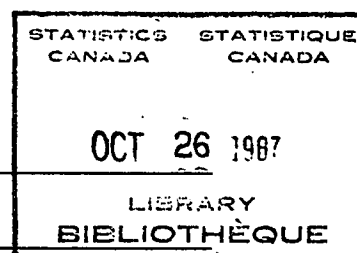


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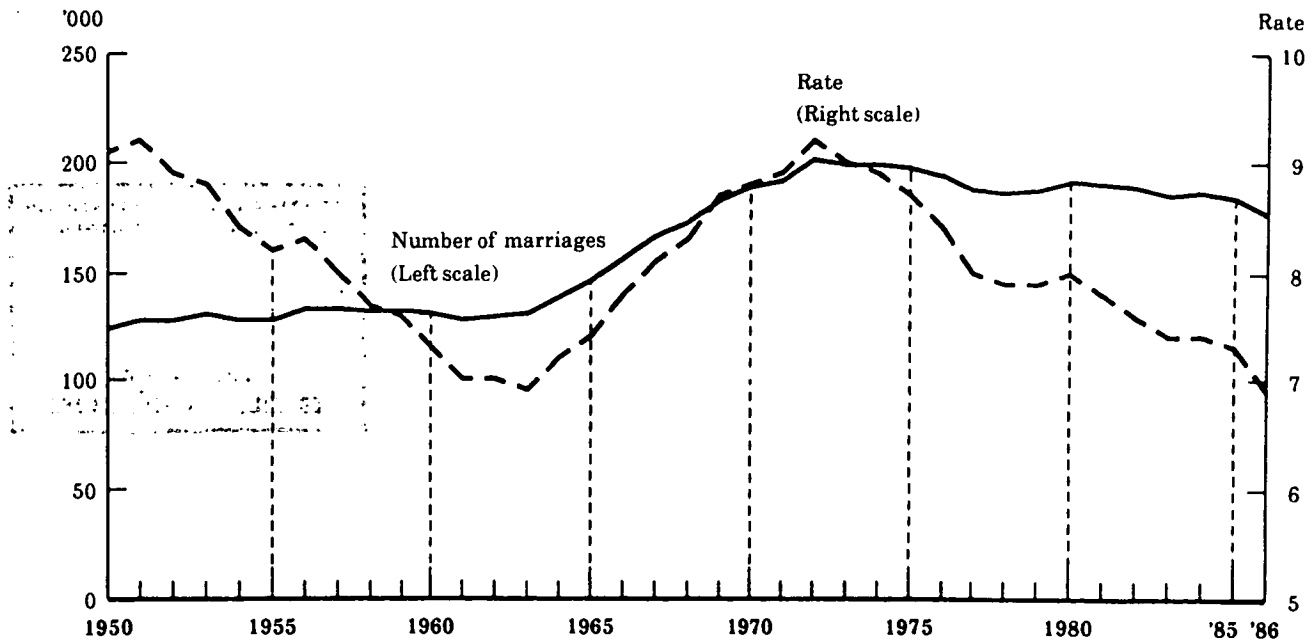
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## Major Release

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### Marriages and Rates (Per 1,000 population), Canada, 1950-1986



#### Marriages, Canada and the Provinces 1986

A total of 175,518 marriages were recorded in Canada in 1986, a decline of 4.7% from 184,096 marriages in 1985. This marks a continuation of a downward trend observed since 1972, when a record 200,470 marriages were reported.

The 1986 marriage rate (marriages per 1,000 population) of 6.9 was 5.5% less than the 1985 rate of 7.3, 11.5% lower than the 1981 rate of 7.8 and 25% less than the 1972 rate of 9.2. The marriage rates declined for all age groups during this period.

#### Provincial Detail

The highest marriage rates in 1986 were in Alberta (8.0), Ontario (7.8), the Yukon (7.8), British Columbia (7.6) and Prince Edward Island (7.6). The lowest rates were observed in the Northwest Territories (4.9), Quebec (5.1), Newfoundland (6.0) and Saskatchewan (6.8).

During 1985-86, the marriage rate increased by 1.3% in Prince Edward Island and by 8.3% in Newfoundland. The marriage rate decreased in the remaining eight provinces with declines ranging from 1.3% in British Columbia to 8.9% in Quebec.

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### Period 1972-1986

Since 1972, when the numbers and rates of marriages were at their peak, the extent of the decrease has varied considerably at the provincial level. Between 1972 and 1986, the largest percentage decrease in marriage rates was in Quebec (42.7%), followed by Newfoundland (37.5%) and New Brunswick (30%). The smallest percentage decreases were in Ontario (15.2%), Prince Edward Island (15.6%) and British Columbia (17.4%).

These data refer to legal marriages and do not include any consensual or common-law unions which are on the rise as indicated by Family History Survey preliminary findings (99-955) and the censuses.

Order *Marriages and Divorces, 1986* (84-205, \$12), available in January 1988. Contact Beth Sander (613-951-1746), Health Division.

