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The Dominion Bureau of Statistics is conducting small monthly surveys of family expenditures on selected items in the family budget. The present report containing the results for food expenditures of the last six monthly surveys has been preceded by two similar releases providing comparable material for the ten months ending June, 1953. This is the final report on monthly and city food expenditures by item detail. However, another report is planned in which expenditures by income groups and family size will be presented and which will contain a more detailed discussion of the survey and its results.

The first monthly survey was made in September, 1952. The sample is restricted to families of two adults, two adults and one to four children, three adults, three adults and one child, and four adults with an annual income between \$1800 and \$6500.

The families included in the sample were selected by systematic random methods from the list of families previously interviewed for the Labour Force Survey*.

A total of approximately 200 schedules was obtained each month from the Census Metropolitan Areas of Halifax, Montreal, Toronto, Winnipeg and Vancouver.

The average response rate for the last six monthly surveys was 74 p.c.

The tables which follow contain detailed information on food expenditures.

^{*} A description of the Labour Force Survey will be found in Reference Paper No. 35. The Labour Force, November 1945-March 1952.

Average Food Expenditures per Person per Week* (by Families of two to six Persons with Incomes between \$1800 and \$6500 per Year, for five cities combined, for July, August, September, October, November and December, 1953).

		Item	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
1 2 3		Number of Schedules Number of Persons Average Family Size	175 564 3.22	197 623 3.16	210 662 3.15	216 745 3,45	218 717 3.29	223 735 3,30
			\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
4	1.	DAIRY PRODUCTS-TOTAL	. 79	.80	. 72	. 70	. 74	. 73
5		a. Fresh milk	.47	. 47	. 42	. 44	. 46	. 47
6.		b. Buttermilk, etc	.02	. 02	. 03	. 02	. 03	. 02
7		c. Canned and powdered milk	. 05	. 06	. 05	. 05	. 05	. 04
8		d. Cheese, all kinds	. 10	. 12	. 11	. 12	. 11	. 12
9		e. Cream, all kinds	.07	. 06	.07	. 04	. 05	. 05
10		f. Ice Cream	. 08	. 07	. 04	. 03	. 04	. 03
1	2.	EGGS-TOTAL	. 32	. 29	. 29	. 31	. 27	. 26
2	3.	BAKERY PRODUCTS-TOTAL	.63	.62	. 55	. 57	. 55	.60
3		a. Bread	. 32	. 30	. 29	. 30	. 29	.31
4		b. Rolls and buns	. 05	. 05	. 04	. 04	. 04	. 03
5		c. Cakes, cookies, etc.	. 22	. 23	. 18	. 18	. 18	. 23
6		d. Other bakery products	.04	. 04	. 04	. 05	. 04	. 03
7	4.	CEREAL PRODUCTS-TOTAL	. 17	. 20	. 18	. 19	. 18	. 23
.8		(Prepared) a. Breakfast cereal	. 05	. 06	. 05	. 05	.04	. 04
9		(To be cooked) b. Breakfast cereal	.01	.02	. 02	. 03	. 03	. 04
0.0		c. Macaroni, etc.	. 03	. 03	. 03	. 03	. 03	. 04
1		d. Baby cereal	.02	. 02	.01	.01	.01	. 02
2		e. Flour, all kinds	.03	. 04	. 03	. 04	. 04	. 05
3		f. Mixes, cake/pastry	. 03	. 03	. 04	. 03	. 03	. 04
4		g. Other cereal products	0	0	0	0	0	0

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Five Cities** Combined	Halifax	Montreal	Toronto	Winnipeg	Vancouver	No.
1,239 4,046 3.27	69 225 3.26	405 1,323 3.27	393 1,266 3.22	133 452 3.40	239 780 3.26	1 2 3
\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	
. 75	. 74	. 72	. 74	.69	. 84	4
. 46	. 45	. 47	. 46	. 43	. 46	5
.02	. 03	0	. 04	. 02	. 02	6
. 05	. 11	. 02	. 05	.04	. 09	7
. 11	. 07	. 12	. 11	. 08	. 14	8
. 06	. 03	. 06	. 03	. 08	. 07	9
. 05	. 05	. 05	. 05	.04	. 06	10
. 29	. 26	. 28	.29	. 25	. 33	11
. 58	. 44	.65	.61	. 50	. 52	12
.30	. 27	.31	. 27	.30	. 32	13
. 04	.02	. 04	. 06	. 05	, 03	14
. 20	. 13	. 25	. 23	. 13	. 15	15
. 04	. 02	. 05	. 05	. 02	. 02	16
. 19	. 19	. 20	. 18	. 15	.21	17
. 05	. 04	. 05	. 06	. 03	. 05	18
. 03	. 02	.02	. 02	. 02	. 03	19
. 03	.01	. 05	. 03	. 02	. 03	20
.01	.01	.01	. 01	.01	.01	21
. 04	.07	. 03	. 03	. 04	. 05	22
. 03	. 04	. 04	. 03	. 03	. 04	23
0	0	0	0	0	0	2.4

