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#### Releases

# Natural gas sales, June 2012

Natural gas sales totalled 4 669 million cubic metres in June, up 2.6% compared with June 2011.

During the same period, the volume of sales to the industrial sector (+7.5%) increased while the volume of sales to the commercial (-20.5%) and residential (-10.8%) sectors declined.

Total sales in June were 15.6% lower compared with May.

Table 1 Natural gas sales

	June 2011	May 2012	June 2012 <sup>p</sup>	May to June 2012	June 2011 to June 2012
	thousands of cubic metres			% change	
Total sales	4 549 479	5 530 079	4 668 594	-15.6	2.6
Residential <sup>1</sup>	529 817	867 339	472 832	-45.5	-10.8
Commercial <sup>2</sup>	447 595	670 683	355 765	-47.0	-20.5
Industrial <sup>3</sup> and direct sales <sup>4</sup>	3 572 067	3 992 057	3 839 997	-3.8	7.5

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>p</sup> preliminary

#### Definitions, data sources and methods: survey number 2149.

<sup>.</sup> Gas sold for domestic purposes, including space heating, water heating and cooking, to a residential dwelling unit.

<sup>2.</sup> Gas sold to customers engaged in wholesale or retail trade, governments, institutions, office buildings, etc.

<sup>3.</sup> 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.

<sup>4.</sup> Represents direct, non-utility, sales for consumption, where the utility acts solely as the transporter.

# Production and disposition of tobacco products, July 2012

Canadian manufacturers produced 1.8 billion cigarettes in July, down 9.9% from the previous month. The total number of cigarettes sold increased by 1.1% to 2.0 billion and closing inventories decreased by 11.1% to 2.3 billion cigarettes.

#### Note to readers

The May 2012 edition was the last issue of Production and Disposition of Tobacco Products (32-022-X). The data are available free of charge in CANSIM table 303-0062.

Available without charge in CANSIM: table 303-0062.

Definitions, data sources and methods: survey number 2142.

## Sawmills, June 2012

Lumber production by sawmills decreased 0.7% from May to 4 743.5 thousand cubic metres in June. Compared with June 2011, lumber production increased 9.1%.

In June, sawmills shipped 4 604.6 thousand cubic metres of lumber, a decrease of 1.3% from May.

#### Note to readers

In January 2012, a number of changes were made to the sampling and estimation methods for the Monthly Sawmills Survey. CANSIM table 303-0009 has been terminated. Starting with January 2012, data are now available in CANSIM tables 303-0064 and 303-0065. Historically revised data based on the new methodology are also available in CANSIM table 303-0064 from January 2003 to December 2011.

Available without charge in CANSIM: tables 303-0064 and 303-0065.

Definitions, data sources and methods: survey number 2134.

The June 2012 issue of *Sawmills*, Vol. 66, no. 6 (35-003-X, free), is now available from the *Key resource* module of our website under *Publications*.

# Refined petroleum products, July 2012

Data on the production, inventories and domestic sales of refined petroleum products are now available for July. Other selected data about these products are also available.

#### Definitions, data sources and methods: survey number 2150.

# Pipeline transportation of crude oil and refined petroleum products, June 2012

Data on closing inventories, held in Canada; tanks: crude oil and condensate; and exports of crude oil are available for June upon request.

Definitions, data sources and methods: survey numbers 2148 and 2191.

# New products and studies

## **New products**

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