

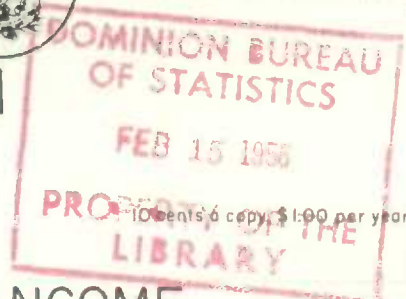
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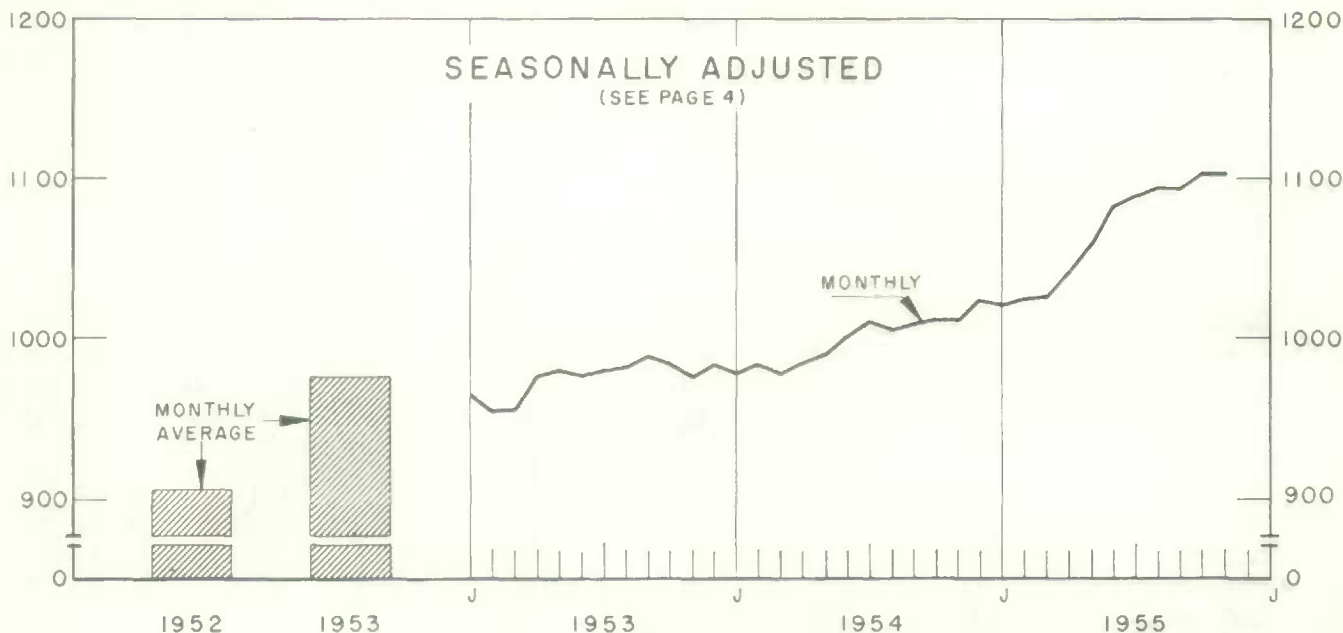
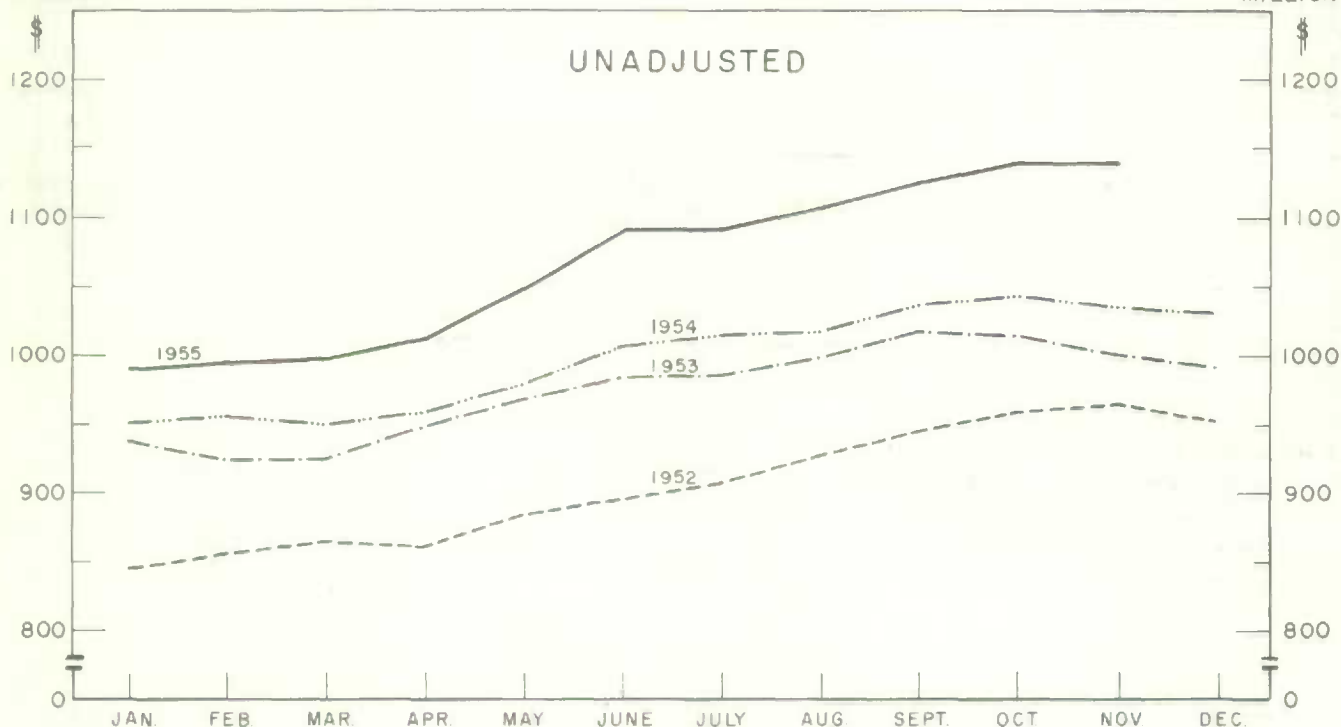
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## ESTIMATES OF LABOUR INCOME

