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Highlights

On a year-over-year basis, **commercial foodservice sales in Canada** advanced by 4.9% in July, following a solid 6.4% increase in June. Adjusted for menu inflation of 4.4%, real sales increased by a tepid 0.5% in July compared to 2.1% growth in June.

Full-service restaurants led all segments with a 5.6% increase in sales. Spending at full-service restaurants was driven by robust gains on Prince Edward Island and in British Columbia, Quebec and Manitoba.

Sales at **quick-service restaurants** grew by 5.2% in July. However, menu prices were 6% higher in July 2018 compared to July 2017. Adjusted for menu inflation, real sales at quick-service restaurants actually dipped by 0.8%.

Caterer revenues rose by a modest 1.2% in July as strong gains in Central Canada were offset by double-digit declines in Alberta, Saskatchewan and parts of Atlantic Canada.

Growth in **drinking place** sales decelerated to 1.4% in July, following two months of more impressive gains. While Quebec and New Brunswick reported strong demand, most provinces reported lower sales.

Foodservice sales in **Newfoundland and Labrador** grew by 2.5% in July – matching the 2.5% increase in July 2017. While sales at full-service restaurants advanced by a healthy 5.9%, sales at quick-service restaurants rose by a more modest 2.4%.

Commercial foodservice sales on **Prince Edward Island** jumped by 7.2% as a 13% surge in spending at full-service restaurants offset a 0.7% decline at quick-service restaurants.

Nova Scotia led the country with a 7.7% increase in foodservice sales. Spending at full- and quick-service restaurants rebounded in July, compared to flat sales in July 2017. In contrast, caterers and drinking places posted double-digit declines.

Commercial foodservice sales in **New Brunswick** improved in July with a 4.9% increase in sales. This follows a sluggish 2.5% gain in June. Growth was mixed at the sector level in July as double-digit gains at drinking places and quick-service restaurants offset declines at caterers and full-service restaurants.

Strong economic conditions propelled foodservice sales in **Quebec** by 5.9% in July, with solid gains across all segments. While foodservice spending remains healthy, labour shortages are making it difficult for restaurants to find enough staff to keep up with demand.

