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Highlights

Canada's commercial foodservice industry rose by 4.3% in February as gains by caterers and full-service restaurants were partially offset by slower growth at quick-service restaurants and drinking places.

Sales at full-service restaurants advanced by 4.8% in February. Manitoba, Ontario and New Brunswick reported the strongest gains after struggling in January. In contrast, full-service restaurant sales in British Columbia moderated to 5.5% growth following a robust 15.5% increase in February 2018.

Consumer spending at quick-service restaurants slowed to 3.0% growth in February, the sector's slowest pace since April 2018. While most provinces experienced a slowdown in spending, quick-service restaurant sales fell by 0.8% in Alberta.

Caterers led all segments with a 9.0% surge in revenues.

After three months of solid gains, sales at drinking places moderated to 3.7% growth in February. Quebec and New Brunswick led the country with robust double-digit increases. In contrast, sales fell in most other provinces.

In March, menu inflation was 2.8% compared to 4.4% in March 2018.

Compared to flat sales in February 2018, foodservice spending in **Newfoundland and Labrador** jumped by a solid 6.3%. This is due in part to a rebound in spending at full-service restaurants.

Prince Edward Island led the country with a 7.2% increase in foodservice sales. Both quick- and full-service restaurants enjoyed solid growth in household spending.

Foodservice spending in **Nova Scotia** moderated to 2.1% growth in February compared to a 6.7% gain in January. While caterers enjoyed a 6.8% increase in revenues, sales at drinking places fell by more than 15%.

In **New Brunswick**, total commercial sales grew by a modest 3.1%. While drinking places and full-service restaurants reported strong gains, sales at quick-service restaurants were relatively flat.

While most provinces were showing signs of slower growth, commercial foodservice sales growth in **Quebec** accelerated to 6.3% in February compared to 5.6% in January. Drinking places and caterers contributed to the gains, ringing in double-digit revenue growth. Meanwhile, consumer demand at quick- and full-service restaurants showed no signs of slowing down as both segments posted healthy gains.

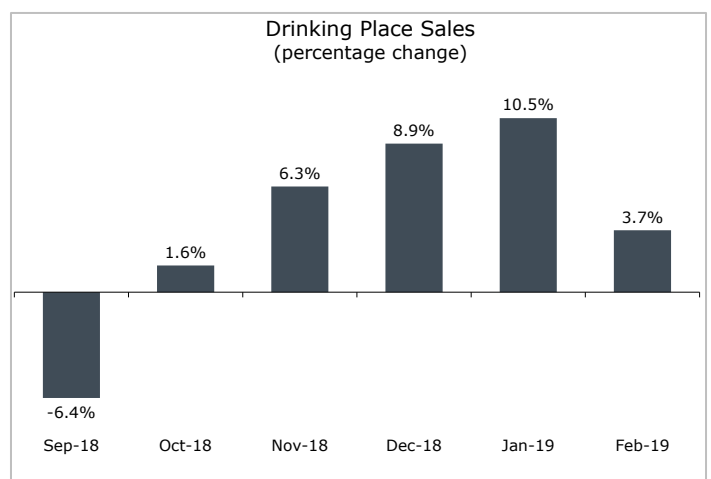
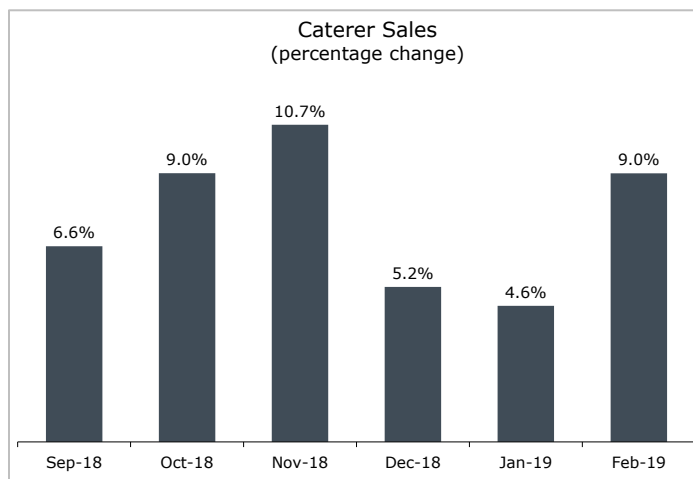
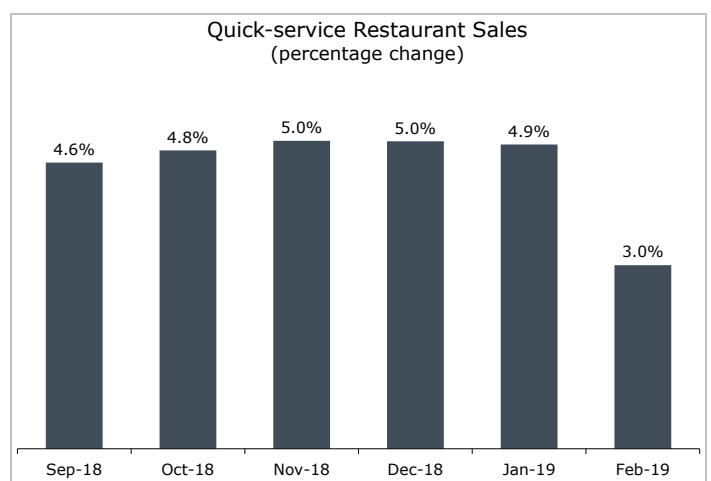
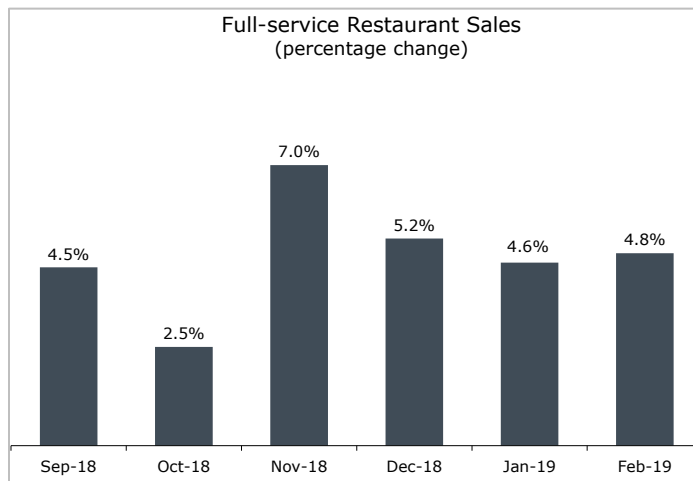
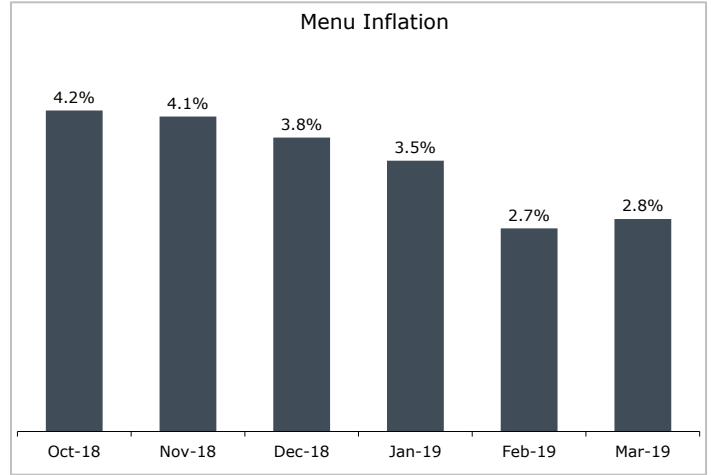
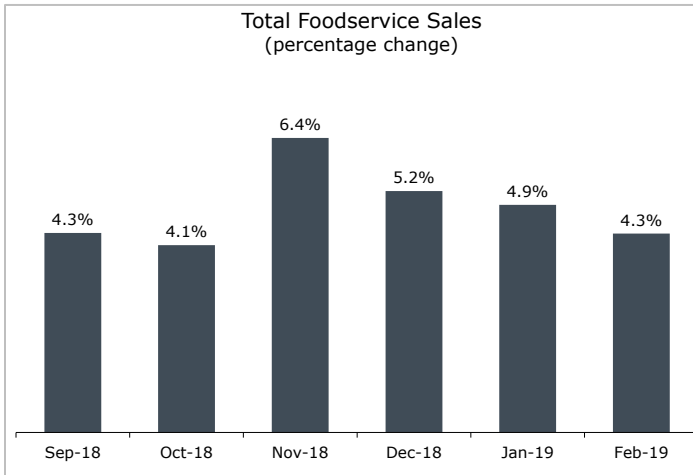
Ontario's foodservice industry advanced by a healthy 5.3% in February as a result of higher revenues at caterers and full-service restaurants. In contrast, sales at quick-service restaurants slumped to 3.4% growth in February, the segment's weakest increase since April 2018.

