



## Monthly Economic Review

# **MONTHLY ECONOMIC REVIEW**

**April 2013**

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## Current Economic Indicators April 2013 Highlights

**Labour Force:** In March, Alberta's unemployment rate increased to 4.8% from 4.5% in February, as the size of the labour force shrank by 4,500 and the number of people employed fell by 11,300. At 4.8%, Alberta's unemployment rate is second to Saskatchewan's 3.9%. Since March 2012, employment has risen by 36,800 or 1.7%. Nationally, employment grew by 1.2% over the same period. The largest employment gains were in finance, insurance real estate and leasing (15,500), professional, scientific and technical services (up 14,500), and transportation & warehousing (up 11,200). In February 2013, the number of employment insurance recipients fell by 8.2% from February 2012 to 28,780. Total wages and salaries paid to all Alberta employees in 2012 increased by 8.5% from 2011. Average weekly earnings in Alberta increased from \$1,056 per week in January 2012 to \$1,090 per week in January 2013, a rise of 3.2%.

**Consumer Spending:** In January 2013, Alberta's retail sales increased by 2.9%, compared to a year earlier. In the year 2012, sales by retailers rose by 7.6% to \$68.9 billion from 2011. Wholesale trade in Alberta increased 6.5% in February 2013 from February 2012, rising to \$6.6 billion. Year-to-date wholesale trade is up 5.1% year over year. The number of homes sold in Alberta via the Multiple Listing Service increased by 0.8% in February, compared to the same month of 2012. In February, new motor vehicle sales rose by 6.5% from February 2012. Between March 2012 and March 2013, Alberta's Consumer Price Index (CPI) rose 1.2%. Over the same period, Canada's CPI increased by 1.0%.

**Construction:** In March 2013, Alberta urban housing starts fell by 2.1%, compared to March 2012, as multiple starts fell by 16.7% while single detached starts increased by 19.4%. In February 2013, the value of building permits increased by 20.9% from the same month in 2012: commercial, residential, and industrial permits rose by 65.2%, 6.2%, and 5.9%, respectively, while institutional permits fell by 19.2%.

**Manufacturing:** In February, the value of Alberta's manufacturing shipments rose 1.4% from February 2012. The largest increases were registered for wood products (up 42.4%) and non-metallic mineral products (up 8.2%). Nationally, manufacturing shipments rose by 2.3%.

**Energy:** In March, the number of active drilling rigs fell by 9.5%, compared to the same month of 2012, to 306 rigs. On a year-to-date basis, the average number of drilling rigs fell by 8.5% from the same period in 2012. In January 2013, crude oil production rose by 7.6% to 13.0 million m<sup>3</sup> while natural gas production fell by 1.3% to 11.6 billion m<sup>3</sup>.

**Exports:** In January, the value of Alberta's merchandise exports remained unchanged from January 2012's \$8.6 billion. Primary agriculture and manufacturing exports rose by 6.3% and 0.5% respectively while mining and energy exports fell 0.7%.

**Bankruptcies and Incorporations:** Business and consumer bankruptcies both fell by 50% and 13.7%, respectively, in January 2013 as compared to a year ago. Between 2011 and 2012, consumer bankruptcies fell by 18.1% and business bankruptcies by 12.9%. In March, the number of business incorporations decreased by 10.1% from March 2012 to 3,516. On a year-to-date basis, business incorporations fell by 2.1% from the same period in 2012.

**Population:** As of January 1, 2013, Alberta's population was 3,931,341, an increase of 3.04% from January 1, 2012, the highest provincial growth rate in the country and the highest growth rate for Alberta since the fourth quarter of 2006. By comparison, Canada's population grew by 1.11% over the same period. In 2012, most of Alberta's population increase was the result of a total of 45,718 for net interprovincial migration and a total of 40,260 for net international migration.

# CURRENT ECONOMIC INDICATORS

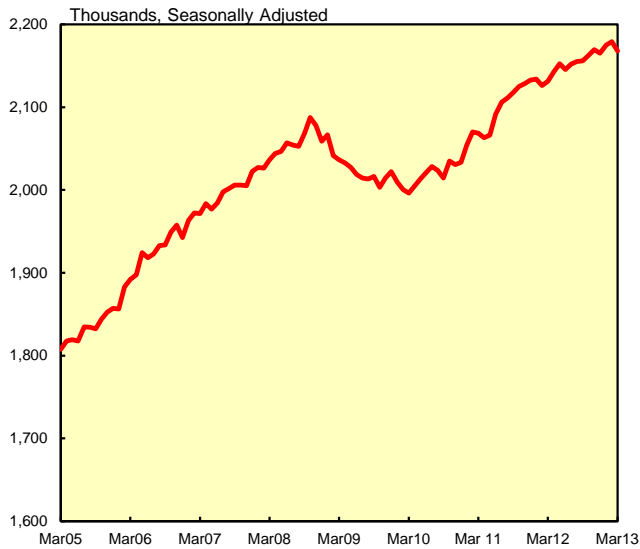
LABOUR FORCE INDICATORS (seasonally adjusted)	JANUARY - MARCH AVERAGE			FEBRUARY			MARCH		
	2012	2013	Yearly Change	2012	2013	Yearly Change	2012	2013	Yearly Change
<b>Alberta</b>									
<b>Labour Force (000's)</b>	2,243.2	2,278.6	35.4	2,235.5	2,282.0	46.5	2,248.8	2,277.5	28.7
Calgary	783.1	803.0	19.9	782.2	805.5	23.3	786.1	801.8	15.7
Edmonton	712.0	735.5	23.5	711.8	735.5	23.7	710.1	733.8	23.7
<b>Employed (000's)</b>	2,130.4	2,174.0	43.6	2,126.3	2,179.2	52.9	2,131.1	2,167.9	36.8
Calgary	742.6	762.8	20.3	741.9	765.0	23.1	746.4	760.8	14.4
Edmonton	675.3	704.0	28.7	675.8	703.5	27.7	671.3	703.1	31.8
<b>Employment Rate (%)</b>	70.1	69.5	-0.6	70.0	69.7	-0.3	70.0	69.1	-0.9
Calgary	71.1	70.9	-0.2	71.0	71.1	0.1	71.4	70.5	-0.9
Edmonton	69.2	69.7	0.5	69.3	69.7	0.4	68.7	69.4	0.7
<b>Unemployment (000's)</b>	112.7	102.1	-10.6	109.2	102.8	-6.4	117.7	109.6	-8.1
Calgary	40.5	39.8	-0.8	40.2	40.5	0.3	39.7	41.0	1.3
Edmonton	36.8	32.0	-4.8	36.0	32.0	-4.0	38.8	30.7	-8.1
<b>Unemployment Rate (%)</b>	5.0	4.6	-0.4	4.9	4.5	-0.4	5.2	4.8	-0.4
Calgary	5.2	5.0	-0.2	5.1	5.0	-0.1	5.1	5.1	0.0
Edmonton	5.2	4.3	-0.9	5.1	4.4	-0.7	5.5	4.2	-1.3
<b>Participation Rate (%)</b>	73.8	72.8	-1.0	73.6	72.9	-0.7	73.9	72.6	-1.3
Calgary	75.0	74.6	-0.4	74.9	74.8	-0.1	75.2	74.3	-0.9
Edmonton	73.0	72.8	-0.2	73.0	72.8	-0.2	72.7	72.5	-0.2

Note: Calgary and Edmonton estimates are 3-month moving averages.

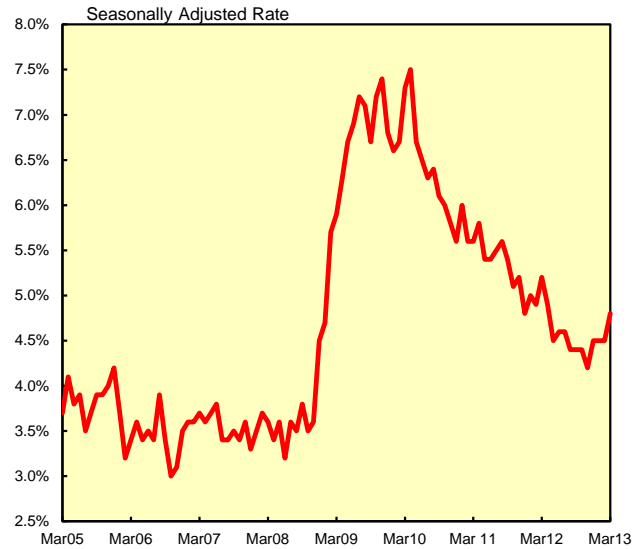
ADDITIONAL LABOUR FORCE INDICATORS (unadjusted)	JANUARY - MARCH AVERAGE			FEBRUARY			MARCH		
	2012	2013	Yearly Change	2012	2013	Yearly Change	2012	2013	Yearly Change
<b>Alberta</b>									
<b>Male Unemployment Rate (%)</b>	5.4	4.5	-0.9	5.2	4.5	-0.7	5.7	4.6	-1.1
<b>Female Unemployment Rate (%)</b>	4.8	4.9	0.1	4.7	4.8	0.1	4.8	5.3	0.5
<b>Youth Unemployment Rate (%)</b>	8.9	8.8	-0.1	8.9	9.7	0.8	8.9	8.7	-0.2
<b>Working Age Population (000's)</b>	3,037.5	3,128.5	91.0	3,037.1	3,128.4	91.3	3,042.4	3,135.3	92.9
Calgary	1,044.4	1,076.6	32.3	1,044.3	1,076.6	32.3	1,046.0	1,079.8	33.8
Edmonton	975.2	1,009.7	34.5	975.1	1,009.7	34.6	977.1	1,012.7	35.6
<b>Employed (000's)</b>	2,108.7	2,152.9	44.3	2,106.2	2,159.3	53.1	2,109.4	2,146.8	37.4
Full-time	1,746.0	1,805.7	59.6	1,739.2	1,809.4	70.2	1,742.3	1,807.9	65.6
Part-time	362.7	347.3	-15.4	367.1	349.9	-17.2	367.2	338.9	-28.3

Note: Calgary and Edmonton estimates are 3-month moving averages.

## EMPLOYMENT



## UNEMPLOYMENT RATE



INDUSTRY LABOUR FORCE (unadjusted)	JANUARY - MARCH AVERAGE			FEBRUARY			MARCH		
	2012	2013	Yearly Change	2012	2013	Yearly Change	2012	2013	Yearly Change
<b>Alberta</b>									
<b>Agriculture</b>									
Unemployment Rate (%)	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	2.9	n/a	n/a
Employed (000's)	51.4	59.4	8.0	52.2	57.5	5.3	49.9	60.2	10.3
<b>Mining and Oil and Gas Extraction</b>									
Unemployment Rate (%)	2.8	3.2	0.4	2.6	3.1	0.5	3.4	3.6	0.2
Employed (000's)	171.4	162.6	-8.8	174.3	160.6	-13.7	173.8	165.1	-8.7
<b>Construction</b>									
Unemployment Rate (%)	6.3	5.7	-0.6	6.5	5.2	-1.3	4.7	5.4	0.7
Employed (000's)	211.9	216.1	4.1	213.1	217.1	4.0	218.0	213.4	-4.6
<b>Manufacturing</b>									
Unemployment Rate (%)	3.1	4.3	1.3	3.3	5.4	2.1	2.5	4.7	2.2
Employed (000's)	128.1	140.4	12.3	128.8	140.8	12.0	129.1	137.4	8.3
<b>Wholesale Trade</b>									
Unemployment Rate (%)	2.5	2.1	-0.4	2.0	2.7	0.7	2.0	1.7	-0.3
Employed (000's)	84.1	85.7	1.6	84.0	82.5	-1.5	83.4	91.2	7.8
<b>Retail Trade</b>									
Unemployment Rate (%)	4.6	4.2	-0.3	5.0	4.3	-0.7	4.2	4.4	0.2
Employed (000's)	244.7	233.2	-11.5	241.1	236.3	-4.8	239.8	225.8	-14.0
<b>Transportation and Warehousing</b>									
Unemployment Rate (%)	n/a	3.8	n/a	3.9	4.3	0.4	n/a	3.1	n/a
Employed (000's)	108.7	115.9	7.2	109.8	115.8	6.0	110.1	121.3	11.2
<b>Finance, Insurance, Real Estate and Leasing</b>									
Unemployment Rate (%)	3.3	n/a	n/a	3.3	n/a	n/a	4.3	n/a	n/a
Employed (000's)	94.3	115.1	20.8	93.0	119.8	26.8	95.1	110.6	15.5
<b>Professional, Scientific and Technical Services</b>									
Unemployment Rate (%)	2.2	1.6	-0.7	1.8	1.8	0.0	3.7	1.5	-2.2
Employed (000's)	157.0	166.6	9.6	152.7	169.6	16.9	158.0	172.5	14.5
<b>Business, Building and Other Support Services</b>									
Unemployment Rate (%)	6.0	7.8	1.8	5.3	6.0	0.7	7.1	8.7	1.6
Employed (000's)	69.2	71.1	1.9	67.7	71.0	3.3	72.3	69.0	-3.3
<b>Educational Services</b>									
Unemployment Rate (%)	1.9	1.4	-0.5	1.3	1.4	0.1	1.5	1.3	-0.2
Employed (000's)	131.3	138.1	6.8	133.6	137.3	3.7	128.3	138.6	10.3
<b>Health Care and Social Assistance</b>									
Unemployment Rate (%)	n/a	1.7	n/a	1.4	1.5	0.1	1.2	1.8	0.6
Employed (000's)	235.5	235.7	0.3	234.4	235.1	0.7	230.9	239.5	8.6
<b>Information, Culture and Recreation</b>									
Unemployment Rate (%)	4.5	6.0	1.5	3.8	7.6	3.8	4.3	5.2	0.9
Employed (000's)	73.6	73.3	-0.3	70.8	72.9	2.1	74.8	74.6	-0.2
<b>Accommodation and Food Services</b>									
Unemployment Rate (%)	5.6	4.8	-0.8	4.4	4.5	0.1	5.2	5.8	0.6
Employed (000's)	133.0	126.1	-6.9	138.3	129.8	-8.5	132.0	119.2	-12.8
<b>Other Services</b>									
Unemployment Rate (%)	2.2	3.0	0.9	1.6	3.7	2.1	3.1	2.5	-0.6
Employed (000's)	105.7	107.3	1.6	105.7	109.5	3.8	104.6	108.3	3.7
<b>Public Administration</b>									
Unemployment Rate (%)	n/a	n/a	n/a	1.9	n/a	n/a	n/a	1.9	n/a
Employed (000's)	86.9	85.9	-0.9	86.6	82.2	-4.4	86.8	83.0	-3.8

NOTE: "n/a" is reported in instances of insufficient response.



