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ADVANCE STATEMENT ON EMPLOYMENT AND WEEKLY EARNINGS, NOVEMBER, 1952.

(These data are subject to revision)

Preliminary results of the tabulation of the monthly statistics of employment in the larger establishments in the major industrial divisions^{1/} show a small decline at Nov. 1, the advance index falling by 0.4 p.c. from Oct. 1, 1952. As compared with Nov. 1, 1951, however, there was a rise of 2.9 p.c. The reported disbursements in weekly wages and salaries mounted by 0.5 p.c. in the month, to a new high. The index of payrolls was 10 p.c. above its level at the first of November in 1951. The advance figure of average weekly earnings in the major industrial groups stood at \$55.63, as compared with the previous maximum of \$55.12 a month earlier, and \$52.05 at Nov. 1, 1951.

Heightened industrial activity as compared with Oct. 1 was noted in Quebec and Saskatchewan; the curtailment in employment indicated in the remaining areas ranged from 0.1 p.c. in Manitoba to 5.0 p.c. in New Brunswick, where there was a considerable contraction in highway construction. The trend of weekly payrolls was upward in Prince Edward Island, Quebec, Ontario, Manitoba and Alberta. The increases varied from 0.2 p.c. in Manitoba to 1.2 p.c. in Quebec. Among the remaining provinces, there were losses ranging from 0.1 p.c. in Saskatchewan to 4.5 p.c. in New Brunswick.

The advance index number of employment in manufacturing at Nov. 1 was 0.7 p.c. lower than at the beginning of October, but the weekly wages and salaries rose by 0.2 p.c. As compared with Nov. 1, 1951, there were increases of 3.4 p.c. and 11.7 p.c. in the index numbers of employment and payrolls, respectively. The average weekly wages and salaries in this group of industries reached a new maximum of \$57.63, considerably above the Oct. 1 figure of \$57.09, and that of \$53.89 at Nov. 1, 1951. Among the non-manufacturing industries, logging and trade showed seasonal advances in employment. Transportation, storage and communication, construction and some other classes were quieter.

^{1/}See footnote on page 2.

Advance Index Numbers^{1/} of Employment and Payrolls at Nov. 1, 1952, with Indexes for the Preceding Month and a Year Ago. (1939=100)

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Area	Employment			Payrolls		
	Nov. 1, 1952	Oct. 1, 1952	Nov. 1, 1951	Nov. 1, 1952	Oct. 1, 1952	Nov. 1, 1951
Prince Edward Island	201.5	205.4	182.6	429.6	427.6	356.3
Nova Scotia	160.1	163.6	158.4	347.1	355.1	324.7
New Brunswick	176.7	186.0	186.2	403.7	422.7	422.6
Quebec	182.7	182.1	178.0	454.1	448.6	414.4
Ontario	199.7	200.7	193.9	472.8	469.4	428.8
Manitoba	182.8	183.0	178.4	372.6	372.0	349.0
Saskatchewan	163.8	162.4	157.7	348.8	349.0	315.5
Alberta	230.3	230.7	211.3	516.1	510.3	441.6
British Columbia	204.5	206.3	197.9	486.4	488.5	433.6
Canada - Composite Index	191.8	192.6	186.4	454.6	452.2	413.4
Canada - Manufacturing	199.3	200.8	190.8	504.1	503.0	451.4

Average Weekly Wages and Salaries

	Nov. 1, 1952	Oct. 1, 1952	Nov. 1, 1951
Prince Edward Island	42.44	41.43	38.82
Nova Scotia	46.45	46.23	43.95
New Brunswick	46.47	46.21	46.02
Quebec	52.92	52.43	49.54
Ontario	58.01	57.33	54.18
Manitoba	52.41	52.27	50.30
Saskatchewan	51.58	52.04	48.48
Alberta	57.00	56.27	53.16
British Columbia	61.85	61.55	56.97
Canada - Composite figure	55.63	55.12	52.05
Canada - Manufacturing	57.63	57.09	53.89

^{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 communications, public utility operations, 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.