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WHAT ARE THE HEALTH NEEDS OF QUEBEC SENIORS IN THEIR LATER YEARS?

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In their last years of life, the elderly are often faced with multiple health problems, requiring increasingly complex and costly care. **Is the Quebec healthcare system ready to adjust its service offering to meet the needs of an aging population?**

To find out, it is essential to have a realistic picture of the use of healthcare services at the end of life, as proposed by [Delphine Bosson-Rieurtort](#) (Université de Montréal, CIRANO) and her co-authors in a **CIRANO study based on original data**. The study shows how the cost of services soars in the last months of life, especially due to the costs associated with institutionalization.

Come and learn more about this research, hear the thoughts of three experts and **take part in the discussion at a 5@7 on May 22 at CIRANO**.

In a context where the government is considering moving away from a hospital-centric vision in favor of homecare, this meeting will be a **unique opportunity to take part in the debate!**

This event will be held in french.

Information and registration

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CIRANO NEWS



Work incentives: a CIRANO study widely reported in the media

Governments, both federal and provincial, are making considerable financial efforts to develop and modify tax measures aimed at improving work incentives. But are these efforts really reaching their targets? In the CIRANO project report « [Incitation au travail : perceptions et réalités](#) », Nicholas-James Clavet (HEC Montréal), Xavier Dufour-Simard (HEC Montréal) and [Pierre-Carl Michaud](#) (HEC Montréal, CIRANO) document the evolution of work incentives from 2017 to 2023 and compare reality with perceptions. The study generated interest in the media, which widely relayed the authors' findings and reflections.

→ **Watch the event video**



A Radio-Canada report on organic products cites CIRANO Food Barometer

The report « [Les Québécois achètent de moins en moins de produits biologiques](#) » looks at the impact of inflation on the consumption of organic products. As [Ingrid Peignier](#), CIRANO's Senior Director of Partnerships and Research Valorization and co-author of the Barometer, explains, consumption of organic products is tending to stabilize in Quebec. In 2023, half of respondents said they wanted to maintain their consumption levels, while the proportions of those wishing to increase or decrease their consumption were balanced. The complete results of the 2025 edition (4th edition) of the Baromètre de la confiance des consommateurs québécois à l'égard des aliments, expected by this summer, will enable us to delve deeper into these findings and better understand the evolution of Quebecers' perceptions

and behaviours regarding organic food, as well as a number of other issues.

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4th edition of « Women in the Economy », a success again this year!

On April 11th, the 4th edition of the « Women in Economics » event was held, organized by [Maripier Isabelle](#) (Université Laval, CIRANO) and **Catherine Michaud-Leclerc** (Université Laval). **Aurélie Campana**, Dean of the Faculty of Social Sciences, highlighted the importance of the event, and **Julie Gingras**, Deputy Minister of Finance, was on hand again this year to discuss the place of economics women in the public service and on the labour market. [Nicole Fortin](#) (University of British Columbia (UBC), CIRANO) presented her study « Gender differences in career progress among PhDs in economics ».

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American tariffs: impacts, adaptation and strategic innovation - a CIRANO and ADRIQ conference

The panel, featuring **Éric Gervais** (Groupe pharmaceutique Duchesnay), **Francine Masson** (ADRIQ), **François Gingras** (Investissement Québec) and [Thierry Warin](#) (HEC Montréal, CIRANO), discussed sectoral vulnerability using elasticities, the need for companies to adapt their target markets, digital transformation as a strategic lever for strengthening our comparative advantage, and new tools, such as customs duty simulators and RCA2 indicators, to guide business decisions.

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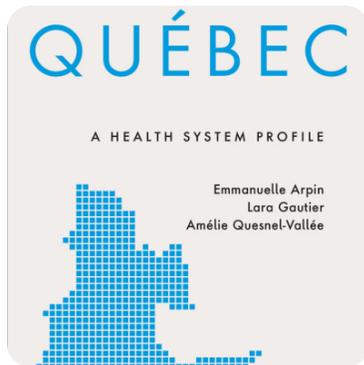


CIRANO research community press review on US tariffs

A number of CIRANO members, including [Thierry Warin](#) (HEC Montréal), [Julien Martin](#) (ESG UQAM), [Patrick Leblond](#) (Université d'Ottawa), [Catherine Beaudry](#) (Polytechnique Montréal), [Martine Hébert](#) (Sénatrice du Canada), [Miville Tremblay](#) (Institut C.D. Howe), [Ari Van Assche](#) (HEC Montréal), [Stéphane Paquin](#) (ÉNAP) and [Florian Mayneris](#) (ESG UQAM) speak out in the media about the tariffs imposed by the United States.

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-OUTREACH



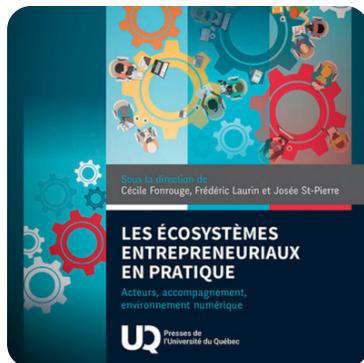
Emmanuelle Arpin and Amélie Quesnel-Vallée publish a profile of Quebec's healthcare system



PolyFinances students produce a guide on personal finance



Interview with Genevieve Dufour by Les Connecteurs magazine on the changing labour market in the ICT sector



Josée St-Pierre, codirectrice de l'ouvrage «Les écosystèmes entrepreneuriaux en pratique»



How is our education system doing? Interview with Catherine Haec for the Éclairages podcast



William Arbour and Guy Lacroix author of an article in the Journal of Quantitative Criminology

-EVENTS CALENDAR



[CIRANO Webinar - Financial Autonomy and Exporting for Biofood SMEs: Challenges and Strategies](#)

Diversifying export markets: a strategic imperative in a context of uncertainty

CIRANO organise a webinar featuring the results of the study « [Financial Autonomy and Export Activities of Biofood SMEs: Adequately Planning for Expenditures](#) », authored by [Josée St-Pierre](#) (UQTR and CIRANO), [Annie Royer](#) (Université Laval and

CIRANO), Crispin Enagogo (Université Sainte-Anne, N.-É.) and Jean-Pierre D. Menguele (UQTR).



