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Quarterly Trucking Survey

Second quarter 2011

Trucking businesses earned operating revenue of \$10.5 billion in the second quarter, up 5.9% from the same quarter a year earlier.

These firms reported operating expenses of \$9.4 billion in the second quarter, compared with \$8.8 billion in the same quarter of 2010. Rising fuel expenses, up 19.4% in the second quarter, helped drive the overall increase in expenses from the same quarter a year earlier.

The increase in operating expenses (+7.7%) outpaced that of operating revenue, so that operating profit fell 8.3% to \$1.03 billion. Smaller firms, which are those with annual revenue of less than \$1.3 million, led the decline. Fuel expenses represent a larger share of total expenses for the smaller firms (34% compared with 17% for larger firms), which makes the profitability of smaller firms more vulnerable to fuel price fluctuations.

Note: Revisions have been made to the data from the Quarterly Trucking Survey for the second quarter of 2010 and the first quarter of 2011.

Available on CANSIM: tables 403-0005 to 403-0007.

Definitions, data sources and methods: survey number 2748.

For more information, to order data tables, or to enquire about the concepts, methods or data quality of this release, contact Client Services (toll-free 1-866-500-8400; transportationstatistics@statcan.gc.ca), Transportation Division. ■

Mineral wool including fibrous glass insulation

November 2011

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

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

Purchasing power parities

2010 (preliminary)

Preliminary data for purchasing power parities (PPPs) and related series are now available for 2010. These data include consumption- and expenditure-based data from the Canada / United States bilateral program as well as PPPs from the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) multilateral program.

These statistics incorporate the latest prices from the OECD's benchmark exercise for 2008. Current dollar expenditure and corresponding price indices from the Canadian System of National Accounts (released in May 2011) and the US National Income and Product Accounts (released in July 2011) have also been used in the bilateral program. The PPP-related data have been revised back to 2005.

Available on CANSIM: tables 380-0037, 380-0057 and 380-0058.

Definitions, data sources and methods: survey number 1901.

For more information or to enquire about the concepts, methods or data quality of this release, contact the information officer (613-951-3640; iead-info-dcrd@statcan.gc.ca), Income and Expenditure Accounts Division. ■

**Canadian Community Health Survey:
Rapid response on neighbourhood
environment**

New data on neighbourhood environment are now available from the rapid response component of the Canadian Community Health Survey. The data were collected in July and August 2011. The addition of these questions to the Canadian Community Health Survey was sponsored by the Public Health Agency of Canada.

Definitions, data sources and methods: survey number 3226.

For more information, contact Statistics Canada's National Contact Centre (toll-free 1-800-263-1136; 613-951-8116; infostats@statcan.gc.ca), Communications Division.

To enquire about the concepts, methods or data quality of this release, contact Client Services (613-951-1746; hd-ds@statcan.gc.ca), Health Statistics Division. ■

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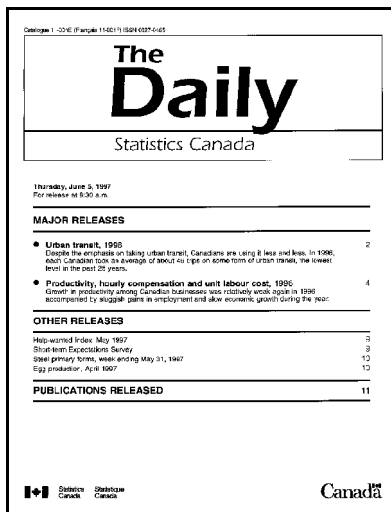
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