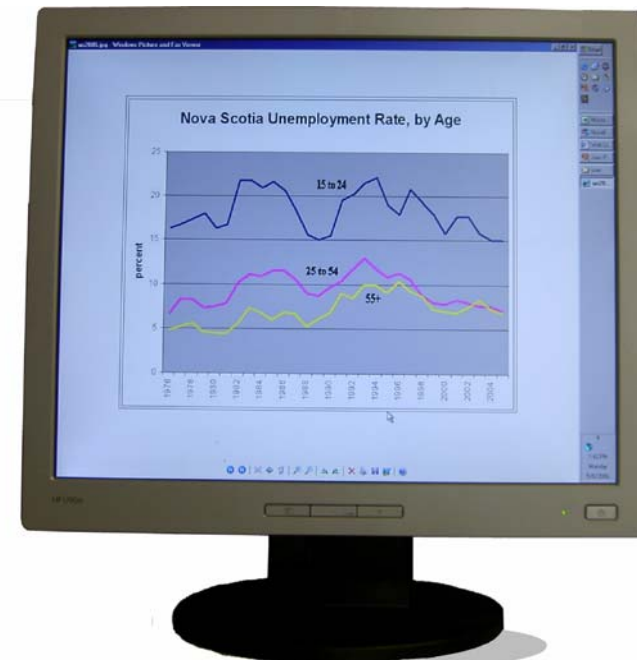


Nova Scotia/Canada Economic Indicators

April 2007
(May 17, 2007)



Notes:

- (1) Statistics Canada estimate July 1
- (2) Annual average
- a Actual
- sa Seasonally adjusted
- p Preliminary
- pa Preliminary actual
- i Intention
- ri Revised intention

Data Sources:

Population, Vital Statistics, Migration - Statistics Canada, Demographic Estimates Section, Quarterly Demographic Statistics, Catalogue No. 91-002

Labour Force - Statistics Canada, Labour Statistics Division, Labour Force Survey, monthly Catalogue No. 71-001-XIE; Labour Force Historical Review, Catalogue No. 71F0004XCB

Employment Insurance - Statistics Canada, Labour Statistics Division, Employment Insurance Statistics, monthly

Consumer Price Index - Statistics Canada, Prices Division, The Consumer Price Index, Catalogue 62-001

Income (Personal Income per Capita, Total Wages & Salaries, Average Weekly Wages) - Statistics Canada, System of National Accounts, Provincial Economic Accounts, quarterly, Catalogue No. 13-213-PPB; Estimates of Labour Income, quarterly, Catalogue No. 13F0016; Employment, Earnings & Hours, monthly, Catalogue No. 72-002

Retail/Wholesale - Statistics Canada, Retail Trade, monthly, Catalogue No. 63-005; New Motor Vehicle Sales, monthly, Catalogue No. 63-007; Wholesale Trade, monthly, Catalogue No. 63-008

Commodity Sector - Statistics Canada, Farm Cash Receipts, quarterly, Catalogue No. 21-001; Sawmills & Planing Mills, monthly, Catalogue No. 35-003; Canada's Mineral Production, annual, Catalogue No. 26-202; Natural Gas Transportation and Distribution, monthly, Catalogue No. 55-002; Electric Power Statistics, monthly, Catalogue No. 57-001; Fisheries & Oceans Canada statistics, annual monthly, Catalogue No. 57-001; Monthly Survey of Manufacturing Shipments, CANSIM Tables 304-0014 and 304-0015; Canadian International Merchandise Trade, monthly, Catalogue No. 65-001

Construction - Statistics Canada, Private and Public Investment in Canada, annual, Catalogue Nos. 61-205; Building Permits, monthly, Catalogue No.64-001; Canada Mortgage and Housing statistics, monthly/quarterly

Gross Domestic Product - Statistics Canada, System of National Accounts, Provincial Economic Accounts, Catalogue No. 13-213-PPB

