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#### **Murders, 1961-1971 — Advance Information.**

An average of 222 persons, excluding police and custodial officers, were murdered in each of the seven years 1961 through 1967 when the death penalty was in force for such murders. The average for the following four years, when the death penalty did not apply, was 376. The actual figure for 1971 was 422.

The death penalty for murder, except for the killing of policemen and prison guards while on duty, was suspended Dec. 29, 1967, for a five-year trial period.

The comparable 11-year figures for police and custodial officers are 3.6 murdered annually before the trial suspension and 4 per year following. The greatest number in any year were the 11 murdered in 1962. Three such murders were reported for 1971.

A summary of revised statistics on the disposition of murder cases for the ten years 1961-1970 shows that an average of 10 murder cases per year were heard in juvenile court following the death penalty suspension, compared with 3 before 1968.

In adult courts, 72% of persons convicted of killing non-police persons after the law change, were found guilty of lesser charges than murder, compared with 61% in the earlier period. Where officers were the victims after 1967, 11 of 14 convictions were on lesser charges compared with 3 of 9 for the previous seven years.

Acquittals, other than for insanity, and charges dropped or dismissed decreased in the suspension period to 18% of persons charged with non-police murders from 22%.

Only one charge of murdering an officer was dropped in the 10-year period; no charges were dismissed and the only acquittals were for insanity.

About 9% of suspects in non-police murders after 1967 were found insane compared with 10% in the previous seven years; for police and custodial officers, 1 of 18 suspects (about 6%) was found insane for the later period compared with 7 out of 23 (30%) for the first seven years of the survey.

Further information will be published in *Murders Reported, 1961-1970*, and in *Murder Statistics, 1971* (85-209, 75¢). Additional advance information is available from Mrs. T. Bleszynski, Judicial Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0Z5 (613-994-5853).

#### **Consumer Price Movements, December 1972 (62-001, 10¢/\$1).**

The Consumer Price Index for Canada (1961=100) rose 0.7% to 143.3 in December from 142.3 in November. This latest increase was identical to that which occurred between these two months last year but exceeded the November to December advances of other recent years. Food prices rose 1.4% while the level of prices for all items other than food increased 0.4% mainly as a result of advances of 0.5% housing and 1.3% in the tobacco and alcohol component. The

transportation index rose 0.2% and the clothing, the health and personal care and the recreation and reading components edged up 0.1%. Between December 1971 and December 1972, the all-items index registered a 5.1% advance.

For further information, order the December issue of *Prices and Price Indexes* (62-002, 40¢/\$4), or contact Mr. B. Holliday (613-992-1538), Prices Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa, K1A 0V5.

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#### **Indexes of Real Domestic Product (Industrial Production), November 1972 — Advance Information.**

The seasonally adjusted index of industrial production increased by 0.9% in November to 201.6 from 199.8 in October. (The index level for October has been revised upwards by 0.3%). Mining, manufacturing and utilities all increased for the third consecutive month.

For further information will be provided in the November issue of *Indexes of Real Domestic Product by Industry* (61-005, 30¢/\$3).

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#### **Inventories, Shipments and Orders in Manufacturing Industries, November 1972 Advance Information.**

The preliminary, seasonally adjusted value of manufacturers' shipments was estimated at \$4,707.1 million for November 1972, 1.5% above the October estimate of \$4,637.5 million. Non-durable goods shipments were estimated at \$2,422.6 million, 2.8% above the revised October estimate of \$2,357.3 million, while those of durable goods remained practically unchanged at \$2,284.5 million.

Seasonally adjusted new orders dropped slightly to \$4,733.0 million in November, 0.3% down from the revised October value of \$4,745.0 million. Although durable goods new orders, estimated at \$2,324.4 million, decreased 1.5% from the revised October value of \$2,359.5 million, this was partially offset by a 1.0% increase in non-durable new orders to \$2,408.6 million in November, from the revised October value of \$2,385.5 million. Seasonally adjusted unfilled orders at the end of November rose to \$5,066.0 million, 0.5% higher than the revised estimate of \$5,040.1 million in October.

