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Releases

Travel arrangement services, 2013

Canada's travel arrangement and reservation services industry group recorded operating revenue of \$11.7 billion and operating expenses of \$11.4 billion in 2013.

This industry group is composed of tour operators, travel agencies and reservation services industries.

Tour operators dominated the travel arrangement and reservation services industry group, accounting for almost three-quarters (74.5%) of total operating revenue.

Operating revenue for tour operators was \$8.7 billion in 2013, while operating expenses were \$8.6 billion. This led to an operating profit margin of 1.0%.

The cost of tour package components represented the bulk of operating expenses for the tour operator industry. In 2013, it accounted for 86.5% of expenses, while the next largest expense item—salaries, wages, commissions and benefits—represented 4.8% of operating expenses.

The next largest industry in the group, travel agencies, accounted for 16.0% of overall operating revenue.

Travel agencies generated operating revenue of \$1.9 billion in 2013, while operating expenses were \$1.7 billion. This led to an operating profit margin of 7.5%, the strongest in the travel arrangement and reservation services industry group.

The travel agency industry is characterized as having small, labour-intensive firms and, as such, salaries, wages, commissions and benefits accounted for more than half (54.0%) of total operating expenses.

Reservation services, the smallest of the three industries, represented 9.5% of the overall industry operating revenue in 2013. Operating revenue for this industry was \$1.1 billion in 2013 while operating expenses were close to \$1.1 billion.

Note to readers

With this release, CANSIM tables 351-0009 and 351-0011 are replacing CANSIM tables 351-0003 and 351-0007, which have been terminated.

Changes in methodology were made to the Annual Survey of Service Industries: Travel Arrangement Services. Users should, therefore, exercise caution when comparing 2013 data with historical datasets. For more information on the methodology changes, consult the document on the [Integrated Business Statistics Program](#) in the Behind the data feature of our website.

Beginning with this release, the estimates are based on the 2012 North American Industrial Classification System.

The publication Travel Arrangement Services (63-250-X) is no longer available. Data from the Annual Survey of Service Industries: Travel Arrangement Services will now be released in CANSIM.

Available in CANSIM: tables [351-0009](#) and [351-0011](#).

Definitions, data sources and methods: survey number [2423](#).

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Large urban transit, April 2015

In April, total operating revenue (excluding subsidies) for 10 of Canada's largest urban transit systems rose 2.6% from the same month in 2014 to \$284.2 million.

Over the same period, ridership increased 0.5% to 139.6 million passenger trips.

Note to readers

This survey collects operating revenue (excluding subsidies) and passenger trip data from 10 urban transit companies across Canada. These companies represent approximately 80% of urban transit activity revenue across Canada.

Data aggregations are available for Canada.

The aggregations in this release are not seasonally adjusted.

Available in CANSIM: table [408-0004](#).

Definitions, data sources and methods: survey number [2745](#).

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Mushroom Growers' Survey, 2014

Canadian mushroom growers reported 5.8 million square feet of growing area in 2014, down 5.3% from 2013, while the harvested area held steady at 45.7 million square feet. Sales increased 4.0% to \$376 million.

Ontario had the majority of sales with 59%, followed by British Columbia with 30%. Fresh market represented 95% of total mushroom sales.

Chart 1 Provincial sales of mushroom in 2014

Source(s): CANSIM table [001-0012](#).

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Quarterly civil aviation statistics, second quarter 2014

Canadian Level I and II air carriers reported 16.9 million enplaned passengers in the second quarter of 2014, up 5.0% from the same quarter in 2013.

The passenger counts on scheduled flights rose 5.5% to 15.8 million, while the number of passengers flying on chartered flights declined 1.7% to 1.1 million. Traffic totalled 40.4 billion passenger-kilometres, up 8.0% from the same quarter a year earlier.

These carriers reported total operating revenues of \$5.1 billion, up 7.2% from the same quarter in 2013, while total operating expenses rose 6.0% to \$4.7 billion. This resulted in operating income of \$362.0 million, which, after including non-operating expenses, produced a net income of \$339.6 million.

Although the average number of employees reported in the second quarter declined 1.1% to 49,533, total wages and salaries paid increased 0.9% to \$882.2 million.

Note to readers

Data in this quarterly release are not seasonally adjusted.

Definitions, data sources and methods: survey number 2712.

Civil aviation data will appear later in the service bulletin *Aviation* (51-004-X).

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Refined petroleum products, May 2015

Data for May on the production, inventories and domestic sales of refined petroleum products for Canada and the regions are now available upon request. Other selected data about these products are also available.

Note to readers

Data for April 2015 have been revised.

Definitions, data sources and methods: survey number [2150](#).

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Financial information of universities and colleges, 2013/2014

Data for the 2013/2014 financial year from the Financial Information of Universities and Colleges Survey are now available.

This survey includes the Canadian Association of University Business Officers (CAUBO) report and the aggregated data for degree-granting institutions that are not members of the CAUBO organization.

The survey provides financial information (income and expenditures) on all universities and degree-granting colleges in Canada. This information provides a better understanding of the financial position, how spending takes place and the nature and extent of government support in this sector.

Note to readers

The Canadian Association of University Business Officers (CAUBO) provides financial data on the major degree-granting institutions in Canada. The CAUBO data are an important part of the Statistics Canada's Financial Information of Universities and Colleges Survey.

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Infographic: Proud to be Canadian, 2013

An infographic illustrating the findings on pride in being Canadian and in Canadian achievements is now available.

Data are from the 2013 General Social Survey on Social Identity, which was undertaken to provide an overall picture of Canadians' identification, attachment, belonging and pride in their social and cultural environment.

Definitions, data sources and methods: survey number [5024](#).

The infographic "[Proud to be Canadian](#)," which is part of the publication *Statistics Canada – Infographics (11-627-M)*, is now available from the *Browse by key resource* module of our website under *Publications*.

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