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ADVANCE STATEMENT ON EMPLOYMENT AND WEEKLY EARNINGS, SEPTEMBER 1, 1957.

(These data are subject to revision)

The Sept. 1 composite index of industrial employment was unchanged from a month earlier, at 127.6 on the 1949 base. A year ago, the figure was 125.7. The trend was downward in seven provinces, but the reported staffs were higher than at Aug. 1 in Prince Edward Island, Quebec and British Columbia. The increase in the last named was 1.2 p.c., and in Quebec 0.4 p.c. Employment in Ontario fell by 0.3 p.c. The indexes in most provinces were slightly higher than in the same period in 1956, the exceptions being Newfoundland, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick and Alberta.

The Canada payroll index was 204.3, as compared with 204.0 at Aug. 1, (previously an all-time maximum), and 191.0 at Sept. 1, 1956. Weekly wages and salaries averaged \$68.51, up 10 cents from Aug. 1. The per capita figure at the same date a year ago was \$65.01.

There was moderate improvement in manufacturing in most provinces at the date under review as compared with the last survey, with the largest gain of 1.1 p.c. in Quebec. The rise in this group in Canada amounted only to 0.4 p.c. On the whole, increased employment was also reported in mining, public utility operation and finance, insurance and real estate. Declines were recorded in the month in forestry, construction, transportation, storage and communication, trade and the service industries surveyed. The general changes in all main industrial divisions were slight.

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Advance Index Numbers of Employment and Payrolls at Sept. 1, 1957, with Indexes for the Preceding Month and a Year Ago. (1949=100)

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Newfoundland	145.0	150.2	156.1	237.3	250.5	242.7
Prince Edward Island	120.9	125.2	127.3	191.5	2.89.8	177.2
Nova Scotia	104.5	105.1	106.9	157.4	158 .i.	152.1
New Brunswick	3.08.8	109.3	116.7	165.8	356.6	172.6
Quebec	125.4	125.0	1.25.2	200.2	19904	190.7
Ontario	127.1	127.7	123.4	204.6	205.5	187.3
Manitoba	116.2	116.3	113.8	179.0	178.3	165.5
Saskatchewan	136.2	136.9	131.0	27.6.3	273.9	202.2
Alberta	161.9	163.0	162.5	254.4	253.8	249.5
British Columbia	135.5	133.9	131.1	222.07	27.6.8	203.5
Canada - Composite Index	127.6	127.6	125.7	204.3	204.0	191.0
Canada - Manufacturing	118.6	118.1	118.0	189.5	189.1	1.80.1.

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	Sept.1	Aug. 1	Sept.1 1955
Newfoundland Prince Edward Island Nova Scotia New Brunswick Quebec Ontaric Manitoba Saskatchewan Alberta British Columbia	\$6143 49.54 56.40 57.65 65.59 71.11 65.53 65.67 69.82 75.04	\$62.57 50.92 56.50 57.36 65.58 71.22 65.22 66.10 69.18 73.93	\$58.34 46.92 53.25 55.91 67.17 61.84 63.79 68.22 70.83
Canada - Composite figure	68.51	68./1	65.01
Canada - Manufacturing	69.82	69.95	66.71

^{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 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.