Seasonally adjusted total inventory owned increase slightly to \$8,488.9 million in November, from the revised October estimate of \$8,504.4 million. Total inventory held also eased up, with an increase of 0.6% in raw materials and decreases of 0.1% and 1.1% in goods in process and finished products. The seasonally adjusted ratio of total inventory owned to shipments was 1.80 in November and 1.83 in the previous month. The finished products-to-shipments

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Consumer Price Index and Main Components (1961=100)

	Component weight*	Index			Change	
		1972		1971	Dec. 1972 from	
		Dec.	Nov.	Dec.	Nov. 1972	Dec. 1971
					%	
All-items . . . . .	100	143.3	142.3	136.3	0.7	5.1
Food . . . . .	27	147.1	145.1	135.5	1.4	8.6
Restaurant meals . . . . .		177.2	175.6	165.6	0.9	7.0
Food at home . . . . .		143.1	141.1	131.5	1.4	8.8
Housing . . . . .	32	146.8	146.1	139.8	0.5	5.0
Shelter . . . . .		163.1	161.9	153.5	0.7	6.3
Household operation . . . . .		124.8	124.8	121.5	-	2.7
Clothing . . . . .	11	135.1	134.9	131.1	0.1	3.1
Transportation . . . . .	12	133.4	133.1	131.5	0.2	1.4
Health and Personal Care . . . . .	7	151.8	151.6	146.1	0.1	3.9
Recreation and Reading . . . . .	5	141.4	141.3	136.3	0.1	3.7
Recreation . . . . .		133.2	133.1	129.2	0.1	3.1
Reading . . . . .		166.1	165.8	157.5	0.2	5.5
Tobacco and Alcohol . . . . .	6	134.7	133.0	129.7	1.3	3.9
Tobacco . . . . .		145.4	141.5	138.2	2.8	5.2
Alcohol . . . . .		127.4	127.3	123.9	0.1	2.8
<b>Supplementary Classification</b>						
All-items . . . . .	100	143.3	142.3	136.3	0.7	5.1
Total commodities . . . . .	70	133.9	132.9	127.6	0.8	4.9
Food . . . . .	27	147.1	145.1	135.5	1.4	8.6
Non-durables (excl. food) . . . . .	31	131.8	131.4	128.0	0.3	3.0
Durables** . . . . .	12	109.2	109.0	108.6	0.2	0.6
Total services . . . . .	30	165.0	164.1	156.3	0.5	5.6
Purchasing power of the 1961 consumer dollar . . . . .	-	0.70	0.70	0.73		
All-items Consumer Price Index converted to 1949=100 . . . . .						185.1

\* Component weights indicate the relative importance of item groups.

\*\* Includes such items as new passenger cars, refrigerators, stoves, vacuum cleaners, sewing machines, television and radio sets, furniture, floor coverings, and dishes.

Note: For comprehensive detail on these and other price statistics, see *Prices and Price Indexes* (62-002, 40¢/\$4).

ratio dropped to 0.65 in November from 0.67 in October.

Not adjusted for seasonal variation, Canadian manufacturers' estimated shipments were \$4,927.0 million for November, 1.3% more than the revised October estimate of \$4,864.3 million. Shipments for the first 11 months of 1972 were estimated at \$49,207.7 million, up 9.5% from the previous year's corresponding estimate of \$44,953.3 million.

For further information, order the November issue of *Inventories, Shipments and Orders in Manufacturing Industries* (31-001, 40¢/\$4), or contact Mr. H.D. Wightman (613-992-7371), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

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**Mineral Production, November 1972 - Advance Information.**

The value of gold production was \$5,943,317 in November 1972, calculated at the average price paid by the Royal Canadian Mint, as compared to \$6,624,599 in November 1971.

Production decreased to 158,446 troy ounces in November 1972 from 188,571 troy ounces a year earlier. This brought the year-to-date output to 1,867,566 troy ounces from 2,039,631 troy ounces reported last year.

Production of silver increased to 5,105,950 troy ounces from 3,608,672 troy ounces in November 1971. This brought the eleven months output to 43,263,972 from 41,824,585 troy ounces a year earlier.

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**Indexes of Industrial Production**  
(1961=100)  
(Seasonally Adjusted)

