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Health Reports

July 2009

The July 2009 online edition of *Health Reports* contains one article.

"Smoking cessation: Intentions, attempts and techniques" examines intentions to quit smoking, quit attempts, use of cessation aids, and receipt of advice from health professionals.

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The July 2009 online edition of *Health Reports*, Vol. 20, no. 3 (82-003-X, free), is now available from the *Publications* module of our website.

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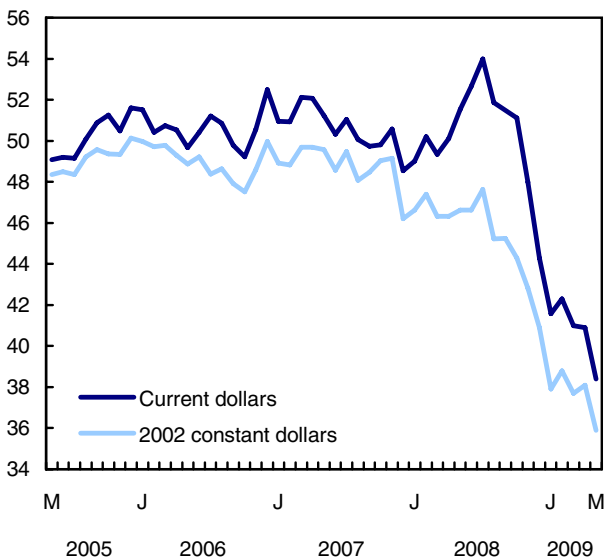
Monthly Survey of Manufacturing

May 2009

Manufacturing sales fell 6.0% to \$38.4 billion in May, the lowest level since November 1998. Manufacturing sales had levelled off between February and April, after falling by 18.7% between October 2008 and January 2009. Plant shutdowns in the motor vehicle and primary metal industries, along with continued volatility in the aerospace industry, accounted for most of the decline in May.

Manufacturing sales fall in May

\$ billions



Constant dollar manufacturing sales fell 5.8% in May, indicating that lower volumes rather than price changes were behind the decrease in sales.

Sales in 17 of 21 manufacturing industries decreased in May, accounting for about three-quarters of total sales.

Plant shutdowns and volatility pull down sales

The transportation equipment industry led the declines, falling 25.7% compared with April. Excluding the transportation equipment industry, total Canadian manufacturing sales decreased 2.1%.

Note to readers

All data in this release are seasonally adjusted and are expressed in current dollars unless otherwise specified.

Preliminary data are provided for the current reference month. Revised data, based on late responses, are updated for the three previous months.

Non-durable goods industries include food, beverage and tobacco products, textile mills, textile product mills, clothing, leather and allied products, paper, printing and related support activities, petroleum and coal products, chemicals, and plastics and rubber products.

Durable goods industries include wood products, non-metallic mineral products, primary metals, fabricated metal products, machinery, computer and electronic products, electrical equipment, appliances and components, transportation equipment, furniture and related products and miscellaneous manufacturing.

Production-based industries

For the aerospace industry and shipbuilding industries, the value of production is used instead of sales of goods manufactured. This value is calculated by adjusting monthly sales of goods manufactured by the monthly change in inventories of goods in process and finished products manufactured.

Unfilled orders are a stock of orders that will contribute to future sales assuming that the orders are not cancelled.

New orders are those received whether sold in the current month or not. New orders are measured as the sum of sales for the current month plus the change in unfilled orders from the previous month to the current month.

Motor vehicle manufacturing sales dropped 25.4% on the back of several plant shutdowns. Motor vehicle parts manufacturing fell 22.2%, reflecting a decrease in demand from vehicle assembly plants.

Production in the aerospace industry decreased by \$781 million, reversing a similar sized increase in April. The aerospace products and parts industry has been extremely volatile over the past several months.

Primary metal manufacturers reported a 9.0% decrease in sales for May, a reflection of plant shutdowns, lower prices and weak market demand.

