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## Releases

### Non-residential Building Construction Price Index, first quarter 2014

The composite price index for non-residential building construction increased 0.5% in the first quarter compared with the previous quarter. The increase was mainly attributable to a rise in material prices.

Contractors in all seven census metropolitan areas (CMAs) surveyed reported quarterly increases, ranging from 0.2% to 1.1%. The largest increase was observed in Edmonton (+1.1%), followed by Montréal (+0.6%). Contractors in the CMA of Ottawa–Gatineau (Ontario part) reported the smallest quarterly increase (+0.2%).

Year over year, the composite price index for non-residential building construction was up 1.3%. Of the CMAs surveyed, Vancouver (+3.0%) recorded the largest year-over-year increase, followed by Edmonton (+2.1%). Contractors in Ottawa–Gatineau (Ontario part) (+0.2%) recorded the smallest increase compared with the first quarter of 2013.

#### Note to readers

The Non-residential Building Construction Price Index is a quarterly series that measures changes in contractors' selling prices of new non-residential building construction in seven census metropolitan areas: Halifax, Montréal, Ottawa–Gatineau (Ontario part), Toronto, Calgary, Edmonton and Vancouver. Three classes of structures are covered; commercial, industrial, and institutional.

Selling prices include costs of materials, labour, equipment, provincial sales taxes where applicable, and contractors' overhead and profit. The cost of land, land assembly, design, development and real estate fees are excluded. Value added taxes such as the Federal Goods and Services Tax and the Harmonized Sales Tax are excluded.

With each release, data for the previous quarter may have been revised. The index is not seasonally adjusted.

**Table 1**  
**Non-residential Building Construction Price Index<sup>1</sup> – Not seasonally adjusted**

	Relative importance <sup>2</sup>	First quarter 2013	Fourth quarter 2013 <sup>r</sup>	First quarter 2014 <sup>p</sup>	Fourth quarter 2013 to first quarter 2014	First quarter 2013 to first quarter 2014
	%	(2002=100)			% change	
<b>Composite index</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>151.4</b>	<b>152.5</b>	<b>153.3</b>	<b>0.5</b>	<b>1.3</b>
Halifax	2.4	144.8	145.8	146.6	0.5	1.2
Montréal	16.3	143.8	144.1	145.0	0.6	0.8
Ottawa–Gatineau, Ontario part <sup>3</sup>	5.7	155.5	155.5	155.8	0.2	0.2
Toronto	40.4	151.9	152.2	153.0	0.5	0.7
Calgary	10.9	171.7	174.0	174.5	0.3	1.6
Edmonton	11.0	168.6	170.3	172.1	1.1	2.1
Vancouver	13.3	143.5	147.4	147.8	0.3	3.0

<sup>r</sup> revised

<sup>p</sup> preliminary

1. Go online to view the census subdivisions that comprise the census metropolitan areas (CMAs).

2. The relative importance is calculated using a price adjusted three-year average of the value of building permits for each CMA.

3. For the Ottawa–Gatineau metropolitan area, only Ontario contractors are surveyed for the Non-residential Building Construction Price Index because of different provincial legislation and construction union contracts.

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**Available in CANSIM: tables 327-0043 and 327-0044.**

**Definitions, data sources and methods: survey numbers 2317 and 2330.**

The Non-residential Building Construction Price Index for the second quarter will be released on August 12.

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## Apartment Building Construction Price Index, first quarter 2014

The composite price index for apartment building construction rose 0.5% in the first quarter compared with the previous quarter. This change was the result of a slight increase in the price of materials used in apartment building construction.

All seven census metropolitan areas (CMAs) surveyed reported quarterly increases, ranging from 0.2% in the CMA of Ottawa–Gatineau (Ontario part) to 0.9% in Edmonton.

Year over year, the composite price index for apartment building construction was up 1.5%. Of the CMAs surveyed, Vancouver (+3.2%) recorded the largest year-over-year gain, while Ottawa–Gatineau (Ontario part) (+0.1%) recorded the smallest increase.

### Note to readers

The Apartment Building Construction Price Index is a quarterly series that measures changes in contractors' selling prices of new apartment building construction in seven census metropolitan areas: Halifax, Montréal, Ottawa–Gatineau (Ontario part), Toronto, Calgary, Edmonton and Vancouver.

Selling prices include costs of materials, labour, equipment, provincial sales taxes where applicable, and contractors' overhead and profit. The cost of land, land assembly, design, development and real estate fees are excluded. Value added taxes such as the Federal Goods and Services Tax, and the Harmonized Sales Tax are excluded.

With each release, data for the previous quarter may have been revised. The index is not seasonally adjusted.

**Table 1**  
**Apartment Building Construction Price Index<sup>1</sup> – Not seasonally adjusted**

	Relative importance <sup>2</sup>	First quarter 2013	Fourth quarter 2013 <sup>r</sup>	First quarter 2014 <sup>p</sup>	Fourth quarter 2013 to first quarter 2014	First quarter 2013 to first quarter 2014
	%	(2002=100)			% change	
<b>Composite index</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>144.5</b>	<b>146.0</b>	<b>146.7</b>	<b>0.5</b>	<b>1.5</b>
Halifax	2.6	139.6	140.5	141.2	0.5	1.1
Montréal	26.7	141.7	141.9	142.8	0.6	0.8
Ottawa–Gatineau, Ontario part <sup>3</sup>	3.0	149.1	148.9	149.2	0.2	0.1
Toronto	35.4	144.9	145.3	146.0	0.5	0.8
Calgary	5.1	167.6	170.7	171.2	0.3	2.1
Edmonton	4.1	163.3	165.1	166.6	0.9	2.0
Vancouver	23.1	144.9	149.2	149.6	0.3	3.2

<sup>r</sup> revised

<sup>p</sup> preliminary

1. Go online to view the census subdivisions that comprise the census metropolitan areas (CMAs).

2. The relative importance is calculated using a price adjusted three-year average of the value of building permits for each CMA.

3. For the Ottawa–Gatineau metropolitan area, only Ontario contractors are surveyed for the Apartment Building Construction Price Index because of different provincial legislation and construction union contracts.

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## **Cement, March 2014**

Data on cement are now available for March. Revised data are also available for February.

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**Definitions, data sources and methods: survey number 2140.**

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## Income of immigrants: Alberta, 2011

Data from the Longitudinal Immigration Database for Alberta are now available for 1980 to 2011. Tables at the Canada level were released in [The Daily](#) on December 23, 2013.

### **Note to readers**

*The Longitudinal Immigration Database provides information on immigrant economic outcomes. It was created to respond to the need for detailed and reliable data on the outcome and impact of immigration policy levers. It allows the analysis of different categories of immigrants over a period long enough to assess the impact of immigrant characteristics at landing, such as education and knowledge of French or English, on their settlement outcome.*

*The database combines an Administrative Landing File with the T1 Family File through exact matching record-linkage techniques. The overall linkage rate is approximately 80%. The population includes immigrants who landed between 1980 and 2011 and who filed taxes at least once between 1982 and 2011.*

**Available in CANSIM: tables 054-0006 and 054-0007.**

**Definitions, data sources and methods: survey number 5057.**

A more detailed description of immigrant admission categories from Citizenship and Immigration Canada (CIC) is available on the CIC website ([www.cic.gc.ca/english/helpcentre/glossary.asp](http://www.cic.gc.ca/english/helpcentre/glossary.asp)).

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