled off over the past few months. In August, manufacturers in 12 of 21 industries reported higher inventory levels.

The inventory gains were led by the aerospace product and parts (+3.3%), machinery (+1.9%), and food (+1.7%) industries. These gains, however, were mostly offset by declines in the primary metal and computer and electronic product industries.

Modest gains in inventory levels

\$ billions¹

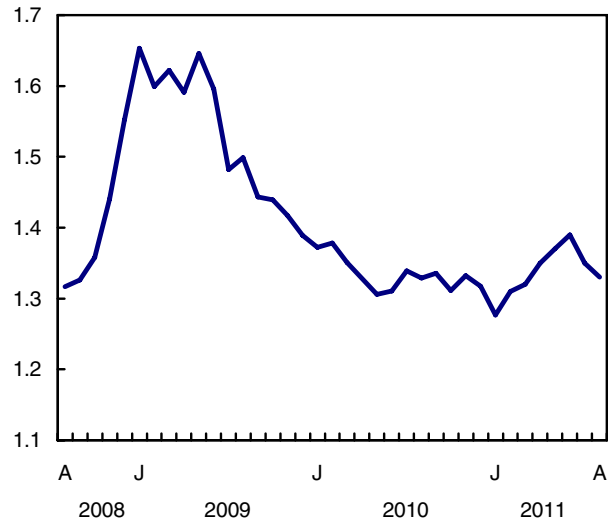


1. Seasonally adjusted.

The inventory-to-sale ratio declined from 1.35 in July to 1.33 in August, the second consecutive monthly decrease. The inventory-to-sales ratio measures the time, in months, that would be required to exhaust inventories if sales were to remain at their current level.

The inventory-to-sales ratio declines

ratio¹

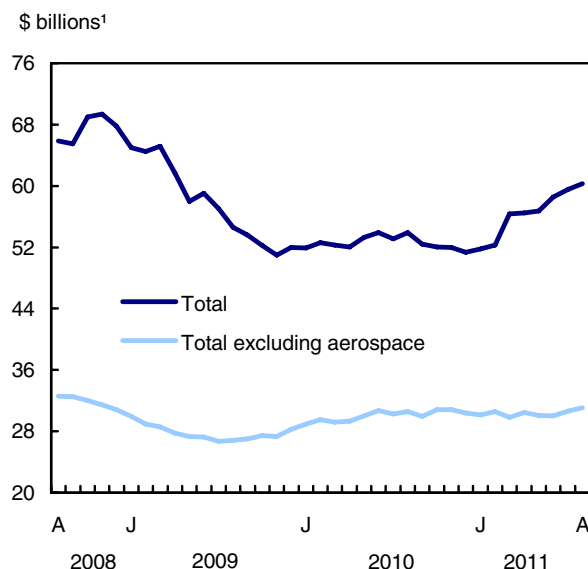


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Unfilled orders advance for the eighth consecutive month

Unfilled orders rose 1.3% to \$60.3 billion in August, their highest level since April 2009. The largest contributors to the gain were the aerospace product and parts (+1.2%) and fabricated metal product (+5.0%) industries.

Unfilled orders up eight consecutive months



1. Seasonally adjusted.

New orders rose 0.8% to \$48.4 billion in August. There were gains in new orders from the aerospace

product and parts, food, and petroleum and coal product industries. However, these were offset by declines in orders in the machinery, fabricated metal product, and primary metal industries.

Available on CANSIM: tables 304-0014, 304-0015 and 377-0008.

Table 304-0014: Canada data (sales, inventories, orders) by industry.

Table 304-0015: Provincial sales by industry.

Table 377-0008: Constant dollar sales, inventories and orders.

Definitions, data sources and methods: survey number 2101.

Data from the September Monthly Survey of Manufacturing will be released on November 15.

For more information, or to order data, contact the dissemination officer (toll-free 1-866-873-8789; 613-951-9497; fax: 613-951-3877; manufact@statcan.gc.ca). To enquire about the concepts, methods or data quality of this release, contact Michael Schimpf (613-951-9832, michael.schimpf@statcan.gc.ca), Manufacturing and Energy Division.

Manufacturing: Principal statistics – Seasonally adjusted

	August 2010	July 2011 ^r	August 2011 ^p	July to August 2011	August 2010 to August 2011
	\$ millions			% change ¹	
Manufacturing sales (current dollars)	44,624	46,966	47,629	1.4	6.7
Manufacturing sales (2002 constant dollars)	41,162	41,785	42,259	1.1	2.7
Manufacturing sales excluding motor vehicles, parts and accessories (current dollars)	38,796	41,771	42,540	1.8	9.7
Inventories	59,293	63,244	63,457	0.3	7.0
Unfilled orders	53,888	59,563	60,325	1.3	11.9
Unfilled orders excluding motor vehicles, parts and accessories	53,230	58,964	59,681	1.2	12.1
New orders	45,425	47,994	48,392	0.8	6.5
New orders excluding motor vehicles, parts and accessories	39,667	42,820	43,258	1.0	9.1
Inventory-to-sales ratio	1.33	1.35	1.33

