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ADVANCE STATEMENT ON EMPLOYMENT AND WEEKLY EARNINGS,
SEPTEMBER, 1951.

(These data are subject to revision).

Preliminary statistics from the monthly survey of employment and payrolls in leading establishments in the major industries^{1/} at Sept. 1 shows rather small increases in the number of workers reported in all provinces as compared with a month earlier. The general gain in Canada amounted only to 0.4 p.c.; provincially, the advances varied from 0.1 p.c. in Ontario and British Columbia, to 1.2 p.c. in Nova Scotia and 2.3 p.c. in Prince Edward Island. On the 1939 base as 100, the latest general index was 184.9, fractionally above the previous high at Aug. 1, and 6.2 p.c. higher than at Sept. 1, 1950. In the 12 months' comparison, there was improvement in each of the provinces except Prince Edward Island.

Manufacturing was quieter than at Aug. 1; fairly well distributed losses in Ontario more than offset moderate advances in the other provinces. Industrial disputes continued to affect the situation in some industries. Little change on the whole was shown in logging, mining or trade. Construction afforded more employment; the movement in transportation, storage and communication was also upward.

The minor rise of 0.4 p.c. in the index number of employment at the first of September was accompanied by an increase of 1.1 p.c. in the index of weekly payrolls. The average weekly earnings rose by 34 cents to \$50.50 at Sept. 1, 1951, when a new maximum was reached. The per capita figure^{1/} at the same date a year earlier was \$44.17. In manufacturing, the weekly wages and salaries mounted by 1.4 p.c. in the month, and by 20.6 p.c. in the 12 months. The average earnings, at \$52.41, were 73 cents higher than at Aug. 1, and showed an increase of \$6.22 as compared with Sept. 1, 1950.

^{1/} See footnote on page 2.

Advance Index Numbers^{1/} of Employment and Payrolls at Sept. 1, 1951, with Indexes for the Preceding Month and a Year Ago.

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<u>Area</u>	<u>Employment</u>			<u>Payrolls</u>		
	Sept. 1, 1951	Aug. 1, 1951	Sept. 1, 1950	Sept. 1, 1951	Aug. 1, 1951	Sept. 1, 1950
Prince Edward Island	193.2	188.7	196.9	367.0	363.4	309.7
Nova Scotia	157.1	155.3	151.9	316.0	314.5	266.2
New Brunswick	181.8	179.9	176.5	393.4	387.3	322.9
Quebec	172.9	171.6	159.4	392.0	387.0	317.2
Ontario	193.4	193.2	182.0	416.8	413.6	344.2
Manitoba	180.1	179.7	173.9	347.6	344.3	282.2
Saskatchewan	157.5	157.5	149.9	309.2	307.9	250.8
Alberta	219.0	218.0	201.2	441.8	434.3	346.1
British Columbia	198.3	198.1	194.1	407.9	400.3	358.5
Canada - Composite Index	184.9	184.2	174.1	398.2	394.0	328.0
Canada - Manufacturing	193.9	194.0	182.5	446.0	440.1	369.9

^{1/} The above data are based on an advance tabulation of statistics received from establishments usually employing 15 persons and over, in the following major industrial divisions: logging, mining, manufacturing, construction, transportation, storage and communication, public utility operation, trade, finance, insurance and real estate, and service, mainly hotels, restaurants, laundries, dry cleaning plants, business and recreational services.

The monthly bulletin giving detailed statistics of employment, payrolls and average earnings will be issued some days hence.