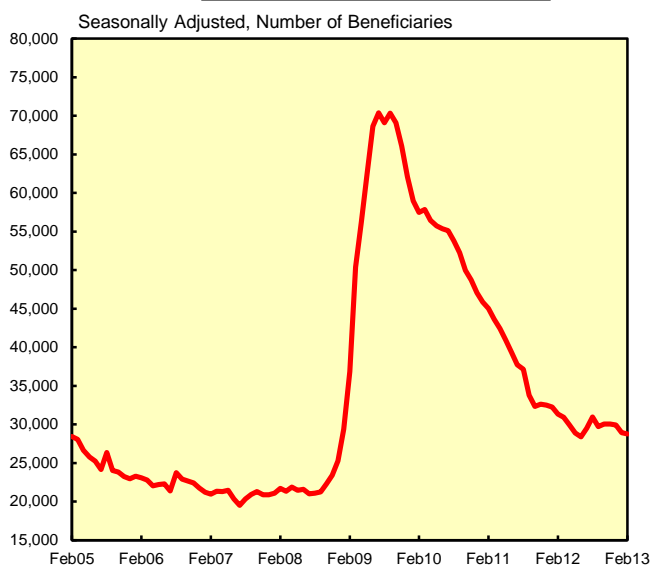
	JANUARY - FEBRUARY AVERAGE			JANUARY			FEBRUARY		
	2012	2013	Per cent Change	2012	2013	Per cent Change	2012	2013	Per cent Change
<b>EMPLOYMENT INSURANCE</b>									
<u>Alberta</u>									
Number of Recipients, seasonally adj.	31,790	28,860	-9.2	32,240	28,940	-10.2	31,340	28,780	-8.2

	JANUARY - DECEMBER			NOVEMBER			DECEMBER		
	2011	2012	Per cent Change	2011	2012	Per cent Change	2011	2012	Per cent Change
<b>WAGES AND SALARIES (\$000,000)</b>									
<u>Alberta</u>									
Total, seasonally adjusted	122,331	133,224	8.9	10,518	11,493	9.3	10,609	11,513	8.5

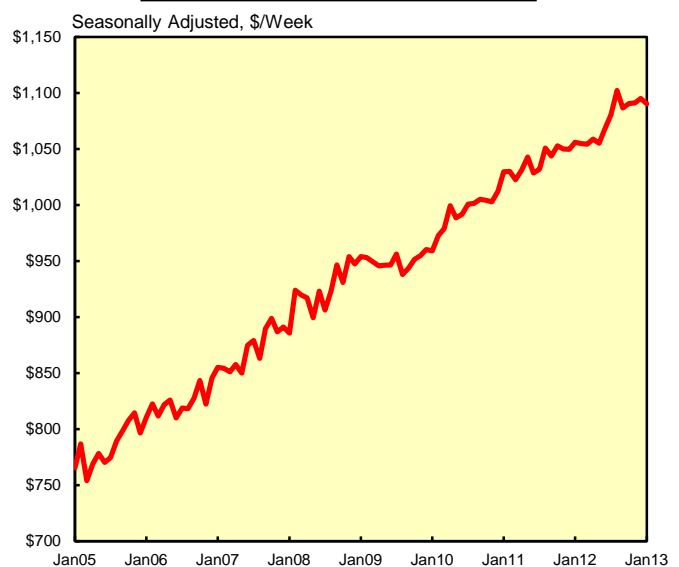
	JANUARY - DECEMBER AVERAGE			DECEMBER			JANUARY		
	2011	2012	Per cent Change	2011	2012	Per cent Change	2012	2013	Per cent Change
<b>AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS ALL EMPLOYEES</b>									
<u>Alberta</u>									
\$/week, seasonally adjusted	1,039	1,076	3.6	1,050	1,095	4.3	1,056	1,090	3.2

	JANUARY - DECEMBER			JULY - SEPTEMBER			OCTOBER - DECEMBER		
	2011	2012	Per cent Change	2011	2012	Per cent Change	2011	2012	Per cent Change
<b>MIGRATION</b>									
<u>Alberta</u>									
<b>International</b>									
Immigration	30,965	36,064	16.5	8,970	9,105	1.5	7,690	9,081	18.1
Emigration	6,910	6,954	0.6	2,603	2,624	0.8	1,556	1,567	0.7
Returning Canadians	3,987	3,987	0.0	1,426	1,426	0.0	706	706	0.0
Temporarily abroad	3,342	3,334	-0.2	1,044	1,044	0.0	791	791	0.0
Net Non-Permanent Residents	2,959	10,497	n/a	2,186	3,946	80.5	(149)	(1,133)	n/a
Net international migration	27,659	40,260	45.6	8,935	10,809	21.0	5,900	6,296	6.7
<b>Interprovincial</b>									
In-migration	73,643	102,183	38.8	22,809	31,963	40.1	16,053	19,910	24.0
Out-migration	58,629	56,465	-3.7	20,031	18,048	-9.9	10,931	8,377	-23.4
Net Interprovincial migration	15,014	45,718	204.5	2,778	13,915	400.9	5,122	11,533	125.2

### EMPLOYMENT INSURANCE



### AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS



RETAIL TRADE (\$000,000)	JANUARY - DECEMBER			DECEMBER			JANUARY		
	2011	2012	Per cent Change	2011	2012	Per cent Change	2012	2013	Per cent Change
<b>Alberta</b>									
<b>Total All Stores, seasonally adjusted</b>	64,006	68,877	7.6	5,603	5,735	2.4	5,649	5,812	2.9
Motor and Recreational Vehicles	16,349	18,874	15.4	1,271	1,329	4.6	1,241	1,388	11.9
Gasoline Service Stations	8,500	9,079	6.8	725	736	1.6	680	690	1.6
Furniture, Furnishings, Electronics	4,841	4,834	-0.1	637	585	-8.1	365	368	0.8
Building and Outdoor Home Supplies	3,436	3,663	6.6	249	238	-4.4	209	240	15.1
Food and Beverage	12,987	13,346	2.8	1,318	1,268	-3.8	986	1,046	6.0
Pharmacies and Personal Care	2,843	3,004	5.6	300	307	2.3	238	242	1.7
Clothing and Accessories	3,715	4,030	8.5	556	560	0.9	235	258	10.0
General Merchandise	8,171	8,691	6.4	986	985	-0.2	587	592	1.0
Miscellaneous Retailers	1,464	1,569	7.2	166	158	-5.0	100	121	20.4

Note: The Total All Stores series is seasonally adjusted; the sales by store type series are not seasonally adjusted.

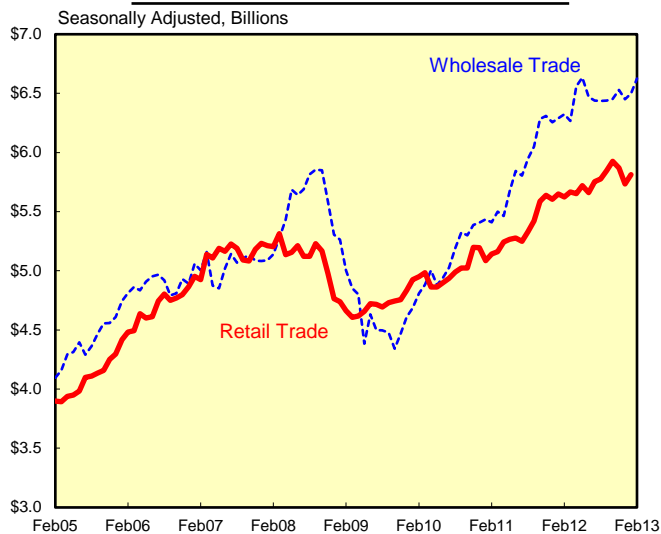
FOOD SERVICES AND DRINKING PLACES RECEIPTS (\$000,000)	JANUARY - DECEMBER			DECEMBER			JANUARY		
	2011	2012	Per cent Change	2011	2012	Per cent Change	2012	2013	Per cent Change
<b>Alberta</b>									
<b>Total, seasonally adjusted</b>	7,082	7,705	8.8	615	662	7.6	625	673	7.7

NEW MOTOR VEHICLE SALES	JANUARY - FEBRUARY			JANUARY			FEBRUARY		
	2012	2013	Per cent Change	2012	2013	Per cent Change	2012	2013	Per cent Change
<b>Alberta</b>									
<b>Total Number Sold, unadjusted</b>	32,803	34,457	5.0	16,217	16,799	3.6	16,586	17,658	6.5
Passenger Vehicles	7,532	7,763	3.1	3,735	3,622	-3.0	3,797	4,141	9.1
Trucks	25,271	26,694	5.6	12,482	13,177	5.6	12,789	13,517	5.7

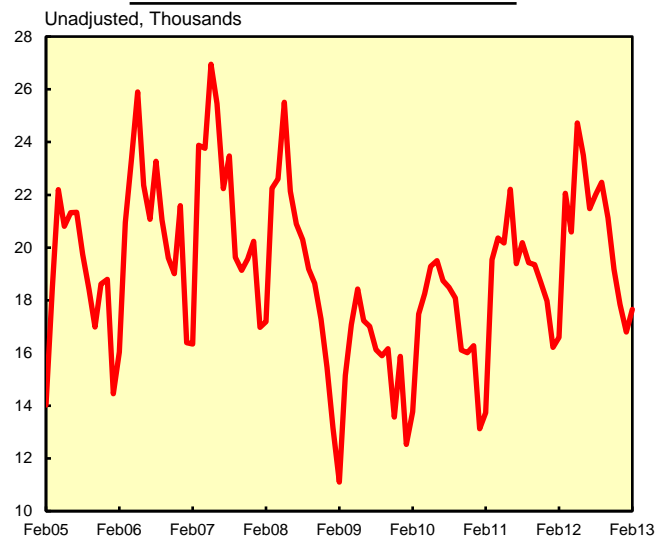
Note: Trucks include minivans, sport-utility vehicles, light and heavy trucks, vans and buses regardless of their intended use. Passenger vehicles also include taxis and rental cars.

WHOLESALE TRADE (\$000,000)	JANUARY - FEBRUARY			JANUARY			FEBRUARY		
	2012	2013	Per cent Change	2012	2013	Per cent Change	2012	2013	Per cent Change
<b>Alberta</b>									
<b>Total All Merchants, seasonally adjusted</b>	12,490	13,123	5.1	6,269	6,497	3.6	6,222	6,626	6.5

### RETAIL AND WHOLESALE TRADE



### NEW MOTOR VEHICLE SALES





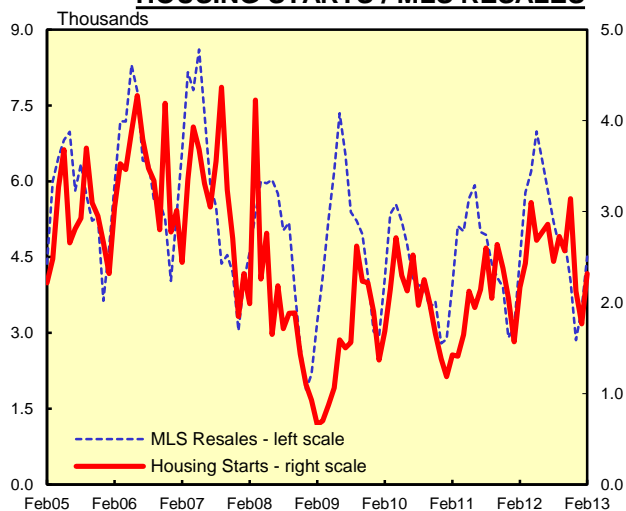
MULTIPLE LISTING SERVICE (MLS) HOUSING RESALES	JANUARY - FEBRUARY			JANUARY			FEBRUARY		
	2012	2013	Per cent Change	2012	2013	Per cent Change	2012	2013	Per cent Change
	<b>Alberta</b>								
<b>Total (number)</b>	7,585	7,998	5.4	3,109	3,486	12.1	4,476	4,512	0.8
Calgary	3,421	3,643	6.5	1,308	1,572	20.2	2,113	2,071	-2.0
Edmonton	2,161	2,376	9.9	930	1,075	15.6	1,231	1,301	5.7
<b>Total Value (\$000,000)</b>	2,675	2,969	11.0	1,065	1,260	18.3	1,610	1,709	6.1
Calgary	1,357	1,567	15.5	500	659	31.6	857	909	6.0
Edmonton	702	783	11.5	296	348	17.6	406	435	7.1