Following several months of sluggish gains, commercial foodservice sales in **Manitoba** rebounded with a 5.8% increase in February. Caterers and full-service restaurants led all segments following relatively flat sales in February 2018.

Commercial foodservice sales in **Saskatchewan** grew by a tepid 1.1% as a 3.1% increase in quick-service restaurant sales offset flat spending at full-service restaurants and a decline in revenues at drinking places and caterers.

Alberta's foodservice industry reported the weakest growth in Canada as sales rose by just 0.1%. While caterer revenues advanced by 5.9%, sales fell at drinking places and quick-service restaurants.

Following robust gains in February 2018, foodservice spending in **British Columbia** moderated at full- and quick-service restaurants. Meanwhile drinking place sales fell by 6.7% following a 2.5% increase in January. As a result, total commercial foodservice sales rose by 3.5%, the province's slowest growth since February 2017.



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

Highlights

Canada's economy contracted in February due to lower output in the natural resources sector and bad weather. As a result, Canada's real GDP remains below October 2018 levels.

Preliminary estimates show the **U.S. economy** expanded by an annualized 3.2% in Q1.

Following three consecutive months of growth, **Canada's consumer confidence index** fell by 6 points to 112.0 in March. This may be due to the sluggish economic performance in recent months.

Year-over-year **retail sales** in Canada rose by 1.6% as gains in Quebec were offset by weaker growth across most of the country.

Net employment in Canada grew by a record 106,500 jobs in April due to strong gains in Ontario and Quebec. As result, the unemployment rate slipped to 5.7% in April from 5.8% in March.

Net employment in the United States grew by a robust 263,000 jobs in April. This reduced the unemployment rate to 3.6% - a 50-year low.

On a month-over-month basis, **Canada's economy** contracted by 0.1% in February, following a 0.3% increase in January. The decline in economic activity was the result of a contraction in the mining, quarrying and oil and gas sector, combined with bad weather. As a result, Canada's real GDP remains below October 2018 levels.

Given the sluggish economic performance in recent months, TD Economics is predicting that **Canada's economy** will expand by a tepid 0.6% (annualized growth) in Q1.

