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Balance of Payments In the third quarter 1969, estimates indicate a surplus position on current account transactions of $\$ 129 \mathrm{million}$, unadjusted for seasonal movements, reflecting a surplus of $\$ 353$ million on trade account and a nonmerchandise transactions deficit of $\$ 224$ million.

External Trade Seasonally adjusted imports for October 1969, at $\$ 1,190 \mathrm{million}$, were lower than in the previous month but above the average for the third quarter of this year.

Industrial production The seasonally adjusted index of industrial production advanced to 165.2 in September, a gain of $0.4 \%$ from the revised August level of 164.5 .

Prices Between September and October, consumer price indexes declined fractionally in nine of the ten regional cities and city combinations for which separate indexes are produced.

Transportation Revenue freight carloadings during the ten days ended October 31 totalled 114,234 cars, down $5.5 \%$ from the comparable 1968 period.
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Labour The preliminary estimate of $6,715,700$ employees in non-agricultural industries in August was 76,600 or $1.2 \%$ higher than in July 1969.

Merchandising During the week ended November 1, 1969, department store sales rose in Canada by $3.5 \%$ over the corresponding week last year.

Manufacturing steel ingot production for the week ended November 15 totalled 205,883 tons, an increase of $7.1 \%$ from the preceding week's total of 192,230 tons.

Agriculture and Food The output of wheat flour in Canada in September amounted to $3,412,000$ hundredweight, $6 \%$ over the $3,232,000$ hundredweight produced during the previous month, $10 \%$ above the September 1968 total of $3,094,000$ hundredweight.
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Canadian Balance of International Payments Third Quarter 1969 First Estimates

As part of the Dominion Bureau of Statistics programme to make statistics available
to the public at the earliest possible opportunity, an advance estimate of the main aggregates relating to the Canadian balance of payments is presented here as part of a continuing programue. The advance estimates are based in many instances on incomplete data for the quarter and are subject to revision at the time of the detailed report. However, it is hoped that the release of the broad developments five weeks in advance of the regular quarterly report will more than offset user inconvenience which may be caused through revisions appearing in the subsequent publication of detailed figures. It is not anticipated that these revisions will affect the broad picture of quarterly developments.

In the third quarter, estimates indicate a surplus position on current account transactions of $\$ 129$ million, unadjusted for seasonal movements, reflecting a surplus of $\$ 353$ million on trade account and a non-merchandise transactions deficit of $\$ 224$ million. Compared with the third quarter of 1968 the overall surplus in 1969 was substantially reduced as the rate of growth in the demand for imports of goods exceeded that for exports, and payments for non-merchandise services, particularly for foreign travel, grew more rapidly than receipts. Inports of goods rose by $15 \%$ to $\$ 3.3$ billion and exports by $10 \%$ to $\$ 3.7$ billion in the third quarter of 1969 , while non-merchandise payments rose about $10 \%$ to $\$ 1.5$ billion and receipts by about $5 \%$ to a level of $\$ 1.3$ billion.

A comparison of the first nine months of 1969 with the same period in 1968 shows a movement from a small surplus position in 1968 on all current account transactions to a deficit position of almost $\$ 500$ million in 1969. The increase in total receipts for exports of goods and services whict. raised the level by $10 \%$ to $\$ 13.9$ billion was more than offset by the $15 \%$ increase, to $\$ 14.4$ billion,in overall payments.

After allowing for seasonal factors, the deficit in the third quarter 1969 on current account declined by about a third from the second quarter to a level of $\$ 168$ million. This change was largely attributable to an increase in exports of goods of almost $4 \%$, as imports of goods remained virtually unchanged.

With Canada's official net monetary assets remaining virtually unchanged in the third quarter - holdings of monetary gold and foreign exchange fell by $\$ 91$ million expressed in Canadian dollars, while our net balance with the IMF increased by a similar amount - an outflow of capital in combined long and short-term forms of about $\$ 130$ million is indicated. Although figures are incomplete at this time, available data suggest that inflows from continued heavy sales abroad of issues of new Canarian securities and capital outflows due to a buildup in bank balances and other short-term funds abroad were important offsetting components contributing to the net movement.

|  | Unadjusted for seasonal |  | Seasonally Adjusted |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1968 | 1969 |  | 1969 |  |
|  | 1110 | $\frac{1118}{m 1}$ | $\frac{1}{30}$ | $\frac{I I Q}{\operatorname{ars}}$ | III 0 |
| Merchandise exports (adjusted) | 3,342 | 3,655 | 3,748 | 3,611 | 3,744 |
| Merchandise imports (adjusted) | 2,859 | 3,302 | 3,484 | 3,455 | 3,460 |
| Balance on merchandise trade.. | +483 | $+353$ | + 264 | +156 | + 284 |
| Other current receipts | 1,243 | 1,303 | 935 | 976 | 963 |
| Other current payments | 1,393 | 1,527 | 1,325 | 1,378 | 1,415 |
| Balance on non-merchandise transactions | $=150$ | - 224 | - 390 | - 402 | - 452 |
| Total receipts | 4,585 | 4,958 | 4,683 | 4,587 | 4,707 |
| Total payments | 4,252 | 4,829 | 4,809 | 4,833 | 4,875 |
| Current account balance ..... | + 333 | +129 | - 126 | - 246 | - 168 |

Seasonally Adjusted

(1) Includes errors and omissions.

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2. Hreıiminary statement of lotal Canadian Exports
(Domestic Exports plus Re-Exports)

| Val | lions | Percentag': Change |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1968 | 1969 | 1968-1969 |
|  |  | $\%$ |
| Month of October |  |  |
| United Kingdom ..................... 98.4 | 74.9 | - 23.9 |
| Other C'wealth \& Pref. .............. 46.7 | 50.3 | + 7.7 |
| United States ........................ $85{ }^{\text {rj. }} 1$ | 1,047.1 | + 22.5 |
| Others .............................. ${ }^{254,9}$ | 177.1 | $=30.5$ |
| Total C'wealth \& Pref. ........ 145.1 | 125.3 | -13.6 |
| Total others .................1.109.9 | 1. 2224.2 | $\pm 10.3$ |
| Gramd Total................ 1, 255,0 | $1,349.5$ | $+7.5$ |
| January to October |  |  |
| United Kingdom ....................1,023.6 | 917.5 | - 10.4 |
| Other C'wealth of Pref. .............. 506.5 | 508.0 | + 0.3 |
| United States ....................... $7,510.9$ | 8,789.4 | + 17.0 |
| Dthers ......................... $2,124,8$ | 2,093.6 | $-1.5$ |
| Total C'wealth \& Pref. ........1,530.1 | 1,425.5 | - 6.8 |
| Total Others ..................9,635.7 | 10.882 .9 | $+12.9-$ |
| Grand Total.............. $1.1,165.8$ | 12,308.5 | $+10.2$ |

Note - Figures may not add because of rounding


[^0]4. Balance of Trade
a) Seasonally Adjusted. foreign trade balance of $\$ 95$ million at seasonally adjusted monthly rates. The surplus is marginally larger than the average surplus recorded in the third quarter of this year.

Total merchandise exports (including re-exports) seasonally adjusted for October 1969 were estimated at $\$ 1,285$
 $\$ 223$ to other countries. While deliveries to the United States increased in relation to the previous month by $\$ 2$ million, exports to the United Kingdom and to other countries were down by $\$ 13$ and $\$ 27$ million respectively.

Seasonally adjusted imports for October 1969, at $\$ 1,190$ million, were lower chan in the previous month but above the average for the third quarter of this year. Purchases irom the United States were up to $\$ 889$ million. Imports from the United Kingdom and from other countries declined to $\$ 59$ and $\$ 242$ million respectively.
b) Unadiusted. - (year-to-year comparisons) Total exports of $\$ 1,350$ million in October 1969 were 7.5 per cent better than the $\$ 1,255$ million recorded in the same period of 1968 .
Exports to the U.S. rose by 22 per cent to a record high of $\$ 1,047 \mathrm{million}$, an advance partially offset by declines of 24 per cent for the United Kingdom ( $\$ 75$ milliba) and 31 per cent for countries other than Commonwealth and Preferential ( $\$ 177$ million). The combined Commonwealth and Preferential countries, excluding the linited Kingdom, at $\$ j u$ million, showed an advance of 8 per cent over the last 12 months. Preliminary results suggest that gains in exports in relation to the October 1968 figures were recorded by the sectors of the automotive group dealing with engines, accessories, and parts.

