

SECTOR COMPETITIVENESS PROFILES AND SECTOR PROFILES

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Expansion

Energy, Mines and Resources Canada

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Description.

Draft studies on over 40 economic sectors were prepared by desk officers in these departments for consultation with industry and the provinces. The comments from the provinces and other necessary revisions or additions are currently being incorporated into new drafts.

UNIT COST COMPARISONS FOR CANADIAN AND AMERICAN INDUSTRIES

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Description

The study compiled Canadian and American economic and industrial statistics, and compared total unit costs, both in nominal dollars and in terms of exchange-rate adjusted dollars, and labour productivity.

Highlights

The depreciation of the Canadian dollar relative to the U.S. dollar after 1976 has provided a significant advantage to domestic producers, making most industries more cost competitive than their U.S. counterparts in 1984. This cost advantage is a recent development; few industries have enjoyed a consistent cost advantage for many years.