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OTTAWA - CANADA moved up $1.0 \%$ in 0 ctober to 278.3 from 275.6 in September. Both manufacturing and mining recorded gains of $0.8 \%$ and $4.4 \%$ respectively in the most current month; electric power and gas utilities decilned $1.4 \%$. The manufacturing gain in the month was almost entirely concentrated in non-durables (up by 1.1\%), as durables advanced only marginally.
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Government Finance: Estimated net general revenue of provincial governments in the fiscal year ending March 31, 1967 will amount to $\$ 5,840,000,000$, and the estimated net general expenditure (exclusive of debt retirement) will total $\$ 6,257,000,000$ reflecting increases of $24 \%$ and $21 \%$ respectively over the estimated figures for the year ended March 31, 1966. Current revenue and expenditure of municipal governments in Canada continued to rise moderately in 1965 and 1966.
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Manufacturing: Canada's mineral shipments continued to rise during 1966. The total value exceeded $\$ 4,000,000,000$ according to an estimate prepared by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics, 0ttawa. In the preceding year the value was $\$ 3,744,000,000$ 。
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Vital Statistics: Principal vital statistics for Canada, the provinces and the territories are contained in the DBS preliminary annual report, "Vital Statistics 1965"。
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Agriculture \& Food: Farmer's total cash receipts from farming operations reached a record $\$ 3,006,000,000$ during the first nine months of $1966,13.3 \%$ above the previous record of $\$ 2,654,000,000$ during the corresponding 1965 period.
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Merchandising: Department store sales by regions for the week ending December 10 , rose $5.0 \%$ in Canada with increases reported in all areas except Ontario which declined $0.4 \%$.
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Transportation: Revenue freight during the seven day period ending December 14 totalled 73,253 cars, down $4.8 \%$ from the 1965 period, and during the cumulative period rose $1.8 \%$ to $3,877,733$ cars from the previous year period.
$\therefore 1$. Index of Industrial Production

Canada's seasonally adjusted index of indus trial production moved up $1.0 \%$ in October to 278.3 from 275.6 in September. Both manufacturing and mining recorded gains of $0.7 \%$ and $4.4 \%$, respectively in the most current month; electric power and gas utilities declined $1.4 \%$. The manufacturing gain in the month was almost entirely concentrated in non-durables (up by $1.1 \%$ ), as durables advanced only marginally.

More than one-half of the gain in non-durables emanated in foods and beverages, with several components contributing, in particular meat products. The bulk of the remaining strength was due to textiles and rubber products, up by about 3 and $7 \%$ respectively. Elsewhere, major group movements were generally marginal, with the exception of printing and publishing (- 3\%), and tobacco products ( $-4 \%$ ).

Within durables, movements in wood, $1 r o n$ and steel products, transportation equipment, and non-ferrous metal products were within $1 \%$, with the former three groups moving lower in the month. Electrical apparatus and supplies and nonumetallic mineral products were $4 \%$ and $2 \%$ higher, respectively. These generally offsetting movements at the major group level obscured some larger changes in the detail, in industries such as iron castings $(+5 \%)$, motor vehicles ( $-3 \%$ ), refrigerators and appliances (+13\%), and primary iron and steel ( $-5 \%$ ), with the latter being somewhat strike-affected in the month.

About two thirds of the gain in the total index of industrial production in October came from mining output, where both metals and fuels registered increases of about $5 \%$. All major metals contributed to the advance except gold, which declined marginally. On the other hand, there was a large gain in crude petroleum, accounting for the strength in fuel mining.

> Real Domestic Product less Agriculture Third Quarter and First Nine Months of 1966

At an index level of 231.8 for the third quarter of 1966 , seasonally adjusted Real

Domestic Product, less agriculture, was virtually unchanged from its second quarter level. This was the result of a $1.1 \%$ increase in the service-producing industry group being offset by a $0.9 \%$ decline in the output of the goods-producing industry group, exclusive of igriculture.

Within the goodsmproducing industry group, deciines ranging from about 3 to $71 / 2 \%$ were recorded in mining, construction and forestry. Within minfig, it was the $8.6 \%$ decline in the strike-affected metal mining component which accounted for almost the entire $2.8 \%$ decrease in total mining output. Fuel mining and nonmetal mining advanced 1 and $2.7 \%$ respectively. Within construction, it was the private residential construction component which showed the largest decifne, accounting for about half of the totil $4.7 \%$ drop in construction. Among, the remaining goodsproducing industry groups, electric power and gas utilities advanced $2.3 \%$.

Manufacturing increased fractionally from its second quarter leve 1 , is a result of the recovery of its durable manufacturing component from a marginal decline in the second quarter. Movements within non-durables were mixed, and largely offsetting.

Among the service-producing industries, all but one of the major industry groupings showed increases from the second quarter, ranging from about $1 \%$ in comminity, recreation, business and personal services to $21 / 2 \%$ in trade. lhe only decline within the servicemproducing group was recorded ly transportation, and was almost entirely the result of a drop in the output of the strikemaffected railway transport industry. Trade was the largest contributor lo the third quarter gain, accounting for about three-quarters of the advance in service-industry output. Within trade, the $3 \%$ increase at the retail level accounted for the larger part of the increase in the third quarter, while wholesale trade showed a more moderate increase of just over $1 \%$.