NOVA SCOTIA ECONOMIC INDICATORS

| INDICATOR | Current Reference Period | MONTHLY/QUARTERLY/YEAR-TO-DATE STATISTICS | | | | | ANNUAL STATISTICS | | | | |
|---------------------------|--------------------------|---|------------|---------|----------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------|-------------|-------------|-----------|-----------|
| | | % Change | | | | | Year-over-Year % Change | | | | |
| | | Reference Period | | | | | | | | | |
| | | 2 Years Ago | 1 Year Ago | Current | 1 Year Ago/ 2 Years Ago | Current/ 1 Year Ago | 2004 | 2005 | 2006 | 2005/2004 | 2006/2005 |
| POPULATION | Jan 1/2007 | 937,782 | 935,347 | 933,793 | (0.3) | (0.2) | 937,993 (1) | 936,130 (1) | 934,405 (1) | (0.2) | (0.2) |
| VITAL STATISTICS | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Births | Oct-Dec/2006 | 2,121 | 2,101 | 2,064 | (0.9) | (1.8) | 8,734 | 8,662 | 8,542 | (0.8) | (1.4) |
| Deaths | Oct-Dec/2006 | 2,130 | 2,167 | 2,204 | 1.7 | 1.7 | 8,225 | 8,378 | 8,524 | 1.9 | 1.7 |
| Marriages | Oct-Dec/2006 | 862 | 856 | 851 | (0.7) | (0.6) | 4,729 | 4,696 | 4,660 | (0.7) | (0.8) |
| MIGRATION | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Total Net Migration | Oct-Dec/2006 | (857) | (953) | (239) | -- | -- | (211) | (2,719) | (1,572) | -- | -- |
| Net Interprovincial | Oct-Dec/2006 | (637) | (988) | 548 | -- | -- | (1,594) | (4,081) | (3,564) | -- | -- |
| Net International | Oct-Dec/2006 | (220) | 35 | 309 | (115.9) | 782.9 | 1,383 | 1,362 | 1,992 | (1.5) | 46.3 |
| Immigration | Oct-Dec/2006 | 372 | 459 | 638 | 23.4 | 39.0 | 1,770 | 1,929 | 2,584 | 9.0 | 34.0 |
| Emigration | Oct-Dec/2006 | 592 | 424 | 329 | (28.4) | (22.4) | 387 | 567 | 592 | 46.5 | 4.4 |
| LABOUR FORCE | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Seasonally Adjusted | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Total Labour Force ('000) | Apr/2007 | 484.7 | 484.9 | 490.3 | 0.0 | 1.1 | 485.0 | 483.9 | 480.0 | (0.2) | (0.8) |
| Employed ('000) | Apr/2007 | 443.7 | 445.9 | 450.9 | 0.5 | 1.1 | 442.2 | 443.1 | 441.8 | 0.2 | (0.3) |
| Goods Industries ('000) | Apr/2007 | 92.3 | 85.4 | 90.3 | (7.5) | 5.7 | 93.7 | 91.2 | 85.7 | (2.7) | (6.0) |
| Service Industries ('000) | Apr/2007 | 351.4 | 360.4 | 360.6 | 2.6 | 0.1 | 348.5 | 351.9 | 356.2 | 1.0 | 1.2 |
| Unemployment ('000) | Apr/2007 | 41.0 | 39.0 | 39.4 | (4.9) | 1.0 | 42.8 | 40.8 | 38.1 | (4.7) | (6.6) |
| Unemployment Rate (%) | Apr/2007 | 8.5 | 8.0 | 8.0 | -- | -- | 8.8 | 8.4 | 7.9 | -- | -- |
| Participation Rate (%) | Apr/2007 | 63.8 | 63.6 | 64.2 | -- | -- | 64.1 | 63.6 | 62.9 | -- | -- |
| Actual | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Employed ('000) | Apr/2007 | 434.3 | 436.4 | 442.5 | 0.5 | 1.4 | 442.2 | 443.1 | 441.8 | 0.2 | (0.3) |
| Unemployment Rate (%) | Apr/2007 | 9.2 | 8.8 | 8.9 | -- | -- | 8.8 | 8.4 | 7.9 | -- | -- |

