

# CANADA SAVINGS BONDS RATES ANNOUNCED



## Interest rates have been set for 1 March 2009 bond issues.

Canada Savings Bond (CSB) Series 118 and the Canada Premium Bond (CPB) Series 68 are on sale from today until 1 March 2009, inclusive.

CSB Series 118 and CPB Series 68, with ten year terms to maturity, will carry interest rates as follows:

| Interest rates for year beginning | Canada Savings Bond Series 118 |  | Canada Premium Bond Series 68 |  |
|-----------------------------------|--------------------------------|--|-------------------------------|--|
|                                   | Annual interest rate           | Average annual rate of return if held to 1 March of the following year | Annual interest rate          | Average annual compound rate of return* if held to 1 March of the following year |
| 1 March 2009                      | 1.00%                          | 1.00%  | 1.75%                         | 1.75%  |
| 1 March 2010                      | TBA                            | TBA  | 1.90%                         | 1.82%  |
| 1 March 2011                      | TBA                            | TBA  | 2.05%                         | 1.89%  |

\*Calculations based on a \$1,000 compound interest bond.

The outstanding **Canada Savings Bond** series listed below will carry the same rate as those announced for Canada Savings Bond Series 118, for the bond year 1 March 2009 to 28 February 2010.

|                            |                           |                           |
|----------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| Series 58 (1 March 1999)** | Series 82 (1 March 2003)  | Series 106 (1 March 2007) |
| Series 64 (1 March 2000)   | Series 88 (1 March 2004)  | Series 112 (1 March 2008) |
| Series 70 (1 March 2001)   | Series 94 (1 March 2005)  |                           |
| Series 76 (1 March 2002)   | Series 100 (1 March 2006) |                           |

Canada Savings Bond Series 118 rates for the remaining nine years to maturity will be announced at future dates.

Outstanding **Canada Premium Bond** Series listed below will carry the same rate as that announced for CPB Series 68 for the bond years indicated.

| Series     | Issuance Date | Carries Series 68 Rate from...   |
|------------|---------------|----------------------------------|
| Series 7** | 1 March 1999  | 1 March 2009 to 28 February 2012 |
| Series 19  | 1 March 2001  | 1 March 2009 to 28 February 2011 |
| Series 38  | 1 March 2004  | 1 March 2009 to 28 February 2012 |
| Series 50  | 1 March 2006  | 1 March 2009 to 28 February 2012 |

Canada Premium Bond Series 68 rates for the remaining seven years to maturity will be announced at future dates.

\*\* The Department of Finance announced that the maturity date of 1 March 2009 on CBS Series 58 and CPB Series 7 have been extended to 1 March 2019.

**The next series of the CSBs and the CPBs are expected to be available 2 March 2009. As in the past, the Minister of Finance reserves the right to terminate sales at any time.**