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 $\frac{\text{Prices}}{\text{January from 127.9 in December.}}$ The consumer price index (1961=100) for Canada moved up by 0.2% to 128.2 in

Transportation Twenty-four common carrier railways in Canada reported operating revenues of \$144.6 million in October 1969, up 5.2% from the October 1968 figure.

Education The number of full-time teachers and principals in public elementary and secondary schools in Canada for the school year 1968-69 was 236,467.

<u>Labour</u> Employment declined seasonally between December and January; the estimate for January was 7,499,000, down 213,000 from December.

Manufacturing Steel ingot production for the week ended February 14, totalled 237,734 tons, an increase of 0.3% from the preceding week's total of 237,069 tons.

Agriculture and Food January production of creamery butter came to 16,824,000 pounds compared to 16,222,000 pounds in January 1969, an increase of 4%.

Canadian Balance of International Payments The year 1969 witnessed First Estimates 1969

continuing severe inflationary pressures in the Canadian

economy, dictating a starn internal monetary policy. High and generally rising interest rates, both domestically and in other industrialized countries of the world, persisted and through much of the year unsettled conditions existed in international financial markets. Against this setting, the Canadian balance of payments, although affected by these factors, adjusted relatively smoothly. Sizeable movements in official reserves, which were characteristic of many of the other major trading nations during this period were not experienced in Canada.

Mainly owing to a reduction of over \$500 million in the trade surplus, the overall current account deficit reached \$801 million in 1969 after the unusually low deficit of \$111 million in 1968. A larger deficit on non-merchandise transactions contributed almost \$200 million to the increased deficit balance.

In spite of a strong export performance, the 10% growth rate in exports in 1969 was outpaced by merchandise imports which rose by 15%. The record levels of export sales of automobiles and parts and the high level of sales of crude petroleum and pulp and newsprint were to some extent offset by difficulties in wheat marketing and the disruption of steel, iron ore, copper and nickel production due to labour disputes in these industries. The high demand for imports was broadly based with motor vehicle parts and machinery the dominant features.

The non-merchandise deficit rose by \$185 million to \$1.7 billion. An important element in the increased deficit was the sharp upturn in Canadian spending on travel in the United States and overseas countries. The rise in travel expenditures in Canada by non-residents was more modest, so that the deficit on this account was close to \$200 million in 1969, a significant deterioration over the previous year. With the exception of gold production available for export and migrants' transfers of funds and inheritances, payments and receipts on all accounts grew as compared with 1968; the increases of both payments and receipts, excluding travel expenditures, were roughly comparable so that balances were little affected.

The capital account movements on the basis of three quarters data and fragmentary data for the fourth, indicate a net positive balance of more than \$850 million attributable largely to inflows of portfolio investment, principally in Canadian bonds, and direct investment which more than offset capital outflows resulting from the very substantial build-up during the year in Canadian residents' holdings of foreign bank balances and short-term funds abroad, direct investment abroad and retirements of Canadian bonds held by non-residents.

The net effect of transactions on both the current and capital accounts in 1969 resulted in a small addition to net official monetary assets of \$65 million.

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It should be noted that this release contains modifications in the presentation of official monetary movements, which now include some minor holdings of foreign currencies not previously published. Full details of Canada's official monetary assets and liabilities on the new basis will be published in the fourth quarter report (DBS catalogue number 67-001). As in the previous quarter, the above estimates are based on preliminary and incomplete data and are subject to revision when the detailed figures are published in March.

First Estimate of Canadian Balance of Payments - Fourth Quarter 1969

	1968			1969		
	Annual Total	IQ	IIQ	IIIQ	IVQ	Annual Total
		m;	illions	of dolla	rs	
Unadjusted for Seasonal		1.40				1.4.00.
Merchandise exports (adjusted)	13,538	3,469	3,805	3,557	4,054	14,885
Merchandise imports (adjusted)	12,162	3,230	3,706	3,316	3,762	14,014
Balance on merchandise trade	+1,376	+239	+99	+241	+292	+871
Other current receipts	3,582	718	995	1,308	900	3,921
Other current payments	5,069	1,226	1,417	1,534	1,416	5,593
Balance on non-merchandise transactions	-1,487	- 508	-422	-226	-516	-1,672
Total receipts	17,120	4,187	4,800	4,865	4,954	18,806
Total payments	17,231	4,456	5,123	4,850	5,178	19,607
Current account balance	-111	- 269	-323	+15	-224	-801
Net capital movements, long and						
short-term (1), (excl. monetary	1 /. 57	1221	1.260	20	1296	1966
items below)	+457	+231	+269	- 20	+386	+866
Total official reserves	+350	- 38	- 54	-5	+162	+65
Total official monetary liabilities	-4			and .	_	-
Net official monetary assets	+346	-38	- 54	- 5	+162	+65
			1969			
	IQ	II	- de	1119	IVQ	
		mil1	ions of	dollars		
Seasonally Adjusted	2 7/0	2 61	0.1	2 6 6 0	2 006	
Merchandise exports (adjusted) Merchandise imports (adjusted)	3,740	3,60		3,658	3,886	
Balance on merchandise trade	+255	+1		+194	+266	
balance on merchandise trade	T 2 3 3	TI	50	T174	7200	
Other current receipts	963	1,0	05	967	986	
Other current payments	1,342	1,4	01	1,430	1,420	
Balance on non-merchandise	270	2	0.6	1.6.3	1,21	
transactions	-379	- 3	96	- 463	-434	
Total receipts	4,703	4,6	06	4,625	4,872	
Total payments	4,827	4,8		4,894	5,040	
Current account balance	-124	- 2	40	- 269	-168	

⁽¹⁾ Includes errors and omissions.

Foreign Ownership and Control
of Canadian Industry 1963-66

The relative degree of foreign ownership
of Canadian industry since 1963 to the end
of 1966 has shown little change, according
to figures published today by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics, bringing forward the

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The report covers selected areas of Canadian industry for which measurements have been possible (manufacturing, petroleum and natural gas, mining and smelting, railways, other utilities, merchandising and construction).

Taken as a group, the investment in these industries owned by non-residents rose to 36% at the end of 1965 from 35% in 1963 and 1964 and remained unchanged at 36% at the end of 1966.

Total investment, or capital employed from domestic as well as foreign sources in these industries in the three years 1964 to 1966 increased substantially by \$13.8 billion or 27%. Of this increase, non-resident capital financed \$5.1 billion. This was about double the total amount of foreign investment in these industries in the previous three-year period 1961 to 1963.

Of the 36% non-resident owned investment at the end of 1966, United States investors contributed 29%, the same as in 1965 and one percentage point higher than 1963 and 1964.

Non-resident control of the selected Canadian industries remained unchanged at 34% throughout the period. In the series, "ownership" refers to the total amount of long-term capital employed within Canada in a particular industry group and applies therefore to ownership of obligations as well as equity of individual enterprises. The term "foreign control" relates to the aggregate long-term investment in Canada in companies of a distinctive nature, those whose principal owners are non-residents.

Foreign ownership of manufacturing was unchanged at 54% where it has been since 1961. Foreign control, on the other hand, declined by one percentage point to 59% in 1965 and to 58% in 1966. In part this was associated with the shift of some investments to other industry groups owing to changes in corporate structures. Non-resident ownership of the petroleum and natural gas industry fell by one percentage point in 1964 to 62% where it remained in 1965 and 1966. Non-resident control stayed at 72% in 1964 and 1965 and rose to 73% in 1966. A sharp decline in United States control in 1965 which was offset by an increase in other foreign control was attributable to the reorganization of a major international enterprise.

In mining and smelting foreign ownership declined by one percentage point to 60% in 1964 and to 59% in 1965, while foreign control rose to 60% in 1965 and to 62% in 1966. These divergent movements resulted from the continued repatriation of foreign portfolio investment in Canadian-controlled mines, and the development of several major new foreign-controlled undertakings.

