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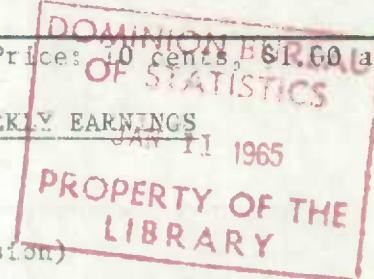
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ADVANCE STATEMENT OF EMPLOYMENT AND WEEKLY EARNINGS

OCTOBER 1964

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The industrial composite index of employment (1949=100) was 134.4 in October, down 1.3 p.c. from the September figure of 136.2. The decrease resulted from declines in all major divisions except trade. Widespread reductions are usual between these months as many establishments begin to reduce staffs associated with summer activities. There was an increase in trade as retail establishments took on additional workers to cope with the heavy year-end buying associated with Christmas.

Seasonally-adjusted, the composite was off 0.2 p.c. from 131.2 to 131.0. The slackening reflected declines in the adjusted indexes for forestry (7.4%), manufacturing (0.7%), transportation, storage and communication (0.7%) and finance, insurance and real estate (0.9%). At least three quarters of the overall reduction resulted from the decreases in forestry and manufacturing. In the former, the weakening was centred in Quebec and the Atlantic Region, and continued a trend which has been in evidence for several months. In the latter, the decreases resulted from extensive layoffs in the automobile industries due to shortages of materials and orders arising from industrial disputes in the United States.

The only substantial increase occurred in construction where the adjusted index rose by 2.9 p.c. The large advance originated mainly in the building and general engineering component. In that component, employment showed virtually no change between September and October whereas in every year since 1956 it has fallen from 2 to 4 per cent between these months.

The seasonally-adjusted industrial composite indexes of employment for Newfoundland, Prince Edward Island, New Brunswick, Quebec and Ontario declined in October, although the decrease in Quebec was slight. The seasonally-adjusted indexes for all western provinces and Nova Scotia rose in October; the percentage gains amounted to 1 p.c. or more for each province except British Columbia where the index rose by 0.6 p.c.

The industrial composite of average weekly wages and salaries rose by 56 cents to \$88.56 in October; this figure was \$3.91 above last year's October figure of \$84.65. The payroll index for October was down 0.7 p.c. from September 1964, but up 8.7 p.c. from October 1963.

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

Industrial divisions and provinces	Employment indexes (1949=100)					Average weekly wages and salaries		
	Unadjusted			Seasonally adjusted				
	Oct. 1964	Sept. 1964	Oct. 1963	Oct. 1964	Sept. 1964	Oct. 1964	Sept. 1964	Oct. 1963
						dollars		
<u>Industrial divisions</u>								
Forestry (chiefly logging)	88.3	92.1	89.2	68.5	74.0	100.24	95.46	91.43
Mining	115.3	116.3	115.4	114.7	114.1	108.08	106.24	103.59
Manufacturing	123.5	126.3	119.3	121.8	122.6	91.22	91.01	87.43
Durable goods	130.1	132.9	124.6	128.7	130.3	98.97	99.24	94.57
Non-durable goods	118.1	120.8	114.9	116.0	116.1	84.10	83.45	80.95
Construction	145.2	146.7	138.3	131.1	127.4	100.53	99.07	94.22
Transportation, storage communication	113.2	115.4	111.9	111.1	111.9	98.26	97.39	93.81
Public utility operation	149.2	150.9	145.0	148.1	148.0	107.65	106.79	103.36
Trade	158.5	157.0	151.0	155.9	155.5	73.95	73.73	71.29
Finance, insurance and real estate	189.2	189.9	182.4	188.2	190.0	85.05	84.33	78.96
Service(2)	189.4	193.5	172.0	189.0	188.0	62.00	61.39	59.36
Industrial composite	134.4	136.2	129.4	131.0	131.2	88.56	88.00	84.65
<u>Province and regions</u>								
Atlantic region	115.2	117.5	113.3	109.2	110.1	73.58	72.52	70.10
Newfoundland	151.2	157.2	150.4	136.2	140.2	80.04	78.58	77.19
Prince Edward Island ...	151.4	156.3	153.3	133.1	137.8	60.52	61.49	58.27
Nova Scotia	101.3	101.2	100.4	97.9	96.7	71.66	71.01	68.64
New Brunswick	114.1	117.7	109.9	109.8	112.1	72.99	71.41	68.40
Quebec	135.4	136.6	129.8	130.9	131.0	86.64	85.92	82.74
Ontario	136.1	138.1	130.9	133.6	134.6	91.61	91.63	87.75
Prairie region	143.0	144.5	138.1	139.1	137.2	84.53	83.55	82.11
Manitoba	119.7	120.3	117.3	116.0	114.6	80.19	79.90	78.69
Saskatchewan	138.7	139.6	135.9	132.8	131.5	82.68	82.31	80.97
Alberta	172.8	175.7	163.8	169.8	166.7	88.85	87.02	85.49
British Columbia	129.0	131.9	123.5	127.4	126.6	97.76	95.88	91.42
Canada	134.4	136.2	129.4	131.0	131.2	88.56	88.00	84.65

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