Secondary distributors of refined petroleum products, 2025

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The sales of refined petroleum products from secondary distributors in Canada reached 24.6 billion litres in 2025, representing a 5.2% increase compared with 2024. The volume sold consisted of motor gasoline (51.5%), diesel fuel oil (43.2%), light fuel oil (3.0%) and heavy fuel oil (2.3%).

Motor gasoline

In 2025, secondary distributors sold 12.7 billion litres of motor gasoline to end-users, an increase of 7.4% compared with the previous year. Almost all (91.0%) of these sales were made through gasoline stations.

In 2025, Ontario and Quebec accounted for 59.2% of all gasoline-fuelled road motor vehicle registrations in the country. These same provinces accounted for approximately 67.1% of the total sales of motor gasoline, while the remaining 32.9% was distributed across the rest of Canada.

Diesel fuel oil

In 2025, secondary distributors sold 10.6 billion litres of diesel fuel oil to end-users, a 4.4% increase compared with the previous year. The primary customer types included gasoline stations (35.3%), agriculture (18.1%), other commercial and institutional customers (12.6%), road transport and support activities (9.4%) and construction (7.7%).

Additionally, 45.8% of all diesel fuel oil sold to end-users was recorded in Ontario and Quebec in 2025.

Light fuel oil

Secondary distributors sold 747.1 million litres of light fuel oil to end-users in 2025, a 5.7% decrease from 2024. Of the total volume of light fuel oil sold in 2025, 66.8% was purchased by residential customers.

The vast majority of the light fuel oil sales in 2025 was in the Atlantic provinces (42.4%), where the fuel is commonly used as a primary residential heating source, followed by Quebec (31.1%) and Ontario (13.6%).

Note to readers

Secondary distributors of refined petroleum products are commercial entities that act as buyers and resellers between suppliers and end-users of refined petroleum products.

Secondary distributors include wholesalers and dealers of refined petroleum products.

The Annual Survey of Secondary Distributors of Refined Petroleum Products collects sales on motor gasoline, diesel fuel oil, light fuel oil and heavy fuel oil. These values represent sales to end-users and do not include sales to other wholesalers and dealers of refined petroleum products.

Fuel sales from secondary distributors to a broader range of industrial end-users are available upon request.

Data are subject to revisions.

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