HOUSING STARTS (urban)	JANUARY - MARCH			FEBRUARY			MARCH		
	2012	2013	Per cent Change	2012	2013	Per cent Change	2012	2013	Per cent Change
	<b>Alberta</b>								
<b>Total</b>	6,169	6,468	4.8	2,166	2,318	7.0	2,433	2,383	-2.1
Single Detached	2,835	3,282	15.8	1,033	1,131	9.5	987	1,178	19.4
All Others*	3,334	3,186	-4.4	1,133	1,187	4.8	1,446	1,205	-16.7
<b>Calgary</b>	3,200	2,505	-21.7	1,345	896	-33.4	1,069	890	-16.7
<b>Edmonton</b>	2,205	2,849	29.2	597	1,054	76.5	1,030	1,176	14.2

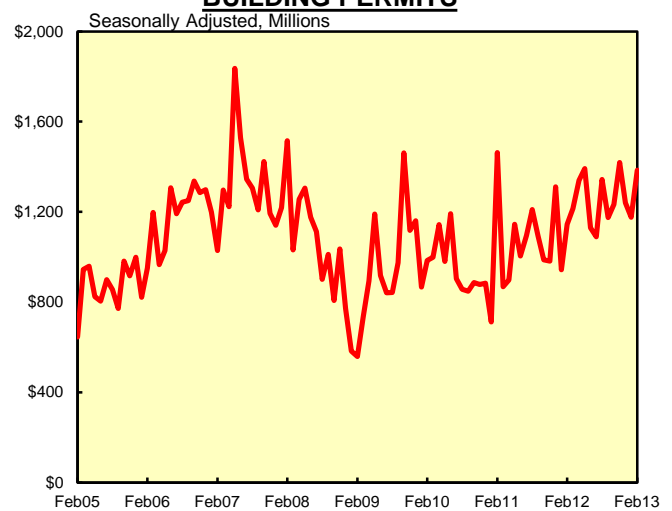
\* Includes: two-family, row, and apartment dwellings

BUILDING PERMITS (\$000,000)	JANUARY - FEBRUARY			JANUARY			FEBRUARY		
	2012	2013	Per cent Change	2012	2013	Per cent Change	2012	2013	Per cent Change
	<b>Alberta</b>								
<b>Total Value, seasonally adjusted</b>	2,088.4	2,560.4	22.6	943.1	1,175.9	24.7	1,145.3	1,384.5	20.9
<b>Total Value, unadjusted</b>	1,727.4	2,141.5	24.0	745.8	959.0	28.6	981.6	1,182.5	20.5
Calgary	669.4	836.6	25.0	263.1	353.7	34.4	406.3	482.9	18.8
Edmonton	642.3	781.4	21.7	281.2	342.9	22.0	361.1	438.4	21.4
<b>Residential</b>	954.4	1,105.6	15.8	434.2	553.0	27.4	520.2	552.6	6.2
Calgary	411.1	412.8	0.4	194.1	202.1	4.1	217.0	210.7	-2.9
Edmonton	400.6	519.8	29.7	171.5	269.8	57.3	229.1	250.0	9.1
<b>Industrial</b>	154.4	167.7	8.6	60.1	67.7	12.7	94.4	100.0	5.9
Calgary	11.0	43.5	296.4	4.5	15.1	236.7	6.5	28.4	337.5
Edmonton	58.3	30.9	-47.0	13.3	12.1	-9.0	45.0	18.8	-58.2
<b>Commercial</b>	485.8	747.5	53.9	209.4	290.7	38.9	276.5	456.7	65.2
Calgary	194.4	333.9	71.8	61.2	113.3	85.3	133.2	220.6	65.6
Edmonton	137.3	198.3	44.4	75.1	55.3	-26.3	62.2	143.0	129.8
<b>Institutional/Government</b>	132.7	120.7	-9.0	42.2	47.6	12.7	90.5	73.2	-19.2
Calgary	53.0	46.4	-12.5	3.4	23.2	592.6	49.7	23.2	-53.4
Edmonton	46.1	32.4	-29.8	21.3	5.7	-73.4	24.8	26.7	7.6

**HOUSING STARTS / MLS RESALES**



**BUILDING PERMITS**

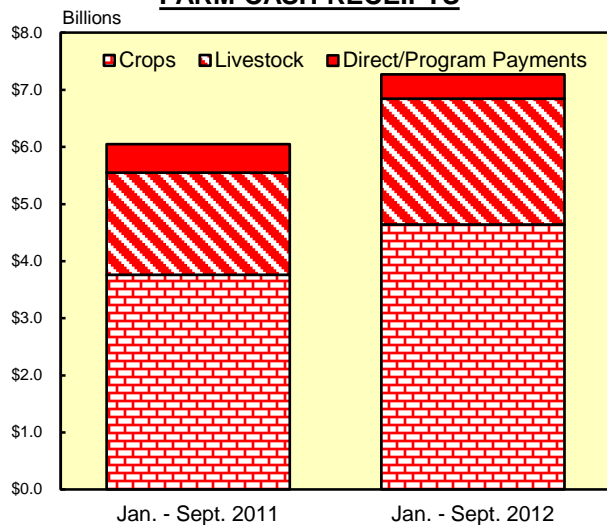


MANUFACTURING (Value of shipments of goods of own manufacture \$000,000)	JANUARY - FEBRUARY			JANUARY			FEBRUARY		
	2012	2013	Per cent Change	2012	2013	Per cent Change	2012	2013	Per cent Change
<b>Alberta</b>									
<b>Total, seasonally adjusted</b>	12,656.9	12,848.2	1.5	6,297.9	6,400.5	1.6	6,359.0	6,447.7	1.4
<b>Total, unadjusted</b>	12,146.3	12,205.9	0.5	6,133.8	6,241.5	1.8	6,012.5	5,964.4	-0.8
Food Products	1,774.1	1,765.6	-0.5	899.7	879.9	-2.2	874.4	885.7	1.3
Plastics & Rubber Products	232.7	n/a	n/a	117.9	n/a	n/a	114.7	n/a	n/a
Metal Fabricating	1,057.4	970.4	-8.2	525.8	492.7	-6.3	531.6	477.7	-10.2
Printing & Publishing	129.3	119.4	-7.7	62.7	60.8	-3.1	66.6	58.6	-12.0
Non-Metallic Mineral Products	260.0	290.5	11.8	122.0	141.2	15.8	138.0	149.3	8.2
Petroleum & Coal Products	3,449.7	3,390.2	-1.7	1,743.6	1,744.6	0.1	1,706.1	1,645.6	-3.5
Chemicals & Chemical Products	2,094.2	2,228.5	6.4	1,072.6	1,144.8	6.7	1,021.6	1,083.8	6.1
Wood Products	345.0	485.1	40.6	173.1	240.6	38.9	171.8	244.6	42.4
Furniture & Fixtures	126.2	125.0	-1.0	62.3	64.4	3.4	63.9	60.6	-5.2
Paper & Allied	294.9	n/a	n/a	146.9	n/a	n/a	148.0	n/a	n/a
Computers & Electronics	99.0	96.7	-2.3	50.0	45.4	-9.1	49.1	51.3	4.5
Machinery	1,497.5	1,465.5	-2.1	756.2	778.1	2.9	741.2	687.5	-7.3
Other Manufacturing	119.9	145.5	21.3	60.0	72.4	20.7	59.9	73.1	22.0

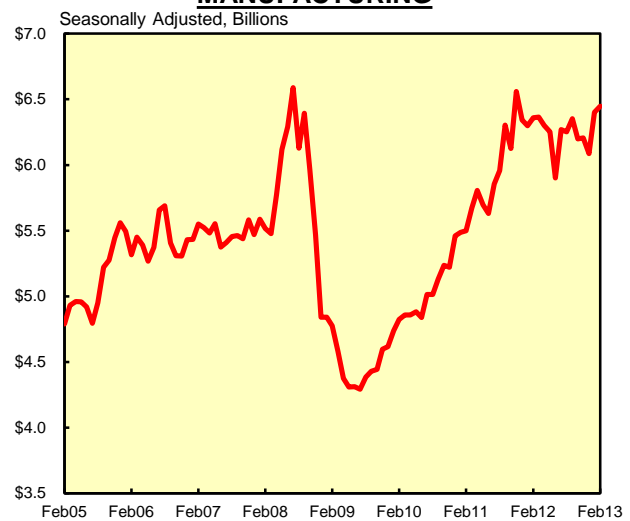
AGRICULTURE Farm Cash Receipts (\$000,000)	JANUARY - SEPTEMBER			APRIL - JUNE			JULY - SEPTEMBER		
	2011	2012	Per cent Change	2011	2012	Per cent Change	2011	2012	Per cent Change
<b>Alberta</b>									
<b>Total From Operations</b>	7,617.2	8,763.4	15.0	2,490.8	2,699.8	8.4	2,401.3	2,613.1	8.8
<b>Crops</b>	3,759.8	4,635.7	23.3	1,305.5	1,396.7	7.0	1,034.4	1,205.2	16.5
Wheat, other than Durum	1,042.2	1,295.2	24.3	409.7	500.3	22.1	297.8	365.7	22.8
Durum Wheat	88.2	132.9	50.7	20.5	45.1	119.8	28.6	39.5	37.9
Barley	158.6	184.5	16.4	51.2	52.9	3.4	44.4	60.5	36.3
Canola	1,789.7	2,205.1	23.2	676.7	670.5	-0.9	558.7	620.8	11.1
<b>Livestock</b>	3,358.5	3,700.0	10.2	1,096.2	1,257.6	14.7	1,192.9	1,239.8	3.9
Cattle and Calves	2,297.9	2,591.0	12.8	756.2	896.6	18.6	803.4	860.9	7.2
Hogs	307.2	312.3	1.6	101.6	106.9	5.3	107.0	94.8	-11.4
Dairy Products	374.4	391.0	4.4	126.7	133.2	5.1	126.7	123.8	-2.3
Poultry	220.7	240.6	9.0	73.8	79.0	7.1	79.1	85.4	8.0
<b>Direct/Program Payments</b>	498.8	427.8	-14.2	89.0	45.5	-48.9	174.0	168.1	-3.4

Note: Wheat, Durum Wheat and Barley receipts include Canadian Wheat Board payments.

### FARM CASH RECEIPTS



### MANUFACTURING



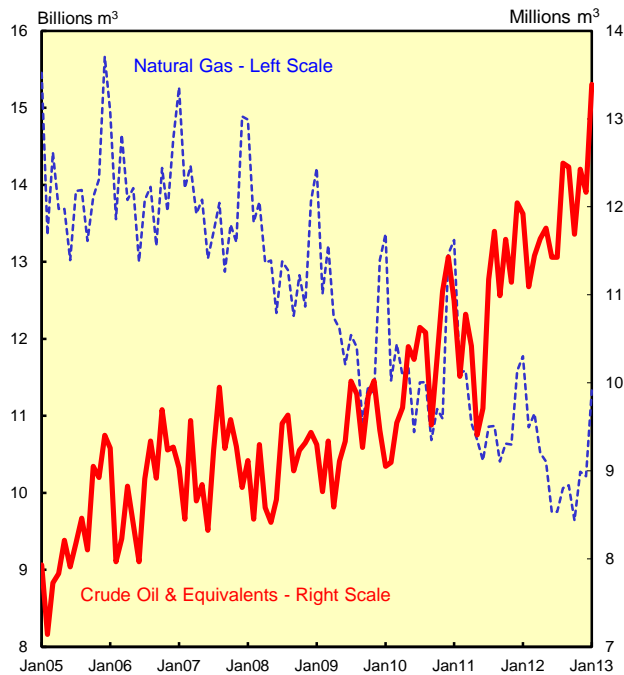
	JANUARY - DECEMBER			DECEMBER			JANUARY		
	2011	2012	Per cent Change	2011	2012	Per cent Change	2012	2013	Per cent Change
<b>ENERGY PRODUCTION</b>									
<b>Alberta</b>									
Natural Gas (million m <sup>3</sup> )	133,434	125,958	-5.6	11,583	11,330	-2.2	11,774	11,618	-1.3
Crude Oil and Equivalents* ('000 m <sup>3</sup> )	130,034	143,874	10.6	12,047	13,391	11.2	12,062	12,984	7.6

\*Includes Conventional Light/Medium/Heavy, Bitumen, Synthetic, Condensate and Pentanes Plus.

