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# **Employment, Earnings and Hours, November 1972 - Advance Information.**

The seasonally adjusted advance industrial composite index of employment declined 0.5 % in November 1972 from the level recorded in October. There were declines in all industry divisions except transportation, communication and other utilities and trade, which rose. An increase in employment was recorded in the Atlantic Region and no change occurred in the Prairie Region; the remaining regions showed declines.

*(Industrial composite is the sum of all industries with the exception of agriculture, fishing and trapping, education and related services, health and welfare services, religious organizations, private households and public administration and defence. All statistics are based on returns received from employers having 20 or more employees in any month of the year.)*

Average weekly earnings rose 0.4% in November 1972. All industry divisions and all regions except British Columbia contributed to this overall advance.

Average weekly hours of hourly-rated wage-earners remained unchanged in November in mining and manufacturing while average hourly earnings rose in both industry divisions.

Preliminary data for October 1972 indicated a 0.8% increase in the industrial composite index of employment (seasonally adjusted). All industry divisions except construction and service rose over the month; the largest gains (2.3%) were in transportation, communication and other utilities and forestry.

All provinces showed increases between September and October except Newfoundland, New Brunswick, Manitoba and Saskatchewan; the largest relative changes were the gains in Ontario (1.4%) and Nova Scotia (1.2%).

Average weekly earnings rose 0.8% to \$152.79 at the Canada composite level in October. All industry divisions contributed to this advance; the gains ranged from 0.1% in construction to 2.0% in forestry. The month-to-month provincial changes in average weekly earnings ranged from a 0.2% decline in Quebec to a 2.4% rise in Prince Edward Island.

Average weekly hours rose substantially (1.3%) in mining in October while only a slight gain was recorded in manufacturing. Construction dropped 1.3%. Average hourly earnings rose 1.5% in construction while both mining and manufacturing recorded smaller gains.

Detailed information for September and October will be published in the November 1972 issue of *Employment, Earnings and Hours*, (72-002, 40¢/\$4)

and is also available from Mr. R. Ouellette (613-992-5613), Labour Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V2.

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## **Consumer Price Indexes for Regional Cities, December 1972 - Advance Information.**

*(A consumer price index for a particular regional city measures the movements 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. Inter-city price comparisons are available in Table 14 of the monthly Prices and Price Indexes.)*

Between November and December, consumer price indexes rose in all regional cities and city-combinations, with increases ranging from 0.3% in St. John's, to 0.8% in Toronto. Food indexes advanced in all cities as generally higher quotations for most beef cuts, fresh produce items, poultry, eggs, canned fruits and vegetables outweighed lower prices for pork products, powdered skim milk, grapefruit and bananas. Housing components rose in eight cities and were unchanged in four others reflecting increased rents and higher prices for home furnishings such as bedroom suites, rug carpeting, and some appliances. The clothing and the transportation components each advanced in ten cities, the former chiefly in response to higher prices for footwear and increased charges for laundry, dry cleaning, and shoe repairs; and the latter mainly because of higher prices for new cars, and chassis lubrication and a seasonal rise in the train fares index. The components for tobacco and alcohol rose in all cities reflecting higher prices for cigarettes and cigarette tobacco and increased liquor prices in Halifax, Saint John and Vancouver. The health and personal care and the recreation and reading indexes registered mixed movements across the country.

City indexes are not as comprehensive in price content as the Canada consumer price index and may underestimate slightly the degree of price movements occurring. In this connection, the shelter component of the city indexes moves on the basis of changes in rents only, whereas changes in both rents and homeownership costs are included in the Canada index. As a result of homeownership costs having increased more rapidly than rents, the housing and all-items indexes for cities have tended to underestimate somewhat the rates of price increase, particularly over longer periods. Studies are underway to incorporate homeownership prices in city indexes.

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## Advance Employment, Earnings and Hours, November 1972

Industry Division and Area	Employment Index Numbers									
	Unadjusted for seasonal variations					Seasonally-adjusted				
	Nov. 1972 <sup>a</sup>	Oct. 1972 <sup>p</sup>	Sept. 1972 <sup>p</sup>	Aug. 1972 <sup>r</sup>	Nov. 1971	Oct. 1971	Nov. 1972 <sup>a</sup>	Oct. 1972 <sup>p</sup>	Sept. 1972 <sup>p</sup>	Aug. 1972 <sup>r</sup>
	1961=100									
<b>Industry Division:</b>										
Forestry	81.1	90.4	93.8	94.5	82.5	91.2	77.9	79.0	77.2	76.4
Mining	110.9	111.7	111.4	110.8	111.8	112.7	112.5	112.9	111.3	107.3
Manufacturing	125.2	126.2	126.8	126.7	122.4	123.5	124.5	125.0	124.6	124.0
Durables	137.4	137.6	137.1	136.9	133.5	134.2	136.6	136.9	136.0	136.0
Non-durables	115.3	116.9	118.5	118.3	113.4	114.9	115.0	115.3	115.1	113.7
Construction		121.1	123.3	126.0	117.9	127.0		108.6	109.5	111.6
Transportation, Communication and Other Utilities	118.0	118.6	117.6	118.7	115.1	115.9	117.9	117.6	114.9	114.2
Trade	154.5	150.9	147.3	143.4	147.9	144.1	147.9	148.2	146.8	146.0
Finance, Insurance and Real Estate	150.9	151.7	150.5	149.9	145.5	145.3	151.2	152.1	150.9	149.3
Service	192.0	195.9	200.0	204.2	185.3	189.1	193.5	192.9	195.3	193.4
Industrial Composite	132.5	133.6	133.5	133.3	129.4	130.4	130.7	131.3	130.3	129.4
<b>Industrial Composite:</b>										
Atlantic Region	124.2	126.4	127.8	131.3	121.1	124.5	122.4	121.2	121.4	122.0
Newfoundland	131.2	133.9	136.5	140.5	126.8	132.9	128.9	124.9	125.6	127.8
Prince Edward Island	149.5	153.1	156.5	159.7	142.2	147.5	142.9	140.1	139.5	139.6
Nova Scotia	117.5	119.3	118.5	123.3	114.8	116.8	115.8	116.4	115.0	118.3
New Brunswick	125.2	127.5	130.5	132.3	122.9	126.2	124.0	123.2	123.8	121.5
Quebec	122.7	124.2	124.1	123.8	120.6	122.1	121.1	121.2	120.4	119.5
Ontario	136.9	137.2	136.4	135.7	133.7	133.6	134.7	136.1	134.2	133.5
Prairie Region	130.3	131.8	132.8	133.8	127.6	129.0	129.5	129.5	129.0	128.6
Manitoba	117.9	119.4	120.2	119.8	118.3	118.7	116.7	116.5	116.8	115.9
Saskatchewan	118.2	119.6	121.5	122.2	114.1	115.0	117.7	116.8	117.2	116.4
Alberta	145.6	147.2	147.9	150.3	140.8	143.3	146.3	144.9	143.9	144.6
British Columbia	152.3	154.6	155.3	153.5	146.8	149.2	151.3	152.2	151.1	147.5
Yukon		167.8	173.5	179.4	157.2	163.6		166.0	166.4	168.5
Northwest Territories		148.8	169.2	169.4	143.3	158.0		147.7	152.8	144.5
<b>Canada</b>	<b>132.5</b>	<b>133.6</b>	<b>133.5</b>	<b>133.3</b>	<b>129.4</b>	<b>130.4</b>	<b>130.7</b>	<b>131.3</b>	<b>130.3</b>	<b>129.4</b>

