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ADVANCE STATEMENT OF EMPLOYMENT AND WEEKLY EARNINGS

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The industrial composite index of employment (1949=100) was 123.0 at the end of February, down slightly from the January figure of 123.3. Among the major industrial divisions, increases in manufacturing and service were outweighed by reductions in forestry, construction and trade. There was little change in the remaining divisions.

Seasonally-adjusted, the industrial composite rose from 129.0 in January to 129.4 in February marking the seventh successive month for which a month-to-month increase was recorded. The seasonally-adjusted indexes for most major industrial divisions also advanced, with the largest percentage gains occurring in forestry and service. There were declines in the adjusted indexes for construction and transportation, storage and communication. The decrease in construction was not large enough to offset the unusually large increase which occurred between December and January. As a result, the the adjusted index for the current month was substantially higher than that for any month (other than January 1964) in the past three years.

The adjusted index for manufacturing rose by 0.3 p.c. to 120.8 at the end of February. The increase reflected continued strengthening in both major components, however, the expansion in durables in the current month was dampened by a major industrial dispute in shipbuilding and repairing in British Columbia.

The seasonally-adjusted indexes for Newfoundland, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, Ontario and Alberta advanced in February. The adjusted index for Quebec was unchanged while the indexes for the remaining provinces declined.

The industrial composite of average weekly wages and salaries was \$85.72 in February, up 62 cents from January 1964 and \$2.85 from February 1963. The payroll index for February, at 247.4, was up 0.4 p.c. from January 1964 and 8.5 p.c. above the February 1963 figure of 228.1.

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

Industrial divisions and provinces	Employment indexes (1949=100)					Average weekly wages and salaries		
	Unadjusted			Seasonally adjusted				
	Feb. 1964	Jan. 1964	Feb. 1963	Feb. 1964	Jan. 1964	Feb. 1964	Jan. 1964	Feb. 1963
						dollars		
<u>Industrial divisions</u>								
Forestry (chiefly logging)	61.9	70.1	61.2	69.8	67.9	94.12	85.00	85.88
Mining .....	113.2	112.7	112.5	116.6	115.7	106.00	105.99	102.81
Manufacturing .....	117.6	117.0	112.2	120.8	120.4	88.96	88.83	85.41
Durable goods .....	124.8	123.9	117.6	127.7	127.1	95.74	95.86	91.96
Non-durable goods .....	111.6	111.3	107.7	115.1	114.8	82.61	82.29	79.42
Construction .....	105.9	108.8	100.5	132.2	133.7	94.35	92.57	89.74
Transportation, storage, communication .....	105.4	105.6	103.3	111.5	112.1	94.50	93.27	91.96
Public utility operation .	139.5	139.2	137.6	144.9	144.2	105.07	104.53	101.91
Trade .....	145.6	147.0	138.0	151.9	150.7	72.90	72.39	71.31
Finance, insurance and real estate .....	183.3	183.4	175.2	184.1	183.8	79.95	79.67	77.25
Service (2) .....	169.6	167.6	153.5	178.3	175.5	60.54	60.10	59.03
Industrial composite	123.0	123.3	117.4	129.4	129.0	85.72	85.10	82.87
<u>Provinces and regions</u>								
Atlantic region .....	103.4	103.7	96.9	112.6	110.8	72.67	72.06	70.17
Newfoundland .....	125.8	126.0	113.6	143.5	139.7	77.49	76.45	74.34
Prince Edward Island ...	112.9	117.8	103.6	135.9	142.4	63.60	62.73	63.51
Nova Scotia .....	94.6	94.8	89.2	101.6	101.1	71.36	71.00	68.78
New Brunswick .....	103.8	104.2	98.8	110.0	107.5	72.19	71.58	70.05
Quebec .....	121.7	122.5	116.5	128.7	128.7	83.24	82.49	80.18
Ontario .....	126.9	126.8	121.1	131.8	130.8	88.86	88.66	85.68
Prairie region .....	129.6	130.7	124.2	139.0	139.1	82.39	81.56	80.71
Manitoba .....	110.1	111.6	105.2	117.1	117.8	78.82	77.82	76.80
Saskatchewan .....	120.3	121.3	114.0	133.5	133.9	80.69	80.06	78.73
Alberta .....	157.5	158.0	151.8	167.8	166.7	86.00	85.28	84.65
British Columbia .....	118.0	118.0	112.1	124.6	125.5	93.20	91.44	90.59
Canada .....	123.0	123.3	117.4	129.4	129.0	85.72	85.10	82.87

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