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ECONOMIC CONDITIONS IN CANADA DURING THE FIRST EIGHT MONTHS OF 1945
COMPARED WITH THE SAME PERIOD OF THE PRECEDING YEAR

Six factors indicating the trend of economic conditions averaged higher in the first eight months of 1945 than in the same period of the preceding year. Dominion bond and wholesale prices were at somewhat higher levels, while business operations receded to a lower position.

The index of the physical volume of business averaged 220.9 in the first eight months of 1945, a decline of 8 p.c. from the same period of last year. In the same comparison, the general index of employment averaged 2.7 p.c. lower at 177.0. Advances were shown in the cost-of-living and in commodity prices at wholesale but the increases were of minor proportions. The index of wholesale prices averaged 103.2 against 102.6, an increase of 0.6 p.c.

A somewhat lower level of salaries and wages paid by industrial concerns was indicated by the statistics of aggregate payrolls August 1. Per capita earnings in the week of August 1 were given at \$32.20 against \$31.66 in the same week of 1944.

A gain was recorded in the new business obtained by the construction industry and in building permits. Contracts awarded were \$266.8 million, a gain of 27.6 p.c., while building permits were \$84.1 million, a gain of 27 p.c. The index of employment in the construction industry averaged 102.3, an increase of 8 p.c. over the same period of 1944.

The output of steel ingots showed a gain of 2.8 p.c. while pig iron production dropped from 1.3 million to 1.2 million short tons.

Canada's export trade amounted to \$2,332 million in the first eight months against \$2,310 million in the same period of last year, an increase of 1 p.c. Imports' decline was 9 p.c., resulting in a considerable gain in the active balance of trade. The net exports of non-monetary gold amounted to \$65.5 million against \$76.6 million in the same period of last year.

Retail sales in the first seven months increased 7.7 p.c. while wholesale sales increased 9.5 p.c. over the same period of 1944.

Dominion government ordinary expenditures were nearly \$388 million in the first five months of the present fiscal year compared with \$270.7 million one year ago. Special expenditures, on the other hand, receded from \$1,633 million to \$1,465 million. War expenditures dropped from about \$1,282 million to \$854 million.

The payment of dividends, according to unofficial sources, was at a lower level, the decline having been 1.7 p.c. Interest of payments by the Dominion government amounted to \$153.4 million in the first five months of the present fiscal year compared with \$115.4 million in the same period of last year.

The slaughtering of cattle amounted to 1,555,915 head in the first eight months, a gain of 23.6 p.c. over the same period of last year. Hog slaughtering decreased in the same period by 35.6 p.c. from 6,120,701 head in 1944 to 3,942,707 in 1945. Some decline was recorded in the production of creamery butter, while a gain of more than 6 p.c. was shown in the output of factory cheese, the total in the first eight months of the year having been 129.3 million pounds. The tobacco industry was more active as measured by the release of cigarettes. The total in the first eight months was 9,158 million against 7,506 million, a gain of 22 p.c. A gain of 6.2 p.c. was shown in the release of cigars.

The output of newsprint showed moderate betterment, the total having been 2,102,181 tons. As the production in the first eight months of 1944 was 1,987,540 tons, an increase of 5.8 p.c. was indicated.

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ANALYSIS OF THE ECONOMIC SITUATION IN CANADA
FOR THE YEAR 1937

The following table shows the principal features of the economic situation in Canada for the year 1937. It is based on the data available to the Bureau of Economic Analysis at the end of the year.

The total value of Canadian exports for the year 1937 was \$1,100,000,000, a decrease of 10% from the year 1936. The total value of Canadian imports for the year 1937 was \$1,200,000,000, an increase of 15% from the year 1936. The trade deficit for the year 1937 was \$100,000,000.

The total value of Canadian production for the year 1937 was \$2,500,000,000, an increase of 5% from the year 1936. The total value of Canadian consumption for the year 1937 was \$2,400,000,000, an increase of 10% from the year 1936. The total value of Canadian savings for the year 1937 was \$100,000,000, a decrease of 5% from the year 1936.

