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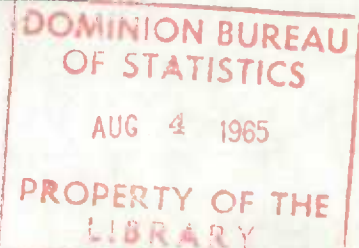
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ADVANCE STATEMENT OF EMPLOYMENT AND WEEKLY EARNINGS

MAY 1965

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The industrial composite index of employment (1949=100) advanced to 136.6 at the end of May, up 3.4 per cent from the April figure of 132.1. An increase of this size in May is typical because outdoor industries are rapidly increasing staffs to prepare for peak summer production. Thus, forestry rose by 49.7 p.c. and construction by 11.8 p.c.

Seasonally adjusted, the industrial composite for May, at 137.0, was virtually unchanged from April. There were fractional increases in most major individual divisions, but these were balanced for the most part by a decline in forestry. The decrease in forestry partly reflected changing seasonal patterns in the industry in Eastern Canada; in the past two years, employment levels have been unusually high in April so that the typical large increase between April and May, associated with the commencement of the "summer cut", has been reduced.

In manufacturing, the adjusted index for May, at 126.8 was up 0.2 per cent from April. The slight increase was due, mainly, to an advance in non-durables of 0.5 per cent as most component industry groups indicated some strengthening. The adjusted index for durable goods manufacturing showed little change as employment trends in the major component industries were largely offsetting.

Regionally, the seasonally-adjusted industrial composite indexes of employment showed mixed trends. Increases were recorded in Ontario (0.5 p.c.) and British Columbia (0.2 p.c.). Quebec was unchanged while the indexes for the Atlantic and Prairie Regions declined.

The industrial composite of average weekly wages and salaries for May, at \$90.57 was virtually unchanged from April. However, the latest figure was \$3.77 above last years level of \$86.80. The payroll index, at 290.5 was 3.5 per cent above April 1965 and 11.0 per cent above May 1964.

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

Industrial divisions and provinces	Employment indexes (1949=100)					Average weekly wages and salaries		
	Unadjusted			Seasonally adjusted				
	May 1965	Apr. 1965	May 1964	May 1965	Apr. 1965	May 1965	Apr. 1965	May 1964
	dollars							
<u>Industrial divisions</u>								
Forestry (chiefly logging)	64.3	42.9	61.6	82.6	85.9	93.69	100.63	90.80
Mining .....	122.8	118.0	114.8	123.3	122.5	108.77	109.99	104.98
Manufacturing .....	127.3	124.6	121.4	126.8	126.5	93.82	94.18	90.05
Durable goods .....	138.1	135.5	129.0	136.3	136.4	101.77	102.89	97.26
Non-durable goods .....	118.3	115.4	115.0	118.8	118.2	86.06	86.05	83.28
Construction .....	140.2	125.4	129.1	137.9	138.3	100.32	100.91	95.68
Transportation, storage communication .....	114.7	111.8	111.3	114.3	114.3	101.06	100.45	95.54
Public utility operation	151.5	145.5	146.7	150.3	149.1	109.53	110.41	105.27
Trade .....	160.8	159.0	150.2	162.9	162.8	76.69	76.01	74.10
Finance, insurance and real estate .....	193.1	191.9	185.0	194.5	193.4	88.26	87.90	82.39
Service(2) .....	203.7	196.3	183.5	202.3	201.7	64.58	64.26	61.11
Industrial composite	136.6	132.1	129.1	137.0	136.9	90.57	90.55	86.80
<u>Province and regions</u>								
Atlantic region .....	114.1	106.3	108.4	115.8	116.6	74.08	75.83	71.18
Newfoundland .....	150.0	136.4	138.8	154.2	154.3	80.82	81.70	77.04
Prince Edward Island ...	149.1	122.3	141.2	142.6	141.7	63.20	64.38	61.26
Nova Scotia .....	100.9	98.1	96.6	101.7	103.8	71.95	74.17	70.83
New Brunswick .....	112.1	101.6	107.3	114.6	113.9	73.32	75.17	68.84
Quebec .....	135.4	130.8	129.0	136.3	136.3	87.97	87.56	84.99
Ontario .....	140.3	136.9	132.1	140.2	139.5	94.42	94.38	90.12
Prairie region .....	144.2	137.8	137.3	144.1	145.0	85.48	85.55	82.60
Manitoba .....	118.9	115.4	116.0	119.0	119.9	81.37	81.52	78.67
Saskatchewan .....	138.6	130.3	133.5	136.5	136.9	83.66	83.90	80.62
Alberta .....	177.0	168.2	164.5	177.6	178.3	89.49	89.49	86.71
British Columbia .....	133.7	129.6	123.1	133.8	133.5	99.98	99.19	94.67
Canada .....	136.6	132.1	129.1	137.0	136.9	90.57	90.55	86.80

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