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Consumer Price Index (CPI)

(1961=100)

The Consumer Price Index for Canada rose 0.8% in July to 168.0 from 166.7 in June.

Though all major components moved up in the latest month, an 0.9% rise in the food index accounted for over one-third of the over-all rise, and an 0.6% increase for housing contributed a further quarter. Recreation, education and reading advanced 2.2% and transportation moved up 0.8%. Among the remaining components, health and personal care increased 0.4%, while the indexes for clothing and for tobacco and alcohol each rose 0.3%.

Between July 1973 and July 1974, the All-Items Consumer Price Index advanced 11.3%.

During this period, the following index increases were recorded:

- Food, up 16.3%; transportation, 11.5%; clothing, 10.3%; recreation, education and reading, 9.2%; housing, 9.0%; health and personal care, 8.7%; and tobacco and alcohol, 5.5%.

For further information, order the July 1974 issue of *Consumer Price Movements* (62-001, 15¢/\$1.50).

Electric Power Statistics

Net generation rose 2.5% in June to 20.9 billion kilowatt hours from 20.4 billion kwh. a year earlier.

Net generation was up in nine regions in the latest month but decreased in British Columbia (-22.7%), the Yukon (-12.4%) and New Brunswick (-1.9%). The largest increases were recorded in Newfoundland (39.9%) and Manitoba (17.9%).

Hydro generation increased 8.0% in June; thermal production dropped 15.1%.

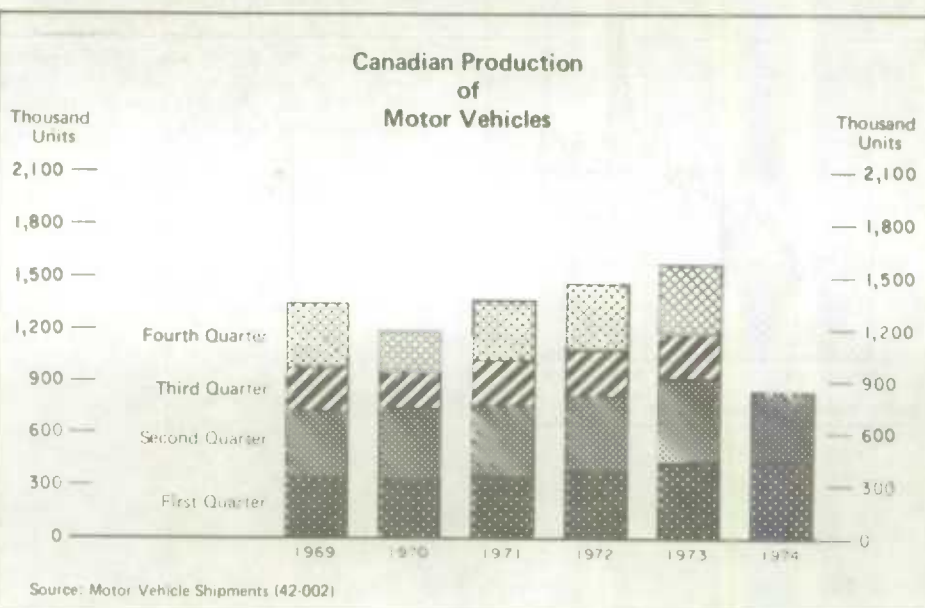
Preliminary statistics for the first six months of 1974 show that net generation in Canada rose 8.1% to 142.0 billion kwh. from 131.4 billion kwh. in January-June 1973.

For further information, order the June 1974 issue of *Electric Power Statistics* (57-001, 30¢/\$3) or *Energy Statistics Service Bulletin* (57-002, \$4.20 a year), or contact D.F. Heney (613-992-4021), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

