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Releases

Health Reports, February 2013

The February 2013 online issue of *Health Reports*, released today, contains two articles.

The first article, "Dynamics of smoking cessation and health-related quality of life among Canadians," describes trajectories of health-related quality of life (HRQL) in relation to smoking status, focusing on the time required for former smokers to achieve an HRQL level similar to that of people who have never smoked. Data were from nine cycles (1994/1995 through 2010/2011) of the National Population Health Survey.

For more information on this article, contact Didier Garriguet (613-951-7187; didier.garriguet@statcan.gc.ca), Health Analysis Division.

The second article, "Smoking, smoking cessation and heart disease risk: A 16-year follow-up study," uses observations of a contemporary cohort of Canadian men and women to measure the association between daily smoking and the risk of heart disease. As well, the number of years of cessation required for former daily smokers to achieve a risk level similar to that of people who have never smoked daily is quantified. The study is based on data collected from 1994/1995 through 2010/2011 by the National Population Health Survey.

For more information on this article, contact Didier Garriguet (613-951-7187; didier.garriguet@statcan.gc.ca), Health Analysis Division.

The February 2013 online issue of *Health Reports*, Vol. 24, no. 2 (82-003-X), is now available from the *Browse by key resource* module of our website under *Publications*.

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

For information about *Health Reports*, contact Janice Felman (613-951-6446; janice.felman@statcan.gc.ca), Health Analysis Division.

Dairy statistics, December 2012

Dairy statistics for Canada and the provinces are now available for December.

Available in CANSIM: tables 003-0007 to 003-0012, 003-0029, 003-0033 and 003-0034.

Definitions, data sources and methods: survey numbers 3430, 3431 and 3432.

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).

Civil aviation operating statistics, December 2012

Operational data on civil aviation are now available for December.

Available in CANSIM: tables 401-0001 and 401-0043.

Definitions, data sources and methods: survey number 5026.

A [data table](#) is also available from the *Browse by key resource* module of our website under *Summary tables*.

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Real estate agents, brokers, appraisers and other real estate activities, 2011

Data on the real estate agents, brokers, appraisers and other real estate activities industry are now available for 2011.

The 2011 edition of the publication *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 in CANSIM: tables 352-0005 and 352-0018.

Definitions, data sources and methods: survey number 4706.

The publication *Real Estate Agents, Brokers, Appraisers and Other Real Estate Activities*, 2011 (63-238-X), is now available from the *Browse by key resource* module of our website under *Publications*.

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StatCan Blog: Enhancing the Consumer Price Index, February 2013

In its second [StatCan Blog](#), Statistics Canada today sheds light on enhancements to one of its key programs that has an impact on the life of virtually every Canadian — the Consumer Price Index (CPI).

The CPI tracks price movements for a representative 'basket' of about 600 goods and services Canadians purchase over time. It is widely used as an indicator of the change in the general level of consumer prices.

The CPI Enhancement Initiative is a five-year program designed to improve the index's accuracy and relevance. Today's Blog explains plans in three major areas: Updating the basket of goods and services; improving sampling; and tracking changes in the quality of consumer products.

The enhancement is important. Due to the wide range of specific uses, the CPI must be as precise as possible. It is used to adjust pension cheques, tax brackets, rent controls, transfer payments and collective agreements. Also, the Bank of Canada uses it to help set monetary policy, which affects the cost of borrowing.

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New products and studies

New products

Wholesale Trade, December 2012, Vol. 75, no. 12
Catalogue number 63-008-X (HTML | PDF)

Real Estate Agents, Brokers, Appraisers and Other Real Estate Activities, 2011
Catalogue number 63-238-X (HTML | PDF)

Health Reports, Vol. 24, no. 2
Catalogue number 82-003-X (HTML | PDF)

New studies

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