## Farm Cash Receipts

Farmers' cash receipts from farming operations in all provinces except Newfoundland totalled an estimated $\$ 8.27$ billion for the January-November period of 1974, an increase of $29.3 \%$ from $\$ 6.39$ billion in the corresponding period of 1973.

Cash receipts rose in all provinces in the latest period. Total payments made to farmers, by province and with JanuaryNovember 1973 figures in brackets:

- Saskatchewan, $\$ 2.18$ billion (\$1.50 billion); Ontario, $\$ 2.09$ billion ( $\$ 1.77$ billion); Alberta, $\$ 1.59$ billion (\$1.13 billion); Quebec, $\$ 1.01$ billion ( $\$ 881.7$ million); Manitoba, $\$ 797.6$ million ( $\$ 594.9$ million); British Columbia, $\$ 331.4$ million ( $\$ 279.6$ million); New Brunswick, $\$ 94.9$ million ( $\$ 86.7$ million); Nova Scotia, $\$ 92.4$ million ( 585.5 million); and Prince Edward Island, $\$ 78.8$ million ( $\$ 65.0$ million).
For further information, order the January. November 1974 issue of Farm Cash Receipts 121-001. 30 $/ \$ 3$ ). or contacl E.S. Boyko (613.994.9876). Agriculture Division, Statisfics Canada, Oltawa KlA OL. 7.


## Railway Carloadings

Railway carload freight totalled 21.7 million tons in November, down $2.2 \%$ from November 1973.

Commodities showing notable tonnage increases in the latest month included: copper-nickel ores and concentrates (up 66.4\%); wheat (up 22.1\%); and coal (up $20.3 \%$ ). Major tonnage declines were registered for lumber ( $-37.6 \%$ ) and gypsum (-31.5\%).

For the first eleven months of 1974 , total carload traffic at 224.3 million tons was up $1.6 \%$ from January-November 1973. Cumulatively, individual commodity classes recording the largest increases in terms of tons loaded were coppernickel ores and concentrates (up $38.3 \%$ ) and potash (up 26.1\%).

For further information, order the Novamher 1974 issue of Railway Carloadings 152.n01. 30d/\$3). or contact J.R. Slarfery (is i3.996-9276), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Olfawa K1A OVS.

| LATEST MONTHLY STATISTICS | Latest Month |  | Change From Year Ago \% |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| EMPLOYMENT, INCOME |  |  |  |  |
| Average Weekly Earnings (\$) | Oct. | $188.06^{p}$ | 184.44P | 13.8 |
| Labour Income ( $\$$ million). | Oct. | 6,603P | 6,660 P | 17.2 |
| Persons with Jobs (million) | Nov. | 9.19 | 9.27 | 4.1 |
| Unemployed | Nov. | 493,000 | 430,000 | 5.3 |
| INVENTORIES |  |  |  |  |
| Department Store (\$ million) | Oct. | 1,576 | 1,277 | 39.4 |
| Manufacturers' Owned ( $\$$ million) | Oct. | 13.599p | 13,378 | 33.5 |
| Wholesale ( $\$$ million) . . . . . . . . . | Oct. | 5.897 | 5,764 | 36.9 |
| ORDERS |  |  |  |  |
| Manufacturers' New Orders (\$ million) | Oct. | 7,478p | 7,216 ${ }^{\text {r }}$ | 16.9 |
| Manufacturers' Unfilled Orders (\$ million) | Oct. | 10,053P | $10,057{ }^{8}$ | 40.1 |
| PRICES |  |  |  |  |
| Consumer Price Index (1961=100) | Nov. | 174.1 | 72.2 | 12.0 |
| Industry Selling Price Index ( $1961=1100$ ) | Oct. | 179.6 | $178.0^{\text {r }}$ | 20.5 |
| Wholesale Price Index (1935-39=100) | Oct. | 477.4 | $472.0{ }^{\text {r }}$ | 17.9 |
| CONSTRUCTION Year-to-da |  |  |  |  |
| Building Permits ( $\$$ million) | Oct. | 816.8 P |  |  |
| Housing Starts - Usban Centres (units) | Oct. | 12,994 | 148,590 | -15.7 |
| ENERGY |  |  |  |  |
| Coal Production (thousand tons) | Oct. | 2,239 | 18,684 | 2.9 |
| Electricity Generation (billion Kwh.) | Oct. | 23.6 | 229.8 | 7.4 |
| Natural Gas Production (billion cu. ft.) | Sept. | 238.8 | 2,269 | -0.5 |
| Petroleum Refining (million barrels) | Oct. | 51.9 | 532.5 | 5.1 |
| FOREIGN TRADE |  |  |  |  |
| Exports (\$ million) | Nov. | 2,950 | 29.250 | 26.5 |
| Imports (\$ million) | Nov. | 3,016 | 28,766 | 34.9 |
| PRODUCTION |  |  |  |  |
| Motor Vehicles (thousand units) | Oct. | 146.5 | 1,286.4 | -4.1 |
| Steet (ingots - thousand tons) | Nov. | 1,242 | 13,430 | 0.9 |
| SALES |  |  |  |  |
| Department Store Sales (\$ million) | Oct. |  |  |  |
| Manufacturers ${ }^{\text {d }}$ Shipments ( $\$$ million) | Oct. | 7,482P | 65,440 | 21.9 |
| New Motor Vehicle Sales ( $\$$ million) | Oct. | 521 | 5,168 | 13.0 |
| Retail Sales (\$ million) | Oct. | 3,843 | 35,264 | 15.3 |
| Wholesale Sales (\$ million) | Oct. | 3,857 | 36,260 | 29.2 |
| Statistics are not seasonally adjusted. $p$. preliminary, r .revised. |  |  |  |  |