Turning to developments during the first nine montis of 1966 as compared with the comparable period in the preceding year non-agricultural real output advanced 1)y $6.6 \%$. Although slightly lower than the $7.4 \%$ increase indicated by the comparison of the first six months, it is still well above the post-war average annual rate of §rowth of $4.7 \%$. For instance, if a change of plus or minus $1 \%$, on a seasonally adjusted basis, is assumed for the fourth quarter of 1966 as compared with the third quarter of 1966 , the former change would yield a year over year increase of $5.9 \%$ for the year 1966 as a whole, while the latter would yield an annual increase of $5.4 \%$.

About $60 \%$ of the increase in non-agricultural real output for the first nine months of 1966 came from expansion in the output of the cyclically volatile manufacturing, transportation and trade industries, with increases also recorded by all other majur industry groupings. Most industries advanced at rates exceeding their 1946-65 nverage annual rates of growth. The only exceptions were mining, wholesale trade and public administration and defence.

GOVERNMENTFINANGE
2. Financial Statistics of Provincial Governments

Estimated net general revenue of provincial governments

In the fiscal year ending March 31, 1967 will amount to $\$ 5,840,000,000$, and the estimated net general expenditure (exclusive of debt retirement) will total $\$ 6,257,000,000$ reflecting increases of $24 \%$ and $21 \%$ respectively over the estimated figures for the year ended March 31, 1966.

Of the total estimated revenue of $\$ 5,840,000,000,68 \%$ or $\$ 3,969,000,000$ is estimated to come from taxes. General sales tax accounts for $\$ 1,003,000,000$, an increase of $\$ 235,000,000$ over the estimated figure for sales tax revenue for the year ended March 31, 1966. This increase was due in part to the increase in the general sales tax in Ontario from $3 \%$ to $5 \%$ effective April 1, 1966. In Ontario the sales tax on gasoline was increased by one cent per gallon and sales tax on diesel fuel for highway use was increased by one and one half cents. In Saskatchewan a one cent increase in the gasoline sales tax became effective April $1,1966$.

Saskatchewan has inaugurated a grant to home-owners whereby the lesser of $\$ 50$ or one half of the current year's taxes is paid to eligible property owners. A grant of the lesser of $\$ 50$ or one half of the current year's school tax is being paid in Manitoba commencing with the fiscal year April 1, 1966. Alberta has futroduced the Home Owners Tax Discount which provides for a discount of $\$ 50$ on the taxes of owner-occupied elisible residences in the province. This grant is similar to the home-owner grant presently being paid by the Province of British Columbia where the subsidy has been rilised from $\$ 100$ to $\$ 110$.
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## Pinancial Statistics of Municipal Governments

diture of municipal governments 10 (anada continued to rise moderately $1 n 1965$ and 1966 , according to the advance release of information by lobs in Loday's Bulletin. The InBS report "Financial Statistics of Municipal Covernments, Revenue and Expenditure, l'reliminary 1965 and Estimates $1966^{\prime \prime}$ is expected to be released in February.

Total current expenditures amounting to $\$ 2,678,066,000$ in 1965 rose to $\$ 2,904,715,000$ in 1966 and increases occurred in all categories of services provided. These greater expenditures were provided for largely by increased taxition revenue.

Current Revenue
Preliminary 1965 - Estimate 1966

| $\begin{gathered} 1965 \\ \text { Preliminary } \\ \$ .000^{\prime} \mathrm{s} \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 1966 \\ \text { Estimate } \\ \$ .000^{\prime} \mathrm{s} \\ \hline \end{array}$ |
| :---: | :---: |
| Taxation:$\quad$ General and school: |  |
| General and school: |  |
| Real property............................. 1, 749,542 | 1,898,543 |
| Personal property........................ 20.5 | 1,81,487 |
|  | 63,462 |
|  | 20,974 |
| Total general and school taxation...... 1,848,136 | 2,004,466 |
| Special assessments (owner's share) |  |
| and charges....... 133,668 | 135,653 |
| Tutal laxation.......................... 1, 981,804 | 2,140,119 |
| Licences and permits....................... 34.338 | 34,552 |
| Interest, tax penalties, etc............... 25,277 | 25,001 |
| Contributions, grants and subsidies...... 500,651 | 546,534 |
| Miscellaneous revenue...................... 117,510 | 116,608 |
| Total current revenue................. $2,659,580$ | 2,862,814 |
| Current Expenditure <br> Preliminary 1965 ~ listimate 1966 |  |
| General government........................... 195.203 | 221,508 |
| Protection to persons and property.......... 333,064 | 357,620 |
| Public works (1)............................... 36.093 | 380,238 |
| Sanftation and waste removal (1)............ 76,987 | 83,105 |
| Health(2)..................................... 4 . 49,599 | 52,424 |
| Social welfare(2)............................. 114.848 | 118,860 |
| Education (including debt charges)........... 949,050 | 1,046,243 |
| Recreation and community services.......... 106, 896 | 116,732 |
| Debt charges: |  |
|  | 305,598 |
| Other (2)................................................ 12,763 | 13,958 |
| Utilities and other municipal enterprises |  |
| (deficits and levies) (2).. 29,499 | 31,156 |
| Proviston for reserves (2).................. 28 . ${ }^{\text {a }}$, 826 | 31,048 |
| Contributions to Capital and Loan Fund...... 81,486 | 88,614 |
| Toint or special expenditure................ 4,862 | 5,405 |
| Miscellaneous expenditure (2)................. 47 , 442 | 52,206 |
| Total current expenditure............. $2,678,066$ | 2,904,715 |
| (1) "Sanitation and waste removal" for Quebec included in "Public works" |  |
| (2) "llealth", "Social welfare", "()ther debt charges", "Util for reserves" for Quebec included in "Miscellaneous ex | and "Provi |

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revenue and expenditure by industry are contained in the DBS report, "Federal Government Enterprise Finance, 1964." A table on the organization and main functions of federal government enterprises is also included.