	1961 percentage weight	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	% change
<b>Index of Industrial Production</b> . . . . .	<b>32.415</b>	<b>195.4</b>	<b>199.8</b>	<b>201.6</b>	<b>0.9</b>
<b>Mines (including milling), quarries and oil wells</b> . . . . .	<b>4.564</b>	<b>192.8</b>	<b>210.0</b>	<b>215.1</b>	<b>2.4</b>
Metal mines . . . . .	2.484	144.2	162.2	168.6	3.9
Mineral fuels . . . . .	1.281	300.7	325.9	331.2	1.6
Non-metal mines except coal mines . . . . .	0.377	205.9	209.6	216.2	3.1
<b>Manufacturing</b> . . . . .	<b>24.943</b>	<b>191.9</b>	<b>193.7</b>	<b>194.7</b>	<b>0.5</b>
Non-durable manufacturing . . . . .	13.933	171.4	171.8	172.1	0.2
Foods and beverages . . . . .	3.605	158.0	160.2	159.8	-0.2
Tobacco products industries . . . . .	0.220	127.1	132.4	132.5	0.1
Rubber industries . . . . .	0.419	206.7	201.7	205.8	2.0
Leather industries . . . . .	0.308	88.0	83.9	88.8	5.8
Textile industries . . . . .	0.919	200.4	201.8	203.1	0.6
Knitting mills . . . . .	0.218	176.2	176.1	174.8	-0.7
Clothing industries . . . . .	0.862	136.3	136.4	136.7	0.2
Paper and allied industries . . . . .	2.701	151.1	155.0	152.4	-1.7
Printing, publishing and allied industries . . . . .	1.346	136.5	139.2	137.9	-0.9
Petroleum and coal products industries . . . . .	0.737	188.0	182.4	188.5	3.3
Chemical and chemical products industries . . . . .	1.751	229.0	221.1	222.7	0.7
Miscellaneous manufacturing industries . . . . .	0.847	241.6	244.7	248.8	1.7
Durable manufacturing . . . . .	11.010	217.9	221.5	223.2	0.8
Wood industries . . . . .	1.114	184.7	185.3	186.0	0.4
Furniture and fixtures industries . . . . .	0.450	203.5	205.7	205.4	-0.1
Primary metal industries . . . . .	2.207	192.4	199.0	200.7	0.9
Metal fabricating industries (except machinery and transportation equipment industries) . . . . .	1.835	200.5	205.7	205.0	-0.3
Machinery industries (except electrical machinery) . . . . .	0.981	232.5	230.6	225.9	-2.0
Transportation equipment industries . . . . .	1.981	295.8	306.5	317.9	3.7
Electrical products industries . . . . .	1.560	219.6	221.0	218.5	-1.1
Non-metallic mineral products industries . . . . .	0.882	172.7	164.3	165.4	0.7
<b>Electric Power, Gas and Water</b> . . . . .	<b>2.908</b>	<b>229.2</b>	<b>236.4</b>	<b>239.6</b>	<b>1.4</b>

Production of refined lead increased to 18,667 tons from 16,908 tons, bringing the eleven months output to 192,518 from 173,091 tons a year earlier.

Production of refined zinc increased to 45,678 tons from 39,986 tons and year-to-date output to 475,565 from 369,286.

Production of primary copper increased to 72,895 tons from 65,739 tons in November 1971. This brought the eleven months output to 707,477 tons from 652,158 tons a year earlier.

Production of primary nickel decreased to 22,446 tons from 25,572 tons in November 1971. This brought the eleven months output to 234,386 tons from 268,995 tons a year earlier.

For further information, order the November issues of *Silver, Lead and Zinc Production* (26-008, 10¢/\$1), and *Gold Production* (26-004, 10¢/\$1), and *Copper and Nickel Production* (26-003, 10¢/\$1); or contact Mr. A.J. Symons, Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa, K1A 0V6 (613-992-0491).

**Gas Utilities, November 1972 - Advance Information.**

Canadian consumers purchased 107.3 billion cubic feet of natural gas in November up 17.3% from 91.5

billion a year earlier. Exports rose to 85.6 billion cubic feet from 80.1 billion.

For further information order the November issue of *Gas Utilities* (55-002, 20¢/\$2), or *Energy Service Bulletin*, Vol. 7, No. 5 (57-002, \$3), or contact A.J. Côté, Energy and Minerals Section, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6 (613-992-4021).

**Crude Petroleum and Natural Gas Production, October 1972 - Advance Information.**

Crude petroleum production for the month of October reached 1.84 million barrels per day, up 27.2% from 1.44 million in October 1971.

Natural gas production for the same period averaged 9.31 billion cubic feet per day, an increase of 25.3% from 7.43 billion in the previous year.

For further information, order the October issue of *Crude Petroleum and Natural Gas Production* (26-006, 20¢/\$2) or *Energy Service Bulletin* Vol. 8, No. 5 (57-002, \$3 a year), or contact Mr. A.J. Côté, Energy and Minerals Section, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6 (613-992-4021).

