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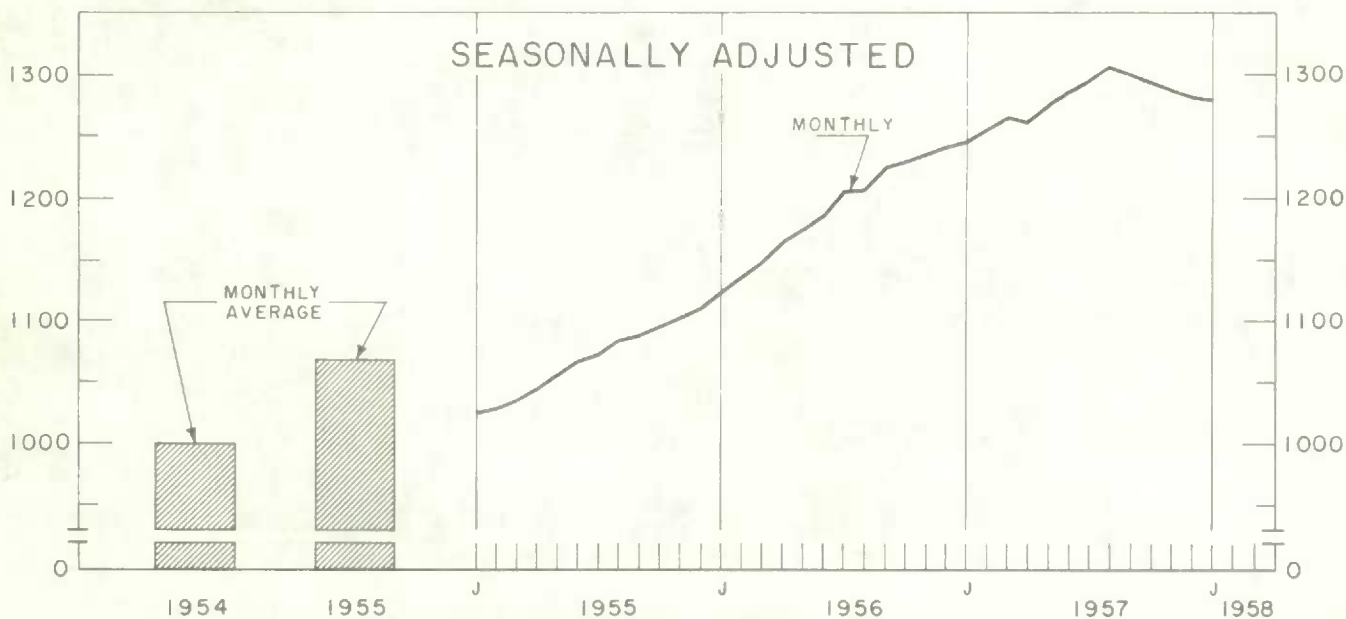
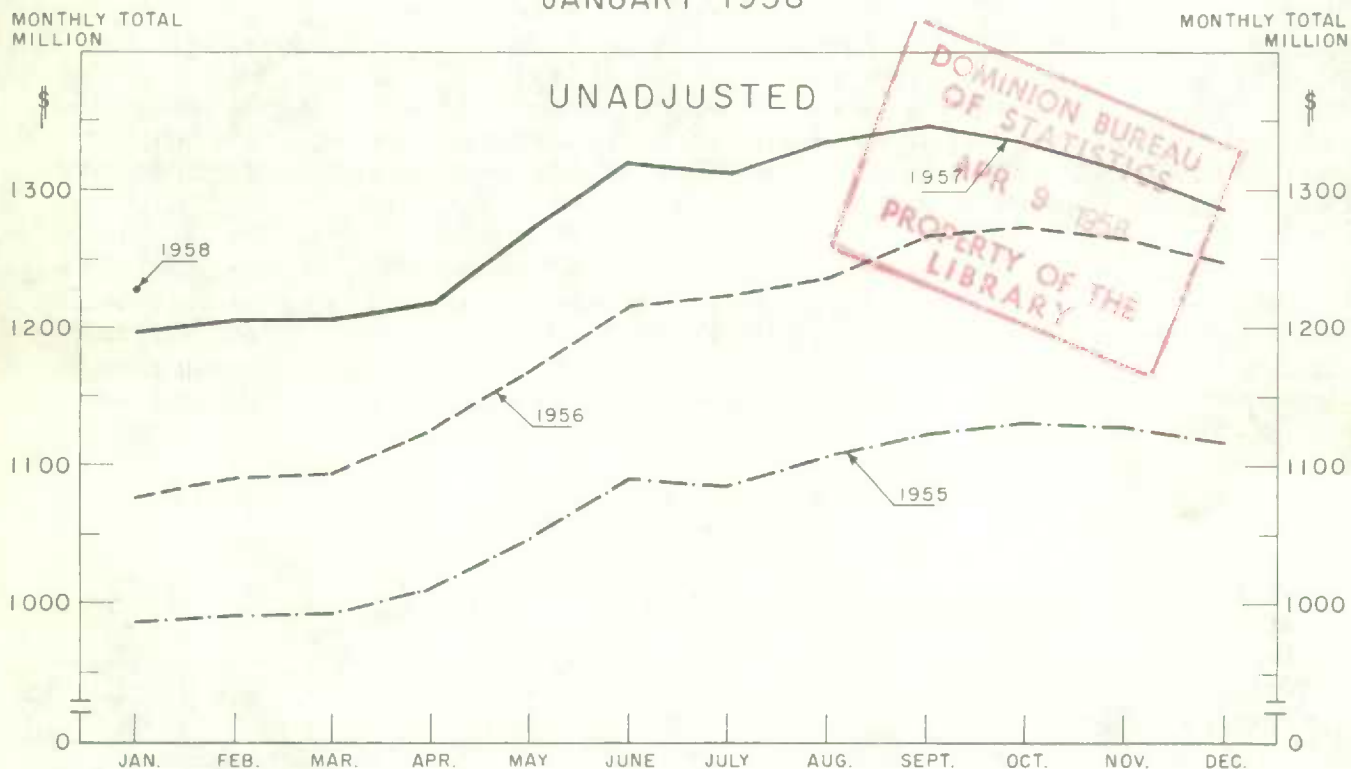
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ESTIMATES OF LABOUR INCOME