The declining role of foreign capital in railways, generally characteristic of the period since the beginning of World War II, continued, as the non-resident owned proportion was reduced by a further two percentage points in 1964 and 1965 to 20%. Foreign control of Canadian railways remained constant at 2%. Foreign ownership of utilities other than railways registered significant increases, rising from 14% to 17% in 1964 and by a further one percentage point to 18% in 1966. These increases represented substantial borrowing abroad by electricity undertakings and Canadian obligations under the Columbia River Treaty; they did not affect the foreign control ratios which remained steady at 4%.

More detailed information on the ownership and control of Canadian industry for the years 1963 to 1965 is given in the table below which identifies 12 industrial groupings in the manufacturing sector. In 1965 non-resident ownership represented more than half of the total investment in nine of these groups and ranged between 90% for automobiles and parts and 20% for iron and steel mills.

It should be emphasized that there are broad areas of national wealth not covered in the series, in most of which non-resident ownership and control is relatively small. Care should be exercised in interpreting small year-to-year changes which may result from rounding or possible statistical shortcomings in the series upon which these ownership and control ratios are based.

The choice of capital employed as a base from which to assess the degree of foreign ownership or control is one of many measures which may be selected. Estimates based on other aggregates such as total assets, sales, equity, etc. will yield differing results. An examination of such estimates developed from returns filed under the Corporations and Labour Unions Returns Act, although not directly comparable because of differences in coverage and concept, suggest broadly similar patterns over comparable periods.

NDUSTRY

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FOREIGN CONTROL

		Investmen	t owned in:		e of capital		controlled	Percenta	ge of capital controlled in:
	TOTAL CAPITAL EMPLOYED	United States	Other Foreign Countries	United States	Other Foreign Countries	United States	Other Foreign Countries	United States	Other Foreign Countries
	bill	ions of dol	lars	7,		billions	of dollars		7,
Manufacturing								1.0	
1963 ^r	13.7	6.0	1.4	44	10	6.3	1.9	46	14
1964	14.8	6.5	1.5	44	10	6.8	2.1	46	14
1965	16.5	7.3	1.5	45	9	7.7	2.1	46	13
1966	18.4	8.3	1.6	45	9	8.5	2.2	46	12
Petroleum and i	natural gas								
1963 ^r	7.6	4.0	0.8	53	10	4.6	0.9	61	11
1964	7.9	4.0	0.8	51	11	4.7	1.0	60	12
1965	8.4	4.2	1.0	50	12	4.8	1.3	57	15
1966	9.2	4.7	1.1	50	12	5.4	1.4	58	15
Other mining an	nd smelting								
1963 ^r	3.8	2.0	0.3	53	8	2.0	0.3	52	7
1964	4.1	2.1	0.4	51	9	2.1	0.3	51	8
1965	4.4	2.2	0.4	51	8	2.3	0.3	52	8
1966	4.8	2.5	0.4	51	8	2.6	0.4	53	9
Railways									
1963 ^r	5.3	0.5	0.7	9	13	0.1		2	
1964	5.3	0.4	0.7	8	13	0.1	•	2	
1965	5.3	0.4	0.6	8	12	0.1	~	2	
1966	5.4	0.4	0.6	8	12	0.1		2	-
Other Utilitie	S								
1963 ^r	11.3	1.4	0.1	13	1	0.4	0.1	4	
1964	12.3	2.0	0.1	16	1	0.5		4	
1965	13.4	2.2	0.1	16	1	0.5	44	4	
1966	14.9	2.5	0.1	17	1	0.6	-	4	
Totals of above	e industries	,							
merchandising	and construc	tion							
1963 ^r	51.8	14.6	3.7	28	7	14.1	3.6	27	7
1964	55.3	15.8	3.8	28	7	15.0	4.0	27	7
1965	59.9	17.2	4.0	29	7	16.2	4.4	27	7
1966	65.6	19.3	4.2	29	7	18.0	4.7	27	7

(1) The book value of long-term debt and equity (including retained earnings) employed in enterprises in Canada.

r Revised figures.

NOTE Because of rounding totals do not necessarily equal the sum of their component parts.

Estimated Book Value, Ownership and Control of Capital Employed In Selected Canadian Industries, Year Ends, 1963-1965

				FOREIGN OWN	ERSHIP			FOREIGN CONTROL			
			Investm	ent owned in:	capital	ntage of employed ed in:	Investment in:	controlled	capital	age of employed led in:	
		TOTAL	United	Other Foreign	United	Other Foreign	United	Other Foreign	United	Other Foreign	
		EMPLOYED	States	Countries	States	Countries	States	Countries	States	Countries	
Manufacturing	r	mill	ions of do	llars		7.		of dollars		%	
Beverages	1963	571	137	16	24	3		01		18	
	1964	563	139	13	25	2		98		17	
	1965	571	. 145	15	25			08		19	
Rubber	1963	216		186		86		108		96	
	1964	228		169		74		17		95	
	1965 r	259		192	177	74		58	A	99	
	1963	702	98	48	14	7	97	49	14	7	
	1964	714	101	49	14	7	100	49	14	7	
	1965	746	118	48	16	6	108	56	15	7	
	1963	2,339	1,048	178	45	7	834	279	36	12	
	1964	2,582	1,103	240	43	9	913	346	35	14	
	1965 _r	2,834	1,282	231.	45	8	1,016	343	36	12	
	1963	203		97		48		100		49	
	1964	207		117		57		115		56	
	1965	193	7	119	-110	62		104		54	
	1963	586	522	1	89			59		95	
	1964	696	627	1	90	-		68		96	
	1965	815	735	3	90	-	,	784_	-	%	
Transportation Equipment,	r	D(/	7/		00	22	0.5	110	0.0	10	
n.o.p	1963 r	264	74	87	28	33	95	113	36	43	
	1964	263	81	83	31	31	72	118	27	45	
	1965	314	112	81	36	26	132	119	42	38	
1ron and Steel Mills	1963	868	71	99	8	12	13	108	2	12	
	1964	1,006	86	108	8	11	16	125	2	12	
	1965	1,156	116	112	10	10	15	151	100	13	
Aluminum	1963	878	455	158	52	18	877		100		
	1964	814	405	158	50	19	813		100	-	
	1965	842	438 428	165 55	52 62	19	840 456	73	100	10	
Electrical Apparatus		694	458	59	62	8	492	77	67	10	
	1964	741							68	10	
	1965 r	819	516	57	63 51	7 16	554	85	58	23	
Chemicals	1963	1,407	717	226			8 20	315			
	1964	1,657	853	242	51	15	999	355	60	22	
	1965	1,858	997	235	54	12	1,137	353	61	19	
Other	1963	4,959	2,210	549	45	11	2,282	858	46	17	
	1964	5,362	2,346	549	44	10	2,447	893	45	17	
	1965	6,062	2,591	557	43	9	2,736	865	45	14	
Sub-totals	1963	13,687	6,024	1,436	44	10	6,329	1,908	46	14	
	1964	14,833	6,466	1,521	44	10	6,838	2,075	46	14	
	1965	16,469	7,343	1,522	45	9	7,673	2,091	46	13	
Petroleum and Natural Gas.		7,576	3,975	774	53	10	4,610	859	61	11	
	1964	7,887	4,016	838	51	11	4,719	959	60	12	
	1965	8,438	4,223	1,045	50	12	4,813	1,293	57	15	
Mining:											
Smelting and Refining of	locar.	1 0//	1.1.	100	20	1.0	515		r. 4		
Non-ferrous Native Ores .	1963	1,066	415	138	39	13	545		51		
	1964	1,175	435	148	37	13	580		49		
Oak a Mada	1965	1,230	437	139	36	11	610	270	50	10	
Other Mining	1963	2,742	1,613	156	59	6	1,417	270	52	10	
	1964	2,928	1,650	209	56	7	1,515	326	52	11	
and distribution	1965 r	3,122	1,759	222	56	7	1,675	329	54	10	
Sub-totals	1963	3,808	2,028	294	53	8	1,962	270	52	7	
	1964	4,103	2,085	357	51	9	2,095	326	51	8	
m Astronof the Astronomy	1965	4,352	2,196	361	51	8	2,285	329	52	8	
Totals of Above Industries			12,027	2,504	48	10	12,901	3,037	52	12	
	1964	26,823	12,567	2,716	47	10	13,652	3,360	51	12	
	1965	29,259	13,762	2,928	47	10	14,771	3,713	50	13	

r revised figures.