Industry Division and Area	Average Weekly Earnings									
	Unadjusted for seasonal variations					Seasonally-adjusted				
	Nov. 1972 <sup>a</sup>	Oct. 1972 <sup>p</sup>	Sept. 1972 <sup>p</sup>	Aug. 1972 <sup>r</sup>	Nov. 1971	Oct. 1971	Nov. 1972 <sup>a</sup>	Oct. 1972 <sup>p</sup>	Sept. 1972 <sup>p</sup>	Aug. 1972 <sup>r</sup>
	(\$)									
<b>Industry Division:</b>										
Forestry	197.55	185.20	180.21	168.63	169.10	166.03	189.64	183.51	179.94	172.42
Mining	201.70	197.89	192.65	188.70	183.06	181.53	200.06	196.85	194.44	192.22
Manufacturing	161.85	160.62	159.73	156.91	148.88	148.28	161.11	159.91	158.90	158.37
Durables	175.20	173.80	173.04	169.40	160.62	160.23	173.81	172.25	170.41	170.00
Non-durables	148.95	148.05	147.26	145.16	137.66	136.94	149.10	148.15	148.09	147.07
Construction		220.44	222.68	218.13	199.64	201.98		213.75	213.56	212.31
Transportation, Communication and Other Utilities	170.75	171.15	169.16	168.05	160.30	159.96	170.63	170.25	168.99	167.95
Trade	119.61	119.45	118.60	119.52	110.21	110.64	121.81	120.60	118.86	118.91
Finance, Insurance and Real Estate	143.52	142.02	141.18	140.74	130.63	130.74	144.59	142.60	141.83	140.94
Service	111.19	110.01	108.91	107.58	101.63	100.30	111.10	110.93	109.77	108.02
Industrial Composite	154.19	153.45	152.46	150.84	142.06	142.20	153.41	152.79	151.57	150.73
<b>Industrial Composite:</b>										
Atlantic Region	129.85	129.10	127.83	125.23	118.59	118.43	130.10	129.87	127.89	126.80
Newfoundland	141.62	141.97	141.77	132.49	127.20	127.83	142.39	141.98	141.51	133.12
Prince Edward Island	103.84	103.76	100.66	100.83	92.76	94.37	106.67	107.02	104.54	102.70
Nova Scotia	127.14	125.42	124.10	124.17	116.13	115.70	127.63	125.70	123.07	124.69
New Brunswick	127.70	127.20	125.44	124.08	118.30	117.61	127.83	127.84	127.30	127.52
Quebec	147.23	146.60	146.03	144.19	136.30	136.11	146.73	144.92	145.22	144.15
Ontario	160.31	159.24	158.63	156.67	147.42	147.56	160.36	158.40	157.61	156.34
Prairie Region	145.98	145.65	144.14	145.00	134.54	135.71	148.58	145.61	143.17	143.62
Manitoba	138.57	138.37	137.05	138.40	127.85	128.56	139.91	138.23	136.38	136.75
Saskatchewan	136.07	136.57	133.92	135.19	126.87	126.19	135.88	134.71	133.76	135.47
Alberta	154.31	153.62	152.40	152.67	141.79	143.78	155.02	152.43	151.40	151.67
British Columbia	171.45	171.68	169.09	167.74	158.62	158.88	170.56	170.81	167.32	167.89
Yukon		199.90	201.37	201.44	190.71	194.74		198.16	200.43	202.37
Northwest Territories		187.30	204.73	210.00	192.04	191.48		182.86	206.55	208.91
<b>Canada</b>	<b>154.19</b>	<b>153.45</b>	<b>152.46</b>	<b>150.84</b>	<b>142.06</b>	<b>142.20</b>	<b>153.41</b>	<b>152.79</b>	<b>151.57</b>	<b>150.73</b>