Excluding the Bank of Canada, which is presented separately because of the unique nature of its transactions, assets reached the level of $\$ 9,413,000,000$ at the end of 1964 , a rise of $\$ 344,000,000$ or $3.7 \%$ over the 1963 aggregate.

Fixed assets, net of accumulated depreciation, were carried on the books of the crown corporations at a value of $\$ 4,684,000,000$ and constituted $50 \%$ of the total assets while long-term loans and advances and debt, amounting to $\$ 5,455,000,000$ accounted for $58 \%$ of total liabilities and net worth in 1964. Proprietary equity, the excess of assets over 11 abilities, amounted to $\$ 2,769,000,000$, an increment of $\$ 167,000,000$; its ratio to assets or liabilities and net worth was $29.4 \%$.

Total current revenue was $\$ 3,033,000,000$, an increase of $\$ 582,000,000$ or $19 \%$ from the previous year. Current expenditure was $\$ 2,727,000,000$ an increase of $\$ 386,000,000(14 \%)$. Net profits before provision for income taxes were $\$ 306,000,000$, or $\$ 196,000,000$ more than in 1963. Estimated income tax payable amounted to $\$ 15,000,000$, leaving profits for distribution of $\$ 291,000,000$.

Remittances to the federal government out of surplus account were $\$ 15,000,000$ during the year; in addition, $\$ 224,000,000$ were paid to grain producers out of earnings of the Canadian Wheat Board. Contributions to surplus account by the federal government towards operating deficits of its enterprises amounted to $\$ 61,000,000$ and $\$ 86,000,000$ was contributed to current revenue.

BUSINESS
5. Theques Total value of cheques cashed in 51 clearing centres in Canada during October was $\$ 45,385,028,000$, a $13.3 \%$ rise over 1965 s corresponding value of $\$ 40,065,390,000$. (ilearings were up as follows: Ontario, $14.3 \%$; Quebec, 14.0\%; British Columbia, $12.9 \%$; Atlantic Provinces, $9.9 \%$ and Prairie Provinces, $9.5 \%$. During the cumulative period the value of cheques cleared rose $9.7 \%$ to $\$ 438,352,100,000$ from $\$ 399,639,244,000$.
6.

Conmercial Failures Business failures recorded under the provisfons of the Bankruptcy and Winding Up Acts Lotilled 748 during the third quarter of 1966 , a slight rise over the 735 insolvencies reported in the same quarter last year. 'he estimated total of defaulted liabilities fell off to $\$ 48,362,000$ from $\$ 227,820,000$ and average liabilities per failure declined from $\$ 310,000$ to $\$ 64,700$.

UTILITIES
7. Electric Power lreliminary statistics on energy generation, 1mports, exports and secondary for October indicate a $8.4 \%$ increase in net generation to $13,619,312$ thousand $k w h$ from $12,568,525$ thousand kwh generated during the same perfod 111 1965. Imports increased to 286,752 thousand kwh from 280,000 thousand kwh and exports rose to 420,015 thousand kwh from 309,610 thous and kwh.
*8. General Wholesale Index
The general wholesale index (1935-39:100) for November was 260.7, unchanged from October and $2.8 \%$ above the November 1965 index of 253.7. Five major group indexes were higher while three declined.

The non-ferrous metals products group index rose $1.9 \%$ in November to 232.6 from the October index of 228.2 , as a result of higher prices for nicke1. An advance of $0.6 \%$ to 227.2 from 225.9 in the vegetable products group index reflected price increases for unmanufactured tobacco and grains. The chemical products group Index moved up $0.4 \%$ to 212.2 from 211.3 on higher prices for soap and detergents, organic chemica1s, and prepared paint. The textile products group index rose $0.3 \%$ to 252.7 from 252.0 in response to higher prices recorded for cotton fabrics. An increase of $0.1 \%$ occurred in the non-metallic minerals products group index to 194.9 from 194.7.

