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Amount of Cheques Passing Through the Banks at

Clearing House Centres in Canada

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Amount of Cheques chargod afainst Bank iccounts at the olearinf House centres. Ausust 1927.

The dollar volume of business in Canada showed a modorate incroase in August, the incroaso in bank debits over August 1926 baine 6.5 p.c. While tho incroasc ovor July last was about 4.p.c. whon allowance is made for seasonal variation. Tho total in iugrest, as reported to the Dominion Bureau of Statistics by the Canadian Bankors' issociation was $\{2,607,000,000$, as comparud with $42,446,000,000$ in August 1926 and , $2,687,000,000$ in July last. Bank clearings in August were $\{1,542,000,000$ comparod with $\quad 1,404,000,000$ in the same month of 1926, an incruasu of about $10 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{c}$.

## Dobits in Pirst Jight Honths

Tho total dobits during the first eight months of 192 ? wore ithl,313,000,000 compared vith $019,411,000,000$ in the samu period of 1926, an increase of \$1,902,000,000 or nearly lo p.e. Tho advanco was chicfly in Queboc and ontario, mhore eroins of $17 \mathrm{p} \cdot \mathrm{c}$. and $12 \mathrm{p} \cdot \mathrm{c}$. rospoctivoly vore shown, whilu an incroase of 2 p.c. Fas attainod in British Columbia. Tho doclinc in the Liaritimo provincos aits $3 \mathrm{p} \cdot \mathrm{c}$. and a docroase of $2 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{c}$. wis sho:\%n in the Prairio provincos.

## Comparison with July aftur Goisonal sdiustmont

Dobits in Canado during hugust sre normally not quitc $7 \mathrm{p} \cdot \mathrm{c}$. loss than in July, according to the calculation bosod on kank claarings over ia puriod of twelvo yuars. Tho actual declino in August was 3 p.c., قhilo aftur suasonal adjustmont an increaso of 4 p.c. wis indicatod. Indexes of soasonnl variation are also computud for tho four large contrus, oach of which, with tho exception of liontral, showed incroases in sugust aftor scasonal adjustmont. Tho incroase in Toronto was $13 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{c} \cdot$; Finnipog showed a gain of 20 p.c., whil a gin of $11 \mathrm{p}, \mathrm{c}$. vas attiancd in Vancouvor. Tho dociins in llontrual wiss loss than 2 p.c.

## Comparison by Arcis with Auguste 1926.

Kiaritime Provincos.- Increascs were shown in Halifax and Ioncton, tho not rasult in tho throc provincos boine an incroasa of $2.4 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{c}$.

Quobec. - Doclinos vero shorm in Nontrual and Shurbrookc, in contrast with an incruaso of $23 \mathrm{p} \cdot \mathrm{c}$. in Quebec city. Tho aggrogatu for tho threo contros of the province shoved a doclin: of 1.5 p.c.

Ontario:- Tin contres in ontario showed increpses. the gains at fiamilon, ottam and Zoronto buing 5 p.c. intig.p.c., rospoctively. The total debits in tho provinco vorc $\$ 1,035,000,000$ involving an incruase of $15 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{c}$.

Prairic Provincas.- Although \#innipog showud a slight doclinc, tho dabits in the throu provinces incrused 5.6 p.c. in this comparison. The incronse in Colgory vas ll p.c., tijlo Incmonton and Rogina showed Eains of $19 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{c}$. and $35 \mathrm{p}, \mathrm{c}$. respoctively.

British Columbia.- Each of tho contros in British Columbia showed incrosses, the gain in Vancouver beine 7 p.o., While the total debits in the province voro $\$ 169,500,000$, an incroasu of $6.6 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{c}$.

## Comparison with ather Factors

The moderatu increaso (after soasonal adjustmont) in bank debits ras doubtless due to spoculativo activity, the index of tho physical volume of business being 138.0 in August compared \%ith 138.6 in July. Thu index of industrial employment mas 109.7 on Soptombor l, the highost point in recont years, though after seasonal adjustmont higher indexes rould be indicated for April, Junc and July.

