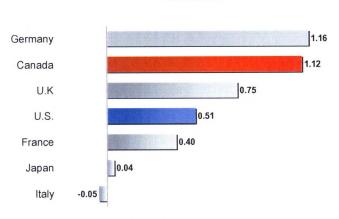


Canada also has Strong Employment Growth....

- Canada has recovered both more than all of the output and all of the jobs lost during the recent recession.
- Almost 1,272,800 more Canadians are working today than when this recession ended in June 2009 and employment is about 846,800 above its pre-recession peak in October 2008. Over 80% of the positions created since June 2009 have been in full-time positions and high-wage industries, with over 80% in the private sector.



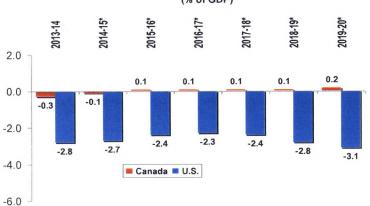
Employment Growth (%) 2005-2014

Source: OECD Economic Outlook, No.97, June 2015.



...a Sound Fiscal Advantage...

- Canada enjoyed eleven consecutive annual federal budget surpluses ending in 2007-08; it undertook one of the largest stimulus packages among developed economies during the global economic downturn.
- As a percentage of GDP, the budgetary deficit is projected to decline from 0.3% in 2013-14 to a budget surplus of 0.1% in 2015-16.



Federal Government Budgetary Balance (% of GDP)

* Forecasts for both countries

Source Canada: The Federal Budget: Finance Canada, April 21, 2015 Source United States: United States Congressional Budget Office, March 9, 2015.