

Pipeline transportation of crude oil and refined petroleum products, December 2015

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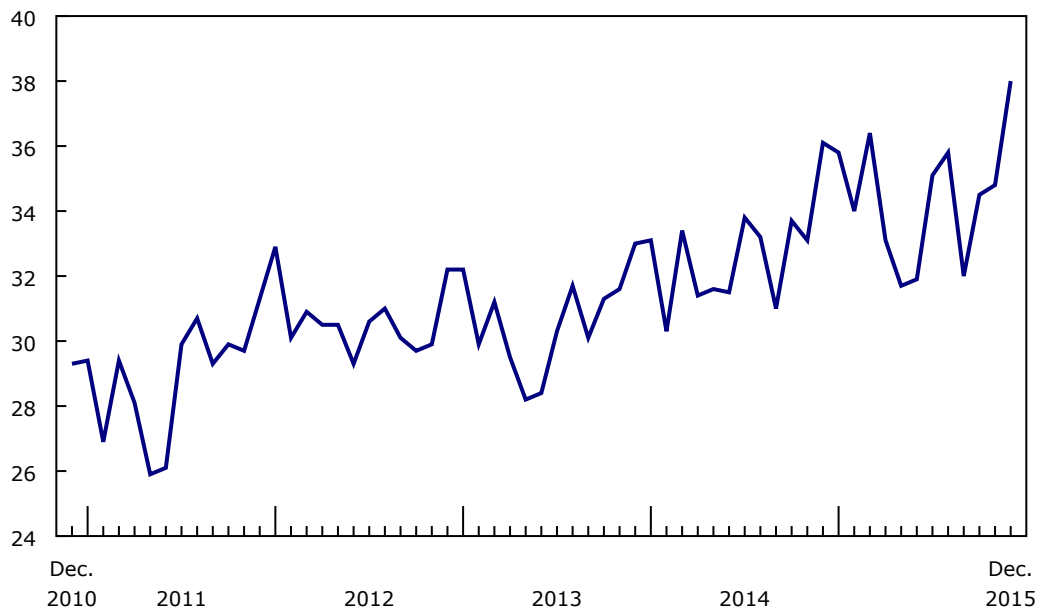
Canadian pipeline net receipts of crude oil and condensates, and other liquefied petroleum products totalled 38.0 million cubic metres in December, up 5.1% from the same month in 2014.

The gain in December was mostly attributable to the completion of a pipeline reversal project, which led to higher net receipts in both Quebec (+69.7%) and Ontario (+28.4%).

Chart 1

Canadian pipeline net receipts of crude oil and condensates, and other liquefied petroleum products

millions of cubic metres



Source(s): CANSIM table [133-0003](#).

Contributing to the overall increase were receipts from processing plants (+8.3% to 20.7 million cubic metres), imports (+30.0% to 1.7 million cubic metres), refineries and bulk plants (+5.1% to 5.3 million cubic metres) and receipts from other sources (+16.9% to 1.5 million cubic metres).

On the other hand, receipts from fields were down 6.3% to 8.8 million cubic metres, partly offsetting the overall increase.