Index of Industrial Production The seasonally adjusted index of industrial production advanced by 1.4% in December.

The fourth quarter level was 1.8% above the third quarter on a seasonally adjusted basis and the year 1969 registered a 5.0% increase over 1968. Most of the December increase originated in metal mines where strike settlements in nickel mining led to strong gains.

Seasonally Adjusted Index of Industrial Production

(1961 - 100)

(1961	- 100)				
	1961				
	percentage				
	weights	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	7. Change
Index of Industrial Production	31.851	165.6	169.2	171.5	+ 1.4
Mines (including milling), quarries					
and oil wells	4.298	140.3	151.8	163.1	+74
Metal mines	2.463	105.0	121.6	141.3	+16.2
Mineral fuels	1.030	188.3	196.1	193.0	- 1.6
Non-metal mines except coal mines	.385	231.6	233.0	242.9	+ 4.2
Manufacturing	24.741	166.7	169.3	170.2	+ 0.5
Non-durable manufacturing	13.608	152.4	153.1	153.6	+ 0.3
Foods and beverages	3.547	3150	7/2/	220 0	2.5
Tobacco products industries .	. 233	145.9	142.4	138.8	- 2.5
Rubber industries	.411	150.1	168.9	120.3	- 2.0 - 7.8
Leather industries	. 293	102.0	104.2	102.4	
Textile industries	. 904	182.4	184.5	166.1	- 1.3
Knitting mills	.218				-10.0
**	.854	140.5	139.7	140.2	+ 0.4
Clothing industries Paper and allied industries .	2.675	123.0	120.7	121.0	+ 0.2
Printing, publishing and	2.073	151.8	155.1	168.5	+ 8.6
allied industries	1.353	149.7	3/7/	150 6	+ 2 2
Petroleum and coal products	1.575	147.1	147.4	150.6	+ 2.2
	. 583	146.6	156.4	154.4	- 1.3
industries		14(1)(1)	170+4	134.4	- 1.0)
		168.8	170.2	171.8	+ 0.9
industries	1.682	200.0	11000	1110	. 0.7
industries	. 855	184.0	183.9	185.9	+ 1.1
industries	.000	20410	2070	20,67	
Durable manufacturing	11.133	184.1	189.1	190.5	+ 0.7
Wood industries	1.117	144.7	148.4	153.3	+ 3.3
Furniture and fixtures	1.117	Tritte (T#0.4	A)).)	,).)
industries	.448	163.0	162.5	162.6	+ 0.1
Primary metal industries	2.256	119.1		163.7	+12.6
Metal fabricating industries	2.230	/		20301	22.00
(except machinery and					
transportation equipment					
industries)	1.857	168.9	171.8	172.7	+ 0.5
Machinery industries (except					
electrical machinery)	.995	221.2	219.8	220.5	+ 0.3
Transportation equipment					
industries	2.001	276.3	267.8	259.6	- 3.1
Electrical products					
industries	1.572	211.6	214.0	205.8	- 3.8
Non-metallic mineral products					
industries	. 887	142.6	145.0	141.0	- 2.8
Electric Power, Gas and Water					
Utilities	2.812	195.4	194.6	195.6	+ 0.5

Domestic Exports The External Trade Division reports that the value of Domestic exports increased to \$1,376,405,000 in December 1969 from \$1,207,484,000 and \$998,765,000 in the same month of 1968 and 1967 respectively. For the cumulative period, January-December exports increased over the years, with the totals being \$14,441,556,000 in 1969, \$13,250,960,000 last year and \$11,120,674,000 in 1967.

	Dear	amban	1,000	Dogonham
		ember		-December
	1968	1969	1968	1969
		tnousand	s of dollars	
SELECTED COUNTRIES				
United States	820,832	910,436	8,922,526	10, 215, 400
United Kingdom	104, 242	116,879	1,209,567	1,096,480
Japan	64,654	72,560	606,787	624,837
Germany, Federal Republic	20,131	32,620	228,733	277,382
Netherlands	18,988	27,737	178,850	184,966
Australia	12,361	14,018	185,717	163,258
Italy	9,873	12,893	131,210	133,671
France	5,299	14,414	81,516	124,708
People's Republic of China	11,281	9,730	163,243	122,418
Belgium and Luxembourg	9,636	11,261	126,648	116, 232
Norway	9,232	6,799	116,559	
				103,645
India	8,782	8,295	111, 255	95,552
Venezuela	9,059	16,759	102,671	92,902
ALL COUNTRIES	1,207,484	1,376,405	13, 250, 960	14,441,556
SELECTED COMMODITIES				
Food, feed, beverages and				
tobacco	129,372	143,134	1,553,757	1,409,850
Wheat	45,017	36,999	684,469	472,703
Whisky	18,039	14,821	158, 253	189,074
Crude materials, inedible	221,016	244,843	2,467,578	2,463,323
Crude petroleum	37,353	47,860	446,413	525,780
Iron ores and concentrates	27,178	34,819	443, 202	333,131
Nickel in ores, concent-				
rates and scrap	22,898	13,111	261,030	225,312
Fabricated materials, inedible	412,065	485,478	4,855,098	5,162,695
Newsprint paper	86,972	96,556	989,831	1,125,801
Wood pulp, similar pulp	50,484	72,370	627,874	753,488
Lumber, softwood	58,160	56, 244	623,414	664,759
Aluminum including alloys	47,926	48,518	445,128	474,752
Copper and alloys	21,580	26,446	378,216	300,904
End products, inedible	437,759	495,895	4,277,490	5,316,078
Passenger automobiles and		,,,,,,,	1,27,470	3, 110,070
chassis	149,385	161,660	1,381,918	1,794,742
Motor vehicle parts, except	2 77, 303	101,000	1,301,910	1,794,742
engines	54,304	68,472	556,154	722 025
Other motor vehicles				722,935
	67,831	81,006	487,073	696,348
Motor vehicle engines and	2/. 670	01 7/.1	2/./ 711	300 005
parts	24,678	21,741	246,711	289, 265
Aircraft parts, except	10.77			
engines	13,759	11,645	199,751	159,665

5. Preliminary Statement of Total Canadian Imports - January, 1970.

	Value in	Millions	Percentage Change
	1969	1970	1969-1970
			%
Month of January			
United Kingdom	57.3	54.5	- 4.9
Other C'wealth & Pref	37.2	38.3	+ 3.0
United States	850.8	777.0	- 8.7
Japan	30.1	49.6	+ 64.8
European Economic Community	51.4	51.9	+ 1.0
Latin America	45.0	50.1	+ 11.3
Other Countries	50.5	47.1	- 6.7
Total C'wealth & Pref	94.5	92.8	- 1.8
Total Others	1,027.8	975.7	- 5.1
Grand Total	1,122.3	1,068.6	- 4.8
			-

Note - Figures may not add because of rounding.

PRICES

Consumer Price Index The consumer price index (1961=100) for Canada moved up by 0.2% to 128.2 in January from 127.9 in December. The January 1970 index stood 4.6% above its corresponding level in January 1969. Of the seven main components, four increased, two decreased and one remained unchanged in the latest month. Among the indexes that registered increases, housing rose by 0.4% due mainly to increases in the home-ownership group while transportation moved up by 0.6% largely in response to seasonally higher train fares. The food and the tobacco and alcohol indexes each increased by 0.2%. A decline of 0.7% in the clothing index was associated with a number of mid-winter sales on apparel items. The recreation and reading index dipped by 0.1% reflecting lower prices for television sets.