In the United States, preliminary estimates show the **U.S. economy** began the year on a strong note with real GDP expanding by a solid 3.2% (annualized growth) in Q1. This is a sharp improvement over the 2.2% growth in Q4 2018.

Consumer confidence in Canada slipped by 6.0 points to 112.0 (2014=100) in April, following three consecutive months of growth.

On a year-over-year basis, **retail spending** rose by 1.6% in February, following a 1.9% increase in January. Quebec led the country with a robust 5.2% increase in February. In contrast, sales fell in five provinces with the biggest declines in Newfoundland and Labrador (-2.6%) and Saskatchewan (-1.7%). Sales also fell by 0.9% in Nova Scotia and by 0.4% in Alberta and British Columbia.

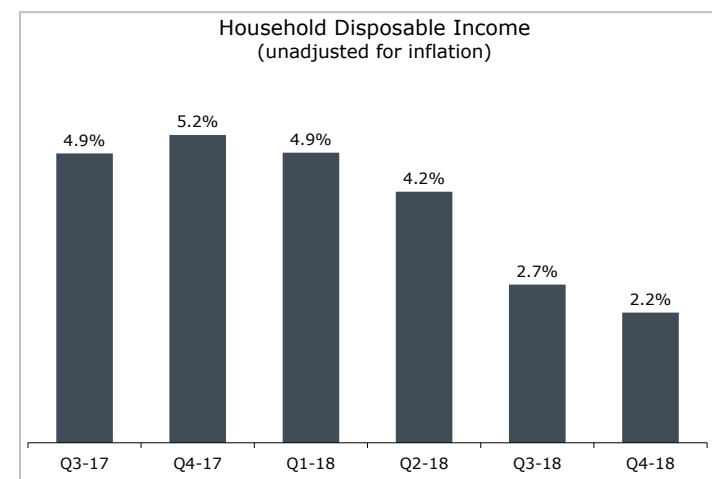
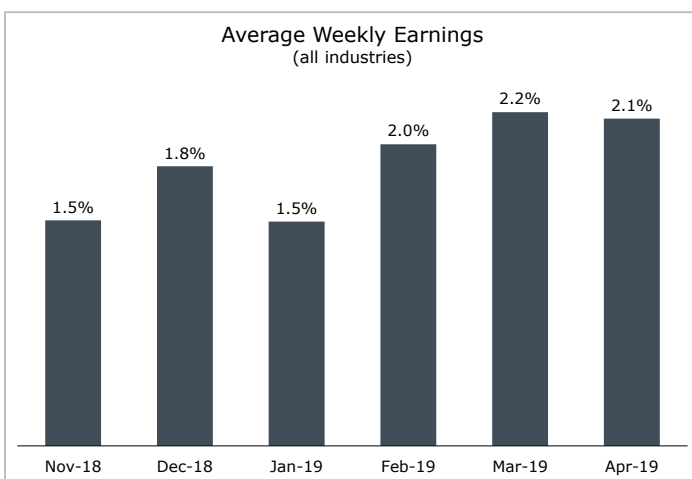
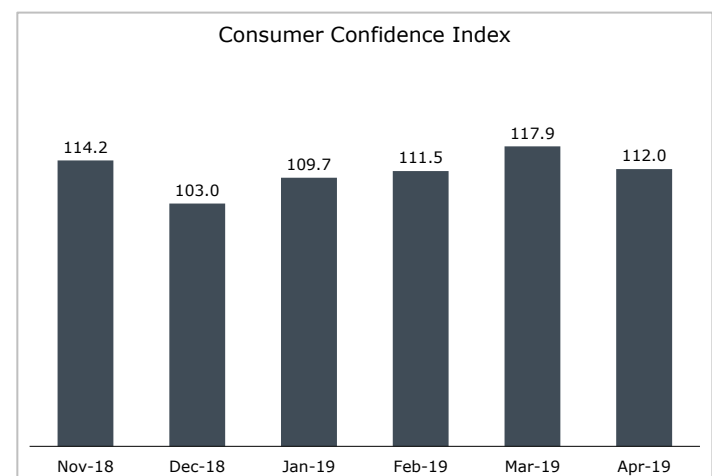
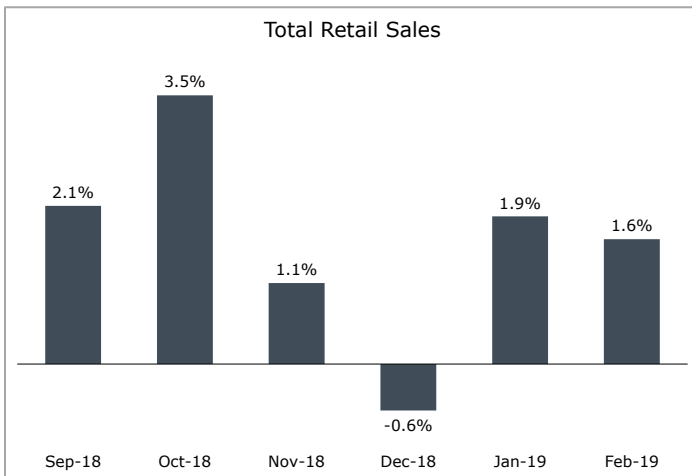
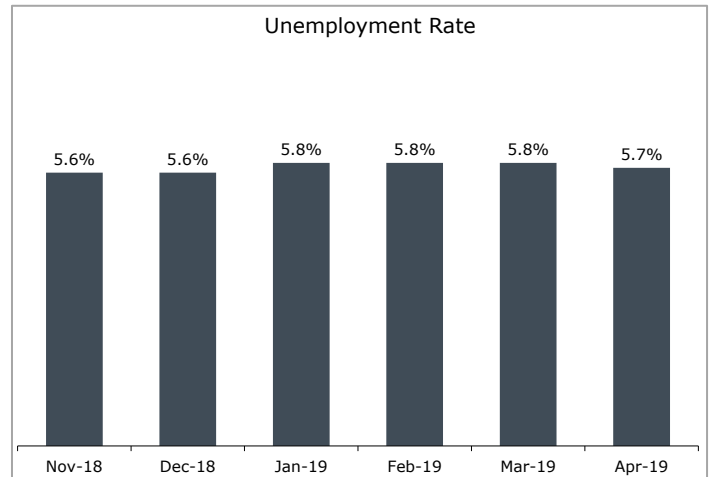
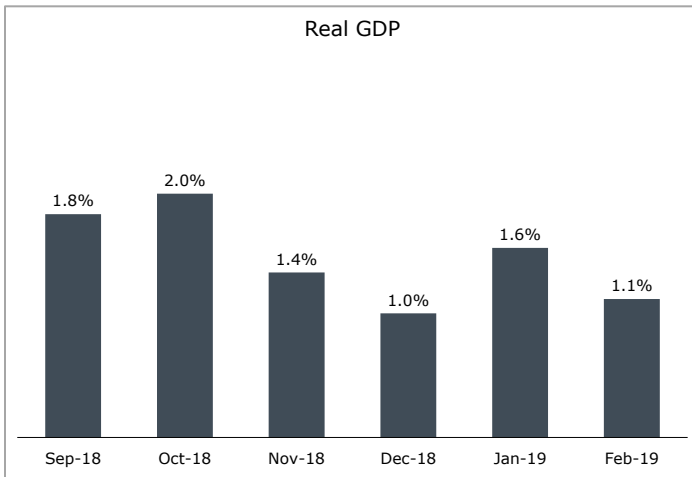
On a year-over-year basis, prices for **food at grocery stores** jumped by 4.0% in March. This represents the largest increase since March 2016. Fresh vegetable prices soared by 15.7%, while fresh fruit prices increased by 5.8%.