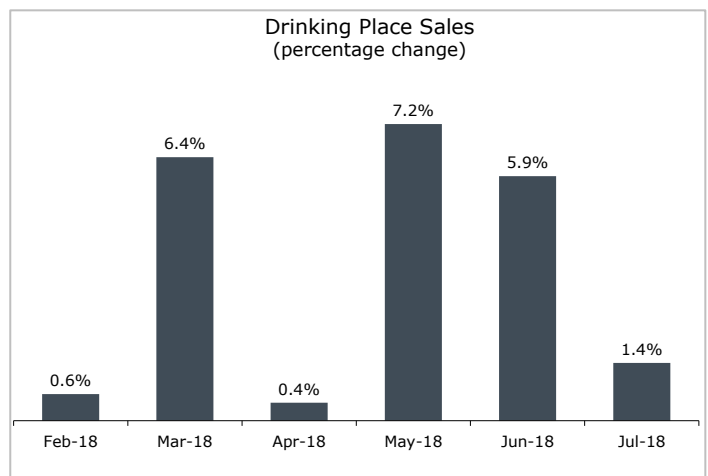
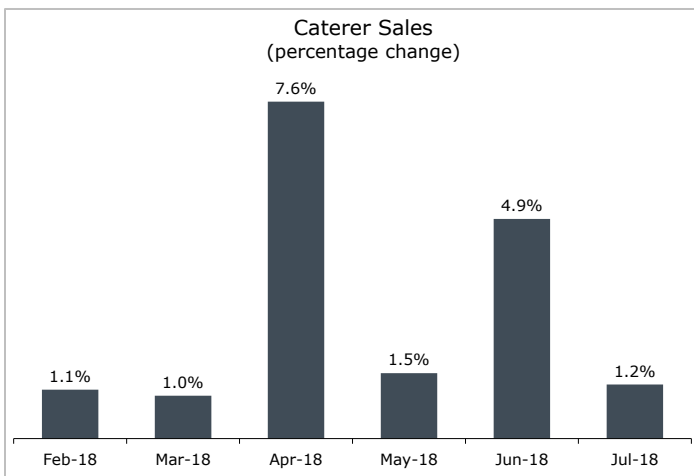
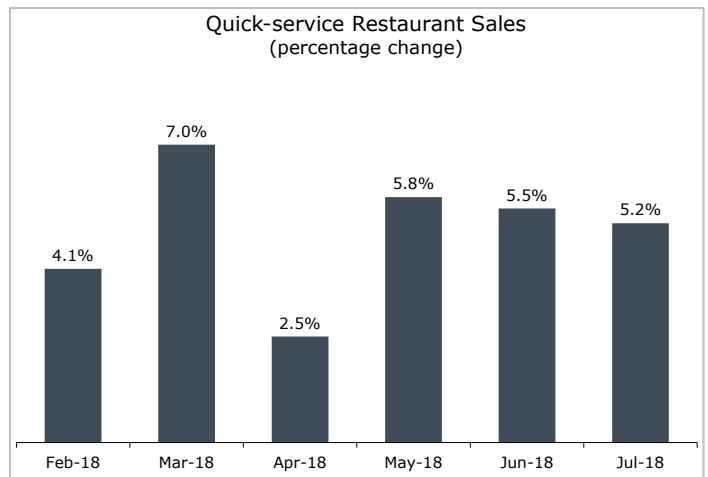
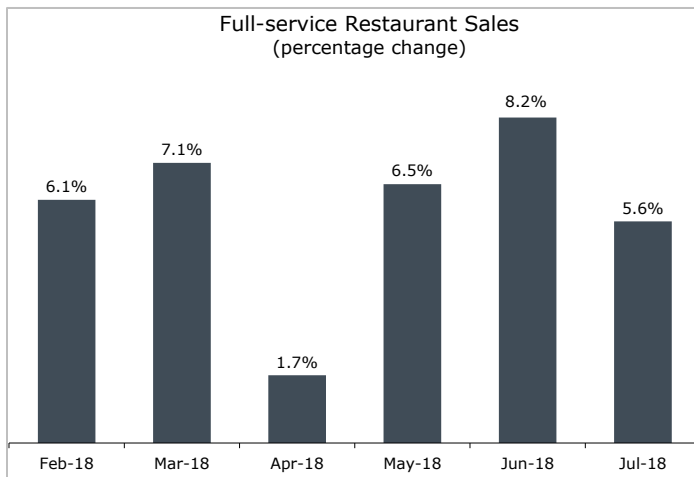
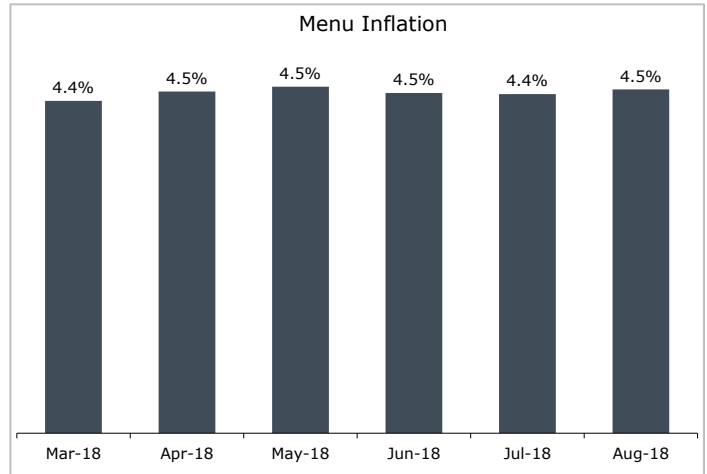
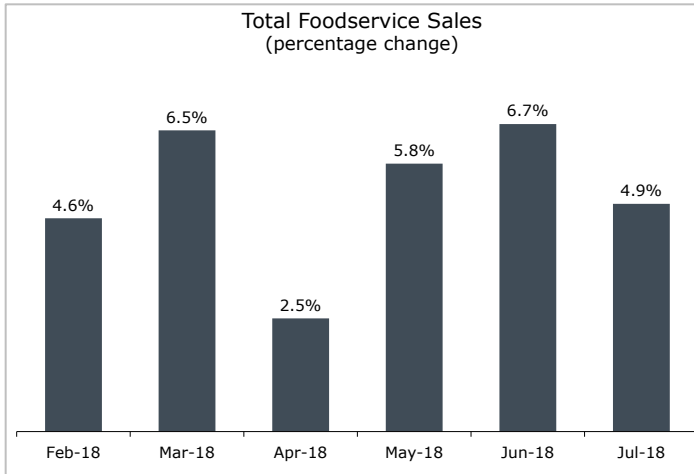
Foodservice sales in **Ontario** grew by 5.0% in July, but it was not enough to offset a 6.7% jump in menu prices. As a result, real foodservice sales fell by 1.6%. This was the largest drop in real sales across the country.

Commercial foodservice sales in **Manitoba** grew by a solid 6.4% in July. This represents the province's strongest gain in 16 months. Full-service restaurants led all segments with a robust 12.1% increase in sales.

Despite improved economic conditions, foodservice sales in **Saskatchewan** increased by a tepid 1.8% in July. This was the weakest growth in the country. Spending at restaurants remains lacklustre, while sales fell at caterers and drinking places.

Alberta's commercial foodservice industry continues to struggle. Monthly sales grew by a modest 2.2% in July 2018, compared to a 5.6% increase in July 2017. While sales at restaurants rose by more than 3%, caterer revenues tumbled by 14% due to a decrease in the number of units.

Foodservice sales in **British Columbia** jumped 5.8% in July due to strong gains at restaurants. In contrast, sales growth at caterers and drinking places were flat.



Note: All growth rates are year-over-year and based on preliminary data from Statistics Canada.

Highlights

Canada's economy improved in July due to greater economic activity in the utilities and manufacturing industries.

Consumer confidence dipped by 2.5 points in September due to growing uncertainty about a new free trade agreement and the threat of new tariffs. Now that the new USMCA free trade agreement has been reached, consumer and business confidence are expected to rebound.

On a year-over-year basis, **retail sales** decelerated to 3.6% growth in July. Quebec and Ontario led the country in retail sales growth, while sales were suddenly flat in British Columbia.

Gasoline prices were 19.9% higher in August compared to August 2017.

Net employment in Canada rebounded in September with the creation of 63,000 jobs. This follows the loss of 51,600 jobs in August.