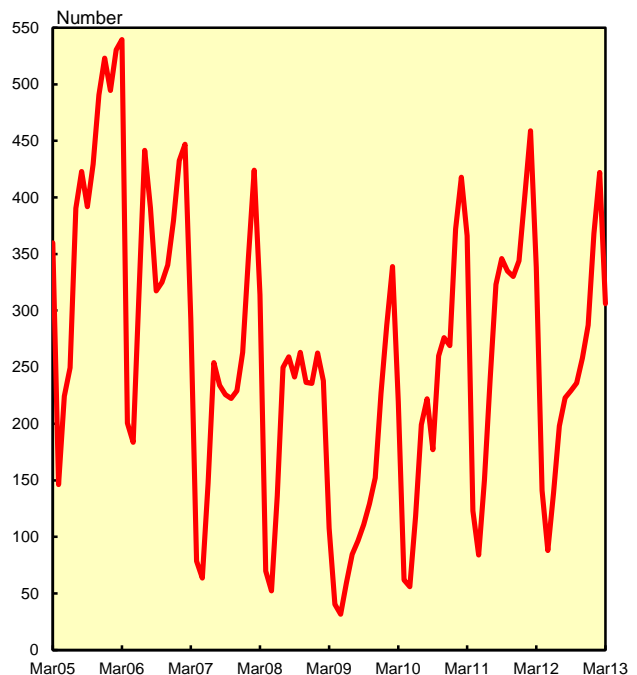
	JANUARY - MARCH AVERAGE			FEBRUARY			MARCH		
	2012	2013	Per cent Change	2012	2013	Per cent Change	2012	2013	Per cent Change
<b>Alberta</b>									
<b>Rig Counts</b>									
Drilling	399	365	-8.5	459	422	-8.1	338	306	-9.5
Available	591	606	2.7	595	606	1.8	597	615	3.0

	ANNUAL AVERAGES		2012			2013			Annual % Change
	2011	2012	JAN	FEB	MAR	JAN	FEB	MAR	
<b>ENERGY PRICES</b>									
West Texas Intermediate Crude Oil Price (US\$/Barrel)	95.12	94.21	100.32	102.26	106.21	88.25	94.83	95.32	-10.3
Natural Gas Reference Price (C\$/GJ)	3.28	2.14	2.56	2.13	1.83	2.76	2.69	n/a	26.3

### ENERGY PRODUCTION



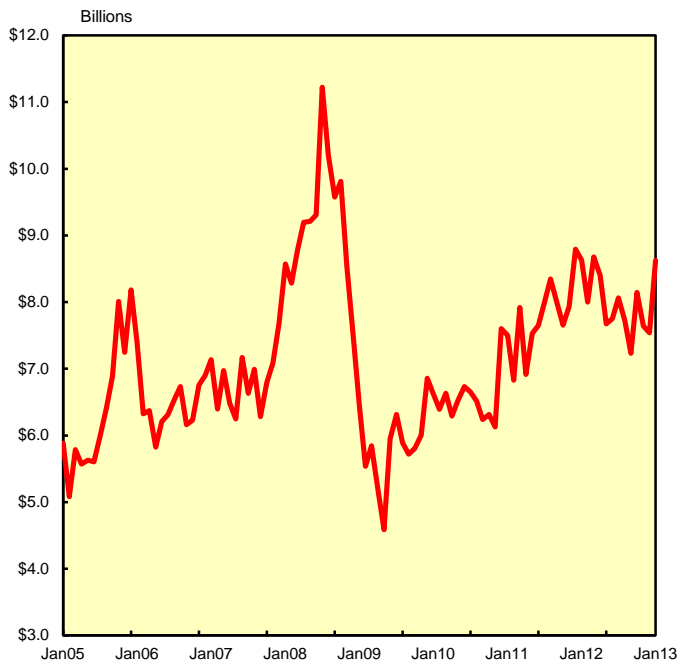
### RIGS DRILLING



EXPORTS By Industry (\$000,000)	JANUARY - DECEMBER			DECEMBER			JANUARY		
	2011	2012	Per cent Change	2011	2012	Per cent Change	2012	2013	Per cent Change
<b>Alberta</b>									
<b>Total - all industries</b>	93,214.8	95,479.3	2.4	8,731.7	7,538.4	-13.7	8,628.5	8,625.9	0.0
<b>Primary Agriculture</b>	4,595.6	5,620.4	22.3	433.0	529.2	22.2	458.7	487.8	6.3
<b>Mining &amp; Energy</b>	65,899.8	66,864.4	1.5	6,325.4	5,139.4	-18.7	6,381.7	6,335.9	-0.7
Crude oil	51,990.0	57,936.9	11.4	5,196.5	4,329.0	-16.7	5,394.7	5,413.5	0.3
Natural Gas and Natural Gas Liquids	12,332.3	7,928.5	-35.7	1,005.5	770.4	-23.4	905.6	875.6	-3.3
Other Mining and Energy	1,577.5	999.0	-36.7	123.3	40.0	-67.5	81.4	46.8	-42.5
<b>Manufacturing</b>	22,022.6	22,261.8	1.1	1,911.8	1,815.8	-5.0	1,735.0	1,744.3	0.5
Chemicals, Petroleum & Coal Products	9,248.0	9,330.9	0.9	802.9	841.3	4.8	697.1	790.5	13.4
Paper & Wood Products	2,028.2	2,139.4	5.5	158.1	169.2	7.0	159.7	157.7	-1.3
Primary & Fabricated Metal Products	2,158.5	1,991.8	-7.7	161.2	140.1	-13.1	165.6	154.6	-6.6
Machinery & Transportation Equipment	3,817.4	3,873.7	1.5	341.1	276.1	-19.0	322.0	270.7	-15.9
Food, Feed & Beverage	3,398.9	3,488.8	2.6	307.9	284.6	-7.6	286.9	252.6	-12.0
Other Manufacturing	1,371.6	1,437.2	4.8	140.6	104.4	-25.7	103.7	118.1	13.9
<b>Other Exports</b>	696.7	732.7	5.2	61.5	54.1	-12.0	53.1	58.0	9.1

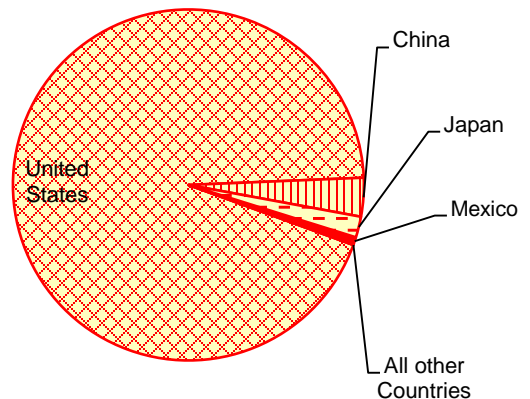
EXPORTS By Country (\$000,000)	JANUARY - DECEMBER			DECEMBER			JANUARY		
	2011	2012	Per cent Change	2011	2012	Per cent Change	2012	2013	Per cent Change
<b>Alberta</b>									
<b>Total - all countries</b>	93,214.8	95,479.3	2.4	8,731.7	7,538.4	-13.7	8,628.5	8,625.9	0.0
United States	80,749.7	82,646.0	2.3	7,540.3	6,418.8	-14.9	7,566.2	7,623.6	0.8
China	3,039.3	3,683.6	21.2	348.4	390.7	12.1	279.7	289.6	3.6
Japan	1,832.3	1,978.7	8.0	154.0	146.8	-4.7	133.9	156.1	16.5
Mexico	936.4	970.1	3.6	70.5	72.1	2.2	81.8	59.5	-27.3
Iraq	60.5	182.2	201.0	9.5	5.1	-46.9	23.3	46.9	101.5
Netherlands	515.4	448.9	-12.9	47.9	48.6	1.5	59.2	41.9	-29.2
United Arab Emirates	293.3	293.6	0.1	39.4	12.8	-67.6	15.2	39.3	158.2
Korea, South	707.3	616.2	-12.9	45.7	43.7	-4.5	41.5	33.1	-20.3
Brazil	164.8	96.8	-41.3	5.3	6.1	15.2	14.5	29.9	106.4
Venezuela	118.7	208.8	75.9	11.3	10.6	-6.2	15.5	22.4	44.5
All other Countries	4,797.1	4,354.3	-9.2	459.3	383.2	-16.6	397.6	283.6	-28.7

### EXPORTS



### ALBERTA EXPORTS BY COUNTRY

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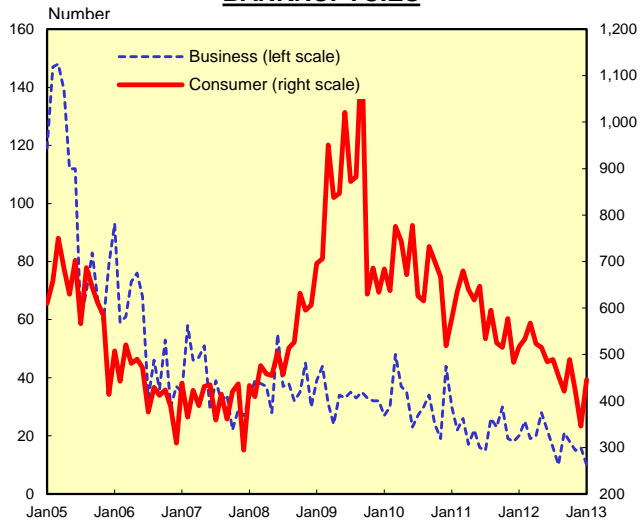
	JANUARY - DECEMBER			DECEMBER			JANUARY		
	2011	2012	Per cent Change	2011	2012	Per cent Change	2012	2013	Per cent Change
<b>BANKRUPTCIES</b>									
<u>Alberta</u>									
Business (number)	264	230	-12.9	18	16	-11.1	20	10	-50.0
Consumer (number)	7,029	5,759	-18.1	483	346	-28.4	517	446	-13.7

	JANUARY - MARCH			FEBRUARY			MARCH		
	2012	2013	Per cent Change	2012	2013	Per cent Change	2012	2013	Per cent Change
<b>BUSINESS INCORPORATIONS</b>									
<u>Alberta</u>									
Number of Business Incorporations	11,112	10,875	-2.1	3,391	3,301	-2.7	3,912	3,516	-10.1
Alberta Corporations	10,248	9,926	-3.1	3,126	2,999	-4.1	3,610	3,202	-11.3
Non-Alberta Corporations	864	949	9.8	265	302	14.0	302	314	4.0

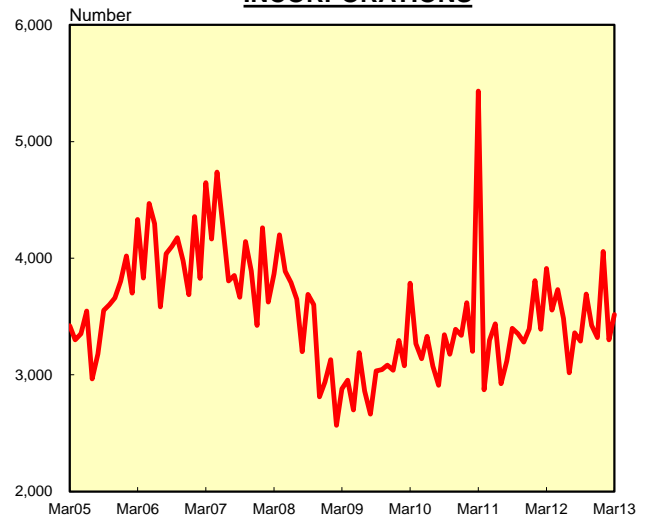
	JANUARY - FEBRUARY			JANUARY			FEBRUARY		
	2012	2013	Per cent Change	2012	2013	Per cent Change	2012	2013	Per cent Change
<b>INTERNATIONAL TRAVELLERS, NON-RESIDENTS ENTERING ALBERTA</b>									
<u>Alberta</u>									
Total (includes same-day)	84,826	88,127	3.9	40,963	42,513	3.8	43,863	45,614	4.0
Total (excludes same-day)	80,722	83,651	3.6	38,967	40,398	3.7	41,755	43,253	3.6
U.S.A. (excludes same-day)	53,840	56,255	4.5	26,099	27,363	4.8	27,741	28,892	4.1
United Kingdom	9,432	8,294	-12.1	4,203	3,790	-9.8	5,229	4,504	-13.9
Germany	3,631	3,104	-14.5	1,575	1,281	-18.7	2,056	1,823	-11.3
Netherlands	1,382	1,125	-18.6	790	573	-27.5	592	552	-6.8
Japan	205	1,579	670.2	92	634	589.1	113	945	736.3
Australia	1,762	1,814	3.0	985	1,020	3.6	777	794	2.2
Switzerland	761	666	-12.5	324	244	-24.7	437	422	-3.4
Mexico	555	647	16.6	320	353	10.3	235	294	25.1

Figures given are for non-residents entering Alberta directly. Consequently, actual totals will be understated since significant numbers of tourists enter via other provinces.

### BANKRUPTCIES



### INCORPORATIONS

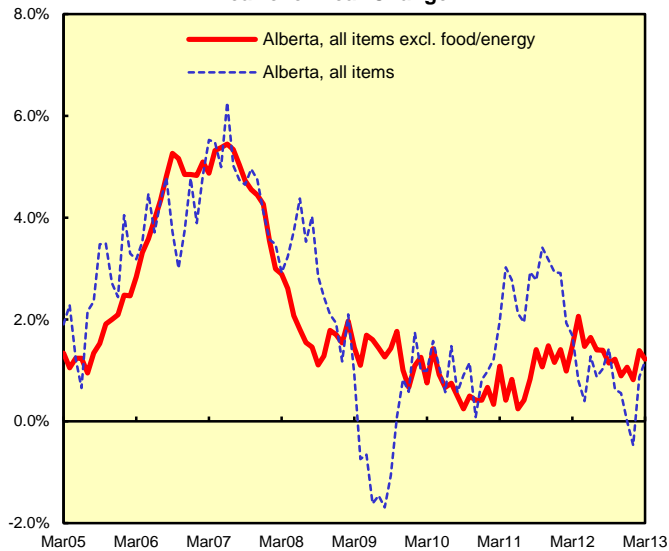


CONSUMER PRICE INDEX (2002=100)	ANNUAL RATES			2012	2012	2013			% Change
	2010	2011	2012	MAR	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR	MAR '12 - MAR '13
<b>Alberta</b>									
All Items	122.7	125.7	127.1	126.6	126.5	126.5	127.7	128.1	1.2
Food	121.8	125.6	128.1	127.2	128.5	129.8	130.4	130.0	2.2
Shelter	147.6	152.1	152.5	150.5	153.3	154.4	153.9	153.7	2.1
Energy	143.0	166.5	163.2	161.5	155.2	151.8	161.3	161.2	-0.2
Household Operations & Furnishings	107.7	109.2	110.9	110.4	111.6	111.4	112.0	112.3	1.7
Transportation	106.0	124.7	126.9	127.8	124.3	123.3	127.6	127.4	-0.3
Recreation, Education & Reading	106.0	105.7	105.9	104.9	104.6	103.5	104.8	105.0	0.1
All Items, excl. Food and Energy	120.7	121.7	123.4	123.1	123.3	123.4	124.0	124.6	1.2
<b>Edmonton</b>	122.9	126.0	127.4	127.0	127.0	126.8	128.0	128.3	1.0
<b>Calgary</b>	122.7	125.4	126.7	126.3	126.0	126.3	127.5	127.9	1.3