MONTHLY TOTAL  
MILLION

NOVEMBER 1955

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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	59	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	72	329	70	252	218	35	976
1954	s	72	323	68	261	239	36	999
1953	- August	79	332	81	256	215	35	998
	September	80	336	82	258	226	36	1,018
	October	78	331	83	259	229	36	1,016
	November	77	327	76	258	228	35	1,001
	December	71	332	69	257	228	35	992
1954	- January	63	322	56	249	225	35	950
	February	65	324	54	250	228	34	955
	March	60	323	54	248	230	35	950
	April	57	322	59	254	231	35	958
	May	66	320	67	257	235	35	980
	June	72	325	70	264	242	36	1,009
	July	77	324	77	266	237	36	1,017
	August	80	324	75	265	239	36	1,019
	September	82	325	79	267	249	36	1,038
	October	84	323	83	269	249	36	1,044
	November	81	321	77	269	253	36	1,037
	December	78	325	71	269	253	36	1,032
1955	- January	71	313	60	257	250	35	991
	February	68	327	57	257	252	35	996
	March	59	330	56	259	257	36	997
	April	59	336	63	266	253	36	1,013
	May	69	340	72	273	258	37	1,049
	June	77	346	86	279	265	38	1,091
	July	80	346	86	283	260	38	1,093
	August	81	353	92	282	261	39	1,108
	September	81	355	93	285	273	39	1,126
	October	82	358	99	289	271	40	1,139
	November	83	357	89	290	274	40	1,133

xIncludes Newfoundland, since 1949.

## ESTIMATES OF LABOUR INCOME

November 1955

The total of wages, salaries and supplementary labour income received in November by paid workers in Canada was estimated at \$1,133 million, down \$6 million from the preceding month. The November estimate was, however, \$96 million or over 9 per cent higher than that of November 1954. Moreover, this over-the-year increase for November, which was larger than that for any previous month in 1955, compared with a gain of 7 per cent for the cumulative labour income total of \$11,736 million for the first eleven months of 1955 over \$10,957 million for the same period of 1954.

November losses in total wages and salaries amounted to \$10 million in construction and \$1 million in manufacturing. They were mitigated by increases of \$3 million in the finance and services group and \$1 million each in the primary and the distributive groups of industries.

There was no change in the estimates of labour income between November and October, when account was taken of the seasonal influences normal for that time of the year. The seasonally adjusted totals of \$1,103 million for these two months are found in the table on page 4 of the bulletin.

Paid workers in all branches of the economy, according to the labour force survey, numbered 4,251,000 persons in mid-November, as compared with 4,279,000 in October and 3,988,000 persons in November 1954. Average weekly earnings in major non-agricultural industries amounted to \$62.00 at the end of November, \$61.97 one month earlier and \$59.59 in November 1954.

For the third successive month, the Consumer Price Index was 116.9 per cent of the 1949 average, and the index for December 1st was only 0.3 per cent higher than that of 116.6 for the same date in 1954.





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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 64 per cent of net national income at factor cost in 1954. The relationship between labour income and other items of the national accounts are shown in the bulletin "National Accounts, Income and Expenditure, 1951-1954" (June 1955).

Seasonal patterns in monthly labour income by major industrial groups were eliminated, on the basis of records for the period 1947 to the middle of 1955, by dividing the original estimates by seasonal indexes. Ratios of original labour income estimates to 12-month moving averages were used to isolate the seasonal and random factors in the series. Twelve monthly seasonal indexes totalling 1200 were computed from averages of the ratios, excluding any extreme items in the process.

Seasonally Adjusted Estimates of Labour Income  
(\$ Millions)

	<u>1953</u>	<u>1954</u>	<u>1955</u>
January	966	978	1,020
February	955	985	1,025
March	956	979	1,026
April	977	987	1,041
May	980	993	1,060
June	977	1,004	1,082
July	978	1,009	1,089
August	980	1,004	1,094
September	986	1,007	1,094
October	987	1,010	1,103
November	978	1,011	1,103
December	986	1,022	

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.

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