NOVA SCOTIA ECONOMIC INDICATORS

| INDICATOR | Current Reference Period | MONTHLY/QUARTERLY/YEAR-TO-DATE STATISTICS | | | | | ANNUAL STATISTICS | | | | |
|---|--------------------------|---|------------|----------|-------------------------|---------------------|-------------------------|------------|----------------------|-----------|-----------|
| | | % Change | | | | | Year-over-Year % Change | | | | |
| | | <u>Reference Period</u> | | | | | | | | | |
| | | 2 Years Ago | 1 Year Ago | Current | 1 Year Ago/ 2 Years Ago | Current/ 1 Year Ago | 2004 | 2005 | 2006 | 2005/2004 | 2006/2005 |
| EMPLOYMENT INSURANCE BENEFITS (EI) | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Total Beneficiaries (#) | Feb/2007 | 52,400 | 51,390 | 48,810 | (1.9) | (5.0) | 40,941 (2) | 40,804 (2) | 40,180 ^P | (0.3) | (1.5) |
| Total Benefits Paid (\$'000) | Feb/2007 | 68,155 | 69,642 | 66,767 | 2.2 | (4.1) | 678,533 | 692,344 | 723,506 ^P | 2.0 | 4.5 |
| CONSUMER PRICE INDEX (1992=100) | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Nova Scotia | | | | | | | | | | | |
| All-Items | Apr/2007 | 128.9 | 132.9 | 134.7 | 3.1 | 1.4 | 126.1 | 129.6 | 132.3 | 2.8 | 2.1 |
| Food | Apr/2007 | 129.1 | 131.0 | 137.4 | 1.5 | 4.9 | 125.3 | 129.2 | 132.9 | 3.1 | 2.9 |
| Shelter | Apr/2007 | 129.4 | 135.8 | 135.9 | 4.9 | 0.1 | 125.4 | 130.9 | 135.3 | 4.4 | 3.4 |
| INCOME | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Personal Income Per Capita (\$) | 2006 | 26,904 | 28,075 | 29,241 | 4.4 | 4.2 | 26,904 | 28,075 | 29,241 | 4.4 | 4.2 |
| Total Wages & Salaries (\$ millions) | Jan-Dec/2006 | 13,250.1 | 13,847.8 | 14,418.0 | 4.5 | 4.1 | 13,250.1 | 13,847.8 | 14,418.0 | 4.5 | 4.1 |
| Average Weekly Wages & Salaries (\$) | Feb/2007 | 642.46 | 653.31 | 671.45 | 1.7 | 2.8 | 624.33 | 645.75 | 659.02 ^P | 3.4 | 2.1 |
| RETAIL/WHOLESALE TRADE* | | | | | | | | | | | |
| All Retail Outlets s.a. (\$ millions) | Jan-Feb/2007 | 1,721.4 | 1,809.4 | 1,922.5 | 5.1 | 6.3 | 10,296.5 | 10,596.1 | 11,273.2 | 2.9 | 6.4 |
| New Motor Vehicle Sales (\$ millions) | Jan-Mar/2007 | 254.7 | 288.5 | 268.0 | 13.3 | (7.1) | 1,282.2 | 1,383.1 | 1,347.5 | 7.9 | (2.6) |
| Wholesale Trade s.a. (\$millions) | Jan-Mar/2007 | 1,512.9 | 1,572.5 | 1,731.9 | 3.9 | 10.1 | 6,266.7 | 6,241.8 | 6,476.2 | (0.4) | 3.8 |

* Statistics Canada terminated department store sales data due to confidentiality constraints.