# Estimated Value of Shipments, Inventories and Orders in All Manufacturing Industries

	Not Adjusted for Seasonal Variation			
	Nov. 1972P	Oct. 1972†	Sept. 1972	Nov. 1971
	(\$ million)			
Shipments - Total	4,927.0	4,864.3	4,737.0	4,412.5
New Orders:				
- Total	4,927.9	4,941.5	4,754.7	4,391.7
- Non-Durable	2,496.9	2,524.2	2,454.4	2,328.4
- Durable	2,431.1	2,417.4	2,300.3	2,063.2
Unfilled Orders:				
- Total	4,973.4	4,972.5	4,895.3	4,690.3
- Non-Durable	646.8	657.9	642.5	574.9
- Durable	4,326.6	4,314.6	4,252.8	4,115.5
Inventory Owned - Total	8,463.8	8,457.3	8,405.5	8,099.6
Inventory Held - Total	8,945.0	8,933.9	8,889.0	8,566.8
Raw Materials	3,560.3	3,534.2	3,489.2	3,366.6
Goods in Process	2,379.0	2,370.4	2,363.4	2,253.0
Finished Products	3,005.7	3,029.3	3,036.3	2,947.1
	Adjusted for Seasonal Variation			
Shipments - Total	4,707.1	4,637.5	4,561.6	4,262.4
New Orders:				
- Total	4,733.0	4,745.0	4,635.9	4,267.0
- Non-Durable	2,408.6	2,385.5	2,352.8	2,264.0
- Durable	2,324.4	2,359.5	2,283.1	2,003.0
Unfilled Orders:				
- Total	5,066.0	5,040.1	4,932.6	4,774.3
- Non-Durable	666.1	680.1	651.9	592.8
- Durable	4,399.9	4,360.0	4,280.7	4,181.5
Inventory Owned - Total	8,488.9	8,504.4	8,456.3	8,123.9
Inventory Held - Total	8,979.2	8,994.7	8,926.7	8,603.8
Ratio of Total Inventory Owned to Shipments	1.80	1.83	1.85	1.91
Ratio of Finished Products to Shipments	0.65	0.67	0.68	0.70

Note: Figures may not add due to rounding.

## Estimated Value of Shipments of Own Manufacture by Province and Origin

	Not Seasonally Adjusted					
	Nov. 1972P	Oct. 1972†	% change	Jan.-Nov. 1972P	Jan.-Nov. 1971	% change
	(\$ million)					
Newfoundland	27.0	26.6	1.5	267.1	234.7	13.8
Nova Scotia	70.9	68.2	4.0	773.9	687.3	12.6
New Brunswick	79.6	78.9	0.9	781.9	697.7	12.1
Quebec	1,318.6	1,328.7	-0.8	13,218.9	12,442.0	6.2
Ontario	2,639.3	2,575.7	2.5	26,033.5	23,601.6	10.3
Manitoba	131.0	126.1	3.9	1,332.0	1,205.6	10.5
Saskatchewan	53.1	54.1	-1.8	582.2	563.1	3.4
Alberta	195.2	193.9	0.7	2,052.9	1,796.4	14.3
British Columbia	407.2	406.6	0.1	4,100.0	3,660.4	12.0
Canada*	4,927.0	4,864.3	1.3	49,207.7	44,953.3	9.5

\* Included Prince Edward Island, the Yukon and the Northwest Territories. P Preliminary figures. † Revised figures.

## Radio & Television Receiving Sets November 1972 - Advance Information.

Manufacturers sold 55,838 Canadian-made colour television sets on the domestic market in November 1972, and 25,345 black-and-white sets. A year earlier, their sales were 50,634 and 28,258.

For further information, order the November issue of *Radio and Television Receiving Sets* (43-004, 204/\$2), or contact Mr. J.S. More (613-992-1853), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.



# **Statistical Report on the Operation of the Unemployment Insurance Act, November 1972 - Advance Information.**

A total of 266,000 initial and renewal claims for unemployment insurance benefit were received in November. This was 67,000 or 34% more than in the previous month and up 16,000 or 6% from a year earlier.

At the end of November, 765,000 claimants were registered for unemployment insurance benefit, up 56,000 or 8% from the October count. On November 30, 1971, there were 538,000 claimants.

Benefit paid to claimants in November increased to \$144 million, 4% more than the \$138 million disbursed in October. In November 1971, the expenditure was \$69 million.

Province	Initial and Renewal Claims Received			Claimants <sup>a</sup> Reporting to District Offices			Benefit Paid <sup>b</sup> (\$000)		
	Nov. 1972	Oct. 1972	Nov. 1971	Nov. 30 1972	Oct. 31 1972	Nov. 30 1971	Nov. 1972	Oct. 1972	Nov. 1971
Newfoundland . . . . .	10,917	7,611	11,629	32,750	27,357	19,499	5,113	4,571	1,952
Prince Edward Island . . . . .	2,517	1,769	2,512	5,816	4,153	2,729	722	550	243
Nova Scotia . . . . .	11,395	8,453	11,286	34,512	30,240	22,315	5,375	5,156	2,717
New Brunswick . . . . .	10,338	8,612	11,220	34,844	29,445	21,828	5,129	4,702	2,345
Quebec . . . . .	78,094	55,146	69,398	230,904	216,303	163,602	44,716	43,435	20,366
Ontario . . . . .	80,270	64,168	72,899	230,953	230,188	170,813	46,917	46,339	24,699
Manitoba . . . . .	12,510	8,270	12,113	28,991	24,500	22,647	4,866	4,410	2,710
Saskatchewan . . . . .	10,302	6,307	9,472	22,464	17,641	14,380	3,461	2,911	1,660
Alberta . . . . .	18,271	13,496	17,171	47,851	42,866	32,666	8,129	7,777	3,990
British Columbia . . . . .	31,641	25,047	32,762	95,532	85,595	67,730	19,294	18,182	8,749
Outside Canada . . . . .	79	75	73	223	254	86	41	32	19
<b>Canada . . . . .</b>	<b>266,334</b>	<b>198,954</b>	<b>250,535</b>	<b>764,840</b>	<b>708,542</b>	<b>538,295</b>	<b>143,763</b>	<b>138,064</b>	<b>69,450</b>