The food index rose by 0.2% to 130.1 in January from 129.8 in December but was still 0.4% below its August 1969 peak. In the latest month, prices increased for both restaurant meals and food at home. Among food items consumed in the home, most meat items rose in price while many produce items and eggs registered declines. Beef was up 2.0% in the latest month and was 3.7% higher than a year earlier. Pork moved up by 1.3% since December, to a level some 9% higher than a year earlier. Chicken prices rose 3.6% in the latest month but were 3.3% lower than in January 1969. Among fresh produce items, substantial declines for lettuce, tomatoes, and a number of fresh fruits outweighed increases for potatoes, celery, and cabbage. With the exception of lettuce and potatoes, fresh vegetable prices were from 10 to 30% higher this January than last. Within the less volatile foods, prices of dairy products and fats were unchanged, while the price of bread registered a marginal decline. The January food index was 4.0% above its level of 12 months previous.

Consumer Price Index and Main Components (1961=100)

			Index		Per cent change		
	etia u aura	1970	19	69	Jan. 19	70 from	
	Component Weight(1)	January	December	January	December 1969	January 1969	
All-items	. 100	128.2	127.9	122.6	+ 0.2	+ 4.6	
Food	. 27	130.1	129.8	125.1	+ 0.2	+ 4.0	
Housing(2)	. 32	128.1	127.6	121.9	+ 0.4	+ 5.1	
Clothing	. 11	125.5	126.4	121.5	- 0.7	+ 3.3	
Transportation Health and personal		122.7	122.0	116.3	+ 0.6	+ 5.5	
care	. 7	136.8	136.8	129.5	660	+ 5.6	
reading	. 5	128.0	128.1	124.2	- 0.1	+ 3.1	
Tobacco and alcohol		126.5	126.3	121.3	+ 0.2	+ 4.3	

The all-items consumer price index converted to 1949=100 is 165.6.

(1) Component weights indicate the relative importance of item groups.

(2) This index is composed of shelter and household operation.

The housing index increased by 0.4% to 128.1 in January from 127.6 a month earlier. Higher mortgage interest rates and increased prices for new houses and repairs moved the home-ownership index up by 1.0%, while rents rose by 0.2% in the same period. The household operation index, by contrast, declined by 0.1% as lower prices for appliances, floor coverings and household textiles and supplies outweighed increases for furniture, utensils, parcel postage and domestic help. The January housing index stood 5.1% above its level of twelve months previous.

The clothing index declined by 0.7% to 125.5 in January from 126.4 in December due mainly to mid-winter sales. Among women's wear items, wool dresses, sweaters and winter coats each registered declines of 3% or more, while in men's wear, suits, slacks and sport shirts registered the largest decreases. Children's wear and piece goods components also recorded declines but footwear edged up by 0.1%. The January clothing index was 3.3% higher than a year earlier.

The transportation component increased by 0.6% to 122.7 in January from 122.0 in December. While gasoline prices moved up by 0.3%, the bulk of the increase in the latest month was attributable to seasonally higher train fares. Among local transportation items, bus fares increased by 30% in Halifax and taxi fares by about 19% in Winnipeg. The transportation index was 5.5% above its level of twelve months previous.

The health and personal care index was unchanged from its December level of 136.8. Minor increases were recorded for several personal care items. At its December level, the health and personal care index was 5.6% higher than a year earlier.

The recreation and reading index declined by 0.1% to 128.0 in January from 128.1 in December. Price decreases for television sets more than offset increases for phonograph records, cinema admissions and newspaper subscriptions. The recreation and reading index stood 3.1% above its level of twelve months previous.

The tobacco and alcohol index rose by 0.2% to 126.5 in January from 126.3 a month earlier. This latest price rise was attributable to a 4% increase for beer in Alberta. The tobacco and alcohol index was 4.3% higher than a year earlier.

Security Price Indexes The investors index of common stock prices (1956-100) decreased 2.5% to 195.0 in the four-week period December 30th to January 29th. Indexes for the three major groups decreased, with industrials, utilities and finance down 1.2, 5.0 and 5.8% respectively. Within industrials, indexes for eleven sub-groups decreased and two increased. Decreases occurred principally between the last two weeks of the month and ranged from 3.1% for both printing and publishing and industrial mines, to 6.8% for foods, with an exceptional drop of 11.1% in chemicals from last month. Textiles and clothing rose 6.5% and petroleum advanced 18.9% in response to possible changes in the United States oil policy. In utilities, all sub-groups registered losses ranging from 1.8% for gas distribution to 6.6% for pipelines. In finance, both banks and investment and loan decreased throughout the month, ending 5.8% lower than last month.

In the same period, the index of mining stock prices rose 2.2% to 113.5 as a result of a break in the downward trend for golds and base metals.

Of the two supplementary price indexes, uraniums dropped steadily and were 9.1% below their year-end level while primary oils and gas rose 6.6% to 231.1.

Wholesale Price Indexes¹ The price index of thirty industrial materials, calculated as an unweighted geometric average (1935-39=100), advanced 1.4% to 275.3 from 271.5 in the four-week period January 2nd to January 30th. Prices were higher for ten commodities, lower for six and unchanged for fourteen. Principal changes included increases for sugar, steel scrap, bleached sulphite pulp, steers, hogs, unbleached sulphite pulp, raw rubber, iron ore, and oats while decreases occurred for spruce lumber, raw wool, beef hides and tin.

In the same four-week period, the price index of Canadian farm products at terminal markets advanced 3.6% to 281.5 from 271.8. The animal products index moved 4.5% higher to 374.8 from 358.8 reflecting price increases for hogs, steers and lambs on both Eastern and Western markets, and for poultry in the East. Lower prices were shown for eggs on both markets, and for raw wool and calves in the West. The field products index moved up 1.9% to 188.2 from 184.7 on higher prices for potatoes, corn and wheat on the Eastern market and for rye, hay and flax in the West. Lower prices were shown for tobacco in the East.

⁽¹⁾ All 1969 indexes are subject to revision. For Canadian farm products, indexes subsequent to July 1968 are subject to revision as and when participation payments are announced for Western grain.

Weekly Security Price Indexes

	Number	Feb. 5/70	Jan. 29/70	Jan. 8/70
Index	stocks priced	This week	Week ago	Month ago
		(1956	=100)	
Investors price index	114	192.8	195.0	199.9
Industrials	80	204.3	206.8	210.3
Industrial mines	4	226.0	228.5	237.1
Foods	10	248.5	248.6	264.6
Beverages	7	315.8	318.4	322.1
Textiles and clothing	5	133.8	140.2	134.0
Pulp and paper	7	148.7	148.9	159.4
	4	804.0	818.1	847.4
Printing and pub	8	91.3	92.3	94.7
Primary metals	9	127.2	127.3	139.6
Metal fabricating				
Non-metallic minerals	4	111.4	115.4	119.5
Petroleum	7	186.9	190.8	166.3
Chemicals	4	87.9	87.0	95.5
Construction	4	64.8	65.2	71.5
Retail trade	7	243.0	248.8	264.8
Utilities	20	156.1	156.2	163.2
Pipelines	5	182.3	179.7	189.5
Transportation	4	204.5	210.2	218.9
Telephone	3	97.9	98.1	103.9
Electric power	3	116.5	115.5	120.8
Gas distribution	5	346.4	345.7	353.2
Finance	14	185.3	189.0	197.5
Banks	6	195.5	201.3	210.7
Investment and loan	8	164.9	164.6	171.3
Mining stock price index:	24	112.0	113.5	115.3
Golds	6	103.1	106.1	114.5
Base metals	18	116.9	117.6	115.8
Uraniums price index	4	131.0	130.5	141.9
Primary oils and gas	6	228.5	231.1	232.7

Railway Operating Statistics Twenty-four common carrier railways in Canada reported operating revenues of \$144.6 million in October 1969, up 5.2 per cent from the October 1968 figure, according to an advance release of data that will be contained in the October issue of the D.B.S. report, "Railway Operating Statistics". Railway operating expenses at \$127.3 million were 2.5 per cent over those of October 1968 resulting in a net income of \$17,222,715 compared to one of \$13,139,053 in the earlier year.

