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#### Releases

# Canada's natural resource wealth, 2011

In 2011, the value of Canada's natural resource assets stood at \$1.4 trillion, a 16% increase from 2010. In the decade from 2001 to 2011, the value of these assets increased at an annual average rate of 7%.

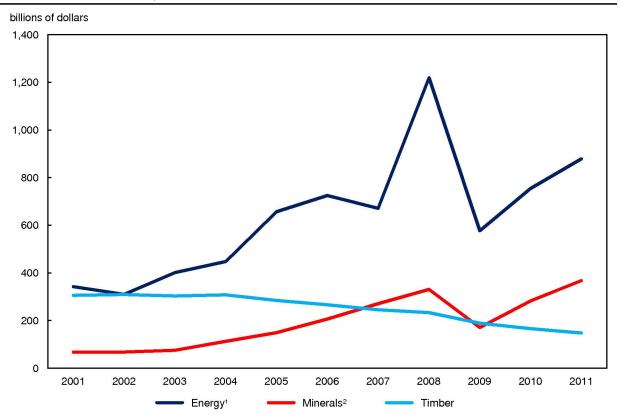
Energy resources accounted for 63% of the value of all natural resource assets in 2011, followed by minerals (26%) and timber (11%).

Energy resource assets consist of coal, crude bitumen, crude oil and natural gas. In total, the value of these assets increased 17% to \$879 billion in 2011, fuelled by continued growth in prices. The only assets to decline in value within the energy group were natural gas assets, reflecting a downward trend in prices.

The value of mineral assets increased 30.5% to \$368 billion. Among mineral resources, potash and gold assets continued their upward trend in 2011, while uranium and iron posted modest declines.

Meanwhile, the trend for timber assets continued to move downward.

Chart 1 Natural resource assets, 2001 to 2011



- 1. Coal, crude bitumen, crude oil and natural gas.
- 2. Nickel, copper, diamonds, gold, iron, zinc, molybdenum, uranium and potash.

#### Note to readers

Data for this release came from the Natural Resource Stock Accounts. These accounts measure the value of natural resource assets; for example, reserves of metal ore in the ground or accessible stands of timber in forests. For mineral and energy resources, reserves are defined by the amount of proven and probable stocks that are economical to extract using available technology. For timber resources, only the stocks that are physically accessible and available for harvesting are accounted for.

Data on natural resource assets are now available for 2011.

Available without charge in CANSIM: tables 153-0001 to 153-0008, 153-0010 to 153-0014, 153-0017, 153-0018, 153-0020 to 153-0028 and 378-0005.

Definitions, data sources and methods: survey numbers 5114.

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# Canadian Foreign Post Indexes, September 2012

Data on Canadian Foreign Post Indexes are now available for September.

#### Definitions, data sources and methods: survey number 2322.

The September 2012 issue of *Canadian Foreign Post Indexes* (62-013-X, free) is now available from the *Key resource* module of our website under *Publications*.

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

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# **Electric power statistics, June 2012**

Data on electric power are now available for June.

#### Note to readers

Data from January to May have been revised.

Available without charge in CANSIM: tables 127-0002 and 127-0003.

Definitions, data sources and methods: survey number 2151.

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# Departures of temperature and precipitation from 1961 to 1990 normal, by Canada and climatic regions

Data on the annual mean, and seasonal mean temperature departures from normal and precipitation percentage departure from normal are now available. Departures from normal are defined as departures from the 1961 to 1990 normal in Celsius degrees (temperature) and percentage departure (precipitation).

These data are housed in the Adjusted and Homogenized Canadian Climate Data archives held by Environment Canada.

Available without charge in CANSIM: table 153-0103.

Definitions, data sources and methods: survey number 7531.

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### New products and studies

#### **New products**

**Industry Price Indexes**, July 2012, Vol. 38, no. 7 Catalogue number 62-011-X (HTML, free | PDF, free)

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