

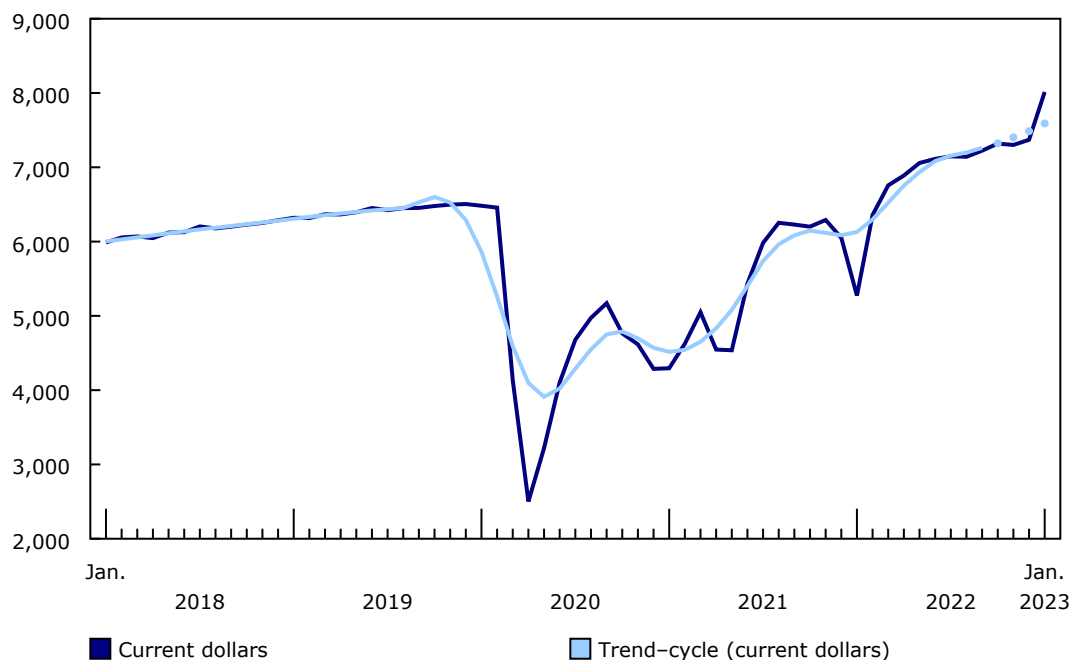
Food services and drinking places, January 2023

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On a seasonally adjusted basis, sales in the food services and drinking places subsector increased by 8.7% to \$8.0 billion in January. Each of the industry subsectors saw an increase: full-service restaurants (+9.6%), limited-service restaurants (+8.6%), special food services (+7.4%) and drinking places (+1.8%). All the provinces saw increases, with the largest being in Ontario (+8.6%) and British Columbia (+15.4%).

Chart 1
Sales in food services and drinking places

millions of current dollars



Note(s): The higher variability associated with the trend-cycle estimates is indicated with a dotted line on the chart for the current reference month and the previous three months. For more information, see Note to readers.
Source(s): Table 21-10-0019-01.

Further information is available in the "[Food Services and Drinking Places Sales](#)" dashboard, where users can consult data on sales in food services and drinking places for Canada and by province and territory. This application allows users to compare provincial and territorial data through interactive maps and charts.

Year-over-year sales in the food services and drinking places subsector up

The figures in this section are based on seasonally unadjusted estimates.

A year after restrictions due to the Omicron variant of COVID-19 were in effect across the country, unadjusted sales for January were up 50.7% compared with January 2022.

Prices for food purchased from restaurants were up 8.2% in January 2023 compared with January 2022, and prices for alcoholic beverages served in licensed establishments increased 4.7% over the same period.

Note to readers

Unless otherwise noted, all data in this release are seasonally adjusted and expressed in current dollars. Seasonally adjusted data are data that have been modified to eliminate the effect of seasonal and calendar influences to allow for more meaningful comparisons of economic conditions from period to period. For more information on seasonal adjustment, see [Seasonally adjusted data – Frequently asked questions](#).

Trend-cycle data are included in selected charts to complement the seasonally adjusted series. These data represent a smoothed version of the seasonally adjusted time series and provide information on longer-term movements, including changes in direction underlying the series. For information on trend-cycle data, see the [StatCan Blog](#) and [Trend-cycle estimates – Frequently asked questions](#).

Data for the current reference month are preliminary. Usually, unadjusted data are revised for the previous two months, and seasonally adjusted data are revised for the previous three months. Both seasonally adjusted data and trend-cycle estimates are subject to revision as additional observations become available. These revisions could be large and could even lead to a reversal of movement, especially for reference months near the end of the series or during periods of economic disruption.

Find these data and more statistics on the [Business and consumer services and culture statistics portal](#).

Table 1
Food services and drinking places – Seasonally adjusted

	January 2022	October 2022 ^r	November 2022 ^r	December 2022 ^r	January 2023 ^p	December 2022 to January 2023	January 2022 to January 2023
	thousands of dollars					% change	
Total, food services sales	5,274,091	7,319,079	7,300,991	7,370,477	8,014,117	8.7	52.0
Full-service restaurants	1,857,623	3,280,276	3,266,191	3,260,360	3,571,835	9.6	92.3
Limited-service eating places	2,981,200	3,281,726	3,273,753	3,339,389	3,626,528	8.6	21.6
Special food services	329,873	544,788	548,217	557,694	598,863	7.4	81.5
Drinking places	105,395	212,289	212,830	213,033	216,892	1.8	105.8
Provinces and territories							
Newfoundland and Labrador	62,560	80,983	80,206	82,026	86,219	5.1	37.8
Prince Edward Island	22,793	33,853	32,978	33,367	34,665	3.9	52.1
Nova Scotia	126,064	172,972	175,066	178,151	189,299	6.3	50.2
New Brunswick	89,231	120,830	120,402	120,379	127,769	6.1	43.2
Quebec	916,433	1,439,985	1,456,690	1,469,104	1,554,132	5.8	69.6
Ontario	1,929,744	2,860,361	2,848,067	2,886,968	3,134,054	8.6	62.4
Manitoba	154,740	203,595	206,286	206,360	220,047	6.6	42.2
Saskatchewan	158,212	187,325	191,998	193,472	207,460	7.2	31.1
Alberta	743,638	930,539	909,288	923,587	987,856	7.0	32.8
British Columbia	1,058,128	1,273,326	1,264,616	1,261,572	1,456,079	15.4	37.6
Yukon	6,612	7,515	7,656	7,762	F	F	F
Northwest Territories	4,724	6,094	5,967	6,043	6,388	5.7	35.2
Nunavut	1,211	1,702	F	F	F	F	F

^r revised

^p preliminary

F too unreliable to be published

Note(s): Figures may not add up to totals because of rounding.

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