Railway Operating Revenues, Expenses and Net Income

	October 1969		
	Total 24 Railways	C.N.R.	C.P.
Operating Revenues Freight Passenger Payments Relating to	144,570,684 122,561,963 4,809,332	77,259,542 63,232,757 3,516,099	48,696,500 42,166,129 871,541
National Transportation Act	6,764,838	3,918,916	2,755,272
Operating Expenses Road and Equipment	127,347,969	68,679,204	45,605,840
maintenance Transportation	47,340,717 45,702,156	25,238,553 22,251,471	16,853,001 18,966,706
Net Operating Income	17,222,715	8,580,338	3,090,660
Operating Ratio	88.09	88.89	93.65

A total of 21.4 million tons of revenue freight was handled by railways in Canada during October 1969, a decline of 3.8% from October 1968. Although the average haul at 381 miles increased by 2 miles, ton-miles decreased to 8,161 million from 8,436 million. The average number of miles of road operated (first main track) increased to 44,152 miles from 44,110. Revenue passengers carried decreased 0.9% to 1,983,844, with commuter travel dropping 0.6% and non-commuter travel decreasing 1.8% from the earlier year. There was a decline in the average passenger journey of 9 miles from the year earlier figure of 84 in October 1969. Employment in the industry dropped to 118,103 persons from 121,692 persons in 1968.

Railway Carloadings Revenue freight loaded onto railway cars in Canada during the week ended January 31 totalled 101,420 carloads, down 2.1% from the total of 103,606 in the comparable January 22-31 period in 1969. Part of this decline results from the fact that the 1970 period included only 7 working days compared with 8 in the 1969 period. On a regional basis this decrease may be attributed to a 14.3% decrease in Eastern Canadian loadings to 61,733 while loadings West of the Lakehead were up to 39,687, an increase of 25.8%.

For the first 31 days of 1970 total carloadings were up marginally at 287,834 from 287,795 in the 1969 period. This rise is entirely attributable to Western Canadian traffic where loadings were up 15.1% to 107,543 while Eastern loadings were declining 7.2% to 180,291. Total tonnage loaded increased by 9.6% over the January 1969 total, obtained from another survey.

The following tables show carloadings and tonnages for total traffic and for piggyback traffic for the fourth week of January and for the year to date. Data is shown for 1969 only where comparable figures are available.

Railway Carloadings of Revenue Freight in Canada

			Year	East	West	Canada
10-day period end:	ing	g Janu.	ary 31			
All traffic	-	cars	1970	61,733	39,687	101,420
All traffic	-	cars	1969	72,067	31,539	103,606
All traffic	-	tons	1970	3,240,221	2,050,226	5,290,447
Piggyback traffic	-	cars	1970	3,523	2,052	5,575
Piggyback traffic	-	tons	1970	63,561	41,002	104,563
Year to date						
All traffic	-	cars	1970	180,291	107,543	287,834
All traffic	-	cars	1969	194,367	93,428	287,795
All traffic	-	tons	1970	9,609,628	5,552,811	15,162,439
All traffic	-	tons	1969			13,839,808*
Piggyback traffic	-	cars	1970	9,551	5,503	15,054
Piggyback traffic	-	tons	1970	175,091	110,992	286,083

^{* 1969} tonnage reflects traffic accounted for on a "received basis" during the month while 1970 figures were reported on a "forwarded basis". The impact of this change should not be greater than 1% or 2% on the figures shown.

EDUCATION

The number of full-time teachers and principals in public elementary and secondary schools in Canada for the school year 1968-69 was 236,467. This number represents an increase of 2.7% from the previous year and an increase of nearly 189% from the 81,889 recorded in the school year 1948-49. The greatest percentage increase over the previous twenty year period was in British Columbia (261%), fellowed by Ontario (251%), Alberta (229%), Quebec (174%), Newfoundland (160%), New Brunswick (138%), Manitoba (131%), Nova Scotia (118%), Prince Edward Island (109%) and Saskatchewan (60%).

The following table summarizes selected characteristics of the teaching force in eight provinces and the territories for the school year 1968-69. More detailed information will be available in the Dominion Bureau of Statistics publication, Salaries and Qualifications of Teachers in Public Elementary and Secondary Schools, 1968-69, catalogue number 81-202, to be released in May 1970.

Province	and the same of th	Number of Teachers		Percentage with Degrees		Median Teach-		Average	Median Salary		Median	Certificate from	
	1968-69	(1967-68)	Male	Elemen- tary	Secon- dary	Total	ing Experience	Tenure	Salary	1965-69	11967-681	Age	Another Province or Country
Newfoundland	6,206	(5,855)	36.7	11.5	53.3	21.6	4-9	1-8	4,436	4,516	(3,969)	25-9	4.2
Prince Edward Island	1,458	(1,397)	23.4	6.4	54.5	19.7	8-3	2-6	4,152	4,174	(4,110)	33-6	7.7
Nova Scotia	8,912	(8,487)	26.9	24.2	68.1	37.5	9-2	4-2	5,406	5,691	(5,350)	35-3	8.6
New Brunswick	7,537	(7,252)	28,0	14.1	56.6	27.2	7-6	3-9	4,743	4,774	(4,492)	30-7	6.1
Mani toba	10,819	(9,926)	36.5	15.6	74.3	36.0	6-3	2-3	6,189	6,345	(5,849)	30-4	11.5
Saskatchewan	11,489	(11,109)	38.3	14.2	66.8	32.5	7-6	2-9	6,009	6,433	(6,407)	36-10	11.5
Alberta	18,770	(17,492)	38.9	33.9	75.6	48.5	8-0	3-2	7,080	7,043	(6,014)	34-5	29.6
British Columbia	19,486	(18,272)	44.5	32.9	77.3	50.8	7-5	3-1	7,424	7,440	(6,961)	34-3	28.6
Yukon	194	(174)	33.0	26.4	81.5	41.8	6-4	1-6	8,965	8,570	(8,092)		
Northwest Territories	510	(468)	47.5	31.4	62.1	37.6	5-7	1-5	9,709	9,136	(8,156)		4 0 0
Indian Schools	1,248	(1,354)	29.9	21.8	66.7	22.3	8-8	2-9	7,031	7,238	(6,267)		
D.M.D. Overseas	521	(490)	39.7	33.2	92.3	46.4	7-7	1-4	9,609	7,765	(7,265)		

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Bachelor and First

Professional Degrees(1)

Agricultural Science

Architecture

Arts and Letters 516

University and College Graduates by Province, 1968-69

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Total

7.169

Ont.

Total

10.568

Man.

Total

1.511

N.B.

Total

Nfld. P.E.I. N.S.

Total

Total

1.023

Total

CANADA

Women

11.038

1,341

20,551

1,017

1,250

1,038

4,300

Total

25,769

Alta

Total

1,023

Sask.

Total

1.081

B.C.

Total

1.747

⁽¹⁾ The licence is included at the bachelor level.

The Labour Force Employment declined seasonally between December and January; the estimate for January was 7,499,000, down 213,000 from December. The unemployment estimate in January was 485,000, up 102,000 from December, a less-than-usual increase for this time of year. The labour force decreased by 111,000 to 7,984,000.

Following the tendency in the last half of 1969, the year-over-year increases in labour force and employment in January continued to slow down. Compared to a year earlier, the labour force was up by 93,000, or 1.2%. Employment increased by 75,000, or 1.0%. There were 18,000 more unemployed persons than a year earlier.

Advance Statement on Employment and Average Weekly Wages and Salaries indicate a decrease in the composite index of employment from November to December 1969. Among the industry divisions, manufacturing, construction and service showed declines, resulting generally from layoffs and absenteeism associated with the holiday season. All regions recorded decreases.

