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LATEST MONTHLY STATISTICS

Department Store Sales

Department store sales were \$835.9 million in June 1981 up 20.8% over June 1980. Sales rose in all departments except piece goods (-11.8%) and women's and misses' coats and suits (-4.6%). The largest gains were posted for major appliances (64.3%) and furniture (51.6%). Sales increased in all provinces ranging from 25.4% for Ontario to 11.7% for Quebec. Sales and percentage increases for metropolitan areas were: Montreal, \$88.3 million, 10.5%; Toronto, \$126.7 million, 26.4%; Winnipeg, \$35.8 million, 14.9%; and Vancouver, \$86.1 million, 17.5%.

The selling value of stocks held in June 1981 at \$2,694.5 million showed an increase of 12.5% over June 1980.

For further information, order the June 1981 issue of *Department Store Sales and Stocks* (63-002, \$2.50/\$25).

Population Estimates

Canada's population at June 1, 1981 totalled an estimated 24,189,400.

Population figures for the provinces were as follows:

- Ontario, 8,624,900
- Quebec, 6,340,000
- British Columbia, 2,710,600
- Alberta, 2,160,400
- Manitoba, 1,031,000
- Saskatchewan, 979,700
- Nova Scotia, 857,100
- New Brunswick, 710,600
- Newfoundland, 585,800
- Prince Edward Island, 124,300
- Northwest Territories, 43,200
- Yukon, 21,900.

These postcensal estimates which will be published in the next few weeks in *Estimates of Population for Canada and the Provinces* (91-201, \$3) are available from CANSIM.

Tennis/Golf

Now available is *Participation in Tennis and Golf, October 1976*, the last in a series of articles summarizing data on selected sports and exercise activities from the 1976 survey of fitness, physical recreation and sport. Articles on skiing, skating and hockey, jogging or running and swimming have previously been released. The series is available free of charge from Janice Ite (613-995-9689), Travel, Tourism and Recreation Section, Education, Science and Culture Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0Z5.

EMPLOYMENT, INCOME

Average Weekly Earnings (\$)	May	351.40p	347.84p	12.4
Labour Income (\$ million)	May	15,168.2p	14,638.7p	14.1
Persons with Jobs (million)	July	11.46	11.32	3.1
Unemployed	July	835,000	855,000	-2.0

INVENTORIES

Department Store (\$ million)	June*	2,694.5	3,038.4	12.5
Manufacturers' Owned (\$ million)	June*	32,084.3p	31,576.7r	13.9
Wholesale (\$ million)	May	17,091.0	16,923.1	

ORDERS

Manufacturers' New Orders (\$ million)	June*	17,124.4p	16,232.3r	27.3
Manufacturers' Unfilled Orders (\$ million)	June*	19,988.8p	20,177.3r	8.5

PRICES

Consumer Price Index (1971=100)	July	238.9	236.8	13.0
Non-food Component (CPI)	July	220.7	219.1	12.9
New House Price Index (1976=100)	June	135.1	134.4	14.6
22-city Composite Wage, Building (1971=100)	Apr.*	253.8p	253.8	9.2
Industry Selling Price Index (1971=100)	June	271.9p	269.6p	11.6

CONSTRUCTION

Building Permits (\$ million)	May	1,589.4p	6,731.4p	30.0
Housing Starts — Urban Centres (units)	June	16,470	70,847	31.8

ENERGY

Coal Production (thousand metric tonnes)	May	2,919.6	16,894.3	18.4
Electricity Generation (terawatt hours)	May	29.1	163.3	2.2
Natural Gas Production (million cubic metres)	Apr.	8,034.2	35,571.4	-2.2
Petroleum Refining (million cubic metres)	June	8.3p	52.0p	-7.1

FOREIGN TRADE

Exports — Balance of Payments Basis (\$ million)	June	7,842p	42,199p	13.3
Imports — Balance of Payments Basis (\$ million)	June	7,380p	39,703p	14.4