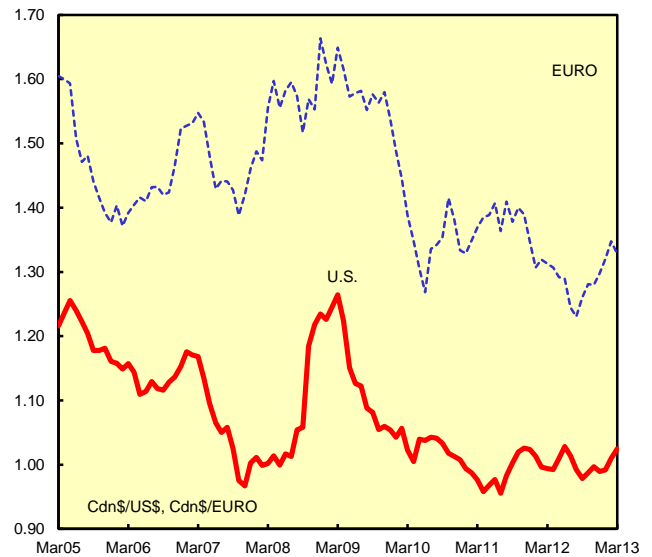
EXCHANGE RATES (in \$Cdn)	ANNUAL RATES			2012	2012	2013			% Change
	2010	2011	2012	MAR	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR	MAR '12 - MAR '13
United States	1.0301	0.9893	0.9994	0.9939	0.9896	0.9921	1.0098	1.0247	-3.0
Japan	0.0118	0.0124	0.0125	0.0121	0.0118	0.0111	0.0109	0.0108	11.6
European Monetary Union (EURO)	1.3671	1.3761	1.2850	1.3126	1.2976	1.3200	1.3476	1.3280	-1.2
United Kingdom	1.5928	1.5859	1.5841	1.5726	1.5976	1.5831	1.5623	1.5448	1.8

INTEREST RATES (Prime Rates)	ANNUAL RATES			2012	2012	2013			% Change
	2010	2011	2012	MAR	DEC	JAN	FEB	MAR	MAR '12 - MAR '13
Canada	2.60	3.00	3.00	3.00	3.00	3.00	3.00	3.00	0.0
United States	3.25	3.25	3.25	3.25	3.25	3.25	3.25	3.25	0.0

**CONSUMER PRICE INDEX, ALBERTA**  
Year-over-Year Change



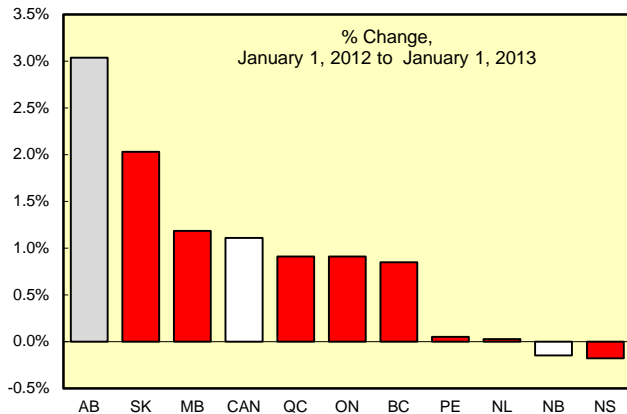
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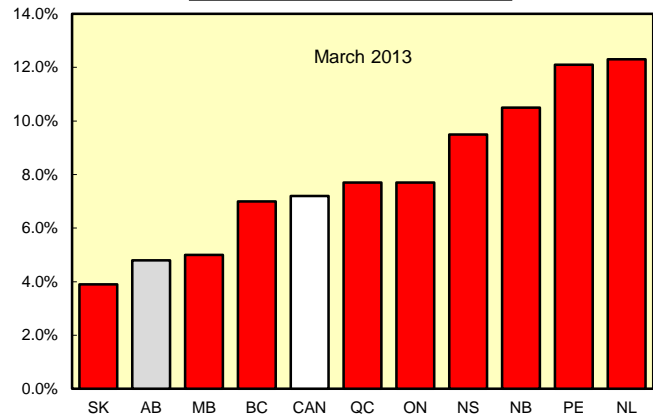
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	NL	PE	NS	NB	QC	ON	MB	SK	AB	BC	CAN
<b>POPULATION ('000s)</b>											
JANUARY 1, 2011	514	146	948	756	8,012	13,439	1,259	1,068	3,815	4,601	34,671
JANUARY 1, 2012	514	146	947	755	8,085	13,561	1,274	1,090	3,931	4,640	35,056
Percent Change	0.03	0.0	-0.18	-0.2	0.9	0.9	1.2	2.0	3.0	0.8	1.1
<b>UNEMPLOYMENT RATE* (%)</b>											
MARCH 2012	12.9	11.3	8.5	10.3	7.8	7.4	5.3	4.8	5.2	7.0	7.2
MARCH 2013	12.3	12.1	9.5	10.5	7.7	7.7	5.0	3.9	4.8	7.0	7.2
<b>EMPLOYED* ('000s)</b>											
MARCH 2012	228	72	456	347	3,958	6,785	631	530	2,131	2,300	17,439
MARCH 2013	235	75	456	351	4,020	6,841	639	555	2,168	2,303	17,642
Percent Change	3.0	4.2	-0.1	1.2	1.6	0.8	1.2	4.6	1.7	0.1	1.2
<b>EMPLOYMENT INSURANCE* (Average Number of Beneficiaries)</b>											
FEBRUARY 2012	34,900	8,870	31,740	35,640	169,370	167,900	14,530	11,480	31,340	62,850	571,410
FEBRUARY 2013	31,600	8,030	29,290	33,710	155,310	159,550	13,270	10,810	28,780	54,940	528,940
Percent Change	-9.5	-9.5	-7.7	-5.4	-8.3	-5.0	-8.7	-5.8	-8.2	-12.6	-7.4

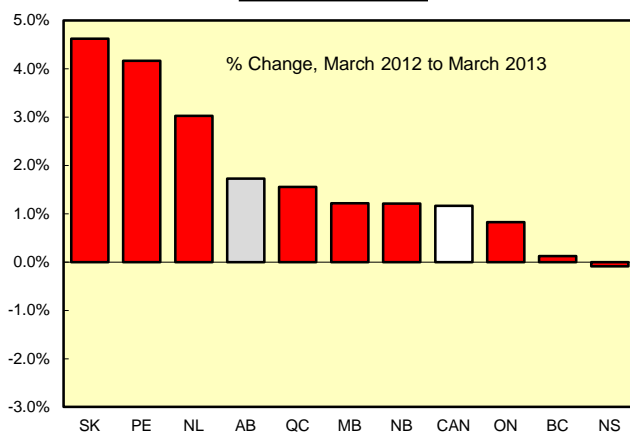
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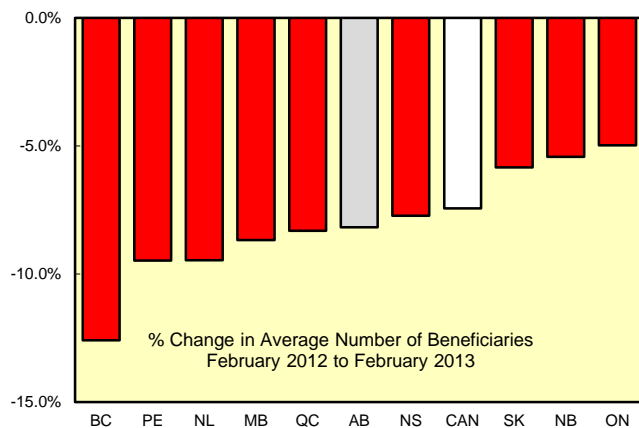
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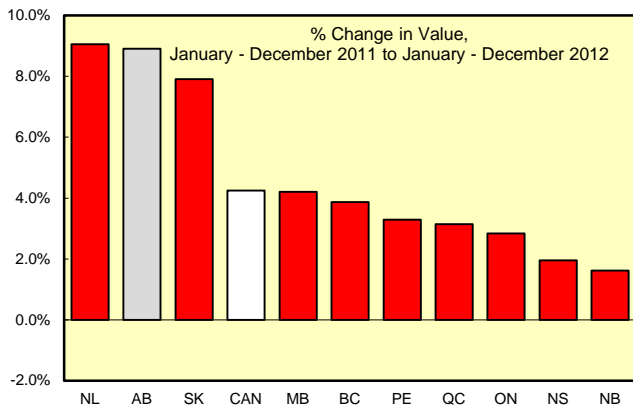


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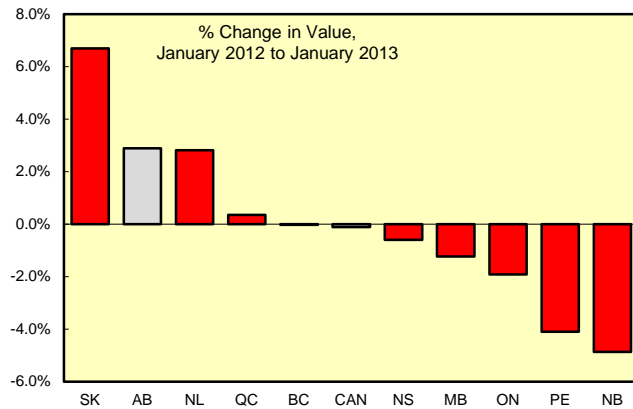
	NL	PE	NS	NB	QC	ON	MB	SK	AB	BC	CAN
<b>WAGES AND SALARIES* (\$000,000)</b>											
JANUARY - DECEMBER 2011	9,844	2,417	17,266	13,937	151,661	299,230	24,612	23,298	122,331	93,380	762,665
JANUARY - DECEMBER 2012	10,736	2,497	17,603	14,162	156,424	307,742	25,648	25,140	133,224	96,990	795,032
Percent Change	9.1	3.3	2.0	1.6	3.1	2.8	4.2	7.9	8.9	3.9	4.2
<b>RETAIL TRADE* (\$000,000)</b>											
JANUARY 2012	661	165	1,100	946	8,605	13,811	1,396	1,371	5,649	5,120	38,974
JANUARY 2013	680	158	1,094	900	8,636	13,546	1,379	1,463	5,812	5,118	38,931
Percent Change	2.8	-4.1	-0.6	-4.9	0.4	-1.9	-1.2	6.7	2.9	0.0	-0.1
<b>NEW MOTOR VEHICLE SALES (Number)</b>											
JANUARY - FEBRUARY 2012	3,551	749	5,835	4,673	49,101	77,098	6,089	7,353	32,803	23,013	210,265
JANUARY - FEBRUARY 2013	3,618	703	5,615	4,552	45,922	71,560	6,441	7,328	34,457	23,487	203,683
Percent Change	1.9	-6.1	-3.8	-2.6	-6.5	-7.2	5.8	-0.3	5.0	2.1	-3.1
<b>WHOLESALE TRADE* (\$000,000)</b>											
JANUARY - FEBRUARY 2012	702	96	1,381	993	17,882	47,790	2,562	3,510	12,490	8,756	96,318
JANUARY - FEBRUARY 2013	731	105	1,397	976	18,715	46,622	2,710	3,775	13,123	9,296	97,599
Percent Change	4.2	9.5	1.2	-1.7	4.7	-2.4	5.8	7.6	5.1	6.2	1.3

Note: New Motor Vehicle Sales for British Columbia include automobile sales for the Canadian Territories.

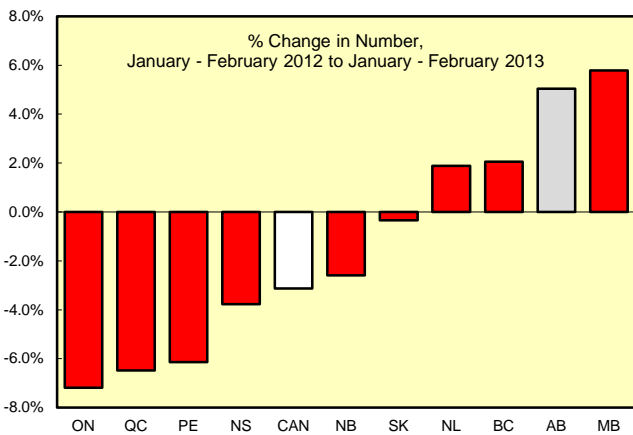
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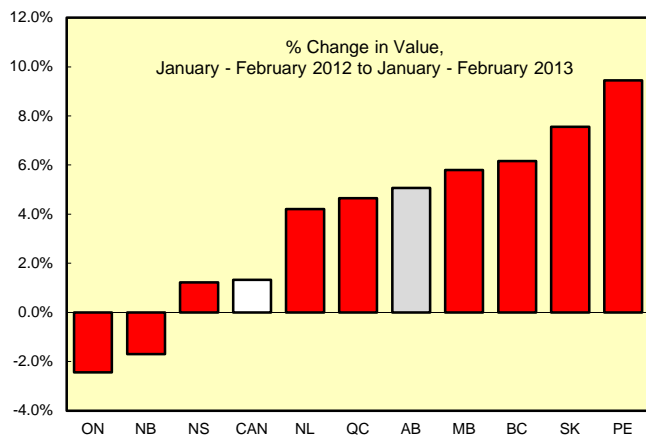
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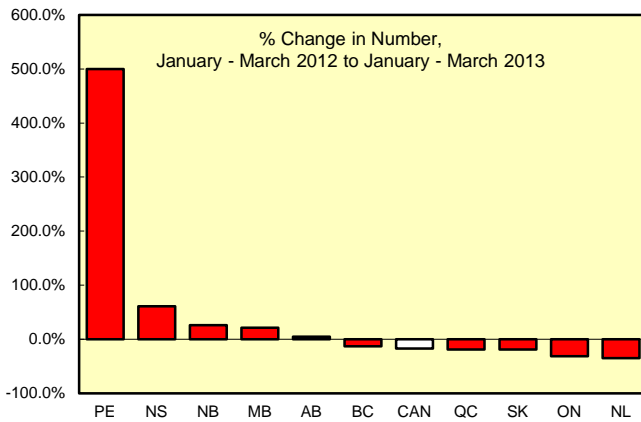