### Marriages and Rates, Canada and Provinces 1985 and 1986

| Area                  | Number of Marriages |                | Marriage Rate per<br>1,000 Population |            |
|-----------------------|---------------------|----------------|---------------------------------------|------------|
|                       | 1985                | 1986           | 1985                                  | 1986       |
| <b>Canada</b>         | <b>184,096</b>      | <b>175,518</b> | <b>7.3</b>                            | <b>6.9</b> |
| Newfoundland          | 3,220               | 3,421          | 5.5                                   | 6.0        |
| Prince Edward Island  | 956                 | 970            | 7.5                                   | 7.6        |
| Nova Scotia           | 6,807               | 6,445          | 7.7                                   | 7.4        |
| New Brunswick         | 5,312               | 4,962          | 7.4                                   | 7.0        |
| Quebec                | 37,026              | 33,083         | 5.6                                   | 5.1        |
| Ontario               | 72,891              | 70,839         | 8.0                                   | 7.8        |
| Manitoba              | 8,296               | 7,816          | 7.8                                   | 7.4        |
| Saskatchewan          | 7,132               | 6,820          | 7.0                                   | 6.8        |
| Alberta               | 19,750              | 18,896         | 8.4                                   | 8.0        |
| British Columbia      | 22,292              | 21,826         | 7.7                                   | 7.6        |
| Yukon                 | 185                 | 183            | 8.1                                   | 7.8        |
| Northwest Territories | 229                 | 257            | 4.5                                   | 4.9        |

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## Data Availability Announcements

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### The Mechanical, Electrical and Special Trades Contracting Industries 1985

The 108,315 establishments in the mechanical contracting, electrical contracting and special trades contracting industries recorded total operating revenues of \$22,996 million in 1985. This total includes \$22,637 million of operating revenues derived from new and repair construction activity, and \$359 million of revenues from various non-construction sources (e.g. retail and wholesale sales of materials, manufacturing or fabricating activities).

More detailed summaries will be available in the publications *The Mechanical Contracting Industry* (64-204, \$15), *The Electrical Contracting Industry* (64-205, \$15) and *The Special Trades Contracting Industry* (64-210, \$20), scheduled for release in December. These three publications provide statistical information on special trades contractors broken down by some 42 industry groups (e.g. plumbing, masonry, painting and decorating).

Contact T. Hewitt, R. Dubeau or C. Robillard (613-951-9692), Census of Construction Section, Industry Division.

### Production of Process Cheese and Instant Skim Milk Powder September 1987

Production of process cheese in September 1987 totalled 5 506 338 kilograms, a decrease of 5.7% from August 1987 and down 23.6% from September 1986. The 1987 year-to-date production totalled 55 424 977 kilograms, compared to the corresponding 1986 amount of 53 420 050 kilograms.

Total production of instant skim milk powder during the month was 362 648 kilograms - a decrease of 32.3% from August 1987 and a decrease of 13.7% from September 1986. The 1987 year-to-date production totalled 3 898 402 kilograms, compared to the 4 544 480 kilograms reported for the corresponding period in 1986.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 188 (series 1.10).

Order the September 1987 issue of *Production and Inventories of Process Cheese and Instant Skim Milk Powder* (32-024, \$4/\$40), to be released the week of November 2. Contact Brian Preston (613-951-3511), Industry Division.

### Deliveries of Major Grains August 1987

Producer deliveries of major grains by Prairie farmers during August 1987 were as follows (in thousand tonnes):

|                           |       |
|---------------------------|-------|
| • Wheat (excluding durum) | 81.9  |
| • Durum wheat             | 6.2   |
| • Total wheat             | 88.1  |
| • Oats                    | 8.6   |
| • Barley                  | 78.2  |
| • Rye                     | 27.8  |
| • Flaxseed                | 19.7  |
| • Canola (rapeseed)       | 68.3. |

Available on CANSIM: matrices 976-981.

Order the August 1987 issue of *Cereals and Oilseeds Review* (22-007, \$10/\$100), scheduled for release in early November. Contact Allister Hickson (204-983-2856), Agriculture Division, Winnipeg, Manitoba R3C 0K4 or Anthony Dupuis (613-951-3871), Agriculture Division, Ottawa.

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**Pulpwood and Wood Residue**

Statistics, August 1987.

**Catalogue number 25-001**

(Canada: \$5/\$50; Other Countries: \$6/\$60).

**Specified Domestic Electrical**

**Appliances, August 1987.**

**Catalogue number 43-003**

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

**Factory Shipments of High Pressure**

**Decorative Laminate Sheet,**

Quarter Ended September 1987.

**Catalogue number 47-005**

(Canada: \$3/\$12; Other Countries: \$4/\$16).

**Culture Communiqué, Vol. 10, No. 6 -**

**Heritage Institutions, 1984-85.**

**Catalogue number 87-001**

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

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