Net employment in Canada grew by a robust 106,500 jobs in April, after shedding 7,200 jobs in March. The impressive gain in April marks the largest single monthly employment increase on record. Construction employment grew by 29,200 net jobs, while retail and wholesale trade added 32,400 net jobs.

The increase in employment reduced Canada's **unemployment rate** by a tenth of a percentage point to 5.7%.

Average weekly earnings (for all industries) rose to \$1,007.17 in April, a 2.1% increase over April 2018. The increase in wages will help support higher foodservice sales growth in 2019.

The **United States labour market** gained an impressive 263,000 jobs in April. This is well above analysts' expectations for the creation of 190,000 jobs. As a result, the unemployment rate fell to a 50-year low of 3.6%.



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

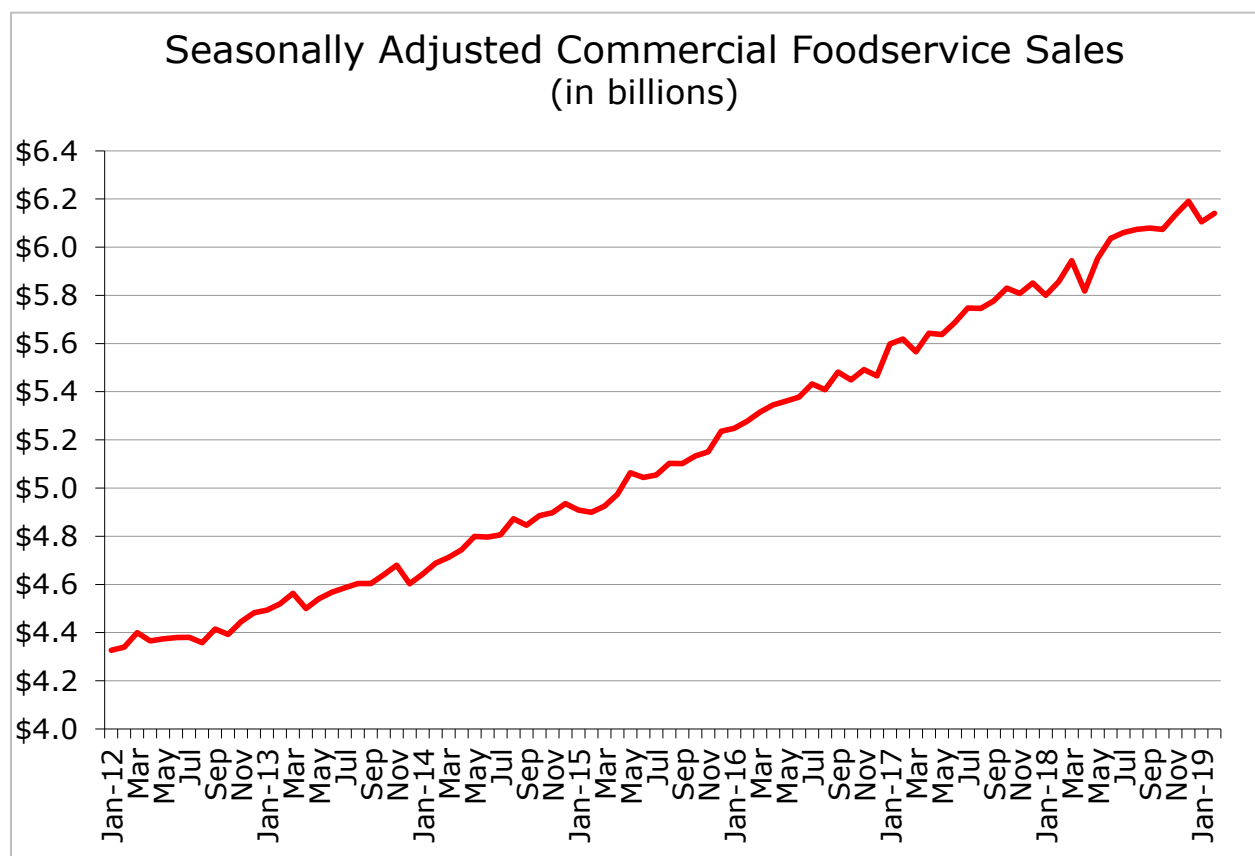
	Period	Amount	This period over year ago (%)	Year-to- date (%)	2018 over 2017(%)	2017 over 2016(%)
NOMINAL GROWTH						
Sales (in \$millions)						
Total	February	\$5,247.1	4.3%	4.6%	5.2%	6.0%
Sales by Sector (in \$millions)						
Full-service Restaurants	February	\$2,368.2	4.8%	4.7%	5.5%	6.9%
Quick-service Restaurants	February	\$2,265.7	3.0%	4.0%	5.1%	5.6%
Social & Contract Caterers	February	\$433.0	9.0%	6.8%	5.5%	4.8%
Drinking Places	February	\$180.2	3.7%	7.0%	2.5%	1.6%
Sales by Province (in \$millions)						
Newfoundland and Labrador	February	\$61.9	6.3%	7.1%	0.2%	0.6%
Prince Edward Island	February	\$17.5	7.2%	7.0%	6.3%	6.0%
Nova Scotia	February	\$116.0	2.1%	4.4%	5.6%	3.5%
New Brunswick	February	\$87.2	3.1%	4.6%	3.1%	2.4%
Quebec	February	\$976.3	6.3%	6.0%	5.2%	7.1%
Ontario	February	\$2,105.1	5.3%	5.5%	5.8%	5.9%
Manitoba	February	\$153.9	5.8%	4.1%	2.4%	5.0%
Saskatchewan	February	\$138.0	1.1%	2.3%	1.6%	2.2%
Alberta	February	\$673.1	0.1%	0.4%	2.3%	4.0%
British Columbia	February	\$902.5	3.5%	4.8%	7.8%	8.4%
REAL GROWTH						
Sales (in 2002 \$ millions)						
