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		2022 01	02	03	04	2023 01	02	03	04	2024 01	02	03	04	2021	2022	2023	2024
Production	q/q % chng : a.r.	٦	٧٢	ζy	τγ	יץ	٧٢	ζy	τγ	ų,	Q2	ζy	ΥŢ				
Real GDP (chain-weighted)	q/ q // cilig : dill	2.4	3.6	2.3	0.0	1.0	-0.5	-0.7	1.0	2.1	2.2	1.9	1.9	5.0	3.4	0.7	1.3
Final Sales		0.2	-3.7	3.5	5.8	2.1	0.0	-0.3	1.1	2.1	2.2	1.9	1.9	4.0	1.3	1.8	1.5
Final Domestic Demand		3.1	2.1	-0.8	1.0	1.5	0.3	0.6	1.2	2.1	2.2	1.9	1.9	5.8	2.7	0.8	1.6
Consumer Spending		2.1	9.3	-0.4	2.0	1.8	-0.7	-0.2	0.7	1.9	1.9	1.8	1.8	5.1	4.8	1.2	1.2
Durables		7.9	-13.7	-6.7	14.4	3.0	-1.5	-0.5	1.0	2.0	1.5	1.5	1.5	8.5	-2.0	1.2	1.1
Nondurables		3.2	2.2	-3.1	-0.3	2.0	-1.5	-0.5	1.0	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.1	0.1	-0.1	1.0
Services		1.1	17.5	4.5	1.3	1.3	0.0	0.0	0.5	2.1	2.1	2.0	2.0	5.1	8.6	2.1	1.4
Government Spending		3.8	-2.4	3.1	3.8	3.0	3.0	3.0	2.4	3.0	3.1	2.4	2.4	5.5	2.0	2.8	2.8
Business Investment		3.6	12.9	3.9	-5.5	0.7	1.0	1.0	1.5	2.7	2.2	1.9	2.0	4.3	7.8	0.7	1.9
Non-residential Construction	1	4.2	5.8	9.4	10.2	0.0	1.0	1.0	1.5	2.5	2.0	1.5	2.0	0.8	8.0	3.7	1.8
Machinery and Equipment		2.5	25.9	-4.7	-27.6	2.0	1.0	1.0	1.5	3.0	2.5	2.5	2.0	9.9	7.6	-4.3	2.1
Residential Construction		7.2	-30.3	-18.9	-8.8	-5.0	-3.0	-3.0	0.0	0.5	1.0	1.0	0.0	14.9	-11.1	-8.6	-0.1
Exports		-7.5	6.9	10.6	0.8	0.4	-0.5	-0.4	1.7	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	1.4	2.6	1.9	1.5
Imports	2042611	1.3	27.5	-1.8	-12.0	-1.4	0.4	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	7.8	7.2	-1.0	1.9
Inventory Change	2012\$ blns : a.r.	19.4	57.6	52.1	22.3	16.4	13.4	10.9	10.5	10.6	10.6	10.7	10.7	-4.1	37.8	12.8	10.7
Contrib. to GDP Growth	ppts : a.r.	2.2	7.2	-1.0	-5.5	-1.1	-0.5	-0.5	-0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.0	2.1	-1.2	-0.1
Net Exports	2012\$ blns : a.r.	-48.9	-80.9	-61.2	-37.1	-34.1	-35.5 -0.3	-39.7 -0.8	-40.4	-40.6	-40.8 0.0	-41.0	-41.2	-25.7 -2.0	-57.1	-37.4	-40.9 -0.2
