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The industrial composite index of employment (1949 = 100) was 130.6 at the end of March, up 0.8 p.c. from the February figure of 129.5. The February-to-March advance was above average; typically, employment shows a small increase between these months as increases in a number of major industrial divisions tend to be offset by substantial reductions in forestry. In 1965, however, the increase in manufacturing was above-average while the decrease in forestry was smaller than usual.

Seasonally-adjusted, the industrial composite increased from 136.1 in February to 137.1 in March. Nearly all major industrial divisions shared in this advance, with the largest relative gains being recorded in forestry, mining and manufacturing. The large increase in forestry partly reflects changing seasonal patterns; thus increased mechanization coupled with greater accessibility to logging sites are gradually changing logging from a seasonal to a year-round activity, thereby greatly reducing the amplitude of the seasonal swing in employment. The increase in manufacturing resulted from the settlement of major industrial disputes in the motor vehicle and iron castings industries.

The seasonally-adjusted industrial composite indexes of employment for Newfoundland, Nova Scotia, Quebec and Ontario increased by 0.8 p.c. or more from February-to-March. The adjusted index for British Columbia was virtually unchanged, while the indexes for each of the Prairie Provinces, and for Prince Edward Island and New Brunswick were down over the month.

The industrial composite of average weekly wages and salaries was \$90.18 in March, up 88 cents from February. The latest per capita figure was up \$4.91 from the March 1964 figure of \$85.27. The payroll index at the end of March was 276.6, up 1.9 p.c. from February and 11.0 p.c. from the March 1964 figure of 247.2.

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Advance Index Numbers of Employment, with Average Weekly Wages and Salaries
March 1965(1)

Industrial divisions and provinces	Employment indexes (1949=100)					Average weekly wages and salaries		
	Unadjusted			Seasonally adjusted				
	Mar. 1965	Feb. 1965	Mar. 1964	Mar. 1965	Feb. 1965	Mar. 1965	Feb. 1965	Mar. 1964
	dollars							
<u>Industrial divisions</u>								
Forestry (chiefly logging)	52.8	62.0	46.8	84.0	72.0	101.80	100.01	97.66
Mining	120.1	118.9	109.1	122.7	121.3	110.88	110.50	107.50
Manufacturing	124.2	122.6	118.4	127.2	126.0	94.06	92.07	88.82
Durable goods	135.3	132.2	125.9	137.9	135.5	102.49	99.37	95.28
Non-durable goods	114.8	114.5	112.1	118.2	118.1	85.75	85.03	82.76
Construction	119.9	116.0	107.7	143.6	143.6	100.06	98.88	88.65
Transportation, storage communication	108.9	108.3	106.0	114.4	114.2	99.04	100.32	94.13
Public utility operation	143.9	143.8	139.8	150.1	149.6	109.52	110.26	105.35
Trade	156.1	155.0	148.4	160.9	161.2	75.59	75.32	72.95
Finance, insurance and real estate	191.8	191.2	184.0	192.2	191.3	86.72	86.20	81.20
Service(2)	190.0	187.9	172.4	197.6	197.1	63.65	63.90	60.67
Industrial composite	130.6	129.5	123.5	137.1	136.1	90.18	89.30	85.27
<u>Province and regions</u>								
Atlantic region	106.6	106.1	99.5	116.6	115.2	76.50	76.50	72.05
Newfoundland	131.0	131.9	123.7	155.2	153.6	80.97	82.07	79.06
Prince Edward Island ...	115.6	117.0	111.0	141.6	147.5	64.14	64.86	63.16
Nova Scotia	98.1	96.6	89.1	105.1	102.6	75.21	74.27	70.21
New Brunswick	105.7	105.6	101.1	112.3	111.0	76.42	76.85	70.79
Quebec	129.4	128.6	122.6	137.1	135.9	87.29	86.70	82.58
Ontario	135.2	133.6	128.0	139.5	138.4	93.88	91.85	88.48
Prairie region	136.6	136.4	130.0	144.8	145.7	85.37	86.25	81.82
Manitoba	113.2	113.2	110.3	119.2	120.2	80.89	81.20	77.97
Saskatchewan	126.5	125.6	121.6	137.9	139.1	82.70	84.22	80.26
Alberta	169.6	169.3	157.7	178.7	179.1	89.92	91.03	85.64
British Columbia	127.2	124.6	118.7	132.2	131.6	98.33	99.10	92.88
Canada	130.6	129.5	123.5	137.1	136.1	90.18	89.30	85.27

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