The animal products group index moved down $1.2 \%$ in November to 295.0 from the October index of 298.7, on lower prices for fresh and cured meats, and livestock. A decline of $0.4 \%$ to 340.6 from 342.0 in the wood products group index was mainly attributable to price decreases for cedar and fir. The iron products group index moved down slightly to 268.5 from 268.6 .
*9. Week1y Security Price Indexes
Number
Stocks
Priced Dec. 22/66 Dec. 15/66 Nov. 24/66

|  | (1956=100) |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Investors Price Index |  |  |  |
| Total index................. 114 | 154.7 | 154.6 | 152.5 |
| Industrials................. 80 | 162.3 | 162.0 | 158.9 |
| Ut11ities.................. 20 | 148.5 | 149.1 | 148.1 |
| Finance (1).............. . . . 14 | 125.1 | 125.7 | 126.8 |
| Banks..................... 6 | 122.3 | 122.1 | 123.3 |
| Mining Stocks Price Index |  |  |  |
| Total index................. 24 | 95.5 | 95.0 | 94.4 |
| Golds.................... . . 16 | 116.1 | 116.9 | 112.5 |
| Base metals............... 8 | 84.2 | 83.0 | 84.5 |
| Supplementary Indexes |  |  |  |
| Uraniums..................... 6 | 189.6 | 190.1 | 192.7 |
| Primary oils and gas........ 6 | 152.6 | 156.9 | 133.5 |

(1) Composed of banks, and investment and loan.
*10. Industry Se111ng Price Indexes In 33 manufacturing industries, industry selling price indexes ( $1956=100$ ) were higher in November than in October, 11 less than the 44 increases recorded in the SeptemberUctober perfod. The industry indexes which declined in November numbered 20 , the same as the number of decreases recorded lin (Ictober. Uf the 102 industry indexes, 49 were unchanged, 11 more than in the prevtous month when 38 rematned the same. The average of the 102 industry indexes in November was 112.5 up sifghty from the October average of 112.4 . The medtan advanced to 113.2 from the October medtan of 112.5 .
$\therefore 11$. Man-llours ind llourly larnings - \$1.64 from \$91.95 1n Auriust Lo \$93.59 in September, according to data that will shortly be published in the monthly nBS report "Man-Hours and llourly Earnings". The increase was the result of a 3 cent gain to $\$ 2.27$ in average hourly earnings and of a 0.1 hour gain in average weekly hours to 41.2. Compared with september 1965, average hourly eirnings were 14 cents higher and average weekly hours were 0.2 hours lower.

In durable-goods manufacturing, average hourly earnings at $\$ 2.47$ were 4 cents above the August level. Higher earnings were recorded by all large component industifes except machinery which remained unchanged. All larger industries contributed to a 0.4 hour increase in average weekly hours.

Average hourly earnings at $\$ 2.07$ rose 2 cents in non-durable foods as all mafor components reported increases except tobacco where there was a one cent decline. The largest increases were in petroleum and coal ( 4 cents), textiles ( 3 cents), and chemicals ( 3 cents).

Weckly wages in construction at $\$ 124.83$ were $\$ 1.52$ higher than last month, mainly as the result of a 5 cent increase in average hourly earnings. This pain reflected increases in hoth building, ( 3 cents) and engineering ( 6 cents).

|  | Average Weekly Hours |  |  | Average Hourly Earnings |  |  | Average Weekly Wages |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Sept. 1966 | Aug. <br> 1966 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Sept. } \\ & 1965 \end{aligned}$ | Sept. $1966$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Aug. } \\ & 1966 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Sept } \\ & 1965 \end{aligned}$ | Sept. 1965 | Aug. 1966 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Sept: } \\ & 1965 \end{aligned}$ |
|  | (number) |  |  | (dollars) |  |  |  | (dollars) |  |
| Manufacturing | 41.2 | 41.1 | 41.4 | 2.27 | 2.24 | 2.13 | 93.59 | 91.95 | 88.08 |
| Durables | 41.9 | 41.5 | 42.0 | 2.47 | 2.43 | 2.32 | 103.46 | 101.04 | 97.57 |
| Non-durables | 40.6 | 40.6 | 40.8 | 2.07 | 2.05 | 1.94 | 83.89 | 83.15 | 78.96 |
| Mining | 42.6 | 42.0 | 42.0 | 2.63 | 2.58 | 2.45 | 112.14 | 108.29 | 103.03 |
| Construction | 44.2 | 44.3 | 43.3 | 2.83 | 2.78 | 2.56 | 124.83 | 123.31 | 110.84 |
| Building | 41.3 | 41.5 | 41.0 | 2.88 | 2.85 | 2.66 | 119.10 | 118.22 | 108.95 |
| Engineering | 49.0 | 49.0 | 47.4 | 2.75 | 2.69 | 2.41 | 134.76 | 131.92 | 114.30 |

The index number $(1961=100)$ of average hourly earnings in electrical industrial equipment in September was 118.1.
*12. Unemployment Insurance At the end of October 1966 there were approximately 184,000 claimants reporting to local offices, some 14,000 or $8 \%$ more than at the same time last year, and almost $12 \%$ above the 165,000 claimants at the end of September.

There were roughly 86,000 inftial and renewal claims filed in local offices across Canadia during October compared with 73,000 last month and about 83,000 during October last year.

Benefft payments during the month of October increased about $20 \%$ from a year ago, as a total of $\$ 12,336$ thousand was paid out to an estimated 130,000 beneficiaries receiving $\$ 23.82$ each week over the course of the month. During ()ctober last year, $\$ 10,223$ thousand was pald to some 108,000 recipients at an average weekly rate of $\$ 23.70$. Comparable September datit show an estimated 122,000 beneficiaries receiving $\$ 12,265$ thousand or an averaye weekly benefit payment of $\$ 23.93$.
13. $\frac{\text { Estimates of Employees }}{\text { by Yrovince and Industry }}$

Aggregate employment in eight commercial, nonagricultural industries in the establishment survey for September 1966 was estimated at
$4,658,000$, a decrease of 56,000 or $1.2 \%$ from August, according to the advance summary of data to be contained in the september issue of the DBS report "listimates of Employees by Province and Industry". Seasonal declines from August were reported in all industries with the exception of trade which recorded a slight increase. The largest decline, 22,000 or $3.8 \%$, was in services. Decreases were recorded in all provinces.