Tho trading on the Nontreal Stock Exchange amounted to 627.009 sharos compared with 419,177 in July, and trading in mining stocks and in grain was also active in August.

Indexes of Canadian Businoss Conditions Based on the Six
Yoar Poriod from 1919-1924 and Corroctod whoro nocossary for Soasonal Variation

| Ilonth | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Bank } \\ & \text { Debits } \end{aligned}$ | Physical <br> Volume <br> of <br> Businoss | Industrial <br> Employment <br> First of <br> Bionth | Shares <br> Traded on <br> Nontreal <br> Exchango |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |

## 1926

| January | 105.7 | 127.8 | 99.3 | 204.1 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| February | 129.6 | 135.7 | 98.4 | 323.0 |
| March | 112.6 | 129.9 | 98.2 | 229.3 |
| April | 121.9 | 134.3 | 99.9 | 127.7 |
| May | 103.9 | 135.0 | 99.9 | 132.5 |
| Juno | 131.2 | 138.4 | 102.1 | 113.0 |
| July | 111.5 | 134.1 | 103.5 | 106.8 |
| August | 119.0 | 134.4 | 102.5 | 385.1 |
| Soptembor | 113.1 | 132.9 | 103.4 | 310.9 |
| Octobor | 105.0 | 142.9 | 102.9 | 290.5 |
| Novombor | 106.0 | 138.6 | 101.0 | 1991.1 |
| Decombor | 110.0 | 132.0 | 102.0 | 256.4 |

## 1927

| January | 124.4 | 136.8 | 105.0 | 201.8 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Eebruary | 127.6 | 140.0 | 103.4 | 209.8 |
| Maroh | 129.8 | 149.3 | 103.5 | 245.9 |
| April | 125.5 | 147.8 | 108.9 | 276.4 |
| Hay | 129.0 | 151.2 | 105.6 | 34.3 .0 |
| Junc | 131.0 | 150.8 | 108.1 | 373.0 |
| July | 123.3 | 138.6 | 108.0 | 166.6 |
| Augus | 128.5 | 138.0 | 107.5 | 247.7 |
| Soptomber | ---- | ----- | 107.9 | -- |

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CNIADA, UGUSS 1927. II COIPARAIVE EIGURES FOR JIY 1927 ADD AUGUSI. 1926.

