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**Industry News**

* Select daily from 12 full-text sources including National Post and Vancouver Sun.
* Provide links to Company Snapshots for the top 5 companies in an industry.

**Company Snapshots**

* Provide a quick snapshot for all publicly traded Canadian and some private companies.
* Use the Company Snapshot Search to find an overview of a specific company, and to find out what other information is available about that company.

**Companies by Industry**

* Provides financial information on the largest companies in specific industries.
* Use it to browse through lists of companies in a particular industry.

**Corporate Surveys**

* Includes capsule financial statements, FP 500 rankings by sales, assets and net income.
* Allows you to search on a wide variety of data elements.

**Predecessor & Defunct**

* Records changes to former publicly traded Canadian companies since 1929 with details of name changes, amalgamations, takeovers, acquisitions and dissolution.

**Corporate Analyzer**

* Provides detailed financial information such as ratios, financial statement information, price performance and the latest share prices and volumes.

**Investor Reports**

* Use it to access consensus buy/sell recommendations, projected EPS and cash flow per share, and up to seven years of industry standard ratios.

**Historical Reports**

* Lists corporate activities including mergers, acquisitions, spin-offs, stock splits/consolidations, annual highs and lows *dating back to incorporation* for the top currently and formerly traded Canadian companies.

**Industry Reports**

* Offers *financial ratios* and *analyst recommendations* for 33 industries.
* Includes top companies in the industry ranked by total revenue.

**Dividends**

* Provides information on *historical and future dividend* payments of all publicly traded Canadian companies dating back to 1998.

**New Issues**

* Offers information on *public offerings* and *private placements* issued by Canadian companies, governments and agencies dating back to 1993.

**Mergers & Acquisitions**

* Provides information on mergers and acquisitions involving Canadian companies going back to 1994.

**Directory of Directors**

* Use it to find detailed information on an individual or a list of directors of a specific company.

**Person Search**

* Use it to find as much information as possible about a specific individual.

**Global Search**

* Allows you to search all the databases at the same time.

**Lead List Generator**

* Use it to create targeted lists of contacts. Useful for organizing direct mail campaigns.

**Financial Post Databases Practice Exercises:**

1. Which company in the *Publishing Industry* has the highest revenue figure? What is the company’s revenue?
2. Find out major shareholder, auditors and the latest total long-term debt of Air Canada.
3. Find out the key executives of Rogers Communications Inc., its competitors, 52-wk high and low stock price, and the latest news about the company.
4. Find out a list of banks with headquarters in Vancouver?
5. What became of the Hudson’s Bay Oil and Gas Company?
6. Find out the latest consensus recommendation and short position of Harry Winston Diamond Corporation.
7. Find out the company with the most current highest quarterly revenue in the *Food, Beverage & Tobacco sector*.
8. Find out how many different types of Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce shares are traded publicly.
9. Find out IPO deals greater than $50,000,000, marketed in Canada, classified under GICS code 40 (Financial) and completed during 2002. RBC Capital Markets was the bookrunner of the deals.



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