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Highlights

- GDP per head stood at US\$40,440, an increase of over \$11,000 compared with 2001.
- Public debt came to 106.3% of GDP, slightly up on a decade earlier.
- 14.4% of the population in 2011 were aged 65 and over, compared with 15% for the OECD.
- Unemployment stood at 7.5%, up from 7.2% in 2001 but below the OECD average of 8%.
- The employment rate for women was 68.9%, compared with 75% for men, and an OECD figure of 56.7%.
- Renewable energy accounted for 18% of Canada's energy supply, compared with 8.2% for the OECD.
- Development aid came to 0.31% of GNI.

| ECONOMY | 2001 | 2011³ | GLOBALISATION | 2001 | 2011³ |
|---|-------------|-------------------------|--|-------------|-------------------------|
| Gross domestic product (US\$ bln, PPPs) | 909.8 | 1 394.5 | Imports of goods and services (% of GDP) | 37.8 | .. |
| GDP per capita (US\$) | 29 332 | 40 440 | Exports of goods and services (% of GDP) | 43.5 | .. |
| Real GDP growth (annual %) | 1.8 | 2.5 | Net official development assistance (% of GNI) | .. | 0.31 |
| Household disposable income (annual growth %) | 2.8 | 3.5 ² | Foreign-born population (% of population) | .. | 21.3 ² |
| Budget balance (% of GDP) | 0.7 | .. | Migration for work (% of total migration) | .. | 27.3 ² |
| Public debt (% of GDP) | 105.5 | 106.3 | Outward FDI stocks (US\$ bln) | .. | 670 |
| Current account balance (% of GDP) | 2.3 | -2.8 | Inward FDI stocks (US\$ bln) | .. | 595 |
| Inflation rate: all items (annual %) | 2.5 | 2.9 | | | |
| Unit labour cost (annual growth %) | 2.3 | .. | SOCIETY | | |
| Long-term interest rates (%) | 5.48 | 2.79 | Population (thousands) | 31 019 | 34 109 ² |
| Public expenditure on health (% of GDP) | 6.5 | 8.1 ² | Life expectancy at birth (years) | 79.3 | .. |
| Private expenditure on health (% of GDP) | 2.8 | 3.3 ² | Population, 65 and over (% of population) | 12.6 | 14.4 |
| Public expenditure on education (% of GDP) | .. | 4.8 ⁴ | Employment rates: men (%) | 75.7 | 75.0 |
| Private expenditure on education (% of GDP) | .. | 1.3 ⁴ | Employment rates: women (%) | 65.9 | 68.9 |
| | | | Self-employment rates (% of employed) | 8.4 | 8.0 |
| NEW SOURCES OF GROWTH | | | Unemployment rates (%) | 7.2 | 7.5 |
| Renewable energy (% of energy supply) | 15.9 | 18.0 | Long-term unemployment (% of unemployed) | 9.5 | 13.5 |
| Primary energy supply (Mtoe) | 247.9 | 256.1 | Income inequality, rank out of 34 (1: least unequal) | .. | 23 ¹ |
| CO ₂ emissions from fuel combustion (mln tonnes) | 526 | 537 ² | Average hours actually worked (per year) | 1 768 | 1 702 |
| R&D expenditure (US\$ mln, 2005 prices, PPPs) | 21 215 | 21 708 ² | Taxes on average worker (all-in, % of labour cost) | 32.0 | 30.8 |
| Tertiary graduation rates (% of population) | .. | 50.6 ² | Road fatalities (per mln inhabitants) | 90 | 65 ² |
| Households with internet access (%) | .. | .. | | | |

1. Late 2000s data, based on Gini coefficient 2. 2010 data 3. Unless otherwise indicated 4. 2009 data