

# 2012 Survey of Service Industries: Accounting Services

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If necessary, please make address label corrections in the boxes below.

0001	Legal name	0004	Address (number and street)	
0002	Business name	0005	City	
0021	Title of contact	0006	Province/territory or state	
0008	First name of contact	0007	Country	Postal code/zip code
0028	Last name of contact	0010	Language preference	
			1 <input type="radio"/> English	2 <input type="radio"/> French

**This information is collected under the authority of the *Statistics Act*, Revised Statutes of Canada, 1985, Chapter S-19. COMPLETION OF THIS QUESTIONNAIRE IS A LEGAL REQUIREMENT UNDER THIS ACT.**

## A - Introduction

### Survey purpose

This survey collects the financial and operating data needed to develop national and regional economic policies and programs. Your information may also be used by Statistics Canada for other statistical and research purposes, in conformity with its mandate. Please access [www.statcan.gc.ca/survey-enquete/index-eng.htm](http://www.statcan.gc.ca/survey-enquete/index-eng.htm) for more information on this survey.

### Security of emails and faxes

Statistics Canada advises of the risk of interception by a third party when transmitting information by email or fax. Once we receive your questionnaire, however, Statistics Canada provides a guaranteed level of protection, which covers all information collected under the authority of the *Statistics Act*. **Note:** Our online questionnaires are secure, so there is no risk of interception when you respond to our surveys online.

### Confidentiality

The *Statistics Act* protects the confidentiality of information collected by Statistics Canada.

### Data-sharing agreements

To reduce respondent burden, Statistics Canada has entered into data-sharing agreements with provincial and territorial statistical agencies and other government organizations, which have agreed to keep the data confidential and use them only for statistical purposes.

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

**Please return the questionnaire within 30 days.**  
Please mail the completed questionnaire in the enclosed envelope or fax it to Statistics Canada at 1-888-883-7999.

Lost the return envelope or need help? Call us at 1-800-972-9692 or mail to:  
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## B - Main business activity

1. Please describe the nature of your business.

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2. Please check the **one main activity** which most accurately represents your **main** source of revenue.

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Professional accounting services

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Tax preparation services

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Bookkeeping, payroll and related services

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None of the above — Please call **1-800-972-9692** for further instructions.

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## C - Reporting period information

1. Please report information for your **fiscal year** (normal business year) **ending between** April 1, 2012 and March 31, 2013. Please indicate below the period covered by this questionnaire.

from <sup>0011</sup>  to <sup>0012</sup>

2. If the reporting period does not cover a **full year**, please check the reason(s) below:

<sup>0031</sup> 1  seasonal operations    2  new business    3  change of fiscal year    4  change of ownership    5  ceased operations    6  temporarily inactive

## Reporting instructions

- Report for business unit(s) specified on the label on the front page.
- Complete only the questions that apply to your business.
- When precise figures are not available, please provide your best estimate.
- Report in Canadian dollars. Dollar amounts and percentages should be rounded to whole numbers.
- Consult the reporting guide at [www.statcan.gc.ca/guides-e](http://www.statcan.gc.ca/guides-e) for further information.

## D - Revenue

A detailed breakdown may be requested in other sections.

	<b>CAN\$</b>
1. <b>Sales of goods and services</b> (e.g., rental and leasing income, commissions, fees, admissions, services revenue) Report net of returns and allowances.	2299 <input type="text"/>
2. Grants, subsidies, donations and fundraising	2068 <input type="text"/>
3. Royalties, rights, licensing and franchise fees	2022 <input type="text"/>
4. Investment income (dividends and interest)	2097 <input type="text"/>
5. Other revenue <sup>2001</sup> (please specify): <input type="text"/>	2077 <input type="text"/>
6. <b>Total revenue</b> (sum of questions 1 to 5)	2098 <input type="text"/>

## E - Expenses

		CAN\$
	3010	
1. Salaries and wages of employees who have been issued a T4 statement		
	3040	
2. Employer portion of employee benefits ( <b>include</b> employer contributions to pension, medical/life insurance plans, employment insurance, etc.)		
	4466	
3. Commissions paid to non-employees		
	4315	
4. Professional and business services fees (e.g., legal, accounting)		
	3060	
5. Subcontract expenses ( <b>include</b> contract labour, contract work and custom work)		
	4555	
6. Charges for services provided by your head office		
	5721	
7. Cost of goods sold, <b>if applicable</b> (purchases <b>plus</b> opening inventory <b>minus</b> closing inventory)		
	3301	
8. Office supplies		
	4115	
9. Rental and leasing ( <b>include</b> rental of premises, equipment, motor vehicles, etc.)		
	4178	
10. Repair and maintenance (e.g., property, equipment, vehicles)		
	4350	
11. Insurance ( <b>include</b> professional liability, motor vehicles, etc.)		
	4365	
12. Advertising, marketing and promotions (report charitable donations at question 22)		
	4370	
13. Travel, meals and entertainment		
	4084	
14. Utilities and telecommunications expenses ( <b>include</b> gas, heating, hydro, water, telephone and Internet expenses)		
	4410	
15. Property and business taxes, licences and permits		
	4440	
16. Royalties, rights, licensing and franchise fees		
	4179	
17. Delivery, warehousing, postage and courier		
	4325	
18. Financial services fees		
	4630	
19. Interest expenses		
	4520	
20. Amortization and depreciation of tangible and intangible assets		
	4542	
21. Bad debts		
	4569	
22. All other expenses (please specify): <span style="float: right;">4531</span>		
	4699	
23. <b>Total expenses</b> (sum of questions 1 to 22)		
	4600	
24. Corporate taxes, if applicable		
	4601	
25. Gains (losses) and other items (see reporting guide)		
	2304	
26. <b>Net profit/loss after tax and other items</b> (see reporting guide)		