Imports stood at $\$ 1,305$ million, their relative increase in the last twelve months matching almost exactly the recorded increase for exports. Most suppliers shared in this increase: imports from the United States rose by 9 per cent to $\$ 976$ million, imports from Commonwealth and Preferential countries countries other than the lnited Kingdom, at $\$ 54$ million were up by some 10 per cent, and imports from other countries advanced by 6 per cent to $\$ 216$ million. Purchases from the United Kingdom on the other hand declined marginally ( 2 per cent) to a level of \$59 million.

Trade of Canada
Seasonally Adjusted at Monthly and Quarterly Rates
(\$millions)

|  | Exports |  |  |  | Imports |  |  |  | Trade Balance |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | All | U.S. A | U.K. | Other <br> Countries | All | U.S.A. |  | Other Countries | $\overline{A 11}$ |  |  | Other Countries |
| ${ }^{1969}$ | $\frac{\text { Countries }}{1,233}$ | $\frac{\text { U.S.A. }}{864}$ | $\frac{\mathrm{U} . \mathrm{K} .}{98}$ | $\frac{\text { countries }}{271}$ | $\frac{\text { Countries }}{1,168}$ | $\frac{\text { U.S.A. }}{828}$ | $\frac{10}{74}$ | $\frac{\text { countries }}{2.56}$ | $\frac{\text { countries }}{+65}$ | $\frac{1 . S . A . ~}{+36}$ | $\frac{+24}{+24}$ | $\frac{\text { countries }}{+3}$ |
| June | 1,212 | 861 | 85 | 266 | 1,215 | 865 | 82 | 258 | 3 | 4 | + 3 | - 2 |
| July | 1,210 | 822 | 86 | 302 | 1,124 | 813 | 70 | 241 | + 86 | + 9 | + 16 | + 61 |
| raugust | 1,256 | 901 | 111 | 244 | 1,136 | 816 | 66 | 254 | + 120 | + 85 | + 45 | - 10 |
| Sept. | 1,300 | 968 | 82 | 250 | $P_{1}, 231$ | $\mathrm{P}_{880}$ | $\mathrm{p}_{73}$ | $\mathrm{P}_{278}$ | $12+69$ | $\mathrm{P}_{+} 88$ | 2+ 9 | P- 28 |
| Poct. | 1,285 | 993 | 69 | 223 | 1,190 | 889 | 59 | 242 | + 95 | $+104$ | + 10 | - 19 |
| $1^{s t} t_{Q}$. | 3,745 | 2,611 | 306 | 828 | 3.525 | 2,584 | 191 | 750 | + 220 | + 27 | +115 | + 78 |
| $\mathrm{p}_{3}{ }^{\text {nd }} \mathrm{Od} 0$. | 3,740 3,765 | 2,572 2,691 | 275 279 | 793 795 | 3,533 3,490 | 2,540 2,509 | 212 209 | 781 | $\begin{array}{r}+2107 \\ +\quad 275 \\ \hline\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r}32 \\ +\quad 182 \\ + \\ \hline\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r}+1153 \\ +\quad 70 \\ \hline\end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r}+18 \\ +\quad 2 \\ \hline\end{array}$ |

$p=$ Preliminary
$r=$ Revised.
Note: These estimates may not add because of rounding. 8. 1 5. Index of Industrial Production

The seasonally adjusted index of industrial production advanced to 165.2 in September, a gain of $0.4 \%$ from the revised August level of 164.3 .

About $2 / 3$ of the gain was due to the $4.3 \%$ advance in mining with the balance attributable to the $2.4 \%$ rise in utilities. partially offsetting these was a decline of $0.4 \%$ in manufacturing where both non-durables and durables fell fractionally.

As has been the case in cecent months labour disputes were the major factor behind the index's movement. While metals, non-metals, and fuels all contributed to the mining gain the major element was the $7 \%$ increase in metals output and this was almost entirely due to the sharp increase in iron ore output as labour disputes were settled in that industry.

Despite the settlement of strikes in the iron ore industry time lost to labour disputes continued to grow, (it amounted to about $4 \%$ of time worked in manufacturing and mining in September) and continued to have a depressing influence on the mining and manufacturing components of the index. A calculation abstracting the effects of the strikes on the industries affected suggest a level for the index approximately $4 \%$ above the present one.
$3 r d$ Quarter 1969 For the second quarter in a row the index of industrial production registered a decline. This is the first time it has fallen for two quarters in succession since 1960 .

In both quarters the primary cause of the decline has been labour disputes. In the second quarter the major cause of the decline was the better than $40 \%$ drop in iron ore production due to strikes. Recovery here that began in the third quarter was too late to have any great effect on the second to third quarter movement.

In the third quarter mining continued to decline as strikes in the Sudbury area affected the miscellaneous metals component. The effect of this on the total index was reinforced by the decline in durables manufacturing where labour disputes lowered production in the iron and steel mills and in the smelting and refining industries.

|  |  | sonal | Adjust | Data |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Per | $t$ Chang |  |  |  |  |
|  | 1Q'68 | 20'68 | $30^{\prime} 68$ | 40.68 | 19169 | 20'69 | $30^{\prime} 69$ |
|  | 4Q'67 | 19'68 | 2Q'68 | 3Q'68 | 4Q'68 | 10'69 | 20'69 |
| Index of industrial |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| production | $+0.5$ | $+2.6$ | $+0.9$ | $+3.0$ | $+1.9$ | - 0.7 | - 1.0 |
| Mining | + 0.3 | + 0.7 | $+0.5$ | $+1.0$ | $+4.1$ | -7.3 | - 6.5 |
| Manufacturing | $+0.3$ | $+3.1$ | $+0.6$ | $+3.4$ | $+1.6$ | +0.3 | -0.5 |
| Non-durable | + 2.4 | + 1.0 | - 1.3 | + 3.9 | +2.2 | -0.1 | +1.0 |
| Durable | - 1.8 | + 5.3 | + 2.4 | + 2.9 | $+1.0$ | $+0.7$ | - 2.1 |
| Utilities | + 2.6 | $+0.9$ | $+4.1$ | $+2.1$ | $+2.5$ | +0.3 | + 2.5 |

(1935-1939 $=100$ )

|  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Oct. } \\ & 1969 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Sept.* } \\ & 1969 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Oct. } \\ 1968 \end{gathered}$ | Sept.$1968$ | \% Change |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |  | Oct. 169 | $\frac{\text { Oct. } 169}{\text { Oct. } 168}$ |
| General Wholesale Index | 283.3 | 283.4 | 271.3 | 271.6 | -- | $+4.4$ |
| Vegetable l'roducts ... | 237.1 | 235.6 | 229.8 | 229.8 | $+0.6$ | $+3.2$ |
| Animal Products... | 324.4 | 327.8 | 302.0 | 304.1 | $-1.0$ | $+7.4$ |
| Textile Products | 256.7 | 256.8 | 257.0 | 257.3 | -- | $-0.1$ |
| Wood Products | 384.8 | 387.5 | 374.8 | 373.6 | $-0.7$ | + 2.7 |
| Iron Products | 288.2 | 285.8 | 277.2 | 276.5 | +0.8 | $+4.0$ |
| Non-ferrous Metals | 273.7 | 272.6 | 243.2 | 245.6 | + 0.4 | +12.5 |
| Non-metallic Minerals | 210.2 | 210.2 | 206.9 | 206.4 | - | $+1.6$ |
| Chemical Products | 223.3 | 221.3 | 213.2 | 213.9 | $+0.9$ | $+4.7$ |
| Iron and Non-ferrous Metals (excluding gold) | 337.7 | 335.4 | 308.6 | 310.0 | $+0.7$ | $+9.4$ |
| Raw and Partly Mfg. Goods | 261.5 | 261.8 | 247.4 | 249.3 | $-0.1$ | $+5.7$ |
| Fully and Chiefly Mfg. Goods | 295.4 | 295.4 | 284.8 | 284.2 | - | $+3.7$ |

