

# 2023 Annual Industrial Chemicals and Synthetic Resins Survey

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Your participation in this survey is required under the authority of the *Statistics Act.*

## Introduction

### Survey purpose

The purpose of this survey is to obtain information from Canadian manufacturers on quantities of selected industrial chemicals and new virgin resins produced. Data collected by this survey provide an indicator of the economic condition of the producing industry and can serve as input to study market share and industry trends.

Your information may also be used by Statistics Canada for other statistical and research purposes.

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### Data-sharing agreements

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Information on confidentiality, data-sharing agreements and record linkages can be found on the last page of this questionnaire.

### Please return the questionnaire within 21 days.

For reporting data for the most recent year under review, the preferred collection method is the electronic questionnaire. If you have not received your electronic questionnaire through e-mail or if you need help, please contact us.

#### Telephone

1-877-949-9492 (TTY: 1-800-363-7629)

Monday to Friday (except holidays), from 8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. (Eastern Time)

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## Reporting instructions

- Please print in ink.
- When precise figures are not available, provide your best estimates.
- Report quantities **rounded to the nearest unit**.

## Business or organization and contact information

1. **Verify or provide** the business or organization's **legal and operating name** and correct where needed.

**Note:** Legal name modifications should only be done to correct a spelling error or typo.

Legal name

Operating name (if applicable)

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2. **Verify or provide the contact information** of the designated business or organization **contact person** for this questionnaire and correct where needed.

**Note:** The designated contact person is the person who should receive this questionnaire. The designated contact person may not always be the one who actually completes the questionnaire.

First name

Last name

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Title

Preferred language of communication

English

French

Mailing address (number and street)

City

Province, territory or state

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Postal code or ZIP code

Example: A9A 9A9 or 12345-1234

Country

Email address

Example: user@example.gov.ca

Telephone number (including area code)

Example: 123-123-1234

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Extension number  
(if applicable)

Fax number (including area code)

Example: 123-123-1234

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3. **Verify or provide the current operational status** of the business or organization identified by the legal and operating name above.

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1  Operational → **Go to question 4**

2  Not currently operational

e.g., temporarily or permanently closed, change of ownership

Why is this business or organization not currently operational?

B00309

2  Seasonal operations → **Go to question 3a**

3  Ceased operations → **Go to question 3b**

4  Sold operations → **Go to question 3c**

5  Amalgamated with other businesses or organizations → **Go to question 3d**

6  Temporarily inactive but will re-open → **Go to question 3e**

7  No longer operating due to other reasons → **Go to question 3f**

3a. Seasonal operations

When did this business or organization close for the season?

Date B00217      YYYY      MM      DD

When does this business or organization expect to resume operations?

Date B00218      YYYY      MM      DD      → **Go to question 4**

3b. Ceased operations

When did this business or organization cease operations?

Date B00211      YYYY      MM      DD

Why did this business or organization cease operations?

B00311

1  Bankruptcy

2  Liquidation

3  Dissolution

4  Other  
Specify the other reasons why the operations ceased

B00312

→ **Go to question 4**

### 3c. Sold operations

When was this business or organization sold?

Date B00212

What is the legal name of the buyer?

B00406

→ Go to question 4

### 3d. Amalgamated with other businesses or organizations

When did this business or organization amalgamate?

Date B00213

What is the legal name of the resulting or continuing business or organization?

B00407

What are the legal names of the other amalgamated businesses or organizations?

B00408

→ Go to question 4

### 3e. Temporarily inactive but will re-open

When did this business or organization become temporarily inactive?

Date B00214

When does this business or organization expect to resume operations?

Date B00215

Why is this business or organization temporarily inactive?

B00313

→ Go to question 4

### 3f. No longer operating due to other reasons

When did this business or organization cease operations?

Date B00216

Why did this business or organization cease operations?

B00314

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4. **Verify or provide the current main activity** of the business or organization identified by the legal and operating name.

**Note:** The described activity was assigned using the North American Industry Classification System (NAICS).

B05002

1  This is the current main activity → **Go to next section**

2  This **is not** the current main activity  
Provide a **brief but precise description** of this business or organization's **main activity**  
e.g., breakfast cereal manufacturing, shoe store, software development

B05003

5. Was this business or organization's main activity ever classified as:

B05111

1  Yes

2  No → **Go to next section**

6. When did the main activity change?

Date B00219

YYYY	MM	DD
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## Reporting period information

1. Provide the start and end dates of this business's reporting period for the current year. If submitting an adjustment for a previous reporting period, provide the start and end dates for the reporting period being revised.

	YYYY	MM	DD		YYYY	MM	DD
Start date	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	End date	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

2. What are the reasons the reporting period does not cover the full year?  
Mark all that apply.

B00301\_r1

Seasonal operations

B00301\_r2

New business

B00301\_r3

Change of ownership

B00301\_r4

Temporarily inactive

B00301\_r5

Change of accounting method

B00301\_r6

Ceased operations

B00301\_r7

Other

→ Specify the other reason the reporting period does not cover a full year

B00301\_r8

## Unit of measure

1. What unit of measure will be used to report quantities for **industrial chemicals and synthetic resins**?

B40292

1  Metric tonnes

2  Kilograms

3  Pounds

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## Production

2. What **quantity** of each of these **industrial chemicals** did this business produce in 2023?  
**Include** intermediate products made by this business and used in making other products.

