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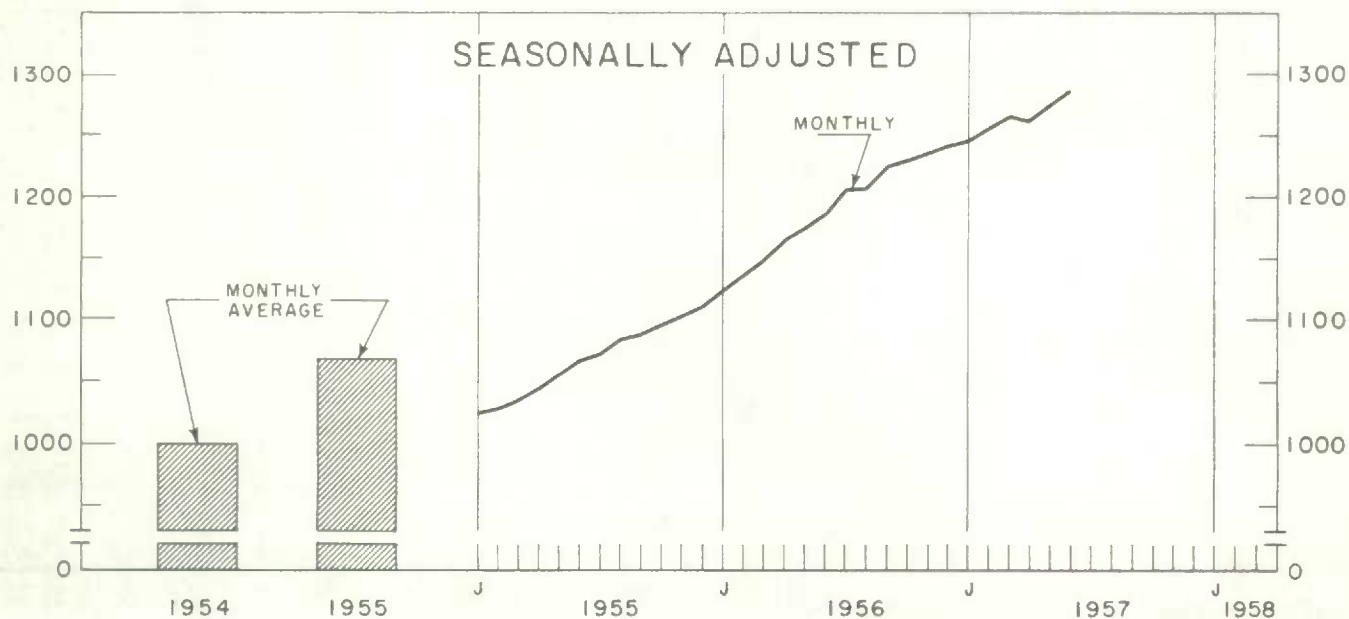
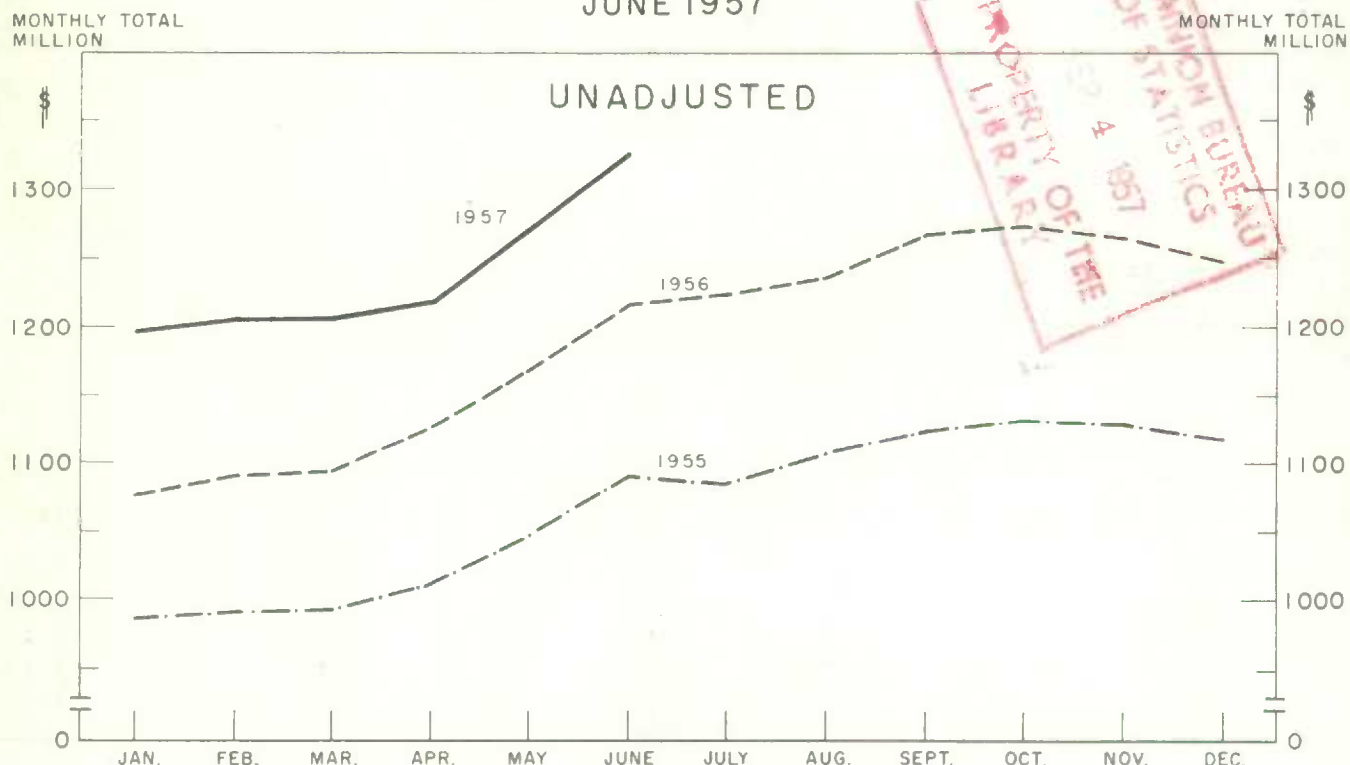
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(\$ Millions)