Provincial Government Employment Canada's provincial and territorial governments (excluding British Columbia) employed a total of 328,122 persons in general government services during the last pay period of September 1974, an increase of $2.9 \%$ from a year earlier.

Gross payrolls for the third quarter of 1974 amounted to $\$ 779.5$ million.

For further information, order Provincial Government Employment, Third Quarter 1974 (72.007, \$1.05/\$4.20), or contact T.D. Harris (613.995.0676). Public Finance Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A OZ7.

## Residential Building Construction <br> Input Price Index <br> (1971=100)

The residential building construction input price index for Canada advanced to 137.9 in November, an increase of $0.7 \%$ from the previous month's level and up $8.1 \%$ from a year earlier.

Prices of building materials used in residential construction rose $6.6 \%$ over the twelve months from November 1973; labour costs moved up $10.6 \%$.

During this period, residential building construction input price indexes advanced in all regions, with increases recorded as follows:

- Atlantic Provinces, $10.6 \%$; Prairie Provinces, $10.1 \%$; British Columbia, 9.3\%; Ontario, 7.3\%; and Quebec, 6.3\%.
For further information, order the Nov. ember 1974 issue of Construction Price Statistics Monthly Bulletin (62-007, $\$ 4$ a year), or contact L.J. Seary (613-996-2565), Prices Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa Kla QVS.


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Building Permits, November<br>Consumer Credit, November<br>Consumer Price Movements, December<br>Inventories, Shipments and Orders in Manufacturing Industries, November<br>Retail Trade, November<br>The Labour Force, December

## Railway Operating Statistics

Operating revenues of the six major railways in Canada totalled $\$ 210.9$ million in October, up $9.7 \%$ from a year earlier. Expenses rose $22.4 \%$ to $\$ 210.6$ million. Net income for the month at $\$ 376,426$ was $98.1 \%$ below that of October 1973.

Revenue freight ton-miles dropped $2.9 \%$ to 11.8 billion in the latest month; passenger-miles increased $11.8 \%$ to 116.6 million.

During the first ten months of 1974, railway revenues rose $20.5 \%$ while expenses were up $22.3 \%$. Net income dropped $54.4 \%$ to $\$ 17.0$ million.

For further information, order the October 1974 issue of Railway Operating Statistics (52-003, $30 \mathrm{~d} / \$ 3$ ), or contact J.R. Slattery (613-996-9276), Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Otrawa KlA OV5.

## Coal and Coke Statistics

Coal production in October totalled 2.24 million tons, up $7.4 \%$ from October 1973. Imports rose $6.9 \%$ to 1.91 million tons.

In the latest month, industrial consumers used 1.45 million tons of coal (down 2.0\% from a year earlier) and 559,503 tons of coke (up $5.1 \%$ ).

For further information, order the October 1974 issue of Coal and Coke Statistics (45-002, 40/1\$4) or Energy Statistics Service Bulletin (157-002. \$4.20 a year), or contact Ian Cavanagh (613-992-4021), Energy and Minerals Section, - Statistics Canada, Ottawa KlA OV6.

Department Store Sales by Regions
Department store sales in November rose to $\$ 544.7$ million, up $12.4 \%$ from a year earlier. Increases were recorded in all regions of Canada.

