New registrations in apprenticeship programs rise for the first time in four years

In 2018, new registrations in apprenticeship programs (+11.6%) and certifications in the trades (+6.6%) were up for the first time since 2014. These increases coincided with strong employment growth in Canada over the previous two years, particularly in the construction industry. Over half (56.2%) of the gain in new registrations was in Quebec. British Columbia (+1,490), Alberta (+1,380) and Ontario (+1,210) also reported notable increases.

Source: **Registered apprenticeship training programs, 2018**
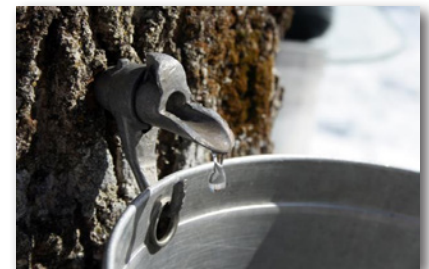
About half of Canada's Indigenous population lives in an urban area

About half (44%) of Canada's Indigenous population—representing 731,480 First Nations people, Métis and Inuit—lived in an urban area in 2016. Among Indigenous people living in private households in these urban areas, about half lived in rented dwellings, compared with more than one-quarter of the non-Indigenous population.

Source: **Study: Housing, income and residential dissimilarity among Indigenous people in Canadian cities**

Record maple production in 2019

Despite a cold, late spring in Eastern Canada, the production of maple syrup, the quintessential Canadian sweetener, rose by one-third from a year earlier to a record high 13.2 million gallons, on higher yields and more taps. On average, Canada exports about $34 million worth of maple products per month to 72 countries around the world.

Source: **Maple products, 2019**

Five cities account for over half of Canada's total international merchandise trade

The five major census metropolitan areas (CMAs) in terms of trade—Toronto, Calgary, Montréal, Vancouver and Windsor—accounted for nearly 60% of Canada's total international merchandise trade in 2018. Calgary posted the highest net exports, while Toronto had the highest net imports. Overall, Canada's 35 CMAs accounted for 75% of total merchandise exports and for more than 90% of total imports in 2018.

Source: **Study: Trade in goods by exporter and importer characteristics, by census metropolitan area**

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