### Industrial chemicals

- a. Nitric acid, 100% .....
- b. Phosphoric acid; wet process (as 100% P<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub>) .....
- c. Ammonia anhydrous, 100% .....
- d. Ammonium nitrate, all grades .....
- e. Ammonium phosphate, all grades .....
- f. Butadiene .....
- g. Butylene .....
- h. Carbon black .....
- i. Chlorine .....
- j. Ethylene .....
- k. Ethylene oxide .....
- l. Formaldehyde 100% solids basis  
 Formaldehyde can only be stored as a water solution. To convert to a 100% solids basis equivalent, multiply its water solution weight by its concentration and divide by 100. **For example**, if the water solution weight at 52% concentration is 100 metric tonnes, the weight at 100% solids basis is: 100 X 52/100 = 52 metric tonnes. ....
- m. Hydrogen peroxide, 100% .....
- n. Methyl alcohol (methanol) .....
- o. Propylene, all grades .....
- p. Styrene monomer .....
- q. Urea, all grades .....
- r. Benzene .....
- s. Toluene .....
- t. Xylene .....
- u. Zinc oxide .....

### Quantity

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E45198_p2	
E45198_p3	
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E45198_p5	
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E45198_p16	
E45198_p17	
E45198_p18	
E45198_p19	
E45198_p20	
E45198_p21	

## Production

3. What **quantity** of each of these **new virgin resins** did this business produce in 2023?  
**Exclude** compounding or colouring ingredients.

### Synthetic resins

- a. Polyethylene, low density .....
- b. Polyethylene, linear low density .....
- c. Polyethylene, high density .....
- d. Polystyrene .....
- e. Acrylonitrile-butadiene-styrene (ABS) .....
- f. Polyvinyl chloride .....
- g. Polyesters, unsaturated .....

### Quantity

E45199\_p23

E45199\_p24

E45199\_p25

E45199\_p26

E45199\_p27

E45199\_p28

E45199\_p29

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## Changes or events

4. Indicate any changes or events that affected the reported values for this business or organization compared with the last reporting period.

Mark all that apply.

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Strike or lock-out

↳ How many days during the reference year was your production interrupted?

B00357\_t1

B00302\_t2

Exchange rate impact

B00302\_t3

Price changes in goods or services sold

B00302\_t4

Contracting out

B00302\_t5

Organizational change

B00302\_t6

Price changes in labour or raw materials

B00302\_t7

Natural disaster

↳ How many days during the reference year was your production interrupted?

B00357\_t7

B00302\_t8

Recession

B00302\_t9

Change in product line

B00302\_t10

Sold business or business units

B00302\_t11

Expansion

B00302\_t12

New or lost contract

B00302\_t13

Plant closures

↳ How many days during the reference year was your production interrupted?

B00357\_t13

B00302\_t14

Acquisition of business or business units

B00302\_t18

Vacation or maintenance periods

↳ How many days during the reference year was your production interrupted?

B00357\_t18

B00302\_t19

Equipment failure

↳ How many days during the reference year was your production interrupted?

B00357\_t19

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B00302\_t20

Seasonal operations

↳ How many days during the reference year was your production interrupted?

B00357\_t20

B00302\_t22

Increased or decreased market demand

B00302\_t15

Other

↳ Précisez l'autre changement ou événement

B00302\_t16

B00302\_t17

No changes or events

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## Contact person

5. Statistics Canada may need to contact the person who completed this questionnaire for further information.

If the contact person is the same as on cover page, please check  → **Go to "Feedback"**

Otherwise, who is the **best person to contact** about this questionnaire?

First name

Last name

Title

Email address (Example: user@example.gov.ca)

Telephone number (including area code)

Example: 123-123-1234

Extension number  
(if applicable)

Fax number (including area code)

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## Feedback

6. How long did it take to complete this questionnaire?

**Include** the time spent gathering the necessary information.....

Hours

Minutes

7. We invite your comments about this questionnaire.

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## General information

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For this survey, there are **Section 11** agreements with the provincial and territorial statistical agencies of Newfoundland and Labrador, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, Quebec, Ontario, Manitoba, Saskatchewan, Alberta, British Columbia and the Yukon. The shared data will be limited to information pertaining to business establishments located within the jurisdiction of the respective province or territory.

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Chief Statistician of Canada  
Statistics Canada  
Attention of Director, Enterprise Statistics Division  
150 Tunney's Pasture Driveway  
Ottawa, Ontario  
K1A 0T6

You may also contact us by email at [statcan.esdhelpdesk@dsebureaudepannage.statcan.gc.ca](mailto:statcan.esdhelpdesk@dsebureaudepannage.statcan.gc.ca).

For this survey, there are **Section 12** agreements with the statistical agencies of Prince Edward Island, Northwest Territories and Nunavut as well as with Environment and Climate Change Canada.

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### Record linkages

To enhance the data from this survey and to reduce the reporting burden, Statistics Canada may combine the acquired data with information from other surveys or from administrative sources.

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