## * These indexes are preliminary.

## Consumer Price Indexes for Regional Cities

Between September and October, consumer price indexes declined fractionally in nine of the ten regional cities and city combinations for which separate indexes are produced. The Ottawa index which rose $0.6 \%$ in the latest month was the only exception, with declines ranging from $0.1 \%$ to $0.4 \%$ being recorded for other regional cities. Most of these declines were accounted for by seasonally lower food prices, especially notable in the Prairie cities where food prices had advanced in the preceding month in contrast to declines elsewhere. Transportation prices also tended to be lower in most cities. On the other hand, housing indexes rose in all regional cities, reflecting higher shelter costs across the country. Clothing prices also moved up in most regional cities as did health and personal care indexes mainly because of higher professional fees(1). The city indexes for recreation and reading registered a mixture of minor advances and declines while those for tobacco and alcohol were unchanged from the preceding month.
St. John's
The consumer price index for St. John's decreased by $0.3 \%$ to 119.9 , a level which was $2.5 \%$ higher than a year earlier. Since the preceding month, declines in the food, clothing, and health and personal care components outweighed a $0.2 \%$ rise in the housing index. Lower prices for beef, fresh pork, and most fresh vegetables contributed to a $0.8 \%$ drop in the food index. A $0.4 \%$ downward movement in the health and personal care index was attributable to lower prices for some toiletries. The remaining major components were unchanged from the previous month.

## Halifax

A slight decrease of $0.1 \%$ since the preceding month brought the all-items index to an October level of 121.1 which was $4.4 \%$ higher than twelve months earlier. The food index declined by $1.4 \%$ since September in response to lower prices for beef, fresh produce and butter. The transportation index dipped by $0.1 \%$. Partially offsetting these declines the housing index advanced $0.8 \%$ reflecting higher rents and household operation costs. Increased professional fees contributed to an 0.6\% rise in the health and personal care index, while the clothing and the recreation and reading indexes advanced to a lesser extent.
(1) Health and personal care indexes reflected the movement of doctors' fees and prepaid medical care in only those provinces in which federally approved Medicare plans are not operative.

|  | All-Items |  |  |  | Group Indexes - October 1969 |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { oct. } \\ & 1969 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Sept. } \\ 1969 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | Food | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Hous- } \\ & \text { ing } \end{aligned}$ | Cloth ing | Trang-portation | Health\& Personal Gare | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Recre } \\ & \text { Readin } \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Tobacco } \\ \text { and } \\ \text { Alcohol } \end{gathered}$ |
| St. John's | 119.9 | 120.3 | 121.5 | 113.6 | 126.4 | 110.5 | 128.1 | 111.3 | 143.8 |
| Halifax | 121.1 | 121.2 | 127.1 | 114.8 | 124.2 | 109.8 | 137.3 | 126.4 | 127.8 |
| Saint John | 121.1 | 121.5 | 125.6 | 113.5 | 127.4 | 118.0 | 129.9 | 127.3 | 126.6 |
| Montreal | 122.0 | 122.1 | 122.7 | 115.1 | 123.1 | 121.9 | 129.6 | 137.6 | 128.5 |
| Ottawa | 124.7 | 123.9 | 129.0 | 115.9 | 128.2 | 119.0 | 138.6 | 135.8 | 132.1 |
| Toronto | 125.3 | 125.5 | 126.5 | 119.1 | 129.2 | 127.6 | 136.1 | 124.3 | 130.1 |
| Winnipeg | 124.2 | 124.7 | 127.7 | 113.2 | 133.7 | 124.3 | 140.7 | 127.9 | 129.1 |
| Saskatoon-Regina | 120.5 | 121.2 | 126.9 | 114.1 | 126.4 | 112.0 | 126.3 | 128.1 | 122.1 |
| Edmonton-Calgary | 122.5 | 123.0 | 125.5 | 116.7 | 125.3 | 117.2 | 138.6 | 130.3 | 122.6 |
| Vancouver | 119.2 | 119.5 | 123.5 | 114.0 | 124.8 | 116.3 | 129.0 | 119.6 | 113.5 |

(1)

> All-items Indexes for October and September and component indexes for October are shown in the above table. These indexes measure bithin each city the percentage change in consumer prices from the base period to subsequent time periods. They cannot be used to compare levels of prices between cities. For inter-city indexes of retail price differentials refer to Table 13 of Prices and Price Indexes (DBS Catalogue $62-002$ ).

## Saint John

The Saint John consumer price index declined by $0.3 \%$ since the preceding month chiefly due to a $1.5 \%$ drop in food prices. At its level of 121.1 the October index was $4.7 \%$ above its level of twelve months previous. The seasonal drop in food prices reflected lower quotations for beef and most fresh vegetables. The health and personal care index increased by $0.6 \%$ reflecting higher dental care fees. The remaining index components registered little or no change since the previous month.

## Montreal

The Montreal consumer price index edged down by $0.1 \%$ to reach a level of 122.0 which was $2.9 \%$ higher than a year earlier. In the latest month, lower food and transportation prices slightly outweighed increases in most of the other main components of the index. The seasonal drop of $0.6 \%$ in food prices largely reflected declines for beef and poultry. Among the components that moved up, the health and personal care index advanced by $1.2 \%$ mainly as a result of higher professional fees, and the recreation and reading index increased $0.4 \%$ in response to higher prices for hockey tickets and home-entertainment items. The housing and the clothing indexes edged up by $0.1 \%$ and $0.2 \%$, respectively.

## Ottawa

All major components except tobacco and alcohol contributed to the $0.6 \%$ rise in the latest monthly ottawa consumer price index. The October index at 124.7 stood 4. $7 \%$ above its level of twelve months previous. Since September, food prices rose by
0.3\%, reflecting an upturn in beef and fresh pork prices after declines in recent months while the clothing index advanced by $1.8 \%$ largely as a result of increased prices for womens' winter coats. The housing and the health and personal care indexes each increased by $0.7 \%$, while both the transportation and the recreation and reading indexes edged up by $0.1 \%$.

## Toronto

The all-items index for October declined by $0.2 \%$ to 125.3 , a level which was 4. $1 \%$ higher than a year earlier. In the latest month, the food index dropped by $1.2 \%$, while marginal decreases were recorded in the indexes for transportation and for recreation and reading. Among the components that registered increases, the housing index moved up by $0.3 \%$, clothing rose by $0.7 \%$, and health and personal care increased by $0.4 \%$. The remaining components were unchanged from the preceding month.

## Winnipeg

An $0.4 \%$ decline in the Winnipeg consumer price index was solely attributable to a $3.0 \%$ drop in food prices since September. At its October level of 124.2, the allitems index was $4.3 \%$ higher than a year carlier. Substantially lower beef and produce prices in the latest month contributed heavily to the food price decline. All other main components advanced except those for transportation and for tobacco and alcohol which were unchanged. Among the increases, clothing was up by $1.5 \%$ reflecting, in part, higher prices for women's and girls' winter coats, and the health and personal eare index advanced by $1.7 \%$ mainly as a result of increased dentists' fees. The housing component ruse by $0.5 \%$, and the recreation and reading index crept up by $0.2 \%$.

## Saskatoon-Regina

The all-items index for October declined by $0.6 \%$ since the previous month. At 120.5 the latest index stood at its lowest level since July and was $3.3 \%$ higher than a year earlier. Sizeable declines in beef and produce prices since September were mainly responsible for the $2.4 \%$ drop in the food index in the latest month. Partially offsetting this decline, higher rents contributed to the housing index advance of $0.2 \%$. Increased dentists' fees accounted in part for a $0.6 \%$ rise in the health and personal care index while higher prices for admission to sporting events pushed the recreation and reading index by 0.5 . The tohaceo and alcohol component remained unchanged from the preceding month.