LATEST MONTHLY STATISTICS

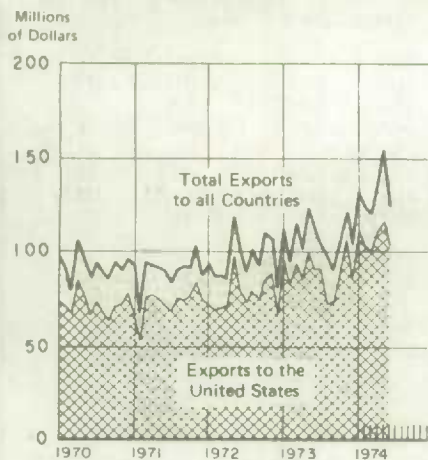
		Latest Month	Previous Month	Change From Year Ago %
EMPLOYMENT, INCOME				
Average Weekly Earnings (\$)	May	174.92P	172.10P	10.2
Labour Income (\$ million)	May	6,120P	5,921P	15.0
Persons with Jobs (million)	June	9.40	9.15	3.2
Unemployed	June	469,000	524,000	-6.8
INVENTORIES				
Department Store (\$ million)	May	1,360	1,265	26.1
Manufacturers' Owned (\$ million)	May	12,081P	11,944P	26.5
Wholesale (\$ million)	May	5,366	5,141	23.3
ORDERS				
Manufacturers' New Orders (\$ million)	May	7,119P	6,518P	25.6
Manufacturers' Unfilled Orders (\$ million)	May	8,980P	8,680P	47.1
PRICES				
Consumer Price Index (1961=100)	July	168.0	166.7	11.3
Industry Selling Price Index (1961=100)	June	169.3	167.9P	20.1
Wholesale Price Index (1935-39=100)	June	452.3	453.3P	23.0
CONSTRUCTION				
Building Permits (\$ million)	Apr.	819.3P	2,635	22.1
Housing Starts - Urban Centres (units)	May	19,880	71,488	0.3
ENERGY				
Electricity Generation (billion Kwh.)	June	20.9	142.0	8.1
Gas Utilities' Sales (billion cu. ft.)	May	97.8	651.2	11.7
Petroleum Refining (million barrels)	May	52.2	267.4	10.4
FOREIGN TRADE				
Exports (\$ million)	June	2,657	15,109	23.2
Imports (\$ million)	June	2,695	14,774	30.7
PRODUCTION				
Motor Vehicles (thousand units)	May	150.4	727.7	-2.8
Steel (ingots - thousand tons)	June	1,247	7,299	0.2
SALES				
Department Store Sales (\$ million)	June	413	2,133	19.1
Manufacturers' Shipments (\$ million)	May	6,819P	31,370	20.8
New Motor Vehicle Sales (\$ million)	June	596	3,201	9.8
Retail Sales (\$ million)	May	3,997	16,676	13.9
Wholesale Sales (\$ million)	May	4,351	17,158	29.9

Statistics are not seasonally adjusted. P - preliminary. P - revised.



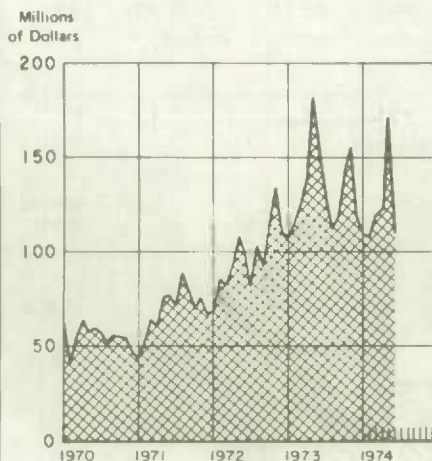


Exports of Newsprint Paper



Source: Exports by Commodities (65-004)

Canadian Exports of Lumber



Source: Summary of Exports (65-002)

General Wholesale Index

(1935-39=100)

The general wholesale price index decreased 0.2% to 452.3 in June from 453.3 (revised) in May but was still 23.0% higher than the June 1973 level of 367.8. Three of the eight major group indexes declined while five showed increases.

The vegetable products group index declined 2.7% due mainly to lower prices of grains, livestock and poultry feeds, fresh fruits and vegetable oil products. The wood products group decreased 1.1% with the most significant changes occurring for cedar, fir, hemlock and spruce.

The chemical products group index rose 3.2% in June reflecting higher prices for explosives, soaps and detergents, inorganic chemicals and paint and paint materials. Increases in livestock and fresh meats were responsible for a 2.1% advance in the animal products group. Non-metallic minerals moved up 1.8% as prices rose for asphalt, petroleum and its products, and lime.

Over the twelve months from June 1973, the following advances were registered by the major group indexes:

- Non-ferrous metals, 33.6%; vegetable products, 33.5%; non-metallic minerals, 32.1%; textile products, 31.7%; iron products, 26.4%; chemical products, 22.0%; wood products, 10.9%; and animal products, 10.6%.