The increase in employment lowered **Canada's unemployment rate** to 5.9%.

The impact of Hurricane Florence restrained **net employment creation in the United States** to 137,000 jobs in September. Nevertheless, the unemployment rate fell by 0.2 percentage points to 3.7%.

On a month-over-month basis, **Canada's economy** grew by 0.2% in July, following a flat reading in June. Growth was led by a 2.1% surge in utilities and a 1.2% jump in manufacturing activity. In contrast, economic activity in the retail sector decreased for the second consecutive month.

Consumer confidence in Canada slipped by 2.5 points in September to 115.3 (2014 = 100). This is the lowest level since September 2017. With the new USMCA free trade agreement, consumer and business confidence should rebound in the coming months, although this may be restrained by rising interest rates.

On a year-over-year basis, **retail sales** moderated to 3.6% growth in July. This is a marked deceleration from a 6.5% increase in retail spending in July 2017. Higher gasoline prices boosted sales at gasoline stations (+17.9%), while strong consumer demand propelled sales at electronics and appliance stores (+12.3%). In contrast, sales moderated at automobile dealers (+1.4%) and supermarkets and grocery stores (-3.1%).

At the provincial level, Quebec and Ontario led the country in **retail sales** growth with year-over-year growth of 5.3% and 4.7% respectively in June. In contrast, sales were relatively flat in British Columbia (+0.4%) following several years of strong gains.

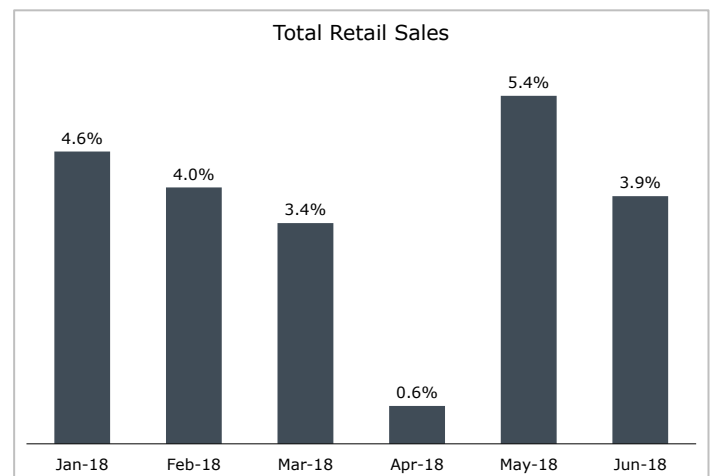
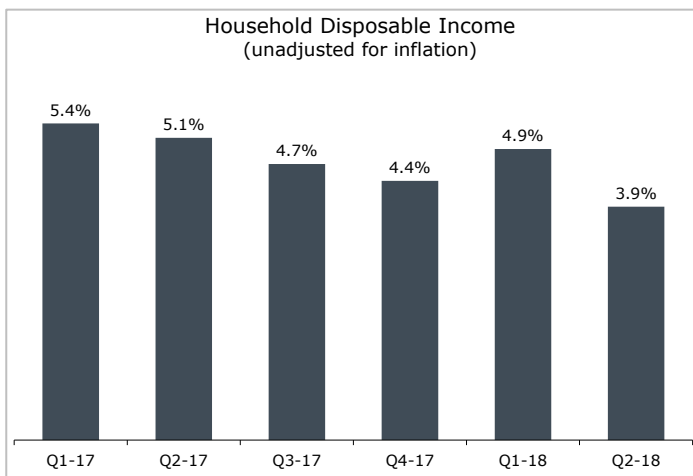
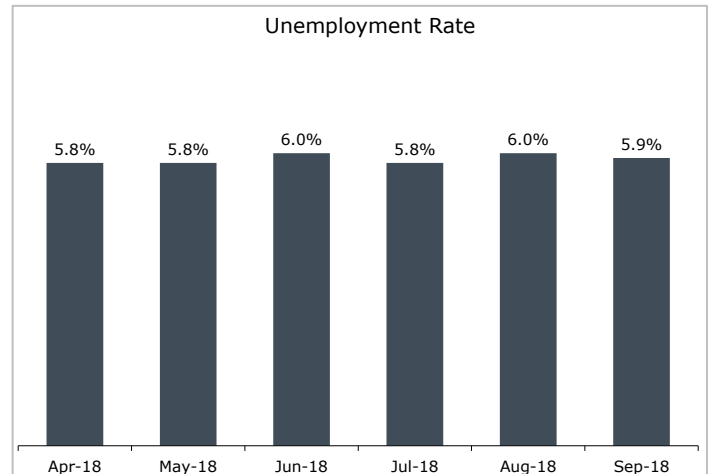
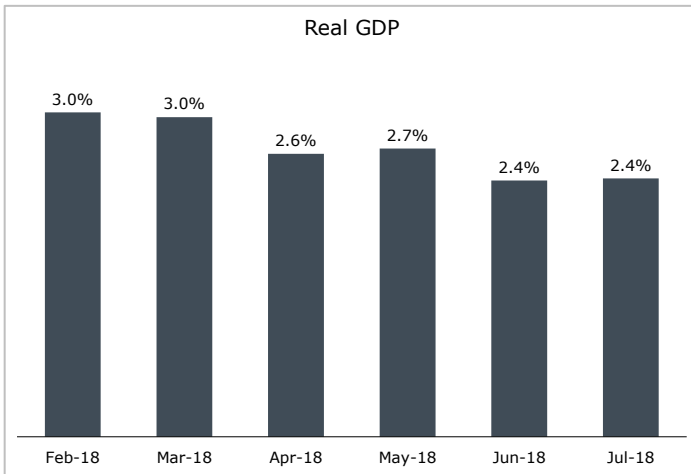
On a year-over-year basis, Canada's **inflation rate** was 2.8% in August compared to 3.0% in July. Gasoline prices were 19.9% higher in August compared to August 2017. This is down slightly from a 25.4% increase in July.

