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Sales of natural gas in Canada during May 1987 totalled 3 045 875 thousand cubic metres, an 8.5% decrease from the level recorded the previous year.

On the basis of rate structure information, sales of natural gas in Canada in May 1987, were broken down as follows, with the percentage changes from May 1986 in brackets: residential sales, 651 952 thousand cubic metres (-2.8); commercial sales, 560 024 thousand cubic metres (+1.9) and industrial sales (including direct sales) 1 833 899 thousand cubic metres (-13.0).

Year-to-date figures for the first five months of 1987 indicate that sales of natural gas totalled 23 611 288 thousand cubic metres, a 6.0% decrease from the level recorded during the same period of 1986.

On the basis of rate structure information, year-to-date sales of natural gas in Canada were broken down as follows, with the percentage changes from the corresponding period in 1986 in brackets: residential sales, 6 793 932 thousand cubic metres (-4.9); commercial sales, 5 638 999 thousand cubic metres (-5.2) and industrial sales (including direct sales) 11 178 357 thousand cubic metres (-7.1).

Order the May 1987 issue of Gas Utilities (55-002, \$10/\$100), available the third week of August. Contact Gary Smalldridge (613-991-3567), Energy Section, Industry Division.

#### Natural Gas Sales May 1987

	Rate structure				
	Residential	Commercial	Industrial	Direct	Total
	(thousands of cubic metres)				
New Brunswick	13	32	_	-	45
Quebec	41 060	69 514	246 625	5 782	362 981
Ontario	301 740	234 985	578 489	48 877	1 164 091
Manitoba	18719	22 454	31 903	-	73 076
Saskatchewan	35 916	26 235	66 265	-	128 416
Alberta	180 257	132 832	699 167	-	1 012 256
British Columbia	74 247	73 972	156 791	-	305 010
Canada May 1987	651 952	560 024	1 779 240	54 659	3 045 875
Canada May 1986	670 589	549 527	2 058 891	49 445	3 328 452
% change	-2.8	+ 1.9	·13.0		·8.5
Year-to-date Canada 1987	6 793 932	5 638 999	10 809 351	369 006	23 611 288
Year-to-date Canada 1986	7 147 682	5 948 330	11 907 801	124 449	25 128 262
% change	-4.9	-5.2	-7.1		-6.0

Note: Revised figures will be available in Gas Utilities (Catalogue # 55-002) as well as on CANSIM. – Nil or zero.

#### Data Availability Announcement

## Financial Statistics of Canadian Universities

1985-86

Expenditures of Canadian universities totalled \$6.1 billion in 1985-86, representing 1.3% of the Gross Domestic Product. This is approximately the same proportion as in the preceding two years.

After recording the lowest increase (4.8%) in over a decade in 1984-85, university spending was up 7.1% in 1985-86 (by comparison the Consumer Price Index rose 4.0%). A significant increase (19.4%) in capital expenditures was partly responsible for the year's relatively large rise.

Order Education Statistics, Vol. 9, No. 4, Financial Statistics of Canadian Universities, 1985-86 (81-002, \$4/\$40), now available. Contact Claudio Pagliarello (613-991-1508), Education, Culture and Tourism Division. Additional financial data are available in University Finance Trend Analysis, to be released next month.

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