Industry Division and Area	Average Weekly Hours								Average Hourly Earnings								Average Weekly Hours				Average Hourly Earnings			
	Unadjusted for seasonal variations								Seasonally-adjusted															
	Nov 72 <sup>a</sup>	Oct 72 <sup>p</sup>	Sept 72 <sup>p</sup>	Aug 72 <sup>r</sup>	Nov 71	Oct 71	Nov 72 <sup>a</sup>	Oct 72 <sup>p</sup>	Sept 72 <sup>p</sup>	Aug 72 <sup>r</sup>	Nov 71	Oct 71	Nov 72 <sup>a</sup>	Oct 72 <sup>p</sup>	Sept 72 <sup>p</sup>	Aug 72 <sup>r</sup>	Nov 72 <sup>a</sup>	Oct 72 <sup>p</sup>	Sept 72 <sup>p</sup>	Aug 72 <sup>r</sup>				
	(hours)								(\$)								(hours)				(\$)			
Industry Division:																								
Mining including milling	41.1	41.0	40.3	39.9	40.9	40.6	4.55	4.47	4.44	4.33	4.16	4.12	40.5	40.5	40.0	40.2	4.54	4.49	4.47	4.42				
Manufacturing	40.6	40.7	40.7	41.9	40.3	40.3	3.64	3.61	3.59	3.56	3.36	3.35	40.2	40.2	40.1	41.8	3.65	3.63	3.61	3.60				
Durables	41.4	41.4	41.4	40.5	40.9	40.9	3.95	3.92	3.90	3.86	3.62	3.62	40.8	40.7	40.7	40.4	3.95	3.94	3.90	3.88				
Non-durables	39.8	40.0	40.1	39.6	39.8	39.8	3.31	3.29	3.27	3.26	3.08	3.07	39.6	39.6	39.7	39.3	3.32	3.30	3.31	3.32				
Construction		41.0	42.3	42.2	40.2	41.4		5.34	5.24	5.15	4.94	4.88		39.3	39.8	39.8		5.37	5.29	5.27				
Building		39.4	40.0	39.7	39.0	39.3		5.55	5.46	5.35	5.13	5.06		37.9	38.2	38.2		5.55	5.47	5.41				
Engineering		44.0	46.5	46.8	42.9	45.8		4.97	4.90	4.85	4.54	4.54		42.0	43.1	43.1		4.99	4.98	4.98				
Manufacturing:																								
Atlantic Region	39.1	39.9	40.8	40.0	39.0	39.5	3.02	2.98	2.87	2.85	2.80	2.76	39.6	40.2	40.8	40.3	3.01	2.98	2.93	2.96				
Quebec	41.4	41.6	41.5	40.8	41.2	41.2	3.15	3.13	3.12	3.09	2.94	2.93	40.8	40.8	40.9	40.1	3.16	3.15	3.13	3.12				
Ontario	41.0	40.9	41.0	40.2	40.4	40.5	3.85	3.83	3.80	3.77	3.54	3.53	40.5	40.3	40.4	40.1	3.86	3.85	3.82	3.79				
Prairie Region	39.4	39.1	38.9	38.8	39.3	39.4	3.57	3.55	3.55	3.54	3.31	3.29	39.2	38.7	38.6	38.4	3.56	3.55	3.55	3.56				
British Columbia	37.4	38.2	37.7	37.3	38.2	37.7	4.69	4.60	4.62	4.56	4.25	4.28	36.9	38.1	37.7	37.8	4.66	4.60	4.65	4.62				

figures not available - a - advance figures - p - preliminary figures - r - revised figures.

# Consumer Price Indexes for Regional Cities of Canada

The indexes in this table 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.\*

