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## Highlights

**Commercial foodservice sales in Canada** increased by 4.5% in Q1 compared to 5.1% growth in Q4 2018. In March, sales advanced by 4.7% as healthy gains at full-service restaurants and caterers offset a moderation in spending at quick-service restaurants and drinking places.

Sales at **full-service restaurants** rose by a solid 5.6% in March, due to strong gains in Prince Edward Island, New Brunswick and British Columbia.

In contrast, sales at **quick-service restaurants** grew by a modest 3.9% in March. While several provinces reported solid gains, sales fell in Alberta and Newfoundland and Labrador. Adjusted for menu inflation of 4.4%, real sales slipped 0.4%.

Following lacklustre gains in March 2018, **caterer** revenues rebounded with a 5.1% increase. In Alberta, caterer revenues soared 12.5% in March compared to a 5.0% decline in March 2018.

**Drinking place** sales rose by 2.1% as strong gains in Quebec were partially offset by declines in Western Canada.

In April, **menu inflation** was 2.6% compared to 2.8% in March. In Ontario, menu inflation decelerated to 2.2% in April 2019 compared to 7.1% in April 2018.

Following three months of solid gains, **Newfoundland and Labrador's** foodservice industry stumbled in March with a 1.9% increase in sales. While sales at full-service restaurants increased by 1.3%, spending at quick-service restaurants slipped by 0.5%.

**Prince Edward Island** continued to lead the country as commercial foodservice sales jumped by 11.6% in March. Sales at full-service restaurants advanced by a robust 14.7%, while quick-service restaurants enjoyed a healthy 8.7% increase. Prince Edward Island has the highest menu inflation as prices have climbed by 3.9% between April 2018 and April 2019.

**Nova Scotia's** foodservice industry improved in March with a 4.6% increase in sales, following a 1.1% gain in February. While full- and quick-service restaurants posted strong gains, this was partially offset by declines at caterers and drinking places.

Robust gains at full- and quick-service restaurants lifted total foodservice sales in **New Brunswick** by a solid 8.5% in March. This marks the province's strongest monthly increase since April 2016.

**Quebec's** foodservice industry continues to fire on all cylinders as sales increased by a healthy 6.7% in March. Drinking places led all segments with a robust 18.8% surge in sales.