<sup>a</sup> These figures are overstated by 20% to 25% in terms of active files. If a claimant does not report due to becoming re-employed, a period of 5 weeks is allowed to elapse before his claim is transferred to the inactive file.

<sup>b</sup> May not add to "Canada" totals due to rounding.

For further information, order the November, 1972 issue of *Statistical Report on the Operation of the Unemployment Insurance Act* (73-001, 20¢) or contact Mr. George Fincham, Labour Division, Statistics Canada, K1A 0V1 (613-992-7461).

## **Household Facilities and Equipment May 1972 (64-202, 50¢).**

Possession of colour television sets and F.M. radios by Canadian households increased more than any other household facilities between May 1971 and May 1972. Households with colour T.V. sets increased to 24.2% of the total from 18.4% and 62.4% had F.M. radios compared to 57.6% a year earlier.

In 1972, data were collected on several new items - adult-size bicycles (27.9%), pianos (13.3%), portable humidifiers (13.4%), snow blowers (4.6%), and wall-to-wall carpeting (1 room - 19.7%, 2 rooms - 11.9%, 3 or more rooms - 15.0%).

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## **New Motor Vehicle Sales, November 1972 - Advance Information.**

November unit sales of new motor vehicles increased 14.8% to 97,653 from 85,065 units a year earlier. This brought the cumulative sales estimate for the year to date to 992,104 units. Unit sales of passenger cars increased from November 1971 by 12.1% and of commercial vehicles by 27.1%. In dollar value, November 1972 sales increased 21.6% to \$402.1 million from the \$330.8 million reported a year earlier.

Dollar sales of Canadian and U.S. passenger cars increased 17.9% to (\$245.9 million) and commercial vehicles 32.1% (to \$99.9 million), while sales of overseas passenger cars were up 17.4% (to \$50.8 million) and commercial vehicles 62.2% (to \$5.5 million). The average unit price of Canadian and U.S. passenger cars for November was \$3,980, up 4.5% from \$3,808 a year earlier. For overseas manufactured passenger cars, the average unit price rose 7.2% to \$3,057.

Seasonally adjusted, November 1972 unit sales of new motor vehicles decreased 0.3% from the previous month's sales but increased 14.0% over the sales of November 1971. The decrease from the previous month was attributable to a decline in seasonally adjusted unit sales of passenger cars as Canadian and U.S. car sales dropped 1.3% while overseas car sales dropped 2.6%.

Full details will be provided in *New Motor Vehicle Sales*, November 1972 (63-007, 20¢/\$2).

## **Data from 1971 Post-Census Agriculture Survey (96-735, \$1.50).**

Canada's farm buildings were valued at \$6.5 billion in July 1971. This was about one-third of the total farm real estate value. Farmers' 1970 expenditures on new residential construction were estimated at \$298 (continued)

million, and on non-residential construction \$216 million. In addition, \$51 million were spent on repairs to farm houses, and \$68 million on repairs to other farm buildings.

For farm equipment and machinery, \$478 million were spent on purchases in 1970, and \$209 million on repairs and maintenance.

Other major operating expenses included purchase of feed (\$526 million), diesel fuel (\$92 million), seed (\$86 million) and insurance premiums (\$62 million).

In July 1971, there were 283,000 diesel tractors on Canadian farms, 180,000 grain combines, and 62,000 upright silos (95% of which were in Quebec and Ontario).

#### Summary of Exports, November 1972 - Advance Information.

The value of total exports increased to \$2,021 million in November 1972 from \$1,623 million a year earlier. January-to-November total exports rose to \$18,163 million from \$16,202 million.