Seasonally-adjusted, the composite index of employment rose slightly. All industry divisions recorded increases with the exception of trade and service which showed declines. All regions showed rises.

Average weekly wages and salaries at the composite level fell from November to December. This decrease resulted mainly from short-time in the manufacturing, construction, and service industry divisions. All regions recorded declines.

November 1969 The unadjusted index of employment (1961=100) at 129.9 was slightly lower than the October index of 130.0 and was 3.3% higher than in November 1968. Seasonally-adjusted, the index rose 0.4% from 127.7 in October to 128.2 in November. Among the industry divisions, the largest percentage change was a 10.3% increase in mining. The gain in mining resulted mainly from the termination of industrial disputes in Ontario. Other changes were relatively small. All regions recorded decreases except Ontario which showed a rise and British Columbia where there was no change.

Average weekly wages and salaries at the composite level increased slightly from \$120.71 in October to \$121.41 in November. The largest changes among the industry divisions were increases of \$3.85 in forestry, \$1.25 in manufacturing, and \$1.61 in service. Other changes were relatively small. With the exception of Quebec which showed virtually no change, all regions recorded rises. These gains ranged from \$0.46 in the Prairie Region to \$1.67 in the Atlantic Region.

¹ Data subject to revision.

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		Emp	loyment i	ndex numb		Average we	akly wagas				
		Unadj	usted		Season	-	Average weekly wages and salaries				
Industry division					adjusted			2.1	**		
and province	Dec.	Nov.	Dec.	Nov	Dec.	Nov.	Dec.	Nov. 1969	Dec.	Nov.	
	1969	1969	1968	1968	1969	1969	1969		1968	1968	
Industry Division			(196	1=100)				dolla	rs		
Forestry		96.8	75.6	92.2	89.8	87.5		140.53	124.41	133.06	
Mining	111.5	111.4	108.3	109.7	114.2	112.5	153.99	153.36	141.82	145.15	
Manufacturing	123.4	126.4	121.4	124.0	126.3	125.8	122.58	127.18	114.92	118.70	
Durable goods	136.4	139,3	133.4	134.8	138.0	138.2	129.91	137.15	122.61	128.80	
Non-durable goods	112.9	115.9	111.7	115.3	116.8	115.7	115.41	117.48	107.50	109.14	
Construction	106.1	125.5	103.1	123.6	122.1	120.2	129.43	159.37	118.07	142.67	
Transportation, communica											
and other utilities		112.4	109.5	110.9	113.3	112.0		137.01	126.07	126.48	
Trade	145.6	144.9	139.8	137.9	138.1	138.8	94.97	94,90	89.04	88.27	
Finance, insurance and re											
estate	142.5	141.6	133.6	133.3	143.0	141.4	115.70	114.97	109.77	109.38	
Service	169.2	174.9	155.7	160.1	176.5	176.9	86.59	86.56	81.60	81.48	
Industrial composite	126.8	129.9	122.7	125.7	129.0	128.2	117.07	121.41	109.95	113.37	
Province and Region											
Atlantic region	117.6	121.0	114.3	119.1	120.5	118.3	97.34	100.84	90.39	92.18	
Newfoundland	116.8	122.4	113.5	121.6	123.1	118.1	107.47	111.28	97.81	100.56	
Prince Edward Island	129.5	137.9	137.5	149.7	132.0	128.4	78.24	80.43	73.80	71.61	
Nova Scotia	116.9	118.9	113.6	116.5	118.3	116.8	93.64	98.01	87.00	90.09	
New Brunswick	117.7	121.1	113.7	117.8	119.9	119.3	97.12	99.43	91.50	91.46	
Quebec	118.9	122.1	116.1	120.1	121.2	120.1	114.18	. 118.49	108.12	111.46	
Ontario	131.7	134.6	127.9	130.4	132.9	132.7	120.48	125.27	113.22	117.18	
Prairie region	125.9	128.5	121.2	123.6	128.4	127.8	111.83	114.84	104.91	106.94	
Manitoba	117.3	120.6	113.5	117.4	120.0	119.5	105.83	108.54	100.88	103.71	
Saskatchewan	115.2	117.4	117.5	120.6	118.1	115.4	108.42	110.57	103.17	104.32	
Alberta	137.6	139.7	129.2	130.1	140.5	139.8	117.34	120.91	108.56	110.42	
British Columbia	138.5	142.1	129.0	130.8	142.5	142.3	129.54	134.28	120.20	124.63	
Yukon		133.6	128.2	128.9		141.1		167.79	142.96	172.28	
Northwest Territories		120.3	98.6	105.2		128.3		173.66	164.05	169.08	
Canada	126.8	129.9	122.7	125.7	129.0	128.2	117.07	121.41	109.95	113.37	

. Figures not available.

Man-Hours and Hourly Earnings Advance estimates indicate declines in average weekly wages in manufacturing, mining and construction during December. Increases in average hourly earnings in all these industry divisions failed to offset the large drop in average weekly hours recorded in each, mainly because of short-time associated with the Christmas season.

Further industry and area detail for the month of December, other than that presented in the accompanying table, is not yet available. Complete industry and area detail for November will be published shortly in the Dominion Bureau of Statistics report "Man-Hours and Hourly Earnings", catalogue number 72-003.

Man Hours and Hourly Earnings, November 1969

	Aver	age We	ekly H	ours	Avera	ge Hou	rly Ea	rnings	Av	erage We	ekly Wag	es
Industry division and area	Dec. 1969	Nov. 1969		Dec. 1968	Dec. 1969	Nov. 1969		Dec. 1968	Dec. 1969	Nov. 1969	Oct. 1969	Dec. 1968
	All III	num	ber						dollars			
Industry division												
Mining including milling	40.0	41.3	41.9	40.0	3.52	3.41	3.30	3.22	140.95	141.01	138.52	128.72
Manufacturing	36.9	40.4	40.4	38.0	2.96	2.88	2.84	2.70	109.04	116.17	114.87	102.56
Durable goods	37.2	41.0	41.0	38.6	3.12	3.10	3.06	2.88	116.24	127.24	125.31	110.89
Non-durable goods	36.5	39.7	39.8	37.4	2.79	2.64	2.63	2.51	101.72	104.83	104.53	94.00
Construction	29.9	40.3	40.9	31.1	3.94	3.91	3.86	3.46	117.95	157.73	157.94	107.87
Building	28.6	39.1	39.2	29.5	4.10	4.09	4.00	3.57	117.10	159.94	156.55	105.27
Engineering	33.8	43.2	44.8	35.2	3.56	3.53	3.60	3.25	120.42	152.39	160.97	114.18
Manufacturing by region	E. 241											
Atlantic Region	35.3	40.5	38.8	37.4	2.57	2.31	2.31	2.20	90.66	93.53	89.46	82.30
Québec	37.4	41.2	41.5	38.0	2.64	2.56	2.54	2.43	98.92	105.57	105.56	92.26
Ontario	36.9	40.3	40.4	38.3	3.09	3.03	2.99	2.82	113.94	122.29	121.01	108.24
Prairie Region	36.8	39.6	39.9	37.7	2.92	2.82	2.78	2.59	107.52	111.95	111.02	97.54
British Columbia	35.5	37.7	37.1	36.5	3.60	3.60	3.56	3.36	129.74	136.01	132.34	122.62

The index number (1961=100) of average hourly earnings in electrical industrial equipment in November was 140.0.

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ABOUF

Cheques Cashed in Clearing Centres

one clearing centres in November

totalled \$63,315 million, 11.4% above the value for November 1968. Payments in four
of the five economic regions rose. The value of cheques cashed in the Atlantic

Provinces increased by 30.4%, in Ontario by 18.7%, in British Columbia by 15.4% and
in the Prairie Provinces by 8.2%. Quebec recorded a lower value of cheques cashed.

Of the fifty-one clearing centres, forty-two showed a higher value of cheques cashed. Payments in Toronto increased by 22.1% while Montreal showed a lower value of cheques cashed. Winnipeg increased by 5.9% and Vancouver by 14.7%.