NOVA SCOTIA ECONOMIC INDICATORS

| INDICATOR | Current Reference Period | MONTHLY/QUARTERLY/YEAR-TO-DATE STATISTICS | | | | | ANNUAL STATISTICS | | | | | | |
|---|--------------------------|---|-------------|----------|------------------|--------|-------------------------|----------|----------|-----------|-----------|--------|-------|
| | | % Change | | | | | Year-over-Year % Change | | | | | | |
| | | 2 Years Ago | 1 Year Ago | Current | Reference Period | | 2004 | 2005 | 2006 | 2005/2004 | 2006/2005 | | |
| | | | 1 Year Ago/ | Current/ | | | | | | | | | |
| COMMODITY SECTORS | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Farm Cash Receipts (\$ millions) | Jan-Dec/2006 | 452.3 | 460.3 | 450.4 | 1.8 | (2.2) | 452.3 | 460.3 | 450.3 | 1.8 | (2.2) | | |
| Fish Landings (\$ millions) | Jan-Dec/2005 | 847.2 | 742.8 | 731.7 | p | (12.3) | (1.5) | 742.8 | 731.7 | -- | (1.5) | -- | |
| Lumber Production (000m3) | Jan-Feb/2007 | 252.2 | 212.2 | 219.3 | | (15.9) | 3.3 | 1,750.7 | 1,556.7 | 1,400.7 | (11.1) | (10.0) | |
| Mineral Production ⁽¹⁾ (\$ millions) | 2005 | 263.2 | 285.6 | 286.1 | p | 8.5 | 0.2 | 285.6 | 286.1 | p | -- | 0.2 | -- |
| Marketable Gas Receipts (million m3) | Jan-Dec/2006 | 4,174.1 | 3,945.8 | 3,539.4 | | (5.5) | (10.3) | 4,174.1 | 3,945.8 | 3,539.4 | (5.5) | (10.3) | |
| Power Generation (GW.h) | Jan-Feb/2007 | 2,313.8 | 2,112.6 | 2,328.0 | | (8.7) | 10.2 | 12,587.4 | 12,371.7 | 11,340.8 | (1.7) | (8.3) | |
| Manufacturing Shipments (\$ millions) | Jan-Mar/2007 | 2,278.4 | 2,222.4 | 2,243.4 | | (2.5) | 0.9 | 9,751.3 | 9,898.7 | 9,416.0 | 1.5 | (4.9) | |
| Foreign Exports (\$ millions) | Jan-Mar/2007 | 1,203.9 | 1,173.9 | 1,276.5 | | (2.5) | 8.7 | 5,479.4 | 5,666.1 | 4,985.1 | 3.4 | (12.0) | |
| Foreign Imports (\$ millions) | Jan-Mar/2007 | 1,739.7 | 1,627.1 | 2,056.8 | | (6.5) | 26.4 | 6,377.3 | 6,991.7 | 7,491.3 | 9.6 | 7.1 | |
| CONSTRUCTION | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Capital Construction | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Expenditures (\$ millions) | 2007 | 3,636.6 | 3,998.2 | 3,937.7 | pa | 9.9 | (1.5) | 3,662.0 | 3,636.6 | 3,998.2 | i | (0.7) | 9.9 |
| Building Permits (\$ millions) | Jan-Mar/2007 | 156.2 | 233.0 | 155.2 | p | 49.2 | (33.4) | 1,125.8 | 1,188.0 | 1,291.4 | | 5.5 | 8.7 |
| Housing Starts Centres 10,000+ | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Starts (units) | Jan-Mar/2007 | 292 | 578 | 528 | | 97.9 | (8.7) | 3,313 | 3,258 | 3,328 | | (1.7) | 2.1 |
| Completions (units) | Jan-Mar/2007 | 511 | 550 | 477 | | 7.6 | (13.3) | 3,526 | 2,991 | 2,856 | | (15.2) | (4.5) |
| All Areas | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Starts (units) | Jan-Mar/2007 | 430 | 777 | 670 | | 80.7 | (13.8) | 4,717 | 4,775 | 4,896 | | 1.2 | 2.5 |
| Completions (units) | Jan-Mar/2007 | 1,032 | 1,050 | 844 | | 1.7 | (19.6) | 4,896 | 4,456 | 4,455 | | (9.0) | (0.0) |
| Under Construction (units) | Mar 31/2007 | 2,050 | 2,629 | 3,126 | | 28.2 | 18.9 | 2,653 | 2,902 | 3,319 | | 9.4 | 14.4 |
| GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Real GDP (chained '97 \$ millions) | 2006 | 25,131 | 25,534 | 25,814 | | 1.6 | 1.1 | 25,131 | 25,534 | 25,814 | | 1.6 | 1.1 |

⁽¹⁾ Excludes oil and gas.