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		Item	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
-			\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
25	5.	MEAT-TOTAL	1.48	1.55	1.46	1.41	1.39	1.52
26		a. Beef, roasts	.22	. 26	. 28	. 26	. 24	. 30
27		b. Beef, steaks	. 20	. 25	. 24	. 19	. 22	. 26
28		c. Beef, stewing	. 06	. 05	. 05	. 06	. 06	. 06
29		d. Hamburger	. 08	. 07	. 06	. 08	. 07	. 06
30		e. Other fresh beef	. 05	. 04	. 05	. 05	. 04	. 04
31		f. Pork, roasts/chops	. 10	. 12	. 10	. 14	. 15	. 14
32		g. Other fresh pork	. 04	. 04	. 04	. 03	. 05	. 04
33.		h. Bacon, all kinds	. 15	. 16	. 13	. 14	. 15	. 13
34		i. Ham, all kinds	. 22	. 17	. 12	. 10	. 09	. 14
35		j. Other cured pork	.01	.01	.01	.01	.01	. 01
36		k. Sausages	. 06	. 07	.07	. 08	. 07	. 07
37		1. Bologna/weiners	. 09	. 09	. 08	. 06	. 06	. 06
38		m. Veal, all cuts	. 08	. 08	, 09	. 07	. 06	. 07
39		n. Lamb/mutton	. 02	. 03	. 05	. 05	. 04	. 05
40		0. Other fresh meat	. 05	. 05	. 05	. 05	. 05	. 06
41		p. Canned meats	. 05	. 06	. 04	. 04	. 03	. 03
42	6.	POULTRY AND FISH-TOTA	L .43	. 35	. 38	. 43	. 38	. 39
43		a. Chicken	. 24	. 18	. 22	.21	.21	. 19
44		b. Other fresh poultry	.01	.01	.01	. 08	.01	. 02
45		c. Fish, fresh and cured	. 09	. 07	.07	.07	. 09	. 10
46		d. Canned salmon	. 06	. 06	. 06	. 05	. 05	. 05
47		e. Other canned fish	. 03	. 03	. 02	.02	. 02	. 03

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Five Cities** Combined	Halifax	Montreal	Toronto	Winnipeg	Vancouver	No
\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	
1.47	1.14	1.79	1.32	1.12	1.40	25
. 26	. 21	. 28	. 25	. 17	. 32	26
. 23	. 12	. 36	. 17	. 11	. 16	27
. 06	. 05	. 08	. 04	. 03	. 06	28
.07	. 06	. 09	. 05	. 06	. 06	29
. 04	.07	. 06	. 05	. 03	. 03	30
. 13	. 12	. 13	. 13	. 14	. 14	3
.04	. 06	.04	. 05	. 04	. 02	3
. 14	. 12	. 11	. 17	. 11	. 18	3
. 14	. 10	. 23	. 08	. 10	. 09	3
.01	.02	.02	.01	0	0	3
. 07	. 03	. 08	. 06	. 08	.07	3
. 07	. 06	. 05	. 09	. 08	. 09	3
. 08	.01	. 12	. 05	. 07	. 06	3
. 04	. 03	. 04	. 04	. 02	. 04	3
. 05	. 03	.07	. 04	.04	. 04	4
. 04	. 05	. 03	. 04	.04	. 04	4
. 39	.40	. 45	. 36	. 36	. 37	4
. 21	. 17	. 27	. 17	. 22	. 16	4.
. 03	0	. 02	. 03	. 02	. 03	4
. 08	. 16	. 09	. 07	. 05	. 10	4
. 05	. 03	. 05	. 07	. 05	. 05	4
. 02	.04	. 02	. 02	. 02	. 03	4