	All items	Food	Housing**	Clothing	Transportation	Health and personal care	Recreation and reading	Tobacco and alcohol
	(1961=100)							
<b>St. John's</b>								
December 1972 index	132.6	133.2	124.9	138.2	126.8	152.7	117.4	160.9
November 1972 index	132.2	132.8	124.6	137.8	126.7	152.7	117.2	159.5
% change from Nov./72	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.3	0.1	-	0.2	0.9
% change from Dec./71	6.1	10.6	2.2	1.8	3.9	9.5	4.1	10.7
<b>Halifax</b>								
December 1972 index	133.6	143.1	124.8	133.7	125.9	151.8	144.8	133.5
November 1972 index	133.0	141.5	124.8	133.2	125.4	152.4	144.0	132.2
% change from Nov./72	0.5	1.1	-	0.4	0.4	-0.4	0.6	1.0
% change from Dec./71	4.2	9.4	1.5	3.8	1.9	2.8	4.2	3.2
<b>Saint John</b>								
December 1972 index	133.5	144.4	122.2	139.2	130.9	143.7	145.3	129.5
November 1972 index	132.8	142.8	122.2	138.8	130.4	143.6	145.0	127.3
% change from Nov./72	0.5	1.1	-	0.3	0.4	0.1	0.2	1.7
% change from Dec./71	5.2	10.2	2.8	5.1	1.6	4.9	8.6	2.0
<b>Montreal</b>								
December 1972 index	133.6	142.3	121.4	132.2	131.2	145.5	151.4	133.8
November 1972 index	133.0	140.5	121.4	132.4	131.1	146.0	150.9	132.1
% change from Nov./72	0.5	1.3	-	-0.2	0.1	-0.3	0.3	1.3
% change from Dec./71	3.6	7.5	1.5	2.9	1.4	1.6	6.7	0.9
<b>Ottawa</b>								
December 1972 index	139.1	145.1	130.3	139.5	135.0	153.2	146.6	144.7
November 1972 index	138.2	143.3	130.1	139.0	134.5	152.8	146.1	142.4
% change from Nov./72	0.7	1.3	0.2	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.3	1.6
% change from Dec./71	4.6	7.6	2.8	3.7	1.9	3.4	5.8	7.2
<b>Toronto</b>								
December 1972 index	137.7	144.1	127.3	138.7	141.8	150.9	137.7	142.4
November 1972 index	136.6	140.7	127.2	138.5	141.4	150.6	137.7	140.5
% change from Nov./72	0.8	2.4	0.1	0.1	0.3	0.2	-	1.4
% change from Dec./71	4.6	9.2	1.9	3.4	2.0	4.5	3.5	7.1
<b>Winnipeg</b>								
December 1972 index	136.8	144.8	122.0	144.3	137.1	162.9	142.4	137.1
November 1972 index	135.9	142.7	121.8	143.0	136.6	162.9	142.1	136.2
% change from Nov./72	0.7	1.5	0.2	0.9	0.4	-	0.2	0.7
% change from Dec./71	4.3	8.1	2.0	4.1	2.2	3.8	4.1	5.5
<b>Saskatoon-Regina</b>								
December 1972 index	130.8	144.9	119.0	135.6	123.6	139.6	140.3	124.0
November 1972 index	130.2	143.2	118.4	135.3	124.3	139.7	140.1	123.0
% change from Nov./72	0.5	1.2	0.5	0.2	-0.6	-0.1	0.1	0.8
% change from Dec./71	4.1	8.1	2.7	3.0	0.4	3.8	7.3	0.8
<b>Edmonton-Calgary</b>								
December 1972 index	135.8	147.0	125.4	136.5	132.1	155.1	141.9	127.2
November 1972 index	135.3	146.3	125.4	135.6	132.0	154.6	142.3	125.4
% change from Nov./72	0.4	0.5	-	0.7	0.1	0.3	-0.3	1.4
% change from Dec./71	4.2	7.5	3.1	5.0	2.7	2.9	2.8	1.5
<b>Vancouver</b>								
December 1972 index	134.3	146.6	123.7	138.1	133.8	147.4	128.0	124.3
November 1972 index	133.5	144.6	123.6	137.7	133.5	145.9	128.4	122.9
% change from Nov./72	0.6	1.4	0.1	0.3	0.2	1.0	-0.3	1.1
% change from Dec./71	3.8	6.0	2.1	4.3	3.9	5.8	2.5	1.6
	(1969=100)							
<b>Quebec City</b>								
December 1972 index	108.4	111.3	107.6	104.0	110.1	107.8	110.9	106.7
November 1972 index	107.7	109.3	107.5	103.8	110.0	107.8	111.0	105.8
% change from Nov./72	0.6	1.8	0.1	0.2	0.1	-	-0.1	0.9
% change from Dec./71	2.7	8.2	0.9	0.2	-0.5	0.4	3.7	0.7
<b>Thunder Bay</b>								
December 1972 index	109.5	114.7	106.5	104.4	110.0	115.5	111.0	107.3
November 1972 index	109.1	114.3	106.1	104.6	110.0	115.0	110.4	106.0
% change from Nov./72	0.4	0.3	0.4	-0.2	-	0.4	0.5	1.2
% change from Dec./71	3.9	6.6	2.8	1.0	2.3	5.1	4.0	6.0

\* For inter-city indexes of retail price differentials refer to Table 14 of *Prices and Price Indexes* (62-002, 40¢/\$4).

\*\* Includes shelter and household operation. The shelter element of regional city housing indexes moves on the basis of changes in rents only, whereas in the Canada index this movement is derived from changes in both rents and homeownership costs.



# **Consumer Credit, November 1972 — Advance Information.**

Selected credit holders reporting monthly showed \$11,323 million outstanding on their books at the end of November, 16.4% more than a year earlier.

Personal cash loans by chartered banks rose to \$6,989 million, up 22.1% from a year earlier; and life insurance companies' policy loans were up 2.1% to \$796 million, but personal cash loans made under the Small Loans Act fell 13.3% to \$378 million. In addition, sales finance and consumer loan companies held \$1,027 million balances of retail instalment sales' paper, an increase of 15.0%; and the \$1,177 million outstandings of personal cash loans represented an expansion of 13.4%.

The outstanding balances of other monthly reporters — Quebec savings banks, department stores and furniture, T.V., radio, and household appliances stores rose 11.3% to \$955 million, over the year.

Credit holders reporting quarterly — other retail stores, other credit-card issuers, credit unions and caisses populaires, and public utilities — reported outstanding balances of \$2,987 million for the third quarter, 12.2% higher than a year earlier.

Total outstanding balances had reached \$14,041 million at the end of the September quarter, a level 15.8% higher than that attained for the corresponding quarter of the previous year.

For further information, order the November issue of *Consumer Credit* (61-004, 20¢/\$2).

# **Preliminary Statement of Total Canadian Exports, December 1972 — Published only in Statistics Canada Daily and Weekly.**

Exports reached a new high of \$19.9 billion in 1972, advancing by about 12% compared with 1971, a rate more than twice as fast as in the preceding year. The strongest export markets in 1972 were the United States, the residual group of "Other Countries" and Japan, with exports up over 15% in each instance; shipments to the Common Market were virtually unchanged; exports to the United Kingdom and Commonwealth declined.

Automotive products (up \$485 million), lumber (\$345 million), crude petroleum (\$221 million), aircraft and parts (\$136 million) — all of which are heavily dependent on the United States market — were the strongest export commodity categories in 1972. Wheat, newsprint, and natural gas also recorded increases of \$50 million or more. However, declines were registered for sales of aluminum (down \$66 million), iron ore (\$60 million), and nickel ores (\$23 million).