Total	February	\$3,396.2	1.6%	1.5%	0.9%	3.3%
Sales by Sector (in \$millions)						
Full-service Restaurants	February	\$1,518.1	2.5%	2.0%	1.6%	4.1%
Quick-service Restaurants	February	\$1,497.5	-0.7%	-0.1%	-0.2%	3.3%
Social & Contract Caterers	February	\$280.2	6.2%	3.6%	1.2%	2.1%
Drinking Places	February	\$116.6	1.0%	3.8%	-1.7%	-1.0%
Sales by Province (in \$millions)						
Newfoundland and Labrador	February	\$38.2	4.7%	5.9%	-2.5%	-2.5%
Prince Edward Island	February	\$12.0	5.1%	5.1%	4.2%	3.1%
Nova Scotia	February	\$73.8	1.2%	3.3%	3.5%	1.2%
New Brunswick	February	\$56.4	1.5%	2.9%	0.5%	-0.5%
Quebec	February	\$621.9	3.0%	2.7%	2.5%	4.5%
Ontario	February	\$1,361.6	3.0%	2.0%	-0.6%	3.2%
Manitoba	February	\$99.2	3.2%	1.6%	0.6%	3.9%
Saskatchewan	February	\$83.9	-2.0%	-0.8%	-0.9%	0.6%
Alberta	February	\$432.3	-2.7%	-2.4%	-1.1%	1.5%
British Columbia	February	\$618.2	0.6%	1.7%	4.3%	5.7%

Source: Statistics Canada

SEASONALLY ADJUSTED FOODSERVICE SALES

	Period	Amount	Month-over-month change			
			February	January	December	November
NOMINAL GROWTH						
Sales (in \$millions)						
Total	February	\$6,140.7	0.6%	-1.4%	0.9%	1.0%
Sales by Sector (in \$millions)						
Full-service Restaurants	February	\$2,729.8	1.7%	-2.4%	1.2%	1.9%
Quick-service Restaurants	February	\$2,706.2	-0.6%	-0.4%	0.8%	0.0%
Social & Contract Caterers	February	\$492.9	2.3%	-0.9%	-1.2%	1.3%
Drinking Places	February	\$211.9	-1.7%	-1.8%	3.0%	1.9%
Sales by Province (in \$millions)						
Newfoundland and Labrador	February	\$75.1	0.4%	2.2%	2.0%	-0.2%
Prince Edward Island	February	\$23.8	3.1%	0.0%	2.9%	-4.3%
Nova Scotia	February	\$142.4	-0.8%	-0.1%	0.9%	-1.5%
New Brunswick	February	\$103.7	-0.1%	-1.8%	1.9%	1.3%
Quebec	February	\$1,166.1	2.0%	-2.1%	1.4%	0.9%
Ontario	February	\$2,468.1	1.1%	-1.1%	1.6%	1.3%
Manitoba	February	\$178.4	1.7%	0.9%	-0.8%	1.4%
Saskatchewan	February	\$160.9	-1.0%	0.8%	0.2%	1.5%
Alberta	February	\$769.0	-1.6%	-2.3%	0.2%	0.2%
British Columbia	February	\$1,035.5	-0.2%	-1.5%	-0.4%	1.5%

