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Prices and Price Indexes (Consumer Price Indexes for Regional Cities), November 1971 — Advance information

Note: A consumer price index for a particular regional city measures the movement in prices, faced by consumers, within the specified city. Thus, consumer price indexes for regional cities cannot be used to compare levels of prices between cities.

Between October and November, consumer price indexes increased in ten regional cities and city combinations, declined in one and remained unchanged in one other. The movements ranged from an increase of 0.9% in Quebec City to a decline of 0.1% in Saint John, N.B. Food indexes registered increases in all cities except St. John's, Nfld., and Saint John, N.B. The housing components rose in ten cities reflecting slightly higher rents and increased prices for many home furnishing items. The clothing indexes recorded increases in nine cities mainly as a result of price advances associated with the introduction of new winter lines. The remaining components registered mixed movements across the country.



CONSUMER PRICE INDEXES FOR REGIONAL CITIES OF CANADA

The indexes in both tables measure within 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. (1)

	All items	Food	Housing (2)	Clothing	Transportation	Health and personal care	Recreation and reading	Tobacco and alcohol
base 1961=100								
<u>St. John's</u>								
November 1971 index	124.4	119.5	120.6	135.8	121.6	139.6	115.5	145.4
October 1971 index	124.4	120.4	120.2	135.4	121.4	138.4	115.5	145.1
% change from October 1971	-	- 0.7	+ 0.3	+ 0.3	+ 0.2	+ 0.9	-	+ 0.2
% change from November 1970	+ 2.8	+ 2.0	+ 4.0	+ 3.6	+ 4.2	+ 3.1	- 1.5	+ 1.0
<u>Halifax</u>								
November 1971 index	127.4	128.5	122.8	128.5	122.1	147.7	139.4	129.4
October 1971 index	126.9	127.5	122.5	127.8	121.9	147.7	138.8	129.3
% change from October 1971	+ 0.4	+ 0.8	+ 0.2	+ 0.5	+ 0.2	-	+ 0.4	+ 0.1
% change from November 1970	+ 2.1	+ 0.7	+ 2.8	+ 1.9	+ 1.9	+ 2.6	+ 6.2	+ 1.4
<u>Saint John</u>								
November 1971 index	126.0	128.5	118.7	132.3	126.9	136.7	134.3	126.9
October 1971 index	126.1	129.1	118.6	132.3	126.7	136.4	133.7	127.1
% change from October 1971	- 0.1	- 0.5	+ 0.1	-	+ 0.2	+ 0.2	+ 0.4	- 0.3
% change from November 1970	+ 1.7	- 0.2	+ 2.0	+ 2.4	+ 4.8	+ 0.4	+ 2.5	+ 0.5
<u>Montreal</u>								
November 1971 index	127.7	129.6	119.6	128.3	129.3	133.5	142.7	132.6
October 1971 index	126.7	127.0	119.3	127.1	129.4	132.7	142.8	132.6
% change from October 1971	+ 0.8	+ 2.0	+ 0.3	+ 0.9	- 0.1	+ 0.6	- 0.1	-
% change from November 1970	+ 2.9	+ 5.1	+ 1.7	+ 2.1	+ 2.7	+ 0.4	+ 1.6	+ 3.4
<u>Ottawa</u>								
November 1971 index	132.3	133.3	126.8	133.7	132.3	145.9	139.0	135.0
October 1971 index	131.6	131.6	126.4	132.0	132.7	146.0	138.7	135.1
% change from October 1971	+ 0.5	+ 1.3	+ 0.3	+ 1.3	- 0.3	- 0.1	+ 0.2	- 0.1
% change from November 1970	+ 3.7	+ 4.8	+ 4.2	+ 1.4	+ 4.4	+ 2.5	+ 1.5	+ 2.4
<u>Toronto</u>								
November 1971 index	130.5	128.8	124.6	133.8	138.0	144.0	133.5	132.9
October 1971 index	130.2	128.1	124.1	133.4	138.2	144.1	132.7	132.9