|  | Debits to Individual Accounts |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | August, 1927 | July, 1927 | August, 1926 |
|  | \$ | \$ | \$ |
| Maritime Provincos - |  |  |  |
| Hilifax | 25,470,260 | 30,135,561 | 24,326,351 |
| Moncton | 7,197,520 | 7,734,659 | 6,333,039 |
| Saint John | 19,020,007 | 1,205,415 | 19,349,176 |
| Total-Maritime Provinces | 51,6u7,737 | 56,120,635 | 50,503,566 |
| Quebec - |  |  |  |
| Montrecl | 736,457,037 | 373,329,366 | 310,744,553 |
| Quabec | 62,630,101 | 70,126,219 | 50,952, 255 |
| Sharbrooke | $9,552,064$ | $\begin{array}{r} 1,725,8 \div 1 \\ \hline \end{array}$ | 10,433,564 |
| Total-webec | 35,640,002 | 950,681,466 | 672,141,402 |
| Ontario - |  |  |  |
| Brontford | 11,449,991 | 9,514,722 | 9,919,533 |
| Chatham | 7,664,943 | 3,166,147 | 6,639.593 |
| Fort Willian | ¢,500,945 | 9,045,060 | 10,419,936 |
| Hamilton | 54,737,309 | 57,315,506 | 52,201,799 |
| Kingston | 6,263,132 | 6,771,517 | 4,831,040 |
| Kitchener | 9,546,090 | 9,662,933 | 8,014, $2 \% 2$ |
| London | 25,933,074 | 30,421,253 | 26,617,726 |
| Ottawe | 123,720,922 | 126,270,603 | 117,377,043 |
| Peturborough | 6,025,250 | 6,992,613 | 5,733,012 |
| Sarnia | 10,124,384 | 5,996,694 | 10,329,655 |
| Toronto | 737,430,103 | 714,130,557 | 619,141,573 |
| Windsor | 33,702,534 | 30,500,529 | 27,321,552 |
| Total-Ontario. | 1,035,153,797 | 1,026,033, 849 | 698,598,704 |
|  |  |  |  |
| Brendon | 4,469,392 | 4,226,034 | 4,331,192 |
| Calgary | 54,716,177 | 59,605,400 | 49,150,031 |
| Edionton | 34,976,532 | 39,235,561 | 29,404,193 |
| Lethbridge | 5,109,002 | 4,412,396 | 5, 859,6:5 |
| I'edicine Hat | 2,953,393 | 3,111,719 | 2,292,905 |
| lioose Jaw | 9,094, 342 | 3, 555,534 | 8,023,761 |
| Prince Albert | 2,591,467 | 2,491,632 | 2,234,007 |
| Regine | 47,519,111 | 39,436,307 | 35,210,350 |
| Saskatoon | 15,672,10 | 13,007,179 | 13,073,434 |
| Tinnipeg | 311.560,411 | 302,814,572 | 313,311,171 |
| Branches of the Weyburn Security Bank | 3,632,736 | 3,657,357 | 3,207,063 |
| Total-Prairic Provinces. | $492,374,721$ | $450,934,542$ | $466,103.55$ |
| British Columbi - |  |  |  |
| Iew Testminster |  |  |  |
| Vancouver | 132,519, 04 | 123,099,234 | 124,036,659 |
| Victoria | 29,4:7,513 | 35,553,190 | 25,523, 13 |
| Total-British Columba. | 169,465.179 | $165,595,453$ | 153,392,735 |
| Grand Total for Coneda. | 2,607,321,4:6 | $2,657,42 \%, 944$ | ,440, 244,992 |

