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## ADVANCE STATEMENT OF EMPLOYMENT AND WEEKLY EARNINGS

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The industrial composite index number of employment for February was 111.0 (1949=100), down 0.5 p.c. from the figure for January. Seasonal influences were the main factor in the small decrease. Declines occurred in forestry, construction, trade and transportation, storage and communication. Over the year, the industrial composite index number was down 3.1 p.c. Employment was higher in February 1961 than in February 1960 in finance, insurance and real estate and little changed in non-durable goods manufacturing, public utility operation, trade and service.

Average weekly wages and salaries as usual rose substantially from January to February. The industrial composite figure for February was \$77.79, up 79 cents over the month. Seasonal influences, which normally exert their maximum upward effect in weekly earnings in February, were a factor in the rise. Average weekly wages and salaries increased \$1 or more over the month in forestry, construction, public utility operation and transportation, storage and communication.

The composite index number of payrolls for February was 202.4, up 0.5 p.c. from the figure for January, and 0.2 p.c. from that for February 1960.

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Advance Index Numbers of Employment with Average Weekly Wages and Salaries  
Feb., 1961

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Province or Industrial Division	Employment Indexes (1949=100)			Average Weekly Wages and Salaries		
	Feb. 1961	Jan. 1961	Feb. 1960	Feb. 1961 \$	Jan. 1961 \$	Feb. 1960 \$
<u>Industrial Composite, Provinces</u>						
Newfoundland	114.6	117.9	108.9	72.23	71.08	67.82
Prince Edward Island	110.5	105.4	109.0	56.93	57.94	55.17
Nova Scotia	86.1	87.6	93.8	64.24	63.62	63.14
New Brunswick	95.4	99.2	101.0	64.54	63.43	63.05
Quebec	110.6	111.0	113.0	75.07	74.27	72.54
Ontario	113.3	113.7	117.1	80.53	79.98	77.94
Manitoba	102.9	104.7	105.4	73.12	72.24	71.14
Saskatchewan	110.3	111.5	116.2	73.00	72.52	71.04
Alberta	142.6	143.7	146.4	79.61	78.67	77.76
British Columbia	105.5	105.2	111.2	85.36	83.83	82.64
Canada	111.0	111.6	114.6	77.79	77.00	75.35
<u>Industrial Divisions, Canada</u>						
Forestry (chiefly logging)	66.6	76.3	81.2	78.72	74.25	73.53
Mining	114.0	113.3	122.1	96.18	96.27	94.20
Manufacturing	104.6	104.3	108.9	30.20	79.65	77.68
Durable goods	106.2	105.9	114.6	86.01	85.44	83.38
Non-durable goods	103.2	103.1	104.0	75.17	74.66	72.38
Construction	96.7	98.1	101.9	84.03	81.96	80.13
Transportation, storage, comm.	102.4	103.0	107.1	84.36	82.70	81.67
Public utility operation	132.0	131.9	132.2	96.34	94.59	90.71
Trade	131.3	133.2	131.5	66.83	66.58	65.05
Finance, ins., real estate	159.8	159.6	155.0	72.42	72.29	69.41
Service*	137.9	137.2	137.6	54.82	54.84	52.62
Industrial Composite	111.0	111.6	114.6	77.79	77.00	75.35

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