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ADVANCE STATEMENT OF EMPLOYMENT AND WEEKLY EARNINGS  
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Industrial employment rose seasonally by 1.6 p.c. from March to April. The composite index for April was 115.5 (1949=100). Mining employment was up 1.9 p.c., largely owing to the recall of Nova Scotia coal miners who had been laid off during March. Employment in other industry divisions showed normal seasonal variations, with increases recorded for all industries except forestry. A reduction in transportation in New Brunswick led to a seasonal decline in the composite index for that province, but in all other provinces the index was up from the March figure.

Average weekly wages and salaries rose from \$72.60 in the latter part of March to \$73.30 in the corresponding part of April. Workers who were on unpaid holiday for one or more days over the Easter period had received less than their normal weekly earnings during the survey period in March. The rise from March to April in part reflects return to a normal work week.

The industrial composite payroll index for April was 197.9, up 2.5 p.c. from the figure for March. The April 1958 index was 188.3.

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Advance Index Numbers of Employment with Average Weekly Wages and Salaries,  
April, 1959.

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Province or Industrial Division	Employment Indexes (1949=100)			Average Weekly Wages and Salaries		
	Apr. a/ 1959	Mar. b/ 1959	Apr. a/ 1958	Apr. a/ 1959 \$	Mar. b/ 1959 \$	Apr. a/ 1958 \$
<u>Industrial Composite, Provinces</u>						
Newfoundland	106.7	106.4	111.3	65.17	64.65	63.29
Prince Edward Island	108.5	104.4	102.7	56.45	54.88	52.72
Nova Scotia	92.2	87.9	91.3	60.28	59.75	58.38
New Brunswick	91.1	96.3	87.9	60.08	61.14	57.25
Quebec	113.5	111.0	112.8	70.54	69.50	67.98
Ontario	118.5	116.9	118.5	76.07	75.39	72.94
Manitoba	107.6	105.9	105.4	69.38	68.92	65.70
Saskatchewan	123.9	119.5	119.5	69.23	69.04	66.75
Alberta	146.5	145.9	141.1	74.95	75.27	71.45
British Columbia	114.1	112.2	111.2	79.85	78.70	76.45
Canada	115.5	113.7	114.6	73.30	72.60	70.35
<u>Industrial Divisions, Canada</u>						
Forestry (chiefly logging)	42.9	52.9	42.1	78.13	74.59	77.47
Mining	120.6	118.4	121.9	90.75	91.65	86.19
Manufacturing	109.4	108.4	108.8	75.60	75.22	72.92
Durable goods	114.9	113.3	115.5	81.33	80.73	78.28
Non-durable goods	104.8	104.2	103.0	70.40	70.11	67.77
Construction	118.5	107.1	115.9	75.59	73.11	74.19
Transportation, storage, comm.	112.4	109.7	114.0	78.50	77.64	73.26
Public utility operation	135.8	133.1	136.3	87.59	87.38	83.76
Trade	131.4	131.1	129.0	63.19	62.68	59.97
Finance, ins., real estate	151.3	151.0	148.3	69.34	69.04	66.27
Service*	134.4	132.6	130.6	50.35	50.01	48.86
Industrial composite	115.5	113.7	114.6	73.30	72.60	70.35

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

a/Pay period preceding May 1.

b/Pay period preceding Apr. 1.