Food prices at grocery stores rose just 0.3% in August compared to a year ago.

After a decline of 51,600 jobs in August, **net employment in Canada** jumped by 63,000 jobs in September. Most of the increase was due to a rebound in part-time employment.

The increase in employment lowered the **unemployment rate** by 0.1 percentage points to 5.9%.

Net employment in the **United States** rose by 137,000 jobs in September, as the impact of Hurricane Florence affected employment in parts of Eastern United States. The increase in employment lowered the unemployment rate to 3.7% – its lowest level since 1969.



Source: Statistics Canada and Conference Board of Canada

Note: GDP, disposable income and retail sales are year-over-year changes. The unemployment rate is the actual value.

COMMERCIAL FOODSERVICE SALES

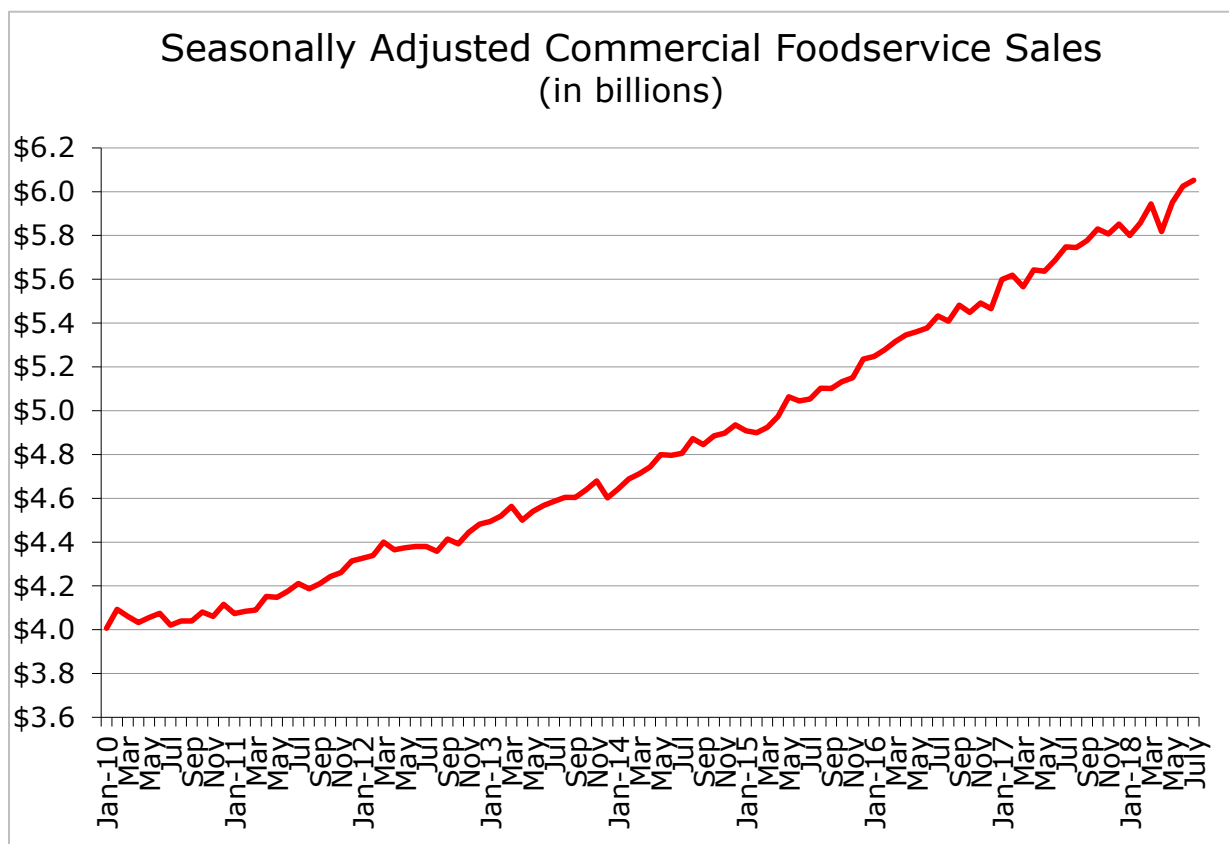
	Period	Amount	This period over year ago (%)	Year-to- date (%)	2017 over 2016(%)	2016 over 2015(%)
NOMINAL GROWTH						
Sales (in \$millions)						
Total	July	\$6,535.5	4.9%	5.0%	6.0%	6.7%
Sales by Sector (in \$millions)						
Full-service Restaurants	July	\$2,957.9	5.6%	5.6%	6.9%	7.3%
Quick-service Restaurants	July	\$2,907.7	5.2%	5.0%	5.6%	7.0%
Social & Contract Caterers	July	\$453.6	1.2%	2.9%	4.8%	3.3%
Drinking Places	July	\$216.2	1.4%	2.6%	1.6%	3.6%
Sales by Province (in \$millions)						
Newfoundland and Labrador	July	\$83.2	2.5%	0.1%	0.6%	-0.2%
Prince Edward Island	July	\$34.1	7.2%	6.6%	6.0%	7.0%
Nova Scotia	July	\$160.7	7.7%	5.2%	3.5%	7.6%
New Brunswick	July	\$117.8	4.9%	2.6%	2.4%	6.8%
Quebec	July	\$1,278.7	5.9%	5.0%	7.1%	8.4%
Ontario	July	\$2,529.4	5.0%	6.0%	5.9%	7.6%
Manitoba	July	\$188.2	6.4%	2.6%	5.0%	8.0%
Saskatchewan	July	\$164.3	1.8%	1.8%	2.2%	1.5%
Alberta	July	\$831.8	2.2%	1.7%	4.0%	0.1%
British Columbia	July	\$1,126.7	5.8%	7.2%	8.4%	9.9%
REAL GROWTH						
Sales (in 2002 \$ millions)						
Total	July	\$4,274.4	0.5%	0.7%	3.3%	4.0%
Sales by Sector (in \$millions)						
Full-service Restaurants	July	\$1,919.5	1.7%	1.6%	4.1%	4.4%
Quick-service Restaurants	July	\$1,934.6	-0.8%	-0.1%	3.3%	4.7%
Social & Contract Caterers	July	\$296.7	-3.1%	-1.3%	2.1%	0.7%
Drinking Places	July	\$141.4	-2.9%	-1.7%	-1.0%	1.0%
Sales by Province (in \$millions)						
Newfoundland and Labrador	July	\$51.2	-1.1%	-3.2%	-2.5%	-3.5%
Prince Edward Island	July	\$23.2	5.0%	4.8%	3.1%	4.3%
Nova Scotia	July	\$102.4	5.5%	3.0%	1.2%	4.6%
New Brunswick	July	\$76.6	1.6%	-0.4%	-0.5%	3.7%
Quebec	July	\$830.3	2.9%	2.3%	4.5%	6.2%
Ontario	July	\$1,643.5	-1.6%	-0.6%	3.2%	4.8%
Manitoba	July	\$122.7	4.0%	0.8%	3.9%	5.3%
Saskatchewan	July	\$101.6	-0.3%	-0.7%	0.6%	-0.2%
Alberta	July	\$540.8	-1.4%	-1.6%	1.5%	-3.1%
British Columbia	July	\$782.5	2.2%	3.8%	5.7%	7.1%