Miscellaneous manufacturers (-13.7%), machinery manufacturers (-6.0%), fabricated metal products (-3.5%), and food (-2.9%) were other industries with large sales decreases during May.

The petroleum and coal products industry was the main offsetting industry as sales rose 6.2%. This reflected higher prices (+5.0% as measured by the Industrial Product Price Index) for petroleum products,

and several plants increasing production after previous slowdowns.

Weakness in Central Canada partially offset by the Atlantic provinces

Sales in Ontario decreased by 7.8% in May, largely the result of steep declines in the manufacturing of motor vehicles (-26.1%) and motor vehicle parts (-23.1%). The primary metals industry (-15.3%) was also down, contributing to the overall fall in sales in the province. A 14.0% gain in the petroleum and coal products industry only partially offset the decline in sales of transportation equipment.

Sales in Quebec fell 9.1% in May, after a 4.2% gain in April. A 55.1% drop in aerospace products and parts production was largely responsible for the decline. Other industries posting weaker sales included primary metals (-5.4%), petroleum and coal products (-4.4%) and food (-3.1%).

Excluding Ontario and Quebec, manufacturing sales in Canada were relatively unchanged in May, edging down 0.2%.

The Atlantic provinces as a whole reported a 6.7% increase in sales in May. The rise in sales reflected higher volumes and prices in the petroleum and coal products industry.

Manufacturing sales, provinces and territories

	April 2009 ^r	May 2009 ^p	April to May 2009
Seasonally adjusted			
	\$ millions		% change ¹
Canada	40,872	38,424	-6.0
Newfoundland and Labrador	207	262	26.7
Prince Edward Island	123	123	-0.6
Nova Scotia	706	762	7.9
New Brunswick	1,129	1,163	3.1
Quebec	10,738	9,757	-9.1
Ontario	18,603	17,161	-7.8
Manitoba	1,228	1,244	1.3
Saskatchewan	905	938	3.6
Alberta	4,524	4,409	-2.5
British Columbia	2,704	2,602	-3.8
Yukon	3	2	-6.0
Northwest Territories and Nunavut	2	1	-26.2

^r revised

^p preliminary

1. Percent change calculated at thousands of dollars.

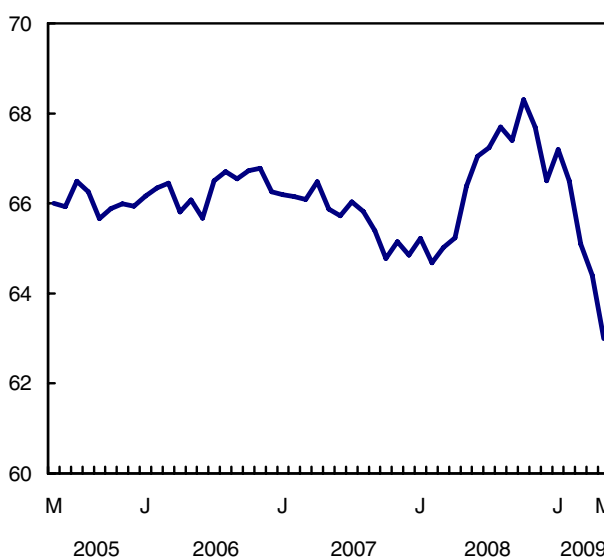
Inventories continue to move lower

Manufacturers reported a 2.1% decline in inventories compared with April, with levels falling to \$63.0 billion. This was the fourth consecutive monthly decline.

Inventory declines were concentrated in the primary metals industry (-5.0%), the paper industry (-4.3%), the transportation equipment industry (-4.1%) and fabricated metal products (-2.0%).