The value of cheques cashed in the first eleven months of 1969 was 15.3% above the value for the same months of 1968. British Columbia showed an increase of 21.6%, Ontario, 20.6%; the Atlantic Provinces, 19.0%; the Prairie Provinces, 9.0% and Quebec, 7.9%.

The turnover ratio of current deposits (compiled on an annual basis) was 108.14 compared with 94.42 for November 1968. The turnover ratio of savings accounts was 2.68 in comparison with the 1968 ratio of 2.36.

CONSTRUCTION

16. New Residential Construction November dwelling starts in all centres of 10,000 population and over totalled 12,555 units; completions totalled 15,222, and there were 115,672 units under construction. January-to-November totals were: 158,122 starts and 146,373 completions.

CIGARETTES

Preliminary figures show that production of cigarettes during January came to 4,000,564,000. Sales were as follows: domestic, 3,367,483,000; ex-warehoused for ships' stores and embassies, 14,962,000; ex-warehoused for export, 28,955,000. The opening inventory was 2,577,386,000 and the closing inventory, 3,166,550,000.

MURDERS

18. Murders The annual DBS publication Murder Statistics measures changes in murder by three criteria; persons who commit murder (suspects or accused); number of murders (victims) and incidents where murder was committed.

This preliminary release accounts for only two of the three criteria and caution should be exercised in interpreting these figures.

	Incidents	Murders (Victims)
1967	238	281
1968	289	314
1969	312	337

New Motor Vehicle Sales Sales of new motor vehicles, in terms of units sold, declined significantly in December; the 61,127 cars and trucks sold that month represented a drop of 11.1% below the December 1968 figure of 68,776. The dollar value of sales in December stood at \$226,122,000, 8.2% below the comparable result last year. As in previous months, the decline was restricted to Canadian and U.S.-made models, sales of which fell by 13.9% in number and 9.7% in value. In comparison, sales of overseas-manufactured vehicles rose by 11.7% in units sold and 11.8% in value.

For the full year 1969, sales of new motor vehicles rose to a new high of \$3,309,845,000, 6.2% higher than the previous mark of \$3,115,789,000 recorded in 1968. However, the number of units sold increased by only 2.8%, from 889,453 last year to 914,146 in 1969. For Canadian and U.S.-made vehicles, the increase was 1.0% in terms of number of units sold and 5.0% in value of sales; overseas-manufactured vehicles, on the other hand, recorded a 15.4% growth in number of units sold and a 20.1% rise in the value of such sales.

Retail Trade Retail sales during December climbed to \$2,893,128,000, an increase of 7.9% as compared with results for the previous December. Increases were recorded in all trades but one (motor vehicle dealers), with the largest growth being found in general merchandise stores (+13.9%), department stores (+11.8%), grocery and combination stores (+10.3%) and drug stores (+9.4%). Sales of motor vehicle dealers registered their second successive decline in December, relative to the same month in 1968, with a drop of 1.6%.

Provincially, retail sales rose almost everywhere in Canada during the month; the lone exception was Saskatchewan, where business fell by 1.7%. The highest increases were recorded in Prince Edward Island (+16.3%), British Columbia (+12.6%) and Newfoundland (+10.6%).

For the year 1969, retail sales in Canada rose to \$27,065,253,000, 6.3% higher than the figure reported in 1968. All trades experienced increases in total sales for the year, with the greatest growth in department stores (+10.9%), general merchandise stores (+10.7%), grocery and combination stores and other food stores (+7.3% and +7.6% respectively) and men's clothing stores (+6.7%). Sales of motor vehicle dealers, one of the most important measurements of economic activity, rose by only 2.2% during 1969.

Retail Trade, Chain and Independent Stores, by Kind of Business

Canada

December 1969

	Chain	Independent	All stores		
Kind of business	store sales	store sales	Sales	December 1969 December 1968	
		\$'000		%	
Procery and combination stores	279,068	283,365	562,433	+ 10,	
All other food stores	9,983	77,131	87,114	+ 8.	
epartment stores	389,210	-	389,210	+ 11.8	
eneral merchandise stores	83,338	32,239	115,578	+ 13.	
eneral stores	9,818	85,378	95,196	+ 7.0	
ariety stores	78,191	17,559	95,750	+ 9.0	
otor vehicle dealers	5,787	302,591	308,378	- 1.	
ervice stations and garages	4,690	203,620	208,310	+ 6.	
en's clothing stores	12,747	45,688	58,436	+ 9.	
omen's clothing stores	25,788	34,583	60,371	+ 9.	
amily clothing stores	14,399	37,596	51,995	+ 5.	
hoe stores	19,376	17,980	37,356	+ 5.	
urniture, T.V., radio and appliance	10,180	40,280	50,460	+ 3.8	
stores	16,781	76,605	93,385	+ 1.8	
uel dealers	5,191	52,975	58,166	+ 1.	
rug stores	15,325	75,069	90,394	+ 9.	
ewellery stores	19,208	34,671	53,879	+ 5.	
all other stores	236,610	240,108	476,718	+ 10.1	
Total, all stores	1,235,690	1,657,438	2,893,128	+ 7.	

Retail Trade, Chain and Independent Stores, by Province

The state of the s				
Newfoundland	19,933	34.274	54.206	+ 10.6
Prince Edward Island	4,212	8.581	12,794	+ 16.3
Nova Scotia	38,967	62,618	101,588	+ 6.6
New Brunswick	28,593	38,977	67,568	+ 2.9
Quebec	259,850	451,444	711,292	+ 7.1
Ontario	522,294	631,469	1,153,763	+ 8.1
Minitoba	56,008	68,857	124,863	+ 7.8
Saskatchewan	39,195	64,131	103,328	- 1.7
Alberta	102,786	130.532	233,321	+ 8.4
British Columbia(1)	163.850	166,556	330,407	+ 12.6
Dilitish Columbia(1)	103,030	100,550	330,407	+ 12.0

⁽¹⁾ Includes Yukon and Northwest Territories.

Retail Trade, by Kind of Business - Seasonally Adjusted

Kind of business	December 1969	November 1969	October 1969	September 1969
		millions of	dollars	
Grocery and combination stores	517.6	537.8	512.1	514.3
All other food stores	81.9	80.2	78.9	77.8
Department stores	233.1	220.3	234.5	215.8
General merchandise stores	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
General stores	80.4	75.7	80.7	75.8
Variety stores	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
Motor vehicle dealers	328.6	365.3	386.3	398.5
Service stations and garages	209.3	206.7	198.8	204.4
Men's clothing stores	35.0	31.4	33.6	31.4
Nomen's clothing stores	41.1	38.1	38.3	40.0
Family clothing stores	31.0	28.4	29.5	28.3
Shoe stores	. 26.5	25.9	29.0	25.4
Hardware stores	36.2	36.2	36.0	34.5
Furniture, T.V., radio and appliance				
stores	77.0	71.0	75.0	77.4
Fuel dealers	37.1	32.9	36.1	34.9
Drug stores	68.7	67.0	65.4	64.6
Jewellery stores	20.0	19.2	15.1	21.6
All other stores	(2)	(2)	(2)	(2)
Total, all stores	2, 332.4	2,284.0	2,314.3	2,284.4

Retail Trade, by Province - Seasonally Adjusted

		MERNE		
Newfoundland	44.5	38.3	39.3	40.5
Prince Edward Island	10.4	9.8	9.8	10.1
Nova Scotia	77.8	75.1	77.7	81.1
New Brunswick	55.6	56.5	55.6	57.3
Quebec	589.5	571.0	587.8	585.4
Ontario	909.8	894.5	892.1	901.1
Manitoba	105.0	103.1	103.5	102.1
Saskatchewan	85.5	85.6	86.6	87.5
Alberta	185.7	191.7	184.3	181.9
British Columbia(1)	261.6	264.8	263.7	256.5

⁽¹⁾ Includes Yukon and Northwest Territories.