#### Domestic Exports

	November		January-to-November	
	1971	1972	1971	1972
	\$ millions			
<b>Selected Countries</b>				
United States	1,082.8	1,335.2	10,685.0	12,325.3
United Kingdom	102.3	123.5	1,222.5	1,180.4
Japan	84.8	111.4	748.8	879.1
Germany, West	24.7	28.7	289.0	273.8
Netherlands	22.8	14.4	207.4	225.1
People's Republic of China	18.5	51.1	193.8	223.6
Belgium and Luxembourg	17.7	27.3	166.4	177.7
Italy	16.2	21.0	195.2	176.9
Australia	14.6	15.8	166.2	144.2
Norway	15.2	13.0	163.8	141.4
France	11.5	14.6	142.1	135.6
Venezuela	9.2	18.1	110.7	131.2
India	20.0	12.7	119.4	87.8
<b>All Countries</b>	<b>1,578.9</b>	<b>1,978.8</b>	<b>15,818.1</b>	<b>17,721.7</b>

Further information will be contained in *Summary of Exports* (65-002, 20¢/\$2).

#### Domestic Exports by Stage of Fabrication

	Total		Crude materials		Fabricated materials		End products	
	1971	1972	1971	1972	1971	1972	1971	1972
	\$ millions							
<b>All Countries</b>								
November	1,578.9	1,978.8	426.2	551.2	517.3	644.2	635.3	783.4
January-to-November	15,818.1	17,721.7	4,230.3	4,700.1	5,535.3	6,164.3	6,052.5	6,857.3
<b>United States</b>								
November	1,082.8	1,335.2	175.1	221.1	352.8	449.2	554.9	664.9
January-to-November	10,685.0	12,325.3	1,830.6	2,115.5	3,665.5	4,326.5	5,188.9	5,883.4

*Sums of rounded components may not add to rounded totals.*

#### Fertilizer Use, 1971 Census of Agriculture (96-726, 75¢).

Canadian farmers spent \$131 million on commercial fertilizer in 1970. Only 39% of all Canadian farms reported using fertilizer in 1971, and they covered 17 million acres - 22% of the total area devoted to crops and improved pasture.

Of the \$131 million, Ontario spent 41%, Alberta 18%, Quebec 17%, Manitoba 8%, Saskatchewan 5% and British Columbia 4%.

Of the 17 million commercially fertilized acres, Alberta had 5.6 million, Saskatchewan 3.7 million, Ontario 3.1 million, Manitoba 2.9 million and Quebec 1.2 million.

#### Hospital Statistics, Preliminary Annual Report, 1971 - Advance Information.

There were 1,271 general and allied special hospitals in operation in 1971, 9 more than in 1970. As a result, rated bed capacity increased 1.5% to 151,185 from 148,920, or to 8.0 per 1,000 population.

Public general hospitals, the single largest group, experienced an occupancy rate of 80.0%, only slightly above the 79.6% rate reported in 1970. Average length of stay decreased to 9.9 from 10.1 days. These hospitals employed (excluding medical staff) 265,575 persons, a 2.7% increase over 1970. Paid hours of work per patient-day remained unchanged at 14.1.

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In 1971, total operating expense for public general and allied special hospitals increased to \$2,517,754,000, up 12.0% from 1970.

The cost per patient-day of public general hospitals increased 9.8% to \$65.57 from \$59.74,

somewhat less than the 11.2% increase experienced between 1969 and 1970. Gross salaries and wages represented 70.3% of these costs.

For further information, order *Hospital Statistics, Preliminary Annual Report, 1971* (83-217, 75¢).

#### Summary of Imports, November 1972 - Advance Information.

During November Canada's imports increased to a value of \$1,812 million from \$1,532 million a year earlier and \$1,196 million in the same month of 1970. Imports for the eleven months increased to \$17,167 million in 1972 versus \$14,284 million in 1971 and \$12,906 million in 1970.

	November		January to November	
	1971	1972	1971	1972
	\$ millions			
<b>Selected Countries</b>				
United States . . . . .	1,005.0	1,235.3	10,033.3	11,782.0
Japan . . . . .	111.0	124.8	719.3	1,031.5
United Kingdom . . . . .	92.4	89.2	768.7	876.0
Germany, West . . . . .	48.6	55.3	392.0	478.7
Venezuela . . . . .	38.7	34.8	357.0	382.7
France . . . . .	23.2	21.2	195.8	232.6
Italy . . . . .	17.3	19.3	145.9	190.2
Australia . . . . .	11.3	23.0	110.7	177.8
Sweden . . . . .	12.6	15.2	105.5	131.2
Hong Kong . . . . .	9.3	12.6	72.2	97.4
Switzerland . . . . .	7.9	8.8	78.4	94.0
Netherlands . . . . .	8.5	7.2	69.5	83.3
Mexico . . . . .	5.3	4.0	46.3	47.7
<b>All Countries</b> . . . . .	<b>1,531.6</b>	<b>1,811.5</b>	<b>14,283.5</b>	<b>17,167.3</b>