Contrib. to GDP Growth Nominal GDP	ppts : a.r. \$ blns : a.r.	-2.8	-6.5	4.3	4.4	0.6 2,824	2,840	-0.8 2,853	-0.1 2,877	0.0	2,936	0.0 2,965	0.0 2,993		-1.6	1.0 2,849	2,950
Growth		2,718 15.4	2,826	2,808	2,789 -2.7	2,824	2,840	2,855		2,906 4.2		2,965	2,993	2,510 13.6	2,785 11.0	•	2,950
Real GDP	q/q % chng : a.r. v/v % chng	3.1	16.8 4.7	-2.5 3.8	2.1	1.7	0.7	0.0	3.4 0.2	0.5	4.2 1.1	1.8	2.0	13.0	11.0	2.3	5.0
Inflation	g/g % chng : a.r.	5.1	4.7	5.8	2.1	1.7	0.7	0.0	0.2	0.5	1.1	1.0	2.0				
GDP Price Index	q/q % ting . a.i.	13.0	12.6	-4.5	-2.8	4.1	2.8	2.5	2.3	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.0	8.2	7.3	1.6	2.2
CPI All Items		7.8	12.0	4.2	4.2	2.3	3.7	3.0	2.5	2.3	2.0	2.0	2.0	3.4	6.8	3.8	2.5
Ex. Food and Energy		5.5	6.9	5.2	3.9	3.3	4.1	3.5	3.3	2.7	2.1	2.3	2.0	2.3	5.0	4.0	2.3
Food Prices		9.8	11.4	9.5	9.7	8.7	5.3	2.6	2.1	2.0	2.1	1.8	2.0	2.5	8.7	7.3	2.3
Energy Prices		36.9	49.1	-19.9	-1.8	-16.4	-3.0	-0.8	-1.2	-0.4	1.3	1.5	1.5	19.0	24.1	-5.8	-0.1
Services		4.4	8.7	6.6	2.8	2.9	3.6	3.1	3.3	2.7	2.2	2.3	2.0	2.2	5.0	3.9	2.7
CPI All Items	y/y % chng	5.8	7.5	7.2	6.7	5.3	3.6	3.3	2.9	2.9	2.6	2.3	2.1	2.2	5.0	5.7	2.7
CPIX8	y/y % chng	4.9	6.0	6.0	5.7	4.6	3.3	2.6	2.6	2.7	2.4	2.3	2.2	2.7	5.7	3.3	2.4
Core CPIs (Trim/Median avq.)	v/v % chng : avg.	4.1	5.1	5.3	5.3	4.8	3.8	3.2	3.1	2.9	2.6	2.4	2.2	2.7	5.0	3.7	2.5
Financial	% : quarterly avg.																
Overnight Rate		0.33	1.17	2.75	3.92	4.50	4.50	4.50	4.50	4.25	4.00	3.75	3.50	0.25	2.04	4.50	3.88
3-Month T-Bill		0.39	1.43	2.91	3.96	4.40	4.45	4.45	4.45	4.20	3.95	3.70	3.45	0.11	2.17	4.45	3.85
90-Day BAs		0.86	1.99	3.65	4.66	5.00	5.05	5.10	5.10	4.80	4.50	4.20	3.95	0.45	2.79	5.05	4.35
10-Year Bond Yield		1.92	2.98	3.01	3.16	3.00	3.30	3.20	3.05	3.00	2.95	2.95	2.90	1.36	2.77	3.15	2.95
10-Year BBB Corporate Spread	ppts	1.86	2.16	2.22	2.34	2.15	2.30	2.40	2.30	2.20	2.15	2.10	2.05	1.63	2.15	2.29	2.13
90 Day Canada/U.S. Spread	bps	9	33	16	-22	-40	-55	-60	-60	-52	-52	-52	-52	7	9	-54	-52
10 Year Canada/U.S. Spread	bps	-2	5	-10	-67	-61	-62	-57	-52	-48	-45	-43	-40	-8	-18	-58	-44
Foreign Trade	\$ blns : a.r.																
