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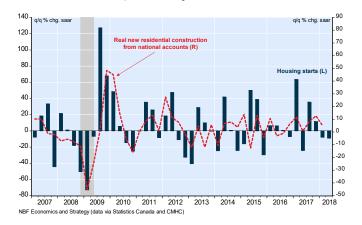
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## Week in review

**CANADA:** Housing starts shot up a massive 54.2K in June, coming in at an annualized 248.1K units. Urban starts rose 52.7K (to 228.8K) as increased groundbreaking for multi-unit homes (+54.8K to 172.8K) eclipsed a small decline in the single-unit category (-2.0K to 56.0K). Multi-unit starts were the highest on record for a month of June since data collection began in 1990, with most of the increase concentrated in Toronto (+34.5K to 49.4K) and Montreal (+12.0K to 29.6K). At the provincial level, starts jumped 49.0K in Ontario (to 104.4K) and 18.6K in Quebec (to 59.9K) but fell 9.5K in Alberta (to 26.1K) and 6.5K in British Columbia (to 36.9K). On a quarterly basis, housing starts countrywide were on pace to contract an annualized 9.0% in Q2 (after shrinking 8.0% in Q1), which could translate into a negative contribution to growth from residential construction in the period.

Canada: New home starts set to subtract from Q2 GDP



In May, the value of **building permit** applications progressed 4.7% m/m to C\$8.2 billion in seasonally adjusted terms. Construction intentions surged 7.7% in the residential

segment but edged down 0.7% in the non-residential category. In the residential category, the value of permit applications increased for both singles (+6.2%) and multis (+8.8%), the latter reaching an all-time high of C\$3.1 billion. On a 12-month basis, the value of permit applications slid 0.4% in Canada as a whole.

The Teranet-National Bank Composite National House Price **Index™** climbed 0.9% in June, as 10 of the 11 constituent metropolitan areas recorded increases, led by Ottawa-Gatineau (+2.0%) and Hamilton (+1.8%). Winnipeg was the sole exception (-1.0%). Following this monthly rise, the composite index recovered all the ground lost in 2017H2. Does this mean the home resale market is gearing for a new period of frenzy? No. June's advance was impressive only at first glance: It was actually weak for this time of year. Indeed, purged of seasonal effects, the index stalled in the three months to June. What's more, year-on-year price growth continued to slow in the month, clocking in at just 2.9%, its lowest reading since October 2013. Vancouver (+13.3%), Victoria (+9.3%), Ottawa-Gatineau (+4.7%), Montreal (+3.6%) and Halifax (+3.2%) contributed to lift the national average. Elsewhere, the rise in prices was more subdued.

The **Bank of Canada** raised the overnight rate by 25 basis points to 1.50%. In making the decision, the BoC was comforted by the fact that the economy was operating at close to full capacity, that the pace of GDP growth seemed set to keep exceeding potential, and that the CPI had risen recently. Although the central bank's outlook assessment remained largely positive, policymakers still fretted about the potential negative impacts of trade uncertainties on investment and exports. As for the protectionist trade measures already imposed by the United States, notably the tariffs on steel and aluminum, the BoC expected these to have no more than a "modest" impact on the economy.

The BoC also presented its updated economic projections in the June edition of its Monetary Policy Report. Expectations for both GDP growth and inflation were upgraded slightly over the forecast horizon. While 2018 growth was left unchanged, the central bank tweaked its quarterly forecasts slightly, hoisting the figure for Q2 to 2.8% annualized and paring it back for Q3 to 1.5%. The composition of 2018 growth was adjusted as well, owing in part to higher oil prices: downgrades to consumption and trade were offset exactly by upgrades to government spending, housing and business investment.



BoC: Summary of Economic Projections										
	Latest	April projection								
Change in real GDP (%)										
2018	2.0	2.0								
2019	2.2	2.1								
2020	1.9	1.8								
Range for potential output (%)										
2018	1.5 - 2.1	1.5 - 2.1								
2019	1.4 - 2.2	1.4 - 2.2								
2020	1.3 - 2.3	1.3 - 2.3								
CPI inflation (%)										
2018	2.4	2.3								
2019	2.2	2.1								

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Asked at his press conference why he had opted to raise interest rates in such uncertain times, Bank of Canada Governor Stephen Poloz acknowledged that, although the downside risks associated with trade negotiations and tariff threats were serious, they could quickly evaporate in the event of a positive resolution to the NAFTA negotiations. In his opinion, monetary policy had to be based on what was known and not on hypothetical scenarios. With that in mind and with the Bank's models projecting above-potential growth in 2018-2019 in spite of the trade measures already implemented by the United States and Canada, the BoC deemed it appropriate to raise the overnight rate at this point in time. Looking ahead, another hike was still possible in October if the bank's growth forecasts panned out. That said, the bank reiterated its dependence on data, which was to say that nothing was etched in stone.

WNITED STATES: The consumer price index was up 0.1% m/m in June. Energy prices declined 0.3% while food costs climbed 0.2%. Excluding those two categories, prices rose 0.2% as services less energy increased 0.2% and commodity prices were flat. Year on year, both the headline and core inflation rates gained a tick to 2.9% and 2.3%, respectively. While these two measures stood at multi-year highs, recent momentum has been less impressive. Indeed, core inflation rose just 1.7% in annualized terms in the past three months, hampered by weakness in the core goods segment (-1.0%). Given the USD's vigour since April, we expect the goods category to continue to weigh on overall prices, effectively curbing the current upward trend in core inflation.

United States: Core CPI at 17-month high, but momentum fading Core CPI. 12-month change vs. 3-month annualized change. Last observation: June 2018



Still in June, the **producer price index** (PPI) for final demand surprised on the upside, climbing a seasonally adjusted 0.3% m/m after rising 0.5% the month before. The increase reflected higher prices for services (+0.4%), especially truck transport (+1.3% m/m, the largest jump since at least 2009) owing to an acute shortage of drivers. Meanwhile, the price of goods advanced just 0.1%, as a 0.8% surge in energy costs was offset by a 1.1% drop in food prices. Excluding the volatile items of energy and food, wholesale prices, too, topped expectations, rising 0.3% m/m for a second month in a row. On a 12-month basis, both headline and core PPI reached their highest levels since 2011, coming in at 3.4% and 2.8%, respectively.

United States: Producer prices climbing at fastest pace in years
Producer Price Index. Last observation: June 2018



The **import price index** (IPI) fell 0.4% m/m in June. Although that was the largest monthly drop in 28 months for that indicator, it came after an upwardly-revised +0.9% print the prior month. True, the figure for June was negatively affected by a 0.8% slide in petroleum import prices. That said, prices



for imports other than petroleum (-0.3%) also softened on a steep decline in the food/beverages category (-2.6%). On a 12-month basis, the headline IPI weakened two ticks to 4.3% while the less volatile ex-petroleum gauge came down from 1.8% to 1.4%. The year on year tracker of ex-petroleum prices has now declined in 3 of the past 4 months, thereby putting an end to a steady upward trend that had endured from the end of 2015 to early 2018 - the indicator went from -3.7% to 2.0% over that period. If the recent appreciation of the USD is any guide, we might see ex-petroleum import prices decline further in the coming months. That, of course, assumes trade tensions worldwide do not intensify significantly.

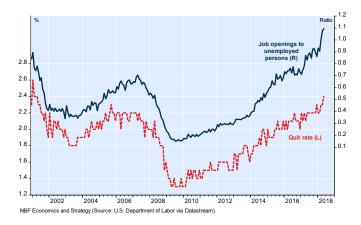
U.S.: Ex-petroleum import prices fading after long positive stretch
Ex-petroleum import price index. Last observation: June 2018



In May, **consumer credit** expanded the most in six months, surging \$24.6 billion to an annualized \$3,897.7 billion. Non-revolving credit grew \$14.8 billion to \$2,858.4 billion, while revolving credit, which consists mainly of credit card loans, increased \$9.8 billion to \$1,039.3 billion.

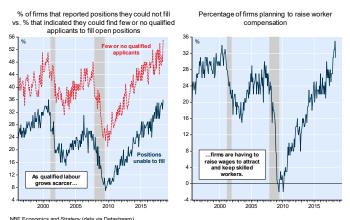
According to the Job Openings and Labor Turnover Survey (JOLTS), positions waiting to be filled in the United States totaled 6,638K in May, down from a record-high 6,840K in April. Despite this slight decline, the ratio of job openings to unemployed persons continued its ascension into uncharted territory, climbing two ticks to an all-time high of 1.09 (it peaked pre-recession at only 0.70). In response to the high number of vacancies, hires rose 173K to 5,754K, a summit this cycle. The report also showed that the guit rate (guits as a percentage of total employment) eked up to a cyclical high of 2.4%, as 3,561K Americans chose to leave their jobs in the month, the highest number observed since survey inception in 2000. The recent increase in guits is a clear indication of growing confidence among employees and stiffer competition among employers. Given that job switchers tend to see their salaries rise at a faster pace than job stayers do, the uptrend in quits could translate into faster wage growth.

United States: Tight labour market encourages workers to quit
Ratio of job openings to unemployed persons vs. quit rate (quits as a percentage of employment)



The NFIB Small Business Optimism Index slid 0.6 point in June but still posted its sixth best print at 107.2. Though the net percentage of firms that expected the economy to improve (33% vs. 37% the prior month) and sales to grow (26% vs. 31%) retreated from the lofty levels reached in May, investment intentions remained high. What<s more, the NFIB report continued to evidence widespread labour shortages, with an all-time high 36% of firms reporting positions they could not fill. Also, 55% stated they could find few or no qualified applicants to fill open positions, another record high. Failing to find suitable candidates, firms sought to retain existing employees, prompting many to raise salaries to this end. No less than 31% indicated enhancing worker compensation in the past three to six months, a high percentage by historical standards. For Q2 as a whole, the NFIB headline index averaged 106.6, its best reading since the mid-80s.

