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Steel primary forms

Week ending April 29, 2000 (preliminary)

Steel primary forms production for the week ending April 29 totalled 283 300 tonnes, down 12.1% from 322 254 tonnes a week earlier and down 2.9% from 291 868 tonnes a year earlier. The year-to-date total at the end of the reference week was 5 554 801 tonnes, a 7.7% increase compared with 5 156 294 tonnes for the same period in 1999.

For more information, or to enquire about the concepts, methods, or data quality of this release, contact Greg Milsom (613-951-7093; milsomg@statcan.ca), Manufacturing, Construction and Energy Division. ■

Railway carloadings

Seven-day period ending April 14, 2000

Non-intermodal traffic loaded during the seven-day period ending April 14 was 4.9 million tonnes, an increase of 0.5% over the same week of last year. The number of cars loaded rose 1.5%.

Intermodal traffic tonnage totalled 419 000 tonnes, a 6.8% increase from the same reference period of last year. The year-to-date figures are 19.5% higher.

Total traffic rose 1.0% during the period. This brought the year-to-date total to 79.3 million tonnes, an increase of 11.8% from the previous year.

All year-to-date figures have been revised.

For more information, or to enquire about the concepts, methods or data quality of this release, contact Robert Larocque (613-951-2486; fax: 613-951-0009; laroque@statcan.ca), Transportation Division. ■

Mineral wool including fibrous glass insulation

March 2000

Manufacturers shipped 2 008 636 square metres of R12 factor (RSI 2.1) mineral wool batts in March, 18.0% less than the 2 449 375 square metres shipped in March 1999, but 6.9% more than the 1 879 513 square metres shipped in February 2000.

Year-to-date shipments to the end of March totalled 5 568 773 square metres, a 28.1% decrease from the same period in 1999.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 40 and 122 (series 32-33).

The March 2000 issue of *Mineral wool including fibrous glass insulation* (44-004-XIB, \$5/\$47) is now available. See *How to order publications*.

For more information, or to enquire about the concepts, methods or data quality of this release, contact Bob Traversy (613-951-3531; travrob@statcan.ca), Manufacturing, Construction and Energy Division. ■

Analytical papers

Two Statistics Canada research papers, "Import competition and market power: Canadian evidence" (11F0019MIE, no. 139) and "The performance of the 1990s Canadian labour market" (11F0019MIE, no. 148) are now available.

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Mineral wool including fibrous glass insulation,
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Rail in Canada, 1998
Catalogue number 52-216-XIB (\$39).

Quarterly report on energy supply and demand in
Canada, second quarter 1999
Catalogue number 57-003-XPB (\$43/\$141).

Labour force information, week ending April 15, 2000
Catalogue number 71-001-PPB (\$11/\$103).
Available at 7 a.m. Friday, May 5.

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October-december 1999
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