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Labour Income

Total labour income, November, rose 10.3% to \$12,456.5 million from \$11,288.4 million a year earlier.

Breakdowns for wages and salaries (millions of dollars) were: primary industries \$113.6; forestry \$138.3; mines, quarries, oil wells \$337.9; manufacturing \$2,616.4; construction \$814.1; transportation, communication, other utilities \$1,220.0; trade \$1,524.9; finance, insurance, real estate \$783.3; commercial, personal services \$1,077.9; education, related services \$1,181.8; health, welfare services \$710.6; federal administration, other government offices \$404.8; local administration \$271.8 and provincial administration \$324.7.

Supplementary income for November reached \$936.3 million.

See detailed estimates in the October-December 1979 issue of *Estimates of Labour Income* (72-005, \$5/\$20), or contact Mrs. G. Gauthier (613-995-8431), Labour Income Section, Labour Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V2.

Real Domestic Product

The seasonally-adjusted Index of Real Domestic Product declined 0.4% in November to 140.1 from 140.6 in October. The index of industrial production declined 0.4%. Goods-producing industries decreased 0.4% and service-producing industries 0.3%. Output of mining, manufacturing and utilities fell during the month.

For further information, order the November 1979 issue of *Indexes of Real Domestic Product by Industry* (61-005, \$3/\$30), or contact R.W. Collins (613-995-0443), Industry Product Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Refined Petroleum Products

Refineries produced 9 655.7 thousand cubic metres of refined petroleum products in November, an increase of 1.3% (the previous year 9 534.0). Net sales of all refined petroleum products amounted to 8 374.2 thousand cubic metres, up 0.9% from 8 891.0.

For further information, order the November 1979 issue of *Refined Petroleum Products* (45-004, \$2.50/\$25), or contact G.R. Kitchen (613-992-4021), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6.

LATEST MONTHLY STATISTICS

EMPLOYMENT, INCOME

			Previous Month	% Change From Year Ago
Average Weekly Earnings (\$)	Oct.	296.63p	295.51r	9.1
Labour Income (\$ million)	Nov.*	12,456.5p	12,625.3r	10.3
Persons with Jobs (million)	Dec.	10.39	10.52	3.7
Unemployed	Dec.	779,000	771,000	-9.3

INVENTORIES

Department Store (\$ million)	Nov.*	2,885.5p	2,938.3p	20.8
Manufacturers' Owned (\$ million)	Nov.*	25,110.0p	24,653.3r	24.1
Wholesale (\$ million)	Nov.	10,550.7p	10,463.4p	24.0

ORDERS

Manufacturers' New Orders (\$ million)	Nov.*	13,454.2p	14,110.3r	9.3
Manufacturers' Unfilled Orders (\$ million)	Nov.*	16,496.1p	16,459.0r	22.3

PRICES

Consumer Price Index (1971=100)	Dec.*	199.0	197.8	9.8
Non-food (CPI) Component	Dec.*	184.2	183.6	8.8
New House Price Index (1976=100)	Oct.	111.5	111.4	4.0
22-city Composite Wage, Building (1971=100)	Oct.	230.3	230.3	5.4
Industry Selling Price Index (1971=100)	Nov.	227.4p	226.7r	14.5

CONSTRUCTION

Building Permits (\$ million)	Nov.*	1,185.0	12,946.7	6.8
Housing Starts — Urban Centres (units)	Nov.	15,264	138,529	-16.9

ENERGY

Coal Production (thousand metric tonnes)	Oct.	3 012.5	27 427.7	10.6
Electricity Generation (terawatt hours)	Oct.	29.4	287.5	5.5
Natural Gas Production (million cubic metres)	Oct.*	8 827.6	86 135.9	7.3
Petroleum Refining (million cubic metres)	Nov.*	9.65p	104.11p	8.7

FOREIGN TRADE

Exports — Customs Basis (\$ million)	Nov.	6,042.9p	59,592.2p	23.4
Imports — Customs Basis (\$ million)	Nov.	5,862.1p	57,769.7p	26.5