U.S.: Qualified workers in short supply according to NFIB report



**WORLD:** After consecutive monthly declines in April and May, China's **foreign exchange reserves** edged up \$1.5 billion



in June to \$3,110.6 billion. However, this relatively modest increase might precede more significant fluctuations in the months ahead. Here's why. In June, the Chinese yuan (CNY) recorded its worst monthly performance ever against the USD, giving up 3.5% in value. The drop was temporally halted last week by a central bank intervention on the currency market but resumed when U.S. President Donald Trump threatened to impose tariffs on another \$200 billion worth of imports from China (on top of the tariffs already levied on \$34 billion worth of Chinese goods). Pundits have put forth various reasons for the tumble. While the souring of trade relations with the United States ranks high on their list, the painful deleveraging process initiated by Chinese authorities in recent months has also been emphasized. The finger has also been pointed at the U.S. Federal Reserve, whose tightening of policy is no boon for emerging-market currencies.

China: Falling yuan could put pressure on foreign reserves



In any event, the situation has deteriorated to the point that some analysts have turned into doomsayers where the CNY is concerned. Backing their view is the fact that several options normally available to support the currency are now unlikely to be exercised. Raising interest rates, for instance, might be off limits for a highly leveraged economy that has shown signs of slowing recently. This month's decision by China's central bank to reduce the amount of cash that banks must hold in reserve suggests that officials are tilting more on the side of loosening than on the side of tightening. Another possibility could be to impose even stricter capital controls. However, this is unlikely after years spent trying to convince foreign investors of China's commitment to an open economy. Under the circumstances, the only choice left open to support the CNY might be for Chinese authorities to tap into the country's international reserves, as they did back in 2015-16. If they opt to go down this route, they still have plenty of dry powder on hand. Indeed, reserves presently amount to 22% of GDP, a ratio far superior to that of any other emerging country and certainly sufficient to afford the central bank some breathing room. Then again, Chinese authorities could be comfortable with letting the currency depreciate further.

The Chinese currency was not the only asset affected by growing trade tensions this week; **oil prices** also took a hit. On Wednesday, Brent crude sank \$5.46, the biggest daily drop in nearly 7 years. WTI didn't fare much better, shedding \$3.73. As in the Yuan case though, the tariff threat directed at China by the U.S. was but one of the factors explaining crude oil's weakness. The reopening of several key export terminals in Libya, as well as the announcement by OPEC that Saudi Arabia had increased production by more than 400,000 barrels a day in June, also contributed in rattling energy markets.

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## What We'll Be Watching



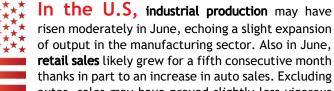
In Canada, a lot of attention will be on June's consumer price index. Gasoline prices dropped 2.2% in the month, a very weak showing compared with historical averages. That result may lead to a 0.1% monthly decline for headline CPI which, in turn, could translate into a 2.2% increase on a 12-

month basis (unchanged from May). The rise in core prices, meanwhile, could have accelerated in June after the recent weakness, reflecting an economy running above potential. This could allow the annual rate of CPI-common to remain unchanged at 1.9%. In other news, both headline and ex-auto retail sales likely bounced back in May, helped by strong auto sales and higher gasoline prices. Also in May, manufacturing shipments may have recorded a second consecutive monthly decline, in line with the slide observed in exports of factory goods. We'll also keep an eye on the publication of international securities transactions for May.

	Previous	NBF forecasts
CPI (June, y/y chg.)	2.2%	2.2%
Core common CPI (June, y/y chg.)	1.9%	1.9%
Retail sales (May, m/m chg.)	-1.2%	1.0%
Ex-autos retail sales (May, m/m chg.)	-0.1%	0.7%
Manufacturing sales (Mav. m/m chg.)	-1.3%	-0.2%

Canada: Annual inflation rates should be left unchanged in June Consumer price index

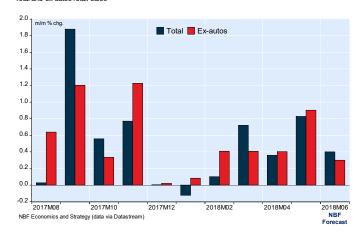




autos, sales may have proved slightly less vigorous with declining pump prices putting a dent in gasoline station receipts. We'll also get housing data for June, with a decrease expected for **housing starts** following an outsized jump the prior month. The first clues on the state of the manufacturing sector in July will be available with the publication of the **Empire State** and **Philly Fed** manufacturing surveys. Finally, the Fed will issue the latest edition of its **Beige Book**. On Tuesday (July 17<sup>th</sup>) Jerome Powell, the Fed's Chair, will deliver his semi-annual **report on the economy and monetary policy** before the Senate Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs Committee.

	Previous	NBF forecasts
Industrial production (June, m/m chg.)	-0.1%	0.5%
Retail sales (June, m/m chg.)	0.8%	0.5%
Ex-autos retail sales (June, m/m chg.)	0.9%	0.3%
Housing starts (June, saar)	1350K	1310K

U.S.: Fifth increase in a row for retail sales in June?





**Elsewhere in the world**, we'll get June's **CPI** data in Japan as well as Q2's **GDP** numbers in China.



# Economic Calendar - Canada & U.S.

			Economic relea	ses & e	events			Earnings anno	ıncem <u>e</u>	nts	
	Time	Country	Release	Period	Previous	Consensus Estimate	NBF Estimate	Company	Time	Qtr	Cons. EPS
Monday Jul 16	8:30 8:30 8:30 8:30	CA US US US	Int'l Securities Transactions Empire Manufacturing Retail Sales Advance MoM Retail Sales Ex Auto MoM	May Jul Jun Jun	9.13b 25.0 0.80% 0.90%	 20.0 0.60% 0.40%	0.50% 0.30%	JB Hunt Transport Services Inc BlackRock Inc Bank of America Corp Netflix Inc	Bef-mkt 06:00 06:45 16:05	Q2 18 Q2 18 Q2 18 Q2 18	1.28 6.57 0.57 0.79
Tuesday Jul 17	8:30 9:15 9:15 10:00 16:00	CA US US US US	Manufacturing Sales MoM Industrial Production MoM Capacity Utilization NAHB Housing Market Index Total Net TIC Flows	May Jun Jun Jul May	-1.30% -0.10% 77.90% 68.0 \$138.7b	 0.50% 78.30% 69.0 	-0.20% 0.50%	UnitedHealth Group Inc Prologis Inc Comerica Inc Progressive Corp/The Omnicom Group Inc Johnson & Johnson Goldman Sachs Group Inc/The Charles Schwab Corp/The CSX Corp United Continental Holdings In	Bef-mkt Bef-mkt Bef-mkt Bef-mkt 06:45 07:30 08:45 Aft-mkt	Q2 18 Q2 18 Q2 18	3.04 0.71 1.66 1.11 1.55 2.07 4.66 0.58 0.86 3.06
Wednesday Jul 18	7:00 8:30 8:30 8:30 8:30	US US US US US	MBA Mortgage Applications Housing Starts Housing Starts MoM Building Permits Building Permits MoM	Jul-13 Jun Jun Jun Jun	2.50% 1350k 5.00% 1301k -4.60%	 1322k -1.90% 1325k 1.80%	1310k -3.00% 1325k 1.80%	Canadian Pacific Railway Ltd M&T Bank Corp US Bancorp Abbott Laboratories Northern Trust Corp Textron Inc Morgan Stanley American Express Co Crown Castle International Cor Kinder Morgan Inc/DE International Business Machine eBay Inc	16:01 Bef-mkt Bef-mkt Bef-mkt Bef-mkt 07:00 Aft-mkt Aft-mkt 16:05	Q2 18 Q2 18 Q2 18 Q2 18 Q2 18	3.09 3.17 1.00 0.71 1.63 0.70 1.11 1.82 1.24 0.20 3.04 0.52
Thursday Jul 19	8:30	US	Initial Jobless Claims	Jul-14	214k	220k		Exchange Income Corp Rogers Communications Inc Choice Properties Real Estate West Fraser Timber Co Ltd BB&T Corp Travelers Cos Inc/The Danaher Corp Bank of New York Mellon Corp/T Philip Morris International In Union Pacific Corp Intuitive Surgical Inc Microsoft Corp	0:00 Bef-mkt Bef-mkt Aft-mkt Bef-mkt 06:30 07:00 08:00 Aft-mkt 16:09	Q2 18 Q2 18 Q2 18 Q2 18	0.82 1.05 0.25 3.03 1.01 2.43 1.09 1.02 1.23 1.94 2.49
Friday Jul 20	8:30 8:30 8:30 8:30	CA CA CA CA	Retail Sales MoM Retail Sales Ex Auto MoM CPI YoY CPI Core- Common YoY%	May May Jun Jun	-1.20% -0.10% 2.20% 1.90%	  	1.00% 0.70% 2.20% 1.90%	Encana Corp Rockwell Collins Inc SunTrust Banks Inc Honeywell International Inc Stanley Black & Decker Inc Citizens Financial Group Inc Regions Financial Corp General Electric Co Baker Hughes a GE Co VF Corp Schlumberger Ltd State Street Corp	0:00	Q2 18 Q2 18 Q2 18	0.11 1.84 1.31 2.01 2.04 0.85 0.33 0.18 0.14 0.33 0.43 2.01



