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Employer pension plans (trusteed pension funds), third quarter 2012

The market value of Canadian employer-sponsored pension funds totalled \$1,200 billion at the end of the third quarter, up 2.6% from the previous quarter. The increase followed a 1.3% decline in the second quarter.

Pension fund investments in stocks grew 3.3% in the third quarter, surpassing the 1.5% gain in the value of shares on the Toronto Stock Exchange for the same period.

The value of bond holdings increased 1.7% in the third quarter, while investments in real estate assets grew 3.9%.

Foreign investments increased in value by 2.7%. Canadian assets rose 2.5%, largely as a result of increases in the value of Canadian stocks and bonds.

Revenues in the third quarter grew 10.1%, the result of increased profits on the sale of securities. Net income grew from \$7.4 billion in the second quarter to \$16.4 billion at the end of the third quarter, as reduced losses on the sale of securities lowered expenditures by 29.7%.

Pension fund contributions fell 8.0% to \$11.9 billion in the third quarter following similar drops of 7.6% in the second quarter and 7.7% in the first quarter of the year. Pension fund contributions typically peak in the fourth quarter of each year when pension plan sponsors make special payments to cover unfunded pension liabilities. Benefits paid to retirees decreased 5.7% to \$11.2 billion.

Just over six million Canadian workers are members of employer pension plans. Of this group, five million workers are members of trusteed plans. The remaining one million members with employer pension plans are managed principally by insurance company contracts. Data in this release refer only to trusteed plans and their pension funds.

Note to readers

With this release, data from the first quarter of 2011 to the second quarter of 2012 have been revised.

Table 1
Trusteed pension funds: Market value of assets by type

	Second quarter 2012 ^r	Second quarter 2012 ^r	Third quarter 2012 ^p	Third quarter 2012 ^p	Second quarter to third quarter 2012
	millions of dollars	% of total assets	millions of dollars	% of total assets	% change
Total assets	1,128,618	100.0	1,157,862	100.0	2.6
Bonds	431,866	38.3	439,203	37.9	1.7
Stocks	347,185	30.8	358,486	31.0	3.3
Mortgages	12,742	1.1	12,749	1.1	0.1
Real estate	86,849	7.7	90,266	7.8	3.9
Short-term	38,546	3.4	38,960	3.4	1.1
Other assets	204,606	18.1	211,108	18.2	3.2
Assets, funds under \$10 million	6,822	0.6	7,089	0.6	3.9

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Table 2
Trusteed pension funds: Revenue and expenditures

	Second quarter 2012 ^r	Third quarter 2012 ^p	Second quarter to third quarter 2012
	millions of o	% change	
Total revenue	28,158	30,998	10.1
Revenue from contributions	12,934	11,903	-8.0
Investment income	11,208	7,887	-29.6
Net profit on sale of securities	2,485	10,667	329.3
Miscellaneous revenue	1,308	327	-75.0
Revenue, funds under \$10 million	223	215	-3.6
Total expenditures	20,742	14,579	-29.7
Pension payments out of funds	11,882	11,209	-5.7
Cost of pensions purchased	85	82	-3.5
Cash withdrawals	1,687	1,585	-6.0
Administration costs	1,052	1,004	-4.6
Net loss on sale of securities	5,394	333	-93.8
Other expenditures	557	290	-47.9
Expenditures, funds under \$10 million	86	75	-12.8
Net income	7,416	16,419	121.4

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Cement, January 2013

Data on cement are now available for January.

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Film and video distribution, 2011

Data on the film and video distribution industry are now available for 2011.

The 2011 edition of the publication *Film and Video Distribution*, which contains industry highlights along with financial data including revenues, expenses, and operating profit margins, is now available.

Note to readers

The Film and Video Distribution Survey is now conducted in partnership with the Department of Canadian Heritage. As a result of a change in frequency of the survey, the publication Film and Video Distribution will not be published in 2014 for the reference year 2012.

Available in CANSIM: tables 361-0014 and 361-0026.

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The publication *Film and Video Distribution*, 2011 (87F0010X), is now available from the *Browse by key resource* module of our website under *Publications*.

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Life tables, Canada, provinces and territories, 2005 to 2007, 2006 to 2008 and 2007 to 2009

The publication *Life Tables for Canada, Provinces and Territories* is now available for the periods 2005 to 2007, 2006 to 2008 and 2007 to 2009.

Complete life tables are available for Canada and nine provinces: Newfoundland and Labrador, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, Quebec, Ontario, Manitoba, Saskatchewan, Alberta and British Columbia.

Abridged life tables are available for Prince Edward Island, Yukon, the Northwest Territories and Nunavut.

The life tables are computed using death counts from the Vital Statistics and Population Estimates programs of Statistics Canada.

The methods used to construct complete and abridged life tables are available in a separate document, *Methods for Constructing Life Tables for Canada, Provinces and Territories*. The methods were revised compared with those used for the preceding life tables of Statistics Canada.

Life tables for Canada, provinces and territories will now be produced on an annual basis, once new death counts are available from the Vital Statistics Program.

Definitions, data sources and methods: survey numbers 3233 and 3604.

The publication *Life Tables, Canada, Provinces and Territories,* 2005 to 2007, 2006 to 2008 and 2007 to 2009 (84-537-X), is now available from the *Browse by key resource module* of our website under *Publications*.

The publication *Methods for Constructing Life Tables for Canada, Provinces and Territories* (84-538-X) is also now available from the *Browse by key resource* module of our website under *Publications*.

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