		Agriculture, 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	M	23	62	8	58	59	5	215
1940	o	26	78	11	63	60	6	244
1941	n	29	106	16	73	66	8	298
1942	t	30	142	18	80	72	11	353
1943	h	32	168	21	86	78	14	399
1944	l	33	171	17	95	83	13	412
1945	y	35	156	19	100	90	13	413
1946		41	147	25	114	103	14	444
1947	A	42	177	34	134	114	17	518
1948	v	49	203	41	154	131	19	597
x1949	e	49	214	47	169	147	21	647
1950	r	55	231	47	180	156	24	693
1951	a	72	272	52	208	178	28	810
1952	g	76	303	63	233	199	32	906
1953	e	73	329	70	252	217	35	976
1954	s	73	323	69	261	239	35	1,000
1955		77	342	78	278	256	37	1,068
1956		87	379	93	307	283	41	1,190
1955 -	July	83	343	86	284	251	38	1,085
	August	85	351	93	284	256	38	1,107
	September	84	354	94	287	266	38	1,123
	October	86	354	100	288	264	39	1,131
	November	86	354	89	292	268	39	1,128
	December	85	357	78	293	265	39	1,117
1956 -	January	75	349	71	280	263	39	1,077
	February	79	358	69	282	264	38	1,090
	March	70	365	70	284	266	39	1,094
	April	68	371	79	291	277	40	1,126
	May	78	377	92	301	281	40	1,169
	June	89	381	105	311	288	41	1,215
	July	95	382	105	317	281	43	1,223
	August	98	382	108	319	286	43	1,236
	September	99	392	110	324	299	44	1,268
	October	104	394	114	324	294	43	1,273
	November	98	397	101	325	300	44	1,265
	December	96	397	90	327	295	43	1,248
1957 -	January	87	384	76	310	298	42	1,197
	February	85	389	74	316	299	42	1,205
	March	77	393	73	317	302	43	1,205
	April	72R	393R	83R	324	303R	43	1,218R
	May	85R	397R	97R	334R	313R	44R	1,270R
	June	95P	404P	113P	345P	323P	45P	1,325P

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

ESTIMATES OF LABOUR INCOME

June 1957

The preliminary estimate of labour income for June indicates a total of \$1,325 million. This figure, comprising wages, salaries, and supplementary forms of income received by Canadian workers, represents an increase of 4.3 p.c. over the revised May estimate (\$1,270 million), and 9.1 p.c. over the estimate for June of last year (\$1,215 million). The largest May-June percentage increases were those in construction (16.5 p.c.) and primary industries (11.8 p.c.).

Although much of the May-June increase can be explained in terms of seasonal factors, when allowance is made for these, the resulting preliminary "deseasonalized" estimate still shows an advance over May of \$14 million or 1.1 p.c. The seasonally adjusted estimate for June is \$1,288 million, while the revised estimate for May is \$1,274 million.

It is of interest to relate the changes in labour income to those in some other monthly series. The average factory work week in manufacturing declined from 40.9 hours at the beginning of June, 1956, to 40.5 at the same date this year, a drop of about 1 p.c. The consumer price index, which was 118.5 (1949=100) at July 1, 1956, had climbed to 121.6 at June 1 of this year, and 121.9 at the beginning of July. The twelve-month increase in this index, then, was 2.9 p.c., and the increase over the previous month was 0.2 p.c. The average of weekly wages and salaries in major non-agricultural industries increased from \$63.93 at June 1, 1956, to \$67.37 at May 1 of this year and \$67.77 at June 1, implying advances of 6.0 p.c. and 0.6 p.c. over the year and over the month, respectively. Finally, the total of Canadian paid workers rose from 4,429,000 in June, 1956, to 4,600,000 in June of this year, an increase of 3.9 p.c. The May figure was 4,459,000 so that the May-June increase was 3.2 p.c.

For the first six months of this year the preliminary labour income estimate is \$7,420 million, higher by 9.6 p.c. than the estimate for the 1956 period (\$6,771 million).

Notes on Estimates of Labour Income

Estimates of total labour income comprise all wages, salaries and supplementary 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 relationship 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)

	<u>1954</u>	<u>1955</u>	<u>1956</u>	<u>1957</u>
January	983	1,025	1,123	1,247
February	988	1,029	1,137	1,256
March	988	1,036	1,149	1,266
April	988	1,044	1,166	1,263R
May	987	1,056	1,175	1,274R
June	994	1,068	1,186	1,288P
July	1,005	1,072	1,207	
August	1,000	1,084	1,208	
September	1,007	1,088	1,225	
October	1,012	1,095	1,230	
November	1,016	1,103	1,236	
December	1,026	1,110	1,242	

R - revised; P - preliminary.

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 monthly figures are preliminary and subject to revision in the next issue.

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