## Edmonton-Calgary

The consumer price index for Edmonton-Clagary dropped by $0.4 \%$ in the latest month beinging the October index of 122.5 to a level $3.6 \%$ above that of a year earlier. The food index registered a $2.4 \%$ decline since the preceding month, while lesser decreases of $0.1 \%$ and $0.2 \%$ were recorded in the indexes for transpottation and for recreation and reading, respectively. By contrast, the housing index moved up by $0.3 \%$ reflecting increased shelter costs, and the health and personal care index advanced by $1.1 \%$ in response to higher dental and optical care fees. The level of clothing prices increased by $0.5 \%$ since September.

## Vancouver

The all-items index for ()ctober decreased by 0.3 since the preceding month to reach a level $2.9 \%$ higher than a year earlier. Food prices in the latest month dropped by $1.8 \%$ with marked declines being recorded for beef and fresh fruit. Higher rents contributed to a $0.4 \%$ rise in the housing index and the lothing index tuereised by $0.7 \%$. The recreation and reading componmt also registered an advance as admission to hockey games more expensive. The trabsportation index, on the other hand, decreased marginally.
8. Weekly Security Price Indexes



Revenue freight carloadings during the ten days ended October 31 totalled 114,234 cars, down $5.5 \%$ from the comparable 1968 period. Loadings of copper-nickel ores and concentrates continued at a low level during the period under review due to strikes in Northern Ontario mines and, as a result, only 93 cars were moved in comparison with 2,651 a year earlier. Commodities showing significant decreases were: wheat, 3,933 cars (as against 7,740 in 1968); coal, $2,429(3,646)$ and other mine products, $3,160(4,420)$. Commodities requiring an increased number of cars included: "other" grain, $4,323(3,366)$ and iron ore 14,669 ( 13,369 ). Total cars received from Canadian and United States rail connections declined $18.0 \%$ to 29,889 cars from 36,452 cars in 1968 and piggyback loadings during the current year period were lower by $7.7 \%$ at 5,338 cars.

During October $1969,332,638$ cars of revenue freight were loaded in Canada, down fron 353,956 cars a year earlier. Previously noted work stopiages in Northern Ontario nickel mines were a major contributing factor. The more significant reductions in car movenents during the month wore registered for: wheat, 10,458 (versus 22,363 in 1968); copper-nickel ores and concentrates, 252 (7,430) and other mine products, $9,099(12,977)$. Iron ore was the only commodity showing a significant increase in car movements with 50,185 cars as compared to 46,031 in October 1968. Cars received from connections du*ing Oetober totalled 103,499 cars, down from 108,132 in 1968 and piggyback loadings dropped to 14,897 cars from 16,783 .

LABOUR
10. Estimates of Employees by Province and Industry the advance estimate of employees in non-
agricultural industries(1) was slightly higher in Suptember than in August 1969, according to data to be released in the monthly DBS report "Estimates of Employees by province and Industry" (catalogue number 72-008). Increases were recorded in trade and in community, business and personal service. The remaining industry divisions for which data are available showed decreases. All provinces recorded slight increases in total employment over the month except Newfoundland and Saskatchewan, where declines were recorded, and Nova Scotia, where there was no change.

August 1969 The proliminary estimate of $6,715,700$ employees in nonagricultural industries(1) in August was 76,600 or $1.2 \%$ higher than in July 1969. All industry divisions showed increases except mining, finance, insurance and real estate and service, where declines were recorded. The largest relative increases occurred in construction ( $3.4 \%$ ), transportation, communication and other utilities ( $2.8 \%$ ) and trade ( $2.6 \%$ ). Total employnent was higher in all provinces except Alberta, which showed a small decline over-the-month.

Compared to August of last year, total employment was 379,500 or $6.0 \%$ higher. All industry divisions showed increases except mining where a decrease of $4.8 \%$ (5,900 mployees) was recorded largely as a result of industrial disputes. The largest increases occurred in service, 9.5\% (158,900 employees) and trade, 9.8\% (95,500 employees). Total employment was higher in all provinces except New Brunswick, where a small declite was recorded. Relative increases ranged from $0.3 \%$ in Saskatehewan to 3.4\% in both Prince Edward Island and Nova Scotia.
(1) See coverage on pabe 15 of the monthly report.

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## Changes in Estimates of Employees for Canada and Provinces

|  | ```August }196 to September 1969``` |  | $\begin{gathered} \text { July } 1969 \\ \text { to } \\ \text { August } 1969 \end{gathered}$ |  | $\begin{array}{r} \text { August } 1968 \\ \text { to } \\ \text { August } 1969 \\ \hline \end{array}$ |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | '000 | \% | ${ }^{1} 000$ | \% | '000 | \% |
| Canada |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Forestry | . ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | . | 1.4 | 1.8 | 1.7 | 2.2 |
| Mines, quarries and oil wells | - 3.3 | -2.8 | -0.2 | - 0.2 | - 5.9 | -4.8 |
| Manufacturing | - 5.0 | -0.3 | 33.4 | 2.0 | 43.9 | 2.6 |
| Non-durables | - 9.0 | -1.0 | 29.1 | 3.3 | 28.1 | 3.2 |
| Durables | 4.1 | 0.5 | 4.3 | 0.5 | 15.9 | 2.0 |
| Construction | - 2.7 | -0.6 | 14.2 | 3.4 | 30.8 | 7.6 |
| Building | . . | . | 2.9 | 2.2 | 13.0 | 10.7 |
| Special trade contractors | - | . | 7.6 | 3.9 | 17.6 | 9.4 |
| Highways, bridges and streets and other |  | $\cdots$ | 3.7 | 4.0 | 0.1 | 0.1 |
| Transportation, communication and |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Transportation |  | - | 14.7 | 3.4 | 11.6 | 2.7 |
| Communication and other utilities | -• | -• | 4.4 | 1.8 | 14.8 | 6.3 |
| Trade | 25.3 | 2.4 | 27.0 | 2.6 | 95.5 | 9.8 |
| Wholesale |  | . . | 4.1 | 1.2 | 25.4 | 8.1 |
| Retail | . |  | 22.9 | 3.2 | 70.0 | 10.6 |
| Finance, insurance and real estate .. Community, business and personal |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| service |  |  | -10.6 | -0.6 | 158.9 | 9.5 |
| Non-commercial sector(1) |  |  | -11.9 | - 1.1 | 60.7 | 5.9 |
| Commercial sector(2) | -14.5 | -2.0 | 1.4 | 0.2 | 98.1 | 15.3 |
| Public administration and defence(3). | - 9.6 | -2.2 | 1.5 | 0.3 | 10.5 | 2.4 |
| Grand total. |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Grand totals |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Newf oundland | - 3.7 | -3.4 | 1.9 | 1.8 | 0.4 | 0.4 |
| Prince Edward Island | 0.9 | 3.5 | 2.3 | 9.9 | 0.8 | 3.4 |
| Nova Scotia | - | - | 5.6 | 2.8 | 6.4 | 3.4 |
| New Brunswick | 2.5 | 1.5 | 2.8 | 1.7 | -0.7 | - 0.4 |
| Quebec | 2.8 | 0.2 | 34.7 | 1.9 | 17.7 | 1.0 |
| Ontario | 12.0 | 0.4 | 11.0 | 0.4 | 75.2 | 3.0 |
| Manitoba | 4.8 | 1.6 | 4.2 | 1.4 | 1.6 | 0.6 |
| Saskatchewan | -0.3 | -0.1 | 0.3 | 0.1 | 0.5 | 0.3 |
| Alberta | 2.4 | 0.5 | $-4.0$ | - 0.8 | 11.5 | 2.7 |
| British Columbia | 1.4 | 0.2 | 17.3 | 2.6 | 9.4 | 1.5 |

NOTES 1. Estimates may not add to totals owing to rounding.
2. Data for the Northwest Territories and Yukon are too small to be published separately and are included in the Canada total.
3. Enployees in fishing and trapping are included at the Canada level.
4. See coverage, definitions and explanations on the estimates on page 15 of the monthly report.
5. - not available.
(1) Employment in hospitals, education and related services, welfare organizations, religious organizations and private households.
(2) Employment in health services excluding hospitals, motion picture and recreational services, services to business management, personal services except domestic service, and miscellaneous services.
(3) Excludes non-civilian employees.