Compared with September 1965, the aggregate employment in the industries specifled increased by 195,000 or $4.4 \%$. All industries galned, the largest increase being 30,000 or $5.1 \%$ in manufacturing.

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14. Canada's Mineral Production Canada's mineral shipments continued to rise durimg
15. The total value exceeded $\$ 4,000,000,000$ according to an estimate prepared by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics, Ottawa. In the preceding year the value was $\$ 3,744,000,000$. The values of the leading mineral commodities were: crude petroleum $\$ 793,000,000$; copper $\$ 464,000,000$; iron ore $\$ 419,000,000 ;$ nickel $\$ 400,000,000 ;$ zinc $\$ 285,000,000$ and natural gas $\$ 199,000,000$.

Shipments of metals, ores and concentrates were valued at $\$ 1,995,000,000$. Copper shipments exceeded 516,000 tons. Labor strikes adversely affected the output of nickel and magnesfum. New mines aided in raising the output of molybdenum to more than double the volume of 1965. The price of lead and zinc weakened and the producers voluntarily reduced the output in the latter part of the year. Uranium declined but there were indications of stronger markets within a few years.

Nonmetallic minerals shipped during 1966 were valued at $\$ 373,000,000$ an 1ncrease of $14 \%$ above the preceding year. Asbestos fibres were valued at nearly $\$ 167,000,000$ which was $\$ 20,000,000$ more than in 1965. Potash (K20 equivalent) shipments from Saskatchewan mines exceeded 2,000,000 tons in quantity and $\$ 76,000,000$ In value. New shafts are being sunk in the potash deposits so the output of potash can be expected to continue to rise steeply. Sales of barite, gypsum, magnesitic dolomite, brucite, pyrite, quartz and salt were about the same level as in 1965. Lithia shipments were lower due to a labor strike. Liemental sulphur, mostly from sour natural gas reached a new high of about $\$ 36,000,000$.

Again the value of the fossil fuels exceeded $\$ 1,000,000,000$, an increase of $8 \%$ from the previous year. All of the western provinces produced more crude petroleum to raise the Canadian total to $321,000,000$ barrels. Natural gas which Was utilized amounted to 1.5 trillion cubic feet. The bymproducts of natural gas processing plants which include propane, butane, etc were valued at $\$ 99,000,000$. Coal output remained unchanged.

Structural materials rose by $8 \%$ to reach a value of $\$ 469,000,000$. Nearly 9,000,000 tons of cement were shipped. Products made from domestic clay, which included brick, tile, flue linings, sewer pipe and pottery were valued at $\$ 448,000,00$. $S$ and and $\xi$ rivel used for roads, concrete aggregate, etc were worth $\$ 147,000,000$. Itune added nearly $\$ 100,000,000$ to the mineral output.
*15. Steel Ingots Steel ingot production for the week ending December 31, 1966 totalled 109,862 tons, an $8.0 \%$ decrease from the preceding week's total of 119,441 tons. Output during the comparable week in 1965 was 189,728 tons. The index of production, based on the average weekly output during 1957-59 of 96,108 equalling 100 , was 114 during the current week, 124 a week earlier and 197 one year ago.
*16. Sawmills East of the Rockies
Production of sawmills east of the Rockies rose to 223,192 thous and feet board measure during October from 220,438 in the $s$ ame period last year, while during the cumulaw tive period production declined from $2,760,413$ thousand feet board measure to $2,626,075$ thousand feet board measure. Stocks at the end of the month totalled 438,486 thous and feet board measure.
17. Steel Wire Shipments of uncoated, plain, round (including oiled and annealed) steel wire increased to 13,807 tons during October from 12,892 tons during the 1965 period. Iron and steel wire nilis shipments decreased during the month from 8,720 tons to 7,779 tons.
18. Rubber Consumption of rubber -- natural, synthetic and recalimed -- rose during October to $33,958,000$ pounds from $30,685,000$ pounds during the same period last year, while during the cumulative period it increased to $318,411,000$ pounds from $282,315,000$ pounds in 1965.
19. Iron Castings Producers' shipments of fron castings, pipes and fittings totalled 66,261 tons in October, up from the corresponding
1965 total of 63,213 tons, and during the January-()ctober period increased substantially from 608,331 tons to 646,623 lons.
20. Iron Ore Shipments of iron ore during Uctober totalled $5,338,305$ tons, a rise from the previous year's corresponding total of $4,427,123$ tons, bringing the cumulative total to $34,576,608$ tons as compared to $34,253,584$ tons. Stocks at the end of October totalled $6,271,089$ tons, against $3,940,539$ tons last year. VITA1, STATISTIGS
21. Births, Deaths, Marriages \& Divorces Mrincipal vital statistics for Canada, the provinces and the territories are contained in the UBS preliminary annual report, "Vital Statistics, 1965". Preliminary figures were released in July 1966.