Source: Statistics Canada



MENU INFLATION (2002=100)

	Period	Amount	This period over year ago (%)	Year-to- date (%)	2018 over 2017(%)	2017 over 2016(%)
By Sector						
Menu Inflation – Total	February	154.5	2.7%	3.1%	4.2%	2.6%
Menu Inflation – Full-service	February	156.0	2.2%	2.7%	3.8%	2.7%
Menu Inflation – Quick-service	February	151.3	3.7%	4.1%	5.3%	2.2%
Menu Inflation – Cafeterias	February	154.6	2.7%	3.1%	4.2%	2.6%
By Province						
Newfoundland	February	162.1	1.5%	1.2%	2.8%	3.1%
Prince Edward Island	February	146.5	1.9%	1.8%	1.9%	2.9%
Nova Scotia	February	157.1	1.0%	1.1%	2.1%	2.3%
New Brunswick	February	154.7	1.6%	1.6%	2.6%	2.9%
Quebec	February	157.0	3.3%	3.2%	2.7%	2.5%
Ontario	February	154.6	2.2%	3.4%	6.4%	2.6%
Manitoba	February	155.2	2.5%	2.4%	1.7%	1.0%
Saskatchewan	February	164.5	3.1%	3.1%	3.8%	6.7%
Alberta	February	155.7	2.8%	2.9%	3.4%	2.5%
British Columbia	February	146.0	3.0%	3.0%	3.4%	2.5%

THE ECONOMY (seasonally adjusted)

	Period	Amount	This period over year ago (%)	Year-to- date (%)	2018 over 2017(%)	2017 over 2016(%)
General Indicators						
Real GDP (2002 \$billion)	February	\$1,946.4	1.1%	1.4%	2.0%	3.2%
Consumer Price Index (2002=100)	February	134.5	1.5%	1.5%	2.3%	1.6%
Number of Employed ('000's)	February	18,929.8	2.0%	1.9%	1.3%	1.9%
Unemployment Rate ¹	February	5.8%	5.8%	5.8%	5.8%	6.3%
Prime Rate ¹	February	3.95%	3.45%	3.95%	3.64%	2.90%
Disposable Income (\$billion)	Q4'18	\$1,237.7	2.2%	3.5%	3.5%	4.5%
Other (in \$ millions)						
Supermarkets and Grocery Stores	February	\$7,132.5	5.3%	5.8%	0.8%	3.1%
Total Retail Sales	February	\$40,101.2	1.6%	1.8%	2.7%	7.1%
Commercial Foodservice Employment²						
Number of Employed ('000's)	February	1,094.1	1.8%	2.0%	1.4%	2.6%
Average Weekly Hours	February	19.9	-2.9%	-3.4%	-1.8%	0.4%
Average Weekly Wage	February	\$368.49	4.7%	4.5%	5.3%	3.1%

Source: Statistics Canada

¹ Refers to actual values

² Unadjusted for seasonal variation

Commercial Foodservice Sales Trends

year-over-year nominal change

	2018 Feb	2018 Mar	2018 Apr	2018 May	2018 Jun	2018 Jul	2018 Aug	2018 Sep	2018 Oct	2018 Nov	2018 Dec	2019 Jan	2019 Feb	2019 Year-to-date
Canada	4.6%	6.5%	2.5%	5.8%	6.9%	5.1%	6.8%	4.3%	4.1%	6.4%	5.2%	4.9%	4.3%	4.6%
Full-service Restaurants	6.1%	7.1%	1.7%	6.5%	8.4%	5.3%	7.4%	4.5%	2.5%	7.0%	5.2%	4.6%	4.8%	4.7%
Quick-service Restaurants	4.1%	7.0%	2.5%	5.8%	5.5%	5.4%	6.3%	4.6%	4.8%	5.0%	5.0%	4.9%	3.0%	4.0%
Caterers	1.1%	1.0%	7.6%	1.5%	6.5%	3.6%	8.5%	6.6%	9.0%	10.7%	5.2%	4.6%	9.0%	6.8%
Drinking Places	0.6%	6.4%	0.4%	7.2%	5.3%	1.0%	2.8%	-6.4%	1.6%	6.3%	8.9%	10.5%	3.7%	7.0%
Newfoundland and Labrador	0.0%	-0.3%	-3.8%	1.3%	2.5%	1.9%	0.5%	-3.3%	0.7%	1.4%	3.2%	8.0%	6.3%	7.1%
Full-service Restaurants	2.4%	2.3%	-6.1%	6.6%	6.8%	5.7%	1.2%	-3.4%	5.3%	3.6%	6.5%	4.5%	4.2%	4.3%
Quick-service Restaurants	4.2%	3.5%	0.7%	0.8%	1.4%	2.6%	2.7%	0.3%	-0.1%	0.3%	2.2%	6.9%	1.9%	4.4%
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	10.9%	7.4%	6.6%	6.2%	6.9%	9.0%	6.7%	4.7%	9.3%	1.8%	3.3%	6.9%	7.2%	7.0%
Full-service Restaurants	19.7%	10.0%	9.0%	12.0%	14.2%	15.7%	11.2%	8.5%	14.4%	-2.0%	0.4%	8.1%	6.2%	7.1%
Quick-service Restaurants	5.1%	6.8%	5.2%	3.6%	1.0%	0.8%	-0.9%	0.9%	6.0%	2.6%	4.0%	5.6%	7.6%	6.6%
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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	5.6%	3.5%	7.3%	6.1%	4.3%	7.8%	7.5%	7.4%	7.5%	4.7%	3.5%	6.7%	2.1%	4.4%
Full-service Restaurants	2.2%	-3.7%	10.4%	2.0%	1.2%	9.7%	9.9%	11.1%	8.9%	6.5%	3.1%	9.4%	2.3%	5.8%
Quick-service Restaurants	8.4%	9.9%	7.0%	10.9%	8.2%	10.0%	6.5%	5.8%	8.7%	4.9%	5.9%	6.5%	2.6%	4.6%
Caterers	4.1%	-3.0%	-1.9%	0.4%	-7.3%	-19.7%	4.6%	2.9%	-1.1%	2.5%	-1.4%	-1.4%	6.8%	2.8%
Drinking Places	5.2%	5.1%	-0.3%	-7.1%	3.0%	-9.6%	-2.1%	-4.3%	-2.5%	-12.9%	-16.0%	-2.5%	-15.3%	-9.0%
New Brunswick	2.2%	1.9%	-0.2%	6.6%	2.6%	5.2%	5.2%	1.6%	2.4%	4.5%	5.1%	6.1%	3.1%	4.6%
Full-service Restaurants	-15.7%	-13.7%	5.9%	-7.4%	-5.8%	-11.9%	-5.1%	-10.0%	-7.3%	-6.2%	-1.8%	-2.5%	6.4%	2.1%
Quick-service Restaurants	4.3%	-0.7%	-3.4%	9.8%	-1.0%	-4.1%	-4.0%	-6.1%	-2.2%	3.6%	4.3%	2.4%	0.3%	1.3%
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Drinking Places	13.4%	24.4%	6.0%	32.2%	31.4%	28.4%	55.5%	19.1%	28.6%	35.1%	36.0%	32.1%	18.2%	24.6%