SOURCE Employment Section, "Estimates of Employees by Province and Industry, September 1969", (eatalogue number 72-008), and unpublished data.

Enployment declined seasonally between September and October. Total employment, at $7,828,000$ in October, showed a drop of 19,000 from September. The number of unemployed persons increased more than seasonally, rising by 35,000 to 314,000 . The labour force increased by 16,000 , to $8,142,000$. Compared to a year ago, the labour force was up by 147,000, or $1.8 \%$. Employment increased by 121,000 , or $1.6 \%$. There were 26,000 more unemployment persons than a year earlier.

## Employment

The seasonal decline in farm employment $(33,000)$ more than offset the small increase in non-farm employment $(14,000)$. Between September and October, the largest employment gains in non-farm industries occurred in community, business and personal service $(34,000)$ and trade ( 20,000 ). Employment in construction declined by 26,000 ; there was a decrease of 17,000 in the number of persons employed in transportation, communication and other utilities. Compared to a year earlier, farm employment was down by 29,000. Employment in community, business and personal service was up by 76,000. Smaller year-over-year increases took place in manufacturing ( 60,000 ), finance, insurance, real estate $(38,000)$, and transportation, communication and other utilities $(20,000)$. Employment declines were reported in public administration ( 20,000 ), and construction ( 15,000 ). Regionally, the largest relative year-to-year increase in employment took place in British Columbia ( $6.9 \%$ ). This compares with gains of $1.5 \%$ in Ontario and the Atlantic region, and of $1.3 \%$ in Québec. Employment in the Prairie region showed little change.

## Unemployment

Unemployment increased by 35,000 to 314,000 between September and 0ctober. The largest regional increases were in Quebec ( 11,000 ) and the Prairies ( 10,000 ). Compared to a year ago, the number of unemployed persons in Canada was up by 26,000 . Unemployment was 22,000 higher than last year in Quebec.
of the total unemployed in October this year, 114,000 , or $36 \%$, had been unemployed for less than one month, $36 \%$ for one to three months, and $28 \%$ for four months or more. Unemployment in October 1969 represented $3.9 \%$ of the labour force, compared to $3.6 \%$ in October 1968, and $3.3 \%$ in October 1967. Seasonally adjusted, the unemployment rate for Canada was $5.3 \%$ in October 1969 , continuing the upward movement in evidence since early in the year.

ENERGY
12. Production and Disposal of Electric Energy Production of electric energy
$176,378,275,000 \mathrm{kwh}$., up $6.5 \%$ from the 1967 total of $165,624,823,000 \mathrm{kwh}$. according to an advance release of data that will be contained in the 1968 issue of the annual Dominion Bureau of Statistics report "Electric Power Statistics, Vol. II Annual Statistics". Generation by utilities in 1968 rose $7.9 \%$ to $143,883,385,000 \mathrm{kwh}$. from $133,300,968,000 \mathrm{kwh}$. in the preceding year and generation by industrial establishments - mainly for use in own plants - increased $0.5 \%$ to $32,494,890,000$ from $32,323,855,000 \mathrm{kwh}$.
13. Electric Storage Batteries Factory sales of automotive type electric
storage batteries in September numbered
119,673 for initial installation (101, 353 in the 1968 month) and 400 , 441 for
replacement ( 366,653 in 1968$)$. During the year to date, batteries sold for initial
installation numbered $851,833(863,072$ in 1968$)$ and $1,803,844$ for replacement.
$(1,683,514)$.

| SEPTEMBER$1969$ | Total <br> number of dwelling units | Value of residential and non-residential construction |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Residential |  |  | Indus trial | Commercial | Institutional and Government | Total |
|  |  | New | Repair | Total |  |  |  |  |
|  |  | thousands of dollars |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Newfound 1 and | 49 | 682 | 90 | 772 | 17 | 258 | 10,186 | 11,233 |
| Prince Edward Island | 12 |  | 8 | 178 | - | - | 82 | 260 |
| Nova Scotia | 460 | 6,362 | 569 | 6,931 | 456 | 5,794 | 20,161 | 33,342 |
| New Brunswick | 168 | 2,428 | 244 | 2,672 | 249 | 1,850 | 3,775 | 8,596 |
| Quebec | 4,373 | 42,325 | 1,465 | 43,790 | 9,614 | 13,306 | 24,136 | 90,846 |
| Ontario | 4,983 | 74,117 | 3,735 | 77,852 | 25,397 | 47,879 | 37,490 | 188,618 |
| Manitoba | 1,273 | 11,836 | 237 | 12,073 | 960 | 1,578 | 3,058 | 17,669 |
| Saskatchewan | 280 | 3,824 | 162 | 3,986 | 2,277 | 2,528 | - 497 | 9,288 |
| Alberta | 1,746 | 21,637 | 372 | 22,009 | 4,883 | 7,405 | 8,826 | 43,123 |
| British Columbia | 1,552 | 22,930 | 842 | 23,772 | 2,102 | 4,590 | 4,908 | 35,372 |
| Canada | 14,896 | 186,311 | 7,724 | 194,035 | 46,005 | 85,188 | 113,119 | 438,347 |

## METROPOLITAN AREAS

| Calgary | 485 | 5,719 | 121 | 5,840 | 1,717 | 4,263 | 2,023 | 13,843 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Edmonton | 983 | 11,648 | 82 | 11,730 | 2,624 | 1,967 | 270 | 16,591 |
| Halifax | 191 | 2,412 | 167 | 2,579 | - | 5,454 | 17,295 | 25,328 |
| Hamilton | 242 | 3,373 | 332 | 3,705 | 3,500 | 1,111 | 794 | 9,110 |
| Hul1 | 92 | 1,086 | 53 | 1,139 | 45 | 229 | 17 | 1,430 |
| Kitchener | 231 | 3,108 | 109 | 3,217 | 939 | 451 | 2,036 | 6,643 |
| London | 226 | 2,427 | 96 | 2,523 | 1,306 | 783 | 1,077 | 5,689 |
| Montreal | 2,250 | 19,504 | 536 | 20,040 | 5,288 | 8,465 | 19,415 | 53,208 |
| Ottawa | 167 | 2,997 | 135 | 3,132 | 920 | 15,822 | 1,965 | 21,839 |
| Quebec | 1,282 | 13,511 | 213 | 13,724 | 439 | 1,619 | 1,434 | 17,216 |
| Regina | 147 | 2,085 | 68 | 2,153 | 332 | 585 | 178 | 3,248 |
| Saint John | 21 | 430 | 106 | 536 | 29 | 161 | 14 | 740 |
| St. Johns | 24 | 386 | 52 | 438 | - | 36 | 10,024 | 10,498 |
| Saskatoon | 87 | 950 | 44 | 994 | 1,878 | 1,401 | 22 | 4,295 |
| Sudbury | 74 | 1,248 | 78 | 1,326 | - | 287 | 3,928 | 5,541 |
| Toronto | 1,353 | 23,100 | 456 | 23,556 | 9,611 | 19,052 | 18,736 | 70,955 |
| Vancouver | 698 | 9,963 | 312 | 10,275 | 552 | 2,006 | 1,551 | 14,384 |
| Victoria | 189 | 3,396 | 141 | 3,537 | 246 | 358 | 121 | 4,262 |
| Windsor | 436 | 6,212 | 219 | 6,431 | 514 | 2,044 | 1,495 | 10,484 |
| Winnipeg | 1,173 | 10,604 | 168 | 10,772 | 538 | 1,090 | 2,693 | 15,093 |

Preliminary figures.