#### Imports by Stage of Fabrication

	Total		Crude materials		Fabricated materials		End products	
	1971	1972	1971	1972	1971	1972	1971	1972
	\$ millions							
<b>All Countries</b>								
November . . . . .	1,531.6	1,811.5	170.6	205.3	336.2	359.8	1,024.8	1,246.4
January to November . . .	14,283.5	17,167.3	1,749.5	2,070.1	3,062.8	3,526.7	9,471.3	11,570.5
<b>United States</b>								
November . . . . .	1,005.0	1,235.3	77.1	100.8	184.3	206.3	743.6	928.1
January to November . . .	10,033.3	11,782.0	835.4	961.8	1,881.0	2,130.0	7,317.0	8,690.2

*Sums of rounded components may not add up to rounded totals.*

#### Prices and Price Indexes, January 11, 1973 - Advance Information.

##### Weekly Security Price Indexes

Index	Number stocks priced	Jan. 11/73	Jan. 4/73	Dec. 14/72
		This week	Week ago	Month ago
		1961 = 100		
Investors price index . . . . .	114	197.4	193.1	188.7
Industrials . . . . .	80	209.5	203.2	197.6
Utilities . . . . .	20	157.5	155.8	156.3
Finance . . . . .	14	195.7	198.1	192.9
Mining stock price index . . . . .	24	120.6	114.0	104.4
Uraniums price index . . . . .	4	187.6	177.4	162.9
Primary oils and gas . . . . .	6	577.9	544.3	562.2

For further information, order the January issue of *Prices and Price Indexes* (62-002, 40¢/\$4), or contact Mr. J. Boulet (613-992-8270), Prices Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.



# Household Facilities and Equipment

	1972(May)		1971(May)
	Number of Households (000's)	% of total households	% of total households
<b>Total households</b>	<b>6,108</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.0</b>
<b>Principal Heating Facilities</b>			
Furnaces	4,924	80.6	80.6
Oil	2,935	48.1	47.5
Gas	1,916	31.4	31.6
Wood or coal	69	1.1	1.5
Other equipment	1,183	19.4	19.4
Oil	537	8.8	9.7
Gas	138	2.3	2.5
Wood or coal	114	1.9	2.2
Electricity	390	6.4	4.9
<b>Cooking Fuel</b>			
Electric	4,928	80.7	78.9
Piped Gas	668	10.9	11.4
Bottled Gas	142	2.3	2.7
Wood or coal	164	2.7	3.1
Kerosene, oil or other	200	3.3	3.6
<b>Fuel Used for Piped Hot Water Supply</b>			
Electricity	2,961	48.5	48.7
Gas	1,924	31.5	31.6
Oil	783	12.8	12.1
Coal or wood	46	0.8	0.9
No hot water supply	392	6.4	6.5
<b>Refrigerators and Home Freezers</b>			
Electric Refrigerators	6,026	98.7	98.2
Home Freezers	2,172	35.6	34.1
<b>Washing Machines</b>			
Automatic	2,609	42.7	39.5
Other Electric	2,205	36.1	40.5
<b>Clothes Dryers</b>	<b>2,781</b>	<b>45.5</b>	<b>43.1</b>
<b>Telephones</b>	<b>5,778</b>	<b>94.6</b>	<b>94.2</b>
<b>Radios</b>			
All types, except car	5,961	97.6	97.3
FM receivers	3,814	62.4	57.6
<b>T.V. Sets</b>			
All types	5,850	95.8	96.1
Black and White	5,116	83.8	**
Colour	1,478	24.2	18.4
<b>Record Players</b>	<b>4,332</b>	<b>70.9</b>	<b>70.0</b>
<b>Automobiles</b>	<b>4,720</b>	<b>77.3</b>	<b>77.5</b>
One automobile	3,590	58.8	59.5
Two or more automobiles	1,129	18.5	18.1
<b>Miscellaneous</b>			
Window type air conditioners	353	5.8	5.3
Automatic dishwashers	564	9.2	8.6
Floor polishers	3,261	53.4	53.5*
Outboard motors	671	11.0	10.5*
Adult-size bicycles	1,704	27.9	**
Snowmobiles	504	8.3	7.3
Pianos	814	13.3	**
Portable humidifiers	817	13.4	**
Lawn mowers - power	2,964	48.5	4.70*
Snow blowers	278	4.6	**
Wall-to-wall carpeting	2,846	46.6	
One room	1,204	19.7	**
Two rooms	726	11.9	**
Three or more rooms	916	15.0	**

\* 1970 figures, data not collected in 1971

\*\* New item in 1972

## Weekly Railway Carloadings, January 7, 1973 - Advance Information.

Railways in Canada loaded 3,208,369 tons of revenue carload freight during the 7-day period ending January 7. This was 7.5% more than in the comparable period of 1972.

