

# **2014 E-Stats Report Summary of Changes**

## **Release of E-commerce Data**

E-commerce estimates were released prior to the 2014 E-Stats report. The data were released as follows:

- Service Annual Survey: January 28, 2016
- Annual Wholesale Trade Survey: February 29, 2016
- Annual Retail Trade Survey: March 7, 2016

E-commerce estimates from the Annual Survey of Manufactures (ASM) are not released prior to the E-Stats report.

## **Notes on Comparability**

The 2014 E-Stats report is directly comparable with the 2013 E-Stats report with the following exceptions:

- The retail, wholesale, and service estimates in this report have been adjusted using final results of the 2012 Economic Census to reduce sampling error and to allow comparability with the census results. In the 2013 E-Stats report, retail and wholesale estimates were adjusted using preliminary results of the 2012 Economic Census. The service estimates were adjusted using results of the 2007 Economic Census.
- In this report, the manufacturing estimates starting with 2012 are based on the 2012 North American Industry Classification System. The 2012 manufacturing estimates are revised using results of the 2012 Economic Census Industry Series. The 2014 manufacturing estimates are based on the 2014 ASM, and the 2014 shipments estimates are linked to the 2012 Economic Census results to reduce sampling and nonsampling errors.