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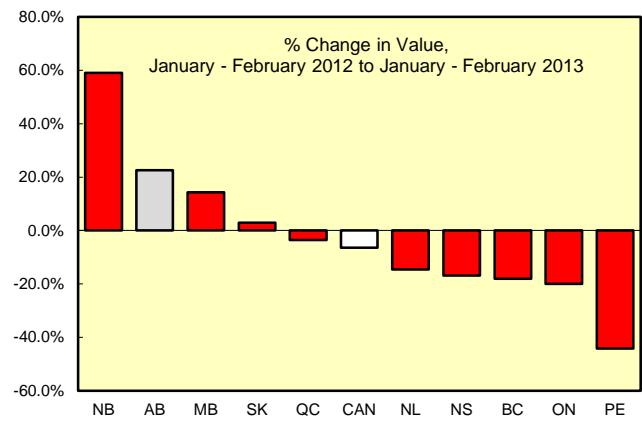
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	NL	PE	NS	NB	QC	ON	MB	SK	AB	BC	CAN
<b>URBAN HOUSING STARTS (Number)</b>											
JANUARY - MARCH 2012	293	24	552	187	6,241	16,045	884	1,430	6,169	5,853	37,678
JANUARY - MARCH 2013	191	144	888	236	5,062	10,972	1,070	1,157	6,468	5,069	31,257
Percent Change	-34.8	500.0	60.9	26.2	-18.9	-31.6	21.0	-19.1	4.8	-13.4	-17.0
<b>BUILDING PERMITS* (\$000,000)</b>											
JANUARY - FEBRUARY 2012	170	39	233	127	2,553	4,881	320	412	2,088	1,779	12,616
JANUARY - FEBRUARY 2013	145	22	194	202	2,463	3,904	366	425	2,560	1,459	11,807
Percent Change	-14.6	-44.2	-16.8	59.0	-3.5	-20.0	14.4	3.0	22.6	-18.0	-6.4
<b>MANUFACTURING* (value of shipments of goods of own manufacture, \$000,000)</b>											
JANUARY - FEBRUARY 2012	1,229	215	1,805	2,997	23,064	44,208	2,571	2,192	12,657	6,314	97,251
JANUARY - FEBRUARY 2013	1,082	231	1,762	3,513	22,984	44,055	2,593	2,329	12,848	6,529	97,926
Percent Change	-11.9	7.4	-2.4	17.2	-0.3	-0.3	0.8	6.2	1.5	3.4	0.7
<b>AGRICULTURE (Farm Cash Receipts from farming operations \$000,000)</b>											
JANUARY - SEPTEMBER 2011	93	358	395	392	5,866	7,790	3,730	8,079	7,617	1,891	36,211
JANUARY - SEPTEMBER 2012	105	358	426	363	5,968	8,076	3,765	8,644	8,763	1,947	38,415
Percent Change	13.1	0.1	7.9	-7.5	1.7	3.7	1.0	7.0	15.0	2.9	6.1

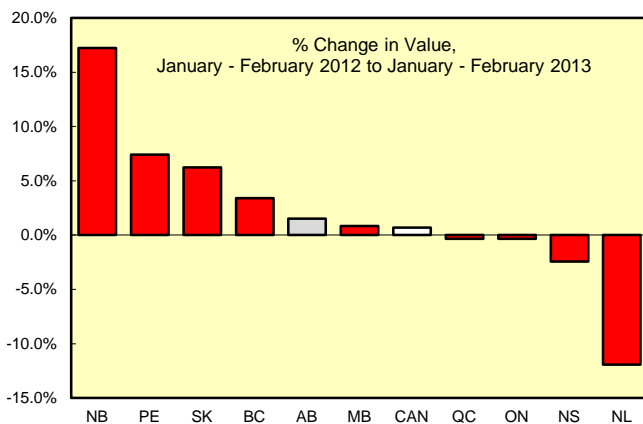
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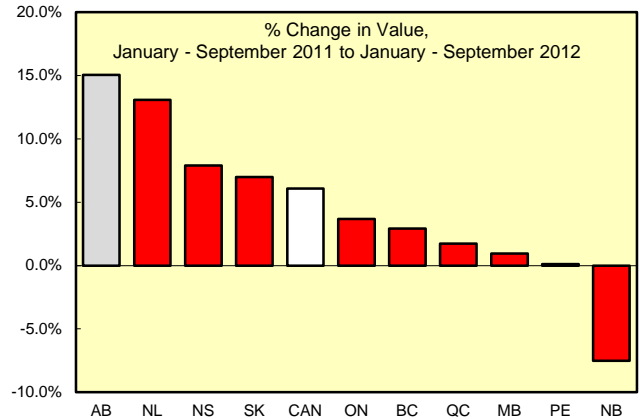
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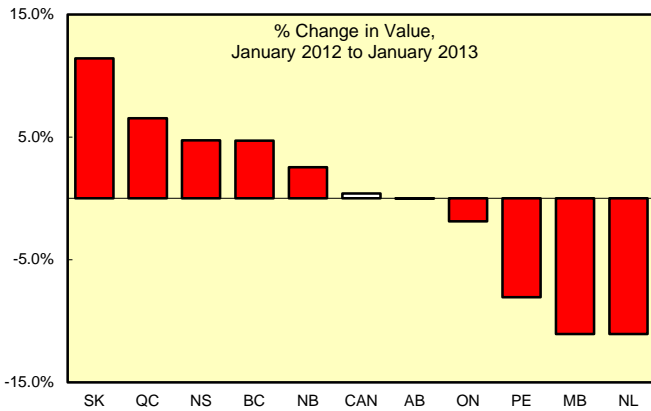


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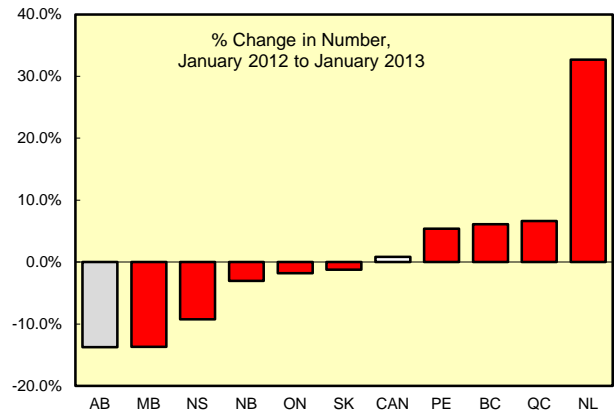
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	NL	PE	NS	NB	QC	ON	MB	SK	AB	BC	CAN
<b>EXPORTS (\$000,000)</b>											
JANUARY 2012	1,099	61	280	1,188	4,869	13,017	1,099	2,524	8,629	2,332	35,168
JANUARY 2013	977	56	293	1,218	5,186	12,772	977	2,812	8,626	2,442	35,303
Percent Change	-11.1	-8.1	4.7	2.5	6.5	-1.9	-11.1	11.4	0.0	4.7	0.4
<b>CONSUMER BANKRUPTCIES (Number)</b>											
JANUARY 2012	104	37	238	229	1,919	1,643	95	81	517	555	5,420
JANUARY 2013	138	39	216	222	2,046	1,613	82	80	446	589	5,465
Percent Change	32.7	5.4	-9.2	-3.1	6.6	-1.8	-13.7	-1.2	-13.7	6.1	0.8
<b>BUSINESS BANKRUPTCIES (Number)</b>											
JANUARY 2012	2	0	4	7	121	91	3	14	20	13	275
JANUARY 2013	3	3	9	4	109	78	5	3	10	16	240
Percent Change	50.0	n/a	125.0	-42.9	-9.9	-14.3	66.7	-78.6	-50.0	23.1	-12.7
<b>CONSUMER PRICE INDEX (2002=100)</b>											
MARCH 2012	123.9	125.6	125.3	122.3	120.8	122.0	119.5	123.6	126.6	117.9	121.7
MARCH 2013	125.9	127.1	126.7	123.3	121.8	123.2	122.3	125.2	128.1	118.5	122.9
Percent Change	1.6	1.2	1.1	0.8	0.8	1.0	2.3	1.3	1.2	0.5	1.0

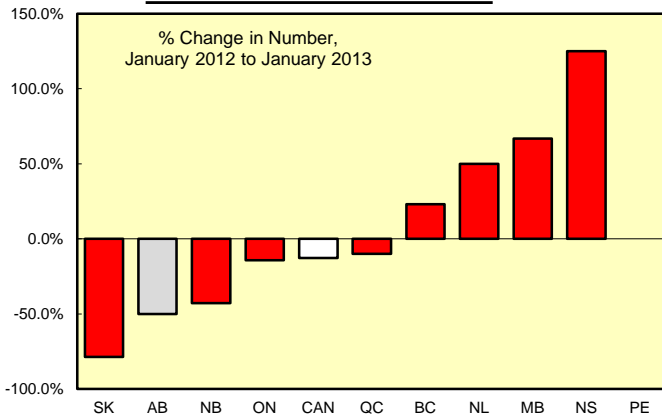
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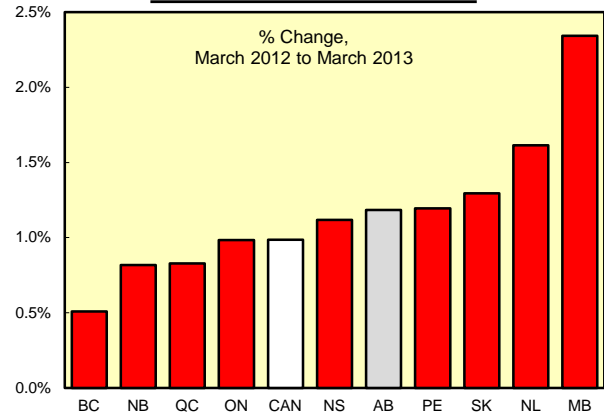
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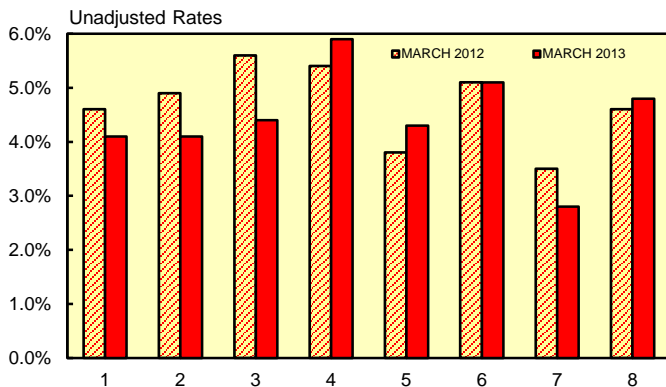
# REGIONAL ECONOMIC INDICATORS

LABOUR FORCE, ALBERTA REGIONS (unadjusted, 3-month moving average)	MARCH 2012	MARCH 2013
<b>Labour Force (000s)</b>		
1) Wood Buffalo - Cold Lake	83.9	86.2
2) Athabasca - Grande Prairie	133.8	138.3
3) Edmonton Region	729.9	752.0
4) Red Deer Region	115.3	119.4
5) Banff - Jasper - Rocky Mountain House	55.0	53.2
6) Calgary Region	838.1	852.4
7) Camrose - Drumheller	112.6	110.8
8) Lethbridge - Medicine Hat	153.5	146.5
<b>Employed (000s)</b>		
1) Wood Buffalo - Cold Lake	80.0	82.6
2) Athabasca - Grande Prairie	127.3	132.6
3) Edmonton Region	688.8	718.8
4) Red Deer Region	109.1	112.3
5) Banff - Jasper - Rocky Mountain House	52.9	50.9
6) Calgary Region	795.4	808.7
7) Camrose - Drumheller	108.7	107.7
8) Lethbridge - Medicine Hat	146.4	139.5
<b>Unemployment Rate</b>		
1) Wood Buffalo - Cold Lake	4.6%	4.1%
2) Athabasca - Grande Prairie	4.9%	4.1%
3) Edmonton Region	5.6%	4.4%
4) Red Deer Region	5.4%	5.9%
5) Banff - Jasper - Rocky Mountain House	3.8%	4.3%
6) Calgary Region	5.1%	5.1%
7) Camrose - Drumheller	3.5%	2.8%
8) Lethbridge - Medicine Hat	4.6%	4.8%
<b>Participation Rate</b>		
1) Wood Buffalo - Cold Lake	80.4%	79.9%
2) Athabasca - Grande Prairie	70.0%	71.4%
3) Edmonton Region	72.1%	71.7%
4) Red Deer Region	74.1%	74.7%
5) Banff - Jasper - Rocky Mountain House	76.5%	72.8%
6) Calgary Region	74.5%	73.4%
7) Camrose - Drumheller	72.0%	69.8%
8) Lethbridge - Medicine Hat	69.6%	65.1%

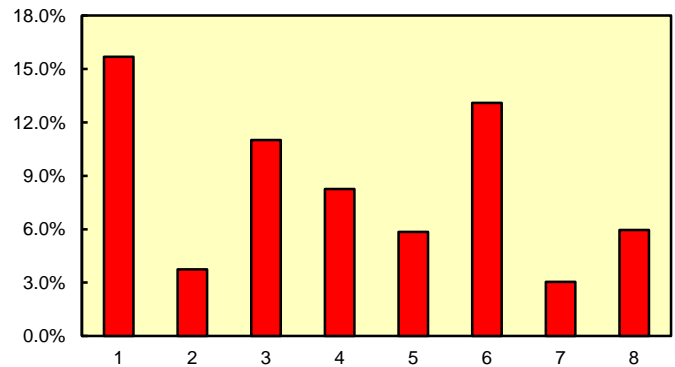


<b>Population (July 1, 2012)</b>	
1) Wood Buffalo - Cold Lake	146,238
2) Athabasca - Grande Prairie	263,831
3) Edmonton Region	1,271,412
4) Red Deer Region	202,669
5) Banff - Jasper - Rocky Mountain House	92,668
6) Calgary Region	1,406,080
7) Camrose - Drumheller	204,332
8) Lethbridge - Medicine Hat	286,515
<b>5-year Population Growth (2007-2012)</b>	
1) Wood Buffalo - Cold Lake	15.7%
2) Athabasca - Grande Prairie	3.7%
3) Edmonton Region	11.0%
4) Red Deer Region	8.3%
5) Banff - Jasper - Rocky Mountain House	5.8%
6) Calgary Region	13.1%
7) Camrose - Drumheller	3.0%
8) Lethbridge - Medicine Hat	6.0%

**UNEMPLOYMENT RATE**  
**ALBERTA REGIONS**



**5-YEAR POPULATION GROWTH RATE**  
**ALBERTA REGIONS**



# REGIONAL ECONOMIC INDICATORS

The *Inventory of Major Alberta Projects* tracks projects valued at \$5 million or greater that are planned, underway, or have been recently completed.

