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Releases

Accounting services, 2011

Operating revenues in the accounting services industry increased 2.2% from a year earlier to \$14.2 billion in 2011, less than half the growth rate of 5.2% in 2010.

This industry provides a range of services to its clients. The bulk of its revenues are generated from accounting, bookkeeping and payroll services; these represented 58.3% of sales in 2011. The remainder came from taxation services (25.9%), management consulting services (7.6%), insolvency and receivership services (2.6%) and other sales of goods and services (5.6%).

While the industry operates in every province and territory, 90.1% of its operating revenue was generated in four provinces: Ontario (42.1%), Quebec (19.6%), Alberta (14.7%) and British Columbia (13.7%).

The industry's operating revenue increased 5.4% in British Columbia in 2011, the highest rate of growth among the provinces.

Operating expenses increased 1.4% to \$10.0 billion in 2011. Salaries, wages and benefits, the largest expense item, were up 1.5% from 2010.

Since revenues increased more than expenses, the profit margins of firms rose from 28.6% in 2010 to 29.2% in 2011. Firms in Saskatchewan, British Columbia, Quebec, and Manitoba posted higher-than-average profit margins.

The business sector, the primary client of the accounting services industry, accounted for nearly three-quarters (73.1%) of operating revenue in 2011. Individuals and households represented 19.0%, government and public institutions 5.7%, and clients outside Canada the remainder.

Available without charge in CANSIM: tables 360-0007, 360-0018 and 360-0019.

Definitions, data sources and methods: survey number 4716.

The publication *Accounting Services, 2011* (63-256-X, free), is now available from the *Key resource* module of our website under *Publications*.

For more information or to order data, contact us (toll-free 1-800-263-1136; infostats@statcan.gc.ca).

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Construction Union Wage Rate Index, December 2012

The Construction Union Wage Rate Index (including supplements) for Canada was unchanged in December compared with the previous month. The composite index was up 2.4% compared with December 2011.

Note to readers

Union wage rates are published for 16 trades in 22 metropolitan areas for both the basic rates and rates including selected supplementary payments. The indexes (2007=100) are calculated for the same metropolitan areas and are published for those where a majority of trades are covered by current collective agreements.

The wage rates and indexes are subject to a 30-month revision period after dissemination of a given month's data. This is because of the length of time that can transpire between the expiration of a collective agreement and the ratification of a new collective agreement. The wage rates and indexes are not seasonally adjusted.

Available without charge in CANSIM: tables 327-0003 and 327-0045.

Definitions, data sources and methods: survey number 2307.

The third quarter 2012 issue of *Capital Expenditure Price Statistics* (62-007-X, free) will be available soon.

The Construction Union Wage Rate Index for January will be released on February 21.

For more information, or to enquire about the concepts, methods or data quality of this release, contact us (toll-free 1-800-263-1136; infostats@statcan.gc.ca) or Media Relations (613-951-4636; mediahotline@statcan.gc.ca).

Oilseed crushing statistics, December 2012

Oilseed processors crushed 658 729 tonnes of canola in December. Oil production totaled 282 006 tonnes while meal production amounted to 387 464 tonnes.

Available without charge in CANSIM: table 001-0005.

Definitions, data sources and methods: survey number 3404.

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Deliveries of major grains, December 2012

Data on major grain deliveries are now available for December.

Available without charge in CANSIM: table 001-0001.

Definitions, data sources and methods: survey numbers 3403, 3404, 3443, 5046 and 5153.

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Milled wheat and wheat flour produced, November 2012

Data on milled wheat and wheat flour produced are now available for November.

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Definitions, data sources and methods: survey numbers 3403 and 3443.

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StatCan Blog

Today, Statistics Canada launches the [StatCan Blog](#), a monthly commentary designed to show the links between quality statistics and the lives of Canadians.

It is the Agency's latest step in engaging Canadians by using social media, supplementing its presence on [Twitter](#) and [YouTube](#). These social media initiatives reflect the increasingly digital milieu in which Statistics Canada operates.

The StatCan Blog will demystify some of the Agency's decisions, priorities and methodologies, and offer a glimpse into its future. Canadians are invited to comment on the blog and provide feedback on Statistics Canada's direction.

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