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Sales of Natural Gas

January 1987

Sales of natural gas in Canada during January 1987 totalled 5 723 763 thousand cubic metres, a 7.9% decrease from the level recorded the previous year.

On the basis of rate structure information sales in January 1987 were broken down as follows, with the percentage changes from January 1986 in brackets: residential sales, 1 834 892 thousand cubic metres (-6.7); commercial sales, 1 498 004 thousand cubic metres (-8.5) and industrial sales (including direct sales) 2 390 867 thousand cubic metres (-8.5).

Order the January 1987 issue of *Gas Utilities* (55-002, \$10/\$100), available the third week of March. Contact: Gary Smalldridge (613-991-3567), Energy Section, Industry Division.

Natural Gas Sales

January 1987

	Rate structure				
	Residential	Commercial	Industrial	Direct	Total
	(thousands of cubic metres)				
New Brunswick	15	80	-	-	95
Quebec	108 290	185 681	310 839	-	604 810
Ontario	883 796	642 871	885 083	118 770	2 530 520
Manitoba	108 051	98 932	62 253	-	269 236
Saskatchewan	128 787	101 612	79 492	-	309 891
Alberta	419 022	307 530	745 303	-	1 471 855
British Columbia	186 931	161 298	189 127	-	537 356
January 1987	1 834 892	1 498 004	2 272 097	118 770	5 723 763
January 1986	1 966 116	1 637 689	2 612 122	-	6 215 927
% change	-6.7	-8.5	-8.5		-7.9

Note: Revised figures will be available in the "Gas Utilities" publication (55-002) as well as on CANSIM.

- Nil.

Data Availability Announcements

Work Injuries Statistics 1983-1985

Highlights

- In 1985 there were 554,793 work-related accidents in Canada which resulted in permanent disabilities or in injuries which required workers to take time off work to recover.
- Most injuries involved sprains and strains (39%); contusion, crushing, or bruising (17%); and cuts, lacerations, and punctures (11%). The greatest number of injuries involved the back (27%); followed by the wrist, hand, or fingers (22%); and the ankle, foot, or toes (10%).
- The data in this new publication have been supplied by provincial Workers' Compensation Boards. They are available by province; sex, age, and occupation of the injured worker; industry of the employer; and nature of injury, part of body injured, source of injury, and type of accident.

Order the first issue of the new annual publication, *Work Injuries, 1983-1985* (72-208, \$17), to be released the week of March 23. For further information or to order special tabulations contact: Francis Pring-Mill (613-991-4040) or Horst Stiebert (613-991-4044), Labour Division.

General Social Survey, Public Use Micro-data File: Health and Social Support 1985

Now available is the above-noted micro-data file. Stored on magnetic tape, this public-use file comes with a comprehensive data user's guide (162 pages) and costs \$750. The data base will be of interest to those in government, industry, education, research, health care services, the media and many other groups with an interest in health and/or elderly Canadians.

With the 1985 *General Social Survey, Public Use Micro-data File: Health and Social Support*, users can highlight trends in health care, identify high risk groups, quantify risk factors, establish national and regional baseline data to allow comparing of data from small local areas, and link elderly needs and health information.

The *General Social Survey, Public Use Micro-data File* is available from the GSS Section, Housing, Family and Social Statistics Division (613-991-4176).

Steel Ingots

Week Ending March 14, 1987

Preliminary estimates indicate that Canadian steel ingot production for the week ending March 14, 1987 totalled 295 107 tonnes, a decrease of 0.1% from the preceding week's total of 295 532 tonnes but up 2.5% from the year-earlier level of 287 775 tonnes.

The cumulative total in 1987 was 2 954 777 tonnes, an increase of 3.9% from 2 844 219 tonnes for the same period in 1986.

Contact: Gerry W. Barrett (613-991-3515), Industry Division.

Industrial Chemicals and Synthetic Resins

January 1987

Canadian chemical firms produced 100 213 tonnes of polyethylene synthetic resins in January 1987, an increase of 15.1% from the 87 060 tonnes (revised figure) produced in January 1986.

Also available are figures on Canadian production of three other types of synthetic resins and 28 industrial chemicals for January 1987, along with corresponding 1986 data.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 951.

Order the January 1987 issue of *Industrial Chemicals and Synthetic Resins* (46-002, \$5/\$50), to be released the week of March 27. Contact: Raj Sehdev (613-991-3513), Industry Division.

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