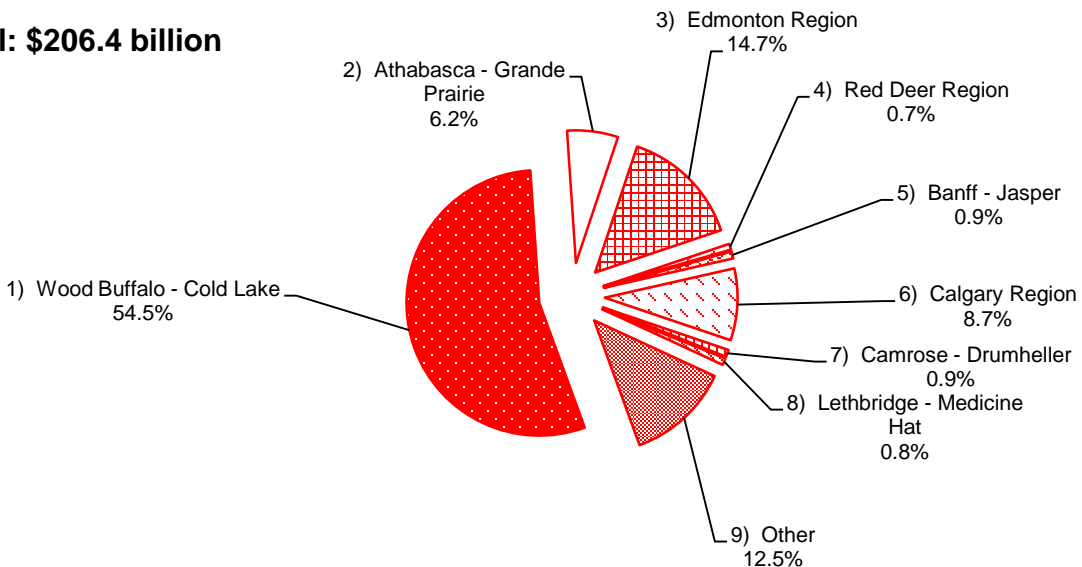


MAJOR CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS	MARCH	
	2012	2013
<b>Investment (\$ 000,000)</b>		
1) Wood Buffalo - Cold Lake	110,046.0	112,445.7
2) Athabasca - Grande Prairie	13,092.6	12,788.3
3) Edmonton Region	18,800.2	30,387.9
4) Red Deer Region	2,167.3	1,507.1
5) Banff - Jasper	1,350.7	1,815.9
6) Calgary Region	21,403.4	18,042.8
7) Camrose - Drumheller	2,704.0	1,794.4
8) Lethbridge - Medicine Hat	2,953.4	1,723.0
9) Other	16,719.2	25,902.1
<b>Total</b>	<b>189,236.8</b>	<b>206,407.2</b>

BUILDING PERMITS (\$000,000)	JANUARY - FEBRUARY			JANUARY			FEBRUARY		
	2012	2013	Per cent Change	2012	2013	Per cent Change	2012	2013	Per cent Change
1) Wood Buffalo - Cold Lake	200.2	251.9	25.8	93.1	111.3	19.5	107.0	140.6	31.3
2) Athabasca - Grande Prairie	65.7	101.7	54.9	42.5	63.9	50.3	23.1	37.7	63.3
3) Edmonton Region	646.3	787.4	21.8	283.2	344.5	21.6	363.1	442.9	22.0
4) Red Deer Region	56.4	43.9	-22.1	25.5	18.4	-27.6	30.9	25.5	-17.6
5) Banff - Jasper	8.5	28.0	230.7	3.4	22.0	551.9	5.1	6.0	18.0
6) Calgary Region	697.2	866.4	24.3	274.2	365.8	33.4	423.0	500.6	18.3
7) Camrose - Drumheller	18.8	25.9	38.0	9.2	15.4	68.0	9.6	10.5	9.3
8) Lethbridge - Medicine Hat	34.5	36.4	5.4	14.7	17.7	20.5	19.8	18.7	-5.7
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,727.4</b>	<b>2,141.5</b>	<b>24.0</b>	<b>745.8</b>	<b>959.0</b>	<b>28.6</b>	<b>981.6</b>	<b>1,182.5</b>	<b>20.5</b>

## MAJOR CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS (MARCH 2013)

**Total: \$206.4 billion**



# Historic and Current Economic Indicators

Selected Series - Alberta

	Unemployment Rate* (%)	Employed* (000's)	Employment Insurance Beneficiaries*	Wages and Salaries* (\$000,000)	Average Weekly Earnings* (\$)	Retail Trade* (\$000,000)	Food/Drinking Places Receipts (\$000,000)	New Motor Vehicle Sales (#)	Wholesale Trade* (\$000,000)
2003	5.1	1,733	37,003	66,152	717	39,318	4,727	194,451	39,967
2004	4.7	1,777	32,081	72,616	741	43,349	5,030	196,153	44,941
2005	4.0	1,826	25,695	82,846	784	48,486	5,450	222,361	52,124
2006	3.4	1,917	22,548	95,722	823	55,942	6,051	248,731	58,427
2007	3.6	1,991	20,869	106,509	871	61,487	6,410	257,050	60,587
2008	3.6	2,054	21,950	115,379	923	61,614	6,618	238,413	66,361
2009	6.6	2,026	59,258	110,006	950	56,478	6,527	186,768	56,057

Jan10	6.6	2,010	58,960	9,139	959	4,951	546	12,525	4,686
Feb10	6.7	2,000	57,500	9,170	973	4,952	542	13,770	4,809
Mar10	7.3	1,996	57,870	9,228	979	4,963	551	17,476	4,884
Apr10	7.5	2,005	56,440	9,313	999	4,876	545	18,254	5,005
May10	6.7	2,013	55,730	9,319	989	4,873	557	19,293	4,881
Jun10	6.5	2,021	55,380	9,342	992	4,880	563	19,503	4,942
Jul10	6.3	2,028	55,110	9,400	1,001	4,899	554	18,748	5,027
Aug10	6.4	2,024	53,780	9,450	1,002	4,970	557	18,491	5,193
Sep10	6.1	2,014	52,260	9,516	1,005	5,018	558	18,079	5,326
Oct10	6.0	2,035	49,960	9,580	1,004	5,058	566	16,117	5,300
Nov10	5.8	2,031	48,710	9,638	1,003	5,214	558	16,009	5,388
Dec10	5.6	2,034	47,080	9,662	1,012	5,202	570	16,272	5,407
<b>Avg./Sum</b>	<b>6.5</b>	<b>2,018</b>	<b>54,065</b>	<b>112,756</b>	<b>993</b>	<b>59,856</b>	<b>6,665</b>	<b>204,537</b>	<b>60,848</b>

Jan11	6.0	2,054	45,850	9,774	1,030	5,084	567	13,124	5,435
Feb11	5.6	2,070	45,030	9,882	1,030	5,141	579	13,728	5,409
Mar11	5.6	2,068	43,610	9,970	1,023	5,162	589	19,544	5,499
Apr11	5.8	2,063	42,410	10,079	1,031	5,243	593	20,364	5,464
May11	5.4	2,066	40,920	10,105	1,043	5,266	596	20,169	5,671
Jun11	5.4	2,092	39,330	10,110	1,028	5,278	604	22,212	5,845
Jul11	5.5	2,106	37,710	10,159	1,032	5,250	606	19,387	5,805
Aug11	5.6	2,111	37,140	10,301	1,051	5,331	592	20,191	5,949
Sep11	5.4	2,118	33,770	10,372	1,044	5,422	604	19,426	6,049
Oct11	5.1	2,125	32,330	10,451	1,053	5,587	610	19,351	6,283
Nov11	5.2	2,129	32,620	10,518	1,050	5,638	609	18,686	6,309
Dec11	4.8	2,133	32,510	10,609	1,050	5,603	623	17,965	6,255
<b>Avg./Sum</b>	<b>5.5</b>	<b>2,095</b>	<b>38,603</b>	<b>122,331</b>	<b>1,039</b>	<b>64,006</b>	<b>7,173</b>	<b>224,147</b>	<b>69,973</b>

Jan12	5.0	2,134	32,240	10,597	1,056	5,649	625	16,217	6,289
Feb12	4.9	2,126	31,340	10,693	1,055	5,623	629	16,586	6,324
Mar12	5.2	2,131	30,910	10,821	1,054	5,667	631	22,061	6,268
Apr12	4.9	2,143	29,910	10,883	1,059	5,651	631	20,591	6,559
May12	4.5	2,153	28,910	10,950	1,055	5,721	641	24,726	6,633
Jun12	4.6	2,146	28,380	11,089	1,068	5,661	639	23,502	6,470
Jul12	4.6	2,152	29,520	11,184	1,089	5,752	653	21,476	6,438
Aug12	4.4	2,155	30,970	11,263	1,088	5,777	643	22,013	6,437
Sep12	4.4	2,156	29,730	11,348	1,087	5,846	651	22,477	6,438
Oct12	4.4	2,162	30,070	11,390	1,091	5,924	645	21,117	6,454
Nov12	4.2	2,170	30,070	11,493	1,091	5,871	655	19,174	6,528
Dec12	4.5	2,165	29,540	11,513	1,095	5,735	662	17,845	6,449
<b>Avg./Sum</b>	<b>4.6</b>	<b>2,149</b>	<b>30,133</b>	<b>133,224</b>	<b>1,074</b>	<b>68,877</b>	<b>7,705</b>	<b>247,785</b>	<b>77,287</b>

Jan13	4.5	2,175	28,940		1,090	5,812	673	16,799	6,497
Feb13	4.5	2,179	28,780					17,658	6,626
Mar13	4.8	2,168							
Apr13									
May13									
Jun13									
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<b>Avg./Sum</b>									

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# Historic and Current Economic Indicators

Selected Series - Alberta

	MLS Housing Resales (#)	Housing Starts (#, urban)	Building Permits (\$000,000)			Manufacturing Shipments* (\$000,000)	Energy Production		Rigs Drilling (#)
			Alberta	Calgary	Edmonton		Gas (Mlns m <sup>3</sup> )	Oil/Equiv. (Tsd m <sup>3</sup> )	
2003	51,334	32,066	6,667	2,819	1,767	40,002	166,623	95,311	314
2004	57,460	32,188	7,327	2,857	2,028	44,771	167,676	101,007	331
2005	65,866	34,301	10,202	3,921	2,904	51,014	168,327	98,879	381
2006	74,350	40,882	13,876	5,480	3,541	65,091	167,385	106,018	371
2007	71,430	38,477	15,730	6,495	3,925	65,731	165,594	109,681	241
2008	56,399	25,395	13,141	4,719	3,657	70,146	157,664	108,685	236
2009	57,786	17,744	11,277	4,285	3,861	53,951	146,632	112,935	128

Jan10	2,934	1,369	646	224	237	4,739	13,361	9,052	287
Feb10	4,077	1,687	784	225	323	4,824	11,459	9,094	339
Mar10	5,351	2,141	1,015	415	266	4,858	11,933	9,546	219
Apr10	5,544	2,711	1,199	331	561	4,857	11,520	9,719	62
May10	5,207	2,299	1,079	325	360	4,881	11,643	10,413	56
Jun10	4,746	2,130	1,324	401	489	4,838	10,789	10,265	118
Jul10	4,086	2,523	992	292	366	5,013	11,435	10,632	199
Aug10	3,941	1,971	920	277	355	5,014	11,440	10,572	222
Sep10	3,934	2,252	893	280	285	5,131	10,686	9,520	177
Oct10	3,483	1,997	925	249	305	5,236	11,087	10,287	260
Nov10	3,625	1,658	894	242	303	5,220	10,963	11,040	276
Dec10	2,795	1,384	755	279	229	5,461	13,103	11,431	269
<b>Avg./Sum</b>	<b>49,723</b>	<b>24,122</b>	<b>11,425</b>	<b>3,541</b>	<b>4,080</b>	<b>60,074</b>	<b>139,420</b>	<b>121,569</b>	<b>207</b>

