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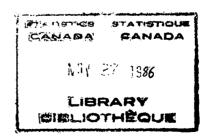
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Trucking in Canada 1985

Preliminary data¹ for 1985 motor carrier freight and household goods movers show:

• The financial position of firms in the industry was little changed from 1984 when measured by financial ratios. However, there was a large increase in operating revenue and operating expenses, both up 14% from 1984. The average salary of employees in the industry increased by only 1.9%, while more considerable increases were noted for fuel (14%) and insurance costs (21%). There was a small rise in employment costs (6%) while a substantial increase was recorded in the cost of truck drivers obtained on contract (23%).

Order Trucking in Canada (53-222, \$32), scheduled for release the week of April 15, 1987. Contact: the Surface Transport Section, Transportation Division (613-991-2489).

1 Survey - for the largest 50 early respondents.

Railway Carloadings

Seven Days Ending November 14, 1986

Freight tonnages loaded by railways in Canada for the week ending November 14, 1986 totalled 4.4 million tonnes, a decrease of 4.8% from the 1985 figure. Loadings decreased in the East by 12.8% and increased in the West by 3.4%.

Container-trailer or piggyback tonnages (included above) increased in the East by 3.7% and decreased in the West by 6.6%; there was an over-all national increase of 0.9%.

The year-to-date rail freight loadings totalled 206.7 million tonnes, a decrease of 0.9% from 1985. During the same period, piggyback cars loaded increased 3.0%.

Order the Vol. 2, No. 42 issue of Railway Carloadings (52-005, \$75 a year), scheduled for release the week of December 1. Contact: Mamady Kaba (613-990-6154), Surface Transport Section, Transportation Division.

Gypsum Products

October 1986

Manufacturers shipped 27 745 988 square metres of plain gypsum wallboard in October 1986, up 14.2% from the 24 305 714 square metres shipped in October 1985 and up 1.3% from the 27 393 971 square metres shipped in September 1986. Year-to-date shipments were 244 286 960 square metres, an increase of 24.7% over the January to October 1985 period.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 39 and 122 (series 11 and 12).

Order the October 1986 issue of Gypsum Products (44-003, \$4/\$40), to be released the week of December 8. Contact: Sharon M. Boyer (613-991-3520), Industry Division.

Sawmills East of the Rockies

September 1986

Production of lumber in sawmills east of the Rockies increased 11.0% to 2025 022 cubic metres (858,156,000 feet board measure) in September 1986 from 1824 457 cubic metres (773,161,000 feet board measure) after revisions in September 1985.

Year-to-date production amounted to 16 173 335 cubic metres (6,853,872,000 feet board measure), up 5.2% from 15 367 329 cubic metres (6,512,306,000 feet board measure) after revisions for the same period in 1985.

Stocks on hand at the end of September 1986 totalled 1 949 064 cubic metres (825,968,000 feet board measure), a decrease of 10.5% compared to 2 178 285 cubic metres (923,105,000 feet board measure) in September 1985.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 53 (except series 1.2) and 122 (series 2).

Order the September 1986 issue of Production, Shipments and Stocks on Hand of Sawmills East of the Rockies (35-002, \$8/\$80), to be released the week of December 15. Contact: Katherine Blais (613-991-3531), Industry Division.

Sawmills in British Columbia September 1986

Sawmills in British Columbia produced 1919 300 cubic metres (813.4 million board feet) of lumber and ties in September 1986, a decrease of 31.8% from the 2815 200 cubic metres (1,193.0 million board feet) produced in September 1985.

January to September 1986 production was 25 120 900 cubic metres (10,646.3 million board feet), an increase of 1.0% over the 24 874 500 cubic metres (10,541.2 million board feet) produced during the same period in 1985.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 53 (series 1.2).

Order the September 1986 issue of Production, Shipments and Stocks on Hand of Sawmills in British Columbia (35-003, \$6/\$60), to be released the week of December 8. Contact: Jock Dobie (604-666-2671), B.C. and Yukon Regional Office, Sinclair Centre, 757 West Hastings Street, Vancouver, B.C. V6C 3C9.

Exports of Wheat Flour and Barley Malt

Customs exports of wheat flour and barley malt during September 1986 were as follows (in thousand tonnes):

Wheat flour

13.1

• Malt

13.7

Available on CANSIM: matrices 5612 (series 1) and 5613.

Order the September 1986 issue of Cereals and Oilseeds Review (22-007, \$10/\$100), scheduled for release at the end of November. Contact: Allister Hickson (204-949-2856), Agriculture/Natural Resources Division, Winnipeg, Manitoba R3C 0K4 or Anthony Dupuis (613-991-3871), Agriculture/Natural Resources Division, Ottawa.

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(Canada: \$20/\$80; Other Countries: \$21/\$84)

Shipments of Animal and Poultry Feeds, Semi-annual Period Ended June 1986 Catalogue number 32-004 (Canada: \$6/\$12; Other Countries: \$7/\$14)

Production and Disposition of Tobacco Products, October 1986 Catalogue number 32-022

(Canada: \$4/\$40; Other Countries: \$5/\$50)

Construction Type Plywood, September 1986 Catalogue number 35-001 (Canada: \$4/\$40; Other Countries: \$5/\$50)

Refined Petroleum Products, August 1986 Catalogue number 45-004 (Canada: \$15/\$150; Other Countries: \$16/\$160) Railway Carloadings, September 1986 Catalogue number 52-001 (Canada: \$7.50/\$75; Other Countries: \$8.50/\$85)

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Department Store Sales and Stocks, August 1986 Catalogue number 63-002 (Canada: \$13/\$130; Other Countries: \$14/\$140)

Exports by Countries, January-September 1986 Catalogue number 65-003 (Canada: \$75/\$300; Other Countries: \$85/\$340)

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(Canada: \$15/\$150; Other Countries: \$16/\$160)

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