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Incomes, Assets and Indebtedness of Families in Canada, 1969 (13-547, \$2).

Extensive coverage of family incomes, assets (including cars, bonds, stocks, and real estate), liabilities (including mortgages and consumer credit) and net worth is provided in this publication. Relationships between incomes, assets, indebtedness and net worth are portrayed and the influence of such factors as age and education of the family head.

Consumer Price Indexes for Regional Cities, March 1973 – 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 February and March, consumer price indexes rose in ten regional cities and city-combinations, declined in one and remained unchanged in one other. The movements ranged from a decline of 0.1% in Thunder Bay to an increase of 0.7% in Vancouver. Food indexes advanced in all cities except Thunder Bay and Winnipeg, reflecting higher prices for most meat, fish and poultry, many fresh produce items and bakery products. Restaurant meal prices also registered increases in many of the

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centres surveyed. On the other hand, eggs, tomatoes, carrots, bananas, margarine and soft drinks were lower in price. Housing components rose in all cities and city-combinations except Quebec City and Toronto where marginal declines were recorded. The increases reflected higher prices for some furniture and appliance items, textiles and household supplies. Clothing indexes declined in six cities and city-combinations, rose in five and remained unchanged in one. Children's wear including shoes were generally lower in price across the country reflecting reductions in a number of retail outlets following removal of the federal sales tax on these items. However, higher prices for men's suits, shirts and shoes, and increased charges for laundry, dry cleaning and shoe repairs were registered in all cities surveyed. Transportation components rose in eight cities and city-combinations and decreased in four. Automobile maintenance and repair charges were higher across the country, but tire prices were lower in most cities. The components for

tobacco and alcohol were unchanged in all centres except in Saskatoon-Regina where a 1.2% increase reflected higher cigarette and beer prices. 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

For further information, order the March issue of *Prices and Price Indexes* (62-002, 40¢/\$4), or contact Mr. B. Holliday (613-992-1538), Prices Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

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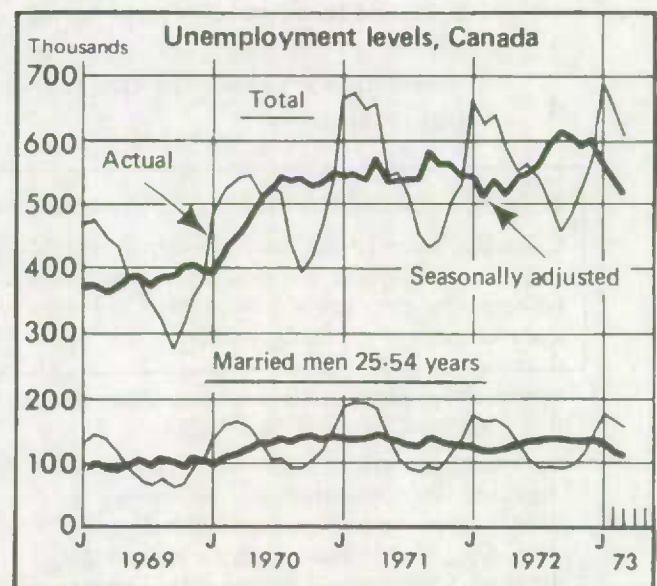
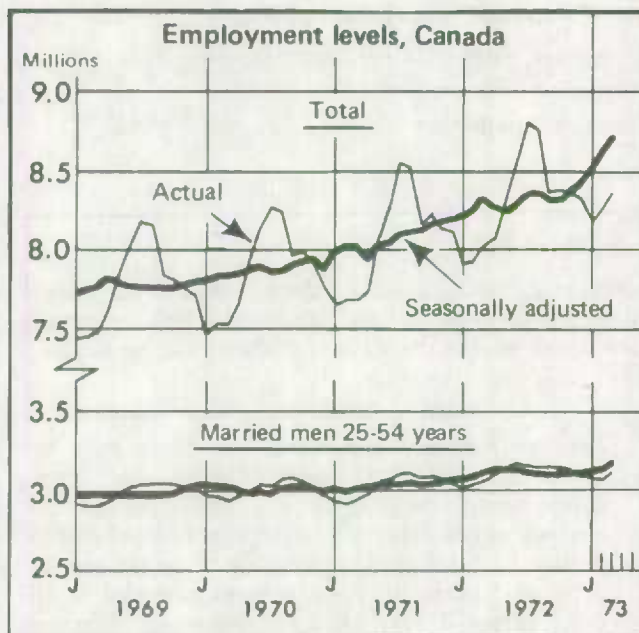
The Labour Force, March 1973 - Advance Information.

Employment increased to an estimated 8.39 million in March from 8.28 million the previous month, and 8.02 million a year earlier. Unemployment decreased to 608,000 from 655,000, but was still higher than the 642,000 unemployed in March 1972. The total work force increased to 9.00 million from 8.94 million and 8.66 million.

The seasonally adjusted unemployment rate decreased to 5.5 in March from 5.9 in February to reach the lowest level since March 1970. The rate for married men 25-54 years of age, decreased to 3.4 in March from 3.6 in February.

Seasonally adjusted employment increased for the sixth consecutive month to 8.73 million in March from 8.64 million in February.