Jan11	2,874	1,186	513	143	194	5,487	13,288	10,934	372
Feb11	3,943	1,425	1,332	910	249	5,498	11,562	10,075	418
Mar11	5,118	1,411	881	350	295	5,671	11,586	10,781	366
Apr11	5,012	1,646	938	384	348	5,806	10,906	10,420	123
May11	5,659	2,127	1,202	306	557	5,697	10,690	9,410	84
Jun11	5,920	1,947	1,116	472	336	5,631	10,419	9,709	150
Jul11	4,996	2,144	1,165	377	369	5,856	10,856	11,176	240
Aug11	4,938	2,599	1,288	492	323	5,920	10,870	11,720	323
Sep11	4,379	2,049	1,138	435	348	6,287	10,396	10,959	346
Oct11	4,098	2,640	1,025	366	324	6,024	10,640	11,629	335
Nov11	3,909	2,378	983	339	377	6,559	10,626	11,142	330
Dec11	2,910	2,053	1,139	613	302	6,342	11,583	12,047	344
<b>Avg./Sum</b>	<b>53,756</b>	<b>23,605</b>	<b>12,718</b>	<b>5,187</b>	<b>4,021</b>	<b>70,777</b>	<b>133,422</b>	<b>130,003</b>	<b>286</b>

Jan12	3,109	1,570	746	263	281	6,298	11,774	11,922	401
Feb12	4,476	2,166	982	406	361	6,359	10,851	11,091	459
Mar12	5,774	2,433	1,210	460	380	6,365	11,030	11,446	338
Apr12	6,191	2,932	1,373	699	299	6,301	10,521	11,640	141
May12	6,984	2,540	1,547	561	525	6,253	10,406	11,756	88
Jun12	6,400	2,776	1,242	418	394	5,902	9,753	11,426	139
Jul12	5,819	2,693	1,193	413	396	6,270	10,060	12,496	198
Aug12	5,198	2,310	1,409	538	525	6,252	10,098	12,507	223
Sep12	4,714	2,726	1,179	370	427	6,353	9,643	11,153	229
Oct12	4,815	2,492	1,316	413	445	6,200	10,275	11,745	236
Nov12	4,034	3,058	1,425	368	444	6,206	10,216	12,166	258
Dec12	2,855	2,125	1,043	339	334	6,086	11,330	13,391	287
<b>Avg./Sum</b>	<b>60,369</b>	<b>29,821</b>	<b>14,663</b>	<b>5,248</b>	<b>4,811</b>	<b>74,845</b>	<b>125,958</b>	<b>142,739</b>	<b>250</b>

Jan13	3,486	1,767	1,176	354	343	6,401	11,618	12,984	368
Feb13	4,512	2,318	1,385	483	438	6,448			422
Mar13		2,383							306
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\*Seasonally Adjusted



# Historic and Current Economic Indicators

Selected Series - Alberta

	Energy Prices		International Exports (\$000,000)	Bankruptcies		Incorporations		International Travellers (#, direct entries)**
	WTI Crude (US\$/barrel)	Gas (C\$/GJ)		Business (#)	Consumer (#)	Alberta (#)	Non-Alberta (#)	
2003	31.04	5.81	57,044	1,636	9,160	30,680	1,891	806,307
2004	41.40	5.98	63,688	1,565	8,719	32,276	2,041	913,320
2005	56.56	7.87	76,280	1,194	7,542	38,038	2,284	906,714
2006	66.22	6.22	77,744	666	5,248	45,527	2,680	881,623
2007	72.32	5.88	81,873	449	4,768	45,920	2,871	953,937
2008	99.66	7.47	110,173	447	6,066	40,708	2,807	953,149
2009	61.82	3.65	69,929	405	9,986	32,752	2,391	881,523

Jan10	78.40	4.88	6,621	27	684	3,082	212	42,212
Feb10	76.45	4.68	6,391	30	637	2,833	244	46,578
Mar10	81.29	4.05	6,633	48	776	3,524	261	55,020
Apr10	84.57	3.26	6,286	37	744	3,019	249	46,838
May10	74.12	3.37	6,525	35	672	2,928	210	68,056
Jun10	75.40	3.49	6,730	23	778	3,120	209	113,817
Jul10	76.38	3.42	6,646	27	626	2,892	184	146,075
Aug10	76.67	3.25	6,512	30	615	2,647	264	114,313
Sep10	75.55	3.14	6,234	34	732	3,109	235	86,475
Oct10	81.97	2.92	6,305	24	700	2,946	230	54,754
Nov10	84.31	3.04	6,120	19	667	3,176	214	39,384
Dec10	89.23	3.34	7,589	44	519	3,121	217	53,867
<b>Avg./Sur</b>	<b>79.53</b>	<b>3.57</b>	<b>78,594</b>	<b>378</b>	<b>8,150</b>	<b>36,397</b>	<b>2,729</b>	<b>867,389</b>

Jan11	89.58	3.49	7,454	30	578	3,357	261	38,456
Feb11	89.74	3.40	6,776	22	636	2,960	240	40,411
Mar11	102.98	3.19	7,863	26	680	5,180	251	46,012
Apr11	110.04	3.30	6,858	17	640	2,646	225	45,698
May11	101.36	3.39	7,477	22	617	3,024	274	67,706
Jun11	96.29	3.51	7,590	16	649	3,172	264	106,140
Jul11	97.34	3.42	7,735	15	534	2,706	219	138,569
Aug11	86.34	3.32	8,110	26	595	2,878	241	109,496
Sep11	85.61	3.24	7,929	23	525	3,163	236	84,522
Oct11	86.43	3.17	7,657	30	515	3,110	242	54,274
Nov11	97.16	2.99	7,933	19	577	3,034	246	40,693
Dec11	98.58	2.92	8,795	18	483	3,151	243	55,522
<b>Avg./Sur</b>	<b>95.12</b>	<b>3.28</b>	<b>92,176</b>	<b>264</b>	<b>7,029</b>	<b>38,381</b>	<b>2,942</b>	<b>827,499</b>

Jan12	100.32	2.56	8,629	20	517	3,512	297	38,967
Feb12	102.26	2.13	8,001	25	533	3,126	265	41,755
Mar12	106.21	1.83	8,679	19	568	3,610	302	50,314
Apr12	103.35	1.63	8,400	20	523	3,249	307	47,803
May12	94.72	1.58	7,673	28	515	3,431	301	68,481
Jun12	82.41	1.75	7,753	22	484	3,200	283	112,779
Jul12	87.93	1.92	8,063	16	489	2,757	261	143,857
Aug12	94.16	2.05	7,724	10	454	3,096	264	117,766
Sep12	94.56	1.94	7,234	21	421	3,037	251	88,697
Oct12	89.57	2.36	8,146	18	489	3,398	295	55,382
Nov12	86.73	2.90	7,641	15	420	3,161	263	41,183
Dec12	88.25	2.98	7,538	16	346	3,073	246	56,437
<b>Avg./Sur</b>	<b>94.21</b>	<b>2.14</b>	<b>95,479</b>	<b>230</b>	<b>5,759</b>	<b>38,650</b>	<b>3,335</b>	<b>863,421</b>

Jan13	88.25	2.76	8,626	10	446	3,725	333	40,398
Feb13	94.83	2.69				2,999	302	43,253
Mar13	95.32					3,202	314	
Apr13								
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\*\*Excluding same day travel.

# Historic and Current Economic Indicators

Selected Series - Alberta

	Consumer Price Index (2002 = 100)					Exchange Rates		Prime Rates	
	Alberta	Shelter	Energy	Edmonton	Calgary	(Cdn\$/US\$)	(Cdn\$/EURO)	Canada	U.S.
								(%)	(%)
<b>2003</b>	104.4	108.1	119.2	105.3	103.5	1.4010	1.5823	4.69	4.13
<b>2004</b>	105.9	109.8	123.8	106.4	105.3	1.3013	1.6169	4.00	4.38
<b>2005</b>	108.1	113.5	136.2	108.6	107.4	1.2114	1.5085	4.42	6.23
<b>2006</b>	112.3	124.8	142.7	112.0	112.3	1.1343	1.4244	5.81	7.98
<b>2007</b>	117.9	140.0	153.0	117.4	117.9	1.0740	1.4690	6.10	8.00
<b>2008</b>	121.6	151.1	172.3	121.4	121.8	1.0671	1.5603	4.73	4.94
<b>2009</b>	121.5	147.4	138.5	121.6	121.7	1.1415	1.6295	2.40	3.25
<b>2010</b>									
<b>Jan10</b>	122.3	148.5	148.3	122.4	122.4	1.0429	1.4882	2.25	3.25
<b>Feb10</b>	122.7	148.2	144.5	122.9	122.8	1.0568	1.4453	2.25	3.25
<b>Mar10</b>	122.1	146.7	141.5	122.3	122.3	1.0230	1.3882	2.25	3.25
<b>Apr10</b>	122.3	145.3	137.1	122.6	122.4	1.0051	1.3480	2.25	3.25
<b>May10</b>	122.7	145.6	138.9	122.8	122.8	1.0399	1.3054	2.25	3.25
<b>Jun10</b>	122.7	147.5	140.8	122.7	122.9	1.0379	1.2685	2.50	3.25
<b>Jul10</b>	123.3	149.7	149.2	123.5	123.3	1.0427	1.3358	2.75	3.25
<b>Aug10</b>	122.7	147.9	145.1	122.9	122.7	1.0414	1.3420	2.75	3.25
<b>Sep10</b>	122.6	147.9	144.2	122.8	122.6	1.0331	1.3535	3.00	3.25
<b>Oct10</b>	123.0	147.7	140.6	123.3	122.9	1.0180	1.4150	3.00	3.25
<b>Nov10</b>	122.7	147.1	137.8	123.0	122.7	1.0128	1.3813	3.00	3.25
<b>Dec10</b>	122.9	149.1	147.5	123.1	122.8	1.0077	1.3335	3.00	3.25
<b>Avg./Sum</b>	122.7	147.6	143.0	122.9	122.7	1.0301	1.3671	2.60	3.25
<b>2011</b>									
<b>Jan11</b>	123.5	149.2	151.8	123.9	123.3	0.9938	1.3285	3.00	3.25
<b>Feb11</b>	124.2	151.1	158.1	124.3	124.2	0.9876	1.3486	3.00	3.25
<b>Mar11</b>	124.5	148.5	156.4	124.8	124.3	0.9766	1.3691	3.00	3.25
<b>Apr11</b>	126.0	153.6	176.7	126.2	125.6	0.9582	1.3850	3.00	3.25
<b>May11</b>	126.1	149.3	169.1	126.5	125.8	0.9680	1.3885	3.00	3.25
<b>Jun11</b>	125.3	150.4	164.9	125.6	124.9	0.9768	1.4067	3.00	3.25
<b>Jul11</b>	125.7	152.8	170.3	125.9	125.5	0.9553	1.3636	3.00	3.25
<b>Aug11</b>	126.3	154.8	176.0	126.6	125.9	0.9828	1.4092	3.00	3.25
<b>Sep11</b>	126.0	150.2	163.1	126.4	125.7	1.0026	1.3778	3.00	3.25
<b>Oct11</b>	127.2	155.7	176.5	127.6	126.9	1.0198	1.4000	3.00	3.25
<b>Nov11</b>	126.6	153.0	163.5	126.9	126.3	1.0258	1.3895	3.00	3.25
<b>Dec11</b>	126.5	156.6	171.0	126.7	126.2	1.0238	1.3470	3.00	3.25
<b>Avg./Sum</b>	125.7	152.1	166.5	126.0	125.4	0.9893	1.3761	3.00	3.25
<b>2012</b>									
<b>Jan12</b>	127.1	157.5	173.8	127.3	126.7	1.0133	1.3068	3.00	3.25
<b>Feb12</b>	126.6	155.1	169.3	126.9	126.3	0.9965	1.3194	3.00	3.25
<b>Mar12</b>	126.6	150.5	161.5	127.0	126.3	0.9939	1.3126	3.00	3.25
<b>Apr12</b>	127.0	149.9	161.1	127.4	126.7	0.9926	1.3066	3.00	3.25
<b>May12</b>	126.6	147.9	152.3	127.0	126.2	1.0098	1.2918	3.00	3.25
<b>Jun12</b>	126.9	150.8	161.2	127.2	126.5	1.0281	1.2892	3.00	3.25
<b>Jul12</b>	126.8	151.4	160.8	127.1	126.4	1.0139	1.2445	3.00	3.25
<b>Aug12</b>	127.6	153.8	169.7	127.9	127.2	0.9921	1.2307	3.00	3.25
<b>Sep12</b>	127.8	152.6	169.3	128.1	127.5	0.9783	1.2604	3.00	3.25
<b>Oct12</b>	128.0	153.8	167.8	128.5	127.5	0.9872	1.2808	3.00	3.25
<b>Nov12</b>	127.3	153.2	156.3	127.7	126.9	0.9970	1.2801	3.00	3.25
<b>Dec12</b>	126.5	153.3	155.2	127.0	126.0	0.9896	1.2976	3.00	3.25
<b>Avg./Sum</b>	127.1	152.5	163.2	127.4	126.7	0.9994	1.2850	3.00	3.25
<b>2013</b>									
<b>Jan13</b>	126.5	154.4	151.8	126.8	126.3	0.9921	1.3200	3.00	3.25
<b>Feb13</b>	127.7	153.9	161.3	128	127.5	1.0098	1.3476	3.00	3.25
<b>Mar13</b>	128.1	153.7	161.2	128.3	127.9	1.0247	1.3280	3.00	3.25
<b>Apr13</b>									
<b>May13</b>									
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<b>Avg./Sum</b>									

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