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BANK DISITS TO INDIVIDUAL ACCOUNTS．DECEMBER， 1942 ：
The amount of cheques cashed by the branch banks in the clearing centres was $\$ 45,526$ million in 1942：against $\$ 39.243$ million in the preceding year，the increase having been 6,283 million or 16 per cent，Gains were shown in each of the five economic areas，the greatest percentage increase having been recorded in Ontario．The advance in the Maritime Provinces was 14.4 per cent，the total in 1942 having been \＄1，076 million。 Debits in Zuebes ross \＄1，682 million or 15,2 per cent to the high position of $\$ 12,751$ million．Cheques cash in Ontario during last year amounted to \＄22，136 million against $\$ 18,215$ million in 1941．The consequent increase was 21.5 pec．or $\$ 3,921$ million．The gain in the Prairie Provinces was of lesser proportions amounting to 2 per cent or \＄ 130,7 million．The total in 1942 was 722 million against $\$ 6,592$ million in the precoding year．A gain of 17 per cont was shown in British Columbia resulting in a total or $\$ 2,34$ million．Bark dəbits were greater in 1942 than in any other year，except 1929：when the total reachod $\$ 46: 671$ million．

Comparison with December，1941，
Bank debits in the last month of the year were 13,8 per cent，a ove December 1941．The total was $\$ 4,195$ million against $\$ 3: 687$ million，Increases were recorded in each of the economic areas．The gain in the Maritime Frovincas was 0.9 per oent，the total in December having been $\$ 90,8$ million．The total for quebec rose 6 per cent over December 1941，being $\$ 1.153$ million againsi $\$ 1,087$ million。 A shap advance in Ontario resulted in a marked increase of $2 \overline{1} 5$ per cont，the tucal having buen 2,042 million against 1．681 million．The dobits of the 7 airic rovinces were 654 million against 3619 million in Decembe：of the preceding year．The gain in British Columbia was 5.6 per cent resulting in a total of $\$ 254$ milition：

## Comparison with November of 1942 ，after Seasonal Adjustment．

Owing to heavy payment s on the third Viotory Loan during November，the bank debita of December showed derline after sensonal adjustment．The falling off in the Dominion total was 13.4 per cent and each of the tive economic areas showed declines in this connection．The total in the Nieritime Provinces was $\$ 90.8$ million against $\$ 107.8$ million in November．The cheques washed in Montreal ad in the Frovince of Quebec were at a somewhat lower pocition than in the preceding month，the aggregate for the province being 12.6 per cont lower．Declines in Toronto and Ontario were 9.9 per cent and 15.3 per cent respectively。 The decline in the Prairie Provinces was 8.5 per cent， Winnipeg，after seasonal adjustment，showing a recession of 9.1 per cent．Debits in British Columbia were 251 million against 283 million in the preceding month．

Comparison with Othor Evonomio Factors．
The turnover of current 2,000 unts in December was lo97，Current accounts， including demand doposits and Dominion and Provincial balances were $\$ 2,050$ million． Cheques cashed against these accounts amounted to $\$ 4,040 \mathrm{million}$ ．Notice deposits at the beginning of Dearmber were $\$ 1,629,5$ million，whilo the choques cashed against such aocounts were $\$ 154,600,000$ ，the consequent turnover having been $.094 \mathrm{~B}_{3}$

The index of bank dobits on the base of $1935-39$ rose from 124.9 in December to 142.1 last month．The index of the physical volume of business was 207.8 in November，a further increase having beon indicated in December compared with 193．9，twelve months before．The index of common stock prices advanced from 67 c 2 to 71,3 ，and wholesale prioes rose from 93.6 to $97,2$.

The oirculating noaia in tho hancs of the public was $\$ 667.5$ million in December against 556,9 million in the corresponding month of the preceding year．The notes in the hands of the public rose from $\$ 509.5$ milion to $\$ 614.4$ million，An increase of \＄638．8 million was shown in tho four classes of deposits，the total at the beginning of December having been $\$ 3.680$ million．During the intertal of the twelve months，it is estimated that cash and cheque payments rose $\$ 782$ million．Adding the circulating media in the hands of the public，inciuding notes and $c o i n$ and the bank deposits，there was an increase in the monoy suppiy from $\$ 3,598$ million to 44,347 million。