Although seasonally adjusted exports in December, at \$1,813 million, were below the records levels of October and November, fourth-quarter exports, reaching \$5,654 million, exceeded the third-quarter level by about \$1 billion and the second-quarter level by \$670 million. Shipments to the United States accounted for \$500 million of the improvement on the third quarter, and those to the (continued)

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	Value		Change
	1971	1972	1971-1972
	(\$ million)		%
<b>December</b>			
United Kingdom . . . . .	124.9	117.8	-5.7
Other Commonwealth and Preferential . . . . .	68.9	61.1	-11.3
United States . . . . .	1,010.2	1,186.8	17.5
Japan . . . . .	80.1	78.5	-2.0
European Economic Community . . . . .	90.1	109.6	21.6
Latin America . . . . .	47.6	50.1	5.3
Other Countries . . . . .	129.2	131.5	1.8
Total Commonwealth and Preferential . . . . .	193.8	179.0	-7.6
Total Others . . . . .	1,357.2	1,556.5	14.7
<b>Grand total . . . . .</b>	<b>1,551.0</b>	<b>1,735.5</b>	<b>11.9</b>
<b>January-December</b>			
United Kingdom . . . . .	1,361.4	1,312.3	-3.6
Other Commonwealth and Preferential . . . . .	698.5	626.1	-10.4
United States . . . . .	12,006.1	13,873.7	15.6
Japan . . . . .	830.9	961.2	15.7
European Economic Community . . . . .	1,104.3	1,116.3	1.1
Latin America . . . . .	564.0	611.5	8.4
Other Countries . . . . .	1,187.5	1,397.6	17.7
Total Commonwealth and Preferential . . . . .	2,059.9	1,938.5	-5.9
Total Others . . . . .	15,692.8	17,960.2	14.4
<b>Grand Total . . . . .</b>	<b>17,752.7</b>	<b>19,898.7</b>	<b>12.1</b>

Figures may not add because of rounding.

United Kingdom added some \$110 million and to other overseas countries \$380 million.

Unadjusted December exports of \$1,736 million were \$185 million or about 12% higher than a year earlier. A large advance in shipments to the United States and higher sales to the Common Market were offset by declines to the Commonwealth and Japan. Among commodity groups, shipments of automotive products, lumber, crude petroleum, aircraft and parts and nickel metals made strong gains, but shipments of aluminum metal and communication equipment recorded declines.

For further information order the December issue of *Summary of Exports* (65-002, 20¢/\$2).

#### Retail Trade, November 1972 - Advance Information.

Seasonally adjusted retail sales of \$2,922.7 million during November 1972, were virtually unchanged from the \$2,924.3 million (revised) in October. Declines in seven of the eighteen trade groups surveyed were sufficient to offset increases in the remaining eleven groups. Increases ranged from 6.3% for drug stores to 0.2% for variety stores, while declines went from 0.2% for family clothing stores to a low of 6.4% for shoe stores. Similarly, in the provinces, declines in Ontario (1.2%), Quebec (1.4%) and Manitoba (1.7%) overshadowed the increases recorded in the remaining seven provinces. The increases ranged from 5.3% for New Brunswick to 0.4% for Prince Edward Island.

Total retail trade, unadjusted for seasonality, reached \$3,104.4 million - up 9.4% from November 1971. The largest increase was recorded by department stores (16.3%), followed by motor vehicle dealers (14.1%) and jewellery stores (12.6%). No declines were reported and consequently all provinces registered increased retail sales, ranging from 13.7% in Newfoundland to 7.6% in Ontario. Sales for the first eleven months of the year stood at \$30,262.4 million, an increase of 11.0% over the same period last year.

Further details will be contained in *Retail Trade*, November 1972 (63-005, 30¢/\$3).

#### Department Store Sales and Stocks, November 1972 - Advance Information.

Department stores registered sales of \$398.3 million during November 1972, an increase of 16.3% from the \$342.5 million registered in November 1971.

Sales increased in all departments but boys' clothing and furnishings which declined by 9.0%. The greatest increase was in sales of major appliances (35.9%) followed by furs (34.4%) and plumbing, heating and building materials (31.8%). Increased department store sales were reported in all provinces, ranging from 23.4% in Nova Scotia to 12.3% in Prince Edward Island.

The value of stocks held in November 1972 was \$1,029.1 million, up 20.6% from November 1971. Inventory increases were led by receipts from meals

and lunches (52.2%) and T.V., radio and music (49.1%). No declines were reported.

Further details will be contained in *Department Store Sales and Stocks*, November 1972 (63-002, 20¢/\$2).

#### Department Store Sales by Regions, December 1972 (63-004, \$1 a year).

During December 1972, department store sales rose in Canada by 10.5% over the corresponding month last year, with regional changes as follows: Atlantic Provinces, 12.0%; Quebec, 10.4%; Ontario, 8.4%; Manitoba, 11.5%; Saskatchewan, 11.0%; Alberta, 15.0% and British Columbia, 11.6%.

#### Campus Bookstores, 1971-1972 - Advance Information.

Preliminary estimates showed that 1971-1972 retail sales of 183 campus bookstores increased by 8.2% to \$40.9 million. Employment of 1,149 full and part-time personnel during the last week of November 1971, was 5.1% more than a year earlier, and payroll expanded 8.5% to \$5,136 million. Text books accounted for two-thirds of the total sales, trade books 13%, and stationery and supplies 14%.

For further information, order *Campus Bookstores*, 1971-1972 (63-219, 50¢), or contact Mr. T.R. Wright, Merchandising and Services Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V4 (613-996-1070).

#### Farm Cash Receipts, January-November, 1972 (21-001, 20¢/\$2).

Preliminary estimates indicated that during the January-November period of 1972 farmers' total cash receipts from farming operations in all provinces except Newfoundland totalled \$4,830.5 million, 17.1% more than the \$4,125.4 million realized during the same period of 1971. These estimates included cash receipts from the sale of farm products, Canadian Wheat Board participation payments on previous years' grain crops, net cash advances on farm-stored grains in Western Canada, and supplementary payments to dairy producers. No deduction was made for the cost incurred by farmers in the production of the commodities sold.