# **Annex - Economic Tables**

		Jul	ly 13, 20	18						
				ly Growth	(%)	Annualize	d Growth			
Growth Rates Unless	Reference	-	Past	Prev.		Average of		Since	Year-to-d	late (3)
Otherwise Indicated	<u>Period</u>	Level	<u>Month</u>	<u>Month</u>	<u>Before</u>	3 Mos.	6 Mos.	12 Mos.	<u>ref.</u>	prec.
UNITED STATES										
MONETARY AGGREGATES		(\$Billions)								
M1	* June 2018	3658	0.1	-0.2	-0.1	1.8	4.4	4.6	6.0	8.1
M2	* June 2018	14112	0.6	0.5	0.2	4.5	3.3	4.2	4.0	6.1
CREDIT MEASURES	04110 2010		0.0	•						• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •
Consumer Credit	* May 2018	3898	0.6	0.3	0.2	3.7	4.9	4.8	4.8	6.3
Mortgage (Banks)	* May 2018	4337	-0.1	0.3	0.3	3.3	4.0	3.6	4.1	5.5
Business	* May 2018	2190	0.0	2.1	0.9	10.4	3.9	4.6	2.9	4.0
CANADA										
MONETARY AGGREGATES										
M2+ gross	May 2018	2013	0.2	0.1	0.5	2.6	3.9	3.4	4.2	7.7
Personal Deposits (Banks) (2)	May 2018	964						3.1	3.4	6.4
CREDIT MEASURES										
Consumer	May 2018	610	0.4	0.1	0.2	3.0	4.1	4.4	4.8	4.6
Residential Mortgages	May 2018	1516	0.2	0.3	0.3	3.8	4.4	4.4	4.9	6.1
Business	May 2018	2116	0.7	0.7	0.8	7.8	6.9	7.4	8.3	7.7
Private (Consumer+Business)	May 2018	4230	0.5	0.5	0.6	5.7	5.3	5.7	6.4	6.6
Gov. of Canada securities outstanding	* June 2018	708	-0.1	0.6	1.3	2.7	0.1	-0.1	1.2	3.7
NTEREST AND EXCHANGE RATE								200		
	Reference Thursday	Last <u>day</u>	1 week ago	2 w ago _	Averag 13 w.	e of last Thu 26 w.	irsdays 52 w.	13 w. <u>ago</u>	26 w. <u>ago</u>	52 3
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UNITED STATES										
NTEREST RATES										
Federal Funds Target Rate	* 12 July 18	2.00	2.00	2.00	1.85	1.71	1.50	1.75	1.50	1
Prime Rate	* 12 July 18	5.00	5.00	5.00	4.85	4.71	4.50	4.75	4.50	4
3-month Treasury Bills	* 12 July 18	1.94	1.92	1.89	1.87	1.73	1.44	1.72	1.41	1
2-year Bonds	* 12 July 18	2.60	2.56	2.51	2.51	2.36	1.97	2.35	1.98	1
5-year Bonds	* 12 July 18	2.75	2.74	2.72	2.78	2.68	2.32	2.67	2.31	1
10-year Bonds	* 12 July 18	2.85	2.84	2.85	2.93	2.87	2.59	2.83	2.53	2
30-year Bonds	* 12 July 18	2.95	2.95	2.98	3.08	3.07	2.94	3.04	2.86	2
Corp. High-yield (BofA ML Master II)	* 12 July 18	6.63	6.72	6.59	6.52	6.47	6.27	6.39	6.10	6
Corp. Invest. Grade (BofA ML Corp. BBB)	* 12 July 18	4.38	4.42	4.41	4.37	4.18	3.87	4.16	3.67	3
Spread										
Corp. High-yield - Treas. 10y.	* 12 July 18	3.77	3.88	3.74	3.59	3.60	3.68	3.56	3.57	3
Corp. Invest. grade - Treas. 10y.	* 12 July 18	1.53	1.58	1.57	1.43	1.32	1.28	1.32	1.14	1
Treasuries 30y 3-m. T.B.	* 12 July 18	1.01	1.03	1.09	1.20	1.33	1.49	1.32	1.45	1
EXCHANGE RATE										
FED Broad (Jan 97 = 100)	* 6 July 18	123.55	123.88	124.23	121.17	119.40	119.56	117.78	119.53	121
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CANADA										
NTEREST RATES										
Prime Rate	* 12 July 18	3.70	3.70	3.45	3.49	3.47	3.30	3.45	3.20	2
Target overnight rate	* 12 July 18	1.50	1.25	1.25	1.27	1.26	1.10	1.25	1.00	0
30-day commercial paper	* 12 July 18	1.82	1.72	1.65	1.66	1.62	1.46	1.64	1.51	1
3-month Treasury Bills	* 12 July 18	1.42	1.25	1.25	1.26	1.20	1.05	1.14	1.15	0
1-year Treasury Bills	* 12 July 18	1.68	1.68	1.68	1.70	1.65	1.49	1.63	1.62	1
5-year Bonds	* 12 July 18	2.07	2.06	2.02	2.14	2.10	1.89	2.06	1.95	1
10-year Bonds	* 12 July 18	2.15	2.15	2.13	2.29	2.27	2.12	2.20	2.16	1
30-year Bonds	* 12 July 18	2.20	2.18	2.20	2.34	2.36	2.34	2.32	2.38	2
SPREADS	·									
Prime - 30d. Commercial paper	* 12 July 18	1.88	1.98	1.80	1.83	1.85	1.84	1.81	1.69	1
Long Term - Short Term	* 12 July 18	0.78	0.93	0.95	1.08	1.16	1.29	1.18	1.23	1
CANADA UNITED STATES SPREADS	* 40 :	0.55	0.0-		0.00	0.50	0.00	0.50	0.00	_
3-month T-Bills	* 12 July 18	-0.52	-0.67	-0.64	-0.62	-0.53	-0.39	-0.58	-0.26	-0
Long Term Bonds	* 12 July 18	-0.75	-0.77	-0.77	-0.74	-0.71	-0.60	-0.72	-0.48	-0
EXCHANGE RATE US\$ /CDN\$ (GTIS)	* 40 100 40	0.7603	0.7644	0.7550	0.7707	0.7700	0.7074	0.7047	0.7000	0.7
US\$ /CDN\$ (GTIS) Trade-weighted (1990=100) G-10	* 12 July 18 * 12 July 18		0.7614	0.7550	0.7707	0.7799	0.7871	0.7947	0.7988	0.78
11aue-Weighteu (1990=100) G-10	* 12 July 18	0.0	0.0	88.1	90.0	90.7	91.7	91.8	92.8	9
STOCK INDICES			Month	ly Growth	(%)	Gr	owth Over (	·%)		
	Reference	-	Past	Prev.	Month				Year-to-	-date
	Thursday	Level	Month	Month	Before	3 Months	6 Months	1 Year	ref.	ng
Dow Jones (U.S.)	* 12 July 18	24924.9	-1.6	2.0	1.4	1.8	-3.4	15.8	1.7	<u> </u>
S&P 500 (U.S.)	* 12 July 18	2798.3	0.4	2.2	2.4	5.0	0.4	14.5	5.0	
,		7823.9	1.6	4.1	3.7	9.6	7.8	25.0	14.0	1
NASDAQ (U.S.)	" 12 July 18	1023.9	1.0							
NASDAQ (U.S.) S&P/TSX (Can.)	* 12 July 18 * 12 July 18	16567.4	1.7	1.9	4.7	8.5	1.6	9.4	2.8	-