| Kind of business | September $1969$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { August } \\ 1969 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { July } \\ & 1969 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { June } \\ & 1969 \end{aligned}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | millions of dollars |  |  |  |
| Grocery and combination stores ...... | 514.3 | 516.0 | 503.4 | 504.3 |
| All other food stores .............. | 77.8 | 79.4 | 80.7 | 80.3 |
| Department stores ... | 206.8 | 226.2 | 230.2 | 219.7 |
| General merchandise stores | (2) | (2) | (2) | (2) |
| General stores | 75.8 | 83.1 | 79.8 | 79.4 |
| Variety stores | (2) | (2) | (2) | (2) |
| Motor vehicle dealers | 398.5 | 367.9 | 338.3 | 366.4 |
| Service stations and garages | 204.4 | 204.1 | 205.9 | 202.5 |
| Men's clothing stores ...... | 31.4 | 31.6 | 31.3 | 34.2 |
| Women's clothing stores | 40.0 | 39.0 | 43.4 | 40.1 |
| Family clothing stores | 28.3 | 30.1 | 28.5 | 31.1 |
| Shoe stores ... | 25.4 | 25.2 | 25.3 | 24.3 |
| Hardware stores . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . | 34.4 | 35.7 | 35.9 | 35.0 |
| Furniture, T.V., radio and appliance stores | 77.4 | 72.7 | 86.6 | 77.4 |
| Fuel dealers | 34.9 | 37.3 | 38.1 | 35.0 |
| Drug stores ......................... | 64.6 | 65.1 | 63.8 | 63.3 |
| Jewellery stores ..................... | 21.6 | 18.8 | 18.9 | 19.5 |
| All other stores | (2) | (2) | (2) | (2) |
| Total, all stores | 2,284.4 | 2,261.7 | 2,242.1 | 2,242.0 |

Retail Trade, by Province - Seasonally Adjusted

(1) Includes Yukon and Northwest Territories.
(2) Not avallable.

Rotall Trade, Chain and Independent Stores, by Kind of Business
Canada
September 1969

| Kind of business | Chain store sales | Independent store sales | All stores |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | Sales | September 1969 |
|  |  | \$'000 |  | $\%$ |
| Grocery and combination stores | 246,292 | 246,886 | 493,178 | $+8.9$ |
| Al1 other food stores ........ | 6,217 | 70,718 | 76,935 | + 7.8 |
| Department stores. | 223,013 | - | 223,013 | + 8.2 |
| General merchandise stores | 51,968 | 19,025 | 70,993 | $+15.3$ |
| General stores | 7,458 | 69,576 | 77,033 | + 7.1 |
| Variety storeb | 31,277 | 7,656 | 38,934 | +11.3 |
| Motor vehicle dealers | 5,516 | 335,325 | 340,842 | $+16.9$ |
| Service stations and garages | 5,119 | 196,734 | 201,853 | + 6.6 |
| Men's clothing stores .............. | 6,193 | 21,713 | 27,906 | + 9.9 |
| Women's clothing stores | 13,498 | 25,320 | 38,818 | + 8.9 |
| Family clothing stores | 7,803 | 20,233 | 28,036 | + 8.8 |
| Shoe stores | 11,024 | 16,199 | 27,223 | + 4.9 |
| Hardware stores | 5,854 | 32,280 | 38,134 | + 2.4 |
| Furniture, T.V., radio and appliance stores | 15,058 | 59,944 | 75,003 | $+11.3$ |
| Fuel dealers .......................... | 4,176 | 16,508 | 20,684 | $+8.5$ |
| Drug stores | 10,500 | 53,362 | 63,861 | + 7.7 |
| Jewellery stores | 5,901 | 13,322 | 19,223 | $+14.5$ |
| All other stores . ................... | 129,955 | 206,247 | 336,202 | $+13.5$ |
| Total, all stores | 786,822 | 1,411,048 | 2,197,871 | $+10.5$ |

Retail Trade, Chain and Independent Stores, by Province

(1) Includes Yukon and Northwest Terricories.

The value of chain store sales in September rose by $13.8 \%$ over September 1968 , to $\$ 786,822,000$ from $\$ 691,523,000$. The highest rise was recorded by men's clothing stores ( $28.1 \%$ ). Stocks (at cost) also rose by $14.0 \%$ to $\$ 1,347,885,000$ from $\$ 1,182,648,000$ in 1968 , with the largest gain reported by family clothing stores (23.1\%).

## New Motor Vehicle Sales

Sales of new motor vehicles during the period January Lo September rose by $5.1 \%$ to 690,476 units from 656,922 in 1968 . Their value rose by $8.9 \%$ to $\$ 2,497,935,000$ from $\$ 2,293,226,000$. Vehicles made in Canada and the United States rose in number by $3.8 \%$, compared to a $14.4 \%$ rise for vehicles made overseas. The value of NorthAmerican made vehicles rose by $7.9 \%$ ( $19.7 \%$ for vehicles made overseas).
19.

Department Store Sales by Regions During the week ended November 1, 1969, department store sales rose in Canada by $3.5 \%$ over the corresponding week last year, with regional changes as follows: Atlantic Provinces, $+4.7 \%$; Quebec, $-1.7 \%$; Ontario, $+2.8 \%$; Manitoba, $+2.0 \%$; Saskatchewan, $+6.6 \%$ Alberta, $+9.6 \%$ and British Columbia, $+6.6 \%$.

## RESTA URANTS

20. Restaurants The estimated value of restaurant receipts in September rose by $5.1 \%$ to $\$ 99,270,000$. Receipts of chain establishments came to $\$ 6,288,000$ while those of independent business amounted to $\$ 92,982,000$. The largest rise in receipts of all restaurants occurred in Manitoba ( $11.3 \%$ ).

## BREWERIES

21. Breweries During September, 26,637,000 gallons of beer were shipped domestically and 381,000 gallons tax exempt (for export, ships' stores and embassies). During the year to date, domestic shipments totalled $238,597,000$ gallons, and 4,724,000 were tax exempt.

MANUFACTURING
22. Steel Ingots and Pig Iron Production of steel ingots in October fell to 528,899 tons from 973,748 in October 1968 and 835,779 in the 1967 month. During the year 10 date, production was also lower than in 1968 at $8,166,943$ tons compared $004,174,711$ tons in 1968 , but higher than the 1967 production of $8,008,253$ tons. Pig iron production in October dropped to 370,908 tons from 713,551 tons in October 1968 and 621,974 tons in october 1967. Year-to-date production was lower than in 1968, slanding at 6,096,759 tons $(7,010,355$ in 1968), but higher than in 1967 (5,811, 105 tons).
27. Šoves and Furnaces Praduction of domestic electric cooking stoves or ranges, with ovens came 2026,289 units in August and during the eight-month period, 20271,766 units. August pooduetion of warm air furnaces (gravity or Eorced air) amounted to 15,778 units ( $10^{\prime} 4,970$ in the cumulative norion).
24. Steel Ingots Steel ingot production for the week ended November i's totalled 205,883 tons, an increase of $7.1 \%$ from the preceding week's total of $192,230^{\circ}$ tuns. The comparable week's total in 19 or $^{2}$ was 230,035 tons. The index of production based on the average weekly out put during 1957-1959 of 96, 108 equalling 100 was 214 in the current week, $200^{\text {r }}$ a week carlier and 239 one year ago.
x Revised figures.

Plastic bottles produced during the third quarter of

1969 numbered $70,930,000$ of which $52,938,000$ were shipped to outside customers. These shipments were valued f.o.b. plant at $\$ 3,797,000$. Detailed information is available through special statement 6507-756 on request to the Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division.
26.

Asphalt Roofing
Shipments of asphalt shingles of 210 pounds and over came to 425,770 roof squares during september compared
to 427,143 squares in September 1968. During the year to date, shipments lotalled $3,144,150$ squares $(2,859,399$ in 1968$)$. September shipments of shingles of less than 210 pounds fell to 16,616 squares from 23,546 in the 1968 month, while year-to-date shioments also fell to 125,192 squares from $161,011$.
2). Particle Board

September production of nominal 4 by 8 foot panels and other sizes of particle board amounted to 13,527,000 square feet ( $5 / 8$ inch basis) compared to $8,756,000$ square feet in September 1968. For the year to date production also rose to $128,107,000$ square feet from $105,610,000$ in the 1968 period.

