

CANADIAN STAFFING INDEX SHOWS SOLID INDUSTRY RECOVERY

May 8, 2012, Mississauga, ON – The Association of Canadian Search, Employment and Staffing Services (ACSESS) releases the Canadian Staffing Index for April of 2012.

The Canadian Staffing Index rose by 4% over the index value of 107 in March, representing a 32% increase in the past 12 months. The Index is based on reported billed hours for temporary staffing from a survey of leading staffing firms, and the continued growth is seen as a positive sign for the Canadian economy.

"The April Index value represents the seventh consecutive month of double-digit year-over-year growth," says Timothy Landhuis, Research Associate at Staffing Industry Analysts. "This clearly shows that the industry is solidly above pre-recession levels in terms of the volume of demand for temporary staffing, as the index value of 100 corresponds to the size of the industry in July of 2008."

Bryan Toffey, ACSESS National President, and Regional Vice-President of Aerotek's Canadian Operations, adds "the Index is a valuable tool both for benchmarking purposes within our own companies and as a pulse on the economy; as the Index is not seasonally adjusted we might expect to see some reduction in the summer months, however, I am confident the upward trend will continue as we head into the Fall".

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About ACSESS

ACSESS is the single voice for promoting best practices and ethical standards for the recruitment, employment and staffing services industry in Canada. Each month, ACSESS publishes the results of the Canadian Staffing Index, and independent survey conducted by Staffing Industry Analysts. The Association also offers a broad range of services to members firms located in all regions of Canada.

About Staffing Industry Analysis

Staffing Industry Analysts is the premier research and analysis firm covering temporary employment and the contingent workforce. Known for its independent and objective insights, the company's proprietary research, data, support tools, publications and executive conferences provide a competitive edge to decision-makers who supply and buy temporary staffing. In addition to temporary staffing, Staffing Industry Analysts also covers these related staffing sectors: third party placement, and staff leasing (PEO's). Founded in 1989, the company is headquartered in \Mountain View, California. For more information visit www.staffingindustry.com.