For further information order *The Labour Force*, March 1972 (71-001, 30¢/\$3).



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.**

	All items	Food	Housing**	Clothing	Transportation	Health and personal care	Recreation and reading	Tobacco and alcohol
	(1961=100)							
St. John's								
March 1973 index	135.7	140.1	126.7	138.2	127.5	152.7	120.1	161.4
February 1973 index	134.9	138.2	126.6	138.7	127.6	152.5	117.3	161.4
% change from February 1973	0.6	1.4	0.1	-0.4	-0.1	0.1	2.4	
% change from March 1972	6.8	13.1	2.8	2.7	0.7	9.9	4.3	10.2
Halifax								
March 1973 index	135.6	148.0	126.1	132.6	128.0	151.0	145.4	134.2
February 1973 index	134.8	146.6	125.8	132.2	126.3	151.0	145.4	134.2
% change from February 1973	0.6	1.0	0.2	0.3	1.3			
% change from March 1972	4.8	11.4	2.1	2.6	2.3	1.3	3.0	3.5
Saint John								
March 1973 index	135.5	148.8	123.6	139.9	132.0	144.3	147.0	129.6
February 1973 index	135.2	148.4	123.4	138.8	131.7	144.2	146.7	129.6
% change from February 1973	0.2	0.3	0.2	0.8	0.2	0.1	0.2	
% change from March 1972	5.1	11.5	2.4	4.6	1.3	3.5	4.9	2.0
Montreal								
March 1973 index	135.8	148.6	122.1	131.8	131.9	145.7	153.4	134.8
February 1973 index	135.7	148.3	122.0	132.1	131.8	145.7	153.1	134.8
% change from February 1973	0.1	0.2	0.1	-0.2	0.1		0.2	
% change from March 1972	4.4	10.8	1.4	3.0	0.3	2.0	3.2	2.0
Ottawa								
March 1973 index	141.2	151.6	131.2	138.8	135.7	153.6	148.1	144.7
February 1973 index	140.9	150.8	131.1	137.9	135.6	153.8	148.2	144.7
% change from February 1973	0.2	0.5	0.1	0.7	0.1	-0.1	-0.1	
% change from March 1972	5.3	10.0	2.8	4.3	2.2	2.6	4.9	7.2
Toronto								
March 1973 index	140.1	150.6	129.5	137.8	140.1	152.2	138.8	142.7
February 1973 index	139.7	149.8	129.6	136.9	139.7	152.0	138.1	142.7
% change from February 1973	0.3	0.5	-0.1	0.7	0.3	0.1	0.5	
% change from March 1972	5.7	11.5	3.4	3.8	0.4	4.2	3.7	7.4
Winnipeg								
March 1973 index	138.2	148.1	123.4	143.0	136.8	166.4	142.8	137.9
February 1973 index	138.2	148.2	123.1	143.4	137.2	166.6	142.9	137.9
% change from February 1973		-0.1	0.2	-0.3	-0.3	-0.1	-0.1	
% change from March 1972	5.0	10.3	2.9	3.5	0.4	5.4	3.2	6.1
Saskatoon-Regina								
March 1973 index	132.6	148.4	119.8	135.7	126.0	140.7	141.8	125.5
February 1973 index	132.2	147.6	119.7	136.1	125.5	140.8	141.7	124.0
% change from February 1973	0.3	0.5	0.1	-0.3	0.4	-0.1	0.1	1.2
% change from March 1972	4.4	8.9	2.7	3.3	0.9	1.6	5.0	2.0
Edmonton-Calgary								
March 1973 index	138.1	152.5	125.9	136.1	133.5	155.3	142.5	133.5
February 1973 index	137.6	150.9	125.4	136.8	133.6	155.4	142.6	133.5
% change from February 1973	0.4	1.1	0.4	-0.4	-0.1	-0.1	-0.1	
% change from March 1972	5.1	10.4	1.5	4.1	2.8	2.3	2.4	6.5
Vancouver								
March 1973 index	137.2	154.0	125.0	138.9	135.1	148.5	129.1	125.1
February 1973 index	136.2	151.4	124.8	138.2	134.3	148.6	128.1	125.1
% change from February 1973	0.7	1.7	0.2	0.5	0.6	-0.1	0.8	
% change from March 1972	5.0	9.2	2.8	4.7	3.2	4.4	2.6	2.2
Base 1969=100								
Quebec City								
March 1973 index	110.8	117.0	108.1	104.6	113.5	108.6	111.2	107.5
February 1973 index	110.5	115.7	108.2	104.9	113.4	108.7	111.1	107.5
% change from February 1973	0.3	1.1	-0.1	-0.3	0.1	-0.1	0.1	
% change from March 1972	4.0	10.9	1.1	1.9	0.8	1.9	2.5	1.8
Thunder Bay								
March 1973 index	111.1	118.7	108.9	104.3	109.0	114.9	111.0	107.4
February 1973 index	111.2	118.9	104.3	108.7	109.9	115.7	110.9	107.4
% change from February 1973	-0.1	-0.2	0.2		-0.8	-0.7	0.1	
% change from March 1972	4.5	9.3	4.2	2.9	-0.3	2.1	1.2	6.2

* For inter-city indexes of retail price differentials refer to Table 14 of Prices and Price Indexes (62-002,400/\$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/homeownership costs.