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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
1947	M	42	177	34	134	114	17	518
1948	o	49	203	41	154	131	19	597
x1949	n	49	214	47	169	147	21	647
1950	A t	55	231	47	180	156	24	693
1951	v h	72	272	52	208	178	28	810
1952	e l	76	303	63	233	199	32	906
1953	r y	73	329	70	252	217	35	976
1954	a	73	323	69	261	239	35	1,000
1955	g	77	342	78	278	256	37	1,068
1956	e	87	379	93	307	283	41	1,190
1957	s	90	397	97	335	316	44	1,279
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	72	393	83	324	303	43	1,218
	May	85	397	97	334	313	44	1,270
	June	96	405	110	343	323	45	1,322
	July	101	402	109	347	308	45	1,312
	August	104	403	110	347	325	46	1,335
	September	103	404	114	347	331	46	1,345
	October	97	401	116	345	330	46	1,335
	November	89	397	104	348	332	46	1,316
	December	84R	396	92R	343R	328	45	1,288
1958 -	January	78P	376P	84P	325P	322P	43P	1,228P

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

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The preliminary estimate of labour income for January is \$1,228 million, representing a drop of more than $4\frac{1}{2}$ p.c. from the December estimate. Normal seasonal influences were responsible for most of the decrease though the preliminary seasonally adjusted total also registered a decline (from \$1,282 million in December to \$1,280 million in January). The level of unadjusted income in January was about $2\frac{1}{2}$ p.c. higher than in the same month of 1957, and with the total number of paid workers in all industries approximately unchanged this implies higher over-all average earnings. In addition, available evidence suggests moderate but rather wide-spread reductions in average hours worked per week.

Income in all of the major divisions was down from December, owing largely but not entirely to seasonal factors. In the comparison with January of last year the primary and manufacturing groups registered decreases of 10 and 2 p.c. respectively. The other three groups were higher: construction by 10 p.c., distributive industries by 5 p.c., and the finance and service group by 8 p.c.



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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 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)

	<u>1954</u>	<u>1955</u>	<u>1956</u>	<u>1957</u>	<u>1958</u>
January	983	1,025	1,123	1,247	1,280
February	988	1,029	1,137	1,256	
March	988	1,036	1,149	1,266	
April	988	1,044	1,166	1,263	
May	987	1,056	1,175	1,274	
June	994	1,068	1,186	1,285	
July	1,005	1,072	1,207	1,295	
August	1,000	1,084	1,208	1,305	
September	1,007	1,088	1,225	1,300	
October	1,012	1,095	1,230	1,292	
November	1,016	1,103	1,236	1,288	
December	1,026	1,110	1,242	1,282	

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

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