The Weekly Review

Statistics Canada's look at the week

Women are twice as likely as men to take medication to treat mood disorders

The use of prescription medications to treat high blood pressure and high blood cholesterol was significantly more common in men than women. However, the use of prescription medication to treat mood disorders was



twice more common among women (14%) than men (7%).

Source: Prescription medication use among Canadian adults, 2016 to 2019

Intermodal loadings surge

Intermodal loadings—mainly containers—rose by 27.8% from April 2020 to 3.2 million tonnes, the second-highest volume for this month on record. Higher imports of consumer goods for inventory replenishment and to meet demands from online shopping continued to foster this intermodal growth.

Source: Railway carloadings, April 2021

Most divorce cases without additional issues are largely uncontested

Three-quarters (75%) of family law cases active in the courts proceeded without contest in 2019/2020.

Divorce cases with additional issues were almost evenly contested (51%) and uncontested (49%).



Source: Family law cases down by 7% in 2019/2020

The economy contracts for the first time in a year

The economy contracted 0.3% in April after 11 consecutive monthly increases. With the first decline in 12 months, total economic activity remained at about 1% below its level before the COVID-19 pandemic in February 2020.



Source: Gross domestic product by industry, April 2021

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