^r revised

^p preliminary

... not applicable

1. Percent change calculated at thousands of dollars for current dollars, and millions of dollars for constant dollars.

Manufacturing sales: Industry aggregates – Seasonally adjusted

Major Group of Industries	August 2010	July 2011 ^r	August 2011 ^p	July to August 2011	August 2010 to August 2011
	\$ millions		% change ¹		
Food manufacturing	6,692	6,887	7,159	3.9	7.0
Beverage and Tobacco product	898	883	893	1.1	-0.6
Textile mills	131	137	132	-3.6	0.7
Textile product mills	141	142	145	2.5	3.2
Clothing manufacturing	187	196	201	2.5	7.4
Leather and allied product	32	35	32	-9.0	1.1
Wood product	1,518	1,498	1,483	-1.0	-2.3
Paper manufacturing	2,253	2,203	2,203	0.0	-2.2
Printing and related support activities	727	696	696	0.0	-4.3
Petroleum and coal product	5,481	6,259	6,426	2.7	17.2
Chemical	3,614	3,918	3,991	1.9	10.5
Plastics and rubber products	1,741	1,933	1,862	-3.7	6.9
Non-metallic mineral product	1,101	1,104	1,073	-2.7	-2.5
Primary metal	3,427	4,245	4,129	-2.7	20.5
Fabricated metal product	2,634	2,920	2,716	-7.0	3.1
Machinery	2,465	2,768	2,810	1.5	14.0
Computer and electronic product	1,303	1,308	1,298	-0.7	-0.3
Electrical equipment, appliance and component	814	812	824	1.6	1.3
Transportation equipment	7,717	7,119	7,618	7.0	-1.3
Motor vehicle	4,128	3,539	3,471	-1.9	-15.9
Motor vehicle body and trailer	268	287	308	7.3	14.7
Motor vehicle parts	1,700	1,655	1,618	-2.3	-4.8
Aerospace product and parts	1,142	1,131	1,672	47.8	46.4
Railroad rolling stock	92	117	146	24.8	59.6
Ship and boat building	85	85	104	22.4	22.6
Furniture and related product	901	894	863	-3.5	-4.2
Miscellaneous manufacturing	847	1,009	1,074	6.4	26.8
Non-durable goods industries	21,897	23,289	23,740	1.9	8.4
Durable goods industries	22,727	23,677	23,889	0.9	5.1

^r revised

^p preliminary

1. Percent change calculated at thousands of dollars.

Manufacturing sales: Provinces and territories – Seasonally adjusted

	August 2010	July 2011 ^r	August 2011 ^p	July to August 2011	August 2010 to August 2011
	\$ millions		% change ¹		
Canada	44,624	46,966	47,629	1.4	6.7
Newfoundland and Labrador	419	258	397	53.6	-5.3
Prince Edward Island	98	92	105	14.0	7.8
Nova Scotia	830	919	867	-5.6	4.5
New Brunswick	1,417	1,592	1,608	1.0	13.5
Quebec	11,038	11,434	11,830	3.5	7.2
Ontario	20,803	21,442	21,533	0.4	3.5
Manitoba	1,160	1,287	1,255	-2.4	8.2
Saskatchewan	907	1,041	1,063	2.0	17.1
Alberta	5,014	5,769	5,794	0.4	15.6
British Columbia	2,934	3,126	3,170	1.4	8.1
Yukon	2	4	3	-6.7	35.5
Northwest Territories and Nunavut	1	1	2	124.7	32.1

^r revised

^p preliminary

1. Percent change calculated at thousands of dollars.

Dairy statistics

August 2011 (preliminary)

Dairy statistics for Canada and the provinces are now available for August.

Definitions, data sources and methods: survey numbers, including related surveys, 3430, 3431 and 3432.

The third quarter 2011 issue of *Dairy Statistics*, Vol. 6, no. 3 (23-014-X, free), will be available in November.

For more information, call Client Services (toll-free 1-800-465-1991). To enquire about the concepts, methods or data quality of this release, contact Brad McKay at 613-951-6571 (brad.mckay@statcan.gc.ca), Agriculture Division. ■

Steel wire and specified wire products

August 2011

Data on steel wire and specified wire products production are now available for August.

Available on CANSIM: table 303-0047.

Definitions, data sources and methods: survey number 2106.

The August 2011 issue of *Steel, Tubular Products and Steel Wire* (41-019-X, free) will soon be available.

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Steel pipe and tubing

August 2011

Data on the production and shipments of steel pipe and tubing are now available for August.

Available on CANSIM: table 303-0046.

Definitions, data sources and methods: survey number 2105.

The August 2011 issue of *Steel, Tubular Products and Steel Wire* (41-019-X, free) will soon be available.

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Supply and disposition of refined petroleum products

July 2011

Data on the supply and disposition of refined petroleum products are now available for July.

Available on CANSIM: tables 134-0001 to 134-0004.

Definitions, data sources and methods: survey number 2150.

The July 2011 issue of *The Supply and Disposition of Refined Petroleum Products in Canada*, Vol. 66, no. 7 (45-004-X, free), is now available from the *Key resource* module of our website under *Publications*.

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Canada's international trade in services 2009 and 2010

Data on Canada's international trade in services for 2009 and 2010 are now available.

Note: Data by country, geographical and economic areas for commercial services, travel, transportation and government services are now available up to 2009. Imports and exports of commercial services by affiliation and by industrial sector based on the North American Industrial Classification System have also been updated up to 2009.

Trade in services covers transactions in travel, transportation, a range of business and professional

services referred to as commercial services, and government services.

Available on CANSIM: tables 376-0031 to 376-0033, 376-0036 and 376-0062.

Definitions, data sources and methods: survey number 1536.

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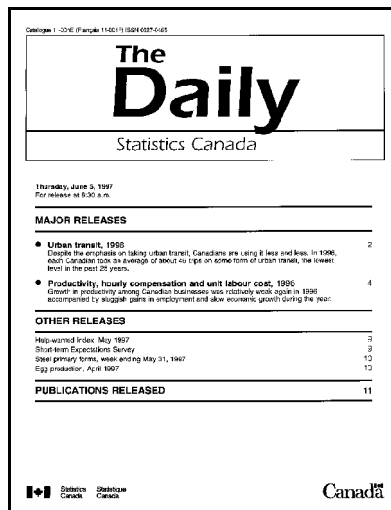
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