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ADVANCE STATEMENT OF EMPLOYMENT AND WEEKLY EARNINGS,  
September, 1959

(These data are subject to revision)

Industrial employment increased by about 1 p.c. from August to September, with the composite index rising from 124.2 to 125.3. The settlement of industrial disputes which had affected the lumber industry in British Columbia was the main factor in this increase.

Employment in manufacturing was up 1.5 p.c. The main increases were in wood products (settlement of disputes in British Columbia) and the automobile industry (start on production of 1960 models). These increases were partly offset by declines in fruit and vegetable canning, where activity declined from the seasonal peak earlier in the fall than usual.

Forestry employment rose by 28 p.c., partly owing to seasonal increases in Eastern Canada, and partly owing to the return of workers following settlement of disputes in British Columbia. Except as noted, changes followed normal seasonal patterns fairly closely, although there were indications of a slight strengthening of the general employment situation.

Average weekly wages and salaries rose from \$73.42 in August to \$74.36 in September, an increase of 94 cents. The composite payroll index for September 1959 was 217.9, up from 213.3 in August 1959 and 201.8 in September 1958.

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

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Province or Industrial Division	Employment Indexes (1949=100)			Average Weekly Wages and Salaries		
	Sept. <sup>a</sup> / 1959	Aug. <sup>b</sup> / 1959	Sept. <sup>a</sup> / 1958	Sept. <sup>a</sup> / 1959 \$	Aug. <sup>b</sup> / 1959 \$	Sept. <sup>a</sup> / 1958 \$
<u>Industrial Composite, Provinces</u>						
Newfoundland	143.5	143.6	132.3	63.02	63.41	63.02
Prince Edward Island	145.5	150.8	124.6	55.39	53.70	50.78
Nova Scotia	99.6	101.0	99.7	61.35	60.20	58.65
New Brunswick	106.2	106.4	102.7	61.17	60.75	58.84
Quebec	124.7	124.0	120.8	71.22	70.38	68.18
Ontario	125.3	124.7	122.2	77.68	76.52	73.41
Manitoba	117.7	119.0	112.7	71.37	71.50	67.69
Saskatchewan	138.1	140.0	135.9	71.15	70.94	69.29
Alberta	164.8	166.7	159.5	75.93	75.22	73.83
British Columbia	122.7	112.6	120.5	80.49	79.68	76.47
Canada	125.3	124.2	121.9	74.36	73.42	70.85
<u>Industrial Divisions, Canada</u>						
Forestry (chiefly logging)	97.2	76.0	84.9	71.98	75.27	71.82
Mining	125.7	127.0	125.1	91.28	89.19	85.79
Manufacturing	115.2	113.5	112.4	76.50	75.27	72.73
Durable goods	119.1	114.1	114.1	83.08	81.48	78.45
Non-durable goods	111.9	112.9	110.9	70.57	69.98	67.70
Construction	151.4	154.4	144.2	79.59	77.92	76.25
Transportation, storage, Comm.	118.0	119.2	118.3	81.01	80.51	75.57
Public utility operation	142.3	145.6	140.5	88.93	87.38	84.72
Trade	138.0	135.2	133.0	63.16	63.34	60.52
Finance, ins., real estate	155.5	155.7	150.9	68.97	68.78	66.91
Service*	142.7	147.5	139.1	50.30	49.36	48.04
Industrial Composite	125.3	124.2	121.9	74.36	73.42	70.85

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

<sup>a</sup>/Pay period preceding Oct. 1.

<sup>b</sup>/Pay period preceding Sept. 1.