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FORECAST DETAIL | JUNE 2026 [rbc.com/economics](https://www.rbc.com/economics) Canada and United States forecast details June 2026 ECONOMIC FORECAST DETAIL — CANADA 2025 2026F 2027F Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4 Q1 Q2 Q3 Q4

	2025	2026F	2027F	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
Real gross domestic product	2.9	-1.0	1.9	-1.0	-0.1	1.7	1.8	1.5	1.3	1.3	1.5
Household consumption	1.2	4.4	-0.8	2.9	1.5	1.8	1.5	1.7	1.5	1.5	1.6
Durables	-4.6	1.4	-4.2	-2.5	-6.4	2.0	1.5	2.0	2.3	2.6	2.9
Semidurables	10.4	1.8	2.1	1.1	-2.0	0.0	0.6	1.0	1.1	1.2	1.0
Nondurables	2.3	2.5	-1.2	0.7	5.5	1.5	0.6	1.0	0.8	0.8	0.7
Services	1.1	6.2	-0.2	5.2	2.0	2.0	2.0	1.7	1.7	1.7	1.6
Government Spending	1.8	4.1	-2.1	2.3	-1.0	-0.6	3.0	3.0	2.5	2.1	0.5
Government fixed investment	-0.6	10.4	15.5	24.6	-9.6	0.0	5.0	6.0	1.5	1.0	1.2
Business Fixed Investment	-4.2	-0.5	-1.3	-1.7	-3.0	0.2	2.9	2.6	2.7	3.1	3.2
Residential	-10.2	0.2	4.4	-9.4	-7.9	-2.5	3.0	2.2	2.3	2.5	3.0
Nonresidential	0.2	-0.4	-5.9	2.3	-3.2	0.2	2.5	2.5	2.1	2.6	2.2
Structures	-3.2	10.2	-0.9	-1.1	-10.2	-4.7	1.7	1.7	1.7	1.6	1.6
M&E	6.0	-15.9	-14.2	8.7	10.2	9.0	4.0	4.0	3.0	4.2	3.3
Intellectual property	-0.6	-3.2	-2.0	9.4	13.8	8.0	4.1	4.2	5.5	6.3	7.1
Final domestic demand	0.2	3.6	-0.5	2.7	-0.4	0.9	2.2	2.3	1.9	1.9	1.6
Exports	4.5	-23.4	4.1	6.7	-0.5	10.0	3.0	1.8	1.9	2.1	2.2
Imports	3.6	1.2	-10.9	2.0	12.0	6.0	4.2	5.0	4.8	4.9	4.5
Inventories (change in \$b)	1.8	26.9	13.7	-12.6	10.6	8.5	7.9	9.0	10.9	12.9	16.9
Labour market indicators											
Unemployment rate (%)	6.7	6.9	7.0	6.8	6.6	6.7	6.5	6.3	6.2	6.0	5.9
Policy rate and government bond yields											
Overnight rate	2.75	2.75	2.50	2.25	2.25	2.25	2.25	2.25	2.25	2.50	2.75
Two-year	2.47	2.59	2.47	2.59	2.83	2.85	3.00	3.10	3.25	3.30	3.35
Five-year	2.97	3.27	3.19	3.44	3.47	3.50	3.55	3.60	3.60	3.60	3.60
Inflation											
Headline CPI (y/y%)	2.3	1.8	2.0	2.2	2.2	2.9	2.6	2.4	2.5	2.1	2.1
CPI ex-food & energy (y/y%)	2.5	2.1	1.6	1.8	1.7	2.2	2.4	2.3	2.3	2.5	1.8
Other	2.3	2.5	1.8	2.3	2.5	1.8	2.3	2.5	1.8	2.3	2.5
Housing starts (000s)	224	282	273	255	242	251	221	216	208	200	198
Motor vehicle sales (mill,saar)	1.96	2.00	1.96	1.91	1.86	1.87	1.88	1.89	1.90	1.91	1.93
Productivity	2.1	0.9	1.1	0.1	-0.6	0.4	-0.2	0.4	1.2	1.1	1.0
Pre-tax corporate profits	10.9	3.1	6.6	4.5	5.3	14.5	9.2	6.3	4.4	-1.1	0.4
Current account balance (\$B)	-11.7	-87.2	-20.2	-4.0	-28.7	-2.6	-11.4	-23.8	-32.7	-47.3	-51.6
Real growth in the economy (Quarter - over - quarter annualized % change unless otherwise indicated)											

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	2025	2026F	2027F	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
Real gross domestic product	-0.6	3.8	4.4	0.5	1.6	2.4	1.7	1.8	1.8	1.9	1.9
Consumer Expenditures	0.6	2.5	3.5	1.9	1.4	2.0	1.4	1.5	1.6	1.6	1.7
Durables	-3.4	2.3	1.5	0.1	0.4	2.9	1.1	1.5	1.9	1.8	1.5
Non-Durables	2.2	2.2	3.9	0.4	0.5	2.2	1.6	1.6	1.2	1.3	1.0
Services	0.8	2.6	3.6	2.7	1.8	1.8	1.4	1.5	1.6	1.7	1.8
Government spending	-1.0	-0.1	2.2	-5.6	4.4	2.0	1.0	1.6	1.4	1.1	1.0
Residential Investment	-1.0	-5.1	-7.1	-1.7	-6.3	1.1	4.0	3.9	3.8	3.7	3.6
Non-Residential Investment	9.5	7.3	3.2	2.4	10.1	6.5	4.1	4.0	3.0	3.1	3.1
Structures	-3.1	-7.5	-5.0	-6.6	-5.4	-2.8	-1.8	-1.5	-1.2	-0.9	-0.6
Non-Res. Equipment	21.3	8.5	5.2	4.3	17.2	12.6	5.7	5.5	3.0	3.1	3.1
Intellectual Property	6.5	15.0	5.6	5.4	11.6	4.9	5.3	5.2	5.1	4.9	4.8
Final Domestic Demand	1.4	2.4	2.8	0.6	2.7	2.6	1.8	2.0	1.8	1.8	1.8
Exports	0.2	-1.8	9.6	-3.2	13.1	5.5	2.3	1.8	2.0	1.5	1.2
Imports	38.0	-29.3	-4.4	-1.0	21.1	8.0					

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