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Help-wanted Index

September 2002

The Help-wanted Index (1996=100) fell to 124.2 in September, down 2.1% from August.

Decreases were recorded in all provinces; the largest declines were in British Columbia (-3.1%), Newfoundland and Labrador (-2.9%), New Brunswick (-2.8%), Alberta (-2.6%) and Nova Scotia (-2.5%). Quebec recorded the smallest decrease (-0.8%), and the drop for Ontario (-2.2%) was near the national average.

Help-wanted Index

(1996=100)

	Sept.	Aug.	Sept.	Aug.	Sept.
	2002	2002	2001	to	2001
				Sept.	to
				2002	Sept.
					2002
	Seasona	lly adjuste	d and		
	smoothed			% change	
Canada	124.2	126.9	138.6	-2.1	-10.4
Newfoundland and					
Labrador	172.6	177.7	187.6	-2.9	-8.0
Prince Edward Island	201.6	205.7	208.3	-2.0	-3.2
Nova Scotia	131.0	134.4	143.4	-2.5	-8.6
New Brunswick	160.3	165.0	158.9	-2.8	0.9
Quebec	120.2	121.2	130.2	-0.8	-7.7
Ontario	130.5	133.4	143.6	-2.2	-9.1
Manitoba	139.5	141.2	159.1	-1.2	-12.3
Saskatchewan	128.6	130.8	140.7	-1.7	-8.6
Alberta	136.7	140.4	159.5	-2.6	-14.3
British Columbia	93.8	96.8	108.8	-3.1	-13.8

Note: The Help-wanted Index is compiled from the number of help-wanted ads published in 22 newspapers in 20 metropolitan areas and is considered an indicator of labour demand, measuring companies' intentions to hire new workers. The Index has been seasonally adjusted and smoothed to ease month-to-month comparisons.

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Civil aviation statistics

2001

Civil aviation data for 2001 are now available.

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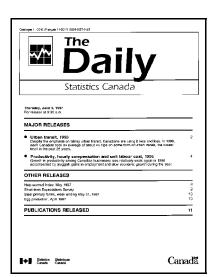
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