Employment, Earnings and Hours, February 1973 - Advance Information.

The first estimate of the seasonally-adjusted industrial composite index of employment (1961=100) for Canada showed a rise of 0.8% in February from the previous month's level. All industry divisions rose except construction and finance, insurance and real estate. All regions recorded increased levels of employment except the Prairie Region, where a decline occurred.

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 0.6% at the Canada composite level in February. Gains occurred in all industry divisions except mining and in all regions except British Columbia. Among the industry divisions for which data on wage-earners hours are tabulated, average weekly hours rose in manufacturing and declined in mining and construction while average hourly earnings rose in all three industry divisions.

Preliminary data for January 1973 showed a rise of 0.8% in the industrial composite index of employment for Canada. Gains were recorded in all industry divisions except mining and construction which declined; the most substantial increases were in trade (1.4%) and manufacturing (1.0%). All provinces except Newfoundland and Quebec contributed to this overall advance; the increases ranged from 0.2% in New Brunswick to 3.1% in Prince Edward Island.

Average weekly earnings declined by 0.4% in January to \$156.15 at the Canada composite level. Gains in forestry, manufacturing and finance, insurance and real estate were more than offset by declines in the remaining industry divisions. All provinces except Ontario showed decreases in average earnings at the composite level; these declines ranged from 0.8% in British Columbia to 2.5% in Newfoundland.

Average weekly hours of hourly-rated wage-earners rose 3.0% in mining, 0.8% in manufacturing and 0.2% in construction in January. The increase in manufacturing was mainly in Ontario. Average hourly earnings rose 1.6% in manufacturing, remained unchanged in construction and fell 2.6% in mining. The gain in manufacturing was mostly in Ontario and Quebec.

Detailed information for December 1972 and January 1973 will be published in the February 1973 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.

(see tables on page 5)

Preliminary Statement of Total Canadian Exports, March 1973 - Published only in Statistics Canada Daily and Weekly.

Seasonally adjusted exports in March, at \$1,946 million, were virtually unchanged from the record high of February. First quarter exports rose \$200 million to \$5,764 million on the strength of an increase of \$231 million in sales to the United States - offset in part by a fall of \$31 million in shipments to overseas countries.

Unadjusted March exports, at \$1,892 million, were \$339 million or 22% more than in March 1972. Export gains were recorded to all trading areas other than Latin America, with the United States accounting for \$200 million or 59% of the overall increase.

Exports of lumber, crude oil, newsprint and automotive products advanced some \$113 million, representing 56% of the export gain to the United States. Nickel and copper ores, wheat, zinc, coal and copper metal contributed some \$84 million towards the year-over-year gain of \$139 million on overseas exports.

In the first quarter of 1973, exports reached \$5,474 million, up \$1,059 million or 24%, with the United States share of the rise \$696 million or two-thirds. In exports to other countries there was a net gain of \$363 million, with increases to Japan (up \$130 million), the United Kingdom (\$87 million), "Other Countries" (\$70 million), Other Commonwealth (\$59 million), the European Economic Community as constituted before January 1973 (\$19 million), offset marginally by a drop in exports to Latin America. Exports of automotive products, lumber, crude oil and newsprint accounted for some \$400 million of the overall increase to the United States. Over half of the advance on overseas exports was attributable to wheat, nickel and copper ores, coal, nickel and copper metals.

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

(see table on page 6)

Consumer Credit, February 1973 - Advance Information.

Selected credit holders reporting monthly showed \$11,673 million outstanding on their books at the end of February, 18.8% more than a year earlier.

Personal cash loans by chartered banks rose to \$7,239 million, up 24.8% from a year earlier; and life insurance companies' policy loans were up 2.4% to \$803 million, but personal cash loans made under the Small Loans Act fell 12.1% to \$371 million. In addition, sales finance and consumer loan companies held \$1,035 million balances of retail instalment sales' paper, an increase of 19.7%; and the \$1,259 million outstandings of personal cash loans represented an expansion of 19.8%.

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Advance Employment, Earnings and Hours Data, February 1973

