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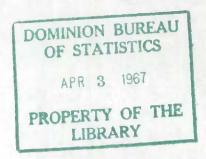
The December unadjusted composite index of employment (1961=100) declined from 123.8 in November to 120.6 and was 4.1 p.c. higher than in December of last year. Seasonally-adjusted, the index at 122.7 was 0.7 p.c. above last month's level.

Seasonally-adjusted employment indexes. - All industry divisions recorded increases from November. The largest gains were in forestry (3.6 p.c.), construction (3.0 p.c.) and transportation, communication and other utilities (1.8 p.c.). Increases in the other industry divisions were slight. All regions recorded gains from last month except British Columbia, where there was a slight decline. Gains ranged from 0.6 p.c. in Ontario to 1.1 p.c. in Quebec.

Average Weekly Wages and Salaries. - At the composite level, average weekly wages and salaries at \$96.17 in December were \$2.64 lower than in November, mainly because of short-time associated with the year-end holidays. The December figure was \$5.17 higher than in December of last year. Changes in industry divisions were varied. Declines were recorded in construction (\$16.05), durable goods manufacturing (\$5.91), forestry (\$4.30) and non-durable goods manufacturing (78 cents). Other industry divisions showed slight increases over last month. All regions recorded decreases, ranging from \$1.03 in the Atlantic Region to \$2.93 in British Columbia.

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Advance Employment Index Numbers and Average Weekly Wages and Salaries

| Industry division and province | Employment index numbers (1961=100) | | | | | Ave | rage weel | kly |
|--|---|--------------|--------------|-------------------------|--------------|--------------------|--------------|--------------|
| | Unadjusted | | | Seasonally- adjusted | | wages and salaries | | |
| | Dec. 1966 | Nov. 1966 | Dec. 1965 | Dec. 1966 | Nov. 1966 | Dec. 1966 | Nov. 1966 | Dec. 1965 |
| | | | | | | dollars | | |
| Industry division | | | | | | | | |
| Forestry | 106.8 | 119.2 | 102.1 | 104.1 | 100.5 | 107.08 | 111.38 | 95.67 |
| Mining | 105.3 | 106.7 | 105.1 | 107.9 | 107.7 | 124.89 | 123,45 | 114.53 |
| danufacturing | 121.9 | 125.1 | 118.5 | 125.1 | 124.8 | 99.77 | 102.96 | 95.07 |
| Durable goods | 134.4 | 137.0 | 130.2 | 137.1 | 136.7 | 105.48 | 111.33 | 101.92 |
| Non-durable goods | 111.8 | 115.6 | 109.0 | 115.4 | 115.3 | 94.31 | 95.05 | 88.12 |
| Construction | | 138.8 | 114.6 | 137.5 | 133.5 | 110.38 | 126.43 | 99.83 |
| Fransportation, communi- cation and other util- | 110.7 | 150.0 | 114.0 | 137.3 | 133,3 | 110.50 | 120,43 | ,,,,, |
| ities | 107.4 | 108.3 | 103.4 | 108.9 | 107.0 | 107,40 | 106.87 | 100.3 |
| Trade | | 129.2 | 123.4 | 123.3 | 123.2 | 76.92 | 76.77 | 73.9 |
| Finance, insurance and | 150.5 | | 100, | 120,0 | 1 | ,0.,2 | ,0,,, | ,5.2 |
| real estate | 122 0 | 122.1 | 117.9 | 122.0 | 121.6 | 94.73 | 94.31 | 90.4 |
| Service | | 142.5 | 126.8 | 144.9 | 144.7 | 72.35 | 72.15 | 67.4 |
| Industrial composite | 120.6 | 123.8 | 115.9 | 122.7 | 121.9 | 96.18 | 98.81 | 91.0 |
| Province and region | | | | | | | | |
| Atlantic region | 114.6 | 119.5 | 110.5 | 117.2 | 116.1 | 80.11 | 81.14 | 74.6 |
| Newfoundland | 119.0 | 129.1 | 115.8 | 126.2 | 124.1 | 85.54 | 87.52 | 78.5 |
| Prince Edward Island | 120.6 | 133.2 | 106.2 | 129.5 | 123.0 | 66.18 | 65.08 | 65.0 |
| Nova Scotia | | 115.7 | 108.1 | | 113.2 | | 79.24 | |
| New Brunswick | 113.7 | | 110.4 | | 113.9 | | 80.60 | 74.8 |
| uebec | | 121.5 | | | 118.5 | | 97.80 | |
| Ontario | 124.4 | 126.9 | 119.1 | 125.7 | | 99.09 | | 94.3 |
| Prairie region | 116.8 | 119.0 | 110.7 | 119.4 | 118.3 | 90.44 | 92.13 | 85.9 |
| Manitoba | 112.0 | 114.2 | 106.2 | 113.9 | 113.4 | 85.27 | | 82.2 |
| Saskatchewan | 115.4 | 119.3 | 111.5 | 117.9 | 117.8 | 90.02 | 91.38 | 85.0 |
| Alberta | 121.5 | 123.0 | 114.1 | 124.2 | 122.9 | 94.70 | 97.19 | 89.1 |
| British Columbia | 122.9 | 126.8 | 120.1 | 126.2 | 126.3 | 105.79 | 108.72 | 99.7 |
| Canada | | 123.8 | | 122.7 | 121.9 | 96.18 | 98.81 | 91.0 |
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