Source: Statistics Canada

SEASONALLY ADJUSTED FOODSERVICE SALES

	Period	Amount	Month-over-month change			
			July	June	May	April
NOMINAL GROWTH						
Sales (in \$ millions)						
Total	July	\$6,052.2	0.4%	1.2%	2.3%	-2.1%
Sales by Sector (in \$ millions)						
Full-service Restaurants	July	\$2,687.9	0.2%	1.9%	2.6%	-2.5%
Quick-service Restaurants	July	\$2,676.4	0.6%	0.7%	2.5%	-2.9%
Social & Contract Caterers	July	\$475.7	1.0%	1.2%	0.4%	2.4%
Drinking Places	July	\$212.2	0.7%	-0.4%	0.9%	2.4%
Sales by Province (in \$ millions)						
Newfoundland and Labrador	July	\$74.4	1.8%	0.9%	3.3%	-2.5%
Prince Edward Island	July	\$23.1	1.0%	1.6%	-0.2%	0.7%
Nova Scotia	July	\$143.0	2.4%	0.9%	-1.4%	1.0%
New Brunswick	July	\$103.2	2.6%	-0.9%	3.1%	-2.0%
Quebec	July	\$1,143.3	1.9%	0.8%	3.0%	-2.6%
Ontario	July	\$2,394.4	-0.8%	2.1%	2.2%	-2.9%
Manitoba	July	\$180.3	3.4%	-0.1%	1.8%	-0.2%
Saskatchewan	July	\$158.7	-0.4%	-1.7%	0.8%	1.3%
Alberta	July	\$798.9	0.8%	1.7%	1.1%	-0.5%
British Columbia	July	\$1,015.1	0.6%	0.4%	3.4%	-2.2%

Source: Statistics Canada



MENU INFLATION (2002=100)

	Period	Amount	This period over year ago (%)	Year-to- date (%)	2017 over 2016(%)	2016 over 2015(%)
By Sector						
Menu Inflation – Total	July	152.9	4.4%	4.3%	2.6%	2.6%
Menu Inflation – Full Service	July	154.1	3.8%	4.0%	2.7%	2.7%
Menu Inflation – Quick Service	July	150.3	6.0%	5.1%	2.2%	2.3%
Menu Inflation – Cafeterias	July	152.9	4.4%	4.2%	2.6%	2.6%
By Province						
Newfoundland	July	162.4	3.6%	3.4%	3.1%	3.3%
Prince Edward Island	July	146.8	2.2%	1.8%	2.9%	2.6%
Nova Scotia	July	156.9	2.1%	2.1%	2.3%	3.0%
New Brunswick	July	153.7	3.2%	3.0%	2.9%	3.0%
Quebec	July	154.0	2.9%	2.6%	2.5%	2.0%
Ontario	July	153.9	6.7%	6.6%	2.6%	2.7%
Manitoba	July	153.4	2.3%	1.7%	1.0%	2.6%
Saskatchewan	July	161.8	2.1%	4.8%	1.7%	1.7%
Alberta	July	153.8	3.6%	3.3%	2.5%	3.3%
British Columbia	July	144.0	3.6%	3.2%	2.5%	2.6%