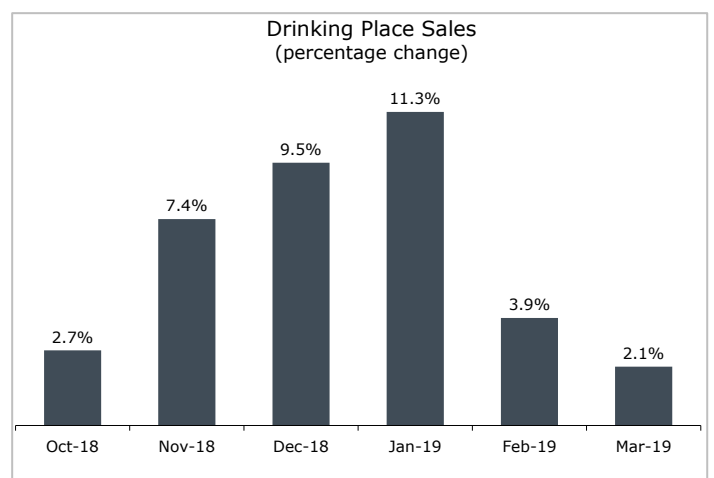
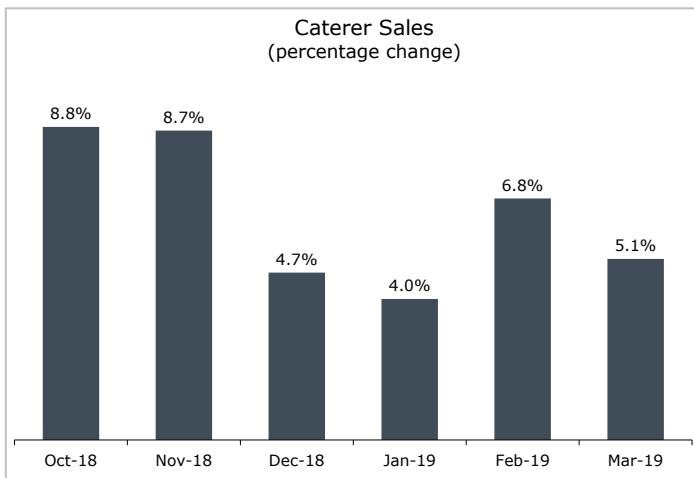
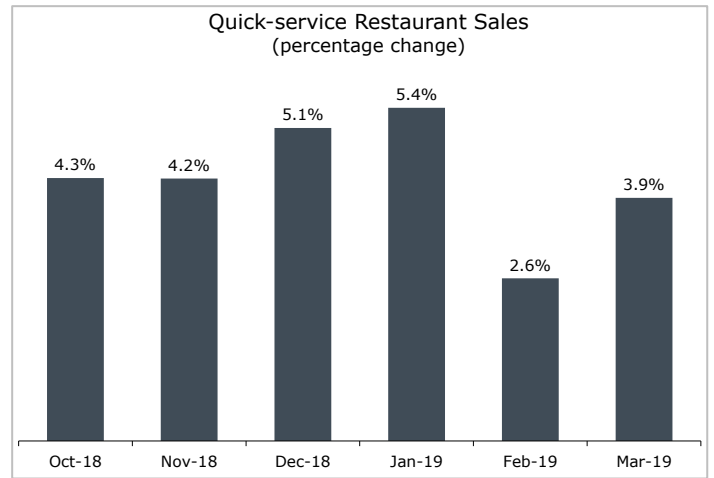
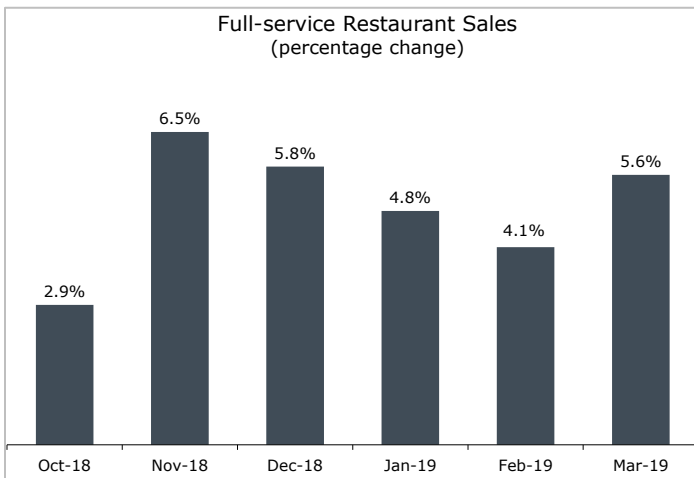
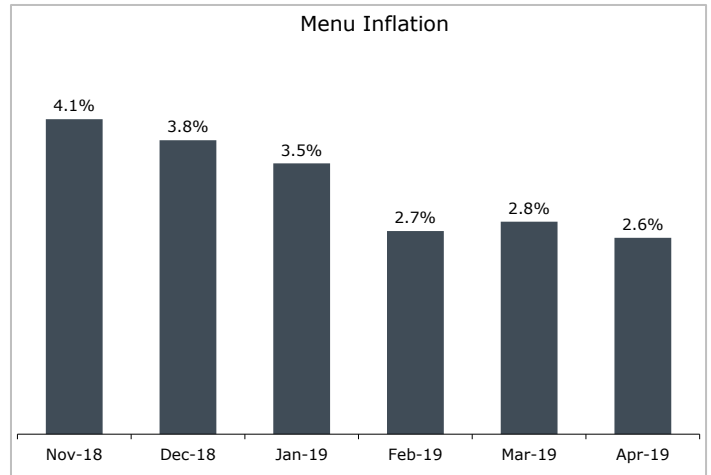
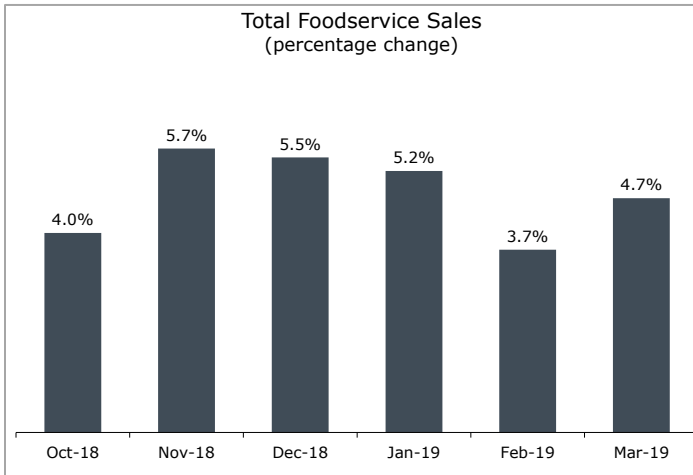
Foodservice sales in **Ontario** rose by 4.3% in March. Although nominal growth is lower this year compared to the 8.1% increase in March 2018, menu inflation last year was 7.0%. Adjusted for menu inflation, real sales in Ontario grew by 1.8% in March 2019, versus a 1.0% increase in March 2018.

Led by strong gains at full- and quick-service restaurants, foodservice sales in **Manitoba** grew by 6.3% in March. This represents the strongest monthly gain since August 2017.

After a disappointing 0.9% gain in February, foodservice sales in **Saskatchewan** rebounded with a 4.0% increase in March. Growth was led by a 7.8% jump in spending at quick-service restaurants. In contrast, revenues fell at caterers and drinking places.

Commercial foodservice sales in **Alberta** rose by a tepid 2.1% in March as improved sales at full-service restaurants and caterers were offset by lower spending at drinking places and quick-service restaurants.

Foodservice sales in **British Columbia** grew by 5.0% in March, led by a 7.5% gain at full-service restaurants. Sales at quick-service restaurants, however, moderated to 4.5% growth following strong spending in 2018.



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

## Highlights

**Canada's economy** began the year on a sluggish note as economic activity expanded by a lacklustre 0.4% (annualized) in Q1. While consumer spending and business investment rebounded in Q1, net exports declined.

**Disposable income** in Canada grew by 3.2% in Q1 2019, an improvement over the 2.8% increase in Q4 2018.

In May, **Canada's consumer confidence index** bounced back to its highest level since May 2018. This was due to a greater share of Canadians feeling optimistic about their finances and job security.

Year-over-year **retail sales** in Canada rose by a modest 1.6% in March due to lower sales in British Columbia, Alberta and Newfoundland and Labrador.

**Net employment in Canada** rose by a modest 27,700 jobs in May. Nevertheless, a decline in the number of people looking for work reduced the unemployment rate to 5.4%. This is the lowest unemployment rate since at least 1976.

**Net employment in the United States** moderated to 75,000 jobs. Nevertheless, the unemployment rate held steady at 3.6%.

