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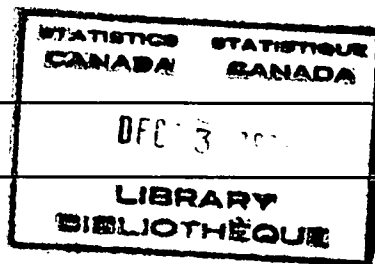
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Major Releases

Construction Building Material Price Index: Residential October 1986

The price index for residential construction building materials (1981=100) rose to 131.4 in October, up 0.2% from the previous month and up 8.1% from a year earlier.

Amongst the price changes reported between September and October, the largest increases were for certain types of plywood, which more than offset several price decreases - mainly for lumber and mineral wool.

Between October 1985 and October 1986, prices for structural materials rose 15.0%, due

primarily to increases in lumber and related products along with increases in concrete products. This was followed by an increase in architectural materials (6.7%), due mainly to increases in prices for gypsum wallboard and plywood. Mechanical materials increased 5.0% and electrical materials rose 2.0%.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 423.

Order the fourth quarter 1986 issue of *Construction Price Statistics* (62-007, \$15/\$60), available in March 1987. Contact: the Information Service (613-990-9606/7), Prices Division.

Construction Building Material Price Indexes: Residential October 1986 (1981=100)

| | Oct. 1986 | Sept. 1986 | Oct. 1985 | % Change | |
|-------------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|
| | | | | Oct. 1986/ Sept. 1986 | Oct. 1986/ Oct. 1985 |
| Total materials | 131.4 | 131.2 | 121.6 | 0.2 | 8.1 |
| Architectural materials | 131.1 | 130.7 | 122.9 | 0.3 | 6.7 |
| Structural materials | 136.5 | 136.9 | 118.7 | -0.3 | 15.0 |
| Mechanical materials | 128.5 | 128.2 | 122.4 | 0.2 | 5.0 |
| Electrical materials | 118.0 | 118.1 | 115.7 | -0.1 | 2.0 |

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Construction Building Material Price Index: Non-residential October 1986

The non-residential construction building material price index rose to 126.8 in October 1986, up 0.1% from the previous month and up 5.3% from the year-earlier level of 120.4.

Between September and October 1986, there were several small price decreases, which were just about enough to offset the price increases.

Between October 1985 and October 1986, prices for structural materials increased 8.2%;

architectural materials 5.2%; mechanical materials 4.1% and electrical materials 2.1%. Increases which had the most notable effect were for ready-mix concrete, concrete bricks and blocks, colorless plate and sheet glass, and metal roofing and siding.

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Construction Building Material Price Indexes: Non-residential October 1986 (1981=100)

| | Oct. 1986 | Sept. 1986 | Oct. 1985 | % Change | |
|------------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|
| | | | | Oct. 1986/ Sept. 1986 | Oct. 1986/ Oct. 1985 |
| Total materials | 126.8 | 126.7 | 120.4 | 0.1 | 5.3 |
| Architectural material | 128.8 | 128.6 | 122.4 | 0.2 | 5.2 |
| Structural materials | 126.1 | 126.1 | 116.5 | - | 8.2 |
| Mechanical materials | 128.4 | 128.1 | 123.3 | 0.2 | 4.1 |
| Electrical materials | 119.2 | 119.3 | 116.8 | -0.1 | 2.1 |

- Nil or zero.

Data Availability Announcements

Shipments of Solid Fuel-burning Heating Products

Third Quarter 1986

Shipments of solid fuel-burning heating products totalled \$21.0 million for the third quarter of 1986, an increase of 134.7% from the \$8.9 million shipped during the previous quarter.

Year-to-date shipments of solid fuel-burning heating products totalled \$38.4 million.

Manufacturers' shipments of Canadian-made solid fuel-burning heating products are now available, as are data on the number of units shipped. Order the third quarter 1986 issue of *Shipments of Solid Fuel-burning Heating Products* (25-002, \$3/\$12), scheduled for release the week of December 15. Contact: Michel J. Cormier (613-991-3522), Industry Division.

Electric Lamps

October 1986

Canadian light bulb and tube manufacturers sold 27,870,440 light bulbs and tubes in October 1986, a decrease of 3.4% from the 28,811,776 units sold a year earlier.

Year-to-date sales for 1986 amounted to 206,692,733 light bulbs and tubes, down 6.5% from the 220,212,098 sold during the January-October period in 1985.

Order the October 1986 issue of *Electric Lamps* (43-009, \$4/\$40), available the week of December 8. Contact: J. P. Beauparlant (613-991-3526), Industry Division.

Cement

October 1986

Manufacturers shipped 1 207 561 tonnes of cement in October 1986, an advance of 10.9% from the 1 088 791 tonnes shipped a year earlier and an increase of 13.6% from the 1 062 535 tonnes shipped in September 1986.

January to October 1986 shipments reached 8 794 831 tonnes, an increase of 7.2% from the 8 204 303 tonnes (revised figures) shipped during the first 10 months of 1985.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 92 and 122 (series 13).

Order the October 1986 issue of *Cement* (44-001, \$4/\$40), available the week of December 15. Contact: Sharon M. Boyer (613-991-3520), Industry Division.

Publications Released

Survey Methodology,
Vol. 12, No. 1, June 1986
Catalogue number 12-001
(Canada: \$10/\$20; Other Countries:
\$11.50/\$23)

Field Crop Reporting Series,
No. 8: **Estimate of Production of**
Principal Field Crops, Canada,
November 1986
Catalogue number 22-002
(Canada: \$7/\$48; Other Countries: \$8/\$54)
Available today at 15:00 hours.

Mineral Wool Including
Fibrous Glass Insulation,
October 1986
Catalogue number 44-004
(Canada: \$4/\$40; Other Countries: \$5/\$50)

Railway Carloadings, 7-day
Period Ending November 14, 1986
Catalogue number 52-005
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