PRODUCTION

Steel (ingots — thousand metric tonnes)	July*	1,375.7	9,950.3	7.6
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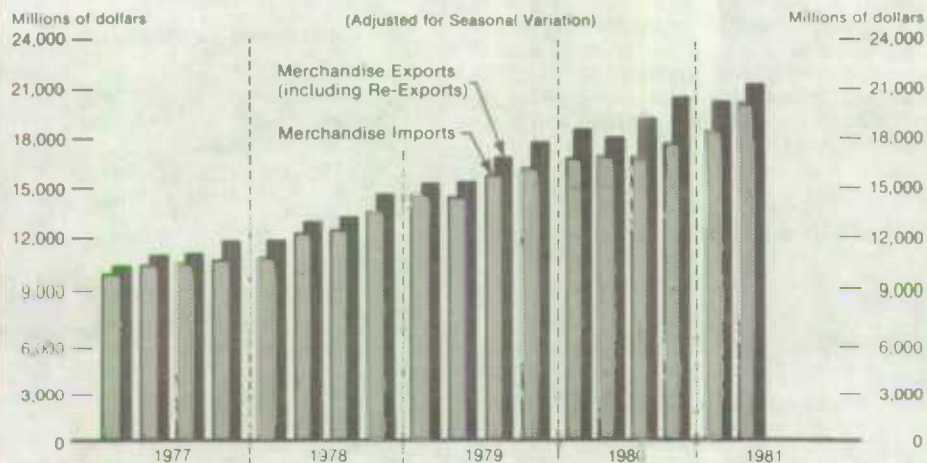
SALES

Department Store Sales (\$ million)	June	835.9	4,354.7	13.2
Manufacturers' Shipments (\$ million)	June*	17,252.9p	93,222.8p	15.2
New Motor Vehicle Sales (\$ million)	June	1,194.5	6,557.1	11.7
Retail Sales (\$ million)	May	8,278.4p	36,126.9p	14.7
Wholesale Sales (\$ million)	May	9,701.6p	44,570.1p	

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

Canadian Merchandise Exports and Imports*

Quarter-by-Quarter Movements



* Balance of Payments Basis

Source: Statistics Canada, Summary of External Trade (65-001)

Capacity Utilization

Capacity utilization in Canadian manufacturing industries increased to 80.9% in the second quarter of 1981 from 79.5% in the first quarter, recording the third consecutive quarterly increase.

Durable manufacturing increased to 75.8% of capacity from 73.7%, while non-durable manufacturing industries showed an increase to 86.1% from 85.5% in the preceding quarter.

Capacity utilization rates for the second quarter of 1981 by industry were as follows, with first quarter 1981 rates in brackets:

- Food and beverages industries, 86.9% (85.6%)
- Tobacco products industries, 86.0% (81.9%)
- Rubber and plastic products industries, 80.4% (75.5%)
- Leather industries, 79.6% (84.5%)
- Textile industries, 100.0% (96.9%)
- Knitting mills, 94.5% (95.8%)
- Clothing industries, 78.7% (81.9%)
- Wood industries, 67.6% (69.4%)
- Furniture and fixtures industries, 71.6% (70.6%)
- Paper and allied industries, 89.0% (88.7%)
- Printing, publishing and allied industries, 98.8% (96.9%)
- Primary metals industries, 82.2% (81.0%)
- Metal fabricating industries, 80.8% (78.1%)
- Machinery industries, 91.0% (91.4%)
- Transportation equipment industries, 65.0% (59.9%)
- Electrical products industries, 82.4% (80.4%)
- Non-metallic mineral products industries, 64.1% (61.1%)
- Petroleum and coal products industries, 73.9% (71.0%)
- Chemical and chemical products industries, 69.8% (71.1%)
- Miscellaneous manufacturing industries, 91.7% (91.5%)

A description of the methodology used to derive the rates is given in the publication *Capacity Utilization Rates in Canadian Manufacturing* (31-003, \$5/\$20). For further information, contact P. Koumanakos (613-995-4219), Construction Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6. The data are available on CANSIM from the first quarter of 1961 to the second quarter of 1981 by major manufacturing group according to the 1970 Standard Industrial Classification, with aggregates for durables, non-durables and total manufacturing.