**Canada's economy** expanded by a tepid 0.4% (annualized) in Q1 2019, following a 0.3% increase in Q4 2018. Despite the lacklustre growth in overall economic activity, there was some positive news. Real consumer spending rebounded in Q1 with a solid 3.5% increase, up from a modest 1.0% in Q4 2018. Business investment grew by 3.6% versus an 8.0% contraction in Q4. In contrast, economic growth was restrained by a 4.1% decline in exports, combined with a 7.7% jump in imports.

Although the overall growth in **real GDP** in Q1 was slightly below expectations of a 0.7% gain, the underlying strength of the consumer shows Canadian households are still opening up their wallets. This will help bolster foodservice spending in the coming months.

**Consumer confidence in Canada** rebounded in May, increasing 8.4 points to 120.4 (2014=100). The improvement in consumer sentiment is due to more Canadians feeling optimistic about their household finances and job security. The consumer confidence index is now at its highest level since May 2018.

On a year-over-year basis, **retail spending** rose by a sluggish 1.6% in March. At the provincial level, retail spending was strongest on Prince Edward Island (+6.7%) and in Saskatchewan (+4.2%), while declines were reported in British Columbia (-0.5%), Newfoundland and Labrador (-0.3%) and Alberta (-0.1%).

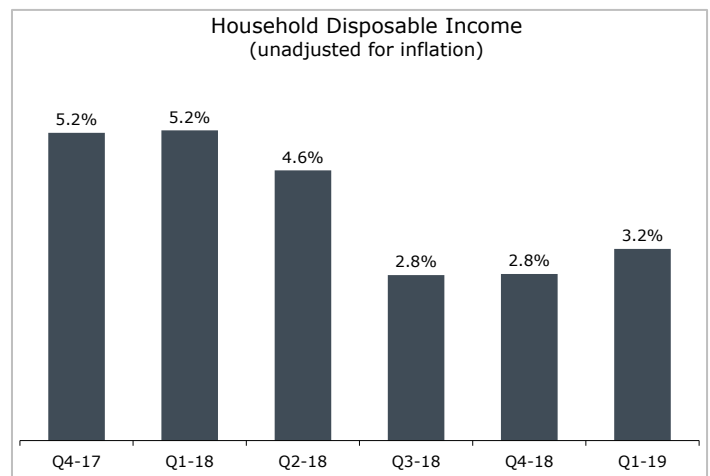
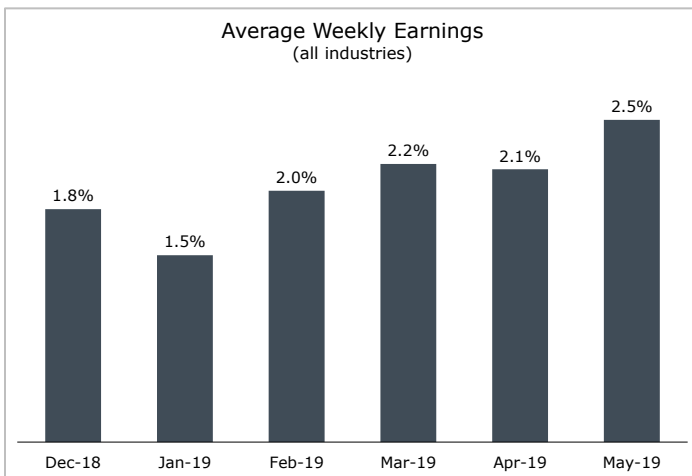
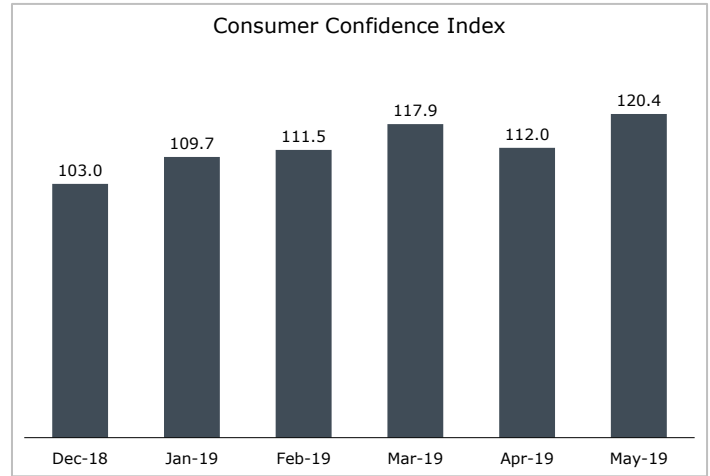
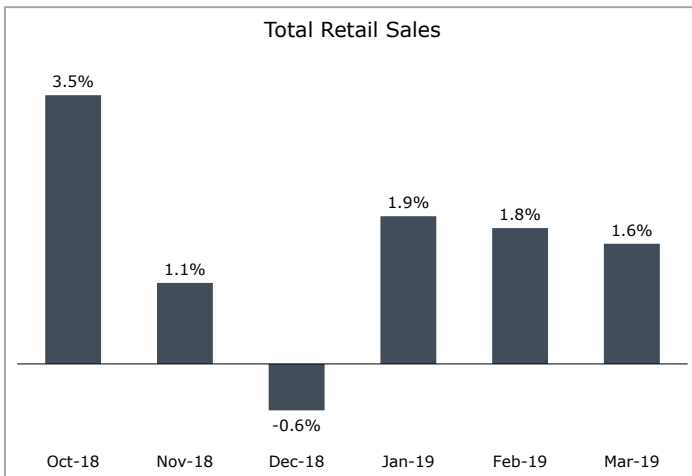
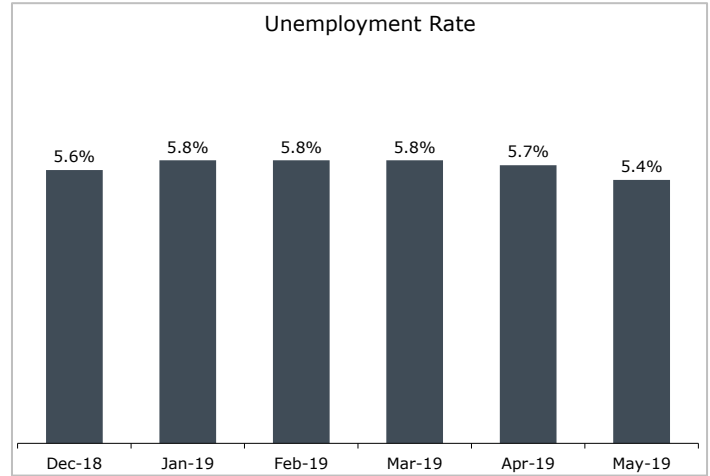
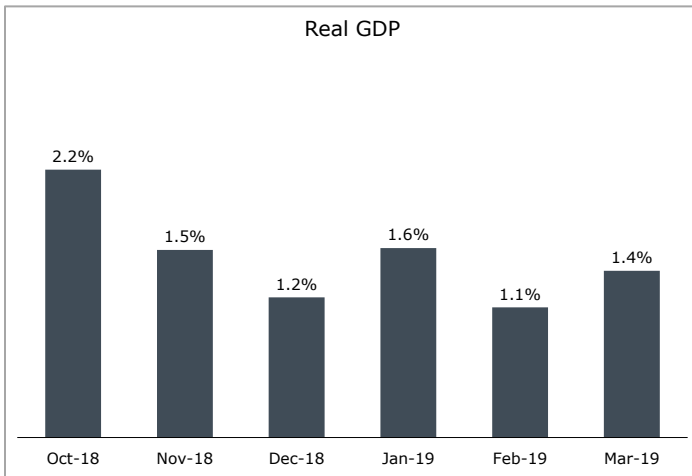
On a year-over-year basis, prices for **food at grocery stores** increased by 3.0% in April, compared to 4.0% in March. Fresh vegetable prices jumped by 14.5%, while fresh fruit prices rose by 7.8%.