For further information, order the June 1974 issue of *Prices and Price Indexes* (62-002, 55¢/\$5.50), or contact Mrs. L. Bell (613-992-8270), Prices Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

THESE REPORTS SCHEDULED FOR COMING TWO WEEKS

Consumer Credit, June

Consumer Price Indexes for Regional Cities, July

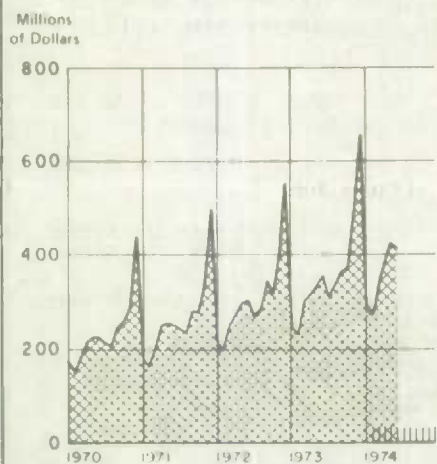
Department Store Sales and Stocks, June

Housing Starts and Completions, June

Retail Trade, June

The Labour Force, July

Department Store Sales



Source: Department Store Sales and Stocks (63-0021)

Industry Selling Price Index:

Manufacturing

(1961=100)

The industry selling price index for total manufacturing rose to 169.3 in June, an increase of 0.8% from the previous month's level and up 20.1% from a year earlier.

The petroleum and coal products group rose 7.3% in June because of higher prices in the petroleum refining industry. The chemical and chemical products group moved up 2.5% with price increases shown by manufacturers of industrial chemicals, soap and cleaning compounds, and paints and varnishes.

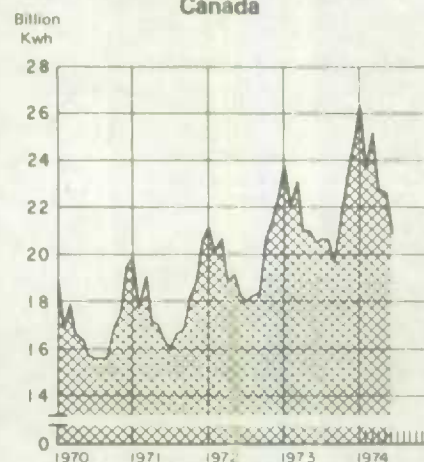
Decreases occurred in the wood products group (-1.6%) with sawmills and planing mills down 3.5% and in the primary metals group (-0.3%) with smelting and refining prices declining 1.4%.

Over the twelve months from June 1973, the largest price increases were shown by the following component group indexes:

- Petroleum and coal products industries, 46.6%; paper and allied industries, 32.2%; chemical and chemical products industries, 30.1%; textile industries, 29.5%; and primary metal industries, 27.7%.

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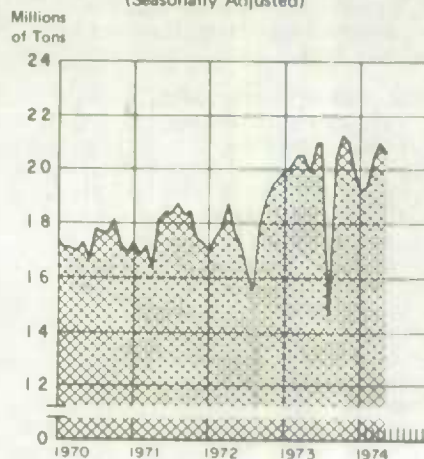
Electric Power Generation, Canada



Source: Electric Power Statistics (57-001)

Rail Revenue Freight Loaded

(Seasonally Adjusted)



Source: Railway Carloadings (52-001)

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Stocks of Dairy and Frozen poultry Products, July 1974	32-009	30¢/\$3	Shipments of Prepared Stock and Poultry Feeds, May 1974	32-004	40¢/\$4
Stocks of Frozen Meat Products, July 1974	32-012	30¢/\$3	Wooden Box Factories, 1972	35-209	70¢
Stocks of Fruit and Vegetables, July 1, 1974	32-010	30¢/\$3	PRELIMINARY BULLETINS		
BALANCE OF PAYMENTS			1972 Census of Manufactures - Boot and Shoe Findings Manufacturers	33-203-p	
Security Transactions with Non-residents, March 1974	67-002	40¢/\$4	Distilleries	32-206-p	
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1971 Census of Canada, Population, The Out-of-school Population	92-743	\$1.40	British Columbia, Vol. 3, No. 55; Canada, Vol. 3, No. 60; Maritimes, Vol. 3, No. 56	24-003	\$1.40 per year
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Quarterly Report on Job Vacancies, First Quarter 1974	71-002	\$1.05/\$4.20	Federal Government Employment in Metropolitan Areas, September 1973	72-205	70¢
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Gypsum Products, June 1974	44-003	15¢/\$1.50	Water Transport - Vol. 4, No. 5,		
Lime Manufacturers, 1972	44-209	70¢	Cargo Loaded and Unloaded in Coast- wise Shipping by Vessels of Foreign Registry, 1973	54-003	\$1.40 per year
Mineral Wool, June 1974	44-004	15¢/\$1.50			
Monthly Review of Canadian Fisheries Statistics, May 1974	24-002	40¢/\$4			
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