% change from October 1971	+ 0.2	+ 0.5	+ 0.4	+ 0.3	- 0.6	- 0.1	+ 0.6	-
% change from November 1970	+ 2.5	+ 2.1	+ 2.5	+ 2.0	+ 4.5	+ 2.0	+ 3.4	+ 2.1
<u>Winnipeg</u>								
November 1971 index	130.0	130.5	119.2	138.5	134.1	157.0	136.8	130.0
October 1971 index	129.1	128.9	118.5	137.9	133.6	155.4	136.7	129.4
% change from October 1971	+ 0.7	+ 1.2	+ 0.6	+ 0.4	+ 0.4	+ 1.0	+ 0.1	+ 0.5
% change from November 1970	+ 2.4	+ 2.4	+ 2.3	+ 2.1	+ 3.2	+ 5.8	+ 0.2	+ 1.1
<u>Saskatoon-Regina</u>								
November 1971 index	124.9	132.3	115.7	131.3	123.1	131.6	130.8	123.0
October 1971 index	124.1	130.4	115.3	131.3	121.9	130.5	131.0	123.1
% change from October 1971	+ 0.6	+ 1.5	+ 0.3	-	+ 1.0	+ 0.8	- 0.2	- 0.1
% change from November 1970	+ 2.5	+ 4.5	+ 1.2	+ 1.6	+ 4.6	+ 2.4	+ 0.1	+ 0.7
<u>Edmonton-Calgary</u>								
November 1971 index	129.9	135.9	121.3	129.9	128.5	151.0	138.8	125.3
October 1971 index	128.9	132.8	121.1	129.5	128.3	150.7	138.4	125.3
% change from October 1971	+ 0.8	+ 2.3	+ 0.2	+ 0.3	+ 0.2	+ 0.2	+ 0.3	-
% change from November 1970	+ 3.0	+ 4.7	+ 1.6	+ 1.5	+ 5.2	+ 4.0	+ 2.3	+ 1.0
<u>Vancouver</u>								
November 1971 index	128.7	135.9	121.0	142.3	128.6	138.6	125.8	122.4
October 1971 index	128.0	134.0	120.7	131.7	128.5	139.7	125.8	122.4
% change from October 1971	+ 0.5	+ 1.4	+ 0.2	+ 0.5	+ 0.1	- 0.8	-	-
% change from November 1970	+ 3.9	+ 6.0	+ 2.0	+ 2.8	+ 4.0	+ 2.4	+ 0.5	+ 7.9
base 1969=100								
<u>Quebec City</u>								
November 1971 index	105.2	101.2	106.5	104.1	110.6	107.1	107.9	106.0
October 1971 index	104.3	98.3	106.5	103.4	110.9	107.2	107.8	106.0
% change from October 1971	+ 0.9	+ 3.0	-	+ 0.7	- 0.3	- 0.1	+ 0.1	-
% change from November 1970	+ 2.3	+ 1.8	+ 2.0	+ 0.9	+ 5.4	+ 0.6	+ 3.4	+ 4.6
<u>Thunder Bay</u>								
November 1971 index	104.9	105.5	103.5	105.1	107.4	109.9	107.6	101.2
October 1971 index	104.8	105.0	103.5	103.2	106.0	109.2	107.3	101.4
% change from October 1971	+ 0.1	+ 0.5	-	- 0.1	- 0.6	+ 0.6	+ 0.3	- 0.2
% change from November 1970	+ 2.4	+ 4.0	+ 1.6	+ 1.8	+ 3.2	+ 2.9	+ 1.6	- 0.2

(1) For inter-city indexes of retail price differentials refer to Table 13 of Prices and Price Indexes (62-002, 40c./\$4).

(2) Includes shelter and household operation

Employment, Earnings and Hours, September 1971 - Advance information

The advance estimates of the industrial composite index of employment, not adjusted for seasonal variations, declined slightly in September, but the seasonally-adjusted index rose. Among the industry divisions, the only appreciable seasonally-adjusted changes were increases in transportation, communication and other utilities and service and a decline in mining. New Brunswick and British Columbia recorded seasonally-adjusted increases while Newfoundland, Prince Edward Island and Saskatchewan had declines and the remaining provinces showed little change.

Average weekly earnings rose in September at the composite level, and in all industry divisions except finance, insurance and real estate and service, which had slight declines. Gains occurred in all provinces except Prince Edward Island.