## NATIONAL BANK OF CANADA FINANCIAL MARKETS

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Growth Rates Unless	Reference	Past	Prev.	Month	Ave	erage of the I	ast	Since	Year-to-da	ate (9)
Otherwise Indicated	<u>Period</u>	<u>Month</u>	<u>Month</u>	<u>Before</u>	3 Mos	<u>6 Mos.</u>	<u>12 Mos.</u>	12 Mos.	<u>ref.</u>	<u>pre</u>
ndex of 12 Leading Indicators	May 2018	0.2	0.4	0.4	5.4	7.1	5.3	6.1	6.1	3
Consumer Confidence Index (1985=100)	June 2018	126.4	128.8	125.6	126.9	127.0	125.1	117.3	127.0	117
S.M. Manufacturing Index (level) - Non-manufacturing (level)	June 2018 June 2018	60.2 63.9	58.7 61.3	57.3 59.1	58.7 61.4	59.2 61.3	59.0 60.3	56.7 60.7	59.2 61.3	56 61
- Nor-mandiacturing (level)	Julie 2016	03.9	01.5	33.1	01.4	01.3	00.5	00.7	01.3	01
DOMESTIC DEMAND							14.1			
Sales new autos & light trucks (000,000) Retail Sales	June 2018 May 2018	17.5 0.8	16.9 0.4	17.2 0.7	17.2 5.2	17.2 5.3	17.4 4.8	16.7 5.9	17.2 4.8	17 4
- Motor vehicle	May 2018	0.6	0.4	1.9	4.9	2.3	4.0	4.0	3.4	5
- Other	May 2018	0.9	0.4	0.4	5.2	6.0	4.9	6.4	5.2	4
Consumer Spending: Total (\$ current)	May 2018	0.2	0.5	0.6	-18.0	-1.1	2.8	-13.6	0.8	4
Total (\$ constant)	May 2018	0.0	0.3	0.6	2.2	2.5	2.6	2.3	2.5	2
Personal Income Personal Savings Rate (3)	May 2018 May 2018	0.4 3.2	0.2 3.0	0.3 3.2	3.9 3.1	4.5 3.1	3.5 3.1	4.0 3.8	3.8 3.2	(
Vew Orders	May 2018	0.4	-0.4	1.7	9.6	9.5	7.4	9.2	8.2	2
- Non-Defence Capital Goods exc. Aircraft	May 2018	0.3	2.0	-1.0	4.7	5.0	7.7	6.5	6.5	
Infilled Orders	May 2018	0.5	0.6	0.8	6.6	3.4	2.1	4.6	3.3	-
Business Inventories	April 2018	0.3	-0.1	0.6	4.8	4.6	3.4	4.4	4.1	
nventories / Shipments Businesses Ianufacturers' Shipments	April 2018	1.35 0.6	1.35 0.1	1.36 0.7	1.35 5.5	1.35 8.6	1.37 6.0	1.38 7.3	1.36 6.8	1
fanufacturers' Inventories	May 2018 May 2018	0.0	0.1	0.7	3.2	5.8	3.8	5.2	4.9	
ventories / Shipments Manuf.	May 2018	1.35	1.35	1.35	1.35	1.35	1.36	1.37	1.35	1
lousing Starts (000) (1)	May 2018	1350	1286	1327	1321	1300	1259	1122	1317	11
lew Home Sales, single-family	May 2018	6.7	-3.7	1.2	16.2	13.5	8.0	14.1	8.1	1
xisting Home Sales, s.f. & condos	May 2018	-0.4	-2.7	1.1	0.0	0.2	-0.5	-3.0	-1.9	
RODUCTION										
ndustrial Production	May 2018	-0.1	0.9	0.5	5.2	4.7	2.6	3.5	3.4	
- Consumer Goods	May 2018	-1.0	1.0	0.4	2.7	3.4	1.2	1.5	2.5	-
- Hitech goods	May 2018	0.2	1.8	0.7	5.6	8.4	4.3	6.2	5.8	
XTERNAL AND FISCAL BALANCES										
ixports	May 2018	1.9	0.3	2.2	16.3	11.4	7.3	11.7	8.8	
ports	May 2018	0.4	-0.2	-1.4	-0.2	12.6	7.5	8.3	8.6	
erch. Trade Balance (\$ billions)	May 2018	-43.1	-46.1	-47.2	-45.4	-49.4	-47.5	-45.8	-49.0	-4
eal merchandise trade balance	May 2018	-75.3	-77.5	-78.2	-77.0	-80.7	-79.4	-76.7	-80.0	-7
ederal budget balance last 12 months (2)	* June 2018	-749.7	-765.1	-706.7				-709.7	-382.2	-31
NFLATION AND COSTS										
onsumer Prices	* June 2018	0.1	0.2	0.2	1.7	3.0	2.2	2.9	2.4	
- Excluding Food and Energy	* June 2018	0.2	0.2	0.1	1.8	2.5	1.9	2.3	2.1	
CE Deflator exc. Food and Energy	May 2018	0.2	0.2	0.2	2.2	2.0	1.6	2.0	1.7	
Producer price index for final demand Everage Hourly Earnings (4)	* June 2018 June 2018	0.3	0.5	0.1	3.0	3.4	2.7 2.5	3.3 2.7	2.9 2.6	
ndustrial Capacity Utilization Rate	May 2018	77.9	78.1	77.5	77.8	77.5	76.9	76.2	77.5	7
ledian Price, Single-Family Homes (5)	May 2018	3.0	3.3	3.7	27.9	-1.8	5.5	5.2	5.5	
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ABOUR MARKET ew Jobs (000) (6)	June 2018	213	244	175	211	215	198	2374	1287	1
- Manufacturing (000)	June 2018	36	19	28	28	26	24	285	155	-1
- Services (000)	June 2018	160	193	123	159	157	146	1750	943	
verage weekly hours (6)	June 2018	0.2	0.2	0.4	3.1	2.2	2.1	2.1	2.1	
ivilian Unemployment Rate (7)	June 2018	4.0	3.8	3.9	3.9	4.0	4.1	4.3	4.0	
ATIONAL ACCOUNTS AND OTHER		Annı	ualized Gro	owth Rate	s					
UARTERLY INDICATORS	Q1 2018	Q4 2017	Q3 2017	Q2 2017	Q1 2017	Q1 2017	<u>2016</u>	2015	<u>2014</u>	
eal GDP Chained 2009 dollars	2.0	2.9	3.2	3.1	1.2	1.8	1.5	2.9	2.6	
onsumption	0.9	4.0	2.2	3.3	1.9	2.9	2.8	2.7	3.6	
esidential Construction usiness Investment	-1.1 10.4	12.8 6.8	-4.7 4.7	-7.3 6.7	11.1 7.2	7.1 0.2	1.8 4.7	5.5 -0.6	10.2 2.3	
adineda iliveatiletit	10.4	0.0	4.7	0.7	1.2	0.2	4.7	-0.0	۷.5	
overnment Spending	1.3	3.0	0.7	-0.2	-0.6	0.2	0.1	0.8	1.4	
xports	3.6	7.0	2.1	3.5	7.3	-3.8	3.4	-0.3	0.4	
ports	3.2	14.1	-0.7	1.5	4.3	8.1	4.0	1.3	5.0	
hange in Inventories (1) (2)	13.9	15.6	38.5	5.5	1.2	63.1	15.2	33.4	100.5	
DP Deflator ersonal Disposable Income	2.2 3.6	2.3 1.2	2.1 0.7	1.0 2.7	2.0 2.9	2.0 -1.8	1.8 1.2	1.3 1.4	1.1 4.2	
crachat Disposable Hittoffie	Q1 2018	Q4 2017	Q3 2017	Q2 2017	Q1 2017	-1.8 Q4 2016	2016	2015	4.2 2014	
abour Productivity (4)	0.4	0.3	2.6	1.7	0.2	1.2	1.3	0.0	1.3	
nit Labor Costs (4)	2.9	2.5	1.0	-1.2	4.8	-5.7	0.4	1.1	1.9	
	Q1 2018	Q4 2017	Q3 2017		Q1 2017	Q4 2016	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>	2014	
urrent Account (current \$)	-496.4	-464.6	-413.8	-487.3	-430.8	-434.4	-449.1	-432.9	-407.8	
as a % of GDP	-2.5	-2.4	-2.1	-2.5	-2.3	-2.3	-2.3	-2.3	-2.3	
Corporate Profits (8)	<b>Q1 2018</b> 7.3	<b>Q4 2017</b> -0.2	Q3 2017	<b>Q2 2017</b> 2.8	Q1 2017	Q4 2016	2016 4.4	<u>2015</u> -2.1	<u>2014</u> -1.1	
as a % of GDP	7.3 11.3	-0.2 11.2	18.1 11.4	2.8 11.0	-8.3 11.1	10.7 11.4	4.4 11.2	-2.1 11.6	-1.1 11.9	
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* Update	Source: Thor	nson-Reuthe						-		
(1) Annual Rate			(5) Existing			(			period of the	
(2) \$ Billions (3) Personal Savings as a % of Personal D			(6) Non-Fa (7) Housel				preceed stated	ing year, un	less otherwise	3