#### Total Cash Receipts from Farming Operations January-November

	1972	1971
	(\$ millions)	
Prince Edward Island	38.3	35.7
Nova Scotia . . . . .	61.0	56.8
New Brunswick . . . . .	56.9	47.2
Quebec . . . . .	705.5	638.5
Ontario . . . . .	1,409.1	1,263.4
Manitoba . . . . .	433.6	338.5
Saskatchewan . . . . .	1,086.4	836.8
Alberta . . . . .	820.6	711.0
British Columbia . . . . .	219.1	197.5
<b>Canada . . . . .</b>	<b>4,830.5</b>	<b>4,125.4</b>



# Building Permits, November 1972 — Advance Information.

November 1972	Total number of dwelling units	Value of residential and non-residential construction				Total
		Residen- tial	Indus- trial	Commer- cial (\$'000)	Institu- tional and govern- mental	
Newfoundland . . . . .	66	910	51	227	214	1,402
Prince Edward Island . . . . .	24	199		14		213
Nova Scotia . . . . .	398	6,074	556	3,507	214	10,351
New Brunswick . . . . .	236	2,963	781	1,342	51	5,137
Quebec . . . . .	4,327	54,482	15,427	27,015	12,808	109,732
Ontario . . . . .	8,148	131,232	26,492	50,741	38,817	247,282
Manitoba . . . . .	582	8,117	2,585	1,739	956	13,397
Saskatchewan . . . . .	334	4,965	416	2,494	1,029	8,904
Alberta . . . . .	1,863	29,603	3,280	30,817	5,957	69,657
British Columbia . . . . .	2,511	42,929	5,057	23,704	9,529	81,219
Yukon . . . . .						
Northwest Territories . . . . .	1	32	42	3	5	82
<b>Canada — Unadjusted</b> . . . . .	<b>18,490</b>	<b>281,506</b>	<b>54,687</b>	<b>141,603</b>	<b>69,580</b>	<b>547,376</b>
<b>Canada — Adjusted</b> . . . . .	<b>—</b>	<b>269,739</b>	<b>57,055</b>	<b>166,661</b>	<b>65,352</b>	<b>558,807</b>
<b>Metropolitan Areas</b> . . . . .	<b>11,628</b>	<b>180,033</b>	<b>38,670</b>	<b>112,556</b>	<b>51,387</b>	<b>382,646</b>
Calgary . . . . .	714	9,225	1,523	14,694	3,373	28,815
Edmonton . . . . .	491	9,641	483	11,798	835	22,757
Halifax . . . . .	108	1,745	203	2,758	212	4,918
Hamilton . . . . .	796	10,001	515	4,220	358	15,094
Hull . . . . .	199	2,425	50	112	2	2,589
Kitchener . . . . .	603	7,287	2,556	3,314	1,359	14,516
London . . . . .	498	6,294	157	1,507	77	8,035
Montreal . . . . .	1,411	18,792	10,203	17,648	5,070	51,713
Ottawa . . . . .	228	4,510	2,682	2,243	2,823	12,258
Quebec . . . . .	1,035	12,189	1,853	3,739	1,177	18,958
Regina . . . . .	111	1,809	108	906	173	2,996
Saint John . . . . .	45	721	175	206	16	1,118
St. John's . . . . .	49	691	47	195	210	1,143
Saskatoon . . . . .	90	1,321	8	864	64	2,257
Sudbury . . . . .	23	492	477	446	14,239	15,654
Toronto . . . . .	3,100	58,595	10,912	29,264	14,628	113,399
Vancouver . . . . .	1,229	20,584	3,010	13,844	6,046	43,484
Victoria . . . . .	271	4,392	105	2,462	91	7,050
Windsor . . . . .	139	2,671	1,021	918	289	4,899
Winnipeg . . . . .	488	6,648	2,582	1,418	345	10,993

*Preliminary figures.*

For further information order *Building Permits*, November 1972 (64-001, 30¢/\$3).

## Hospital Indicators, Volume VII, 1970 — Advance Information.

Total operating expense per patient day in public general and allied special hospitals rose by 10.9% to \$56.24 in 1970 (from \$50.69 in 1969). It ranged from \$39.12 in Prince Edward Island to \$66.02 in Quebec. Gross salaries and wages for these hospitals rose by 11.4% to \$39.71 from \$35.64, although full-time personnel per 100 rated beds decreased by 1.3% to 188.04 from 190.57.

For further information, including 125 tables on hospital indicators or ratios measuring hospital activity in terms of services, facilities and finances — arithmetic mean, first and third quartiles and the median (or second quartile) are shown for all values — order *Hospital Indicators*, Volume VII, 1970 (83-216, \$1.50).

## Hospital Revenues, Volume V, 1970 — Advance Information.

Operating income reached \$2,162.1 million for all public general and allied special hospitals in 1970, a rise of 14.2% over the comparable 1969 figure of \$1,893.4 million. Public general hospitals, which accounted for 87.7% of total operating income in 1970, increased by 13.9% to \$1,895.7 million. Net income from services to in-patients made up 87.4% of total operating income, and services to out-patients provided an additional 7.8%. Operating income per rated bed for all hospitals increased by 11.1% to \$15,977 from \$14,387 while operating income per patient-day rose 10.8% to \$54.09 from \$48.80.

For further information, including an historic summary back to 1955, order *Hospital Statistics*, Volume V, 1970 (83-214, \$1).