	2018 Feb	2018 Mar	2018 Apr	2018 May	2018 Jun	2018 Jul	2018 Aug	2018 Sep	2018 Oct	2018 Nov	2018 Dec	2019 Jan	2019 Feb	2019 Year-to-date
Quebec	4.6%	6.9%	1.2%	6.0%	6.4%	6.3%	7.2%	4.1%	4.3%	6.2%	5.4%	5.6%	6.3%	6.0%
Full-service Restaurants	6.2%	7.7%	-1.3%	5.4%	6.2%	5.5%	5.6%	2.3%	3.1%	6.7%	4.7%	4.6%	4.8%	4.7%
Quick-service Restaurants	3.8%	6.9%	3.3%	6.6%	5.0%	7.2%	7.3%	4.7%	5.1%	4.2%	4.9%	4.4%	5.3%	4.8%
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Drinking Places	-4.1%	3.5%	1.7%	14.9%	10.3%	6.3%	16.0%	2.3%	10.2%	12.0%	24.9%	28.5%	25.3%	26.9%
Ontario	4.9%	7.6%	3.7%	7.0%	8.7%	5.0%	7.3%	4.9%	3.6%	5.6%	5.7%	5.6%	5.3%	5.5%
Full-service Restaurants	5.1%	7.0%	3.5%	8.4%	11.3%	4.0%	8.0%	4.1%	1.2%	5.9%	6.0%	4.9%	6.4%	5.7%
Quick-service Restaurants	4.6%	8.3%	1.7%	6.2%	6.6%	5.4%	6.3%	5.5%	4.3%	3.9%	4.3%	5.3%	3.4%	4.4%
Caterers	5.7%	5.0%	16.3%	5.7%	10.4%	9.1%	11.4%	8.6%	11.1%	13.0%	9.8%	9.0%	10.6%	9.8%
Drinking Places	0.2%	16.4%	4.0%	4.4%	-3.8%	-4.0%	-0.7%	-8.1%	-1.0%	3.4%	9.3%	13.0%	4.3%	8.7%
Manitoba	-1.5%	1.9%	1.1%	3.9%	3.6%	5.7%	2.9%	1.8%	1.9%	3.8%	1.1%	2.5%	5.8%	4.1%
Full-service Restaurants	-0.2%	5.7%	0.8%	2.4%	7.9%	11.8%	8.9%	9.5%	4.2%	5.2%	0.8%	2.1%	8.0%	4.9%
Quick-service Restaurants	-3.0%	0.3%	1.6%	1.7%	0.0%	2.6%	0.9%	-1.7%	-0.1%	1.9%	2.6%	3.7%	3.2%	3.4%
Caterers	-0.4%	-6.2%	-1.9%	21.2%	4.6%	-4.9%	-12.5%	-9.6%	4.0%	7.5%	-1.5%	-1.2%	10.2%	4.5%
Drinking Places	2.6%	6.6%	12.7%	15.6%	-2.3%	-3.8%	-5.4%	-9.6%	-9.8%	-4.8%	-15.2%	4.7%	-4.1%	0.2%
Saskatchewan	0.6%	1.1%	2.9%	3.7%	2.0%	1.1%	3.1%	1.5%	-1.1%	3.2%	0.8%	3.5%	1.1%	2.3%
Full-service Restaurants	4.0%	3.3%	7.5%	7.0%	2.8%	3.2%	5.9%	0.1%	-4.4%	3.1%	-0.6%	6.0%	0.6%	3.3%
Quick-service Restaurants	-0.9%	3.5%	1.9%	4.5%	1.4%	2.1%	2.8%	3.3%	2.3%	5.2%	4.5%	3.9%	3.1%	3.5%
Caterers	-13.5%	-23.6%	-14.3%	-14.5%	-1.4%	-10.3%	-9.6%	-7.4%	-1.7%	-5.4%	-10.2%	-8.7%	-4.8%	-6.7%
Drinking Places	4.5%	-7.5%	-1.6%	-7.3%	4.5%	-12.4%	-2.2%	4.3%	-7.6%	-4.6%	-10.9%	-7.7%	-7.7%	-7.7%
Alberta	-0.6%	4.0%	-0.6%	0.5%	3.7%	2.9%	3.5%	0.5%	2.6%	5.7%	2.9%	0.8%	0.1%	0.4%
Full-service Restaurants	0.1%	3.3%	-2.8%	1.1%	5.6%	4.0%	4.9%	1.0%	0.7%	5.6%	3.4%	0.7%	0.5%	0.6%
Quick-service Restaurants	0.5%	5.8%	3.6%	4.3%	4.1%	3.2%	3.8%	1.1%	5.1%	4.4%	2.5%	1.4%	-0.8%	0.4%
Caterers	-10.6%	-3.1%	-10.3%	-24.0%	-13.4%	-8.0%	-7.0%	4.7%	-3.3%	17.1%	-3.5%	-3.3%	5.9%	1.0%
Drinking Places	-2.9%	1.5%	-6.5%	-4.2%	6.1%	4.6%	-1.0%	-15.1%	2.6%	3.9%	13.6%	0.6%	-4.7%	-2.1%
British Columbia	10.8%	8.8%	3.7%	8.0%	8.2%	5.9%	9.7%	7.3%	7.2%	11.1%	7.6%	6.0%	3.5%	4.8%
Full-service Restaurants	15.5%	12.3%	4.4%	9.3%	10.3%	8.0%	11.3%	10.9%	6.2%	13.2%	7.2%	6.7%	5.5%	6.1%
Quick-service Restaurants	8.5%	7.2%	2.8%	6.0%	6.5%	5.5%	9.4%	7.2%	7.1%	10.8%	9.9%	7.3%	2.6%	5.0%
Caterers	-1.6%	-1.5%	7.7%	8.5%	5.1%	-2.3%	12.8%	2.3%	22.5%	3.1%	4.9%	-4.1%	2.9%	-0.6%
Drinking Places	5.2%	5.3%	-0.3%	11.7%	6.8%	0.2%	-6.2%	-12.6%	-4.6%	8.0%	-2.8%	2.5%	-6.7%	-2.3%

