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ADVANCE STATEMENT ON EMPLOYMENT AND WEEKLY EARNINGS,
PAY PERIOD PRECEDING NOVEMBER 1, 1958.

(These data are subject to revision)

Industrial employment in the pay period preceding Nov. 1 was about 2 p.c. lower than a month previously. The preliminary index for Nov. 1 was 120.0 (1949=100). Employment declined in all industries except forestry, trade, and finance, insurance and real estate, where seasonal increases occurred. Most of the declines in the remaining industries reflected seasonal influences. However, industrial disputes in non-ferrous metals mining and smelting in Ontario contributed to the decreases in mining and manufacturing. Employment in construction also showed a more-than-seasonal decline.

Provincially, employment was up in Prince Edward Island and Nova Scotia, but down in the remaining provinces. The drop in Ontario was more than seasonal, owing to the effects of the industrial disputes mentioned above. In British Columbia, employment declined less than usual from Oct. 1 to Nov. 1.

The industrial composite figure of average weekly wages and salaries reached \$70.99 in the pay period preceding Nov. 1, up slightly from the Oct. 1 figure. Manufacturing earnings rose from \$72.73 to \$73.34, an increase of 61 cents. The industrial composite payroll index for the period preceding Nov. 1, 1958 was 199.0; corresponding figures for Oct. 1, 1958 and Nov. 1, 1957 were 201.8 and 201.3 respectively.

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Advance Index Numbers of Employment Pay Period Preceding Nov. 1, 1958,
with Provincial Averages of Weekly Wages and Salaries
(1949=100)

Area and Industry	Employment Indexes			Average Weekly Wages and Salaries		
	Nov. 1	Oct. 1	Nov. 1	Nov. 1	Oct. 1	Nov. 1
	1958	1958	1957	1958	1958	1957
				\$	\$	\$
<u>A. Provinces</u>						
Newfoundland	130.4	132.3	138.8	61.39	63.02	61.42
Prince Edward Island	126.4	124.6	126.2	51.34	50.78	49.32
Nova Scotia	99.9	99.7	100.3	57.90	58.65	56.79
New Brunswick	100.3	102.7	103.1	58.37	58.84	57.65
Quebec	120.6	120.8	126.0	68.18	68.18	65.83
Ontario	119.3	122.2	125.5	73.83	73.41	71.78
Manitoba	111.8	112.7	113.9	67.86	67.69	64.38
Saskatchewan	132.7	135.9	132.1	68.53	69.29	66.37
Alberta	154.4	159.5	155.3	73.85	73.83	70.19
British Columbia	118.2	120.5	126.2	77.17	76.47	74.62
Canada - Composite Index	120.0	121.9	125.2	70.99	70.85	68.79
Canada - Manufacturing	110.1	112.4	116.2	73.34	72.73	70.86

B. Industrial Division Employment Indexes

	Nov. 1	Oct. 1	Nov. 1
	1958	1958	1957
Forestry (chiefly logging)	92.0	84.9	107.2
Mining	118.0	125.1	129.2
Manufacturing	110.1	112.4	116.2
Construction	137.3	144.2	148.6
Transportation, storage and communication	116.7	118.3	122.7
Public utility operation	133.6	140.5	137.9
Trade	134.3	133.0	134.6
Finance, insurance and real estate	151.3	150.9	148.3
Service ^{1/}	135.6	139.1	132.7
Industrial composite	120.0	121.9	125.2

Note:- These data are based on an advance tabulation of statistics received from establishments usually employing 15 persons and over. The monthly report giving more detailed area and industry statistics of employment, payrolls and average weekly earnings will be issued some days hence.

1/Mainly hotels, restaurants, laundries, dry cleaning plants, business and recreational services.