THE ECONOMY (seasonally adjusted)

	Period	Amount	This period over year ago (%)	Year-to- date (%)	2017 over 2016(%)	2016 over 2015(%)
General Indicators						
Real GDP (2002 \$billion)	July	\$1,789.0	2.4%	2.7%	3.3%	1.4%
Consumer Price Index (2002=100)	July	134.3	3.0%	2.3%	1.6%	1.4%
Number of Employed ('000's)	July	18,682.1	1.3%	1.4%	1.9%	0.7%
Unemployment Rate ¹	July	5.8%	6.5%	5.9%	6.3%	7.0%
Prime Rate ¹	July	3.70%	2.95%	3.45%	2.90%	2.70%
Disposable Income (\$billion)	Q2'18	\$1,248.2	3.9%	4.4%	4.6%	2.2%
Other (in \$ millions)						
Supermarkets and Grocery Stores	July	\$7,922.1	-2.0%	-0.2%	3.1%	2.0%
Total Retail Sales	July	\$52,833.0	3.6%	3.7%	7.1%	5.2%
Commercial Foodservice Employment²						
Number of Employed ('000's)	July	1,136.7	0.8%	1.5%	2.6%	3.2%
Average Weekly Hours	July	22.0	-3.1%	-0.8%	0.4%	-1.8%
Average Weekly Wage	July	\$378.22	5.9%	5.2%	3.1%	-0.6%

Source: Statistics Canada

¹ Refers to actual values

² Unadjusted for seasonal variation

Commercial Foodservice Sales Trends

year-over-year nominal change

	2017 Jul	2017 Aug	2017 Sep	2017 Oct	2017 Nov	2017 Dec	2018 Jan	2018 Feb	2018 Mar	2018 Apr	2018 May	2018 Jun	2018 Jul	2018 Year-to-date
Canada	5.3%	7.3%	6.3%	6.7%	6.4%	7.2%	4.0%	4.6%	6.5%	2.5%	5.8%	6.7%	4.9%	5.0%
Full-service Restaurants	5.3%	7.8%	7.4%	7.5%	7.7%	8.7%	3.7%	6.1%	7.1%	1.7%	6.5%	8.2%	5.6%	5.6%
Quick-service Restaurants	5.3%	6.8%	5.5%	7.3%	5.7%	6.1%	5.1%	4.1%	7.0%	2.5%	5.8%	5.5%	5.2%	5.0%
Caterers	7.4%	8.8%	5.6%	2.4%	3.9%	6.2%	3.1%	1.1%	1.0%	7.6%	1.5%	4.9%	1.2%	2.9%
Drinking Places	0.8%	3.8%	6.8%	0.6%	4.7%	2.6%	-5.2%	0.6%	6.4%	0.4%	7.2%	5.9%	1.4%	2.6%
Newfoundland and Labrador	2.5%	1.5%	2.4%	1.1%	0.8%	-1.6%	-2.0%	0.0%	-0.3%	-3.8%	1.3%	2.1%	2.5%	0.1%
Full-service Restaurants	-1.1%	1.4%	4.5%	1.2%	1.4%	0.2%	3.4%	2.4%	2.3%	-6.1%	6.6%	6.5%	5.9%	3.2%
Quick-service Restaurants	3.6%	3.7%	2.2%	3.8%	3.6%	2.6%	2.8%	4.2%	3.5%	0.7%	0.8%	0.8%	2.4%	2.1%
Caterers	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
Drinking Places	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
Prince Edward Island	3.3%	9.7%	12.4%	7.8%	3.3%	9.9%	0.5%	10.9%	7.4%	6.6%	6.2%	6.7%	7.2%	6.6%
Full-service Restaurants	2.7%	15.3%	21.9%	12.5%	3.6%	19.0%	1.8%	19.7%	10.0%	9.0%	12.0%	14.3%	13.6%	12.0%
Quick-service Restaurants	3.3%	4.7%	3.8%	4.6%	2.9%	4.1%	0.0%	5.1%	6.8%	5.2%	3.6%	0.6%	-0.7%	2.7%
Caterers	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
Drinking Places	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
Nova Scotia	1.1%	4.7%	3.1%	2.6%	3.8%	6.1%	1.0%	5.6%	7.3%	7.3%	6.1%	4.5%	7.7%	5.2%
Full-service Restaurants	0.4%	6.0%	4.0%	1.9%	2.7%	5.2%	-3.1%	2.2%	-3.7%	10.4%	2.0%	1.2%	9.0%	2.9%
Quick-service Restaurants	-0.5%	4.0%	2.3%	3.0%	4.8%	7.0%	5.4%	8.4%	9.9%	7.0%	10.9%	8.2%	10.1%	8.6%
Caterers	28.2%	0.1%	1.3%	3.1%	2.9%	8.5%	-4.6%	4.1%	-3.0%	-1.9%	0.4%	-2.8%	-15.4%	-3.0%
Drinking Places	4.1%	3.0%	5.4%	3.4%	1.9%	1.0%	-5.7%	5.2%	5.1%	-0.3%	-7.1%	3.0%	-10.1%	-1.8%
New Brunswick	0.8%	5.3%	4.3%	2.6%	4.1%	4.5%	-0.9%	2.2%	1.9%	-0.2%	6.6%	2.5%	4.9%	2.6%
Full-service Restaurants	5.6%	13.3%	6.8%	8.3%	4.5%	5.4%	-6.0%	4.3%	-0.7%	-3.4%	9.8%	-1.0%	-4.6%	-0.4%
Quick-service Restaurants	-0.1%	3.2%	3.7%	1.1%	4.6%	4.9%	3.5%	2.2%	3.7%	0.9%	4.6%	3.9%	11.1%	4.5%
Caterers	-26.3%	-27.0%	0.1%	-7.6%	-6.5%	-9.3%	-15.5%	-15.7%	-13.7%	5.9%	-7.4%	-5.6%	-16.3%	-9.8%
Drinking Places	-14.9%	-13.8%	-2.2%	-5.1%	12.1%	9.3%	-2.9%	13.4%	24.4%	6.0%	32.2%	27.6%	28.0%	18.8%