Industry Division and Area	Employment Index Numbers									
	Unadjusted for seasonal variations					Seasonally-adjusted				
	Feb. 1973 ^f	Jan. 1973 ^p	Dec. 1972 ^p	Nov. 1972 ^r	Feb. 1972	Jan. 1972	Feb. 1973 ^f	Jan. 1973 ^p	Dec. 1972 ^p	Nov. 1972 ^r
	1961=100									
Industry Division:										
Forestry	75.8	75.6	78.4	86.0	63.9	62.9	91.6	86.7	86.0	81.6
Mining	110.3	108.9	108.7	110.6	109.1	109.6	111.7	110.5	110.8	112.1
Manufacturing	124.0	123.4	122.6	125.8	119.9	119.4	126.4	125.8	124.5	125.1
Durables	138.1	136.8	136.0	138.3	131.5	131.1	139.5	138.3	136.4	137.5
Non-durables	112.6	112.5	111.7	115.7	110.5	109.9	115.6	115.7	114.9	115.4
Construction	90.2	90.7	92.3	110.3	94.9	95.1	103.2	104.1	106.1	105.4
Transportation, Communication and Other Utilities	114.4	114.0	115.5	117.0	112.5	112.4	118.3	117.6	117.0	116.9
Trade	145.7	147.5	155.3	155.6	139.7	141.0	150.0	149.8	147.7	148.9
Finance, Insurance and Real Estate	150.5	150.5	150.3	150.3	146.2	144.9	151.0	151.1	150.6	150.6
Service	190.2	188.8	188.5	194.3	185.2	181.3	198.1	197.4	196.5	195.8
Industrial Composite	128.3	128.1	129.4	132.8	124.7	124.3	133.0	132.0	131.0	131.0
Industrial Composite:										
Atlantic Region	114.6	114.7	117.8	124.6	111.5	112.6	123.0	121.9	121.6	122.8
Newfoundland	119.5	117.3	122.2	129.8	113.1	114.4	132.0	128.5	130.7	127.5
Prince Edward Island	117.9	123.6	133.7	142.6	121.2	125.7	140.5	142.8	138.5	136.3
Nova Scotia	112.5	112.0	113.5	119.5	108.9	109.0	118.5	115.9	115.4	117.8
New Brunswick	113.7	115.4	118.6	125.6	112.6	114.4	121.9	122.9	122.7	124.4
Quebec	118.1	118.0	119.6	122.6	115.3	114.9	122.5	121.9	122.1	121.0
Ontario	134.0	133.8	134.3	137.7	129.4	129.6	136.9	136.5	134.7	135.5
Prairie Region	125.6	126.6	127.8	130.6	123.9	122.6	130.5	131.4	130.1	129.8
Manitoba	113.2	114.3	115.3	118.3	113.8	113.6	117.5	118.4	117.6	117.1
Saskatchewan	111.9	112.1	115.1	117.8	110.8	109.5	118.7	118.9	117.0	117.3
Alberta	141.7	142.9	143.5	146.0	137.6	135.4	146.5	147.9	146.2	146.7
British Columbia	148.9	146.9	149.6	152.6	144.1	141.5	154.6	154.0	151.9	151.6
Yukon	147.1	148.9	153.8	164.5	151.4	155.4	156.5	166.2	165.1	166.4
Northwest Territories	129.0	122.4	124.8	134.8	133.4	136.2	144.8	135.0	136.9	139.7
Canada	128.3	128.1	129.4	132.8	124.7	124.3	133.0	132.0	131.0	131.0

Industry Division and Area	Average Weekly Earnings									
	Unadjusted for seasonal variations					Seasonally-adjusted				
	Feb. 1973 ^f	Jan. 1973 ^p	Dec. 1972 ^p	Nov. 1972 ^r	Feb. 1972	Jan. 1972	Feb. 1973 ^f	Jan. 1973 ^p	Dec. 1972 ^p	Nov. 1972 ^r
	dollars									
Industry Division:										
Forestry	204.07	190.12	173.30	194.33	175.00	165.90	194.70	191.92	179.01	186.55
Mining	206.35	205.64	203.84	200.65	186.66	183.01	202.03	202.22	205.69	199.02
Manufacturing	165.67	163.99	158.55	161.38	151.51	151.34	164.68	163.88	162.16	160.64
Durables	177.73	175.95	169.22	174.30	162.90	162.60	176.79	177.01	174.74	172.92
Non-durables	153.68	152.20	148.03	148.86	140.50	140.42	152.82	151.28	149.12	149.01
Construction	228.18	221.77	199.16	223.88	203.34	198.03	225.45	223.36	231.64	220.07
Transportation, Communication and Other Utilities	172.43	171.86	174.56	172.78	163.89	162.47	171.97	171.83	176.63	172.66
Trade	124.10	123.21	121.49	118.68	113.55	112.78	124.14	123.72	123.75	120.87
Finance, Insurance and Real Estate	149.28	148.17	146.27	143.75	136.69	135.36	150.41	148.51	147.17	144.82
Service	114.41	114.18	112.63	110.39	103.16	103.14	113.80	113.68	114.14	110.30
Industrial Composite	157.34	155.78	151.93	153.78	144.64	143.68	157.03	156.15	156.74	153.00
Industrial Composite:										
Atlantic Region	135.64	134.66	131.11	129.40	123.91	122.66	133.23	132.55	135.29	129.65
Newfoundland	142.91	142.70	140.04	138.42	133.80	130.20	139.42	141.46	145.13	139.16
Prince Edward Island	112.67	109.13	104.65	106.59	97.91	98.76	108.48	105.13	106.22	109.49
Nova Scotia	133.93	132.20	128.64	127.53	119.67	119.82	131.69	132.33	135.21	128.02
New Brunswick	134.86	134.69	130.68	127.81	124.91	123.40	130.87	130.25	132.12	127.94
Quebec	150.54	148.57	146.05	147.36	137.00	136.84	150.69	148.48	150.24	146.86
Ontario	163.58	162.06	156.55	159.46	150.70	149.81	163.27	162.63	162.28	159.51
Prairie Region	149.26	147.79	146.49	145.98	137.70	135.60	148.38	147.92	151.35	148.58
Manitoba	141.39	140.21	139.22	139.34	130.43	129.54	142.07	141.04	143.64	140.69
Saskatchewan	138.77	137.69	138.36	136.57	128.95	127.03	138.95	139.09	140.80	136.38
Alberta	157.95	156.13	154.07	153.58	145.64	142.70	156.49	156.18	159.91	154.29
British Columbia	171.26	170.38	167.11	171.65	159.64	158.10	171.24	171.34	172.67	170.76
Yukon	210.46	210.00	201.67	199.94	189.47	191.20	214.41	217.84	207.42	199.94
Northwest Territories	184.67	182.89	173.32	178.70	191.81	187.71	182.59	182.78	176.60	178.47
Canada	157.34	155.78	151.93	153.78	144.64	143.68	157.03	156.15	156.74	153.00

