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I am pleased to present the 2011 Canada Year Book.

At Statistics Canada, our goal is to publish relevant, accessible and high-quality national statistics, and we are committed to providing Canadians with access to a trusted source of statistical information.

Since 1867, the Year Book has been a familiar authority, informing Canadians and international readers about Canada's economic and social statistics. The 2011 edition continues the tradition of providing reliable information on all aspects of the country—the land, the people, the society, the arts and the economy. This year's edition introduces search terms at the beginning of each chapter so readers can go online and explore each topic in more detail. Also new this year, international pages show how Canada compares with other countries.

I invite readers to visit us online at **www.statcan.gc.ca** to learn more about the work of their national statistical agency.

Wayne R. Smith

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# Abbreviations and symbols



#### **Provinces and territories**

Newfoundland and Labrador	N.L.
Prince Edward Island	P.E.I.
Nova Scotia	N.S.
New Brunswick	N.B.
Quebec	Que.
Ontario	Ont.
Manitoba	Man.
Saskatchewan	Sask.
Alberta	Alta.
British Columbia	B.C.
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#### **Symbols**

The following standard symbols are used in Statistics Canada publications:

- not available for any reference period
- .. not available for a specific reference period
- ... not applicable
- 0 true zero or a value rounded to zero
- 0s value rounded to zero where there is a meaningful distinction between true zero and the value that was rounded
- p preliminary
- r revised
- x suppressed to meet the confidentiality requirements of the *Statistics Act*
- E use with caution
- F too unreliable to be published
- significantly different from reference category (p<0.05)</li>

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#### Notes

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International comparisons should be used to gain a general impression only, as there are differences in definition, data collection and other factors.

The statistics in this edition are the most up-to-date available at the time of its preparation. For more recent data, visit Summary Tables at www.statcan.gc.ca/summarytables.

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