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The unadjusted composite index of employment (1961=100) at 124.9 in September showed little change from the August level of 125.7 and was 4.9 p.c. higher than in September of last year. Seasonally-adjusted, the index at 120.7 showed virtually no change from the August level.

Seasonally-adjusted employment indexes. - Changes from last month were generally small. The largest fluctuations were in forestry, where there was a 4.7 p.c. decline, and in service, where there was a 2.2 p.c. advance. Changes in other industry divisions were all less than one per cent. Regionally, as well, the adjusted employment figures varied only slightly from the August levels.

Average weekly wages and salaries. - Average weekly wages and salaries rose \$4.29 from \$94.52 in August to \$98.81 in September. A large part of the increase was the result of the settlement of the industrial dispute in railways which depressed earnings in transportation, communication and other utilities last month (1). All other divisions recorded higher average weekly wages and salaries this month, except trade where there was a slight decline.

All regions showed higher average weekly wages and salaries with gains ranging from \$3.24 in Ontario to \$8.19 in the Prairie Region.

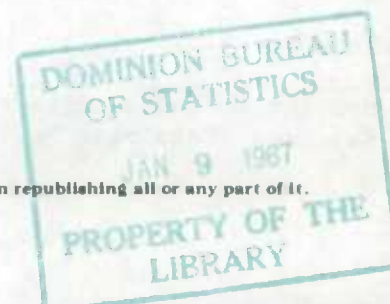
The latest composite figure is \$6.62 above September of last year. In the year-over-year comparison, the largest industrial gain was in construction (\$13.43) and the largest regional increase was in Quebec (\$7.46).

(1) The September data for the railways are partly estimated; revised data will be published in the October bulletin.

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Advance Employment Index Numbers and Average Weekly Wages and Salaries

Industry division and province	Employment index numbers (1961=100)					Average weekly wages and salaries		
	Unadjusted			Seasonally- adjusted				
	Sept. 1966	Aug. 1966	Sept. 1965	Sept. 1966	Aug. 1966	Sept. 1966	Aug. 1966	Sept. 1965
	dollars							
<u>Industry division</u>								
Forestry .....	126.7	130.6	123.3	101.4	106.4	108.60	104.43	98.84
Mining .....	108.1	111.4	107.1	107.3	107.5	120.97	117.94	111.37
Manufacturing .....	126.9	127.3	121.1	124.0	123.4	101.58	100.05	95.48
Durable goods .....	137.2	136.6	129.2	135.7	134.7	110.31	108.18	103.95
Non-durable goods .....	118.6	119.9	114.6	114.6	114.4	93.48	92.62	87.82
Construction .....	146.6	149.9	138.2	127.0	127.8	126.22	124.79	112.79
Transportation, communi- cation and other util- ities .....	110.2	111.9	107.8	106.5	106.3	109.80	88.58	100.13
Trade .....	123.9	122.2	116.9	122.3	123.3	77.39	77.86	73.54
Finance, insurance and real estate .....	121.4	122.2	117.6	120.8	121.1	93.90	93.27	89.13
Service .....	145.8	149.2	131.0	142.1	139.0	70.54	70.02	66.65
Industrial composite	124.9	125.7	119.1	120.7	120.5	98.81	94.52	92.19
<u>Province and region</u>								
Atlantic region .....	123.3	125.9	121.5	116.1	116.6	81.53	74.37	75.10
Newfoundland .....	139.7	141.7	134.7	125.7	125.7	87.25	78.75	80.93
Prince Edward Island ...	135.2	136.9	123.8	120.3	118.7	67.72	62.54	63.60
Nova Scotia .....	117.1	117.7	113.2	113.2	112.5	79.17	74.36	72.40
New Brunswick .....	119.0	124.5	117.0	113.3	115.0	81.48	72.40	75.08
Quebec .....	122.7	123.0	117.5	118.1	117.5	97.31	93.92	89.85
Ontario .....	127.0	127.3	120.4	123.9	124.0	101.60	98.36	95.51
Prairie region .....	120.2	122.0	114.3	115.0	115.7	93.86	85.67	87.22
Manitoba .....	114.0	115.6	109.6	109.3	110.2	88.75	78.18	83.51
Saskatchewan .....	121.6	123.8	117.0	115.2	115.9	93.40	85.87	86.32
Alberta .....	124.9	126.6	117.3	120.6	120.0	98.03	91.45	90.55
British Columbia .....	130.6	133.0	124.8	125.8	125.8	109.64	105.45	103.25
Canada .....	124.9	125.7	119.1	120.7	120.5	98.81	94.52	92.19

(1) Subject to revision before publication in Employment and Average Weekly Wages and Salaries (Catalogue No. 72-002).