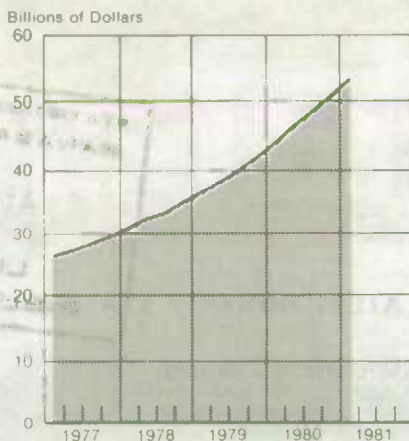
Cigarettes/Cigars

Canadian production of cigarettes for the month of July 1981 was 3.2 billion, up from 2.5 billion a year earlier. Production of cigars declined to 11.5 million in the latest month from 16.5 million in July 1980.

For further information, order the July 1981 issue of *Production and Disposition of Tobacco Products* (32-022, \$1.50/\$15), or contact Brian Preston (613-996-3226), Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Trusteed Pension Funds

Quarterly Estimates of Assets Held



Source: Statistics Canada, Quarterly Estimates of Trusteed Pension Funds (74-001)

Retail Trade

It should be noted that the following estimates are based upon a low response because of recent postal disruptions and are being released as provisional estimates. Regular June 1981 preliminary estimates will be released at a later date.

Seasonally adjusted retail sales for June 1981 were \$7,747.1 million, a decrease of 0.2% from the \$7,760.7 million posted in May. Six provinces recorded decreased sales from May ranging from -0.1% for Newfoundland to -5.1% for Nova Scotia. The largest sales increase was in Prince Edward Island (5.1%).

Total retail trade without seasonal adjustment was \$8,140.6 million, an increase of 17.1% over June 1980. Sales increased in all provinces, gains ranging from 21.2% for Ontario to 7.5% for Nova Scotia.

For further information, contact the Retail Trade Section (613-996-9304), Merchandising and Services Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0V4.

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Manufacturing Industries

The preliminary estimate of the value of new orders received by Canadian manufacturers in June 1981, seasonally adjusted, was \$16,172.8 million, 0.7% higher than the revised May value of \$16,059.6 million. New orders for durable goods dropped 1.1% to \$7,226.8 million from \$7,306.5 million, while those for non-durable goods rose 2.2% to \$8,946.0 million from \$8,751.1 million a month earlier.

Canadian manufacturers' shipments in June 1981, seasonally adjusted, reached \$16,098.0 million, up 1.9% from \$15,792.4 million (revised) in May. Durable goods shipments were up 1.9% to \$7,186.8 million from \$7,054.5 million in May while non-durable goods shipments rose 2.0% to \$8,911.2 million from \$8,737.9 million.

The total backlog of unfilled orders for all manufacturing, seasonally adjusted, was estimated at \$19,839.9 million in June, 0.4% higher than the revised May value of \$19,756.1 million.

Total inventory owned by manufacturers increased 2.1% to a seasonally adjusted \$32,088.9 million in June from \$31,427.6 million as revised for May. Total inventory held rose 1.9% to \$33,528.2 million from \$32,895.1 million (revised), with increases in raw materials of 1.4%, in goods in process of 2.8% and in finished products of 1.9%.

The seasonally adjusted ratio of total inventory owned to shipments at the end of June was 1.99:1; the same as the revised ratio for May. The finished products to shipments ratio was unchanged at 0.38:1.

Not adjusted for seasonal variation, manufacturers' shipments in June 1981 were estimated at \$17,252.9 million, up 25.0% from a year earlier. Shipments for the first six months of 1981 totalled a preliminary \$93,222.8 million, an increase of 15.2% from \$80,930.6 million in January-June 1980.