### Hospital Statistics – Volume VI, Hospital Expenditures, 1970 – Advance Information.

Operating expense for all public hospitals increased to \$2,673.4 million in 1970, up 14.0% or \$327.8 million over 1969 expenditures. Expenditures by general and allied special hospitals accounted for 83.7% of this total or \$2,248.1 million, an increase of 14.3% from 1969.

Total operating expense per patient-day for public

general and allied special hospitals rose by 10.9% to \$56.24 and on the basis of Canada's population, operating expense per capita increased by 12.6% to \$105.17. Total operating expense per average patient stay for these hospitals was \$719.94 in 1970.

For further information, including an historic summary back to 1955, order *Hospital Statistics, Volume VI – Hospital Expenditures, 1970* (83-215, \$2.50).

### Prices and Price Indexes, January 1973 – Advance Information.

#### Weekly Security Price Indexes

Index	Number stocks priced	Jan. 18/73	Jan. 11/73	Dec. 21/72
		This week	Week ago	Month ago
		1961=100		
Investors price index . . . . .	114	196.6	197.4	189.8
Industrials . . . . .	80	208.4	209.5	199.2
Utilities . . . . .	20	158.3	157.5	154.2
Finance . . . . .	14	194.7	195.7	195.3
Mining stock price index . . . . .	24	121.3	120.6	104.5
Uraniums price index . . . . .	4	188.2	187.6	163.6
Primary oils and gas . . . . .	6	582.7	577.9	555.1

For further information, order the December 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.

### Railway Transport, 1971 – Part I (Comparative Summary Statistics, 1967-1971) – Advance Information.

Common carrier railways operated 44,153 route miles of railway in Canada at the end of 1971. This was 985 miles more than in 1967. Operating revenues increased 18.8% over the period to \$1.81 billion while net income nearly doubled to \$57.3 million from \$30.1 million.

The number of train accidents in 1971 was marginally higher at 2,065 vs 2,057 in 1967, however the number of deaths resulting from these accidents dropped to 211 from 271.

For further information order *Railway Transport 1971; Part I* (Comparative Summary Statistics, 1967-71) (52-207, 50¢).

### Refined Petroleum Products, November 1972 – Advance Information.

Canadian refineries produced 48.9 million barrels of refined petroleum products in November, 12% more than a year earlier.

For further information, order the November issue of *Refined Petroleum Products* (45-004, 30¢/\$3), or *Energy Service Bulletin*, Vol. 7, No 6 (57-002, \$3 a year), or contact Mr. A.J. Côté, Energy and Minerals Section, Statistics Canada, K1A 0V6 (613-992-4021).

### Oil Pipe Line Transport, November 1972 – Advance Information.

Canadian oil pipe lines received 2.70 million barrels per day of crude oil, condensate, pentanes plus and refined petroleum products in November. This was 16.2% more than the 2.32 million B/D received a year earlier. Domestic oils increased 19.7% to 2.26 million B/D, and imported oils 1.0% to 434,000 B/D.

For further information, order the November issue of *Oil Pipe Line Transport* (55-001, 20¢/\$2), or *Energy Service Bulletin*, Vol. 7 No. 6 (57-002, \$3 a year), or contact Mr. A.J. Côté (613-992-4021), Energy and Minerals Section, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

### Peeler Logs, Veneers and Plywoods, November 1972 – Advance Information.

Canadian mills shipped 1,161.2 million square feet of hardwood veneers in the first 11 months of 1972. This was 17.6% more than a year earlier. Shipments of hardwood plywoods increased 10% to 337.8 million square feet (1/4" basis), while those of softwood plywoods were up 10% to 2,106.6 million (3/8" basis).

For further information, order the November issue of *Peeler Logs, Veneers and Plywoods* (35-001, 20¢/\$2), or contact Mr. P.E. Martin (613-992-2371), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.



**Summary of Net Shipments\* of Rolled Steel Products**

	November Shipments		Total
	Domestic	Export	
	net tons of 2,000 pounds		
Ingots and semi-finished shapes . . . . .	28,329	1,455**	29,784
Rails . . . . .	9,017	305	9,322
Wire rods . . . . .	59,146	9,729	68,875
Structural shapes:			
Heavy . . . . .	49,955	6,367	56,322
Bar-sized shapes . . . . .	13,487	1,617	15,104
Concrete reinforcing bars . . . . .	56,883	5,910	62,793
Other hot rolled bars . . . . .	81,819	5,984	87,803
Tie plates and track material . . . . .	4,829		4,829
Plates (including plates for pipes and tubes) . . . . .	82,486	17,811	100,297
Hot rolled sheets . . . . .	142,425	15,990	158,415
Hot rolled strip . . . . .	44,292	347	44,639
Cold finished bars . . . . .	7,144	446	7,590
Cold reduced sheets and strip, cold rolled other, coated . . . . .	94,436	37,005	131,441
Galvanized sheets . . . . .	58,461	13,219	71,680
<b>TOTAL . . . . .</b>	<b>732,709</b>	<b>116,185</b>	<b>848,894</b>

\* Producer's shipments excluding producer's interchange.

\*\* Including 3,911 tons exported for conversion and return.