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28.
                    Rigid Insulating Board
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Shipnents of wood fibre rigid insulating board in September amounted to $5^{\prime} 4,544,263$ square feet (1/2 inch basis) compared to $54,946,102$ square feet in september 1968 . For the year to date, shipments totalled $428,895,676$ square feet ( $390,884,992$ in 1968).
29. Pulpwood and Wood Residue Production of roundwood rose by $22 \%$ in Stintales to $1,716,566$ cunits from $1,411,695$ in September 1968. Roundwood and wood residue consumed amounted to $1,915,763$ cunits, $23 \%$ above the $1,554,505$ cunits in September 1968, and the closing inventory of these two products was $11 \%$ lower at $10,442,431$ cunits ( $11,784,945$ in the 1968 month). Receipts of wood residue were $20 \%$ higher at 594,170 cunits $(495,675$ in 1968).
30. Motor Vehicle Production Preliminary figures show October production of motor vehicles at 136,746 units compared to 133,864 in October 1968. Of these 108,159 were automobiles ( 103,661 in 1968) and 28,587 were commercial vehicles $(30,203)$. During the year to date, $1,114,656$ vehicles were produced $(940,305$ in 1968$)$ with $850,4,41$ automobiles $(712,506)$ and 264,215 comercial vehicles $(227,799)$.
31. Motor Vehicle Shipments

September shipments of motor vehicles came $t o$ 131,580 units compared to 103,203 in 1968 and 75,517 in September 1967. During the year to date, shipments rose to 978,674 units from 803,044 in 1968 and 682,054 in 1967.
32. Manufacturers' Shipments, Inventories and orders

Manufacturers' shipments in September were estimated at $\$ 3,782.4 \mathrm{million}$, an increase of $12.0 \%$ from the revised August estimate of $\$ 3,376.8 \mathrm{million}$ and $6.1 \%$ higher than the September 1968 estimate of $\$ 3,566.0 \mathrm{million}$. The preliminary value of shipments for the first nine months of 1969 was estimated at $\$ 32,130.4 \mathrm{million}$, an increase of $7.8 \%$ from the $\$ 29,804.4 \mathrm{million}$ estimated for the first three quarters of 1968 . Seasonally adjusted shipments for September 1969 were estimated at $\$ 3,643.3 \mathrm{million}$, a decrease of $1.6 \%$ from the revised August estimated value of $\$ 3,702.6$ million.

New orders in September wero estimated at $\$ 3,853.2$ million, an increase of $13.6 \%$ over the revised August estimate of $\$ 3,391.0$ million and $8.8 \%$ higher than the September 1968 estimated value of $\$ 3,541.4$ million. Unfilled orders for September, at an estimated value of $\$ 3,886.7$ million, an increase of $1.9 \%$ over the August estimate of $\$ 3,815.9 \mathrm{million}$ and $7.9 \%$ above the September 1968 estimated value of $\$ 3,603.5$ million. Seasonally adjusted new orders in September were estimated at $\$ 3,772.4 \mathrm{million}, 2.2 \%$ higher than the August estimated value of $\$ 3,689.6 \mathrm{million}$. Unfilled orders, seasonally adjusted, at an estimated value of $\$ 3,932.0$ million in September, were $3.4 \%$ higher than the August estimated value of $\$ 3,802.9$ million.

Jotal inventory owned by manufacturers in September was estimated at $\$ 7,179.3$ million, $0.6 \%$ higher than the revised August estimate of $\$ 7,136.1$ million and $6.0 \%$ over the September 1968 estimate of $\$ 6,774.3$ million. Tobal inventory held in September was estimated at $\$ 7,725.9$ million, an inrrease of $0.5 \%$ over the August revised value of $\$ 7,690.9$ million and $6.6 \%$ higher than the September 1968 estimated value of $\$ 7,245.0$ million. Seasonally adjusted, total inventory owned, at an estimated value of $\$ 7,203.2 \mathrm{million}$, was $0.4 \%$ above the August estimated value of $\$ 7,171.0$ million. Total inventory held in September, seasonally adjusted, at an estimated value of $\$ 7,752.3$ million was also $0.5 \%$ higher than the revised August estimate of $\$ 7,715.1$ million. Seasonally adjusted, raw materials and finished products showed increases of $0.5 \%$ and $1.6 \%$ respectively while goods in process decreased by $0.9 \%$. The ratio of seasonally adjusted total inventory ownad to shipments was 1.98 in September and 1.94 in August. The seasonally adjusted ratio of finished products to shipments was 0.74 in September and 0.72 in Argust.

The following tables show estimated values of shipments, inventories and orders in all manufacturing industries.

Not Adjusted for Seasonal Variation

|  | September 1969 _Preliminary | August 1969 <br> Revised | $\begin{array}{r} \text { July } \\ 1969 \\ \hline \end{array}$ | September - 1968 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | - million | of dollars |  |
| Shipments - Total | 3,782.4 | 3,376.8 | 3,507.0 | 3,566.0 |
| New Orders - Total | 3,853.2 | 3,391.0 | 3,548.9 | 3,541.4 |
| - Non-Durable | 2,046.3 | 1,911.2 | 1,893.0 | 1,906.8 |
| - Durable | 1,806.9 | 1,479.8 | 1,655.9 | 1,634.6 |
| Unfilled Orders - Total | 3,886.7 | 3,815.9 | 3,801.7 | 3,603.5 |
| - NonrDurable | 514.0 | 497.6 | 507.7 | 489.6 |
| - Durable | 3,372.7 | 3,318.4 | 3,294.0 | 3,113.8 |
| Inventory Owned - Total | 7,179.3 | 7,136.1 | 7,011.6 | 6,774.3 |
| Inventory Held-Total | 7,725.9 | 7,690.9 | 7,578.5 | 7,245.0 |
| Raw Materials | 2,935.2 | 2,927.4 | 2,886. 2 | 2,791.0 |
| Goods in Process | 2,124.7 | 2,139.0 | 2,102.5 | 1,941.5 |
| Finished Products | 2,665.9 | 2,624.5 | 2,589.8 | 2,512.5 |

## Adjusted for Seasonal Variation

|  | September 1969 Preliminary | August 1969 $\qquad$ Revised | $\begin{aligned} & \text { July } \\ & 1969 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { September } \\ 1968 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | millions of dollars |  |  |  |
| Shipments - Total | 3,643.3 | 3,702.6 | 3,676.3 | 3,549.6 |
| New Orders - Total | 3,772.4 | 3,689.6 | 3,740.7 | 3,600.7 |
| - Non-Durable | 1,939.5 | 1,921.4 | 1,950.2 | 1,849.6 |
| - Durable | 1,832.9 | 1,768.2 | 1,790.5 | 1,751.1 |
| Unfilled Orders - Total | 3,932.0 | 3,802.9 | 3,815.9 | 3,654.8 |
| - Non-Durable | 522.4 | 504.0 | 493.7 | 502.5 |
| - Durable | 3,409.6 | 3,298.9 | 3,322.2 | 3,152.3 |
| Inventory Owned - Total | 7,203.2 | 7,171.0 | 7,128.9 | 6,800.4 |
| Inventory Held - Total. | 7,752.3 | 7,715.1 | 7,694.6 | 7,279.9 |
| Ratio of Total Inventory Owned to Shipments | 1.98 | 1.94 | 1.94 | 1.92 |
| Ratio of Finished Products to |  |  |  |  |
| Shipments ................ | 0.74 | 0.72 | 0.71 | 0.72 |

Note - Figures may not add due to rounding.

Provincial Shipments The preliminary estimate of manufacturers' shipments in
September 1969 , at $\$ 3,782.4$ million was $12.0 \%$ higher than the revised August estimate of $\$ 3,376.8$ million. Most of the increase was centered in Ontario which increased $18.8 \%$ of $\$ 309.1$ million, mainly a reflection of seasonally higher shipments in the transportation industries, electrical industries, rubber industries, metal fabricating industries and machinery industries. Other increases ranged from $9.1 \%$ in Quebec to $3.8 \%$ in New Brunswick. Five of the listed provinces showed decreases ranging from $4.9 \%$ in Manitoba to $0.6 \%$ in Newfoundland.