Both average weekly hours and average hourly earnings rose in September at the Canada level for the three industries shown - mining, manufacturing and construction.

The August preliminary index of employment for the industrial composite (1961=100), not adjusted for seasonal variations, was 132.5, 2.0% higher than in July. Small declines occurred in forestry and finance, insurance and real estate, but all other divisions reported increases. Among the provinces, only New Brunswick declined.

Advance Release of Employment, Earnings and Hours, September 1971

<u>Industry division and area</u>	<u>Average Weekly Hours</u>				<u>Average Hourly Earnings</u>			
	<u>Sept. 1971a</u>	<u>Aug. 1971p</u>	<u>July 1971p</u>	<u>Sept. 1970</u>	<u>Sept. 1971a</u>	<u>Aug. 1971p</u>	<u>July 1971p</u>	<u>Sept. 1970</u>
	<u>Number</u>				<u>Dollars</u>			
<u>Industry division:</u>								
Mining including								
milling	40.9	40.1	39.1	41.1	4.07	4.00	4.02	3.75
Manufacturing ...	40.3	39.9	39.4	40.1	3.32	3.28	3.27	3.02
Durables	40.8	40.2	39.7	40.7	3.60	3.56	3.54	3.28
Non-durables ...	39.8	39.5	39.1	39.5	3.03	3.01	3.02	2.78
Construction	41.6	41.3	40.9	41.6	4.84	4.68	4.70	4.29
Building	39.2	38.4	38.4	39.1	5.01	4.86	4.87	4.48
Engineering	46.4	46.5	45.5	46.6	4.55	4.39	4.43	3.98
<u>Manufacturing:</u>								
Atlantic Region .	39.4	38.7	39.4	39.7	2.66	2.61	2.58	2.44
Quebec	40.9	41.0	40.1	40.8	2.90	2.87	2.88	2.70
Ontario	40.6	40.0	39.6	40.3	3.50	3.47	3.44	3.20
Prairie Region ..	39.1	38.8	38.9	39.2	3.27	3.27	3.27	3.02
British Columbia	37.7	36.8	36.7	36.6	4.25	4.16	4.17	3.70

a advance figures.

p preliminary figures.

Industry division and area	Employment Index Numbers										Average Weekly Earnings				
	Unadjusted					Seasonally-adjusted					Sept. 1971a	Aug. 1971p	July 1971p	June 1971p	Sept. 1970
	Sept. 1971a	Aug. 1971p	July 1971p	June 1971p	Sept. 1970	Sept. 1971a	Aug. 1971p	July 1971p	June 1971p						
Industry Division:															
Forestry	97.0	99.3	99.4	94.1	100.3	79.6	79.3	80.3	80.2	158.58	147.67	150.66	151.82	138.34	
Mining	116.6	120.9	120.4	120.1	117.2	116.9	118.0	116.3	116.8	181.18	174.89	172.02	172.25	166.31	
Manufacturing	125.0	125.4	120.8	124.6	123.7	122.5	122.5	121.0	121.9	146.72	144.13	143.42	144.45	133.78	
Durables	134.7	133.7	127.6	134.2	131.3	133.5	132.1	130.6	132.0	159.00	155.83	154.58	156.27	145.19	
Non-durables	117.2	118.7	115.2	116.8	117.6	113.9	113.9	113.0	114.4	135.23	133.40	133.35	133.40	123.85	
Construction	129.8	130.9	128.3	129.0	127.8	115.6	115.7	116.3	121.3	201.28	193.42	192.43	187.82	178.42	
Transportation, Communica- tion and Other Utilities	117.7	118.8	118.0	117.8	115.8	114.9	114.2	114.3	115.0	158.22	157.63	155.62	153.00	143.91	
Trade	142.0	139.8	137.9	141.1	139.5	141.8	142.0	140.1	141.0	110.12	109.97	111.49	109.59	101.28	
Finance, insurance and real estate	145.7	147.2	148.1	147.5	143.3	146.2	146.2	146.6	146.5	130.51	130.78	130.62	129.84	122.19	
Service	194.6	199.1	196.6	195.2	183.6	189.3	188.4	187.3	188.5	99.21	99.31	99.69	98.35	91.39	
Industrial Composite	131.9	132.5	129.9	131.7	129.6	128.8	128.4	127.6	128.7	141.10	139.22	138.74	138.06	128.96	
Industrial Composite:															
Atlantic region	127.4	129.2	129.6	129.0	124.9	121.1	119.7	122.4	123.8	116.07	113.61	113.28	112.80	108.36	
Newfoundland	135.3	139.1	137.9	139.4	131.3	123.6	125.6	127.6	130.6	127.38	125.18	124.68	121.52	121.45	
Prince Edward Island ...	152.1	157.5	154.8	148.8	152.6	134.6	137.9	138.3	137.5	88.60	89.36	90.12	88.19	82.57	
Nova Scotia	117.8	119.1	118.7	117.4	118.0	114.2	114.5	114.5	114.0	113.49	112.13	111.34	110.25	107.65	
New Brunswick	131.5	132.2	135.2	134.3	126.5	124.9	121.4	126.3	127.9	114.17	109.43	110.17	112.06	103.82	
Quebec	122.5	123.1	119.2	121.8	122.5	118.7	118.6	116.3	119.1	134.63	133.27	132.43	132.23	123.95	
Ontario	135.1	135.1	131.9	135.6	132.7	133.1	132.6	132.5	133.8	146.57	144.64	144.40	144.09	133.93	
Priarie region	131.7	133.5	132.2	131.5	129.0	127.9	128.3	127.1	128.0	133.88	132.74	132.54	130.91	124.83	
Manitoba	120.9	121.4	120.7	121.5	120.4	117.2	117.4	116.8	119.0	127.32	125.73	125.79	123.75	117.87	

