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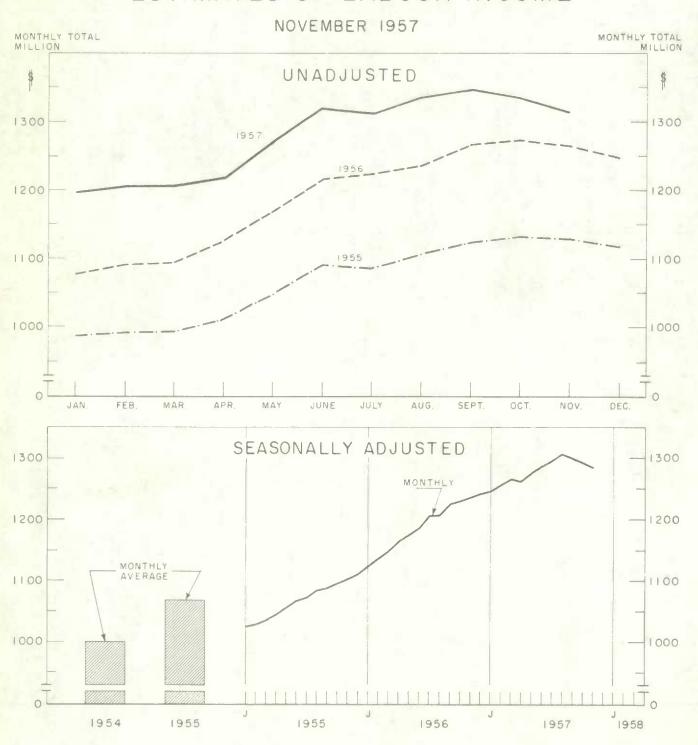
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ESTIMATES OF LABOUR INCOME (\$ Millions)

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		Agricul- ture, Forestry, Fishing, Trapping, Mining	Manu- fac- turing	Con- struc- tion	Utilities, Trans- portation, Communi- cation, Storage, Trade	Finance, Services (includ- ing Govern- ment)	Supple- mentary Labour Income	Total
1939 1940 1941 1942 1943 1944 1945 1946 1947 1948 x1949 1950 1951 1952 1953 1954 1955	M o n t h l y A v e r a g e s	23 26 29 30 32 33 35 41 42 49 49 55 72 76 73 73	62 78 106 142 168 171 156 147 177 203 214 231 272 303 329 323 342	8 11 16 18 21 17 19 25 34 41 47 47 47 52 63 70 69 78	58 63 73 80 86 95 100 114 134 154 169 180 208 233 252 261 278	59 60 66 72 78 83 90 103 114 131 147 156 178 199 217 239 256	5 6 8 11 14 13 13 14 17 19 21 24 28 32 35 35 37	215 244 298 353 399 412 413 444 518 597 647 693 810 906 976 1,000 1,068
1956 1955	- November December	86 85	379 354 357	93 89 78	307 292 293	283 268 265	39 39	1,190 1,128 1,117
1956		75 79 70 68 78 89 95 98 99 104 98	349 358 365 371 377 381 382 382 392 394 397	71 69 70 79 92 105 105 108 110 114 101 90	280 282 284 291 301 311 317 319 324 324 325 327	263 264 266 277 281 288 281 286 299 294 300 295	39 38 39 40 40 41 43 44 43 44 43	1,077 1,090 1,094 1,126 1,169 1,215 1,223 1,236 1,268 1,273 1,265 1,248
1957	- January February Farch April May June July August September October November	87 85 77 72 85 96 101 104 103 97R 89F	384 389 393 393 397 405 402 403 404 401 397P	76 74 73 83 97 110 109 110 114 116 105P	310 316 317 324 334 347 347 347 347 345R 345P	298 299 302 303 313 323 308 325 331 330R 332P	42 43 43 44 45 45 46 46 46 45P	1,197 1,205 1,205 1,218 1,270 1,322 1,312 1,335 1,345 1,335R 1,313P

xIncludes Newfoundland, since 1949. R - revised; P - preliminary.

ESTIMATES OF LABOUR INCOME

November 1957

The preliminary November estimate of labour income is \$1,313 million, down by 1.6 p.c. from the revised October figure of \$1,335 million. Part of the \$22 million drop can be accounted for by seasonal factors. However, declines in the seasonally adjusted series of \$8 million from September to October and \$7 million from October to November reflect the fact that declining or "levelling" employment tendencies are no longer being offset by increases in average earnings. Preliminary estimates for late October indicate that nonagricultural employment was lower than a year ago in eight of the ten provinces (the exceptions are Manitoba and Saskatchewan). The corresponding average weekly earnings estimate of \$68.81 was approximately unchanged from a month earlier but up from \$66.24 at the same date in 1956. The number of persons without jobs and seeking work was estimated from the Labour Force Survey at 292,000 in November, or about 4.9 p.c. of the labour force. This ratio compares with 2.3 p.c. in November of last year. Another indicator, average hours worked in manufacturing, was estimated at 40.3 in late October, down from 40.7 in the previous month and from 41.6 a year earlier.

Turning to the seasonally adjusted components of labour income, the sharp decline in forestry over the past few months continued unabated into November. A number of other industries, including manufacturing, mining, and transportation, displayed either no change or moderate declines. Construction was the only industry which registered a significant increase over the previous month.



Notes on Estimates of Labour Income

mentary remuneration for employees' services. Gross earnings—before deductions for income tax, unemployment insurance and pension contributions—are used in the calculation of total wages and salaries, which include bonuses and commissions as well as free room and board provided by the employer. Employers' contribution to unemployment insurance, workmen's compensation, pensions and welfare are shown as supplementary labour income.

The monthly estimates of total wages and salaries are projections from annual estimates, mainly on indexes of aggregate payrolls for major industrial groups along with various employment and wage rate data. A constant number of working days in each month is assumed in the estimation of labour income. A detailed account of the concepts and methods is set out in the report "National Accounts, Income and Expenditure by Quarters 1947-1952" (November 1953).

The annual estimates of labour income are compiled from basic sources within the Bureau and from other reports of governments and business. Labour income constituted 62 per cent of net national income at factor cost in 1956. The relationships between labour income and other items of the national accounts are shown in the bulletin "National Accounts, Income and Expenditure, 1950-1956" (May 1957).

Seasonally Adjusted Estimates of Labour Income (\$ Millions)

	1954	1955	1956	1957
January	983	1,025	1,123	1,247
February March	988 988	1,029	1,137	1,256
April May	988 98 7	1,044	1,166	1,263 1,274
June	994	1,068	1,186	1,285
July August	1,005	1,072	1,207	1,295 1,305
September October	1,007	1,088	1,225	1,300 1,292h
November	1,016	1,103	1,236	1,285P
December	1,026	1,110	1,242	

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The figures included in this bulletin supersede those in earlier issues, and those for the most recent years are subject to further minor revisions as new source materials become available. In addition, the most recent mentally figures are preliminary and subject to revision in the next laste.

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