PRODUCTION

Steel (ingots — thousand metric tonnes)	Dec.	1 343.13p	15 860.9p	7.0
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SALES

Department Store Sales (\$ million)	Nov.	920.3p	7,219.2p	11.0
Manufacturers' Shipments (\$ million)	Nov.*	13,417.1p	138,367.0p	17.4
New Motor Vehicle Sales (\$ million)	Oct.	1,145.0	9,912.2	18.8
Retail Sales (\$ million)	Nov.	6,991.4p	68,895.7p	12.2
Wholesale Sales (\$ million)	Nov.	6,429.7p	69,072.9p	21.0

Statistics are not seasonally adjusted. p - preliminary. r - revised. * - new this week.

Quarterly Estimates of Income and Expenditures of Trusted Pension Funds



Source: Quarterly Estimates of Trusted Pension Funds (74-001)

Consumer Price Index

On an annual average basis, the Consumer Price Index advanced by 9.1% in 1979 (9.0% in 1978) with a 13.2% increase in the food index and one of 7.9% for all-items-excluding-food. Increases equalling or in excess of the national average were recorded in six of the 15 cities comprising the regional indexes.

The December Index increased 0.6% from 197.8 in November to 199.0, the twelve-month rise going to 9.8% from the 9.4% registered in the previous twelve-month period. Food prices and housing charges were responsible for about three-quarters of the increase. Food rose 1.4% against the 0.2% of November and the all-items-excluding-food index increased 0.3%, down from the 1.2% of November.

Higher prices for selected beef cuts and for fresh vegetables — up 4.2% and 10.4% on average — were largely responsible for a 1.6% increase in the food-at-home index. Also contributing were selected bakery and dairy products and sugar. The effect was slightly dampened by lower prices registered for selected pork cuts, turkey and for fresh fruit. Food-at-home stood 13.5% above its level in December 1978. Food-away-from-home, advancing 0.5%, stood 11.8% above December 1978.

Shelter charges and gasoline largely accounted for a 0.3% increase in the index for all-items-excluding-food. Other notable price increases were registered for selected women's wear items and for furniture and appliances. Higher train and air fares were also recorded. The impact was somewhat dampened by lower effective prices for selected new North American model cars and a reduction in telephone charges in British Columbia. December 1978 to December 1979, all-items-excluding-food advanced 8.8%.

In terms of goods and services the price level for goods advanced 0.8%, that for services by 0.2%. December to December, the price level for goods advanced 11.3%, that for services by 7.5%.

On a seasonally-adjusted basis, the Index rose 0.8% between November and December: a 1.6% increase in food and a 0.5% increase in the all-items-excluding-food index.

Between November and December, regions surveyed saw consumer prices rise in all 15 cities, from 0.3% in Halifax and Ottawa to 0.8% in Winnipeg, Regina and Calgary.

Percentage increases with annual change in brackets: St. John's 0.6% (10.2%), Charlottetown/Summerside 0.6% (8.9%), Halifax 0.3% (9.1%), Saint John 0.6% (9.6%), Québec 0.6% (10.4%), Montréal 0.7% (10.5%), Ottawa 0.3% (9.0%), Toronto 0.5% (10.3%), Thunder Bay 0.5% (9.7%), Winnipeg 0.8% (9.9%), Saskatoon 0.6% (10.7%), Regina 0.8% (10.0%), Edmonton 0.6% (9.0%), Calgary 0.8% (9.8%) and Vancouver 0.6% (7.6%).

For further information, order the December 1979 issue of *The Consumer Price Index* (62-001, \$2.50/\$25).

Inventories/Shipments/Orders

Manufacturers' shipments in November were estimated at \$13,417.1 million, down 4.8% from revised October's \$14,096.8 million. Shipments, eleven months: \$138,367.0 million, up 17.4% from \$117,869.1 million a year earlier.

Shipments, seasonally adjusted, were estimated at \$13,113.6 million, 1.0% below the revised October level of \$13,248.0 million. Durable goods shipments dropped 1.9% to \$5,891.8 million from \$6,006.5 million and non-durable goods shipments decreased 0.3% to \$7,221.8 million from \$7,241.5 million.