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

### Publications Released

**Statistics of Private Elementary and Secondary Schools, 1971-72** (81-215, 25¢ a year)  
**Mineral Wool, November 1972** (44-004, 10¢/\$1)  
**Gypsum Products, November 1972** (44-003, 10¢/\$1)  
**Cement, November 1972** (44-001, 10¢/\$1)  
**Salt, November** (26-009, 10¢/\$1)  
**Coal Mines, 1971** (26-206, 75¢ a year)  
**Oilseeds Review, December 1972** (22-006, 75¢/\$3)  
  
**Refined Petroleum Products, October 1972** (45-004, 30¢/\$3)  
**Miscellaneous Chemical Industries, 1970** (46-216, 50¢ a year)  
**Steel Ingots and Pig Iron, December 1972** (41-002, 10¢/\$1)  
**Iron Ore, November 1972** (26-005, 10¢/\$1)  
**Stocks of Frozen Poultry Products, January 1, 1973** (32-009, 20¢/\$2)  
**Dairy Factory Production, December 1972** (32-002, 10¢/\$1)  
**Imports by Countries, January – September 1972** (65-006, \$1/\$4)  
**Index Numbers of Farm Prices of Agricultural Products November 1972** (62-003, 10¢/\$1)  
**Restaurant Statistics, November 1972** (63-011, 10¢/\$1)  
**Quarterly Bulletin of Agricultural Statistics, July-September 1972** (21-003, \$4 a year)  
**United States Vehicles Entering Canada, November 1972** (66-002, 10¢/\$1)  
**Shipping Report, Part II, 1971** (54-203, \$1)  
**Grain Milling Statistics, November 1972** (32-003, \$1 a year)  
**Vegetable Oil Mills, 1971** (32-223, 50¢)  
  
**Statistical Report on the Operation of the Unemployment Insurance Act, August 1972**  
(73-001, 20¢/\$2)  
**Exports by Countries, January-September 1972** (65-003, \$1/\$4)  
**Sales Financing, October 1972** (63-013, 20¢/\$2)  
**Coarse Grains Review, November 1972** (22-001, 75¢/\$3)  
**Oil Pipe Line Transport, October 1972** (55-001, 20¢/\$2)  
**Shipments of Prefabricated Buildings of Own Manufacture, 1971** (35-215, 25¢)  
**Footwear Statistics, October 1972** (33-002, 20¢/\$2)  
**Asbestos, November 1972** (26-001, 10¢/\$1)  
**Primary Iron and Steel, October 1972** (41-001, 30¢/\$3)  
**Coal and Coke Statistics, October 1972** (45-002, 30¢/\$3)  
**Miscellaneous Non-Metallic Mineral Products Industries, 1970** (44-210, 50¢)  
**Concrete Products Manufacturers, 1970** (44-205, 50¢)  
**Manufacturers of Industrial Chemicals, 1970** (46-219, 50¢)  
**Building Permits, October 1972** (64-001, 40¢/\$4)  
**Employment, Earnings and Hours, January 1961 – December 1971** (72-206, \$2.50)  
**Provincial Government Finance, Revenue and Expenditure (Estimates), 1972, Fiscal Year Ending March 31, 1973** (68-205, \$1.50)  
**Production, Shipments and Stocks on Hand of Sawmills in British Columbia, October 1972**  
(35-003, 20¢/\$2)  
**Gas Utilities, October 1972** (55-002, 20¢/\$2)

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**Preliminary Bulletins** -- 1971 Census of Manufactures, (42-216-p, free to subscribers) Office and Store Machinery Manufacturers; (34-219-p, free to subscribers) Pressed and Punched Felt Mills; (32-222-p, free to subscribers) Cane and Beet Sugar Processors;

**Preliminary Bulletin**, 1970 Census of Manufactures, Manufacturing Industries -- Geographical Distribution (31-209-p, Free to Subscribers)

**Service Bulletins** -- **Fish and Fish Products**, (24-003, \$1 a year) Vol. 1, No. 70, Advance Release of Fish Landings, Quebec, November 1972;

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**Energy Statistics** (57-002, \$3 a year), Vol. 8, No. 3, Coal and Coke Statistics, October 1972

**Fruit and Vegetable Preservation** (32-023, \$1 a year), Pack of Processed Beans, Green and Wax, 1972.

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**Available on Request**

**Population by 1971 Census Metropolitan Areas** -- a table of population figures for 1951, 1956, 1961, 1966 and 1971 for census areas as geographically defined for the 1971 Census. Contact Census User Inquiry Service, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T7 (613-996-5627).



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