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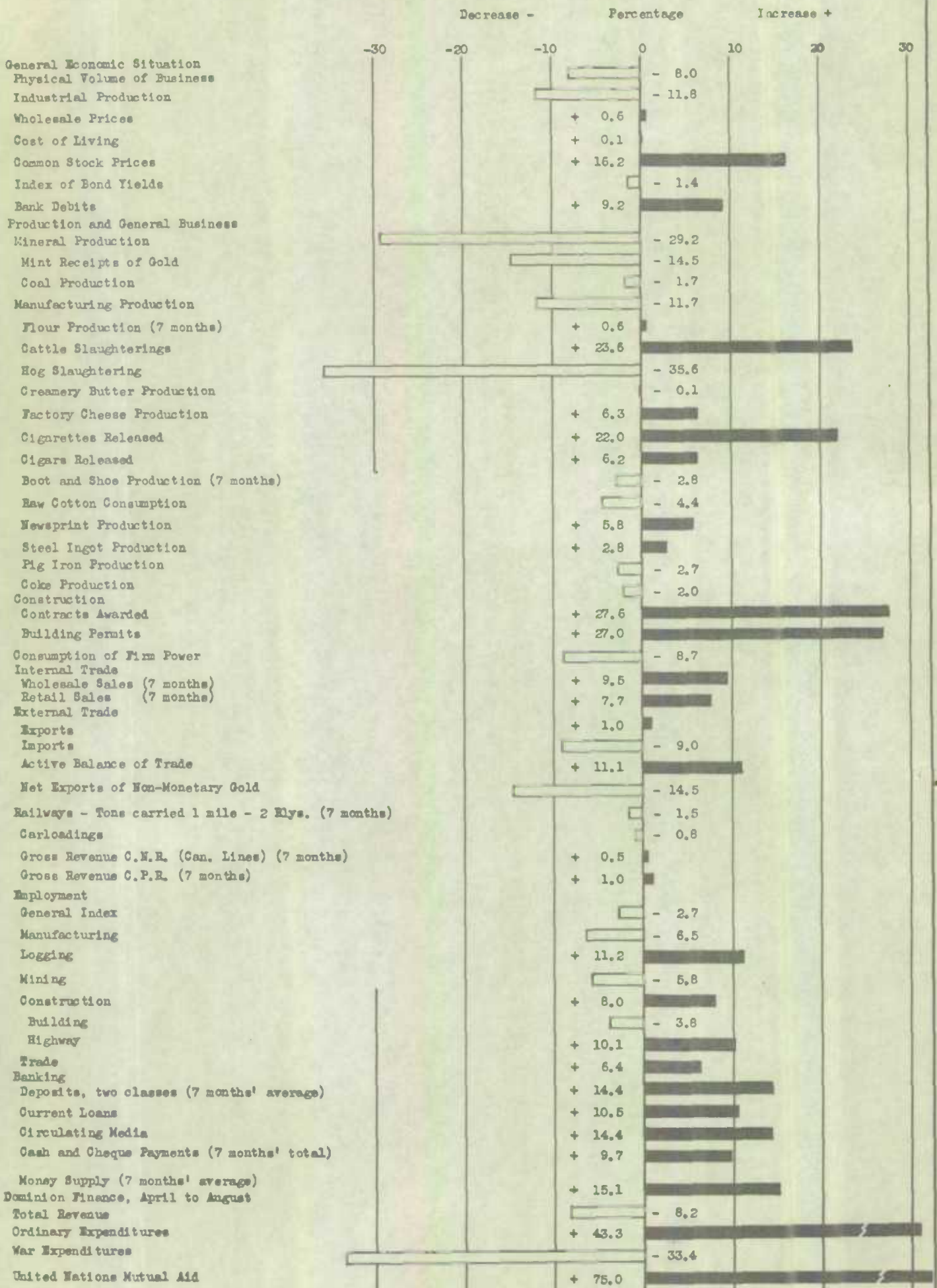
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for the First Eight Months of 1945
as compared with the same period of last year.



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KINETICS OF THE REACTION OF
HYDROGEN PEROXIDE WITH
SODIUM HYDROGEN SULFATE

Run	Time	Temp	Pressure	Volume	Weight	Concentration	Observations
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1	10	25	760	100	0.100	0.010	
1	20	25	760	100	0.100	0.010	
1	30	25	760	100	0.100	0.010	
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1	860	25	760	100	0.100	0.010	
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1	880	25	760	100	0.100	0.010	
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Table 1. - Statistics illustrating the Economic Situation of Canada for the First Eight Months of 1945 compared with the same period of last year

