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## Farm Input Price Index

Second quarter 2010

The Farm Input Price Index (FIPI) is a quarterly indicator of the change in the price of farm inputs faced by Canadian farmers. The FIPI was last released in 2008 (covering 2007). Since that release, the index has been redesigned and its structure and data sources have changed. As part of the redesign, the index has been rebased to 2002=100.

The FIPI was down 0.2% in the second quarter from the previous quarter. The decline followed a 2.1% increase between the fourth quarter of 2009 and the first quarter of 2010.

The category that contributed most to the quarterly decline in Canada was crop production, which fell 1.4%.

British Columbia was the largest contributor to the national decrease, with a 2.0% decline in the second quarter.

Canadian farm input prices fell by 2.2% between the second quarter of 2009 and the second quarter of 2010. Alberta (-3.5%) was the largest contributor to the national decline in farm input prices during the period.

Animal production (-6.8%) was the category with the largest decrease between the second quarter of 2009 and the second quarter of 2010. The decline was moderated by higher prices in the machinery and motor vehicles category (+2.8%).

**Note:** Until 2007, the Farm Input Price Index (FIPI) was published annually, and the geographic information provided was limited. The index was then redesigned and the methodology used to compile the data revised. With the changes in methodology, the FIPI will now be published quarterly and provide more detailed geographic information. National data sources are used for some major components of the FIPI (such as, depreciation on machinery, fertilizer, grains and oilseeds). In reality, input prices may fluctuate differently from province to province. Users should exercise caution in interpreting the data. For more information about the new methodology and an introduction to the redesigned index, go to the "Definitions, data sources and methods" section by clicking on survey number 2305, which appears below.

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**Definitions, data sources and methods: survey number 2305.**

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### Farm Input Price Index, by component, Canada

	Relative importance <sup>1</sup>	Second quarter 2009	First quarter 2010	Second quarter 2010	First quarter to second quarter 2010	Second quarter 2009 to second quarter 2010
	%	(2002=100)			% change	
<b>Farm input total</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>133.9</b>	<b>131.2</b>	<b>130.9</b>	<b>-0.2</b>	<b>-2.2</b>
Buildings	9.36	126.7	129.9	130.9	0.8	3.3
Machinery and motor vehicles	19.27	121.6	125.6	125.0	-0.5	2.8
General business costs	15.33	127.2	121.9	122.8	0.7	-3.4
Crop production	23.17	181.1	179.7	177.2	-1.4	-2.1
Animal production	32.88	113.7	105.5	105.9	0.4	-6.8

1. The relative importance is based on the average farm operating expenses from 2002 to 2005.

## Farm Input Price Index, total, by region

	Relative importance <sup>1</sup>	Second quarter 2009	First quarter 2010	Second quarter 2010	First quarter to second quarter 2010	Second quarter 2009 to second quarter 2010
	%	(2002=100)			% change	
<b>Canada</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>133.9</b>	<b>131.2</b>	<b>130.9</b>	<b>-0.2</b>	<b>-2.2</b>
Eastern Canada	44.21	128.2	126.1	125.8	-0.3	-1.9
Newfoundland and Labrador	0.23	127.8	128.7	125.6	-2.4	-1.7
Prince Edward Island	0.99	137.1	131.4	131.8	0.2	-3.9
Nova Scotia	1.15	132.5	128.4	126.4	-1.6	-4.6
New Brunswick	1.13	131.3	133.6	128.0	-4.2	-2.5
Quebec	16.24	125.5	123.2	122.4	-0.7	-2.5
Ontario	24.47	129.2	127.3	127.6	0.2	-1.2
Western Canada	55.79	138.4	135.2	135.0	-0.2	-2.5
Manitoba	9.96	140.9	136.5	136.0	-0.3	-3.5
Saskatchewan	16.14	151.4	148.7	148.7	0.0	-1.8
Alberta	23.62	131.6	126.7	127.0	0.2	-3.5
British Columbia	6.06	126.3	130.0	127.5	-2.0	0.9

1. The relative importance is based on the average farm operating expenses from 2002 to 2005.

## Mineral wool including fibrous glass insulation

January 2011

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

**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 (613-951-9497; toll-free 1-866-873-8789; [manufact@statcan.gc.ca](mailto:manufact@statcan.gc.ca)), Manufacturing and Energy Division. ■

## Asphalt roofing

January 2011

Data on asphalt roofing are now available for January. Revised data for November and December are also available.

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**Definitions, data sources and methods: survey number 2123.**

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## Accounting services

2009

Data on the accounting services industry are now available for 2009.

**Available on CANSIM: tables 360-0007, 360-0018 and 360-0019.**

**Definitions, data sources and methods: survey number 4716.**

The publication *Service Bulletin: Accounting Services*, 2009 (63-256-X, free), will be available in May.

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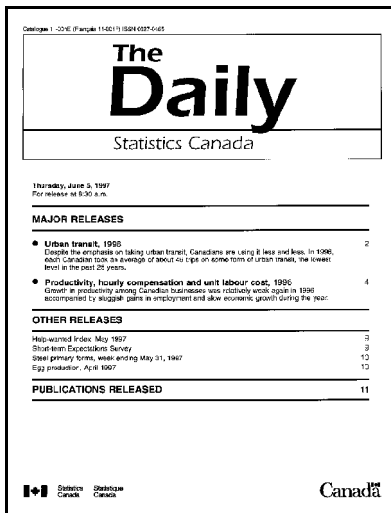
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