Value of Shipments of Own Manufacture by Province of Origin

|  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { September } \\ & 1969(\mathrm{p}) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { September } \\ 1968 \end{gathered}$ | \% change | August $1969(\mathbf{r})$ | January $=$ September - 1969 | JanuarySeptember 1968 | \% <br> change |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | millions | dollars |  |  | ions of do | lars |  |
| Nfld. | 17.8 | 13.4 | $+32.8$ | 17.9 | 140.9 | 121.2 | $+16.3$ |
| N.S. | 57.0 | 55.2 | $+3.3$ | 58.6 | 513.0 | 476.4 | + 7.7 |
| N, B. | 54.2 | 45.9 | $+18.1$ | 52.2 | 436.3 | 426.2 | + 2.4 |
| Que. | 1,095.1 | 1,000.4 | + 9.5 | 1,003.3 | 8,933.3 | 8,330.1 | + 7.2 |
| Ont. | 1,952.5 | 1,886.0 | $+3.5$ | 1,643.4 | 16,793.7 | 15,476.8 | + 8.5 |
| Man. | 96.6 | 91.5 | + 5.6 | 101.6 | 853.7 | 819.8 | + 4.1 |
| Sask. | 47.3 | 40.8 | $+15.9$ | 48.9 | 377.1 | 360.5 | + 4.6 |
| Alta | 143.4 | 128.9 | $+11.2$ | 145.7 | 1,223.1 | 1,165.4 | + 5.0 |
| B. C. | 314.5 | 299.2 | $+5.1$ | 300.8 | 2,831.1 | 2,592.3 | + 9.2 |
| CANADA (1) . | 3,782.4 | 3,566.0 | $+6.1$ | 3,376.8 | 32,130.4 | 29,804.4 | + 7.8 |

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## 33. Lumber and Ties <br> September production of lumber and ties by sawnills in British Columbia amounted to 666.9 million feet board

 measure compared to 699.6 million in September 1968. During the year to date, $5,864.8$ million feet board measure were produced ( $5,774.5 \mathrm{million}$ in the same period of 1968).34. Paints, Varnishes and Lacquers Industrial sales of paints, varnishes and lacquers in September came to a value of $\$ 17,644,053$ compared to $\$ 17,180,766$. During the year to date, the value of these sales increased to $\$ 167,056,237$ from $\$ 161,266,463$.
35. Chemicals September production of acetylene, in cylinders or for delivery by pipeline amounted to $20,739,000$ cubic feet, compared to 18,746,000 cubic feet in September 1968. During the year to date, production increased to $171,203,000$ cubic feet from $170,786.000$ in 1968.
36. Canadian Clay. Products The value of products made from Canadian clays increased to $\$ 4,865,132$ in August 1969 from $\$ 4,746,995$ in August 1968. During the year to date, their value also increased to $\$ 32,115,134$ from $\$ 30,639,318$ in 1968 .
37. Major_Appliances - September 1964
Total

Canada sales Exports | Stocks at |
| :---: |
| end of month |

Gas cooking stoves and ranges .. 3,980
Electric ranges ................. 39,099
Ejectric wall ovens ............ 661
number of units

Electric drop in ranges ....... 567
$420 \quad 48,007$

- $\quad 2,224$

38. Iron Castings, Pipe and Fittings

September shipments of these commodities amounted to 60,919 tons, compared to 64,821 tons in september 1968. For the year to date, shipments rose to 515,931 tons from 471, 238 last year.

## AGRICULTURE AND FOOD

39. 

Grain Milling Statistics
The output of wheat flour in Canada in September amounted to $3,412,000$ hundredweight, $6 \%$ over the 3,232,000 hundredweight produced during the previous month, $10 \%$ above the September 1968 total of $3,094,000$ hundredweight and $1 \%$ more than the ten-year (1959-68) average production for the month of September of $3,370,000$ hundredweight. Production of Wheat flour during the first two months of the current crop year amounted to 6,643,000 hundredweight, $5 \%$ higher than the $6,339,000$ hundredweight produced during the same period of the past crop year but relatively unchanged from the ten-year average for the same period. Mill operations during September 1969 averaged $81.6 \%$ of capacity when computed on a 25 -day working period in the month and a daily capacity of 167,000 hundredweight. Mills reporting for August operated at $74.3 \%$ of their combined rated capacity for 26 days.
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Stocks of Dairy Products
Cold storage holdings of creamery butter increased $41.9 \%$ on November 1 to $106,447,000$ pounds from $75,034,000$ pounds at November 1,1968. Stocks of cheddar cheese were down $7.9 \%$ to $87,191,000$ pounds this year from $94,649,000$ pounds while skim milk powder stocks decreased $13.7 \%$ to $203,917,000$ pounds from $236,332,000$ pounds on November 1, 1968. Evaporated whole milk stocks were up $12.9 \%$ to $50,604,000$ pounds from $44,821,000$.


[^2] as against 15,667 units in the corresponding period of 1968 .

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4. Trade Balance, October 1969
5. Index of Industrial Production, Septembre 1969
6. Wholesale Price Indexes, October 1969
7. Consumer Price Indexes for Regional Cities, October 1969
8. Weekly Security Price Indexes, Week ended November 13, 1969
9. Carloadings, Week ended October 31, 1969 (52-001), \$3.00 a year
10. Estimates of Employees by Province and Industry, September 1969
11. The Labour Force, Week ended October 18, 1969
12. Production and Disposal of Electric Energy, 1968
13. Factory Sales of Electric Storage Batteries, September 1969 (43-005), 10¢/\$1.00
14. Building Permits, September 1969
15. Retail Trade, by Kind of Business - Seasonally Adjusted, June to September 1969, inclusive
16. Retail Trade, Chain and Independent Stores, by Kind of Business, Canada September 1969
17. Chain Store Sales and Stocks, September 1969 (63-001), $10 ¢ / \$ 1.00$
18. New Motor Vehicle Sales, September 1969 (63-007), 20c/\$2.00
19. Department store Sales by Regions, Week ending November 1, 1969 (63-003), $\$ 2.00$ a year
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21. Breweries, September 1969 (32-019), 10¢/\$1.00
22. Steel Ingots and Pig Iron, October 1969 (41-002), $10 ¢ / \$ 1.00$
23. Stoves and Furnaces, August 1969 (41-005), 20¢/\$2.00
24. Production of Steel Ingots, Week ended November 15, 1969
25. Production and Shipments of Plastic Bottles, Third Quarter 1969
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29. Pulpwood and Wood Residue Statistics, September 1969
30. Preliminary Report on the Production of Motor Vehicles, October 1969 (42-001), $10 c / \$ 1.00$
31. Motor Vehicle Shipments, September 1969 (42-002), 10¢/\$1.00
32. Manufacturers' Shipments, Inventories and Orders, September 1969
33. Production of Lumber and Ties of Sainnills in British Columbia, September 1969
34. Sales of Paints, Varnishes and Lacquers, September 1969 (46-001) , 10 c/ $\$ 1.00$
35. Specified Chemicals, September 1969 (46-002), 10ç/\$1.00
36. Products Made from Canadi an Clays, August 1969 (44-005), $10 ¢ / \$ 1.00$
37. Major Appliances, September 1969
38. Iron Castings and Cast Iron Pipe and Fittings, September 1969 (41-004), 10c/\$1.00
39. Grain Milling Statistics, September 1969 (32-003), \$1.00 a year
40. Stocks of Dairy and Poultry Products, November 1, 1969 (32-009), 20¢/\$2.00
41. Forage Seed Report, September 1969
42. Dairy Factory Production, October 1969 (32-002), 10 ( $/ \$ 1.00$
43. Farm Implement and Equipment Sales, January 1 to September 30, 1969 (63-009), $\$ 1.00$ a year
44. Stocks of Meat Products, November 1, 1969 (32-012), 30c/\$3.00

Service Bulletin: Energy Statistics, Vol. 4, No. 73 (57-002), \$5.00 a year
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Wool Mills, 1967 (34-209), 50 ¿
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Estimates of Employees by Province and Industry, 1951-19ó (72-508), 50c
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Domestic Refrigerators and Freezers, September 1969 (43-001), 10c/\$1.00
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[^0]:    NOTE Export and import values for 196 : are prelininary estimates and may not add because of rounding.

[^1]:    (1) Includes Prince Edward Island and the Northwest Territories.
    (p) Preliminary
    (r) Revised

[^2]:    (1) indicates less than 3 firms reporting.