New orders in all manufacturing industries, seasonally adjusted: \$13,347.4 million, down 1.1% from \$13,490.4 million. Durable goods new orders dropped 1.1% to \$6,153.9 million from \$6,223.6 million and non-durable goods new orders decreased 1.0% to \$7,193.5 million from \$7,266.8 million.

Unfilled orders in all manufacturing industries, seasonally adjusted, increased 1.4% to \$16,943.8 million from \$16,710.0 million. Durable goods unfilled orders rose 1.8% to \$14,965.9 million from \$14,703.8 million, non-durable goods unfilled orders dropped 1.4% to \$1,977.9 million from \$2,006.2 million.

Total inventory owned by manufacturers in November, seasonally adjusted, was estimated at \$25,292.5 million, up 1.2% from October's \$25,000.7 million. Total inventory held rose 1.3% to \$26,322.2 million from \$25,979.1 million with increases of 0.2%, 2.2% and 2.0% in raw materials, goods in process and finished products.

The seasonally-adjusted ratio of total inventory owned to shipments: 1.93:1 in November compared with 1.89:1 for revised October. The finished products to shipments ratio: 0.65:1 in November against the revised October ratio of 0.63:1.

For further information, order the November 1979 issue of *Inventories, Shipments and Orders in Manufacturing Industries* (31-001, \$3/\$30), or contact H.D. Wightman (613-996-7008), *Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V6*.

Railway Operating Statistics

Seven major railways reported a combined net income from operations of \$62.2 million in August (\$18.3 million a year earlier). Operating revenues rose 36.1% to \$425.3 million and operating expenses 23.4% to \$357.0 million.

Revenue freight ton-miles rose 5.4%, freight train miles 3.3% and freight car miles 5.8%. Average revenue per ton-mile of freight was 2.251 cents compared with 2.042 cents a year earlier. Passenger miles fell 15.3% to 207.9 million.

For further information, order the August 1979 issue of *Railway Operating Statistics* (52-203, \$2.50/\$25), or contact W.R. Burr (613-995-1976), *Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V1*.

Department Store Sales

Department store sales rose 10.7% to \$920.3 million in November from \$831.4 million in 1978.

Sales rose in all departments except furniture (9.5%) and hardware, paints, wallpaper (4.6%).

Largest increases were in plumbing, heating and building materials (34.3%), food and kindred products (29.5%) and girls' and teenage girls' wear (28.3%).

All provinces reported increased sales, from 18.3% for British Columbia, Yukon and Northwest Territories to 6.0% for Québec.

Sales and percentage increases for metropolitan areas: Montréal \$104.6 million (4.9%), Toronto \$137.7 million (10.0%), Winnipeg \$45.6 million (10.2%) and Vancouver \$94.3 million (18.5%).

The selling value of stocks held in November was \$2,885.5 million, an increase of 20.8% over November 1978. Inventories increased in 38 of the 40 departments.

For further information, order the November 1979 issue of *Department Store Sales and Stocks* (63-002, \$2.50/\$25), or contact the Retail Trade Section (613-996-9304), *Merchandising and Services Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V4*.

Trusted Pension Plans, 1978

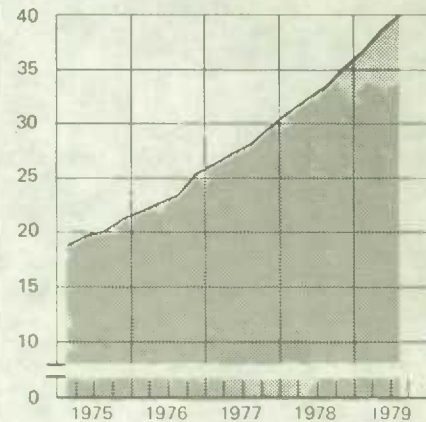
Book value of the assets of trusted pension funds amounted to \$35.5 billion at December 31, 1978, an increase of \$5.8 billion over assets held a year earlier. These assets were held for 2.8 million pension plan members, equivalent to an average of \$12,579 of invested reserves for each member. For the first time since 1973 the market value of the assets — \$36.2 billion — exceeded book value, reflecting improved market conditions during 1978.