**Net employment in Canada** grew by a modest 27,700 jobs in May, compared to the robust 106,500 jobs in April. The increase was due to a sharp rise in self-employment as both the public and private sectors shed jobs.

The increase in employment, combined with fewer people looking for work, reduced Canada's **unemployment rate** from 5.7% in April to 5.4% in May. This represents the lowest level since at least 1976.

**Average weekly earnings** (for all industries) rose to \$1,010.30 in May, a 2.5% increase over May 2018.

Following several months of strong gains, the **United States labour market** added a modest 75,000 jobs in May. Still, the unemployment rate remained near 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

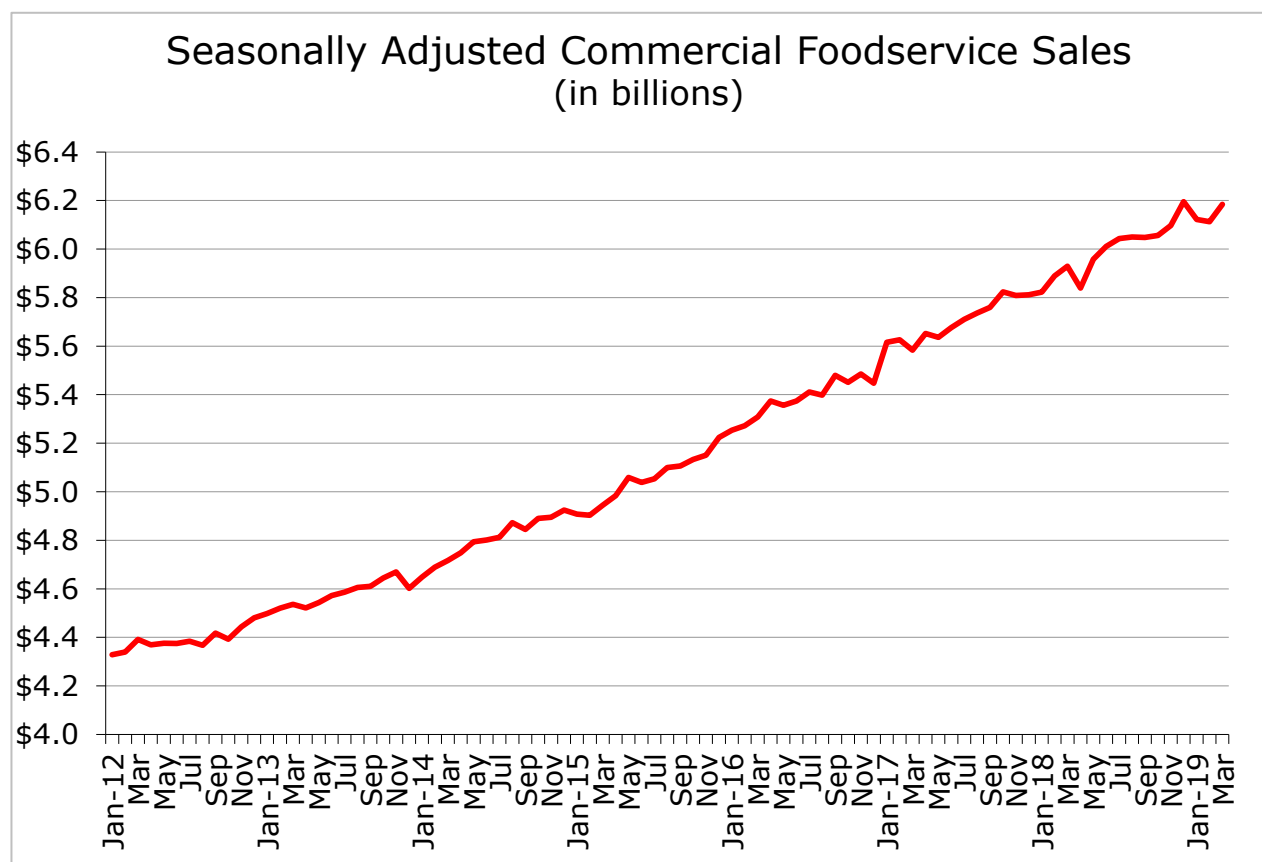
	Period	Amount	This period over year ago (%)	Year-to- date (%)	2018 over 2017(%)	2017 over 2016(%)
<b>NOMINAL GROWTH</b>						
<b>Sales (in \$millions)</b>						
Total	March	\$6,040.7	4.7%	4.5%	5.1%	5.9%
<b>Sales by Sector (in \$millions)</b>						
Full-service Restaurants	March	\$2,704.7	5.6%	4.9%	5.4%	6.9%
Quick-service Restaurants	March	\$2,665.9	3.9%	4.0%	4.9%	5.7%
Social & Contract Caterers	March	\$453.4	5.1%	5.3%	5.5%	4.3%
Drinking Places	March	\$216.7	2.1%	5.5%	2.6%	0.8%
<b>Sales by Province (in \$millions)</b>						
Newfoundland and Labrador	March	\$69.9	1.9%	4.3%	-0.4%	0.3%
Prince Edward Island	March	\$20.1	11.6%	9.0%	6.2%	5.5%
Nova Scotia	March	\$134.7	4.6%	3.2%	2.6%	4.6%
New Brunswick	March	\$104.5	8.5%	6.6%	2.9%	2.6%
Quebec	March	\$1,131.7	6.7%	6.5%	5.8%	7.3%
Ontario	March	\$2,405.6	4.3%	4.4%	6.1%	5.9%
Manitoba	March	\$182.7	6.3%	5.3%	2.2%	5.1%
Saskatchewan	March	\$159.8	4.0%	3.3%	2.0%	0.8%
Alberta	March	\$785.8	2.1%	2.0%	1.5%	3.2%
British Columbia	March	\$1,032.2	5.0%	4.7%	7.0%	8.8%
<b>REAL GROWTH</b>						
<b>Sales (in 2002 \$ millions)</b>						
Total	March	\$3,889.7	1.9%	1.5%	0.8%	3.3%