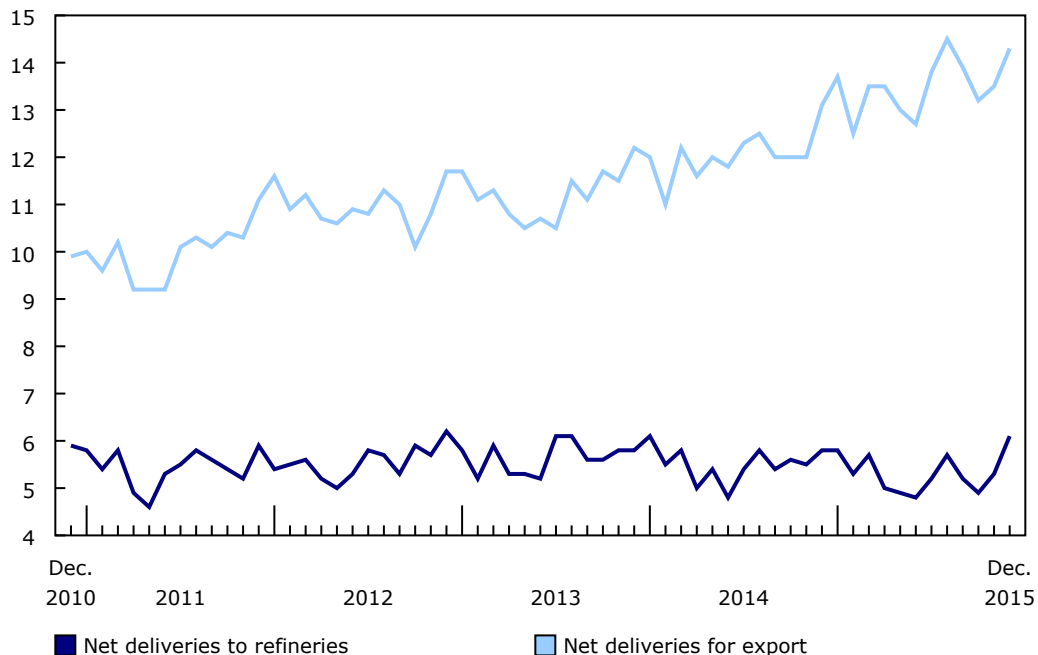
Net deliveries increase

In December, Canadian pipeline net deliveries of crude oil and condensates, and other liquefied petroleum products were up 5.3% from the same month a year earlier to 37.9 million cubic metres.



Chart 2
Canadian pipeline net deliveries of crude oil and condensates, and other liquefied petroleum products to refineries and for export

millions of cubic metres



Source(s): CANSIM table [133-0003](#).

Exports grew 9.7% to 14.3 million cubic metres in December, while deliveries to plants rose 2.8% to 14.8 million cubic metres and deliveries to refineries increased 5.4% to 6.1 million cubic metres. Partly offsetting the overall increase in net deliveries were deliveries to other destinations, which declined 2.9% to 2.6 million cubic metres.

Inventories decrease

Crude oil and condensates, and other liquefied petroleum products held in tanks and terminals decreased 1.8% from November to 7.1 million cubic metres in December. Inventories remaining in pipelines edged down 0.1% to 12.6 million cubic metres in December.

Annual review: Net receipts are up in 2015

Canadian pipeline net receipts of crude oil and condensates, and other liquefied petroleum products totalled 413.1 million cubic metres in 2015, up 5.3% from 2014. Among the provinces, Alberta and Saskatchewan posted the largest gains in volume, as pipeline capacity in the two provinces increased to keep up with production growth.

Note to readers

This report covers the monthly activities of all pipelines in Canada receiving and delivering crude oils, liquefied petroleum gases (propane, butane and ethane) and refined petroleum products.

Oil pipeline **net receipts** include receipts of products from fields, processing plants, refineries, imports and other sources. **Total receipts** include net receipts and transfers from provinces and other pipelines. **Net deliveries** include deliveries to refineries, plants and other destinations, as well as exports. **Total deliveries** include net deliveries and transfers to other provinces and other pipelines, inventory changes and line losses and adjustments.

The difference between total receipts and deliveries is the result of inventory changes and line losses and adjustments applied to total deliveries.

Table 1
Canadian pipeline net receipts of crude oil and condensates, and other liquefied petroleum products, by province and territory

	2014	2015	2014 to 2015	2014 to 2015
	millions of cubic metres		change in millions of cubic metres	% change
Canada	392.2	413.1	20.8	5.3
Quebec	11.6	11.4	-0.1	-1.2
Ontario	22.6	23.7	1.1	4.7
Manitoba	10.3	10.8	0.5	4.9
Saskatchewan	26.7	31.8	5.1	19.2
Alberta	312.8	328.2	15.4	4.9
British Columbia	7.5	6.5	-0.9	-12.2
Northwest Territories	0.7	0.6	-0.1	-8.9

Note(s): Data may not add up to totals as a result of rounding. The Atlantic provinces, Yukon and Nunavut are excluded as crude oil and refined petroleum products are not transported by pipeline in those regions.

Source(s): CANSIM table [133-0003](#).

Available in CANSIM: tables [133-0001](#) to [133-0005](#).

Definitions, data sources and methods: survey numbers [2148](#) and [2191](#).

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