For further information, order *Trusted Pension Plans, Financial Statistics, 1978* (74-201, \$7), or contact E.S. Hanes (613-995-6918), *Chief, Pensions Section, Labour Division*.

Trusted Pension Funds

Quarterly Estimates of Assets Held

Billions of Dollars



Source: Quarterly Estimates of Trusted Pension Funds (74-001)

Building Permits

Building permits activity partially recovered in November after experiencing a 12.2% drop in October, rising 6.1% to a seasonally-adjusted \$1,198.8 million from \$1,129.6 million the previous month. The increase was entirely in the non-residential sector and residential permits value remained practically unchanged. In November 1978, building permits were estimated at a seasonally-adjusted \$1,114.7 million.

The value of residential permits issued by municipalities totalled \$627.6 million against \$628.5 million in October. The November performance had a mixed composition. Single-detached homes authorized fell from 8,442 to 6,500 units as a result of higher interest rates and multiple dwellings rose from 6,740 to 8,000 units in anticipation of the expiration of the Multi Unit Rental Buildings (MURB) Program (tax advantages to only those developers whose apartment building construction started before December 31).

Non-residential building permits — \$501.0 million in October — rose to \$571.2 million in November reflecting increases in industrial projects (particularly in Québec and British Columbia) from \$92.1 million to \$142.0 million, and in commercial facilities (in Ontario) from \$286.4 million to \$329.7 million. Plans for new institutional buildings were down to \$99.5 million from \$122.6 in October.

For further information, order the November 1979 issue of *Building Permits* (64-001, \$3.50/\$35), or contact J.P. Delisle (613-995-6213), Construction Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Farm Cash Receipts

Farmers' cash receipts from January-November farming operations totalled \$12,637.6 million compared with \$10,931.7 million in 1978. Receipts from farming operations by province with 1978 comparisons in brackets: Prince Edward Island \$102.7 million (\$87.7 million), Nova Scotia \$151.7 million (\$138.0 million), New Brunswick \$118.4 million (\$108.7 million), Québec \$1,762.8 million (\$1,514.7 million), Ontario \$3,565.8 million (\$3,099.0 million), Manitoba \$1,163.5 million (\$1,027.7 million), Saskatchewan \$2,613.7 million (\$2,320.1 million), Alberta \$2,585.6 million (\$2,101.8 million), British Columbia \$573.4 million (\$534.0 million).

For further information, order the January-November 1979 issue of *Farm Cash Receipts* (21-001, \$1.50/\$15), or contact G. Beelen (613-995-4895), Agriculture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0L7.

Oil Pipeline Transport

Oil pipelines received 427 210 m3D of crude oil, condensate, pentanes plus and refined petroleum product in October, up 12.0% from 381 561 m3D a year earlier. Receipts of domestic petroleum and products increased 16.6% to 389 706 m3D, imported petroleum and products receipts decreased 20.5% to 37 504 m3D.

For further information, order the October 1979 issue of *Oil Pipe Line Transport* (55-001, \$2.50/\$25).

Coal Production, 1978

Coal production increased 6.8% from 31,438,000 tons — 28 520 kt (kilotonnes) in 1977 to 33,595,000 tons — 30 477 kt (kilotonnes) in 1978. Dollar value increased 19.2% from \$609,517,000 to \$726,961,000.

Coal exports increased 10.6% to 15,028,096 tons — 13 633 kt (kilotonnes), the value rising 13.8% to \$729,398,000.

Landed imports (including coal at customs' ports awaiting clearance) amounted to 15,563,996 tons — 14 119 kt (kilotonnes), a decrease of 8.5% from 1977.

Approximately 96% of the imported coal was cleared through Ontario ports with Québec and Nova Scotia accounting for most of the remainder. Ninety-eight per cent of the imported coal was United States bituminous.

