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ADVANCE STATEMENT OF EMPLOYMENT AND WEEKLY EARNINGS
MAY, 1959

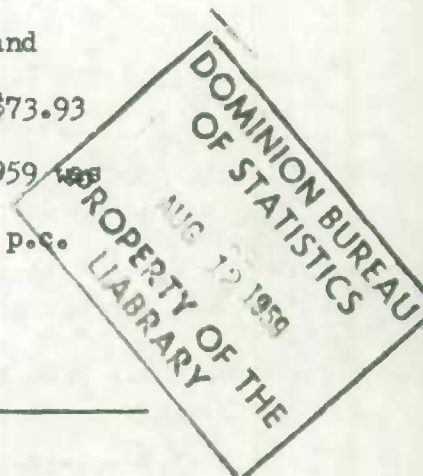
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The industrial composite index number of employment for May was 119.3 (1949=100), up seasonally by 3.1 p.c. from the April figure of 115.7. Increases were recorded for each industry division, and for every province. Seasonal influences were the main factors in most of these changes. Manufacturing employment was up a little more than seasonally, while the April to May increase in the highways, bridges and streets construction was somewhat smaller than usual.

The Canada composite figure of average weekly wages and salaries increased by 67 cents from April to May, reaching \$73.93 in the latter month. The composite payroll index for May 1959 was 206.1, up 4 p.c. from the index number for April 1959 and 5 p.c. from that for May 1958.

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

(These general data are subject to revision before publication in the main monthly report Employment and Payrolls, which also includes detailed statistics).

Province or Industrial Division	Employment Indexes (1949=100)			Average Weekly Wages and Salaries		
	May a/ 1959	Apr. b/ 1959	May a/ 1958	May a/ 1959 \$	Apr. b/ 1959 \$	May a/ 1958 \$
<u>Industrial Composite, Provinces</u>						
Newfoundland	117.6	107.2	123.8	63.51	65.13	63.10
Prince Edward Island	127.4	108.7	112.9	55.59	55.63	53.39
Nova Scotia	95.9	94.0	96.3	60.55	59.88	57.93
New Brunswick	97.4	91.2	96.7	59.81	60.05	56.77
Quebec	117.5	113.7	117.3	70.74	70.55	68.03
Ontario	121.1	118.5	120.7	76.97	75.98	73.71
Manitoba	111.5	107.6	109.0	70.52	69.38	67.11
Saskatchewan	132.9	124.0	129.5	69.64	69.22	67.97
Alberta	153.9	146.2	150.6	75.98	75.00	72.45
British Columbia	117.6	114.5	116.6	81.26	80.02	76.32
Canada	119.3	115.7	118.7	73.93	73.26	70.76
<u>Industrial Divisions, Canada</u>						
Forestry (chiefly logging)	61.2	42.6	65.5	70.50	78.20	69.16
Mining	123.3	120.6	126.2	89.31	90.70	85.33
Manufacturing	111.5	109.5	110.4	76.48	75.69	73.42
Durable goods	117.7	114.9	117.4	82.10	81.32	78.84
Non-durable goods	106.3	104.8	104.5	71.15	70.41	68.21
Construction	131.6	120.1	133.3	77.86	75.45	75.18
Transportation, storage, comm.	116.0	112.3	117.5	79.66	78.27	74.60
Public utility operation	139.7	135.8	139.3	87.34	87.56	83.13
Trade	133.1	131.5	130.4	63.49	63.20	60.19
Finance, ins., real estate	151.8	151.5	148.1	69.33	69.38	66.55
Service*	138.4	134.5	136.4	50.24	50.34	48.34
Industrial composite	119.3	115.7	118.7	73.93	73.26	70.76

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

a/Pay period preceding June 1.

b/Pay period preceding May 1.