For further information, order the June issue of *Inventories, Shipments and Orders in Manufacturing Industries* (31-001, \$3.50/\$35), or contact H.D. Wightman (613-996-7008), Shipments, Inventories and Orders Section, Manufacturing and Primary Industries Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Railway Carloadings

Revenue freight loaded by railways in Canada totalled 24.0 million short tons (21.8 million t) in June 1981, an increase of 1.5% from a year earlier. The carriers received an additional 1.7 million short tons (1.5 million t) from the United States, up 6.5% from June 1980.

Commodities registering notable changes in volumes loaded in the latest month were: potash (up 30.8%); coal (up 11.7%); wheat (down 26.6%); and iron ore and concentrates (down 9.5%).

Total loadings in Canada during the first six months of 1981 showed a decrease of 2.0% from the 1980 period while receipts from U.S. connections declined by 3.1%.

For further information, order the June 1981 issue of *Railway Carloadings* (52-001, \$1.50/\$15).

International Travel

Preliminary estimates for the second quarter of 1981 show that Canada earned \$994 million from international travel, an increase of 13.3% from the year-earlier period while Canadians travelling abroad increased their spending by 11.2% to \$1,215 million. A deficit of \$221 million on international travel was recorded compared to \$216 million in April-June 1980.

In the first six months of 1981, estimated receipts from United States visitors rose to \$888 million from \$754 million in the 1980 period, while receipts from visitors from all other countries increased to \$492 million from \$461 million. Payments by Canadians travelling to the U.S. increased to \$1,755 million from \$1,585 million, while payments to all other countries were up to \$854 million from \$801 million. The travel account deficit was an estimated \$1,229 million in the first half of 1981 compared to \$1,171 million last year.

For further information, order the April-June 1981 issue of *Travel Between Canada and Other Countries* (66-001, \$7.50/\$30), or contact Paul L. Paradis (613-995-0847).

Key Economic Series

Key Economic Series data for September is expected to be released according to the following schedule. Under certain circumstances peculiar to each series, the release date might be changed.

August 28-September 4: Gross National Product, April-June 1981;

August 28-September 11: Real Domestic Product, June 1981;

September 3: Preliminary Statement of Canadian Trade, July 1981;

September 4: Labour Force Survey, August 1981;

September 4-11: Industry Selling Price Index, July 1981;

September 8: Quarterly Estimates of the Canadian Balance of International Payments, April-June 1981;

September 9-16: Canadian Composite Leading Index, June 1981;

September 10-14: Farm Cash Receipts, January-July 1981;

September 14-18: Labour Income, June 1981;

September 14-18: Retail Trade, July 1981;

September 14-18: Building Permits, June 1981;

September 16-21: Wholesale Trade, July 1981;

September 17-25: Employment, Earnings and Hours, June 1981;

September 18: The Consumer Price Index, August 1981;

September 18-24: Inventories, Shipments and Orders, July 1981;

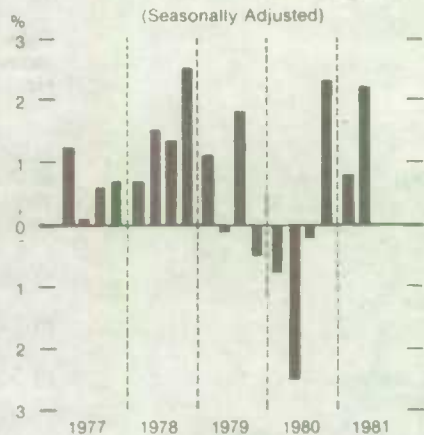
September 24-30: Housing Starts in Urban Centres of 10,000 Population and Over, August 1981;

September 24-30: Unemployment Insurance Statistics, June 1981.

Field Crop Report, No. 6, August Forecast of Production of Principal Field Crops, Canada will be released on September 11.