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	Item	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
		\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
48 7.	FATS AND OILS-TOTAL	. 39	. 40	.37	. 38	. 38	. 41
49	a. Butter	. 30	. 29	. 26	. 26	. 26	.30
50	b. Margarine	. 05	. 05	. 05	. 05	. 06	.04
51	c. Vegetable shortening	.02	. 04	. 03	. 04	.04	.04
52	d. Lard	. 01	.01	.01	.01	. 01	.01
53	e. Other fats and oils	.01	.01	.02	. 02	.01	. 02
54 8.	OTHER FOODS-TOTAL	. 82	. 98	. 89	. 80	.83	. 89
55	a. Sugar, all kinds	.07	. 10	. 12	. 08	. 07	. 08
56	b. Molasses, etc.	. 02	. 03	. 02	. 02	. 03	. 03
57	c. Preserves, jam, etc.	. 04	. 04	. 03	. 03	. 04	. 04
58	d. Peanut butter, etc.	.03	. 03	. 02	. 02	. 03	. 02
59	e. Pickles, etc.	. 04	. 05	. 04	. 04	. 05	. 06
60	f. Salad dressing, etc.	. 04	. 04	. 03	. 02	. 02	.02
61	g. Soup	. 05	. 08	.07	.07	.07	.07
62	h. Baby food, canned	.04	. 06	. 06	. 05	. 04	.05
63	i. Desserts, packaged	. 02	. 04	. 03	. 03	. 03	. 04
64	j. Candy, gum, etc.	. 05	. 07	. 06	.08	.07	. 10
65	k. Soft drinks	. 14	. 12	. 10	.08	. 08	.07
66	1. Tea	. 10	. 10	. 10	. 09	. 11	. 10
67	m. Coffee	. 14	. 16	. 16	. 15	. 15	. 14
68	n. Other beverages	.01	.01	.01	0	0	.01
59	o. Salt, spices, etc.	.01	.02	.02	.02	.01	. 02
70	p. Baking supplies	.02	. 03	. 02	. 02	. 03	. 04

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\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	
. 39	. 36	. 42	.35	.37	. 40	48
. 28	. 23	. 35	. 25	. 25	. 21	49
. 05	. 07	- I	. 05	. 07	. 13	50
. 04	.05	. 04	. 03	. 03	. 04	51
. 01	. 01	.01	.01	.01	. 01	52
. 01	0	. 02	.01	.01	. 01	53
. 87	. 75	. 89	. 82	.80	. 98	54
. 09	. 09	. 08	. 09	. 12	. 10	55
.02	. 02	. 03	. 02	. 02	. 03	56
. 04	. 04	.04	. 04	. 04	. 04	57
. 02	. 03	. 02	. 02	. 02	. 03	58
. 05	. 04	. 05	. 05	. 04	.05	59
. 02	. 02	.02	. 02	. 02	. 05	60
.07	. 05	.07	.07	.07	.07	61
. 05	.07	. 03	. 05	. 05	.07	62
. 03	. 03	.03	. 03	. 02	.03	63
. 07	.07	. 09	. 07	. 05	.07	64
. 10	. 04	. 14	. 09	. 09	. 04	65
. 10	.11	. 09	. 10	. 07	. 13	66
. 15	. 07	. 15	. 12	. 15	. 21	67
. 01	. 01	.01	0	0	0	68
, 02	.02	. 02	. 02	. 02	.02	69
. 03	.04	. 02	. 03	. 02	. 04	70

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				\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
71	9.		NNED AND DRIED	. 15	. 18	. 14	. 14	. 15	. 17
72		a.	Dried fruits, dates	.01	. 02	. 02	. 02	.03	. 05
73		b.	Canned peaches	. 03	. 04	.02	. 03	.02	. 03
74		c.	Other canned fruit	. 05	. 05	.04	. 04	. 05	. 05
75		d.	Canned fruit juice	. 06	. 07	. 06	. 05	. 05	. 04
76	10.		ANNED AND DRIED VEGETABLES-TOTAL	. 15	. 17	. 13	. 16	. 18	. 18
77		a.	Dried vegetables (peas)	0	0	.01	0	0	0
78		b.	Canned peas	.04	. 04	. 03	. 04	. 04	. 04
79		c.	Canned tomatoes	.01	. 03	.01	.02	. 03	.02
80		d.	Other canned vegetables	. 06	. 06	. 05	. 06	. 08	. 08
81		e.	Canned vegetable juice	.04	. 04	.03	. 04	. 03	. 04
82	11.	FF	RESH FRUITS-TOTAL	. 48	. 44	. 44	. 36	. 32	. 37
83		a.	Apples	. 04	. 05	.07	. 11	. 10	. 09
84		b.	Oranges	. 10	. 10	. 08	. 08	.09	. 14
85		c.	Grapefruit	. 02	. 02	. 02	. 02	. 02	. 03
86		d.	Bananas	. 09	. 10	. 07	. 08	. 08	. 08
87		e.	Berries	. 09	. 03	.01	0	0	0
88		f.	Other fresh fruit	. 14	. 14	. 19	.07	. 03	. 03
89	12.	FF	RESH VEGETABLES-TOTAL	. 48	. 44	. 36	. 31	. 31	. 32
90		a.	Tomatoes	. 13	. 10	.07	. 04	. 04	.04
91		b.	Cabbage	. 02	. 02	. 01	.01	.02	.02
92		C.	Spinach	.01	0	0	. 01	.01	.01