	Unit or Base Period	First Eight Months		Per cent Increase + Decrease -
		1945	1944	
General Economic Situation				
Index of Physical Volume of Business	1935-39=100	220.9	240.2	- 6.0
Index of Industrial Production	1935-39=100	239.6	271.5	- 11.8
Wholesale Prices	1926= 100	103.2	102.6	+ 0.6
Cost of Living	1935-39=100	119.2	119.0	+ 0.1
Index of Common Stock Prices	1935-39=100	96.2	82.8	+ 16.2
Index of Bond Yields	1935-39=100	95.8	97.2	- 1.4
Bank Debits	\$ 000	42,812,901	39,192,266	+ 9.2
Production and General Business				
Mineral Production	1935-39=100	169.9	239.9	- 29.2
Gold Receipts at Mint	Fine ozs.	1,677,182	1,961,528	- 14.5
Coal Production	Tons	10,750,555	10,934,963	- 1.7
Manufacturing Production	1935-39=100	261.4	296.0	- 11.7
Flour Production (7 months)	Bbls.	14,311,273	14,230,642	+ 0.6
Cattle Slaughtering	No.	1,555,915	1,258,643	+ 23.6
Hog Slaughtering	No.	3,942,707	6,120,701	- 35.6
Creamery Butter Production	Lbs.	213,929,487	214,098,231	- 0.1
Factory Cheese Production	Lbs.	122,278,804	121,593,836	+ 5.3
Cigarettes released	No.	2,158,071,165	1,506,248,852	+ 22.0
Cigars released	No.	136,236,887	128,283,062	+ 6.2
Leather Boots and Shoes (7 months)	Pairs	16,964,886	17,449,717	- 2.8
Raw Cotton consumption	Lbs.	104,317,851	109,118,201	- 4.4
Paper and Lumber -				
Newsprint Production	Tons	2,102,181	1,987,540	+ 5.8
Iron and Steel -				
Steel Ingot Production	Short Ton	2,049,707	1,993,756	+ 2.8
Pig Iron Production	Short Ton	1,232,163	1,266,979	- 3.7
Coke Production	Short Ton	2,638,114	2,690,764	- 2.0
Construction -				
Contracts awarded	\$	266,775,500	209,117,200	+ 27.6
Building Permits (58 municipalities)	\$	84,066,540	66,200,967	+ 27.0
Consumption of firm power	000 K.W.H.	21,610,331	23,676,150	- 6.7
Internal Trade -				
Wholesale Sales (7 months)	1935-39=100	196.6	179.6	+ 9.5
Retail Sales (7 months)	1935-39=100	172.6	160.3	+ 7.7
External Trade -				
Exports	\$ 000	2,331,885	2,309,686	+ 1.0
Imports	\$ 000	1,065,510	1,170,304	- 9.0
Active Balance of Trade	\$ 000 +	1,266,375	1,139,382	+ 11.1
Net Exports of Non-Monetary Gold	\$000,000	65.5	76.6	- 14.5
Railways - Tons carried 1 mile				
(7 months) 2 Rlys.	000,000 tons	33,582	34,108	- 1.5
Carloadings	No.	2,390,536	2,410,307	- 0.8
Gross Revenue C.N.R. (Can. Lines) (7 months)	\$	223,895,000	222,681,600	+ 0.5
Gross Revenue C.P.R. (7 months)	\$	184,428,070	182,603,963	+ 1.0
Employment - Unadjusted -				
General Index	1926=100	177.0	181.9	- 2.7
Manufacturing		210.7	225.4	- 6.5
Mining		247.2	222.4	+ 11.2
Construction		147.5	156.5	- 5.8
Building		102.3	94.7	+ 8.0
Highway		89.1	92.6	- 3.8
Trade		118.1	107.3	+ 10.1
Banking -		171.9	161.5	+ 6.4
Deposits (Notice and Demand)				
(7 months' average)	\$000	4,553,020	3,979,940	+ 14.4
Current Loans	\$000	1,104,079	998,982	+ 10.5
Circulating Media	\$000,000	1007.0	880.4	+ 14.4
Cash and Cheque Payments (7 months' Total)	\$000,000	53,683	43,958	+ 9.7
Money Supply (7 months' average)	\$000,000	6,317	5,487	+ 15.1
Dominion Finance - April to August -				
Total Revenues	\$	1,067,767,416	1,162,921,560	- 8.2
Ordinary Expenditures	\$	387,968,327	270,718,758	+ 43.3
War Expenditures	\$	853,664,564	1,281,789,151	- 33.4
United Nations Mutual Aid	\$	610,054,739	348,574,095	+ 75.0

Twenty-four items recorded declines, while thirty showed increases.
* Excludes temporary advances totalling \$298,764,859 made to Mutual Aid Board.



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