

## Earnings increase for payroll employees

Non-farm payroll employees earned an average of \$1,027 per week in July, up 0.5% from the previous month and up 2.7% from 12 months earlier. Administrative and support services led the increase, rising 4.2% year over year to \$821 in July.



Source: [Payroll employment, earnings and hours, July 2019](#)

## Wholesale sales rise for the sixth time in seven months

Wholesale sales rose for the sixth time in seven months, up 1.7% in July to \$65.4 billion, led by higher sales in the personal and household goods (+4.7%) and the motor vehicle and motor vehicle parts and accessories (+4.0%) subsectors.



Source: [Wholesale trade, July 2019](#)

## Natural resources gross domestic product rebounds

Real gross domestic product for the natural resources sector rose 3.6% in the second quarter, after falling for two consecutive quarters. The upturn was driven by a substantial increase in crude oil and bitumen extraction.



Source: [Natural resource indicators, second quarter 2019](#)

## International visitors spending up in the second quarter

Tourism spending rose 0.6% in the second quarter, driven by higher spending by international visitors (+2.4%) to Canada. Tourism represented 2.0% of economy-wide gross domestic product and 3.9% of Canadian jobs in the second quarter.

Source: [National tourism indicators, second quarter 2019](#)