Menu Inflation

	2018 Mar	2018 Apr	2018 May	2018 Jun	2018 Jul	2018 Aug	2018 Sep	2018 Oct	2018 Nov	2018 Dec	2019 Jan	2019 Feb	2019 Mar	2019 Year-to-date
Canada	4.4%	4.5%	4.5%	4.5%	4.4%	4.5%	4.3%	4.2%	4.1%	3.8%	3.5%	2.7%	2.8%	3.0%
Full-service Restaurants	4.3%	4.0%	4.1%	4.0%	3.8%	3.9%	3.8%	3.5%	3.5%	3.5%	3.1%	2.2%	2.1%	2.5%
Quick-service Restaurants	4.7%	5.5%	5.7%	5.6%	6.0%	5.9%	5.5%	5.6%	5.5%	4.7%	4.4%	3.7%	4.4%	4.2%
Cafeterias	4.3%	4.4%	4.5%	4.3%	4.4%	4.4%	4.1%	4.1%	4.1%	3.8%	3.5%	2.7%	2.8%	3.0%
Newfoundland and Labrador	3.1%	3.3%	3.9%	4.2%	3.6%	2.8%	2.3%	1.7%	1.6%	1.5%	0.9%	1.5%	0.7%	1.1%
Prince Edward Island	2.6%	0.6%	0.9%	0.9%	2.2%	4.3%	2.2%	1.6%	1.7%	0.3%	1.7%	1.9%	1.8%	1.8%
Nova Scotia	2.0%	1.7%	2.4%	2.5%	2.1%	2.9%	2.0%	2.1%	1.7%	1.4%	1.2%	1.0%	0.9%	1.0%
New Brunswick	3.0%	3.1%	2.9%	2.8%	3.2%	2.7%	2.2%	1.9%	1.9%	1.4%	1.6%	1.6%	1.8%	1.7%
Quebec	2.2%	2.5%	2.7%	2.8%	2.9%	3.0%	2.9%	2.7%	2.6%	2.8%	3.2%	3.3%	3.5%	3.3%
Ontario	7.0%	7.1%	7.1%	6.8%	6.7%	6.5%	6.3%	6.0%	6.1%	5.8%	4.5%	2.2%	2.4%	3.1%
Manitoba	1.2%	2.1%	2.3%	2.3%	2.3%	2.1%	1.8%	2.0%	1.6%	1.4%	2.3%	2.5%	2.6%	2.5%
Saskatchewan	8.1%	3.0%	2.9%	2.0%	2.1%	2.1%	2.1%	2.6%	2.7%	3.1%	3.1%	3.1%	3.3%	3.2%
Alberta	3.3%	3.3%	3.5%	3.6%	3.6%	3.8%	3.7%	4.0%	3.7%	2.7%	3.0%	2.8%	3.0%	3.0%
British Columbia	3.0%	3.4%	3.5%	3.4%	3.6%	3.9%	3.6%	3.6%	3.6%	3.0%	3.0%	3.0%	3.0%	3.0%

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