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TABL	.E 3 - CAN.	Jul	y 13, 20 <sup>-</sup>	18						
Growth Rates Unless Otherwise Indicated	Reference Period	Month Past Month	ly Growth ( Prev. <u>Month</u>	Month Before		lized Growtl age of the li 6 Mos.		Since 12 Mos.	Year-to-d	ate (6)
CFIB Business Barometer ®	June 2018	-0.5	10.5	-6.8	-9.3	7.9	-1.5	2.2	-2.7	11.4
DOMESTIC DEMAND										
Retail Sales (\$ current)	April 2018	-1.2	0.8	0.4	0.7	2.0	5.8	1.6	2.9	6.8
<ul> <li>Motor vehicle and parts dealers</li> <li>Other</li> </ul>	April 2018 April 2018	-4.3 -0.1	3.1 0.0	1.8 0.0	5.5 -1.0	-1.5 3.4	7.1 5.3	0.0 2.2	1.5 3.3	8.8 6.4
Retail Sales (\$ constant)	April 2018	-1.4	1.0	0.4	-0.3	-1.8	4.2	-0.7	0.6	5.0
Manufacturer's Shipments (\$ current)	April 2018	-1.3	1.4	2.7	7.2	7.2	5.2	3.6	4.0	6.6
New Orders - Durables	April 2018 April 2018	-1.6 -1.0	-1.1 -3.0	8.2 13.6	25.7 50.2	12.1 16.3	4.7 4.1	2.8 2.7	4.9 6.1	10.4 9.9
Unfilled Orders	April 2018	1.3	1.6	3.3	19.6	2.4	-1.9	0.4	-0.1	-0.2
Manufacturer's Inventories	April 2018	2.2	0.5	1.5	13.8	9.0	7.4	8.4	8.1	4.0
Inventories / Shipments Ratio Manufacturer's Shipments (\$ constant)	April 2018 April 2018	1.44 -1.9	1.40 0.6	1.41 2.2	1.42 2.6	1.41 3.1	1.40 3.2	1.38 1.6	1.42 2.1	1.36 3.3
Housing Starts (000) (1) Number of existing homes sold (MLS)	* June 2018 May 2018	248.1 -0.1	193.9 -2.6	216.2 -0.2	219.4 -37.1	222.0 -12.0	224.2 -9.8	213.3 -15.0	222.0 -15.0	214.3 -2.2
	May 2010	0.1	2.0	0.2	01.1	12.0		10.0	10.0	2.2
PRODUCTION Real Domestic Product	April 2018	0.1	0.3	0.4	2.4	2.1	3.4	2.5	2.8	2.6
- Manufacturing	April 2018	0.8	0.0	0.5	2.0	3.1	3.6 5.1	3.5	3.0	1.7
- Construction Services	April 2018 April 2018	-0.5 0.0	-0.1 0.2	0.9 0.1	4.6 1.4	4.9 1.7	5.1 2.7	3.4 1.8	4.8 2.3	1.6 2.4
EXTERNAL, FISCAL AND EXCHANGE BALAN	NCES									
Exports	May 2018	-0.1	1.2	4.1	19.3	10.6	1.6	0.0	1.0	10.1
Imports - Capital Goods	May 2018 May 2018	1.7 2.4	-2.8 -1.9	6.2 5.1	19.2 19.5	10.9 10.0	4.5 5.9	3.5 4.9	4.4 6.1	5.1 1.6
Merch. Trade Balance (\$ millions)	May 2018	-2,771	-1,864	-3,917	-2,851	-2,793	-2,693	-1,015	-2,653	-982
Change in Official Reserves	June 2018	988	-1,444	-1,074	-510	-810	-238	-2,861	-4,860 Fiscal	-3,849
Level (US\$): \$81.8 billion Fed. budget balance last 12 months (\$ billions)	March 2018	-16.2	-15.9	-17.5				-22.9	Fiscal -16.2	<u>year</u> -21.8
INFLATION AND COSTS Consumer Prices	May 2018	0.1	0.3	0.3	4.7	2.6	1.8	2.2	2.1	1.7
- Excluding Food and Energy	May 2018	0.1	-0.1	0.4	4.1	1.8	1.6	1.7	1.8	1.8
- Core inflation (4)	May 2018	-0.1	0.1	0.2	3.5	1.4	1.1	1.3	1.4	1.3
Average Hourly Earnings (2) Price of New Housing icluding land	June 2018 * May 2018	0.0	0.0	0.0	-0.5	0.4	2.8 3.0	3.6 0.9	3.5 2.1	1.1 3.5
Avg. Price of Existing Homes Sold (MLS)	May 2018	0.9	0.1	-1.8	-17.3	-5.5	-1.1	-6.2	-6.4	5.2
Industrial Prices (1992=100)	May 2018	1.0	0.4	0.9	7.7	6.2	2.3	3.1	2.5	4.6
LABOUR MARKET Labour Force	June 2018	0.4	-0.1	0.1	1.1	0.4	0.9	0.7	0.7	1.1
Job creation (000)	June 2018	31.8	-7.5	-1.1	7.7	-2.8	17.9	214.9	-17.1	195.3
- Manufacturing	June 2018	11.3	-18.3	-0.8	-2.6	-5.3	0.6	7.0	-31.8	49.5
- Services - Full Time	June 2018 June 2018	-14.7 9.1	21.5 -31.1	14.8 28.9	7.2 2.3	-2.3 14.1	11.8 23.7	141.3 284.0	-13.8 84.8	134.2 191.8
- Part Time	June 2018	22.7	23.6	-30.0	5.4	-17.0	-5.8	-69.1	-101.9	3.5
Unemployment Rate	June 2018	6.0	5.8	5.8	5.9	5.9	6.0	6.5	5.9	6.6
NATIONAL ACCOUNTS AND OTHER QUARTERLY INDICATORS		Q4 2017	alized Gro	Q2 2017 (	Q1 2017	Q4 2016	2017	<u>2016</u>	<u>2015</u>	
GDP Chained (2007) \$ Household consumption	1.3 1.1	1.7 2.2	1.7 3.1	4.6 4.3	4.0 4.0	2.2 3.5	3.0 3.5	1.4 2.4	1.0 2.1	
Business Investments, non-res., mach. & equip		8.0	5.9	7.5	14.3	-17.6	2.8	-9.4	-11.3	
-Machinery and Equipment	18.1	14.5	1.6	8.7	28.5	-1.5	6.0	-6.0	-6.6	
Residential Construction Government Expenditures	-7.2 2.7	13.5 3.8	-0.1 3.5	-1.3 0.8	7.1 4.8	4.4 1.2	2.9 2.3	3.3 2.2	3.8 1.6	
Government Fixed Capital Formation	6.4	8.4	11.6	-1.1	-4.2	10.1	4.0	9.1	0.2	
Final Domestic Demand	2.1	4.1	3.6	3.2	4.9	0.9	3.0	1.1	0.3	
Exports Imports	1.7 4.9	3.9 7.7	-9.9 1.3	6.4 4.1	2.6 14.9	1.1 -9.0	1.1 3.6	1.0 -1.0	3.5 0.7	
Change in Inventories, chained (2007) \$ (5)	15.3	15.8	18.3	12.8	8.9	-2.2	13.9	1.0	4.7	
Real Disposible Income Personal savings Rate	0.8 4.4	1.8 4.5	6.8 4.3	5.9 3.3	-1.2 3.0	3.2 4.2	3.7	1.3 3.5	3.5	
GDP Price Deflator	1.4	4.5	0.3	0.0	2.8	4.2	3.8 2.3	0.6	4.8 -0.8	
Corporate Profits (nominal)	4.4	9.5	-2.6	-6.6	35.9	38.9	19.9	-1.9	-19.8	
as a % of GDP Indust. Capacity Utilization Rate	12.7 86.1	12.6 85.6	12.5 84.8	12.7 84.0	13.0 82.4	12.3 81.4	12.7 84.2	11.2 80.2	11.6 80.5	
Labour Productivity, Business Sector	-1.2	0.9	-2.5	0.5	5.6	0.7	1.9	0.6	-0.5	
Unit Labour Cost, Business Sector	2.8 <b>Q1 2018</b>	5.4 <b>Q4 2017</b>	5.4 Q3 2017	-3.7 O2 2017	-0.4 <b>Q1 2017</b>	1.7 Q4 2016	0.2 <b>2017</b>	-0.1 <b>2016</b>	2.3 <b>2015</b>	
Current Account (current \$) (5) as a % of GDP	-78.0 -3.6	-65.9 -3.0	-71.7 -3.3	-59.6 -2.8	-55.9 -2.6	-45.1 -2.2	-63.3 -2.9	-65.4 -3.0	-71.5 -3.5	
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DOMESTIC DEMAND AND REVENUE										
Retail Sales	April 2018	-2.7	1.1	0.7	0.1	4.4	4.5	0.8	3.1	
Manufacturing Shipments	April 2018	-3.4 59.9	2.7	3.2	11.8	6.7	7.0	2.9	5.4 51.3	
Housing Starts (000) (2) Number of existing homes sold (MLS)	* June 2018 May 2018	-0.6	41.3 -1.3	59.6 6.5	53.6 9.0	51.3 2.5	50.0 5.5	43.8 2.5	4.4	
Wages and Salaries	March 2018	0.5	0.9	0.4	5.1	6.2	5.2	5.6	5.6	
Value of merchandise exports (1)	May 2018						4.1	1.7	3.5	
CFIB Business Barometer ®	June 2018	6.8	-0.8	-5.3	-14.3	8.3	6.4	10.6	7.6	
PRICES Consumer Price Index (1)	May 2018	0.1	0.4	0.2	3.6	2.3	1.3	1.7	1.6	
Average Hourly Earnings (1)	June 2018	0.1	0.4	0.2	5.0	2.5	2.7	2.1	2.4	
Price of New Housing inc. Land (1)	* May 2018	0.0	0.1	0.0	1.7	1.7	1.2	1.5	1.5	
Avg. Price of Existing Homes Sold (MLS)	May 2018	2.1	0.1	-0.6	3.4	5.1	4.6	5.4	4.8	
LABOR MARKET										
Job creation (000)	June 2018	-6.5	4.7	-13.8	-5.2	-3.3	2.2	26.5	-19.9	
Unemployment rate Participation rate	June 2018 June 2018	5.4 64.6	5.3 64.7	5.4 64.7	5.4 64.6	5.5 64.8	5.6 64.8	6.0 65.0	5.5 64.8	
	Julie 2010	04.0	04.7	04.7	04.0	04.0	04.0	00.0	04.0	
NTARIO  DOMESTIC DEMAND AND REVENUE										
Retail Sales	April 2018	-2.3	0.7	0.9	1.1	1.5	6.2	0.4	3.1	
Manufacturing Shipments	April 2018	0.2	0.5	4.2	11.7	7.4	1.4	3.3	1.4	
Housing Starts (000) (2)	* June 2018	104.4 2.1	55.4 -4.4	69.8 1.9	76.5 -36.6	82.5 -14.0	81.3 -21.2	78.3 -18.4	82.5 -25.5	
Number of existing homes sold (MLS) Wages and Salaries	May 2018 March 2018	0.0	-4.4 0.5	0.3	-36.6 4.1	-14.0 5.8	-21.2 4.2	-18.4 4.4	-∠5.5 4.5	
Value of merchandise exports (1)	May 2018	0.0	0.0	0.0	7.0	0.0	-4.0	-5.5	-3.3	
CFIB Business Barometer ®	June 2018	-3.6	13.8	-0.3	22.9	9.6	-7.6	7.6	-7.6	
PRICES		12 1		211	120 20	202	15 (15)	1 <u>111</u> 111	@ w	
Consumer Price Index (1)	May 2018	0.1	0.1	0.4	5.2	2.6	1.8	2.3	2.2	
Average Hourly Earnings (1) Price of New Housing inc. Land (1)	June 2018 * May 2018	0.0	-0.2	0.0	-1.1	0.2	2.8 4.2	4.3 0.3	4.0 2.3	
Avg. Price of Existing Homes Sold (MLS)	May 2018	-0.9	-0.2	-0.5	-9.4	4.3	-4.0	-3.9	-9.5	
LABOR MARKET										
Job creation (000)	June 2018 June 2018	34.9 5.9	1.0 5.7	9.3 5.6	15.1 5.7	3.4 5.6	13.1 5.7	156.8 6.4	20.6 5.6	
Unemployment rate Participation rate	June 2018	64.8	64.4	64.4	64.5	64.5	64.7	64.9	64.5	
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DOMESTIC DEMAND AND REVENUE										
Retail Sales Manufacturing Shipments	April 2018 April 2018	-1.1 -4.8	0.8 9.6	0.4 9.6	-2.7 15.4	-1.1 5.8	1.3 19.7	0.5 4.2	-1.4 9.1	
Housing Starts (000) (2)	* June 2018	1.0	0.7	1.0	0.9	1.9	1.8	1.4	1.9	
Number of existing homes sold (MLS)	May 2018	21.7	-14.6	-12.5	-55.5	-7.7	2.4	4.7	3.2	
Wages and Salaries	March 2018	0.5	-0.5	-0.4	-3.9	-0.4	0.4	-1.2	-1.0	
Value of merchandise exports (1)	May 2018						12.0	8.4	18.2	
CFIB Business Barometer ®	June 2018	1.7	-3.2	-3.6	-24.6	3.5	15.8	3.6	15.5	
PRICES Consumer Price Index (1)	May 2018	0.1	0.1	0.1	2.7	2.0	1.5	1.8	1.6	
Average Hourly Earnings (1)	June 2018						0.8	3.7	0.9	
Price of New Housing Inc. Land (1)	* May 2018	-0.1	0.0	0.0	-0.1	-0.2	-0.8	-0.6	-0.6	
Avg. Price of Existing Homes Sold (MLS)	May 2018	1.4	0.0	1.0	1.4	-3.5	-1.7	-2.0	-1.5	
LABOR MARKET Job creation (000)	June 2018	-0.6	0.5	-0.6	-0.2	-0.4	-0.1	-0.7	-2.3	
Unemployment	June 2018 June 2018	-0.6 15.5	14.5	-0.6 14.5	-0.2 14.8	-0.4 14.5	-0.1 14.7	-0.7 15.1	-2.3 14.5	
Participation rate	June 2018	59.5	58.8	58.7	59.0	58.8	58.8	59.1	58.8	
RINCE EDWARD ISLAND										
DOMESTIC DEMAND AND REVENUE Retail Sales	April 2018	-1.0	-0.7	-0.7	-3.4	7.2	5.1	1.4	4.0	
Manufacturing Shipments	April 2018	-8.6	-0.7	17.2	27.0	16.2	6.8	-4.3	6.6	
Housing Starts (000) (2)	* June 2018	1.0	0.8	1.7	1.2	0.9	1.0	1.4	0.9	
Number of existing homes sold (MLS)	May 2018	-15.9	16.0	-5.8	-6.0	-7.2	-0.4	-20.9	-5.5	
Wages and Salaries Value of merchandise exports (1)	March 2018 May 2018	0.0	0.6	-0.9	4.2	4.3	4.7 0.2	4.3 -13.2	4.7 -4.9	
CFIB Business Barometer ®	June 2018	5.8	7.9	-1.1	72.8	9.9	-2.5	10.4	2.3	
PRICES Consumer Price Index (1)	May 2018	0.3	0.4	0.1	4.9	2.3	2.0	2.4	2.3	
Average Hourly Earnings (1)	June 2018	0.0	0.4	J. I	4.3	۷.۵	4.1	2.4	3.7	
Price of New Housing inc. Land (1)	* May 2018	0.0	0.0	0.2	0.8	0.4	0.3	0.7	0.5	
Avg. Price of Existing Homes Sold (MLS)	May 2018	-4.0	14.9	-1.4	16.7	6.2	10.5	16.1	7.6	
LABOR MARKET Job creation (000)	June 2018	0.4	0.8	-0.2	0.3	0.2	0.2	1.8	1.4	
Unemployment	June 2018	8.9	9.3	11.2	9.8	10.1	9.9	10.3	10.1	
	June 2018	66.8	66.7	67.4	67.0	67.1	66.4	66.9	67.1	



