

Food services and drinking places, June 2012

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Sales for the food services and drinking places industry remained unchanged from May to June at \$4.4 billion. During the same period, the price index for food purchased in restaurants rose 0.2%, as measured by the Consumer Price Index.

In June, three of the four industry sectors posted higher sales compared with May: the special food services sector, which includes food service contractors, caterers and mobile food services (+1.4%), the drinking places sector (+0.8%), the full-service restaurant sector (+0.3%). Sales in the limited-service eating places sector declined by 0.6%.

In June, three provinces posted higher sales, with the largest increase in Quebec (+0.5%). The largest decline was in Prince Edward Island (-1.1%).

Note to readers

All data in this release are seasonally adjusted and expressed in current dollars. For more information on seasonal adjustment, see [Seasonal adjustment and identifying economic trends](#).

Seasonally adjusted data are revised for the three previous months. Data are also revised annually. Revisions improve data quality and coherence and are based on information not available at the time of the initial estimates.

Table 1
Food services and drinking places – Seasonally adjusted

	June 2011	March 2012 ^r	April 2012 ^r	May 2012 ^r	June 2012 ^P	May to June 2012	June 2011 to June 2012
	thousands of dollars					% change	
Total, food services sales	4,245,473	4,385,627	4,355,219	4,392,116	4,392,424	0.0	3.5
Full-service restaurants	1,836,805	1,892,637	1,874,630	1,888,633	1,893,475	0.3	3.1
Limited-service eating places	1,857,682	1,932,393	1,923,203	1,944,982	1,933,878	-0.6	4.1
Special food services	349,801	361,941	359,380	361,133	366,153	1.4	4.7
Drinking places	201,185	198,656	198,007	197,369	198,918	0.8	-1.1
Provinces and territories							
Newfoundland and Labrador	56,219	60,932	62,012	62,664	62,312	-0.6	10.8
Prince Edward Island	15,753	16,639	16,556	16,625	16,437	-1.1	4.3
Nova Scotia	106,884	111,210	110,926	112,696	111,928	-0.7	4.7
New Brunswick	81,367	81,650	81,471	82,210	81,845	-0.4	0.6
Quebec	836,641	879,554	860,162	861,074	865,134	0.5	3.4
Ontario	1,626,960	1,674,377	1,663,290	1,678,910	1,683,086	0.2	3.4
Manitoba	122,743	131,074	131,437	133,337	132,960	-0.3	8.3
Saskatchewan	125,557	133,763	133,558	135,598	136,050	0.3	8.4
Alberta	604,281	634,441	632,381	641,703	637,895	-0.6	5.6
British Columbia	655,642	647,096	650,546	654,169	651,124	-0.5	-0.7
Yukon	4,883	4,868	4,777	4,809	F	F	F
Northwest Territories	6,828	8,524	6,617	6,780	F	F	F
Nunavut	1,715	1,499	1,487	1,540	F	F	F

^r revised

^P preliminary

F too unreliable to be published

Note(s): Figures may not add up to totals as a result of rounding.

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For more information or to order data, contact Statistics Canada's National Contact Centre (toll-free 1-800-263-1136; 613-951-8116; infostats@statcan.gc.ca).

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