<b>Sales by Sector (in \$millions)</b>						
Full-service Restaurants	March	\$1,732.7	3.4%	2.4%	1.5%	4.1%
Quick-service Restaurants	March	\$1,737.9	-0.4%	-0.2%	-0.4%	3.4%
Social & Contract Caterers	March	\$292.0	2.2%	2.2%	1.2%	1.6%
Drinking Places	March	\$139.5	-0.6%	2.4%	-1.6%	-1.7%
<b>Sales by Province (in \$millions)</b>						
Newfoundland and Labrador	March	\$43.2	1.1%	3.2%	-3.1%	-2.7%
Prince Edward Island	March	\$13.5	9.6%	7.0%	4.1%	2.6%
Nova Scotia	March	\$85.4	3.7%	2.1%	0.5%	2.2%
New Brunswick	March	\$67.2	6.5%	4.8%	0.3%	-0.3%
Quebec	March	\$719.4	3.1%	3.0%	3.1%	4.7%
Ontario	March	\$1,545.0	1.8%	1.4%	-0.3%	3.2%
Manitoba	March	\$117.3	3.7%	2.7%	0.5%	4.0%
Saskatchewan	March	\$97.0	0.7%	0.1%	-0.5%	-0.8%
Alberta	March	\$501.1	-0.9%	-1.0%	-1.9%	0.8%
British Columbia	March	\$705.0	2.0%	1.7%	3.5%	6.2%

Source: Statistics Canada

## SEASONALLY ADJUSTED FOODSERVICE SALES

	Period	Amount	Month-over-month change			
			March	February	January	December
<b>NOMINAL GROWTH</b>						
<b>Sales (in \$millions)</b>						
Total	March	\$6,184.1	1.2%	-0.2%	-1.2%	1.6%
<b>Sales by Sector (in \$millions)</b>						
Full-service Restaurants	March	\$2,747.7	1.0%	0.8%	-2.1%	2.2%
Quick-service Restaurants	March	\$2,750.7	1.9%	-1.1%	-0.3%	1.4%
Social & Contract Caterers	March	\$473.3	-1.8%	0.9%	-0.4%	-0.9%
Drinking Places	March	\$212.4	1.0%	-2.1%	-1.5%	2.7%
<b>Sales by Province (in \$millions)</b>						
Newfoundland and Labrador	March	\$72.1	-1.5%	-0.5%	0.6%	3.3%
Prince Edward Island	March	\$24.5	2.7%	3.2%	0.0%	3.6%
Nova Scotia	March	\$140.1	0.1%	-0.8%	-0.1%	4.4%
New Brunswick	March	\$107.5	2.4%	-1.1%	-0.3%	2.0%
Quebec	March	\$1,183.4	1.0%	1.5%	-2.2%	2.8%
Ontario	March	\$2,475.2	0.9%	0.1%	-1.4%	1.8%
Manitoba	March	\$182.8	1.5%	1.2%	2.2%	-0.8%
Saskatchewan	March	\$160.1	1.6%	-2.9%	0.4%	0.6%
Alberta	March	\$783.5	2.0%	-2.2%	-0.8%	0.9%
British Columbia	March	\$1,041.0	1.4%	-0.7%	-1.1%	0.4%