TABLE 4 - PROV	INCIAL ECO		IC INE y 13, 20		ORS	(Contin	ues fro	m page	A4)	
Cravith Batas Halass	Reference _		y Growth (	%) Month		lized Growt		Cinna	Year-to-d	-t- (2)
Growth Rates Unless Otherwise Indicated	Period	Past <u>Month</u>	Prev. Month	<u>Before</u>	3 Mos.	age of the l	12 Mos.	Since 12 Mos.	ref.	prec.
NOVA SCOTIA  DOMESTIC DEMAND AND REVENUE  Retail Sales	April 2018	2.1	-2.2	2.6	2.9	3.0	7.5	4.7	5.3	6.2
Manufacturing Shipments	April 2018	3.4	-0.2	5.1	18.4	19.5	10.4	20.8	19.2	0.1
Housing Starts (000) (2)	* June 2018	6.1	3.9	4.0	4.7	4.5	4.2	2.7	4.5	4.2
Number of existing homes sold (MLS) Wages and Salaries	May 2018 March 2018	-7.3 -0.1	-5.2 0.5	10.4 -0.4	8.0 0.6	5.4 1.8	7.4 3.5	-4.3 2.8	6.9 3.3	0.7 1.0
Value of merchandise exports (1) CFIB Business Barometer ®	May 2018 June 2018	-1.4	-6.6	-9.5	-28.7	13.3	7.2 2.2	6.6 -1.6	9.4 3.7	-1.9 -0.3
PRICES										
Consumer Price Index (1) Average Hourly Earnings (1)	May 2018 June 2018	-0.4	0.5	0.4	5.3	2.5	1.6 1.8	2.3 1.4	2.2 1.8	1.1 3.3
Price of New Housing inc. Land (1)	* May 2018	-0.1	0.4	0.5	2.9	1.1	1.3	1.4	1.2	1.3
LABOR MARKET							-			
Job creation (000) Unemployment	June 2018 June 2018	-1.7 7.9	-3.6 7.2	2.7 6.7	-0.9 7.3	-0.3 7.6	0.4 8.1	4.7 8.9	-1.8 7.6	0.0 8.3
Participation rate	June 2018	61.5	61.4	61.5	61.5	61.7	61.8	62.0	61.7	61.9
NEW BRUNSWICK  DOMESTIC DEMAND AND REVENUE										
Retail Sales Manufacturing Shipments	April 2018 April 2018	-2.5 -3.5	2.1 -0.5	-0.9 0.7	-6.9 -22.6	-0.4 14.0	5.8 15.1	-0.5 5.8	1.3 9.1	4.2 10.2
Housing Starts (000) (2)	* June 2018	3.1	2.1	1.3	2.2	2.0	2.4	2.0	2.0	1.7
Number of existing homes sold (MLS)	May 2018	-1.5	16.3	-11.8	-15.1	-9.2	4.0	-4.3	-1.4	5.4
Wages and Salaries Value of merchandise exports (1)	March 2018 May 2018	0.1	0.3	0.2	1.6	4.7	3.4 15.5	4.0 7.9	4.0 7.9	3.3 19.4
CFIB Business Barometer ®	June 2018	-2.7	-0.5	-2.6	4.4	4.8	-4.2	-7.2	-5.4	6.4
PRICES Consumer Price Index (1)	May 2018	-0.1	0.2	0.2	3.8	2.8	2.1	2.1	2.3	2.8
Average Hourly Earnings (1)	June 2018	0.0	0.4	0.0	0.0	4.0	1.5	2.4	2.5	4.2
Price of New Housing inc. Land (1) Avg. Price of Existing Homes Sold (MLS)	* May 2018 May 2018	0.0 -3.4	-0.1 7.8	0.0 -2.6	0.0 11.3	1.3 7.8	1.2 2.9	1.0 6.2	1.0 4.8	1.9 5.1
LABOR MARKET Job creation (000)	June 2018	-1.1	1.8	1.1	0.6	-0.1	0.3	3.0	-0.7	-0.8
Unemployment Participation rate	June 2018 June 2018	7.5 61.3	7.3 61.4	8.0 61.5	7.6 61.4	8.0 61.5	7.9 61.4	7.9 61.3	8.0 61.5	8.4 61.6
MANITOBA	Julie 2016	61.3	61.4	61.5	61.4	61.5	01.4	61.3	61.5	61.6
DOMESTIC DEMAND AND REVENUE Retail Sales	April 2018	-0.8	3.6	-2.7	-6.6	-1.1	4.7	-2.2	-1.4	7.5
Manufacturing Shipments	April 2018	0.8	0.6	0.0	-0.7	1.9	8.2	6.7	6.3	1.8
Housing Starts (000) (2) Number of existing homes sold (MLS)	* June 2018 May 2018	6.7 -2.9	6.3 -3.1	6.1 2.7	6.4 -18.9	6.1 -3.4	6.3 -3.9	6.9 -10.4	6.1 -7.8	8.6 -0.7
Wages and Salaries	March 2018	0.4	0.4	0.1	4.4	3.5	3.9	3.2	3.3	3.4
Value of merchandise exports (1)	May 2018		-1.0	2.4			8.2 -3.2	8.4	10.6	-2.2
CFIB Business Barometer ® PRICES	June 2018	0.1	-1.0	-2.1	-15.2	2.8	-3.2	-11.7	-7.9	13.3
Consumer Price Index (1) Average Hourly Earnings (1)	May 2018 June 2018	-0.2	0.8	0.3	4.4	3.1	2.0 2.0	2.7 1.6	2.5 1.1	1.7 2.4
Price of New Housing inc. Land (1)	* May 2018	0.2	0.0	0.1	0.9	1.5	3.0	1.9	2.6	2.8
Avg. Price of Existing Homes Sold (MLS)  LABOR MARKET	May 2018	0.8	-0.3	0.4	2.5	0.8	2.0	2.3	1.0	4.2
Job creation (000)	June 2018	4.1	-1.1	4.1	2.4	0.7	0.5	5.8	3.9	10.2
Unemployment Participation rate	June 2018 June 2018	6.1 67.6	6.5 67.5	6.1 67.4	6.2 67.2	6.1 67.2	5.7 67.2	5.4 67.2	6.1 67.2	5.5 67.2
SASKATCHEWAN										
DOMESTIC DEMAND AND REVENUE Retail Sales	April 2018	2.2	-1.3	-0.2	-3.1	2.4	2.4	3.0	-0.5	4.4
Manufacturing Shipments	April 2018	6.7	4.3	-1.4	19.2	13.6	9.2	16.2	7.3	19.6
Housing Starts (000) (2) Number of existing homes sold (MLS)	* June 2018 May 2018	2.9 -4.6	4.3 7.5	2.0 -11.8	3.1 -47.2	3.4 -0.3	4.3 -5.2	5.2 -13.3	3.4 -6.8	4.7 -0.5
Wages and Salaries	March 2018	0.1	-0.1	-0.5	1.0	1.5	1.9	1.3	1.6	0.8
Value of merchandise exports (1) CFIB Business Barometer ®	May 2018 June 2018	-8.5	-10.3	-12.0	-45.2	7.3	0.6 -2.3	2.9 -13.5	0.1 -1.3	19.7 3.8
PRICES Consumer Price Index (1)	May 2018	0.3	0.5	0.1	3.2	2.9	2.3	3.0	2.7	1.2
Average Hourly Earnings (1)	June 2018						1.2	4.4	2.5	0.2
Price of New Housing inc. Land (1) Avg. Price of Existing Homes Sold (MLS)	* May 2018 May 2018	-0.2 2.0	0.3 1.0	0.0 -6.2	-0.8 -12.9	-1.3 -1.0	-0.7 -3.1	-1.1 -3.1	-1.2 -2.7	-0.6 -0.5
LABOR MARKET	l 0040	~ ~	0.4	4.0	0.4	0.0	0.4	4.0	0.7	0.5
Job creation (000) Unemployment	June 2018 June 2018	8.3 6.3	-2.1 6.8	-4.9 6.3	0.4 6.5	0.6 6.0	0.4 6.2	4.3 6.5	3.7 6.0	-0.2 6.3
Participation rate	June 2018	69.0	68.4	68.4	68.6	68.5	68.6	69.3	68.5	69.5
Sources: Thomson F  * Update (1) Not Seasonally Adjusted	Reuthers Datastream a (2) Annual Rate					the precess	ling year	nless otherv	vice stated	