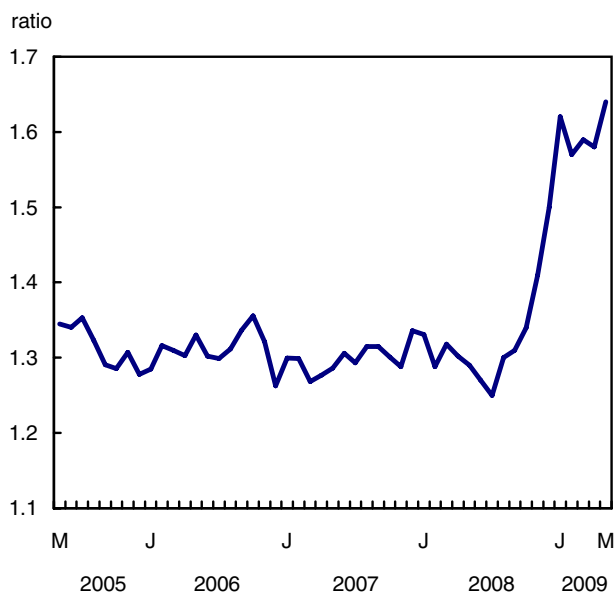
Inventory levels continue to move lower

\$ billions

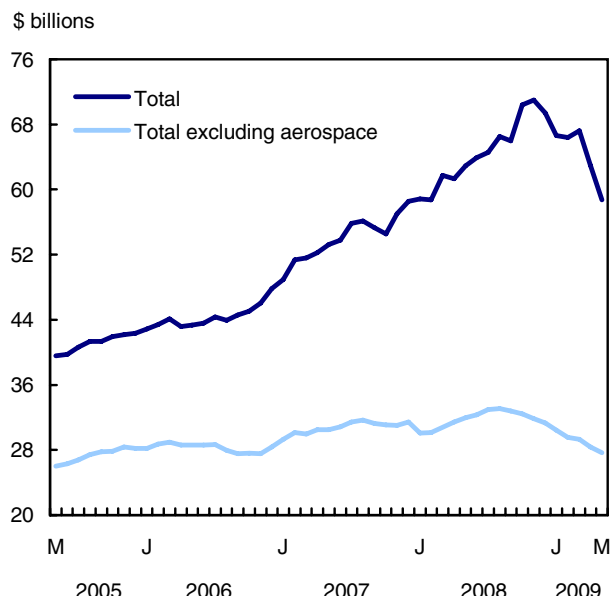


The decline in inventories was not sufficient to keep pace with the decline in sales, as the inventory-to-sales ratio increased from 1.58 in April to 1.64 in May. As a result, the inventory-to-sales ratio returned to levels similar to the recent peak reached in January 2009.

The inventory-to-sales ratio increases in May



Unfilled orders continue to fall



Unfilled orders continue to fall

The backlog of unfilled orders fell 6.9% in May to \$58.7 billion, extending the 6.2% decline posted in April. Unfilled orders for the most part steadily increased between 2005 and 2008. However, recent months have reversed this trend, with unfilled orders falling in five of the previous six months.

In May, the aerospace industry reported one of the sharpest drops in unfilled orders, falling by 10.6% or \$3.7 billion. Excluding aerospace products and parts, unfilled orders decreased 2.4%.

New orders fell 7.2% in May to \$34.1 billion. This was the lowest level recorded since November 1996.

Available on CANSIM: tables 304-0014, 304-0015 and 377-0008.

Definitions, data sources and methods: survey number 2101.

Data from the June Monthly Survey of Manufacturing will be released on August 14.

For more information, or to order data, contact the dissemination officer (toll-free 1-866-873-8789; 613-951-9497; fax: 613-951-3877; manufact@statcan.gc.ca). To enquire about the concepts, methods or data quality of this release, contact Michael Schimpf (613-951-9832, michael.schimpf@statcan.gc.ca), Manufacturing and Energy Division.