The greatly expanded publication includes the following Lables: Population by sex and age, Canada and Provinces, 1965; Natural increase and rates, Canada and l'rovinces, 1921-1965; V1tirl statistics summary 1964 and 1965; Irfincipal vital stitistics rates, Canada, 1921-1965; I, ive births and rates, Canada and Provinces, 1921-1965 and by month, 1965; Live hirths by aye of mother, Canada and Provinces, 1965; Are-specific lertility rates, Canadil 1926-1965, and Selected years for provinces, 1931-1965; live births lyy age of mother and live birth order, Canada, 1965; 11ve hirths lyy IIve birth order, Canada and Provinces, 1962-1965; Illigitimate hirths, Canada and Provinces, 1921-1965; Marriages and rates, Canada and Provinces 1921-1965 and by month, 1965; Marriages by age of loride and sroom, Canada and lrovinces, 1965; Marriages, age of bride by age of そroom, Canada, 1965; Divorces and rates, Canida and Provinces, 1921-1965; Deaths and rates by cause and sex, Canada and l'rovinces, 1965; and Deatly and rates by cause, sex and age, Canada, 1965.

## 22. Births. Deaths and Marriages

Provincial offices report an $11.5 \%$ decrease to 31,740 from 35,808 in the number of births in November as compared to the same period in 1965, and during the cumplative pariod a $7.8 \%$ decrease to 362,025 in 1966 against 392,529 the previous year. Marriages rose to 14,601 from 12,839 during the month and from 135,816 to 145,788 during the cumulative period. Deaths during the month increased from 12,340 to 12,626 and during the cumulative period rose to 138,449 from 134,764.

AGRICULTURE \& FOOD
23. Fruit Production Total farm value of the 1965 commercial fruit crop in Canada is estimated at $\$ 64,400,000$, about $13 \%$ below the 1964 total of $\$ 74,000,000$. This included apple sales, $\$ 31,000,000$; tender tree fruits, $\$ 13,100,000$ and small fruit crops, $\$ 20,300,000$. The decrease in value from the previous year is attributed to a small return from sales of all crops with the exception of plums and prunes, raspberries, blueberries and cranberries.
\%24. Fish Landings for Maritimes, November 1966

| Major Species | Quantity $10001 b .$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Value } \\ & S^{\prime} 000 \end{aligned}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Groundfish |  |  |
| Cod. | 9,441 | 469 |
| Lingcod. | - | - |
| Haddock. | 5,562 | 413 |
| Pollock. | 1,752 | 69 |
| Hake. | 853 | 27 |
| Kedfish. | 6,917 | 220 |
| Halibut.. | 122 | 69 |
| Flounders and Soles | 11,510 | 409 |
| Other unspecified.. | 1,013 | 27 |
| TOTAL. ............ | 37,170 | 1,703 |
| Pelagic \& Estuarial |  |  |
| lierring.......... | 3,355 | 48 |
| Mackerel. | 969 | 56 |
| Salmon.. | - |  |
| Swordfish. | 17 | 6 |
| Other unspecifled.. | 1,140 | 64 |
| TOTAL. . . . . . . . . | 5,481 | 174 |
| Molluscs \& Crustaceans. |  |  |
| Crabs.............. | - | - |
| Lobster........... | 491 | 373 |
| Oysters... | 1,019 | 155 |
| Scallops. | 1,292 | 626 |
| ()ther unspecified.. | 204 | 14 |
| TOTAL. . . . . . . . . | 3,006 | 1,168 |
| TOTAL - ALL SPECIE | 45,657 | 3,045 |

25. Egg Production Egg production during November at 34,400,000 dozen was $4.6 \%$ less than the $36,100,000$ dozen produced in November 1965. The average price of eggs to producers was 46.6 cents per dozen during the month and 45.4 cents per dozen during October. Corresponding farm prices in November and October 1965 were 45.7 and 44.7 cents respectively. In the eleven-month period egg production was $377,800,000$ dozen, down $4.4 \%$ from 1965 's corresponding total of $395,300,000$ dozen.
26. Farm Cash Recelpts Farmer's total cash receipts from farming operatlons reached a record $\$ 3,006,000,000$ during the first nine months of $1966,13.3 \%$ above the previous record of $2,654,000,000$ during the corresponding 1965 period.

Total cash receipts include: 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 deficiency payments made by the Agricultural Stabilization Board. In estimating total cash receipts, no deductions are made for the cost of production.

The 1966 increase is attributable to a substantial rise in wheat marketings and expanded sales of cattle and calves at higher prices. Less important absolute gains were made by oats, rye, flaxseed, rapeseed, soybeans, fruits, vegetables, tobacco, hogs, poultry and eggs. The only commodity exhibiting a decilne in returns from the previous year was potatoes. In contrast to the general increase, Canadian Wheat Board payments on previous years' western grain crops were down considerably.

Under the provisions of the Prairie Farm Assistance Act and the Alberta Emergency Farm Assistance Program farmers received supplementary payments amounting to $\$ 7,400,000$ as against $\$ 11,100,000$ for the first nine months of 1965 . Milk and cream producers received supplementary payments amounting to $\$ 29,400,000$ during the first nine months of 1966. In 1965 similar payments began in August and amounted to $\$ 6,500,000$ by the end of September.

When added together, farm cash receipts from farming operations and supplementary payments totalled $\$ 3,043,100,000$ for the 1966 period, $13.9 \%$ above the previous record of $\$ 2,671,400,000$ established in 1965.