Industry Division and Area	Average Weekly Hours										Average Hourly Earnings										Average Weekly Hours										Average Hourly Earnings									
	Unadjusted for seasonal variations																				Seasonally-adjusted																			
	Feb 73 ^f	Jan 73 ^p	Dec 72 ^p	Nov 72 ^r	Feb 72	Jan 72	Feb 73 ^f	Jan 73 ^p	Dec 72 ^p	Nov 72 ^r	Feb 72	Jan 72	Feb 73 ^f	Jan 73 ^p	Dec 72 ^p	Nov 72 ^r	Feb 73 ^f	Jan 73 ^p	Dec 72 ^p	Nov 72 ^r	Feb 73 ^f	Jan 73 ^p	Dec 72 ^p	Nov 72 ^r																
	hours										\$										hours										\$									
Industry Division:																																								
Mining including milling	41.3	41.6	39.9	41.1	40.8	40.1	4.62	4.60	4.70	4.53	4.20	4.17	41.0	41.4	40.2	40.5	4.57	4.54	4.66	4.51																				
Manufacturing	40.4	40.0	38.6	40.5	39.7	39.8	3.73	3.72	3.69	3.64	3.43	3.42	40.4	40.3	40.0	40.1	3.73	3.71	3.65	3.65																				
Durables	41.1	40.8	39.1	41.2	40.2	40.2	4.01	4.00	3.95	3.94	3.70	3.70	41.1	41.5	40.4	40.6	4.01	3.98	3.95	3.94																				
Non-durables	39.6	39.3	38.0	39.8	39.1	39.5	3.41	3.41	3.41	3.32	3.15	3.14	39.5	39.4	39.4	39.6	3.41	3.40	3.35	3.33																				
Construction	40.3	39.6	34.7	41.0	39.6	38.5	5.55	5.49	5.42	5.04	5.03	40.4	41.2	41.1	40.3	5.45	5.41	5.41	5.39																					
Building	38.8	38.6	33.8	39.9	37.7	36.8	5.74	5.69	5.59	5.63	5.16	5.21	38.6	39.3	39.2	38.7	5.68	5.63	5.57	5.57																				
Engineering	43.9	42.0	36.8	43.2	44.5	42.8	5.13	5.03	5.06	5.03	4.79	4.63	44.6	44.0	44.3	43.0	5.00	4.97	5.12	5.06																				
Manufacturing:																																								
Atlantic Region	39.7	40.0	38.1	39.7	39.3	40.0	3.20	3.19	3.22	3.08	2.91	2.89	39.4	40.1	40.0	40.2	3.11	3.09	3.08	3.07																				
Quebec	40.9	40.4	38.9	41.2	39.8	40.5	3.22	3.23	3.21	3.15	3.00	2.98	40.7	40.3	41.0	40.6	3.22	3.22	3.18	3.16																				
Ontario	40.8	40.4	38.8	40.7	40.0	40.1	3.93	3.92	3.87	3.85	3.62	3.62	40.8	40.9	40.5	40.2	3.92	3.91	3.86	3.86																				
Prairie Region	38.4	38.7	38.1	39.3	38.8	38.5	3.62	3.60	3.58	3.55	3.32	3.32	38.6	39.0	39.3	39.1	3.64	3.61	3.57	3.54																				
British Columbia	37.9	37.8	36.6	38.2	37.8	37.3	4.73	4.74	4.75	4.68	4.31	4.33	37.5	37.5	37.8	37.7	4.72	4.71	4.69	4.65																				

f - first estimate based on a limited number of returns - p - preliminary figures - r - revised figures.

**Preliminary Statement of Total Canadian Exports,
(Domestic Exports plus Re-exports)**

	Value		Change
	1972 (\$ millions)	1973	1972-1973 (%)
Month of March			
United Kingdom	92.4	129.9	40.6
Other Commonwealth and Preferential	42.9	58.9	37.3
United States	1,155.9	1,356.2	17.3
Japan	55.6	115.2	107.2
European Economic Community*	72.0	87.8	21.9
Latin America	47.0	44.9	-4.5
Other Countries	86.3	98.7	14.4
Total Commonwealth and Preferential	135.2	188.8	39.6
Total Others	1,416.8	1,702.7	20.2
Grand Total	1,552.1	1,891.5	21.9
January-March			
United Kingdom	251.8	338.9	34.6
Other Commonwealth and Preferential	135.3	194.5	43.8
United States	3,238.4	3,934.4	21.5
Japan	175.2	305.1	74.1
European Economic Community*	240.7	259.4	7.8
Latin America	135.0	133.1	-1.4
Other Countries	238.7	309.2	29.5
Total Commonwealth and Preferential	387.1	533.3	37.8
Total Others	4,028.2	4,941.1	22.7
Grand Total	4,415.3	5,474.4	24.0

* Excluding Denmark, Ireland and the United Kingdom, new members from 1 January, 1973.
Figures may not add because of rounding.