Table 1. - BANK DEBITS TO INDIVIDUAL ACCOUNTS AT TFF CLEARING HOUSE CENTRES OF CANADA, DECERMER, 1942, WITH CONFARATIVE FIGURES FOR NOVEMBER, 1942 AND DECERBER, 1941 , AND BANK CLEARINGS, DECENBER, 1942.

| Province and Clearing House Centres | DEBITS TO INDIVIDUAL ACCOUNTS |  | November, 1942 | Bank <br> Clearings |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | - | - \% | \$ |
| Maritime Provinces - |  |  |  |  |
| Halifax . ........ | 49,073,163 | 51.802.990 | 62,206,007 | 16,614,445 |
| Moncton | 17,741,445 | 15,796,155 | 16,330,409 | 5,561,745 |
| Saint John | 23,980,205 | 22,367,464 | 29,308,705 | 10,624,502 |
| Total - Maritime Provi | ces 90,794,813 | 89,966,609 | 107,845, \%21 | 32,800,692 |
| Queboo - |  |  |  |  |
| Montreal | 1,043,140,130 | 978:145,166 | 1,294,534,894 | 620,850,507 |
| Quebec | 99,515,587 | 98,926,057 | 105,625,878 | 27,699,360 |
| Sherbrooke | 10,244,784 | 10,356,785 | 12,840,542 | 4,426,438 |
| Total - Quebec ..... | 1,152,900,501 | 1,087,428,008 | $1,413,001,314$ | 652,976,305 |


| Ontario - |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Brantford ........ | 20,993,216 | 16,372,840 | 19,935,632 | 5,257,865 |
| Chatham | 11,869,138 | 13,532,463 | 12,148,966 | 3,307,468 |
|  | 10,539,094 | $10,445,160$ | 12,863,720 | 5,708,354 |
| Hamilton ......... | 109,135,950 | 102.922,868 | 132,569,718 | 33,496,568 |
| Kingston ......... | 13.157,165 | 11,152,724 | 13,210,744 | 3,843,972 |
| Kitchener | 21,907,360 | 21,003,544 | 33:850,642 | 5,912,321 |
| London | 48,483,645 | 44,765,759 | 62,564,825 | 14,304,623 |
| ottawa ........... | 556,252,461 | 342,146,824 | 718,748,498 | 289,225,680 |
| Peterborough ..... | 13,065,125 | 11,943,231 | 12.070,955 | 3,838,390 |
| St. Catharines | 21,488,337 | 19,170,071 | 24,295,510 | 6,769,016 |
| Sarnia ........... | 12,897,802 | 10,362,129 | $1.2,809,310$ | 3,036,751 |
| Sudbury .......... | 8,879,153 | 8,669s 145 | 8,908,455 | 5,020,997 |
| Toronto .......... | 1,115,941,493 | 992,942,649 | 1,248,864,880 | 687,688,588 |
| Windsor .......... | 77,560,800 | 76,048,116 | 86,458,042 | 18,410,108 |
| Total - Ontario.... | 2,042,170,739 | 681.477 .523 | 2,399,299,897 | ,085,820,701 |


| Prairie Provinces - |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Brandon .......... | 6,432,829 | 5,662,068 | 6,780,535 | 2,485,601 |
| Calgary ........... | 80,628,890 | 87, 161:317 | 102,197,532 | 35,887,361 |
| Edmonton ......... | 72,404,688 | 58,962,852 | 76,856,707 | 32,705,926 |
| Lethbridge ....... | 7,871,010 | 7,007,943 | 8,110,002 | 3,956,811 |
| Medicine Hat ..... | 4,681,139 | 4,177,877 | 4,877,780 | 1,965,460 |
| Moose Jaw ........ | 10,064,684 | 10,233,079 | 11,231,208 | 4,156,121 |
| Prince Albert .... | 5,272,740 | 4,819,160 | 5,515,386 | 2,793,096 |
| Regina ........... | 55,480,963 | 45,421,386 | 74,820,248 | 28,344,803 |
| Saskation ........ | 16,986,396 | 15,855,386 | 17,949,309 | 8,727,906 |
| Winnipeg ......... | 394,563,796 | 380,165,857 | 454,585,789 | 261,824,909 |
| Total - Prairie Provinces | 654,387,135 | $619,466,925$ | $762,924,496$ | 382,847,994 |
| British Columbia - |  |  |  |  |
| Now Westminster .. | 13,191,767 | 10,535,699 | 13,448,263 | 4,707,683 |
| Vancouver | 204,040,551 | 166,173:888 | 225,049,439 | 123,866,851 |
| Victoria ......... | 37,127,969 | $31,497,618$ | $44,989,568$ | 8,831,215 |
| Total - British Columbia | 254,360,287 | 208,207,205 | $283,487,270$ | 137,405,749 |
| GRAND TOTAL FOR CANADA | 4,194,613,475 | 3,686,545,270 | 4,966,558,098 | 2,291,851,441 |