CANADA ECONOMIC INDICATORS

| INDICATOR | Current Reference Period | MONTHLY/QUARTERLY/YEAR-TO-DATE STATISTICS | | | | | ANNUAL STATISTICS | | | | |
|---------------------------|--------------------------|---|------------|------------|----------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------|----------------|----------------|-----------|-----------|
| | | % Change | | | | | Year-over-Year % Change | | | | |
| | | Reference Period | | | | | | | | | |
| | | 2 Years Ago | 1 Year Ago | Current | 1 Year Ago/ 2 Years Ago | Current/ 1 Year Ago | 2004 | 2005 | 2006 | 2005/2004 | 2006/2005 |
| POPULATION | Jan 1/2007 | 32,128,983 | 32,448,358 | 32,777,304 | 1.0 | 1.0 | 31,989,454 (1) | 32,299,496 (1) | 32,623,490 (1) | 1.0 | 1.0 |
| VITAL STATISTICS | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Births | Oct-Dec/2006 | 81,735 | 81,984 | 85,005 | 0.3 | 3.7 | 337,072 | 340,368 | 348,547 | 1.0 | 2.4 |
| Deaths | Oct-Dec/2006 | 60,202 | 60,787 | 60,169 | 1.0 | (1.0) | 231,200 | 235,329 | 235,954 | 1.8 | 0.3 |
| Marriages | Oct-Dec/2006 | 26,854 | 27,344 | 26,563 | 1.8 | (2.9) | 148,585 | 151,047 | 149,236 | 1.7 | (1.2) |
| MIGRATION | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Total Net Migration | Oct-Dec/2006 | 18,225 | 20,664 | 22,255 | 13.4 | 7.7 | 204,733 | 215,336 | 216,353 | 5.2 | 0.5 |
| Immigration | Oct-Dec/2006 | 48,092 | 55,384 | 58,278 | 15.2 | 5.2 | 235,824 | 262,239 | 251,652 | 11.2 | (4.0) |
| Emigration | Oct-Dec/2006 | 29,867 | 34,720 | 36,023 | 16.2 | 3.8 | 31,091 | 46,903 | 35,299 | 50.9 | (24.7) |
| LABOUR FORCE | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Seasonally Adjusted | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Total Labour Force ('000) | Apr/2007 | 17,279.4 | 17,532.7 | 17,890.2 | 1.5 | 2.0 | 17,182.3 | 17,342.6 | 17,592.8 | 0.9 | 1.4 |
| Employed ('000) | Apr/2007 | 16,105.6 | 16,419.0 | 16,793.2 | 1.9 | 2.3 | 15,947.0 | 16,169.7 | 16,484.3 | 1.4 | 1.9 |
| Goods Industries ('000) | Apr/2007 | 3,997.9 | 4,017.6 | 3,986.4 | 0.5 | (0.8) | 3,989.8 | 4,002.4 | 3,985.9 | 0.3 | (0.4) |
| Service Industries ('000) | Apr/2007 | 12,107.6 | 12,401.4 | 12,806.9 | 2.4 | 3.3 | 11,957.2 | 12,167.3 | 12,498.4 | 1.8 | 2.7 |
| Unemployment ('000) | Apr/2007 | 1,173.0 | 1,113.8 | 1,097.0 | (5.0) | (1.5) | 1,235.3 | 1,172.8 | 1,108.4 | (5.1) | (5.5) |
| Unemployment Rate (%) | Apr/2007 | 6.8 | 6.4 | 6.1 | -- | -- | 7.2 | 6.8 | 6.3 | -- | -- |
| Participation Rate (%) | Apr/2007 | 67.2 | 67.2 | 67.6 | -- | -- | 67.5 | 67.2 | 67.2 | -- | -- |
| Actual | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Employed ('000) | Apr/2007 | 15,886.3 | 16,195.9 | 16,575.7 | 1.9 | 2.3 | 15,947.0 | 16,169.7 | 16,484.3 | 1.4 | 1.9 |
| Unemployment Rate (%) | Apr/2007 | 7.0 | 6.6 | 6.3 | -- | -- | 7.2 | 6.8 | 6.3 | -- | -- |