Provincial farm cash receipts (excluding supplementary payments) for the first nine months of 1966 are as follows with comparable 1965 data in brackets: Prince Edward Island, $26,864,000(29,671,000)$; Nova Scotia $41,157,000,(36,195,000)$; New Brunswick, $39,369,000,(43,968,000)$; Quebec, $409,635,000(365,815,000)$; Ontar10, $864,740,000$ ( $770,868,000$ ) ; Manitoba, $267,962,000(217,859,000)$; Saskatchewan, $689,410,000,(631,387,000)$; Alberta, $545,496,000,(454,293,000) ;$ British Columbia, $121,695,000,(103,830,000)$.
27. Wheat Review Total exports of wheat and wheat flour in terms of grain from the four major exporting countries during the August-0ctober period of the current Canadian crop year amounted to $478,000,000$ bushels, a $7 \%$ decrease from $1965^{\circ}$ s same period record total of $511,500,000$ bushels, but a sharp increase over the ten-year (1955-64) average shipment for the first quarter of the crop year of $275,200,000$ bushels. United states was the only one of the four exporting countries registering an increase over the 1965 comparable totals, which were as follows: United States, $247,400,000$ bushels ( $203,400,000$ bushels last year); Canada, 171,500,000 bushels (181, 400,000); Argentina, 17,800,000 (70,500,000); Australia, $41,300,000(56,200,000)$.

Supplies of wheat remaining on or about November 1 in the four major exporting countries, for export and for carryover at the end of their respective crop years, amounted to $1,834,400,000$ bushels, about $15 \%$ less than the $2,156,600,000$ bushels avallable a year ago. Supplies were held as follows, with last year's comparable figures in brackets: United States, $846,300,000(1,129,700,000)$; Canada, $939,900,000$ $(823,300,000)$; Argentinis, $14,700,000(159,700,000)$; and Australia, $33,500,000$ $(43,900,000)$.

| Major Species | British Columbia |  | Newfoundland |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Quantity | Value | Quantity | Value |
|  | ${ }^{\prime} 000$ 1b. | \$'000 | ${ }^{1} 000 \mathrm{lb}$. | \$ ${ }^{1} 000$ |
| Groundfish |  |  |  |  |
| Cod. | 378 | 26 | 8,672 | 367 |
| Lingcod. | 155 | 19 |  | - |
| Haddock. | - | - | 40 | 2 |
| Pollock. | - | - | 34 | 1 |
| Hake. . | - | - | 3 | -- |
| Redfish. | - | - | 8,255 | 196 |
| Halibut. | - | - | 13 | 2 |
| Flounders and Soles | 860 | 53 | 12,378 | 359 |
| Other unspecified. | 174 | 21 | 2,717 | 92 |
| TOTAL. . . | 1,567 | 119 | 32,112 | 1,019 |
| Pelagic \& Estuarial 3 , |  |  |  |  |
| Herring..... | 35,919 | 592 | 8,599 | 93 |
| Mackerel. | - |  | 50 | 3 |
| Salmon. | 76 | 30 | 9 | 6 |
| Swordfish | - | - | - | - |
| Other unspecified | 1,385 | 52 | 88 | 3 |
| TOTAL...... | 37,380 | 674 | 8,746 | 105 |
| Molluscs \& Crustaceans |  |  |  |  |
| Crabs. | 194 | 29 | - | - |
| Lobster | - | - | - | - |
| Oysters. | 1,005 | 75 | - | - |
| Scallops.. | - | - | 4 | 2 |
| Other Unspecified. | 482 | 52 | 154 | 3 |
| TOTAL.......... | 1,681 | 156 | 158 | 5 |
| TOTAL - ALL SPECI | 40,628 | 949 | 41,016 | 1,129 |

-- Amount too small to be expressed
29. Fruit Production Latest estimates place the 1966 apple crop at 20,100,000 bushels, or $10 \%$ below the 1965 total of $22,300,000$ bushels. This drop is attributed to a substantial reduction in the Quebec crop where 1966 yields totalled $4,100,000$ bushels compared with $1965^{\prime}$ s record figure of $7,700,000$ bushels.

Other fruit production was as follow: pears, $1,891,000$ bushels $(1,065,000$ bushels in 1965); plums and prunes, 578,000 bushels (505,000); peaches, 2, 160,000 bushels $(1,606,000)$; apricots, 288,000 bushels (2,000); sweet cherries, 428,000 bushels ( 242,000 ); sour cherries, 278,000 bushels ( 444,000 ); strawberries, $30,276,000$ quarts $(17,281,000)$; raspberries, $13,843,000$ quarts ( $13,485,000$ ); loganberries, $1,340,000$ pounds $(991,000)$; grapes, $114,022,000$ pounds $(126,012,000)$; blueberries, $37,648,000$ pounds $(18,145,000)$; cranberries, $1,797,000$ pounds (1,550,000).

MERCHANDISING

## 30. Department Store Sales

Department store sales by regions for the week ending November 10 rose $5.0 \%$ in Canada with increases reported in all areas except Ontario which declined $0.4 \%$. Percentage increases were as follows: Atlantic Provinces, 10.5\%; (quebec, 7.5\%; Manitoba, 0.4\%; Saskatchewan, $2.9 \%$; Alberta, $3.1 \%$; and British Columbia, $14.5 \%$.

