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ADVANCE STATEMENT OF EMPLOYMENT AND WEEKLY EARNINGS AUGUST, 1961

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Industrial employment increased by 0.7 p.c. from July to August with the composite index of employment (1949=100) rising to 123.4. This figure was slightly above that for August of last year. Seasonally adjusted, the industrial composite declined fractionally, following an advance in the last 3 months. A majority of the major industrial divisions recorded higher levels in August, but employment in transportation, storage and communication and in finance, insurance and real estate showed no change and in forestry and mining there were declines. The only advance of consequence in the seasonally adjusted industry series occurred in the service industries surveyed. There were small gains in durable goods manufacturing, trade and public utility operation, while transportation, storage and communication showed no change. Forestry, mining, construction, non-durable goods manufacturing and finance, insurance and real estate declined.

Gains in per capita earnings in Ontario and Alberta more than offset losses in the remaining provinces, so that the industrial composite of average weekly wages and salaries showed little change at \$78.26 or 2 cents higher than the revised figure for July. The Canada average was \$2.32 above that for August 1960.

The composite payroll index, at 226.8, was up 0.8 p.c. from the July index of 225.1, and was 3.6 p.c. above the August 1960, index of 219.0.

Advance Index Numbers of Employment, with Average Weekly Wages and Salaries,
Aug., 1961 1/

1010515553 Industrial Division or Province	Employment Indexes (1949=100)					Average Weekly Wages and Salaries		
	Unadjusted			Seasonally Adjusted		(Dollars)		
	Aug. 1961	July 1961	Aug. 1960	Aug. 1961	July 1961	Aug. 1961	July 1961	Aug. 1960
		. Canada						
Forestry (chiefly logging) Mining Manufacturing Durable goods Non-durable goods Construction Transportation, stor., comm. Public Utility operation Trade Finance, ins., real estate Service* Industrial Composite	76.9 115.4 112.9 113.5 112.5 145.0 113.5 144.6 137.5 163.5 160.9	82.9 121.0 110.9 111.6 110.4 143.4 113.5 144.4 137.2 163.5 157.1	95.2 123.9 111.7 111.6 111.7 146.4 115.6 144.3 136.4 156.7 151.0	72.9 112.7 109.4 112.1 107.2 122.2 108.5 138.1 139.0 161.9 152.1	75.5 117.9 109.8 112.0 108.0 122.8 108.5 138.0 138.9 164.0 148.5	95.85 80.37 87.09 74.69 84.41 86.81 93.23 67.46 74.09 54.91	73.26 94.28 80.34 86.68 74.96 84.02 87.03 93.22 67.57 74.14 54.96	72.57 92.62 77.62 84.18 72.12 83.36 82.67 90.54 65.53 71.11 52.32
	Ind	ustrial	Compos	ite, Pro	vinces	and Regio	ns	
Atlantic Region Newfoundland Prince Edward Island Nova Scotia New Brunswick Quebec Ontario Prairie Region Manitoba Saskatchewan Alberta British Columbia	137.4 115.9 132.5	114.4 149.5 145.0 102.4 111.9 122.8 120.6 136.8 115.6 132.7 164.0 118.8	137.4 116.9 135.4 162.6		t yet ilable	64.48 71.10 56.11 63.46 62.32 75.11 81.84 77.57 74.04 74.58 81.72 84.04	74.15 75.50	74.92 72.33 72.80 78.03
Canada	123.7	122.5	123.1	118.5	118.9	78.26	78.24	75.9/

^{1/} Subject to revision before publication in Employment and Payrolls, (Catalogue No.72-002)

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