Source: Statistics Canada



## MENU INFLATION (2002=100)

	Period	Amount	This period over year ago (%)	Year-to-date (%)	2018 over 2017 (%)	2017 over 2016 (%)
<b>By Sector</b>						
Menu Inflation – Total	March	155.3	2.8%	3.0%	4.2%	2.6%
Menu Inflation – Full-service	March	156.1	2.1%	2.5%	3.8%	2.7%
Menu Inflation – Quick-service	March	153.4	4.4%	4.2%	5.3%	2.2%
Menu Inflation – Cafeterias	March	155.3	2.8%	3.0%	4.2%	2.6%
<b>By Province</b>						
Newfoundland	March	161.9	0.7%	1.1%	2.8%	3.1%
Prince Edward Island	March	148.5	1.8%	1.8%	1.9%	2.9%
Nova Scotia	March	157.8	0.9%	1.0%	2.1%	2.3%
New Brunswick	March	155.4	1.8%	1.7%	2.6%	2.9%
Quebec	March	157.3	3.5%	3.3%	2.7%	2.5%
Ontario	March	155.7	2.4%	3.1%	6.4%	2.6%
Manitoba	March	155.7	2.6%	2.5%	1.7%	1.0%
Saskatchewan	March	164.8	3.3%	3.2%	3.8%	6.7%
Alberta	March	156.8	3.0%	3.0%	3.4%	2.5%
British Columbia	March	146.4	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 (%)
<b>General Indicators</b>						
Real GDP (2002 \$billion)	March	\$1,955.4	1.4%	1.3%	2.0%	3.2%
Consumer Price Index (2002=100)	March	135.4	1.9%	1.6%	2.3%	1.6%
Number of Employed ('000's)	March	18,922.6	1.8%	1.8%	1.3%	1.9%
Unemployment Rate <sup>1</sup>	March	5.8%	5.8%	5.8%	5.8%	6.3%
Prime Rate <sup>1</sup>	March	3.95%	3.45%	3.95%	3.64%	2.90%
Disposable Income (\$billion)	Q1'19	\$1,256.0	3.2%	3.2%	3.8%	4.5%
<b>Other (in \$ millions)</b>						
Supermarkets and Grocery Stores	March	\$7,976.0	2.1%	4.4%	0.8%	3.1%
Total Retail Sales	March	\$48,577.5	1.6%	1.7%	2.7%	7.1%
<b>Commercial Foodservice Employment<sup>2</sup></b>						
Number of Employed ('000's)	March	1,102.8	1.6%	1.9%	1.4%	2.6%
Average Weekly Hours	March	20.9	-3.7%	-3.2%	-1.8%	0.4%
Average Weekly Wage	March	\$366.31	0.4%	2.4%	5.3%	3.1%

Source: Statistics Canada

<sup>1</sup> Refers to actual values

<sup>2</sup> Unadjusted for seasonal variation



## Commercial Foodservice Sales Trends

### Year-over-year nominal change

	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
<b>Canada</b>	<b>6.5%</b>	<b>2.8%</b>	<b>6.0%</b>	<b>6.5%</b>	<b>5.1%</b>	<b>6.5%</b>	<b>4.0%</b>	<b>4.0%</b>	<b>5.7%</b>	<b>5.5%</b>	<b>5.2%</b>	<b>3.7%</b>	<b>4.7%</b>	<b>4.5%</b>
Full-service Restaurants	7.3%	1.8%	6.4%	7.6%	4.8%	8.1%	4.3%	2.9%	6.5%	5.8%	4.8%	4.1%	5.6%	4.9%
Quick-service Restaurants	6.6%	3.0%	5.9%	5.5%	5.7%	5.5%	4.1%	4.3%	4.2%	5.1%	5.4%	2.6%	3.9%	4.0%
Caterers	2.7%	9.6%	3.7%	7.2%	5.3%	4.2%	4.2%	8.8%	8.7%	4.7%	4.0%	6.8%	5.1%	5.3%
Drinking Places	4.3%	-1.8%	6.4%	3.9%	2.2%	5.4%	-2.5%	2.7%	7.4%	9.5%	11.3%	3.9%	2.1%	5.5%
<b>Newfoundland and Labrador</b>	<b>-1.4%</b>	<b>-4.5%</b>	<b>-0.9%</b>	<b>-1.2%</b>	<b>1.9%</b>	<b>1.5%</b>	<b>-1.1%</b>	<b>-1.0%</b>	<b>0.7%</b>	<b>4.7%</b>	<b>6.6%</b>	<b>4.7%</b>	<b>1.9%</b>	<b>4.3%</b>
Full-service Restaurants	-0.1%	-6.5%	2.6%	4.1%	6.5%	5.1%	2.9%	3.4%	5.7%	13.7%	9.3%	4.8%	1.3%	4.9%
Quick-service Restaurants	3.3%	-0.1%	-0.4%	-0.3%	0.8%	2.3%	0.2%	-2.3%	-1.8%	1.2%	3.1%	-0.6%	-0.5%	0.7%
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.
<b>Prince Edward Island</b>	<b>5.1%</b>	<b>7.7%</b>	<b>7.9%</b>	<b>5.8%</b>	<b>7.1%</b>	<b>8.2%</b>	<b>8.8%</b>	<b>5.3%</b>	<b>2.5%</b>	<b>4.2%</b>	<b>6.8%</b>	<b>8.2%</b>	<b>11.6%</b>	<b>9.0%</b>
Full-service Restaurants	5.9%	13.0%	16.8%	12.7%	11.6%	10.6%	13.4%	6.0%	-0.4%	4.5%	6.5%	15.2%	14.7%	12.3%
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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.
<b>Nova Scotia</b>	<b>0.7%</b>	<b>2.5%</b>	<b>3.8%</b>	<b>4.8%</b>	<b>4.7%</b>	<b>5.5%</b>	<b>2.5%</b>	<b>0.6%</b>	<b>-2.8%</b>	<b>0.6%</b>	<b>3.7%</b>	<b>1.1%</b>	<b>4.6%</b>	<b>3.2%</b>
Full-service Restaurants	-5.3%	3.7%	0.5%	7.7%	6.5%	6.8%	0.8%	-6.4%	-10.9%	-2.0%	2.7%	-0.5%	7.6%	3.4%
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Caterers	-0.7%	-3.3%	-2.9%	-9.8%	-19.1%	5.5%	7.0%	-0.1%	1.7%	-4.6%	-4.2%	1.8%	-3.7%	-2.2%
Drinking Places	-9.5%	-10.8%	-15.1%	-4.3%	-20.0%	-7.2%	-11.0%	-8.3%	-16.5%	-16.9%	5.3%	-3.0%	-1.9%	0.1%
<b>New Brunswick</b>	<b>3.1%</b>	<b>2.1%</b>	<b>6.4%</b>	<b>3.2%</b>	<b>0.4%</b>	<b>3.6%</b>	<b>1.3%</b>	<b>2.1%</b>	<b>4.8%</b>	<b>4.0%</b>	<b>7.7%</b>	<b>3.4%</b>	<b>8.5%</b>	<b>6.6%</b>
Full-service Restaurants	1.5%	-0.1%	7.8%	0.5%	-3.0%	1.7%	-0.6%	-1.4%	10.3%	4.1%	11.8%	3.5%	13.0%	9.5%
Quick-service Restaurants	4.6%	2.5%	5.3%	4.3%	2.2%	3.6%	2.3%	3.8%	2.2%	3.6%	6.1%	3.4%	6.6%	5.4%
Caterers	-17.0%	2.6%	-9.4%	-10.2%	-12.5%	-9.2%	-9.6%	-11.6%	-11.9%	-11.4%	-7.4%	2.0%	2.1%	-0.9%
Drinking Places	28.6%	16.7%	33.3%	27.3%	20.6%	39.5%	19.9%	30.7%	23.4%	29.0%	18.0%	5.8%	5.9%	9.2%