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| | | % Change | | | | | Year-over-Year % Change | | | | |
| | | 2 Years Ago | 1 Year Ago | Current | 1 Year Ago/ 2 Years Ago | Current/ 1 Year Ago | 2004 | 2005 | 2006 | 2005/2004 | 2006/2005 |
| EMPLOYMENT INSURANCE BENEFITS (EI) | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Total Beneficiaries (#) | Feb/2007 | 982,990 | 952,210 | 895,150 ^p | (3.1) | (6.0) | 826,525 ⁽²⁾ | 804,841 ⁽²⁾ | 761,747 ^p | (2.6) | (5.4) |
| Total Benefits Paid (\$'000) | Feb/2007 | 1,425,681 | 1,416,456 | 1,420,916 | (0.6) | 0.3 | 14,970,341 | 14,692,519 | 14,499,004 | (1.9) | (1.3) |
| CONSUMER PRICE INDEX (1992=100) | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Canada | | | | | | | | | | | |
| All-Items | Apr/2007 | 126.9 | 130.0 | 132.8 | 2.4 | 2.2 | 124.6 | 127.3 | 129.9 | 2.2 | 2.0 |
| Food | Apr/2007 | 128.3 | 130.0 | 135.0 | 1.3 | 3.8 | 124.9 | 128.0 | 131.0 | 2.5 | 2.3 |
| Shelter | Apr/2007 | 123.4 | 127.7 | 132.2 | 3.5 | 3.5 | 120.5 | 124.2 | 128.7 | 3.1 | 3.6 |
| INCOME | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Personal Income Per Capita (\$) | 2006 | 30,605 | 31,819 | 33,345 | 4.0 | 4.8 | 30,605 | 31,819 | 33,345 | 4.0 | -- |
| Total Wages & Salaries (\$ millions) | Jan-Dec/2006 | 568,519.5 | 600,112.5 | 635,789.0 | 5.6 | 5.9 | 568,519.5 | 600,112.5 | 635,789.0 | 5.6 | 5.9 |
| Average Weekly Wages & Salaries (\$) | Feb/2007 | 711.93 | 741.20 | 764.89 | 4.1 | 3.2 | 702.87 | 725.51 | 747.08 ^p | 3.2 | 3.0 |
| RETAIL/WHOLESALE TRADE* | | | | | | | | | | | |
| All Retail Outlets s.a. (\$ millions) | Jan-Feb/2007 | 59,976.5 | 63,491.1 | 66,602.2 | 5.9 | 4.9 | 346,721.5 | 367,828.5 | 391,315.0 | 6.1 | 6.4 |
| New Motor Vehicle Sales (\$ millions) | Jan-Mar/2007 | 10,919.3 | 11,400.2 | 11,517.1 | 4.4 | 1.0 | 49,639.2 | 52,511.6 | 54,337.9 | 5.8 | 3.5 |
| Wholesale Trade s.a. (\$millions) | Jan-Mar/2007 | 113,551.6 | 122,641.2 | 130,124.4 | 8.0 | 6.1 | 446,210.0 | 470,350.0 | 501,001.0 | 5.4 | 6.5 |