The outstanding balances of other monthly reporters - Quebec savings banks, department stores and furniture, T.V., radio, and household appliances stores - rose 7.1% to \$966 million, over the year.

Credit holders reporting quarterly - other retail stores, other credit card issuers, credit unions and caisses populaires and public utilities - reported out-

standing balances of \$3,215 million for the fourth quarter, 14.1% more than a year earlier.

Total outstanding balances had reached \$14,860 million at the end of 1972; a level 17.2% higher than that attained a year earlier.

For further information, order the February issue of *Consumer Credit* (61-004, 20¢/\$2), or contact Bob Wright (613-992-7344), Merchandising and Services Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Farm Cash Receipts, January-February 1973 (21-001, 20¢/\$2).

Preliminary estimates indicated that farmers' total cash receipts from farming operations in all provinces except Newfoundland increased to \$935.2 million during the months of January and February 1973, from \$710.3 million a year earlier. 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-February	
	1973	1972
	(\$ millions)	
Prince Edward Island	14.0	7.0
Nova Scotia	12.1	10.1
New Brunswick	15.1	8.4
Quebec	104.9	92.8
Ontario	300.9	237.4
Manitoba	72.1	49.2
Saskatchewan	172.4	146.7
Alberta	205.8	125.5
British Columbia	37.9	33.2
Canada	935.2	710.3

Concentration Ratios for the Food Manufacturing Industries, *1968 — Advance Information.

Four of Canada's 16 breakfast cereal manufactures accounted for 95.3% of all the goods shipped by that industry in 1968. Four of 8 sugar refiners made 92.4% of that industry's shipments, the top 4 (of 10) vegetable oil millers accounted for 81.8% of theirs and the top 4 (14.2% of all) flour millers had 76.9%. The top four slaughtering and meat processors (representing 1.0% of all the firms in this industry) had 55.0% of its shipments; of fruit and vegetable canners

and preservers (1.6%) had 38.4%; of fish products producers (1.4%) had 34.9%; of poultry processors (4.0%) had 32.5% of bakers (less than 1%) had 30.7%; and of dairy factories (0.4%) had 22.6%.

*Further information on the food and on non-food industries, comparable with data for 1965 published by the Department of Consumer and Corporate Affairs, will be contained in *Industrial Organization and Concentration in the Manufacturing, Mining and Logging Industries, 1968* (31-514, S2).

Concentration Ratios for the Food Manufacturing, 1968

SIC Code	Industry Name	Establishments No.	Enterprises* No.	Portion of Industry's Shipments by Top Enterprises (%)				
				4	8	12	16	20
101	Slaughtering and Meat Processors	432	393	55.0	63.8	68.5	72.3	75.1
103	Poultry Processors	115	98	32.5	47.5	58.3	67.0	72.9
105	Dairy Factories	1,037	805	22.6	33.2	39.3	44.4	48.2
107	Process Cheese Manufacturers	9	9	x	x	x		
111	Fish Products Industry	367	289	34.9	48.0	55.8	61.4	66.0
112	Fruit and Vegetable Canners and Preservers	295	240	38.4	52.1	60.2	66.3	71.5
123	Feed Manufacturers	872	730	29.3	38.7	45.7	50.5	53.8
124	Flour Mills	42	28	76.9	88.2	95.1	98.6	99.5
125	Breakfast Cereal Manufacturers	18	16	95.3	99.2	99.8	100.0	—
128	Biscuit Manufacturers	47	39	66.8	81.5	88.2	93.0	96.1
129	Bakeries	2,135	2,066	30.7	43.8	49.4	53.4	55.7
131	Confectionery Manufacturers	155	149	46.1	67.4	77.5	83.4	87.4
133	Sugar Refineries	13	8	92.4	100.0	—	—	—
135	Vegetable Oil Mills	11	10	81.8	x	—	—	—
139	Miscellaneous Food Industries	275	240	33.0	47.6	57.5	64.5	69.5

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— not applicable

* including commonly owned or controlled companies

Estimates of Disappearance of Meats, 1972 — Advance Information.

Disappearance of red meats in 1972 was 165.8 pounds per capita compared to 164.8 pounds in 1971. Beef increased to 92.5 pounds from 86.9; mutton and lamb to 4.6 pounds from 3.3; but the disappearance of veal decreased to 3.5 pounds from 4.4, and pork to 61.1 pounds from 65.9.

For further information order *Estimates of Production and Disappearance of Meats* (32-220, 25¢)

Production of Poultry and Eggs, 1972 — Advance information.

Poultry meat production increased 2.5% to 981 million pounds in 1972 from 957 million (revised) in 1971 (eviscerated weight). Production of fowl and chicken meat, accounting for the major part of total output, increased to 757 million pounds from 721 million. Output of turkey meat decreased to 213 million pounds from 226 million; goose meat, to 4.0 million pounds from 3.9; and duck meat to 7.1 million pounds from 6.6 million.