# **Annex - Economic Tables**

		Jul	y 13, 20°	18						
		Monthl	y Growth (	%) _	Annualize	d Growth (9	%)			
Growth Rates Unless	Reference	Past	Prev.	Month	Aver	age of the I	ast	Since	Year-to-da	ate (3
Otherwise Indicated	<u>Period</u>	Month	<u>Month</u>	<u>Before</u>	3 Mos.	6 Mos.	<u>12 Mos.</u>	12 Mos.	<u>ref.</u>	1
BERTA										
DOMESTIC DEMAND AND REVENUE										
Retail Sales	April 2018	0.2	0.7	-0.1	2.6	0.3	5.7	2.2	2.0	
Manufacturing Shipments	April 2018	-5.3	0.5	-1.3	-10.7	5.2	9.6	-2.4	4.5	
Housing Starts (000) (2)	* June 2018	26.1	35.7	29.4	30.4	27.8	28.6	31.1	27.8	
Number of existing homes sold (MLS)	May 2018	1.6	-1.3	-5.5	-50.4	3.1	-2.2	-5.1	-7.1	
Vages and Salaries	March 2018	-0.1	0.3	0.1	2.6	3.6	3.9	4.1	4.3	
/alue of merchandise exports (1)	May 2018	-0.1	0.5	0.1	2.0	5.0	12.1	15.3	8.3	
CFIB Business Barometer ®	June 2018	6.2	-2.7	-2.8	-16.3	-4.5	14.3	-8.3	0.7	
71 ID Dusiness Daiometer &	Julie 2010	0.2	-2.1	-2.0	-10.5	-4.5	14.5	-0.5	0.7	
PRICES										
Consumer Price Index (1)	May 2018	0.1	0.5	0.1	4.9	3.2	1.7	2.6	2.1	
Average Hourly Earnings (1)	June 2018						3.0	2.9	3.3	
Price of New Housing inc. Land (1)	* May 2018	0.0	0.0	-0.2	-1.6	-0.5	0.0	-0.1	-0.2	
Avg. Price of Existing Homes Sold (MLS)	May 2018	-0.1	-0.8	-2.2	-6.9	-3.2	-1.8	-4.2	-2.5	
ABOR MARKET										
Job creation (000)	June 2018	2.0	2.9	-1.8	1.0	1.3	2.8	33.6	7.8	
Jnemployment	June 2018	6.5	6.2	6.7	6.5	6.6	7.1	7.5	6.6	
Participation rate	June 2018	71.8	71.6	72.0	71.8	71.9	72.1	72.4	71.9	
RITISH COLUMBIA										
DOMESTIC DEMAND AND REVENUE										
Retail Sales	April 2018	1.1	0.9	0.4	3.3	2.3	8.0	5.9	4.6	
Manufacturing Shipments	April 2018	-0.1	4.0	-0.5	4.4	5.4	9.1	7.6	8.1	
Housing Starts (000) (2)	* June 2018	36.9	43.4	41.5	40.6	41.5	44.2	40.6	41.5	
Number of existing homes sold (MLS)	May 2018	-3.8	-2.9	-6.0	-62.2	-30.0	-3.0	-29.9	-15.6	
Vages and Salaries	March 2018	1.0	0.6	-0.1	5.4	6.2	5.9	6.2	5.9	
/alue of merchandise exports	May 2018	1.2	-4.4	5.0	11.5	5.2	3.6	0.4	0.1	
CFIB Business Barometer ®	June 2018	0.0	-4.3	-6.9	-38.6	2.6	-5.3	-15.5	-4.7	
PRICES										
Consumer Price Index (1)	May 2018	0.5	0.2	0.3	5.6	2.1	2.3	2.7	2.6	
Average Hourly Earnings (1)	June 2018	0.5	0.2	0.5	5.0	۷. ا	4.1	6.1	5.5	
Price of New Housing inc. Land (1)	* May 2018	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.4	2.1	6.9	4.4	6.7	
Avg. Price of Existing Homes Sold (MLS)	May 2018	1.5	0.5	-1.4	-10.7	-3.6	9.5	-2.4	5.2	
ADOD MADIET										
ABOR MARKET	1 0042	0.0	40 .	0.0	0	<b>5</b> 0	27-0	00.6	20.0	
Job creation (000)	June 2018	-8.0	-12.4	2.9	-5.8	-5.0	-1.7	-20.9	-29.9	
Jnemployment	June 2018	5.2	4.8	5.0	5.0	4.9	4.9	5.1	4.9	
Participation rate	June 2018	64.5	64.5	65.0	64.7	64.8	65.1	65.7	64.8	

Sources: Thomson-Reuthers Datastream, Canadian Real estate Association and BCStats

\* Update (1) Not Seasonally Adjusted (2) Annual Rate (3) Compared to sdame priod of the preceeding year, unless otherwise stated