	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
<b>Quebec</b>	8.0%	1.7%	6.1%	7.4%	8.0%	8.2%	4.4%	5.4%	5.3%	6.4%	6.0%	6.6%	6.7%	6.5%
Full-service Restaurants	8.8%	-0.4%	5.7%	7.4%	7.0%	7.9%	3.7%	5.4%	7.2%	7.6%	4.5%	4.2%	6.0%	4.9%
Quick-service Restaurants	7.0%	2.6%	6.1%	5.5%	9.2%	7.5%	5.0%	4.1%	2.3%	3.7%	4.8%	7.0%	5.9%	5.9%
Caterers	6.8%	10.0%	2.1%	14.9%	8.2%	9.2%	7.1%	9.8%	5.0%	0.7%	5.1%	7.3%	7.2%	6.5%
Drinking Places	8.1%	4.8%	16.1%	12.5%	9.1%	16.5%	2.6%	9.0%	9.3%	22.6%	37.3%	28.8%	18.8%	27.1%
<b>Ontario</b>	8.1%	4.9%	7.5%	7.4%	5.0%	7.0%	4.8%	4.3%	6.1%	6.7%	5.6%	3.5%	4.3%	4.4%
Full-service Restaurants	8.2%	4.1%	8.6%	8.7%	4.1%	9.0%	4.9%	1.9%	6.3%	7.2%	5.5%	4.1%	4.3%	4.6%
Quick-service Restaurants	7.7%	3.3%	6.6%	6.1%	5.9%	5.4%	5.2%	4.8%	4.2%	5.5%	5.8%	2.3%	4.0%	4.1%
Caterers	9.4%	19.8%	7.9%	9.8%	5.8%	6.1%	4.8%	12.5%	14.1%	8.6%	3.2%	5.9%	5.1%	4.8%
Drinking Places	7.2%	-3.7%	3.8%	-2.4%	0.7%	7.7%	-3.2%	1.2%	12.2%	16.0%	14.2%	5.9%	6.6%	8.8%
<b>Manitoba</b>	2.2%	1.1%	3.8%	5.4%	3.8%	0.5%	1.3%	2.5%	3.4%	1.6%	3.3%	6.0%	6.3%	5.3%
Full-service Restaurants	6.3%	2.9%	3.9%	9.9%	7.8%	5.2%	5.5%	6.1%	3.8%	1.8%	2.1%	7.1%	7.6%	5.6%
Quick-service Restaurants	0.8%	0.0%	2.2%	1.5%	2.4%	-1.2%	-2.0%	-0.3%	3.1%	3.0%	6.3%	5.1%	6.4%	6.0%
Caterers	-7.0%	-2.1%	9.1%	7.4%	-6.7%	-11.4%	0.7%	2.8%	3.6%	-4.8%	-2.8%	11.1%	4.4%	4.1%
Drinking Places	6.2%	7.5%	19.4%	-0.9%	1.9%	3.1%	-1.6%	-5.5%	3.2%	-3.4%	-6.6%	-18.6%	-13.3%	-13.0%
<b>Saskatchewan</b>	-1.2%	0.3%	1.8%	0.9%	3.9%	5.6%	3.9%	2.2%	4.8%	3.0%	4.8%	0.9%	4.0%	3.3%
Full-service Restaurants	0.6%	2.0%	4.3%	0.1%	4.5%	5.9%	2.0%	0.1%	6.0%	4.5%	7.9%	-1.8%	3.2%	3.1%
Quick-service Restaurants	0.8%	2.6%	4.0%	3.1%	5.7%	7.7%	6.8%	5.5%	6.4%	4.8%	5.4%	4.1%	7.8%	5.9%
Caterers	-21.3%	-18.6%	-19.5%	-3.3%	-4.6%	-8.0%	-6.1%	0.5%	-4.0%	-7.6%	-6.8%	-0.7%	-10.8%	-6.4%
Drinking Places	-9.2%	-11.5%	-14.5%	-8.3%	-9.6%	-4.3%	1.7%	-10.8%	-9.2%	-13.6%	-13.5%	-6.3%	-9.7%	-9.8%
<b>Alberta</b>	2.5%	-0.8%	1.0%	3.5%	3.4%	3.8%	-1.0%	0.5%	3.8%	1.9%	2.8%	1.0%	2.1%	2.0%
Full-service Restaurants	0.8%	-3.3%	0.1%	4.4%	2.3%	4.5%	-1.3%	0.2%	4.2%	3.9%	2.1%	3.3%	5.3%	3.7%
Quick-service Restaurants	5.5%	2.9%	4.6%	5.3%	4.0%	5.2%	-0.9%	1.1%	2.9%	-0.2%	2.2%	-2.2%	-0.9%	-0.3%
Caterers	-5.0%	-7.5%	-15.6%	-15.8%	7.5%	-7.7%	4.2%	-1.5%	10.6%	1.2%	14.9%	13.5%	12.5%	13.7%
Drinking Places	1.3%	-3.4%	-3.3%	2.4%	4.0%	-4.0%	-6.8%	-0.1%	-1.1%	3.0%	-2.5%	-8.4%	-13.4%	-8.5%
<b>British Columbia</b>	8.7%	3.2%	8.2%	8.2%	4.8%	7.7%	6.7%	6.2%	9.0%	6.6%	5.8%	3.2%	5.0%	4.7%
Full-service Restaurants	12.4%	3.6%	9.1%	9.6%	5.4%	10.4%	9.2%	5.3%	10.3%	3.5%	5.5%	5.1%	7.5%	6.1%
Quick-service Restaurants	7.3%	3.3%	6.3%	6.5%	4.6%	5.5%	6.3%	7.0%	8.7%	11.4%	7.6%	2.7%	4.5%	5.0%
Caterers	-1.9%	6.3%	12.7%	13.2%	6.0%	7.1%	3.4%	11.0%	1.1%	4.8%	-0.1%	2.4%	-0.1%	0.7%
Drinking Places	2.4%	-4.9%	9.0%	3.0%	-2.0%	-0.8%	-6.7%	1.0%	12.1%	2.5%	0.3%	-8.6%	-6.6%	-5.2%