Per capita disappearance of poultry meat increased to 45.5 pounds from 44.6 in 1971, fowl and chicken, 34.5 pounds from 33.6; turkey remained the same at 10.4; goose decreased to 0.18 from 0.19; and duck increased to 0.40 from 0.37.

Further information will be contained in *Production of Poultry and Eggs, 1972* (23-202, 50¢).

Salaries and Qualifications of Teachers in Universities and Colleges, 1971-72 — Advance Information.

The median salary of teachers in universities and colleges was \$15,084 in the year 1971-72. In 1970-71 it was \$14,248. The number of teachers increased to 25,468 from 24,286. Of these, 25,468 teachers 12.9% were women, whose median salary was \$12,420 while that of the men was \$15,536.

For further information, order *Salaries and Qualifications of Teachers in Universities and Colleges* (81-203, \$1), or contact Mrs. L. Desrumeaux (613-994-5148), Education Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0Z5.

Transportation Equipment Industries, (Industry Group 15) 1971 Census of Manufactures — Advance Information.

The transportation equipment industries shipped \$6,931 million worth of products of own manufacture in 1971. This was 20.4% more than in 1970 when there was a major strike in the motor vehicle manufacturers industry. The total value added by these industries increased 25.6% to \$2,757 million, the number of employees increased 2.2% to 150,155, and total salaries and wages increased 10.7% to \$1,337 million.

For a fuller range of preliminary totals for this group, write Special Projects Unit, Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Gas Utilities, February 1973 - Advance Information. Canadian consumers purchased 127.6 billion cubic feet of natural gas in February, up 1.1% from 126.2 billion a year earlier. Exports fell to 83.5 billion cubic feet from 84.1 billion.

For further information, order the February issue of *Gas Utilities* (55-002, 20¢/\$2), or *Energy Service Bulletin*, Vol. 7, No. 23 (57-002, \$3), or contact Andre Côté, (613-992-4021) Energy and Minerals Section, Statistics Canada, Ottawa, K1A 0V6.

Gold Production, February 1973 - Advance Information.

The value of gold production was \$6.06 million in February 1973, calculated at the average price paid by the Royal Canadian Mint, up from \$5.95 million in February 1972.

Production decreased to 160,314 troy ounces from 169,311, which brought the year-to-date production to 324,536 troy ounces from 340,580 reported last year.

For further information, order the February issue of *Gold Production* (26-004, 10¢/\$1), or contact Art Symons (613-992-0491), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Tobacco Products Industries, (Industry Group 2)
1971 Census of Manufactures - Advance Information.

The tobacco products industries shipped \$575 million worth of products of own manufacture in 1971. This was 9.1% more than in 1970. The total value added by these industries increased 13.1% to \$235 million, the number of employees decreased 3.1% to 9,680, and total salaries and wages increased 4.7% to \$78 million.

For a fuller range of preliminary totals for this industry group, write Special Projects Unit, Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

Warehousing, 1971 - Published only in *Statistics Canada Daily and Weekly*.

Total operating revenue of 131 warehousing firms reporting in 1971 was \$83.5 million, and operating expenses \$79.2 million. Total storage space reported was 220.5 million cu. ft. with an average occupancy rate of 73.6%.

Of the 102 firms reporting for both 1971 and 1970, operating revenue was up 20.4% to \$74.7 million, and operating expenses rose 23.3% to 70.9 million. The operating ratio changed to 94.8% from 92.5%.

Further information may be obtained writing Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa, K1A 0V5.

Vacant Dwellings, 1971 Census - Published only in the *Statistics Canada Daily and Weekly*.

Locality	1966	1971
Canada	222,067	290,185
Newfoundland	7,023	6,060
Prince Edward Island	1,799	1,530
Nova Scotia	10,578	9,070
New Brunswick	7,514	6,500
Quebec	61,019	86,850
Ontario	64,710	86,360
Manitoba	12,116	15,670
Saskatchewan	16,810	20,880
Alberta	21,650	27,830
British Columbia	18,509	28,700
Yukon	278	275
Northwest Territories	61	455
Census Metropolitan Area		
Calgary	4,176	7,890
Chicoutimi-Jonquière	*	930
Edmonton	4,112	6,480
Halifax	2,057	2,565
Hamilton	2,747	4,495
Kitchener	1,238	2,865
London	3,554	4,940
Montreal	28,111	50,205
Ottawa-Hull	6,873	5,995
Quebec (part)	NA	1,710
Ontario (part)	NA	4,285
Quebec	4,539	7,120
Regina	1,311	2,310
St. Catharines-Niagara	*	3,305
St. John's	597	920
Saint John	1,202	605
Saskatoon	1,767	3,175
Sudbury	571	505
Thunder Bay	*	890
Toronto	14,934	33,615
Vancouver	6,639	15,060
Victoria	2,345	2,535
Windsor	835	2,095
Winnipeg	5,275	7,310

* Not a metropolitan area in 1966.

Weekly Railway Carloadings, April 7, 1973 - Advance Information.

Railways in Canada loaded 4.53 million tons of revenue carload freight during the 7-day period ending April 7. This was 16.8% more than in the comparable period of 1972. Year-to-date loadings increased 14.6%.

