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### Quarterly Trucking Survey, fourth quarter 2011

Trucking businesses earned \$11.3 billion in operating revenue in the fourth quarter, up 5.7% from the same quarter in 2010. Operating expenses registered a slightly lower increase, to \$10.1 billion. As a result, these firms generated \$1.2 billion in operating profits, up 6.0%.

Overall, vehicle fuel expenses rose 17.3%, again leading the growth in expenses. In comparison, salaries, wages and benefits increased 8.6%, while all other operating expenses (+0.2%) were little changed. The increase in fuel expenses was driven by higher prices, as carriers reported a 1.4% increase in fuel consumption.

During the first two quarters of 2011, trucking firms reported year-over-year declines in operating profits averaging 8%, as expenses outgrew revenue in both quarters. The situation reversed in the final two quarters, such that profits averaged increases of 10%.

Trucking firms reported increases in fuel expenses averaging 18% in 2010 and 2011. Accordingly, the contribution of fuel expenses to total expenses rose from 17% during the first quarter of 2009 to over 21% in the fourth quarter of 2011.

#### **Note to readers**

*Revisions have been made to the data from the Quarterly Trucking Survey for the fourth quarter of 2010.*

**Available without charge in CANSIM: tables 403-0005 to 403-0007.**

**Definitions, data sources and methods: survey number 2748.**

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## Real estate agents, brokers, appraisers and other real estate activities, 2010

Data on the real estate agents, brokers, appraisers and other real estate activities industry are now available for 2010.

The 2010 edition of *Service Bulletin: Real Estate Agents, Brokers, Appraisers and Other Real Estate Activities*, which contains industry highlights along with financial data including revenues, expenses and operating profit margins, is now available.

**Available without charge in CANSIM: tables 352-0005 and 352-0018.**

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The publication *Service Bulletin: Real Estate Agents, Brokers, Appraisers and Other Real Estate Activities*, 2010 (63-238-X, free), is now available from the *Key resource* module of our website under *Publications*.

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