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Sales, inventories and orders in all manufacturing industries

	Sales		Inventories		Unfilled orders		New orders		Inventory-to-sales ratio
	Seasonally adjusted								
	\$ millions	% change	\$ millions	% change	\$ millions	% change	\$ millions	% change	
May 2008	51,509	2.8	66,389	1.8	62,866	2.5	53,069	6.9	1.29
June 2008	52,646	2.2	67,046	1.0	63,903	1.6	53,683	1.2	1.27
July 2008	53,998	2.6	67,243	0.3	64,564	1.0	54,660	1.8	1.25
August 2008	51,873	-3.9	67,682	0.7	66,493	3.0	53,802	-1.6	1.30
September 2008	51,495	-0.7	67,433	-0.4	65,965	-0.8	51,040	-5.1	1.31
October 2008	51,114	-0.7	68,330	1.3	70,438	6.8	55,597	8.9	1.34
November 2008	47,991	-6.1	67,704	-0.9	71,033	0.8	48,668	-12.5	1.41
December 2008	44,298	-7.7	66,482	-1.8	69,425	-2.3	42,709	-12.2	1.50
January 2009	41,575	-6.1	67,195	1.1	66,627	-4.0	38,777	-9.2	1.62
February 2009	42,293	1.7	66,462	-1.1	66,424	-0.3	42,089	8.5	1.57
March 2009	40,971	-3.1	65,128	-2.0	67,201	1.2	41,748	-0.8	1.59
April 2009	40,872	-0.2	64,384	-1.1	63,036	-6.2	36,707	-12.1	1.58
May 2009	38,424	-6.0	63,034	-2.1	58,684	-6.9	34,072	-7.2	1.64

Manufacturing industries except motor vehicle, parts and accessories

	Sales		Inventories		Unfilled orders		New orders	
	Seasonally adjusted							
	\$ millions	% change	\$ millions	% change	\$ millions	% change	\$ millions	% change
May 2008	45,625	3.0	63,753	1.7	61,763	2.4	47,062	7.7
June 2008	46,579	2.1	64,529	1.2	62,769	1.6	47,586	1.1
July 2008	47,763	2.5	64,644	0.2	63,459	1.1	48,453	1.8
August 2008	46,100	-3.5	65,190	0.8	65,468	3.2	48,109	-0.7
September 2008	45,806	-0.6	65,077	-0.2	65,062	-0.6	45,474	-5.5
October 2008	45,662	-0.3	65,821	1.1	69,775	7.2	50,384	10.8
November 2008	42,496	-6.9	65,216	-0.9	70,389	0.9	43,192	-14.3
December 2008	39,558	-6.9	64,219	-1.5	68,873	-2.2	38,063	-11.9
January 2009	38,816	-1.9	64,562	0.5	66,150	-4.0	36,094	-5.2
February 2009	38,529	-0.7	64,106	-0.7	65,949	-0.3	38,328	6.2
March 2009	36,941	-4.1	62,750	-2.1	66,835	1.3	37,827	-1.3
April 2009	36,495	-1.2	62,103	-1.0	62,714	-6.2	32,374	-14.4
May 2009	35,115	-3.8	60,751	-2.2	58,416	-6.9	30,817	-4.8

Dairy statistics

May 2009 (preliminary)

Dairy farmers sold 660 400 kilolitres of milk and cream to dairies in May, up 0.7% from May 2008.

Definitions, data sources and methods: survey numbers, including related surveys, 3430, 3431 and 3432.

The second quarter 2009 issue of *Dairy Statistics*, Vol. 4, no. 2 (23-014-X, free), will be available in August.

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Supply and disposition of refined petroleum products

April 2009

Data on the supply, disposition and domestic sales of refined petroleum products are now available for April.

Available on CANSIM: tables 134-0001 to 134-0004.

Definitions, data sources and methods: survey number 2150.

The April 2009 issue of *The Supply and Disposition of Refined Petroleum Products in Canada*, Vol. 64, no. 4 (45-004-X, free), is now available from the *Publications* module of our website.

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Marriages

2004

Data on marriages in Canada are now available for 2004.

Available on CANSIM: tables 101-1001, 101-1002, 101-1004, 101-1007, 101-1008 and 101-1011 to 101-1013.

Definitions, data sources and methods: survey number 3232.

The publication *Marriages, 2004* (84F0212X, free), is now available from the *Publications* module of our website.

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