New motor vehicle sales in October at 67,451 units, were down $2.3 \%$ below the 1965 October total of 69,036 units. Of this number, 58,213 units ( 59,925 in the corresponding 1965 period) were passenger vehicles and 9,238 units $(9,111)$ were comercial vahicles. The total retail value was $\$ 232,086,000$ compared with $\$ 228,804,000$ last year. During the cumulative period the number of units sold reached 689,929 an $0.9 \%$ rise over last year's 683,611 unit total, placing the retail value at $\$ 2,342,457,000$, or $4.5 \%$ higher than the 1965 comparative value of $\$ 2,240,981,000$. Of this total 578,579 units were passenger vehicles, a $0.9 \%$ decline from last year's 583,672 and 111,350 units were commercial vehicles, an $11.4 \%$ climb from last year's 99,939 units. Corresponding retail values were, passenger vehicles, $\$ 1,884,419,000(\$ 1,856,082,000)$ and commercial vehicles $\$ 458,038,000(\$ 384,899,000)$.
*32. Major Appliances, October 1966

| Total | Stocks at |
| :---: | :---: |
| Canada Sales Exports | end of month |


33.

## Department Store Sales

Department store sales by regions during November rose $4.1 \%$ in Canada with all provinces reporting increases during the month. Percentage increases were as follows: Atlantic Provinces, 4.0\%; Quebec, $4.0 \%$; Ontar $10,3.3 \%$; Man1toba, $1.1 \%$; Saskatchewan, $6.5 \%$; Alberta, $4.1 \%$; British Columbia, $6.7 \%$.
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> Paints, Varnishes and Lacquers

October sales of paints, varnishes and lacquers totalled $\$ 13,558,567$, an increase over last year's corresponding total of $\$ 13,299,701$, while the cumulative total at $\$ 160,371,881$ was above $1965^{\prime}$ s same period total of $\$ 149,227,330$.

## ENTERTAINMENT

635. Motion Picture Theatres and Film Distributors Receipts from paid admissions
(excluding amusement taxes) of 1,418 motion picture theatres ( 1,171 auditorium and $247 \mathrm{drive-in}$ ) in 1965 amounted to $\$ 85,162,234$ according to advance figures that will be contained in the 1965 issue of the DBS report "Motion Picture Theatres and Film Distributors". In 1964 there were 1,451 theatres $(1,209$ auditorium and 242 drive-in) with receipts of $\$ 78,347,715$. Pald admissions in 1965 numbered $99,914,739$ as compared to $101,727,735$ in 1964 and amusement taxes totalled $\$ 5,586,966$ against $\$ 5,002,307$ in the preceding year.

The recelpts of 63 film exchange companies were $\$ 47,137,047$ as compared with $\$ 41,288,801$ in 1964.

Salaries and wages paid by motion picture theatres for 1965 amounted to $\$ 16,924,030(\$ 16,300,988$ in 1964$)$ and for film exchanges $\$ 4,011,709(\$ 4,083,493$ in 1964).

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＊36．Motion Victure Production
page 14.
Gross revenue of private firms primarily engaged in the production and printing of motion pirture films and film strips for industry，government，education，entertainment，etc．， amounted to $\$ 14,257,262$ in 1965，a rise of $12.3 \%$ from the 1964 total of $\$ 12,694,301$ ， according to an advance release of data that w111 be contained in the 1965 issue of the annual DBS report＂Motion Picture Production＂．The production of motion pictures in 1965 accounted for $\$ 8,639,638(\$ 7,904,574$ in 1964），printing and laboratory operations for $\$ 4,543,402(\$ 4,350,534)$ ，and other sources for $\$ 1,074,222(\$ 439,193)$ ．

The gross revenue of firms primarily engaged in video tape production was $\$ 2,226,250$ in 1965 ，an increase of $12.5 \%$ over the preceding year＇s total of $\$ 1,787,524$ ．Production accounted for $\$ 1,862,599$ versus $\$ 1,448,750$ a year earlier and revenue from other sources for $\$ 363,651$ versus $\$ 338,774$ ．

Salaries and wages paid by firms engaged in production and printing of motion pictures totalled $\$ 4,687,194$ in 1965 ，compared to $\$ 4,356,119$ in 1964 ．Salaries and wages paid by firms engaged in video tape production amounted to $\$ 292,028$ as compared to $\$ 264,838$ in the preceding year．

## TRANSTORTATION

37．Clarloadings Revenue freight during the seven day period ending December 14 totalled 73,253 cars，down $4.8 \%$ from the 1965 period，and during the cumulative pertod rose $1.8 \%$ to $3,877,733$ cars from the previous year period．Piggyback loadings at 3,481 cars during the current period were $27.1 \%$ below the number carried in the 1965 period and during the cumulative period totalled 181,669 ，or $18.2 \%$ below last year＇s total．

Keceipts from Canadian and United States connections rose $9.2 \%$ to 25,762 cars during the current period and $0.5 \%$ to $1,201,956$ during the cumulative period．

Commodities reflecting significant decreases during the seven－day period included：building sand，gravel and crushed stone， 1,670 （2，735 in 1965）and miscellaneous conmodities， 8,335 （ 9,398 ），while movements requiring more cars were：wheat， $7,477(6,924)$ and coppermickel ores and concentrates， 1,473 ，（945）．

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