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Five Cities** Combined	Halifax	Montreal	Toronto	Winnipeg	Vancouver	No
\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	
. 15	. 15	. 14	. 15	. 14	. 18	71
. 03	. 04	. 02	. 03	. 03	. 04	72
. 03	. 04	. 03	. 02	. 02	, 02	73
. 04	. 03	. 05	. 05	. 05	. 04	74
. 05	. 04	. 04	. 05	. 04	.08	75
	1.5	10				=/
. 16	. 15	. 18	. 14	. 12	. 19	76
0	0	0	0	0	0	77
. 04	. 05	. 05	. 04	. 02	. 04	78
. 02	.01	. 03	.01	. 02	.02	79
. 06	. 06	. 05	. 06	, 06	. 09	80
. 04	.03	. 05	. 03	. 02	. 04	81
. 40	. 36	42	. 40	. 39	. 35	82
. 08	.07	. 09	. 08	. 05	. 06	83
.10	. 10	. 10	. 09	. 09	. 09	84
. 02	. 02	. 03	. 02	. 01	. 02	85
. 08	. 06	. 10	.07	. 08	. 08	86
. 02	. 06	. 01	. 02	. 03	. 02	87
. 10	. 05	. 09	.12	. 13	. 08	88
. 36	. 32	. 40	. 37	. 27	. 35	89
. 07	. 06	. 08	. 06	. 04	. 06	90
. 01	.02	. 02	. 02	.01	. 02	91
.01	. 01	.01	.01	0	.01	92

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	Item	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
		\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
	FRESH VEGETABLES - con	t'd					
93	d. Celery	.02	. 02	. 02	. 02	.02	.03
94	e. Lettuce	.04	. 04	. 03	.02	. 03	. 03
95	f. Potatoes	. 11	. 08	. 08	. 09	. 09	. 08
96	g. Carrots	. 04	. 04	. 03	.02	. 03	. 04
97	h. Onions	. 03	. 03	. 03	. 03	. 02	. 02
98	i. Other fresh vegetables	. 08	. 11	.09	.07	. 05	. 05
99 13	FROZEN FOODS-TOTAL	. 03	. 02	.03	. 03	. 02	. 02
100	a. Frozen fruit/juice	.01	.01	.02	.02	.01	.01
101	b. Frozen vegetables	.01	.01	0	.01	.01	.01
102	c. Other frozen foods	. 01	0	.01	0	0	0
103 14							
	nuts (all kinds), yeast, vinegar, etc.	.02	. 03	. 04	. 03	, 03	. 05
104 15	. FOOD EATEN IN SNACK BARESTAURANT, etc.	ARS,	. 75	. 82	. 52	. 50	.60
105 16	COST OF FOOD AWAY FROM HOME:						
	At school; on a job; on holidays	. 04	.41	. 23	. 11	. 02	. 10
106 17	. TOTAL FOOD EXPENDITU	RE 6.95	7.63	7.03	6.45	6.25	6.84

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Five Cities** Combined	Halifax	Montreal	Toronto	Winnipeg	Vancouver	No.
\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	
.02	.01	. 03	.02	. 02	. 02	93
. 03	.02	. 04	.02	.03	. 03	94
. 09	. 08	. 09	. 09	. 08	. 09	95
. 03	. 04	. 04	. 03	.01	. 03	96
. 03	. 02	. 03	. 02	. 02	. 03	97
.07	. 06	. 06	.10	. 06	. 06	98
. 03	. 01	.01	. 04	. 02	.04	99
,01	.01	. 01	. 02	.01	. 01	100
.01	0	0	.01	.01	. 02	101
.01	0	0	.01	0	. 01	102
. 03	. 03	. 03	. 05	. 06	. 02	103
1.0					/ 3	
.62	. 22	. 81	. 54	. 46	.62	104
, -	A.A.	1.0	2.5	10	0.0	105
. 15	. 09	. 12	. 25	. 10	. 09	105
6.83	5.61	7.51	6.61	5.80	6.89	106

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