Department store sales by regions in the latest month, with percentage gains over November 1973 in brackets:

- Ontario, $\$ 207.4$ million ( $11.6 \%$ ); Quebec, $\$ 98.6$ million ( $9.9 \%$ ); British Columbia, $\$ 87.7$ million ( $12.0 \%$ ); Alberta, $\$ 67.2$ million ( $20.0 \%$ ); Atlantic Provinces, $\$ 35.6$ million ( $15.2 \%$ ); Manitoba, $\$ 33.4$ million ( $6.3 \%$ ); and Saskatchewan, $\$ 14.8$ million ( $19.5 \%$ ).
For further information, order the November 1974 issue of Department Store Sales by Regions (63.004. \$1.50 per year).


## Oil Pipe Line Transport

Canadian oil pipe lines received 2.78 million barrels per day of crude oil, condensate, pentanes plus and refined petroleum products in October, a decrease of $4.8 \%$ from a year earlier.

Receipts of domestic oils decreased $6.4 \%$ to 2.30 million $B / D$ while imported oils rose $4.0 \%$ to $477,000 \mathrm{~B} / \mathrm{D}$.

For further information, order the Ocrober 1974 issue of Oil Pipe Line Transport (55-001, 30d/\$3), or Energy Statistics Service Bulletin (57-002, $\$ 4.20$ a year).


## Radio Time Sales

Sales of advertising to national advertisers on AM and FM stations totalled $\$ 5.80$ million in October, up 22.4\% from September. Sales to local advertisers increased $11.6 \%$ to $\$ 12.91$ million.

For further information, order the October 1974 issue of Communications Service Bullerin (56-001. \$1.40 a year).

## Domestic Mobile Homes

Shipments of domestic mobile homes increased to 7,109 single units in the second quarter of 1974 from 6,976 in March-June 1973. Shipments of doublewide units increased to 1,511 from 662.

For further information, order the June 1974 issue of Shipments of Domestic Mobile Homes (41-009, 70\$/\$2.80).

## Crude Petroleum

 nal Natural Gas ProductionCrude petroleum production for September amounted to 1.77 million barrels per day, down $7.5 \%$ from a year earlier.

Natural gas production averaged 8.46 billion cubic feet per day in the latest month, a decrease of $7.4 \%$ from September 1973.
for further information, order the September 1974 issue of Crude Petroleum and Natural Gas Production 126-006. 304/53).


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## Operations of Transcontinental and Regional Air Carriers

Canada's seven major scheduled airlines reported combined operating income of $\$ 33.1$ million in August, up 52.2\% from $\$ 21.8$ million a year earlier. (Traffic in August 1973 was disrupted by a labour dispute at CP Air involving their machinists).

Operating revenues climbed $38.6 \%$ to $\$ 148.4$ million in the latest month; operating expenses rose $35.0 \%$ to $\$ 115.3$ million.

Passenger-miles for all services were up $15.6 \%$ to $1,947.3$ million and goods ton-miles for all services increased $5.6 \%$ to 38.3 million.

For further information, order the Aviation Statistics Centre Service Builetin (51-004. $\$ 4.20$ per year). Vol. 6, No. 63, Civil Aviarion. August 1974.

## Shipping Statistics, 1973

Canadian ports received and shipped 196.8 million short tons of cargo in international trade in 1973. Domestic cargo handled amounted to 123.9 million short tons.

For further information, contacr D.P. Chartrand (613.996-9274). Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Otrawa KlA OT6.

Federal Government Limployment
Canada's federal goveinment had 462,864 employees on June 30, 1974, an increase of $17,708(4.0 \%)$ from a year earlier.

Total payroll for the latest quarter amounted to $\$ 1.24$ billion, up $\$ 200.4$ million (19.3\%) from the March-June 1973 period.

For further information, order Federal Government Employmint, March-June 1974 (72.004, 704/\$2.80).

## Non-Residential Building Construction Input Price Index

(1906 = 100)
The non-residential building construction input price index for Canada advanced to 238.8 in November, an increase of $0.9 \%$ from the previous month's level and up $13.9 \%$ from a year earlier.

The materials component of the total index rose $18.5 \%$ over the twelve months from November 1973 ; the labour element moved up $10.3 \%$.

Prices of steel and metal work used in non-residential building construction jumped $35.5 \%$ during this period, electrical equipment ruse $31.3 \%$, concrete products $16.5 \%$, plumbing, heating and other equipment $13.0 \%$ and other materials $21.0 \%$. Prices of lumber and luniber products registered an $8.2 \%$ decline.

For further information, order the Novernber 1974 issu: of Construction Price Statistics Monthly Bulletin (62-007, \$4 per year). or contact L.J. Seary (613.996-2565). Prices Division. Statistics Canada. Olrawa KIA OVS.

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