The Weekly Review

Statistics Canada's look at the week

Median after-tax income edges up in 2019

Median after-tax income of families and individuals edged up 0.6% from a year earlier to \$54,790 in 2019. Median after-tax income grew at the fastest pace in census metropolitan areas in Quebec, while the largest decline was in St. John's, Newfoundland and Labrador

 $\textbf{Source:} \underline{\textbf{Income of families and individuals: Sub-provincial data from the T1 Family File} \\$

Marked increase in police-reported drug-impaired driving

Police services reported 85,673 incidents of impaired driving in 2019, up 19% from a year earlier. The rate of alcohol-impaired driving incidents, including impairment by both alcohol and drugs, increased by 15%, while the rate of drug-impaired driving rose 43%.



Source: Impaired driving in Canada, 2019

Domestic organic fruit production accounts for small share of organic fruit supplies

Canada generally imports far more certified organic fresh fruit than is grown and sold domestically. For example, 237 000 kilograms of certified organic strawberries were



grown and sold domestically, while 7.5 million kilograms were imported in 2020, with the vast majority coming from the United States (83.5%) and Mexico (16.5%).

Source: Certified organic fruit and vegetable production estimates, 2020

Investment in residential construction declines for the first time since April 2020

Residential construction investment was down 2.7% in May, the first decline since April 2020. Investment in single-family homes was down 2.7% to \$8.3 billion. Nevertheless, single-unit investment remained approximately 60% above pre-COVID-19 levels.



Source: Investment in building construction, May 2021

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