.. figures not available

a advance figures

p preliminary figures

Government Finance — Revenue and Expenditure, Fiscal 1970 — Advance information

Preliminary data indicated that both the federal government and (as a group) provincial and territorial governments moved to surplus financing in their 1970 fiscal years from deficits the previous year. The federal government swung to a \$441-million surplus from a \$613-million deficit and the provincial and territorial governments to a \$24-million surplus from a \$201-million deficit. Local governments' deficits, however, increased substantially to \$1,397 million from \$589 million.

	Gross General Revenue	Gross General Expenditure (\$ millions)	Surplus
Federal Government, 1970 ..	14,527	14,085	441
1969 ..	12,039	12,652	-613
Provincial and territorial governments, 1970	12,122	12,097	24
1969	10,130	10,331	-201
Local governments, 1970 ...	6,889	8,285	-1,397
1969 ...	5,975	6,564	-589

Further information will be contained in the 1970 issues of: Federal Government Finance (68-211, 75¢); Provincial Government Finance (68-207, \$1); and Local Government Finance (68-203, 75¢). For immediate data, contact Governments Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0Z7.

Sales financing, 1970 — Advance information

Sales financing companies purchased 6.8% less retail sales paper in 1970 than in 1969 — \$1,801.6 million compared with \$1,933.5 million. Contributing to this decline in business was a 13% reduction in the financing of new and used passenger cars and commercial vehicles — \$1,101.3 million in 1970 compared with \$1,265.2 million in 1969.

Total outstanding balances of retail instalment paper held by sales financing companies at the end of 1970 reached \$2,249.1 million. These balances however included the holdings of some consumer loan companies which are engaged in this activity also, as well as some companies not covered in earlier years so a comparison with 1969 outstandings is not appropriate.

For further information, order the 1970 issue of Sales Financing (63-211, 50¢).

Weekly Railway Carloadings, December 7, 1971 — Advance information

Canadian railways loaded 34,274,407 tons of revenue freight in the 7-day period ended December 7. This was 9.5% more than in the comparable period of 1970. This brought the year-to-date total up 2.6%.

For further information, order the December issue of Railway Carloadings (52-001, 20¢/\$2).

Industrial Corporations Financial Statistics, Third Quarter 1971 -
Advance information.

Seasonally adjusted industrial corporation profit before income taxes was estimated at \$1,817 million for the third quarter of 1971. This was \$113 million or 6.6% more than the second quarter estimate of \$1,704 million. The manufacturing profit increased by \$48 million or 5.3% while that of mining industries decreased by \$3 million or 1.2%.