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|  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Waritimo } \\ & \text { Provinces } \\ & \text { 主 } \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \hat{y} \text { ucbec } \\ \hat{\$} \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Onterio } \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Prairic } \\ \text { Provinoes } \\ \$ \end{gathered}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1926 |  |  |  |  |
| April | 49,952,554 | 350,949,479 | 1,155,005,000 | 416,644,930 |
| iay | 49,763,406 | 762,235,074 | 975,205,752 | 475,262,076 |
| Juno | 50,054,5 7 | 807.567,722 | 1,183,223,667 | 477,406,95E |
| July | 58,570,615 | 783,367,635 | 954,501,923 | 454,405,553 |
| August | 50,503,566 | 372,141,402 | 392,593, 704 | 466,103,535 |
| Septerber | 45,710,444 | 315,750,190 | 910,956,754 | 427,115,212 |
| October | 50,119,445 | 934,740,950 | 1,009, 342,975 | 62J,641,36: |
| Novembor | 45,117,971 | 952,754,140 | 1,073,140,710 | 664,535,136 |
| Docembor | 49,751,102 | 903,711,925 | 1,135,237,121 | 559,513,662 |
| 1927 |  |  |  |  |
| January | 47,297,552 | 854,175,011 | 1,120,590,208 | 432,795,066 |
| Fcbruary | 45,436, 224 | 7-3,162,531 | 1,019,539,577 | 309,465,139 |
| March | 47,796, 336 | 365,424,547 | 1,073,432,247 | 453,330, 273 |
| April | 43,266,560 | 890,745,151 | 1,096,294, 50 | 447,003,734 |
| May | 50,990,737 | 1,010,369,112 | 1,230,136,019 | 506,052,834 |
| Junc | 49,943,300 | 1,039,266,034 | 1,154,146,732 | 413,226,359 |
| July | 56,120,635 | 955,631,466 | 1,026,003, 849 | 450,934,541 |
| August | 51,637,737 | 255,040,902 | 1,035,153,797 | 492,374,721 |
| First U Months, 1927 | 397,542,0:1 | 7,310,523,954 | ¢,753,302,537 | 3,540,132,667 |
| - 1926 | 411,032,710 | 6,252,534,573 | 7,364,160,050 | 3,605,340,690 |
| 1925 | $365.734,937$ | 5,303,453,129 | 6,472,565,612 | 3,414,414,535 |
| 1924 | 402,520,925 | 5,102,509,712 | 6,721,051,179 | 3,251,697,546 |
| Percentige of |  |  |  |  |
| 1927 to 1924 | 93.7 | 143.3 | 130.5 | 107.9 |
| Percontage of |  |  |  |  |
| 1927 to 1925 | 103.4 | 135.0 | 127.5 | 136.0 |
| Percentage of 1927 to 1926 | 96.3 | 117.0 | 111.5 | 93.2 |
|  | British Columbic $\qquad$ | Total of Dominion - . | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Bank } \\ & \text { Cloarings } \end{aligned}$ | Percent of FK. Debits to Bla. Clearings |
| 1226 |  |  |  |  |
| April |  |  | 1, $472,40 \% 340$ | 179.0 |
| nay | 152, 09.251 | 2,415,275,539 | 1,465,171,669 | 164.9 |
| June | 160,904,032 | 2,504,156,996 | 1,459,252,796 | 152.9 |
| July | 163,209, 35 | 2,424,355,669 | 1,444,014,544 | 163.0 |
| inugust | 154, 922,735 | 2,446,24-992 | 1,403,506,913 | 174.4 |
| September | 157,650,527 | 2,357,101,127 | 1,333,625,097 | 170.5 |
| October | 157,437,979 | 2,830,732,750 | 1,643,177,107 | 171.9 |
| Wovember | 172,110,950 | 2,915,655,907 | 1,737,742,657 | 167.7 |
| Decomber | 194,940,032 | 2, $043,153,043$ | 1,746,311,436 | 162.9 |
| 1927 ( 10 |  |  |  |  |
| Jenuary | $163.972,493$ | 2,613, 30,630 | 1,514,206,719 | 172.9 |
| February | 135,472,472 | 2,293,076,943 | 1,304,673,659 | 175.0 |
| Harch | 160,324,110 | 2,500,367,571 | 1,475,275,355 | 175.1 |
| April | 157,560, 227 | 2,539,971,080 | 1,535,651,555 | 171.5 |
| May | 130,636,957 | 2,935,235,659 | 1,716,975,010 | 173.9 |
| June | 16, 121,426 | 2,579,703,051 | 1,554,515,026 | 174.0 |
| July | 165,595,453 | 2,637,423,944 | 1,544,361,159 | 174.0 |
| sugust | 169,455,179 | 2,607,321,4断 | 1,542,320,379 | 159.0 |
| First ${ }^{\text {S Months, } 1927}$ | 1,301,29, 925 | 21,312,936,164 | 12,292,079,372 | 173.5 |
| 1926 | 1,277,6 53,330 | 19,411,257,391 | 11,175,563,60 | 173.6 |
| 1925 | 1,193,605,101 | 17,150,770,314 | 10,154,451,743 | 16.9 |
| 1924 | 1,115,350,490 | 16,594,229, 052 | 10,507,132,256 | 155.0 |
| Percentige of |  |  |  |  |
| 1927 to 1924 | 112.0 | 123.5 | 117.0 | - |
| Fercont ge of |  |  |  |  |
| Percentagc of |  |  |  |  |
| 1927 to 1926 | 102.0 | 109.9 | 110.0 | - |

## 3. PAITK DRBITS IN MILIICNS OE DOLLARS IN ZCOMOMIC AREAS AND PRINCIPAL CIFARING

CSITES OF CATARA IN AUGUST, 1924 to 1927.