	2017 Jul	2017 Aug	2017 Sep	2017 Oct	2017 Nov	2017 Dec	2018 Jan	2018 Feb	2018 Mar	2018 Apr	2018 May	2018 Jun	2018 Jul	2018 Year-to-date
Quebec	5.8%	9.6%	6.8%	8.3%	8.3%	7.6%	3.1%	4.6%	6.9%	1.2%	6.0%	6.4%	5.9%	5.0%
Full-service Restaurants	8.0%	9.5%	8.2%	8.4%	8.0%	9.5%	4.9%	6.2%	7.7%	-1.3%	5.4%	6.3%	6.2%	5.1%
Quick-service Restaurants	4.6%	10.5%	5.4%	8.9%	7.6%	5.1%	2.7%	3.8%	6.9%	3.3%	6.6%	5.1%	5.4%	4.9%
Caterers	4.8%	17.3%	11.0%	9.8%	12.4%	8.2%	3.0%	3.9%	3.7%	7.4%	1.3%	10.6%	5.4%	5.1%
Drinking Places	-4.6%	-4.3%	-0.2%	0.8%	9.2%	5.9%	-1.1.6%	-4.1%	3.5%	1.7%	14.9%	11.6%	8.4%	4.2%
Ontario	4.5%	7.2%	5.7%	6.3%	7.1%	7.6%	5.0%	4.9%	7.6%	3.7%	7.0%	8.5%	5.0%	6.0%
Full-service Restaurants	4.2%	8.9%	7.7%	8.1%	9.8%	9.6%	4.1%	5.1%	7.0%	3.5%	8.4%	11.1%	4.5%	6.4%
Quick-service Restaurants	4.6%	5.9%	4.8%	6.4%	5.9%	5.7%	5.6%	4.6%	8.3%	1.7%	6.2%	6.7%	5.8%	5.6%
Caterers	5.7%	7.6%	2.0%	0.3%	3.1%	9.7%	7.4%	5.7%	5.0%	16.3%	5.7%	8.1%	4.8%	7.6%
Drinking Places	1.9%	0.1%	4.4%	-6.1%	-1.5%	-3.9%	0.1%	0.2%	16.4%	4.0%	4.4%	-3.6%	-4.3%	2.6%
Manitoba	5.7%	6.3%	2.4%	1.0%	2.9%	3.5%	1.7%	-1.5%	1.9%	1.1%	3.9%	3.6%	6.4%	2.6%
Full-service Restaurants	10.0%	7.2%	1.9%	0.6%	5.3%	6.0%	3.6%	-0.2%	5.7%	0.8%	2.4%	7.9%	12.1%	4.8%
Quick-service Restaurants	2.0%	4.4%	3.8%	3.1%	0.7%	2.1%	-1.4%	-3.0%	0.3%	1.6%	1.7%	-0.1%	3.1%	0.4%
Caterers	9.8%	12.1%	-4.6%	-7.2%	2.1%	-2.4%	10.0%	-0.4%	-6.2%	-1.9%	21.2%	4.1%	-1.7%	3.1%
Drinking Places	-6.5%	9.6%	25.1%	13.1%	8.2%	13.2%	-2.9%	2.6%	6.6%	12.7%	15.6%	2.9%	1.0%	5.6%
Saskatchewan	1.0%	3.2%	2.3%	4.0%	0.4%	2.7%	0.4%	0.6%	1.1%	2.9%	3.7%	2.1%	1.8%	1.8%
Full-service Restaurants	-0.5%	-1.0%	2.7%	3.5%	0.9%	1.3%	-1.2%	4.0%	3.3%	7.5%	7.0%	2.9%	3.7%	3.9%
Quick-service Restaurants	4.5%	6.1%	4.4%	7.2%	1.4%	4.7%	3.8%	-0.9%	3.5%	1.9%	4.5%	1.3%	2.4%	2.4%
Caterers	-34.1%	-15.3%	-22.6%	-21.5%	-19.8%	-12.1%	-15.2%	-13.5%	-23.6%	-14.3%	-14.5%	-3.6%	-5.1%	-13.3%
Drinking Places	21.0%	27.4%	9.9%	8.5%	11.4%	12.9%	-2.6%	4.5%	-7.5%	-1.6%	-7.3%	7.3%	-10.0%	-2.8%
Alberta	5.6%	5.4%	7.1%	4.8%	2.6%	4.7%	2.5%	-0.6%	4.0%	-0.6%	0.5%	3.5%	2.2%	1.7%
Full-service Restaurants	5.4%	6.3%	8.6%	4.1%	4.5%	5.5%	1.4%	0.1%	3.3%	-2.8%	1.1%	5.5%	3.5%	1.8%
Quick-service Restaurants	5.1%	4.9%	4.8%	5.7%	1.9%	4.6%	4.8%	0.5%	5.8%	3.6%	4.3%	4.0%	3.1%	3.8%
Caterers	10.1%	1.0%	6.1%	4.2%	-6.7%	2.4%	-1.9%	-10.6%	-3.1%	-10.3%	-24.0%	-14.2%	-14.0%	-11.4%
Drinking Places	6.2%	6.9%	19.7%	1.6%	6.5%	1.9%	-3.9%	-2.9%	1.5%	-6.5%	-4.2%	5.5%	4.2%	-0.9%
British Columbia	8.0%	8.3%	9.0%	10.8%	8.7%	10.1%	6.1%	10.8%	8.8%	3.7%	8.0%	7.7%	5.8%	7.2%
Full-service Restaurants	5.4%	6.1%	6.9%	10.5%	8.3%	10.6%	5.7%	15.5%	12.3%	4.4%	9.3%	9.3%	8.2%	9.1%
Quick-service Restaurants	10.8%	9.5%	9.8%	13.0%	9.5%	11.6%	8.7%	8.5%	7.2%	2.8%	6.0%	6.4%	4.9%	6.2%
Caterers	16.8%	14.9%	17.2%	6.0%	11.0%	4.1%	3.0%	-1.6%	-1.5%	7.7%	8.5%	4.5%	-0.5%	2.8%
Drinking Places	0.5%	11.6%	8.5%	4.0%	2.4%	2.7%	-5.6%	5.2%	5.3%	-0.3%	11.7%	7.2%	-0.3%	3.4%