[Yes, family doctors do move to remote areas. Here's how](#)

In a region with a severe shortage of physicians, the risk of not being able to access appropriate care in a timely manner can lead to severe health problems. In 1975, the Quebec government introduced incentives that aimed to influence general practitioners on their choice of where to practice. On May 20, [Bernard Fortin](#) and [Josette Gbeto](#) will present the results of [this study](#) and show how the measures introduced, which tried to draw family doctors away from Montreal toward remote areas, appear to have achieved their desired outcome.



[What are the health needs of Quebec seniors in their later years?](#)

At a time when Quebec's population is aging and discussions are well underway about a shift towards more home care, it is essential to have a realistic picture of the use of health and social services during the end-of-life period. This 5 to 7, organized in collaboration with the [Réseau québécois de recherche en soins palliatifs et de fin de vie \(RQSPAL\)](#), will be an opportunity to learn more about the [CIRANO study](#) conducted by [Delphine Bosson-Rieutort](#) (Université de Montréal, CReSP, CIRANO) and her co-authors.



[Closing evening for the Health 2024-2025 theme year](#)

The CIRANO research community working in the healthcare field is invited to a closing evening for the 2024-2025 thematic year "Efficiency at the heart of the Quebec healthcare system". This will be a great opportunity to highlight the achievements of the thematic year that is ending.



[What choices does the government have in the face of public opinion in favor of healthcare spending in Quebec?](#)

The combined effect of rising healthcare costs and government budget restrictions is limiting the resources that can be allocated to the healthcare system. Governments are therefore faced with trade-offs when it comes to allocating public funds. The level of prioritization of health is high in public opinion, especially in Quebec. [Olivier Jacques](#) (Université de Montréal, CIRANO) and [Philippe Chassé](#) will present the results of their [recent CIRANO study](#) as part of a panel of experts.

A journal for the dissemination and valorization of research at CIRANO -



New edition of PERSPECTIVES semi-annual magazine

Twice a year, CIRANO publishes a collection of articles from the Revue PERSPECTIVES. The latest edition features five articles, three of them in English. CIRANO's aim is to raise the visibility of our work and expertise outside Quebec, particularly among federal institutions. We are also seeking to strengthen CIRANO's appeal as a Quebec reference center among decision-makers in other provinces, and to explore new avenues of collaboration on certain pan-Canadian issues.

All PERSPECTIVES

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PROJECT REPORTS



Incitation au travail : perceptions et réalités

Nicholas-James Clavet, Xavier Dufour-Simard et Pierre-Carl Michaud

Governments, both federal and provincial, are making considerable financial efforts to develop and modify tax measures aimed to improve work incentives. In this study, the authors document the evolution of work incentives from 2017 to 2023, highlighting in particular the great heterogeneity in the evolution of disincentives faced by taxpayers. Using an original survey, they compare reality with perceptions in order to measure the degree of public understanding of work incentives and specific tax measures.

Priorité à la santé : Les préférences des Québécois en perspective comparée

Olivier Jacques and Philippe Chassé

Given growing budgetary constraints, governments are faced with difficult choices when it comes to allocating public funds between the various government functions. In this context, what are citizens' preferences when it comes to trade-offs between rising healthcare costs, taxation and other



social policies? In this report, the authors show that Quebecers tend to prioritize healthcare spending to the detriment of other public policies, and to be highly dissatisfied with the healthcare system.



Développement durable : Vers une mesure de l'intensité carbone des activités municipales au Québec

Bryan Campbell, Michel Magnan, Robert Normand, Elizabeth Labonté and Léo Lamy-Laliberté

In this report, the authors propose a “dashboard of carbon emissions” resulting from activities specific to the management of a city. Their analyses show that carbon intensity per dollar spent is conditional on some strategic choices: use of electricity or natural gas for building heating, use of electric or gas-powered vehicles, selective waste collection and management with or without composting obligation. Other dimensions, such as the size of the municipality, may also have an effect on the carbon intensity of spending, but measuring their impact would have required a larger sample.

FOR REFLECTION



Canada's economic integration and resilience: lessons from CIRANO research

Sarah Elimam

Despite the historically close relations that have enabled Canada and the United States to benefit from their trade integration, recent disruptions to world trade have challenged the foundations of this so-called protective interdependence. Since 2020, a number of research projects conducted at CIRANO have highlighted the structural vulnerabilities generated by this interdependence: saturation of logistics infrastructures, asymmetric exposure to shocks, overdependence on a single partner. These long-identified vulnerabilities now require concrete, targeted and coordinated responses.

SCIENTIFIC PAPERS

Récolte de feuillus durs versus l'exploitation acéricole des érablières publiques au Québec

Maurice Doyon and Benjamin Roy

The Role of Proximity in Social Income Dynamic Comparisons and Well-Being

Raquel Fonseca and Ana I. Moro-Egido

Prenatal Exposure to PM2.5 and Infant health : Evidence from Quebec

Abdel-Hamid Bello, Maripier Isabelle et Guy Lacroix

Dynamic Patent Races with Absorptive Capacity: An Experimental Investigation on R&D Behavior

Sinda Kassab and Huan Xie

Algorithmic collusion and the minimum price markov game

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