|  | loonth of August |  |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Per- } \\ & \text { centage } \\ & \text { of } 1927 \\ & \text { to } 1925 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Per- } \\ & \text { contage } \\ & \text { of } 1927 \\ & \text { to } 1926 \end{aligned}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1924 | 1024 1925 1926 |  | 1927 |  |  |
|  |  | Millio | of Dollars |  |  |  |
| Maritimc Provinces | 54.1 | 46.8 | 50.5 | 51.7 | 110.5 | 102.4 |
| Quebec | 609.9 | 666.4 | 872.1 | 855.6 | 123.8 | 98.5 |
| Montreel | 557.6 | 604.5 | 810.7 | 756.5 | 130.0 | 87.1 |
| Ontario | 752.7 | 312.4 | 893.6 | 1,035.2 | 127.5 | 115.5 |
| Toronto | 525.9 | 506.4 | 619.1 | 737.4 | 145.0 | 119.0 |
| Prairio Provincos | 371.1 | 405.7 | 466.1 | 492.4 | 121.5 | 105.6 |
| Tinnipeg | 256.9 | 265.9 | 313.3 | 311.6 | 117.3 | 99.4 |
| British Columbia | 139.3 | 153.3 | 158.9 | 169.5 | 106.7 | 106.0 |
| Vancouver | 116.2 | 123.6 | 124.1 | 132.8 | 103.2 | 107.0 |
| Canada.............. | 1,927.1 | 2,090.2 | 2,446.2 | 2,607.3 | 124.6 | 106.5 |

4. RATK DFFOSITS AND BATK DEBITS AND RUIIO OF DEEITS TO DEPCSITS, JANUARY 1925 TO AUGUST 1927.

|  | Demend and Notice Dcposits in Conada as at last day of precoding month (000's omitted) | Benk Debits $\left(000^{\prime}\right.$ s omitted) | Porcentage of Bonk Dobits to Deposits in $\qquad$ Canada |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1925 |  |  |  |
| Jenuary | 1,532,936 | 2,230,036 | 121.6 |
| Ficbruary | 1,752,412 | 1,915,042 | 109.2 |
| Murch | 1,743,706 | 2,005,027 | 115.0 |
| April | 1,757,675 | 2,229,175 | 126.9 |
| May | 1,777,186 | 2,201,015 | 128.3 |
| June | 1,732,604 | 2,151,207 | 124.2 |
| July | 1,749,192 | 2,243,362 | 123.5 |
| August | 1,735,323 | 2,090,152 | 120.5 |
| Scptember | 1,755,936 | 2,195,917 | 125.0 |
| October | 1,33.,500 | 2,572,036 | 154.6 |
| November | 1,076,250 | 2,756,635 | 145.4 |
| Decernber | 1,953,066 | 3,120,645 | 159.3 |
| Avetaga | 1,793,774 | 2,343,036 | 130.6 |
| 1926 |  |  |  |
| J nuary | 1,916,325 | 2,30́, 210 | 123.5 |
| Fobruary | 1,340,297 | 3,132,220 | 116.0 |
| March | 1,542,302 | 2,309,312 | 125.2 |
| April | 1,597,262 | 2,631,481 | 135.9 |
| Mey | 1,377,713 | 2,415,276 | 123.6 |
| Junc | 1, 540,297 | 2,604,157 | 145.7 |
| July | 1,850,723 | 2,424,356 | $12 \mathrm{x} \cdot 9$ |
| Augus t | 1,363,957 | 2,446,245 | 131.0 |
| Septernber | 1,575,592 | 2,357,181 | 127.0 |
| October | 1,594,311 | 2,530,753 | 149.5 |
| Novernber | 1,923,494 | 2,915,659 | 151.5 |
| Decormber | 1,970,17 | 2,343,154 | 144.4 |
| Average. | 1,555,623 | 2,529, 36 | 134.0 |
| 1927 |  |  |  |
| Jenuary | 1,931,653 | 2,613,031 | 132.0 |
| Fooruery | 1,941,215 | 2,293,077 | 115.1 |
| March | 1,926,134 | 2,600,36s | 135.0 |
| April | 1,947,947 | 2,639,971 | 135.5 |
| Moy | 1,970,035 | 2,9,6,236 | 151.5 |
| Juno | 1,973,122 | 2,579,704 | 145.9 |
| July | 1,975,750 | 2,657,429 | 136.0 |
| Ausust | 1,930,142 | 2,607,321 | 135.0 |