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|---|--------------------------|---|--------------|-------------|------------------|--------|-------------------------|--------------|-------------|-----------|-----------|
| | | % Change | | | | | Year-over-Year % Change | | | | |
| | | 2 Years Ago | 1 Year Ago | Current | Reference Period | | 2004 | 2005 | 2006 | 2005/2004 | 2006/2005 |
| | | | 1 Year Ago/ | Current/ | | | | | | | |
| COMMODITY SECTORS | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Farm Cash Receipts (\$ millions) | Jan-Dec/2006 | 36,458.4 | 36,757.7 | 36,954.2 | 0.8 | 0.5 | 36,458.4 | 36,757.7 | 36,954.2 | 0.8 | 0.5 |
| Fish Landings (\$ millions) | Jan-Dec/2005 | 2,264.5 | 2,256.6 | 2,076.8 p | (0.3) | (8.0) | 2,256.6 | 2,076.8 p | -- | (8.0) | -- |
| Lumber Production (000m3) | Jan-Feb/2007 | 13,990.6 | 14,151.1 | 12,760.4 | 1.1 | (9.8) | 84,589.6 | 82,888.9 | 80,870.4 | (2.0) | (2.4) |
| Mineral Production ⁽¹⁾ (\$ millions) | 2005 | 20,077.2 | 24,302.7 | 26,357.0 | 21.0 | 8.5 | 24,302.7 | 26,357.0 | -- | 8.5 | -- |
| Marketable Gas Receipts (million m3) | Jan-Dec/2006 | 167,425.7 | 170,659.9 | 171,589.4 | 1.9 | 0.5 | 167,425.7 | 170,659.9 | 171,589.4 | 1.9 | 0.5 |
| Power Generation (GW.h) | Jan-Feb/2007 | 109,598.2 | 109,096.8 | 113,070.4 | (0.5) | 3.6 | 577,466.9 | 597,248.2 | 585,074.9 | 3.4 | (2.0) |
| Manufacturing Shipments (\$ millions) | Jan-Mar/2007 | 141,968.9 | 144,636.5 | 144,007.5 | 1.9 | (0.4) | 586,105.8 | 591,086.0 | 587,642.6 | 0.8 | (0.6) |
| Foreign Exports (\$ millions) | Jan-Mar/2007 | 95,736.9 | 103,247.2 | 108,225.9 | 7.8 | 4.8 | 385,522.5 | 408,420.7 | 411,282.4 | 5.9 | 0.7 |
| Foreign Imports (\$ millions) | Jan-Mar/2007 | 85,967.2 | 90,633.5 | 101,396.0 | 5.4 | 11.9 | 355,799.2 | 380,809.5 | 396,530.8 | 7.0 | 4.1 |
| CONSTRUCTION | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Capital Construction | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Expenditures (\$ millions) | 2007 | 171,964.8 | 193,276.3 pa | 202,392.2 i | 12.4 | 4.7 | 154,125.2 | 171,964.8 pε | 193,276.3 i | 11.6 | 12.4 |
| Building Permits (\$ millions) | Jan-Mar/2007 | 11,529.5 | 12,780.7 | 14,841.7 p | 10.9 | 16.1 | 55,578.6 | 60,750.7 | 66,265.8 p | 9.3 | 9.1 |
| Housing Starts Centres 10,000+ | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Starts (units) | Jan-Mar/2007 | 33,356 | 39,735 | 35,636 | 19.1 | (10.3) | 204,392 | 193,470 | 195,030 | (5.3) | 0.8 |
| Completions (units) | Jan-Mar/2007 | 41,421 | 41,651 | 39,616 | 0.6 | (4.9) | 188,345 | 184,406 | 183,778 | (2.1) | (0.3) |
| All Areas | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Starts (units) | Jan-Mar/2007 | 37,084 | 43,917 | 40,716 | 18.4 | (7.3) | 233,431 | 225,481 | 227,395 | (3.4) | 0.8 |
| Completions (units) | Jan-Mar/2007 | 47,053 | 49,321 | 46,516 | 4.8 | (5.7) | 215,621 | 211,242 | 215,947 | (2.0) | 2.2 |
| Under Construction (units) | Mar 31/2007 | 144,844 | 161,854 | 172,460 | 11.7 | 6.6 | 155,230 | 169,880 | 178,721 | 9.4 | 5.2 |
| GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Real GDP (chained '97 \$ millions) | 2006 | 1,124,688 | 1,157,705 | 1,189,535 | 2.9 | 2.7 | 1,124,688 | 1,157,705 | 1,189,535 | 2.9 | 2.7 |

⁽¹⁾ Excludes oil and gas.