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The December unadjusted composite index of employment (1961 = 100) decreased by 3.1 p.c. from 124.3 in November to 120.5 in December and was 0.2 p.c. higher than in December of last year. Seasonally-adjusted, the index at 122.5 was 0.2 p.c. lower than the figure for last month.

Seasonally-adjusted employment indexes. - Among the industry divisions, the largest changes were a decrease of 1.1 p.c. in transportation, communication, and other utilities, and an increase of 0.7 p.c. in construction. Manufacturing and trade were unchanged from last month. Among the regions, British Columbia showed the largest change with an increase of 0.6 p.c. Decreases occurred in the Atlantic Region (0.5 p.c.) and Quebec (0.4 p.c.). Elsewhere slight increases were recorded.

Average weekly wages and salaries. - At the composite level, average weekly wages and salaries at \$102.58 were \$2.68 lower than in November and \$6.61 higher than in December, 1966. Among the industry divisions, trade, and finance, insurance and real estate showed slight increases. All other industries showed decreases reflecting short-time associated with year-end holidays. The largest of these decreases occurred in construction (\$20.44) and forestry (\$11.30). All regions showed decreases ranging from \$1.05 in the Atlantic Region to \$4.17 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)					Average weekly		
	Unadjusted			Seasonally- adjusted		wages and salaries		
	Dec. 1967	Nov. 1967	Dec. 1966	Dec. 1967	Nov. 1967	Dec. 1967	Nov. 1967	Dec. 1966
OF STATISTICS						dollars		
Industry division								
Forestry	92.5	107.5	105.9	93.0	93.4	113.42	124.72	105.90
Mining	107.7	109.1	105.1	110.3	110.1	133.03	133.59	124.94
Manufacturing	119.8	123.2	121.6	123.0	123.0	107.76	109.71	99.68
Durable goods	131.0	133.8	134.3	133.5	133.5	115.42	118.30	105.17
Non-durable goods	110.8	114.6	111.3	114.5	114.5	100.45	101.61	94.36
Construction	104.1	125.5	115.2	120.9	120.1	114.18	134.62	109.45
Transportation, communication and other util-								
ities	108.2	111.8	107.3	109.6	110.8	115.84	116.42	107.32
Trade	134.3	132.9	130.7	126.9	126.9	81.42	81.24	76.86
Finance, insurance and								
real estate	128.4	128.7	121.9	128.4	128.4	100.43	99.73	94.67
Service	148.9	153.0	139.4	155.3	155.2	76.54	77.09	71.91
Industrial composite	120.5	124.3	120.3	122.5	122.7	102.58	105.26	95.97
Province and region								
Atlantic region	113.8	120.0	114.2	116.5	117.1	84.91	85.96	79.84
Newfoundland	115.7	127.8	117.9	123.4	123.3	90.93	92.68	84.98
Prince Edward Island	126.2	135.1	120.2	131.6	126.1	68.81	69.80	66.14
Nova Scotia	111.4	116.1	112.0	112.6	113.8	81.64	83.55	77.72
New Brunswick	114.4	118.4	113.9	116.1	116.1	86.48	85.85	80.30
Quebec	116.0	120.8	117.6	118.0	118.5	101.17	104.19	94.76
Ontario	124.7	127.5	124.0	126.0	125.7	105.79	108.42	98.85
Prairie region	118.9	122.3	116.6	121.5	121.3	96.64	98.88	90.25
Manitoba	112.9	116.6	112.1	115.0	115.8	92.04	94.33	85.00
Saskatchewan	118.0	122.8	114.2	120.9	120.4	96.36	98.28	89.69
Alberta	124.3	126.9	121.5	127.2	126.6	100.30	102.68	94.62
British Columbia	124.1	127.5	122.7	127.9	127.2	112.21	116.38	105.41
Canada	120.5	124.3	120.3	122.5	122.7	102.58	105.26	95.97

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