Unadjusted net profit (after taxes) was estimated at \$1,072 million, a decrease of \$49 million or 4.4% from the previous quarter. Compared with the third quarter estimates of 1970, profit rose by \$208 million or 24.1%.

Shareholders' equity increased by \$890 million or 2.0% over the second quarter of 1971 and by \$2,662 million or 6.1% from the third quarter of 1970.

Data on financial position, cash flow, balance sheet and income statement ratios and percentages, and seasonally adjusted data for nineteen items of the balance sheet and the income statement are also contained in Industrial Corporation Financial Statistics (61-003, \$1/\$4).

	1971		1970		
	Third	Second	Third	3Q71	3Q71
	Quarter	Quarter	Quarter	2Q71	3Q70
	(\$ millions)			%	
<u>Total, all industries*</u>					
Seasonally adjusted net profit	1,175	1,070	940R	9.8	25.0
Seasonally adjusted profit before income taxes	1,817	1,704	1,490	6.6	22.0
Sales	28,241	28,031	25,023R	0.7	12.9
Net profit	1,072	1,121	864R	-4.4	24.1
Current assets	41,188	40,217	39,124	2.4	5.3
Total assets	95,526	93,904	90,194	1.7	5.9
Current liabilities	21,981	21,640	21,252	1.6	3.4
Total liabilities	49,270	48,538	46,600	1.5	5.7
Shareholders' equity	46,256	45,366	43,594	2.0	6.1

- * 25 industrial groupings, excluding agriculture, fishing and trapping and construction
R Revised figures.

Inventories, Shipments and Orders in Manufacturing Industries, October 1971 -
Advance information

The preliminary estimate of manufacturers' shipments, seasonally adjusted, edged up to \$4,242.6 million in October. This was slightly more than the revised figure of \$4,203.8 million for September. (It should be noted that these figures, along with all newly republished figures back to December 1968, have just been revised relative to benchmarks established in the 1969 Census of Manufactures.)

The adjusted estimate of new orders declined to \$4,264.4 million from \$4,334.7 million; unfilled orders increased to \$4,814.6 million from \$4,792.8 million; inventory owned edged up to \$8,067.4 million from \$8,044.8 million; and inventory held reached \$8,546.1 million from \$8,468.5 million.

For further information, order the October issue of Inventories, Shipments and Orders in Manufacturing Industries, (31-001, 40¢/\$4).

	Not adjusted for Seasonal Variation					
	Oct. 71	Sept. 71	Aug. 71	July 71	June 71	May 71
	Preliminary	Revised	Revised	Revised	Revised	Revised
	(\$ millions)					
Shipments - Total .	4,390.7	4,463.6	4,033.4	3,747.5	4,395.5	4,156.3
New orders - Total	4,389.9	4,534.9	4,029.9	3,749.5	4,446.8	4,045.5
- Non-durable	2,242.7	2,286.1	2,163.5	2,031.1	2,258.8	2,143.1
- Durable	2,147.2	2,248.8	1,866.3	1,718.5	2,188.1	1,902.3
Unfilled orders						
- Total	4,754.6	4,755.4	4,684.1	4,687.6	4,685.6	4,634.3
- Non-durable	560.2	573.4	584.2	609.3	620.0	578.7
- Durable	4,194.4	4,182.0	4,099.9	4,078.4	4,065.6	4,055.5
Inventory owned						
- Total	8,023.9	7,993.4	7,993.7	7,945.8	8,007.0	8,036.2
Inventory held						
- Total	8,484.2	8,433.3	8,425.3	8,372.3	8,420.2	8,468.9
- Raw materials ..	3,328.3	3,313.4	3,315.5	3,283.9	3,230.5	3,217.9
- Goods in process	2,236.4	2,219.9	2,217.2	2,196.1	2,200.0	2,229.8
- Finished products	2,919.4	2,900.1	2,892.6	2,892.2	2,989.7	3,021.2
	Adjusted for Seasonal Variation					
Shipments - Total .	4,242.6	4,203.8	4,289.7	4,021.1	4,055.2	4,032.3
New orders - Total	4,264.4	4,334.7	4,267.2	3,993.5	4,130.3	3,961.2
- Non-durable	2,147.0	2,146.5	2,154.9	2,129.9	2,157.0	2,124.3
- Durable	2,117.4	2,188.2	2,112.3	1,863.6	1,973.3	1,836.9
Unfilled orders						
- Total	4,814.6	4,792.8	4,661.8	4,684.3	4,711.9	4,636.8
- Non-durable	577.1	579.6	592.8	598.8	587.7	558.9
- Durable	4,237.5	4,213.2	4,069.0	4,085.5	4,124.2	4,077.9
Inventory owned						
- Total	8,067.4	8,044.8	8,035.8	8,053.5	8,051.7	8,039.6
Inventory held						
- Total	8,546.1	8,468.5	8,442.6	8,458.2	8,451.2	8,455.1
- Raw materials ..	3,307.3	3,306.1	3,318.3	3,310.0	3,307.1	3,298.1
- Goods in process	2,258.7	2,212.2	2,204.9	2,220.1	2,192.2	2,197.1
- Finished products	2,980.1	2,950.2	2,919.4	2,928.1	2,951.9	2,959.9