Consumption of coal by industrial consumers increased 1.7% to 26,839,221 tons — 24 348 kt (kilotonnes) from 26,380,372 tons — 23 932 kt (kilotonnes) the previous year. There was an increase in the consumption of coke by industrial consumers from 5,493,372 tons — 4 984 kt (kilotonnes) in 1977 to 5,644,870 tons — 5 121 kt (kilotonnes).

For further information, order the 1978 issue of *Coal Mines* (26-206, \$6).

Births, 1977-78

Births to Canadian residents in 1978 totalled 358,852, down 0.5% from 360,733 registered in 1977.

Detailed tabulations on births will appear in the publication, *Vital Statistics, Volume I, Catalogue 84-204*; some of these detailed tables are available from the Regional Offices of Statistics Canada and through the Statistics Canada's computerized data base system CANSIM (Canadian Socio-Economic Information Management System). For further information, contact D. Nagnur (613-995-9593), Vital Statistics and Disease Registries Section, Health Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0Z5.

Juvenile Delinquency, 1978

A total of 44,868 persons were processed through juvenile courts in 1978 on charges of delinquency and of contributing to delinquency, down 1.3% from a year earlier. Of these, 85.3% were adjudged to be delinquent, 81.3% were males and 78.3% were between 14 and 17 years of age.

Tabulations are contained in a report, available free on request. For a copy, or for information, contact the project manager, *Juvenile Court Survey* (613-995-0855), Justice Statistics Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Water Carriers, 1978

Gross water transportation revenues generated by the 330 commercial, chartering and private carriers totalled \$1.56 billion in 1978. Of the four major water transportation operations surveyed, the transport of commodities represented the largest portion of total gross transportation revenue with \$811 million.

For further information, contact S. Pourreaux (613-996-9274), Water Transport Section, Transportation and Communications Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V1.

Crime/Traffic Enforcement

January to June 1979, actual offences under the Criminal Code rose 6.7% over final figures a year earlier. The annual percentage change registered for the full 12 months of 1978 for all offences under the Criminal Code was an increase of 3.6% over 1977 (4.7% higher than in 1976). Offences related to drugs showed an increase of 2.8% compared with a decline in 1978 of 7.9% from 1977 and 3.5% from 1976.

Traffic offences increased for every traffic offence category in contrast to the decreases or low increases registered for the same categories for the full year of 1978 over 1977. As an example, actual traffic offences under the Criminal Code increased by 8.7% in the first half of 1979 compared with virtually no change between the years 1978 (266,943) and 1977 (266,972).

These are preliminary 1979 figures and the data are available only for Canada and provinces. For further information, contact the Project Manager, *Uniform Crime Reporting* (613-995-0855), Justice Statistics Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Wholesale Trade

Wholesale sales, November: \$6,429,726,000 up 12.6% from \$5,712,156,000 a year earlier. Wholesale inventories, \$10,550,679,000, rose 24.0% from \$8,510,944,000.

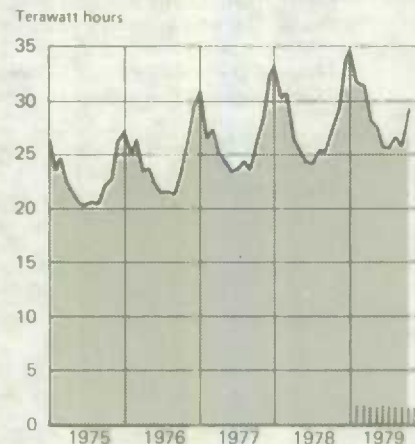
For further information, order the November 1979 issue of *Wholesale Trade* (63-008, \$1.50/\$15), or contact the Wholesale Trade Section (613-996-9307), Merchandising and Services Division, Statistics Canada.

Electric Power Statistics

October net generation: 29.4TW.h from 27.6TW.h in 1978. Hydro generation increased 2.4%, thermal production 16.1%.

For further information, order the October 1979 issue of *Electric Power Statistics* (57-001, \$2.50/\$25), or contact David Madsen (613-992-4021), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada.

Electric Power Generation, Canada



Source: *Electric Power Statistics* (57-001)



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