## Menu Inflation

	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 Apr	2019 Year-to-date
<b>Canada</b>	4.5%	4.5%	4.5%	4.4%	4.5%	4.3%	4.2%	4.1%	3.8%	3.5%	2.7%	2.8%	2.6%	2.9%
Full-service Restaurants	4.0%	4.1%	4.0%	3.8%	3.9%	3.8%	3.5%	3.5%	3.5%	3.1%	2.2%	2.1%	2.2%	2.4%
Quick-service Restaurants	5.5%	5.7%	5.6%	6.0%	5.9%	5.5%	5.6%	5.5%	4.7%	4.4%	3.7%	4.4%	3.6%	4.0%
Cafeterias	4.4%	4.5%	4.3%	4.4%	4.4%	4.1%	4.1%	4.1%	3.8%	3.5%	2.7%	2.8%	2.6%	2.9%
<b>Newfoundland and Labrador</b>	3.3%	3.9%	4.2%	3.6%	2.8%	2.3%	1.7%	1.6%	1.5%	0.9%	1.5%	0.7%	0.6%	0.9%
<b>Prince Edward Island</b>	0.6%	0.9%	0.9%	2.2%	4.3%	2.2%	1.6%	1.7%	0.3%	1.7%	1.9%	1.8%	3.9%	2.3%
<b>Nova Scotia</b>	1.7%	2.4%	2.5%	2.1%	2.9%	2.0%	2.1%	1.7%	1.4%	1.2%	1.0%	0.9%	0.8%	1.0%
<b>New Brunswick</b>	3.1%	2.9%	2.8%	3.2%	2.7%	2.2%	1.9%	1.9%	1.4%	1.6%	1.6%	1.8%	0.6%	1.4%
<b>Quebec</b>	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%	3.3%
<b>Ontario</b>	7.1%	7.1%	6.8%	6.7%	6.5%	6.3%	6.0%	6.1%	5.8%	4.5%	2.2%	2.4%	2.2%	2.8%
<b>Manitoba</b>	2.1%	2.3%	2.3%	2.3%	2.1%	1.8%	2.0%	1.6%	1.4%	2.3%	2.5%	2.6%	1.8%	2.3%
<b>Saskatchewan</b>	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%	3.2%
<b>Alberta</b>	3.3%	3.5%	3.6%	3.6%	3.8%	3.7%	4.0%	3.7%	2.7%	3.0%	2.8%	3.0%	2.9%	2.9%
<b>British Columbia</b>	3.4%	3.5%	3.4%	3.6%	3.9%	3.6%	3.6%	3.6%	3.0%	3.0%	3.0%	3.0%	2.9%	3.0%

Source: Statistics Canada