## F - Industry characteristics

Please provide a breakdown of your sales.

CAN\$

1. Auditing and other assurance services	2638	<input type="text"/>
2. General accounting services ( <b>include</b> financial statement compilation services)	2729	<input type="text"/>
3. Bookkeeping services	2537	<input type="text"/>
4. Payroll services	2423	<input type="text"/>
5. Tax preparation and representation services for corporate and other clients	2540	<input type="text"/>
6. Tax preparation and representation services for individuals and unincorporated businesses	2541	<input type="text"/>
7. Tax planning and consulting services	2763	<input type="text"/>
8. Insolvency and receivership services	2544	<input type="text"/>
9. Management consulting services	2643	<input type="text"/>
10. Other sales (please specify): <sup>2559</sup> <input type="text"/>	2558	<input type="text"/>
11. <b>Total sales</b> (sum of questions 1 to 10)	2305	<input type="text"/>

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## G - Personnel

	number
1. Number of partners and proprietors, <b>non-salaried</b> (if salaried, report at question 2 below)	6321 <input type="text"/>
2. Paid employees	
a) average number of paid employees during the reporting period (see reporting guide)	6339 <input type="text"/>
b) percentage of paid employees (from question 2a) who worked <b>full time</b>	6328 <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> %
3. Number of contract workers for whom you did not issue a T4, such as freelancers and casual workers (estimates are acceptable)	6320 <input type="text"/>

## H - Sales by type of client

Please provide a percentage breakdown of your sales by type of client.

	%
1. <b>Clients in Canada</b>	
a) businesses	8112 <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>
b) individuals and households	8100 <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>
c) governments, not-for-profit organizations and public institutions (e.g., hospitals, schools)	8233 <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>
2. <b>Clients outside Canada</b>	8140 <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>
	<b>100%</b>

## I - Sales by client location

Please provide a percentage breakdown of your sales by client location (first point of sale).

	%
1. Newfoundland and Labrador	8400 <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>
2. Prince Edward Island	8415 <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>
3. Nova Scotia	8405 <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>
4. New Brunswick	8410 <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>
5. Quebec	8420 <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>
6. Ontario	8425 <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>
7. Manitoba	8430 <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>
8. Saskatchewan	8435 <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>
9. Alberta	8440 <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>
10. British Columbia	8445 <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>
11. Yukon	8455 <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>
12. Northwest Territories	8451 <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>
13. Nunavut	8452 <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>
14. <b>Clients outside Canada</b> (must equal question 2 in <b>section H</b> )	8401 <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/>
	<b>100%</b>

**J and K - Not applicable**

**L - Contact information**

Name of person to contact about this questionnaire:

0026 1  Mr. 2  Mrs. 3  Miss 4  Ms

0054 Last name

0017 Telephone number

0027 Extension number

0013 First name

0016 Fax number

0014 Title

0020 Website address

0018 E-mail address

0015 Date completed:

How long did you spend collecting the data and completing the questionnaire?   hour(s)   minutes

**M - Comments**

We invite your comments below. Please be assured that we review all comments with the intent of improving the survey.

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## General information

### Confidentiality

#### Your answers are confidential.

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Statistics Canada will use information from this survey for statistical purposes.

### Data-sharing agreements

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**Section 11** of the *Statistics Act* provides for the sharing of information with provincial and territorial statistical agencies that meet certain conditions. These agencies must have the legislative authority to collect the same information, on a mandatory basis, and the legislation must provide substantially the same provisions for confidentiality and penalties for disclosure of confidential information as the *Statistics Act*. Because these agencies have the legal authority to compel businesses to provide the same information, consent is not requested and businesses may not object to the sharing of the data.

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.

**Section 12** of the *Statistics Act* provides for the sharing of information with federal, provincial or territorial government organizations. Under **Section 12**, you may refuse to share your information with any of these organizations by writing a letter of objection to the Chief Statistician and returning it with the completed questionnaire. Please specify the organizations with which you do not want to share your data.

For this survey, there are **Section 12** agreements with the statistical agencies of Prince Edward Island, the Northwest Territories and Nunavut.

For agreements with provincial and territorial government organizations, the shared data will be limited to information pertaining to business establishments located within the jurisdiction of the respective province or territory.

### Record linkages

To enhance the data from this survey, Statistics Canada may combine it with information from other surveys or from administrative sources.

**Thank you for completing this questionnaire.**

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