⁽²⁾ Not available.

- 21. Steel Ingots Steel ingot production for the week ended February 14, totalled 237,734 tons, an increase of 0.3% from the preceding week's total of 237,069 tons. The comparable week's total in 1969 was 216,215 tons. The index of production based on the average weekly output during 1957-1959 of 96,108 equalling 100 was 247 in the current week, 247 a week earlier and 225 one year ago.
- 22. Motor Vehicle Production

 January production of motor vehicles came to 103,328 units compared to 124,528 in 1969.

 Of this total, 24,321 were commercial vehicles (28,532 in 1969) and 79,007 were automobiles (95,996).
- 23. Gypsum Products In December, production of gypsum wallboard amounted to 63,527,580 square feet compared to 53,142,062 square feet in December 1968. This brought the total production for the year 1969 to 880,150,068 square feet (711,237,181 for 1968).
- 24. Steel Ingots and Pig Iron Production of steel ingots in January came to 1,036,031 tons compared to 986,844 in the 1969 month and 867,962 in January 1968. Pig iron production came to 788,147 tons (708,626 tons and 617,812 tons in 1969 and 1968 respectively).
- Particle Board December production of particle board came to 13,480,000 square feet (5/8 inch basis) compared to 14,343,000 square feet in December 1968. Production for the year 1969 totalled 171,087,000 square feet (143,235,000 in 1968).
- 26. Rigid Insulating Board December shipments of wood fibre rigid insulating board amounted to 47,769,686 square feet (1/2 inch basis) compared to 48,748,702 in December 1968. This brought the total for the year 1969 to 581,363,077 square feet (551,975,446 in 1968).
- 27. <u>Census of Manufactures</u> The following statistics represent a selection of those which will appear later in regular publications of the Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division.

Instruments and Related Products (S.I.C. 3811) % change 1968p 1967 Selected Principal Statistics 1966 1968/1967 127 + 9.5 Establishments No. 120 116 MANUFACTURING ACTIVITY 7,203 + 4.8 Production and related workers No. 6,275 6,873 Man-hours paid 1000 13,997 14,813 + 5.8 12,969 42,330 Wages\$1000 30,895 37,922 +11.6 + 1.8 Cost of materials and supplies\$'000 88,918 102,758 104,572 Value of shipments\$'000 200,475 226,742 246,270 + 8.6 Value added\$'000 114,460 123,243 144,482 +17.2 TOTAL ACTIVITY 12,124 12,603 13, 249 + 5.1 Total employees No. Total salaries and wages\$'000 71,808 81,224 89,366 +10.0 Total value added\$'000 129,920 140,761 161,649 +14.8

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	Monthly Shipments				
	Domestic	Export	Total		
	net t	ons of 2,000 pour	nds		
Ingots and semi-finished shapes	31,452	10,037	41,489		
Rails	21,463	17,512	38,975		
Wire rods	40,848	3,669	44,517		
Structural shapes:					
Heavy	38,394	5,091	43,485		
Bar-sized shapes	8,625	1,619	10,244		
Concrete reinforcing bars	34,116	11,248	45,364		
Other hot rolled bars:					
Flats	58,477(2)	7,526(2)	66,003(2)		
Tie plates and track material	7,435	1,357	8,792		
Plates (including plates for pipes					
and tubes)	99,448	5,154	104,602		
Hot rolled sheets	82,634	6,784	89,418		
Hot rolled strip	26,962		26,962		
Cold finished bars	5,512	25	5,537		
Cold reduced sheets and strip, tin					
mill black plate and tin plate	97,631	18,275(3)	115,906		
Galvanized sheets	38,847	5,564	44,411		
Totals	591,844	93,861	685,705		

⁽¹⁾ Producers! shipments excluding producers' interchange.

⁽³⁾ Includes 2,556 tons exported for conversion and return.

Major Appl	Major Appliances - November 1969				
29,	Total Canada sales	Exports	Stocks at end of month		
	mber of units				
Gas cooking stoves and ranges	3,274	-	4,579		
Electric ranges	27,689	215	53,699		
Electric wall ovens	564	-	1,792		
Electric drop in ranges	578		3,264		

AGRICULTURE AND FOOD

- January production of creamery butter came to 16,824,000 pounds compared to 16,222,000 pounds in January 1969, an increase of 4%. Cheddar cheese production climbed by 19% to 8,575,000 pounds from 7,178,000 last January and production of ice cream mix rose by 10% to 1,650,000 gallons from 1,496,000 gallons.
- Stocks of Dairy Products Cold storage holdings of creamery butter increased 59.1% in February to 82,173,000 pounds from 51,653,000 pounds at February 1, 1969. Stocks of cheddar cheese were down 2.4% to 79,120,000 pounds this year from 81,066,000 pounds while skim milk powder stocks decreased 36.1% to 136,501,000 pounds from 213,695,000 pounds on February 1, 1969. Evaporated whole milk stocks were up 24.7% to 38,104,000 pounds from 30,547,000.

⁽²⁾ Separate breakdown not available.

- 32. Honey Stocks of honey held by producers on December 31, 1969 stood at 28,061,983 pounds, 68.1% higher than the 16,696,400 pounds on December 31, 1968.
- Stocks of Meat Products

 Total meat in cold storage at the opening of the first business day of February 1970 amounted to 79,983,000 pounds as compared with 82,857,000 pounds last month and 54,496,000 pounds a year ago. The "out-of storage" movement for January 1970 was 2.9 million pounds as compared with a similar movement of 4.4 million pounds last year.

RELEASED THIS WEEK

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- 2. Foreign Ownership and Control of Canadian Industry, 1963-1966
- 3. Index of Industrial Production, December 1969
- 4. Domestic Exports, December 1969
- 5. Preliminary Statement of Total Canadian Imports, January 1970
- 6. Price Movements, January 1970 (62-001), 10¢/\$1.00
- 7. Security Price Indexes, February 5, 1970
- 8. Railway Operating Statistics, October 1969
- 9. Railway Carloadings, Week ended January 31, 1970
- 10. Teachers in Public Elementary and Secondary Schools, 1968-69
- 11. University and College Graduates by Provinces, 1968-69
- 12. The Labour Force, Week ended January 17, 1970
- 13. Employment and Average Weekly Wages and Salaries, December 1969
- 14. Man-Hours and Hourly Earnings, December 1969
- 15. Cheques Cashed in Clearing Centres, November 1969 (61-001), 20¢/\$2.00
- 16. New Residential Construction, November 1969 (64-002), 30¢/\$3.00
- 17. Production and Disposition of Cigarettes, January 1970
- 18. Murders, 1967-1969
- 19. New Motor Vehicle Sales, December 1969 (63-007), 20¢/\$2.00
- 20. Retail Trade, December 1969
- 21. Production of Steel Ingots, Week ended February 14, 1970
- 22. Preliminary Report on the Production of Motor Vehicles, January 1970 (42-001), 10c/\$1.00
- 23. Gypsum Products, December 1969 (44-003), 10c/\$1.00
- 24. Steel Ingots and Pig Iron, January 1970 (41-002), 10¢/\$1.00
- 25. Particle Board, December 1969 (36-003), 10c/\$1.00
- 26. Rigid Insulating Board, December 1969 (36-002), 10¢/\$1.00
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- 28. Net Shipments of Rolled Steel Products, December 1969
- 29. Stoves and Ranges, November 1969
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- 31. Stocks of Dairy and Poultry Products, February 1, 1970 (32-009), 20¢/\$2.00
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Preliminary Bulletins, 1968 Annual Census of Manufactures: Agricultural Implement Industry (42-202-P); Refractories Manufacturers (44-214-P); Manufacturers of Electric Wire and Cable (43-209-P); Office and Store Machinery Manufacturers (42-216-P); Glass Products Manufacturers (44-207-P); Model and Pattern Manufacturers (47-205-P), \$3.50 for annual series on manufacturing industries

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