TABLE	5 - INTE	RNATIO	<b>NAL E</b> ily 13, 20		OMIC	INDIC	ATORS	3		,
			nly Growth			alized Grow			700	
Growth Rates Unless Otherwise Indicated	Referen Period	ce Past Month	Prev. <u>Month</u>	Month <u>Before</u>	Av 3 Mos	erage of the <u>6 Mos.</u>	last 12 Mos.	Since 12 Mos.	Year-to-c	late (2) prec.
OECD leading index	* May 20	018 -0.1	-0.1	-0.1	-0.8	-0.2	0.3	-0.2	0.1	0.4
JAPAN Consumer confidence - percenbtage (1) Retail Sales (1)	June 2 May 20		44.1	43.4	43.9	44.1	44.1 1.7	43.8 0.6	44.1 1.3	43.4 1.7
Industrial Production, Volume Index Exports Imports	May 20 May 20 May 20	)18 -1.0	0.5 4.7 -1.6	1.4 -2.9 -6.6	5.7 -4.0 -2.0	2.3 5.7 12.8	3.6 10.3 12.6	3.7 6.2 13.7	2.6 5.9 8.1	4.7 10.3 11.6
Merchandise trade bal. (Billions of¥) Current account (Billions of¥) Inflation (CPI)	* May 20 * May 20 May 20	018 789 018 185 018 0.0	6,687 189 -0.4	4,861 183 -0.4	4,112 185 -1.8	2,917 169 1.5	3,796 181 0.8	3,205 159 0.6	14,775 842 1.0	19,039 880 0.3
Job offers to applicants ratio Unemployment Rate	May 20 May 20		1.59 2.5 <b>Q4 2017</b>	1.59 2.5 <b>Q3 2017</b>	1.59 2.4 <b>Q2 2017</b>	1.59 2.5 <b>Q1 2017</b>	1.56 2.6 <b>Q4 2016</b>	1.49 3.0 <b>2017</b>	1.59 2.4 <b>2016</b>	1.46 2.9 <b>2015</b>
Gross Domestic Product (Constant Yen)		-0.6	1.0	2.0	2.1	2.7	1.0	1.7	1.0	1.4
Euro-zone Volume Retail Sales Industrial Production exc. Construction Exports	May 20 * May 20 April 20	1.3	-0.1 -0.8 0.5	0.6 0.5 -2.5	2.3 -1.6 -8.4	0.9 1.5 6.6	2.0 3.4 6.1	1.2 2.3 3.7	1.5 2.8 3.6	2.2 1.8 7.6
Imports Merch. Trade Bal. (Millions of euros) Inflation (CPI)	April 20 April 20 June 2	018 1.4 018 18,105	0.9 19,787 0.5	-3.3 20,355 0.3	-5.9 19,415 5.8	6.9 19,880 1.8	7.3 20,953 1.5	3.9 20,999 2.0	3.0 77,743 1.5	11.7 70,880 1.6
Unemployment Rate	May 20		8.4	8.5 <b>Q3 2017</b>	8.4	8.5 <b>Q1 2017</b>	8.7 <b>Q4 2016</b>	9.2 <b>2017</b>	8.5 <b>2016</b>	9.4 <b>2015</b>
Gross Domestic Product (Constant Euro)		1.5	2.8	2.9	3.0	2.7	2.7	2.4	1.8	2.4
UNITED KINGDOM  Consumer Confidence (Diffusion index)  Retail Sales	June 2 May 20		-3 1.8	-6 -1.1	-5 4.2	-5 1.2	-5 1.6	-7 3.9	-5 1.9	-5 2.6
Manufacturing, energy and mining output Exports (1) Imports (1)	* May 20 * May 20 * May 20	)18 4.1	-1.0 -5.5 -1.7	-0.3 -0.9 6.2	-2.3 -13.5 6.5	0.7 -0.7 -2.8	2.0 6.9 4.9	0.8 -0.6 1.9	1.9 1.5 1.4	1.4 16.5 14.7
Merchandise Trade Bal. (Millions of £) Inflation (CPI harmonized) (1) Producer price index, manufacturing (1)	* May 20 May 20 May 20	0.3	-12,396 0.4 0.4	-11,499 0.2 0.3	-12,086 2.7 3.0	-10,931 1.7 3.0	-10,403 2.5 3.0	-10,433 2.1 2.9	-55,968 2.3 2.7	-55,423 2.1 3.6
House prices Unemployment Rate (3-month mov. av.)	June 2 April 20	0.3	1.7	-3.1 4.2	-2.6 4.2	0.4 4.3	2.8 4.3	3.3 4.6	2.3 4.2	3.1 4.7
Gross Domestic Product (Constant £)		<b>Q1 2018</b> 0.9	Q4 2017 1.4	Q3 2017 1.4	<b>Q2 2017</b> 0.9	Q1 2017 1.6	<b>Q4 2016</b> 0.9	<b>2017</b> 1.7	<u>2016</u> 1.8	<b>2015</b> 2.3
INTEREST AND EXCHANGE RATE			_					40.000		
	Referend Thursda		Prev. <u>Week</u>	Week Before	13 W.	ge of last Th 26 W.	urdays 52 W.	13 w. <u>ago</u>	26 w. <u>ago</u>	52 w. <u>ago</u>
<b>JAPAN</b> Prime Rate	* 12 July		0.30	0.30	0.30	0.30	0.30	0.30	0.30	0.30
3-month Financing Bill Rate - Spread with U.S.	* 12 July * 12 July	18 -2.09	-0.14 -2.06	-0.14 -2.03	-0.14 -2.01	-0.15 -1.89	-0.16 -1.61	-0.18 -1.90	-0.13 -1.54	-0.11 -1.14
Yield on 10-year Gov't Bonds - Spread with U.S. Exchange Rate (¥/U.S.\$)	* 12 July * 12 July * 12 July	18 -2.81	0.02 -2.81 110.6	0.03 -2.82 110.5	0.04 -2.89 109.8	0.05 -2.82 108.6	0.05 -2.54 110.2	0.03 -2.80 107.3	0.07 -2.46 111.3	0.08 -2.27 113.3
Euro Zone	* 12 July	10 112.0	110.0	110.5	109.6	100.0	110.2	107.3	111.3	113.3
3-month Treasury Bills - Spread with U.S.	* 12 July * 12 July		-0.25 -2.17	-0.25 -2.14	-0.25 -2.12	-0.25 -1.98	-0.25 -1.69	-0.25 -1.97	-0.25 -1.66	-0.25 -1.28
Exchange Rate (U.S.\$/Euro) (Yen/Euro) (Euro /£)	* 12 July * 12 July * 12 July	18 131.13	1.17 129.53 1.13	1.16 127.63 1.13	1.18 129.86 1.14	1.21 131.22 1.14	1.19 131.69 1.13	1.23 132.04 1.15	1.20 134.19 1.12	1.14 129.17 1.13
UNITED KINGDOM										
3-month Treasury Bills (tender) - Spread with U.S. Yield on 30-year Gov't Bonds	* 12 July * 12 July * 12 July	18 -1.29	0.61 -1.31 1.71	0.59 -1.30 1.73	0.48 -1.39 1.80	0.41 -1.32 1.83	0.33 -1.11 1.83	0.58 -1.14 1.76	0.35 -1.06 1.83	0.14 -0.89 1.94
- Spread with U.S. Exchange Rate (U.S.\$ / £ )	* 12 July * 12 July		-1.24 1.32	-1.25 1.31	-1.27 1.34	-1.23 1.37	-1.11 1.35	-1.28 1.42	-1.03 1.35	-0.99 1.29
STOCK INDICES				hly Growth Prev.			rowth Over		Sind beginning	e
	Referen	ce <u>Level</u>	Month	Month	Before	3 Months	6 Months	1 Year	ref.	prec.
MSCI Eafe	* July	2018 256	-2.7	-1.6	-0.5	-4.8	-7.5	3.4	-3.0	13.9
* Update (1) Not Seasonally Adjusted	(2) Co	mpared to same p	period of th	e preceed	ing year, u	nless otherw	ise stated		Source: Data	stream



TABLE 6 - COMMODITY PRICES									
	July 13, 2018								
	Spot Price		Weekly Growth (%) Last Prev. Week		Annualized Growth (%) For the Last			Last	
	July 12	July 5	Week	Week	Before	13 W.	26 W.	<u>52 W.</u>	Year
INDICES THOMSON-REUTERS									
Total	412.6	417.2	-1.1	-0.4	-0.3	-12.9	-5.1	3.3	399.5
Energy Grain Industrials Livestock & Meat Precious Metals	497.2 283.9 453.9 310.8 741.9	506.4 289.9 440.5 327.0 744.7	-1.8 -2.1 3.0 -5.0 -0.4	-1.7 1.3 -3.2 1.3 0.1	4.9 -3.2 -1.4 -0.7 -1.7	12.5 -38.2 -7.8 -18.1 -23.7	7.0 -2.5 -8.3 -24.2 -16.9	24.9 -8.8 18.0 -13.2 -0.8	398.0 311.4 384.5 358.2 748.0
PRECIOUS METALS									
Gold (\$/ounce) (AM fixing London)	1244.85	1252.50	-0.6	0.2	-1.0	-26.8	-11.0	1.9	1221.40
Platinum (\$/ounce) (AM fixing London)	832.0	841.0	-1.1	-1.3	-1.4	-34.8	-27.3	-9.3	917.0
Silver (\$/ounce) (Handy & Harman)	0.2	0.2	-0.4	0.4	-2.0	-12.2	-11.1	1.8	0.2
Palladium (\$/ounce troy)	938.0	947.0	-1.0	0.2	-1.8	-6.9	-24.3	7.9	869.0
OTHER METALS (LME)									
Aluminum (\$/tonne)	2,092	2,102	-0.5	-3.2	-0.5	-40.1	-6.7	9.7	1,906
Copper (\$/tonne)	6,210	6,344	-2.1	-4.3	-2.4	-29.9	-23.6	6.1	5,854
Zinc (\$/tonne)	2,590	2,738	-5.4	-6.8	-1.1	-50.5	-42.4	-7.7	2,805
Nickel (\$/tonne)	14,099	14,104	0.0	-4.1	-1.3	13.1	25.7	53.8	9,167
Lead (\$/tonne)	2,193	2,352	<b>-</b> 6.8	-1.7	1.3	-21.6	-26.2	-3.6	2,276
Uranium (UxC-Ux U308 Spot \$/pound)	22.85	22.75	0.4	0.9	-2.4	40.2	-7.4	12.0	20.40
OTHER COMMODITIES									
Oil WTI (\$/barrel) future (NYMEX)	70.33	72.94	-3.6	-0.7	12.1	20.9	21.5	52.6	46.08
Corn (¢/bushel) (Illinois #2)	3.2	3.2	-1.3	-0.6	-3.3	-37.3	-6.1	-6.5	3.4
Soy beans (¢/bushel) (Illinois #1)	8.0	8.0	-0.6	-3.2	-2.2	-62.5	-22.9	-15.1	9.4
Beef (Cattle feeder index) (CME)	147.2	145.2	1.4	2.2	-0.4	35.4	0.5	-1.7	149.7
Soft Wood Pulp (HWWI) Index 2010 = 100	160	160	0.0	0.9	-2.9	37.3	48.6	45.6	110
Lumber 2X4	584	558	4.6	0.0	2.0	53.9	39.5	49.0	392
Iron ore (\$/metric ton)	67	67	-0.7	0.0	0.8	9.6	-27.3	1.5	66
All prices are in US dollars Source: Thomson Reuthers Datastream									



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