Index of Industrial Production

Quarter-to-Quarter Percentage Change



Source: Statistics Canada, Indexes of Real Domestic Product by Industry (61-005)

Industrial Production

The seasonally adjusted index of industrial production (1971=100) stood at 138.5 in June 1981, unchanged from the May level. A decline of 2.3% in mining production was offset by increases in manufacturing (+0.3%) and electric power, gas and water utilities (+0.5%).

During the second quarter of 1981, the seasonally adjusted index of industrial production increased 2.2% from the preceding quarter to a level of 138.3. Output rose 2.8% in manufacturing and 1.7% in utilities, while showing a 0.9% decline in mining.

For further information, order the June 1981 issue of *Indexes of Real Domestic Product by Industry, including the Index of Industrial Production* (61-005, \$3/\$30), or contact Erika Young (613-995-0568), Industry Product Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

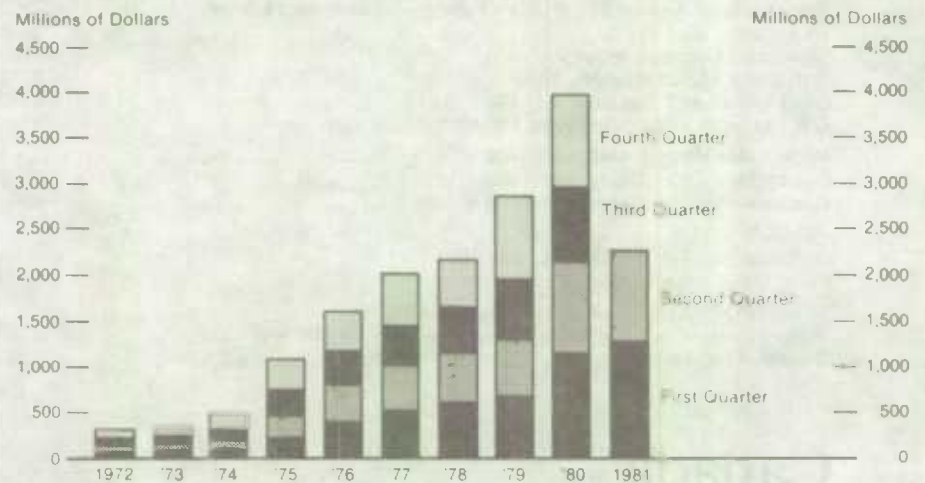
Family Expenditure

The 1978 survey of family expenditures covered urban and rural areas in the 10 provinces for the first time since 1969. The intervening surveys have been confined to major regional cities, so that a comparison between Canada and previously published city data will be of particular interest. The Canada data show that average total expenditure by all families and unattached individuals was about 6% lower on a per family basis and 12% lower per person than the 16-city data. There are, however, only a few notable differences in the percentage share of total expenditure between the Canada and 16 city data. The percentage share for shelter was 16.1% (down from 16.9% for the 16 cities), personal taxes 16.9% (18.3%), transportation 12.7% (up from 11.5% for the 16 cities) and total current consumption 76.5% (74.9%).

Family Expenditure in Canada, 1978
Volume 3 All Canada: Urban and Rural (62-551), to be published in October 1981, shows a similar set of tables for Canada as was previously published for the 16 cities (62-550). It will also include, on a more limited basis, expenditure information for each of the five regions and for the 10 provinces. A limited number of tables can be made available prior to publication.

For the first time, a public use micro-data tape based on the 1978 survey is being prepared for distribution. It will include summary expenditure categories (with some supplementary categories), together with characteristic categories associated with the spending unit, the dwelling unit, and the head and spouse. Copies of the tape and associated documentation will be priced at \$300 and will be available for purchase at the end of September 1981. Further information can be obtained from the Family Expenditure Section (613-996-5397), Consumer Income and Expenditure Division, Statistics Canada, Ottawa K1A 0T6.

Canadian Exports of Natural Gas to the United States



Source: Statistics Canada, Summary of External Trade (65-001)



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