For further information, order the November issue of *Primary Iron and Steel* (41-001, 30¢/\$3), or contact Mr. J.L. Barnes (613-992-1853), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

**Publications Released**

- Family Expenditure in Canada, Volume 1, 1969 (62-535, \$2)**
- Sales of Pest Control Products, 1971 (46-212, 50¢)**
- Domestic Washing Machines and Clothes Dryers, November 1972 (43-002, 10¢/\$1)**
- Domestic Refrigerators and Freezers, November 1972 (43-001, 10¢/\$1)**
- Rigid Insulating Board, November 1972 (36-002, 10¢/\$1)**
- Factory Sales of Electric Storage Batteries, November 1972 (43-005, 10¢/\$1)**
- Motor Vehicle Shipments, November 1972 (42-002, 10¢/\$1)**
- Quarterly Shipments of Selected Furniture Products, September 30, 1972 (35-005, 25¢/\$1)**
- Asphalt Roofing, November 1972 (45-001, 10¢/\$1)**
- Raw Hides, Skins and Finished Leather, November 1972 (33-001, 10¢/\$1)**
- Fourth Estimate of the Commercial Production of Fruit, 1972 (22-003, \$1 a year)**
- Railway Carloadings, November 1972 (52-001, 20¢/\$2)**
- Passenger Bus Statistics, November 1972 (53-002, 10¢/\$1)**
- Contract Drilling for Petroleum and Other Contract Drilling, 1970 (26-207, 50¢)**
- Stocks of Fruit and Vegetables, January 1, 1973 (32-010, 20¢/\$2)**
- Production of Canada's Leading Minerals, November 1972 (26-007, 10¢/\$1)**
- Preliminary Report on the Production of Motor Vehicles, December 1972 (42-001, 10¢/\$1)**
- Gold Production, November 1972 (26-004, 10¢/\$1)**
- Specified Chemicals, November 1972 (46-002, 10¢/\$1)**
- Products Made from Canadian Clays, November 1972 (44-005, 10¢/\$1)**
- Oil Burners and Oil-Fired Hot Water Heaters, November 1972 (41-008, 10¢/\$1)**
- Sales of Paints, Varnishes and Lacquers, November 1972 (46-001, 10¢/\$1)**

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- Prices and Price Indexes**, November 1972 (62-002, 40¢/\$4)
- Police Administration Statistics**, 1971 (85-204, \$1)
- Canadian International Trade Classification Commodity Index** (12-550, 50¢)
- Mental Health Statistics**, Preliminary Report 1973 (no charge)
- Merchandising Inventories**, October 1972 (63-014, 20¢/\$2)
- Inventories, Shipments and Orders in Manufacturing Industries**, September 1972 (31-001, 40¢/\$4)
- Shipping Statistics**, November 1972 (54-002, 20¢/\$2)
- Silver, Lead and Zinc Production**, November 1972 (26-008, 10¢/\$1)
- Copper and Nickel Production**, November 1972 (26-003, 10¢/\$1)
- Pulpwood and Wood Residue Statistics**, November 1972 (25-001, 10¢/\$1)
- Canadian Statistical Review Tape**, January 1973 \$150.
- The Labour Force**, December 1972 (71-001, 30¢/\$3)
- Fluid Milk Sales**, November 1972 (23-002, 10¢/\$1)
- Summertallow and Stubble, Acreage and Yield of Specified Crops, Prairie Provinces**, 1972 (22-002, \$4 for the series)
- Estimates of Labour Income**, April-September 1972 (72-005, 20¢/\$2)
- Stoves and Furnaces**, November 1972 (41-005, 20¢/\$2)
- Population: Cities, Towns, Villages, Census Metropolitan Areas and Census Agglomerations**, 1971 Census (92-708, 75¢)
- Stocks of Frozen Meat Products**, January 1, 1973 (32-012, 30¢/\$3)
- Quarterly Report on Job Vacancies**, Third Quarter 1972 (71-002, 75¢/\$3)
- Exports by Commodities**, November 1972 (65-004, 75¢/\$7.50)
- Survey of Production**, 1970 (61-202, 75¢)
- Annual Salaries of Public Health Nurses**, 1970 (83-219, 75¢)
- Statistical Observer**, October 1972, Vol. 5, No. 3 (11-005, Free of charge)
- Steel Wire and Specified Wire Products**, November 1972 (41-006, 10¢/\$1)
- Concrete Products**, November 1972 (44-002, 10¢/\$1)
- Preliminary Bulletin - 1971 Census of Manufactures** (44-209-p, Free to subscribers), Lime Manufacturers
- 1971 Census of Manufactures** (42-212-p, free to subscribers), Miscellaneous Vehicle Manufacturers
- Service Bulletins - Road Transport** (53-006, \$2 a year), Vol. 3, No. 1, Quarterly Refrigerated Storage Report, Third Quarter, 1972;
- Fabricated Metal Products** (41-009, \$2 a year), Vol. 1, No. 11, Domestic and Farm Water Systems, November 1972; Vol. 1, No. 11, Heating Boilers and Radiators, November 1972.
- Electrical Products** (43-007, \$1 a year), Vol. 1, No. 25, Domestic Water Tank Heaters, November 1972.
- Fish and Fish Products** (24-003, \$1 a year), Vol. 1, No. 75, Fish Freezings and Stocks, Newfoundland, December 1972;
- Electrical Products** (43-007, \$1 a year), Vol. 16, No. 26, Electric Lamps (Light Sources), November 1972;
- Communications** (56-001, \$1 a year), Vol. 2, No. 14, Monthly Telephone Statistics, November 1972;
- Energy Statistics** (57-002, \$3 a year), Vol. 8, No. 5, Sales of Natural Gas, November 1972, Salient Crude Petroleum and Natural Gas Statistics, October 1972;
- Fabricated Metal Products** (41-009, \$2 a year), Vol. 1, No. 11, Oil Filters and Cartridges, November 1972.
- Education** (81-001, \$1 a year), Vol. 2, No. 1, 1972 Survey of Selected Leisure Time Activities;
- Aviation** (51-004, \$3 a year), Vol. 5, No. 2, Preliminary Aircraft Movement, September 1972; Vol. 5, No. 3, Airport Activity 1972; Vol. 5, No. 4, International Air Charter Passenger Origin and Destination, October 1972.