Menu Inflation

	2017 Aug	2017 Sep	2017 Oct	2017 Nov	2017 Dec	2018 Jan	2018 Feb	2018 Mar	2018 Apr	2018 May	2018 Jun	2018 Jul	2018 Aug	2018 Year-to-date
Canada	2.6%	2.7%	2.9%	2.9%	2.9%	3.7%	4.0%	4.4%	4.5%	4.5%	4.5%	4.4%	4.5%	4.3%
Full-service Restaurants	2.8%	2.9%	3.0%	3.0%	3.0%	3.4%	4.1%	4.3%	4.0%	4.1%	4.0%	3.8%	3.9%	4.0%
Quick-service Restaurants	2.2%	2.1%	2.6%	2.6%	2.6%	4.4%	4.0%	4.7%	5.5%	5.7%	5.6%	6.0%	5.9%	5.2%
Cafeterias	2.7%	2.7%	2.9%	2.9%	2.9%	3.7%	4.0%	4.3%	4.4%	4.5%	4.3%	4.4%	4.4%	4.2%
Newfoundland and Labrador	1.7%	2.2%	2.5%	2.3%	2.3%	3.0%	2.4%	3.1%	3.3%	3.9%	4.2%	3.6%	2.8%	3.3%
Prince Edward Island	1.3%	3.1%	3.3%	3.7%	3.6%	3.5%	1.6%	2.6%	0.6%	0.9%	0.9%	2.2%	4.3%	2.1%
Nova Scotia	1.5%	2.2%	1.8%	2.0%	1.6%	2.2%	1.8%	2.0%	1.7%	2.4%	2.5%	2.1%	2.9%	2.2%
New Brunswick	1.8%	2.5%	3.1%	2.9%	3.0%	3.2%	2.8%	3.0%	3.1%	2.9%	2.8%	3.2%	2.7%	3.0%
Quebec	2.4%	2.2%	2.4%	2.6%	2.5%	2.7%	2.2%	2.2%	2.5%	2.7%	2.8%	2.9%	3.0%	2.6%
Ontario	3.1%	3.2%	3.4%	3.1%	3.0%	4.9%	6.6%	7.0%	7.1%	7.1%	6.8%	6.7%	6.5%	6.6%
Manitoba	0.6%	0.7%	1.0%	1.7%	1.5%	1.0%	0.9%	1.2%	2.1%	2.3%	2.3%	2.3%	2.1%	1.8%
Saskatchewan	8.7%	8.8%	8.5%	8.5%	8.4%	8.1%	8.1%	8.1%	3.0%	2.9%	2.0%	2.1%	2.1%	4.5%
Alberta	2.2%	1.5%	2.1%	2.6%	2.9%	3.2%	2.9%	3.3%	3.3%	3.5%	3.6%	3.6%	3.8%	3.4%
British Columbia	2.1%	2.5%	2.6%	2.8%	2.8%	3.1%	2.8%	3.0%	3.4%	3.5%	3.4%	3.6%	3.9%	3.3%

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