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The industrial composite index of employment (1949=100) advanced by 3.5 per cent to 128.9 in May, as most outdoor industries began to intensify operations. Employment increased in all major industrial divisions over the month, with over three quarters of the overall gains originating among the goods-producing industrial divisions.

Seasonally-adjusted, the industrial composite was unchanged at 129.0, reflecting offsetting movements among the major industrial divisions. A large advance in forestry and smaller gains in public utility operation, trade, service and finance, insurance and real estate were offset by declines in mining, construction and transportation, storage and communication.

The seasonally-adjusted index for manufacturing was virtually unchanged in May, as a small increase in non-durables was offset by a decrease in durables. The decline in the seasonally-adjusted durables index reflected developments in wood products where a major industrial dispute in British Columbia caused the April-to-May advance in the saw and planing mills industry to be substantially below the seasonal average. The losses in wood products were offset to some extent by an above-average increase in transportation equipment following settlement of a major industrial dispute in British Columbia shipbuilding.

Quebec was the only region for which the seasonally-adjusted index of employment rose from April to May. The advance in that region resulted from an above-average increase in forestry. The adjusted index for Ontario was unchanged while those for the remaining regions declined.

The industrial composite of average weekly wages and salaries rose by 47 cents from April to May. The May figure, at \$86.80, was \$3.11 above May 1963. The payroll index for May, at 262.6, was 4.0 per cent above April 1964 and 8.1 per cent above the May 1963 figure of 242.9.

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Advance Index Numbers of Employment, with Average Weekly Wages and Salaries May 1964 (1) STATISTICS CANADA LIBRARY BIBLIOTHEQUE STATISTIQUE CANADA

Industrial divisions and provinces	Employment indexes (1949=100)					10105			
	Unadjusted			Seasonally adjusted			Average weekly wages and salaries		
	May 1964	Apr. 1964	May 1963	May 1964	Apr. 1964	May 1964	Apr. 1964	May 1963	
							dollars		
Industrial divisions			E	-1101			-	J	
Forestry (chiefly logging)	60.8	37.7	51.8	82.1	77.3	91.57	96.73	84.93	
Mining	114.7	111.7	113.7	114.4	115.9		105.08	101.72	
Manufacturing	121.3	118.6	116.3	120.8	120.9		89.66	86.73	
Durable goods	128.8	126.1	122.2	127,0	127.5		96.56	93.66	
Non-durable goods	115.0	112.4	111.3	115.6	115.3		83.19	80.36	
Construction	128.0	114.4	126.7	124.7	126.2	95.51	93.62	90.55	
Transportation, storage	111212	203							
communication	111.3	108.6	109.5	110.5	110.9	95.45	94.97	92.01	
Public utility operation .	146.7	141.5	145.6	145.5	145.1		105.48	101.10	
Trade	150.2	148.1	143.3	151.4	151.0	74.07	73.79	71.68	
Finance, insurance and				-3-			13.17	/ =	
real estate	184.9	184.3	176.5	186.3	185.4	82.43	82.62	79.31	
Service (2)	182.2	175.7	165.1	180.8	180.2	61.08	61.08	59.06	
Industrial composite	128.9	124.6	123.7	129.0	129.0	86.80	86.33	83.69	
Province and regions									
Atlantic region	107.5	100.8	104.1	108.5	111.0	71.35	72.29	69.07	
Newfoundland	137.0	127.8	132.8	142.4	148.2	77.14	78.98	75.19	
Prince Edward Island	141.2	118.2	137.1	135.7	138.7	61.54	62.67	59.92	
Nova Scotia	96.4	93.0	94.0	95.4	97.8	70.85	70.41	68.55	
New Brunswick	106.0	97.1	101.4	108.2	109.1	69.23	71.30	66.69	
Quebec	128.8	123.9	122.7	129.8	129.0	84.94	84.23	81.51	
Ontario	132.0	129.0	126.5	131.5	131.5	90.12	89.51	87.05	
Prairie region	137.0	130.7	133.3	136.4	137.5	82.57	82.06	80.32	
Manitoba	116.0	111.3	112.2	116.2	115.6	78.58	78.62	77.45	
Saskatchewan	132.7	125.4	129.3	129.8	131.9	80.68	80.37	78.29	
Alberta	164.1	156.4	160.2	163.8	166.3	86.70	85.64	83.54	
British Columbia	123.2	119.6	119.4	122.7	123.3	94.70	93.95	90.65	
Canada	128.9	124.6	123.7	129.0	129.0	86,80	86.33	8369	

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