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

Prices and Price Indexes April 1973 — Advance Information.

Weekly Security Price Indexes

Index	Number stocks priced	Apr. 12/73 This week	Apr. 5/73 Week ago 1961=100	Mar. 15/73 Month ago
Investors price index	114	190.7	190.2	191.6
Industrials	80	201.5	200.9	203.9
Utilities	20	156.1	156.9	157.0
Finance	14	188.1	186.8	182.3
Mining stock price index	22	131.5	130.9	126.7
Uranium's price index	4	232.1	229.2	232.9
Primary oils and gas	7	479.7	469.9	501.0

For further information, order the April 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.

Other Publications

- Population, Marital Status by Age Groups, 1971 Census** (92-730, 50¢)
- The Wheat Review, March 1973** (22-005, 30¢/\$3)
- Private and Public Investment in Canada, Outlook 1973** (61-205, 50¢)
- Steel Wire and Specified Wire Products, February 1973** (41-006, 10¢/\$1)
- Oil Pipe Line Transport, January 1973** (55-001, 20¢/\$2)
- Production, Shipments and Stocks on Hand of Sawmills East of the Rockies, January 1973**
(35-002, 20¢/\$2)
- Stocks of Dairy and Frozen Poultry Products, April 1, 1973** (32-009, 20¢/\$2)
- Dairy Factory Production, March 1973** (32-002, 10¢/\$1)
- Grain Milling Statistics, February 1973** (32-003, \$1 a year)
- Gold Production, February 1973** (26-004, 10¢/\$1)
- Iron Castings and Cast Iron Pipe and Fittings, February 1973** (41-004, 10¢/\$1)
- Domestic Washing Machines and Clothes Dryers, February 1973** (43-002, 10¢/\$1)
- Factory Sales of Electric Storage Batteries, February 1973** (43-005, 10¢/\$1)
- Fertilizer Trade, 1972** (46-207, 50¢)
- Raw Hides, Skins and Finished Leather, February 1973** (33-001, 10¢/\$1)
- Distilled Beverage Spirits and Industrial Ethyl Alcohol, February 1973** (32-021, 10¢/\$1)
- Sales of Paints, Varnishes and Lacquers, February 1973** (46-001, 10¢/\$1)
- Cement, February 1973** (44-001, 10¢/\$1)
- Specified Chemicals, February 1973** (46-002, 10¢/\$1)
- Domestic Refrigerators and Freezers, February 1973** (43-001, 10¢/\$1)
- Corporations and Labour Union Returns Act, Part I, Corporations, 1970** (61-210, N/C)
- Population and Housing Characteristics by Census Tracts, 1971 Census: Ottawa-Hull** (95-715, 50¢)
- Summary of Imports, January 1973** (65-005, 20¢/\$2)
- Summary of Foreign Trade, January 1973** (65-001, 10¢/\$1)
- Department Store Sales and Stocks, January 1973** (63-002, 20¢/\$2)
- Specified Domestic Electrical Appliances, February 1973** (43-003, 10¢/\$1)
- Breweries, February 1973** (32-019, 10¢/\$1)
- Cotton Yarn and Cloth Mills, 1971** (34-205, 50¢)
- Electric Power Statistics, February 1973** (57-001, 20¢/\$2)

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Hardwood Flooring Plants, 1971 (35-203, 50¢)

Gas Utilities, 1969 (57-205, \$1)

Quarterly Report on Job Vacancies, Fourth Quarter 1972 (71-002, 75¢/\$3)

Family Expenditure in Canada, Volume III, Major Urban Centres 1969 (62-537, \$1.50)

Hospital Indicators, January-December 1972 (83-001, \$1/\$4)

Provincial Government Finance, Assets, Liabilities, Sources and Uses of Funds, 1969-70, 1970-71 (68-209, \$1)

Preliminary Bulletin — 1970 Census of Manufactures (\$3.50 for the series): Size of Establishments (31-210-p);

Preliminary Bulletins — 1971 Census of Manufactures (\$3.50 for the series): Fur Goods Industry (34-213-p); Iron and Steel Mills (41-203-p); Manufacturers of Industrial Chemicals (Inorganic) (46-219-p); Floor Tile Linoleum and Coated Fabrics Manufacturers (47-205-p); Sound Recording and Musical Instrument Manufacturers (47-205-p)

Service Bulletin — Communications (56-001, \$1 a year), Vol. 3, No. 3, Monthly Telephone Statistics, February 1973

Stocks of Frozen Meat Products, April 1, 1973 (32-012, 30¢/\$3)

Construction Price Statistics (62-006, \$3 a year), Vol. 2, No. 4, Basic Union

Wage Rates and Indexes for Major Construction Trades and Selected Canadian Cities, First Quarter, 1973.

Energy (57-002, \$3 a year), Vol. 8, No. 22, Electric Energy Statistics, February 1973;

Fabricated Metal Products (41-009, \$2 a year), Vol. 2, No. 2, Domestic and Farm Water Systems, February 1973;

Electrical Products (43-007, \$1 a year), Vol. 2, No. 3, Domestic Water Tank Heaters, February 1973; Vol. 2, No. 4, Electric Lamps (Light Sources), February 1973.