Current Account Balance		11.0	22.0	-33.6	-42.6	-36.4	-36.6	-42.5	-44.5	-44.6	-44.9	-45.2	-45.3	-6.7	-10.8	-40.0	-45.0
Share of GDP		0.4	0.8	-1.2	-1.5	-1.3	-1.3	-1.5	-1.5	-1.5	-1.5	-1.5	-1.5	-0.3	-0.4	-1.4	-1.5
Merchandise Balance		32.8	38.7	9.9	6.7	10.8	10.3	5.5	5.2	5.2	5.3	5.3	5.4	4.7	22.0	8.0	5.3
Non-Merchandise Balance		-21.8	-16.7	-43.5	-49.3	-47.2	-46.9	-48.0	-49.6	-49.8	-50.2	-50.5	-50.7	-11.4	-32.8	-47.9	-50.3
US\$	US¢/C\$: qtr. avg.	79.0	78.4	76.6	73.7	73.9	73.8	75.1	76.5	77.2	77.5	77.9	78.3	79.8	76.9	74.8	77.7
	C\$/US\$: qtr. avg.	1.266	1.276	1.306	1.358	1.352	1.354	1.331	1.308	1.296	1.290	1.283	1.277	1.254	1.302	1.336	1.286
Yen	¥/C\$: qtr. avg.	91.8	101.6	105.9	104.2	98.0	98.3	99.0	99.7	99.7	99.2	98.7	98.2	87.6	100.9	98.4	98.9
Euro	C\$/€ : qtr. avg.	1.42	1.36	1.31	1.39	1.45	1.46	1.45	1.43	1.43	1.43	1.44	1.44	1.48	1.37	1.45	1.44
Corp. Profits Before Tax	y/y % chng	11.2	16.6	4.6	-10.6	-22.4	-29.3	-13.2	-10.0	-3.2	1.2	7.4	6.3	68.2	5.5	-19.6	2.8
Corp. Profits After Tax	y/y % chng	9.6	19.0	13.5	-0.9	-9.9	-20.5	-13.2	-10.0	-3.3	1.1	7.3	6.3	30.8	10.2	-13.6	2.7
Personal Income	y/y % chng	5.9	5.9	6.6	9.8	6.7	6.0	4.6	2.7	2.8	3.2	3.8	4.0	4.7	7.1	5.0	3.5
Real Disposable Income	y/y % chng	-1.3	-2.0	-1.6	2.8	1.2	1.7	1.7	0.0	0.4	0.9	1.5	1.8	1.2	-0.6	1.2	1.2
Savings Rate	% : quarterly avg.	8.1	5.0	5.0	6.0	5.5	5.4	5.3	5.3	5.4	5.4	5.4	5.3	11.0	6.0	5.4	5.4
Other Indicators	quarterly avg.		F 4	F 4	5.4	= ^						- /		7.5	5.2		
Unemployment Rate	percent	5.7	5.1	5.1	5.1	5.0	5.3	5.6	5.8	5.8	5.7	5.6	5.6	7.5	5.3	5.4	5.6
Housing Starts	000s : a.r.	241	271	281	259	235	242	225	220	220	220	220	220	274	263	230	220
Existing Home Sales	y/y % chng	-12.3	-24.1	-29.0	-37.5	-38.2	-18.4	1.3	8.8	13.5	12.8	9.8	8.4	20.5	-25.2	-15.0	11.0
MLS Home Price Index	y/y % chng	27.6	14.9	3.7	-7.5	-16.8	-15.5	-12.7	-9.5	-4.9	0.9	6.0	8.2	23.2	12.2	-14.0	1.0
Motor Vehicle Sales	mlns : a.r.	1.64	1.61	1.46	1.62	1.77	1.79	1.88	1.96	2.03	2.12	2.20	2.26	1.67	1.58	1.85	2.15
Employment Growth	q/q % chng : a.r.	3.3	4.0	-0.1	2.2	4.4	-0.4	0.1	1.1	1.3	1.5	1.3	0.8	5.3	4.0	1.7	1.0
Industrial Production	q/q % chng : a.r.	2.7	6.9	2.1	-5.3	2.1	0.7	0.8	1.0	1.8	2.0	1.8	1.7	4.5	3.3	0.5	1.5
Federal Budget Balance	% of FY GDP													-3.6	-1.3	-1.1	-0.9

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