NOTE: Figures may not add due to rounding.

Production and Disposition of Tobacco Products (Cigarettes), November 1971 - Advance information

During November 1971, 4,813,764,000 cigarettes were produced, up from 4,555,431,000 a year earlier.

Further details will be contained in the November issue of Production and Disposition of Tobacco Products (6507-774, \$5), No.60.

Refined Petroleum Products, October 1971 - Advance information

Canadian refineries produced 47,770,155 barrels of refined petroleum products in October, 17% more than a year earlier.

For further information order the October 1971 issue of Refined Petroleum Products (45-004, 30¢/\$3), or Energy Service Bulletin, Vol.6, No.62 (57-002, \$5).

Gas Utilities, October 1971 - Advance information

Canadian consumers purchased 74.8 billion cubic feet of natural gas in October, up 8.1% from 69.2 billion a year earlier. Exports rose to 76.9 billion cubic feet from 61.7 billion.

For further information order the October issue of Gas Utilities (55-002, 20¢/\$2), or Energy Service Bulletin, Vol.6, No.62 (57-002, \$5).

OTHER PUBLICATIONS RELEASED

- Summary of Foreign Trade, October 1971 (65-001, 10¢/\$1)
- Statistics of Private Business Colleges, 1969-1970 (81-213, 25¢)
- Quarterly Bulletin of Agricultural Statistics, April 1971 (21-003, \$4)
- Index Numbers of Farm Prices of Agricultural Products, October 1971 (62-003, 10¢/\$1)
- New Residential Construction, October 1971 (64-002, 30¢/\$3)
- Building Permits, September 1971 (64-001, 30¢/\$3)
- Productivity Trends in Industry, 1959-1969 (14-504, 50¢)
- Stocks of Frozen Meat Products, December 1971 (32-012, 30¢/43)
- The Wheat Review, November 1971 (22-005, 30¢/\$3).
- Stocks of Fruit and Vegetables, December 1, 1971 (32-010, 20¢/\$2)
- Chain Store Sales and Stocks, October 1971 (63-001, 10¢/\$1)
- Crime Statistics (Police), 1970 (85-205, \$1.50)
- Salt, October 1971 (26-009, 10¢/\$1)
- Cement, October 1971 (44-001, 10¢/\$1)
- Gold Production, October 1971 (26-004, 10¢/\$1)
- Productivity Trends in Industry (Petroleum Refineries), 1959-1969 (14-504, 50¢)
- Canadian Statistical Review Tape, December 1971 (\$150.)
- National Income and Expenditure Accounts, Third Quarter 1971 (13-001, 75¢/\$3)
- The Labour Force, November 1971 (71-001, 20¢/\$2)
- Iron and Steel Mills, 1969 (41-203, 50¢)
- Other Chemical Industries, 1969 (46-216, 50¢)
- Manufacturers of Plastics and Synthetic Resins, 1969 (46-211, 50¢)
- Fluid Milk Sales, October 1971 (23-002, 10¢/\$1)

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