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ADVANCE STATEMENT OF EMPLOYMENT AND WEEKLY EARNINGS

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The industrial composite index of employment (1949=100) declined less than seasonally from December to January. The January index, at 123.3, was down 1.5 p.c. from December 1963. As is usual for the time of year, most major industrial divisions declined. More than half the overall reduction occurred in trade, reflecting the lay-off of casual employees taken on during the Christmas season.

Seasonally adjusted, the industrial composite rose from 127.4 in December to 129.0 at the end of January. The increase reflected advances in all major industrial divisions. Over one third of the gains originated in the construction industry where expansion in the building and general engineering component was a major factor in raising the seasonally-adjusted index by 5.5 % to 133.9, its highest level since the fall of 1957.

The adjusted index for manufacturing rose by 0.6 p.c. to 120.3 in January. The increase was due to a marked rise in durables where transportation equipment, wood and iron and steel products continued to expand. The small rise in the adjusted index for non-durables resulted from above-average increases in rubber, textiles and miscellaneous manufacturing industries.

All regions shared in the expansion in employment. Increases in the seasonally-adjusted industrial composite for the regions ranged from 0.9 p.c. in British Columbia to 2.6 p.c. in the Atlantic Region.

The industrial composite of average weekly wages and salaries rose seasonally by \$3.15 to \$84.79 in January. This increase was \$2.78 above the same month last year. The payroll index for January, at 245.4, was 2.3 p.c. above the December 1963 figure of 239.8 and 8.2 p.c. above the January 1963 index of 226.7.

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Advance Index Numbers of Employment, with Average Weekly Wages and Salaries
January, 1964 (1)

Industrial divisions and provinces	Employment indexes (1949=100)						Average weekly wages and salaries		
	Unadjusted			Seasonally adjusted					
	Jan. 1964	Dec. 1963	Jan. 1963	Jan. 1964	Dec. 1963		Jan. 1964	Dec. 1963	Jan. 1963
							dollars		
<u>Industrial divisions</u>									
Forestry (chiefly logging)	71.3	74.5	66.6	69.1	66.4	85.52	86.87	80.26	
Mining	112.5	112.4	112.7	115.5	114.4	105.80	101.34	102.22	
Manufacturing	116.9	115.9	111.6	120.3	119.6	88.16	84.67	85.12	
Durable goods	123.9	122.7	117.0	127.1	125.7	94.56	91.11	91.85	
Non-durable goods	111.1	110.2	107.0	114.6	114.4	82.20	78.66	78.97	
Construction	108.9	111.6	103.3	133.9	126.9	92.24	79.42	87.53	
Transportation, storage, communication	105.6	108.7	103.7	112.1	111.0	93.27	92.37	89.56	
Public utility operation .	139.6	141.0	138.1	144.6	143.4	104.26	104.77	100.54	
Trade	147.1	157.5	139.9	150.9	149.3	72.39	71.07	70.81	
Finance, insurance and real estate	183.4	183.1	175.1	183.8	182.5	79.63	79.16	77.06	
Service (2)	166.9	166.9	152.7	174.7	172.4	60.13	59.24	58.44	
Industrial composite	123.3	125.1	117.9	129.0	127.4	84.79	81.64	82.01	
<u>Provinces and regions</u>									
Atlantic region	103.8	106.4	98.7	110.9	108.1	72.04	68.55	69.11	
Newfoundland	126.3	131.6	119.0	140.0	138.6	76.29	74.68	73.46	
Prince Edward Island ...	117.8	123.2	106.2	142.4	135.9	62.73	59.70	62.03	
Nova Scotia	94.7	96.6	90.1	101.0	98.0	70.98	65.98	68.56	
New Brunswick	104.3	106.4	100.0	107.6	105.3	71.62	68.82	67.80	
Quebec	122.5	124.5	117.6	128.7	126.6	82.43	79.09	79.51	
Ontario	126.8	128.2	121.1	130.8	129.3	88.01	84.82	85.19	
Prairie region	130.7	133.0	124.7	139.1	136.9	81.52	79.57	79.28	
Manitoba	111.5	113.3	106.1	117.7	116.2	77.71	76.01	75.44	
Saskatchewan	122.0	127.9	113.8	134.6	133.0	79.98	78.98	77.50	
Alberta	157.8	158.9	152.3	166.5	163.4	85.31	82.81	83.11	
British Columbia	117.8	119.5	111.7	125.3	124.2	91.35	87.70	88.49	
Canada	123.3	125.1	117.9	129.0	127.4	84.79	81.64	82.01	

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(2) Mainly hotels, restaurants, laundries, dry cleaning plants, business and recreational services.