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SURPLUS RECYCLING AND THE  
CANADIAN FEDERATION:  
Reassessing the New

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II: EQUALIZATION AS AN INTERPROVINCIAL SURPLUS-RECYCLING  
MECHANISM





*New Framework*

**TABLE 1**  
The Evolution of Equalization Payments  
(2005-2013, \$ million)

| <b>2005-<br/>06</b> | <b>2006-<br/>07</b> | <b>2007-<br/>08</b> | <b>2008-<br/>09</b> | <b>2009-<br/>10</b> | <b>2010-<br/>11</b> |
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*Expert Panel on Equalization and Territorial Formula Financing*













*include*







*might it not be the case that, say, New Brunswick or Quebec, would need a larger number of the these comparable bundles?*

*II:E. Expenditure Needs Equalization: The Peter Gusen Analysis*













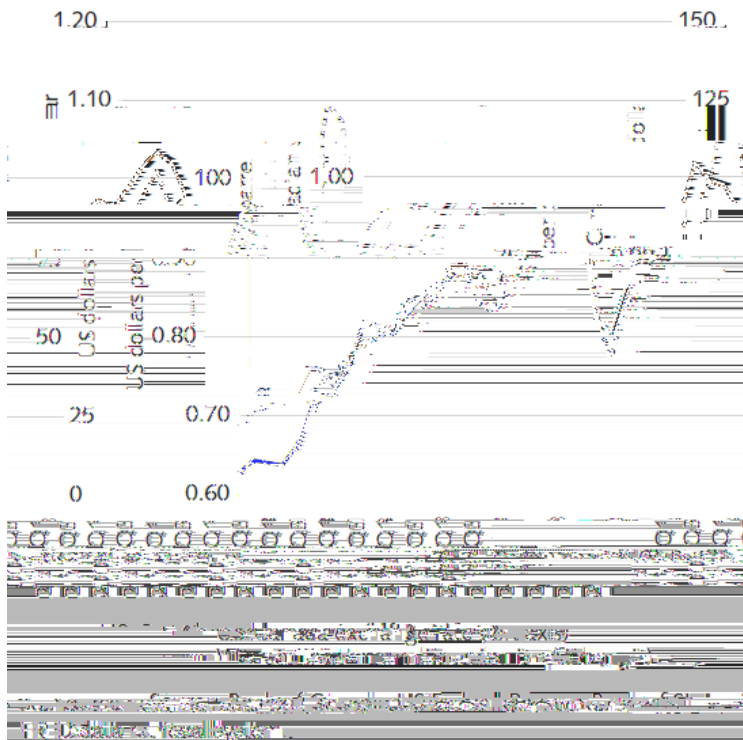






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Figure 1: US-Canada exchange rate and crude-oil price, 2002Q1-2011Q4

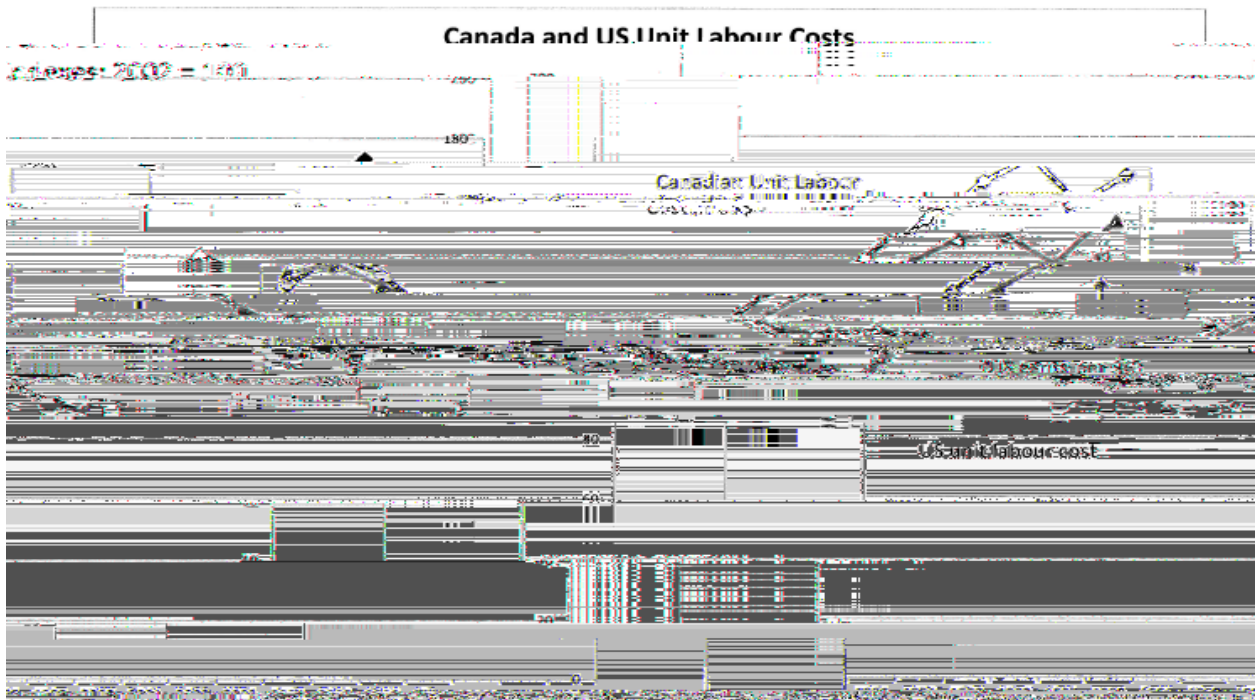




*interaction of wages and  
productivity resulted in a sharp increase in US ULCs  
2002-2010, whereas US ULCs actually decreased over this same period.*

*direct*

FIGURE 2













*revenue testing.*

*the CHT/CST has been subject to*

*Policy Options*

*consumption-oriented activities at the expense of financing  
investment-enhancing activities*

*driven programs.* *open-ended or demand-*



*IV:A. Transferring Money/Taxes Downward*

*IV:B. Transferring Powers Upward*





## *Policy Options*



















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