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| SEASONALLY ADJUSTED ECONOMIC INDEX |  | December | $\begin{aligned} & 1941 \\ & \text { July } \end{aligned}$ | August | September | October | November | December |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Sank Debits | 1935-39-100 | 124.9 | 133.0 | 136.0 | 134.5 | 135.7 | 164.0 | 142.1 |
| Physical Volume of | Business " | 193.9 | 203.7 | 205.7 | 206.1 | 207.2 | 207.8 | - |
| Common Stocke | 1935-39:100 | 67.2 | 62.4 | 61.6 | 62.6 | 65.0 | 67.6 | 71.3 |
| Cost of Living | " | 115.8 | 117.9 | 117.7 | 117.4 | 117.8 | 118.6 | 118.8 |
| Employment in |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Manufacturing | 1926*100 | 190.7 | 205.2 | 207.6 | 209.5 | 211.3 | 216.4 | - - |
| Wholesale Prices | , | 93.6 | 06.1 | 95.6 | 96.0 | 96.8 | 97.1 | 97.2 |

CIRCULAT ING MEDIA
Millions of Dollars

| Bank of Canada Notes | $\mathbf{4 7 4 . 1}$ | 541.2 | $\mathbf{5 8 3 . 8}$ | 592.6 | 625.4 | 657.6 | 666.3 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Circulation of Bank Notes | 79.2 | 74.5 | 75.0 | 73.4 | 71.3 | 70.1 | 65.5 |
| Total Notes in Hands of Publio <br> Subsidiary Coin in Hands of <br> Public <br> Purculating Media in Hands of <br> Cublic (m) | $\mathbf{6 0 9 . 5}$ | $\mathbf{5 4 . 4} 2$ | 546.3 | 563.7 | 581.8 | 623.5 | 614.4 |

## EQUATION OF EXCHANGE

| Notice Deposits | 1,639.2 | . 598.1 | 1,653.6 | 1,700.0 | 1,748.2 | 1,708.7 | 1,629.5 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Demand Doposits | 1,180.2 | 1.289.2 | 1,351.6 | 1.422 .9 | 1,526.8 | 1,609,1 | 1,402.4 |
| Dominion Government Deposits | 160.9 | 129.1 | 70.1 | 89.7 | 94.9 | 185.0 | 576.6 |
| Provincial Government " | 60.8 | 104.5 | 98.9 | 98.9 | 116.2 | 101.1 | 71.4 |
| Total Deposits (M1) | 3,041.1 | 3,120.9 | 3,174.2 | 3,311.1 | 3,486.2 | 3,603.9 | 3,679.9 |
| Ratio of Bank Dobits to Doposits P.C. | 121.2 | 118.7 | 109.6 | 106.2 | 116.8 | 137.8 | 114.0 |
|  | 414.7 | 4.167 | 3,915 | 3,956 | 4,583 | 5,588 | 471.9 |
| Velocity of Bank Deposits (VI) | 1.21 | 1.34 | 41.23 | 1.19 | 1.31 | 1.55 | 1.28 |
| Bank Dobits less 5 large centres | 827 | 810 | 814 | 817 | 956 | 1,025 | 881 |
| Cash Payments ( $\mathrm{IN}^{\text {) }}$ | 785 | 882 | 856 | 853 | 968 | 1,221 | 995 |
| Cash 2. Cheque Payments ( $\mathrm{MIV1}+\mathrm{M}$ | , 032 | 5,040 | 4.771 | 4,809 | 5,551 | 6,809 | 5,714 |
| Index of Cash and Cheque payments | 243.3 | 146.7 | 138.6 | 139.7 | 161.3 | 197.8 | 166.0 |
| Money Supply (M1+M) | 359.8 | 3,686 3 | 3,772 | 3,927 | 4,120 | 4,280 | 434.7 |

