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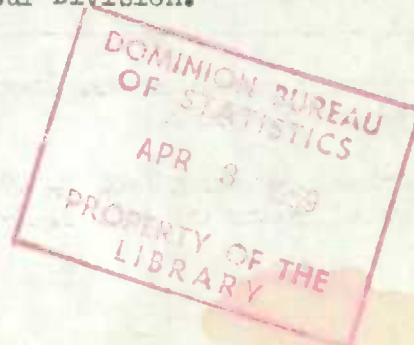
The industrial composite index number of employment for January, 1959 was 113.7 (1949=100), down 2 p.c. from the index number for December, 1958. The greater part of the decline resulted from reductions in retail trade following the end of the Christmas holiday season. Seasonal drops in forestry, construction and water transportation also contributed to the decrease. The declines were moderated by the return of workers in non-ferrous metals mining and smelting who had been engaged in industrial disputes in the latter part of 1958. This factor was responsible for the increases in employment indexes for durable goods manufacturing and mining. However, it appears that the decline in the composite index would have been a little less than seasonal even if there had been no increase in non-ferrous metals.

Average weekly wages and salaries rose sharply after dipping seasonally during the latter part of December. Levels reached in manufacturing, trade and construction during January were well above those for November, 1958. The industrial composite payroll index for January, 1959 was 192.0, up 4.4 p.c. from the index for January, 1958.

*Statistics in this statement will in future be identified by labelling the figures for the last pay period in each month as statistics for that particular month. The figures which were labelled as statistics for the 'pay period preceding Jan. 1' in last month's report are reprinted in the present report as statistics for December, 1958. As usual, some of these figures have been revised on the basis of information received since they were first published.

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Advance Index Numbers of Employment with Average Weekly Wages and Salaries,
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Province or <u>Industrial Division</u>	<u>Employment Indexes</u> (1949=100)			<u>Average Weekly Wages</u> <u>and Salaries</u>		
	Jan ^a / 1959	Dec ^b / 1958	Jan. 1958	Jan ^a / 1959 \$	Dec ^b / 1958 \$	Jan. 1958 \$
<u>Industrial Composite, Provinces</u>						
Newfoundland	110.6	112.5	108.4	60.77	60.80	61.67
Prince Edward Island	101.8	115.6	94.2	54.82	51.16	52.71
Nova Scotia	93.8	94.6	92.3	59.26	54.93	58.44
New Brunswick	98.4	100.5	93.8	59.74	58.88	57.63
Quebec	111.8	114.4	113.2	69.63	66.10	66.64
Ontario	116.6	118.0	117.0	75.33	71.47	72.08
Manitoba	105.9	107.9	103.9	67.86	66.24	64.87
Saskatchewan	118.9	123.1	114.4	68.36	68.25	66.48
Alberta	144.4	148.4	142.2	74.44	71.99	71.56
British Columbia	107.8	110.9	106.9	78.05	74.35	73.59
Canada	113.7	115.8	113.7	72.28	68.91	69.25
<u>Industrial Divisions, Canada</u>						
Forestry (chiefly logging)	77.1	89.5	76.3	66.55	70.52	63.77
Mining	122.4	115.4	126.2	89.46	84.13	87.52
Manufacturing	107.5	106.8	107.9	75.12	70.91	71.61
Durable goods	112.0	111.4	115.2	80.72	75.82	76.53
Non-durable goods	103.6	102.8	101.7	69.94	66.34	66.85
Construction	105.2	108.0	105.9	75.50	65.31	75.47
Transportation, storage, comm.	109.4	112.5	111.0	76.94	76.50	71.87
Public utility operation	132.0	134.7	132.3	86.52	85.54	81.80
Trade	129.7	140.7	127.7	62.21	60.37	59.43
Finance, ins., real estate	151.3	151.4	147.5	67.60	67.33	64.39
Service*	131.1	131.8	128.3	49.50	48.68	47.14
Industrial composite	113.7	115.8	113.7	72.28	68.91	69.25

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

^a/Pay period preceding Feb. 1, 1959.

^b/Pay period preceding Jan. 1, 1959.