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Highlights

Local Government Services

- There were 293,129 employees in local government services in December 1986, a moderate increase of 1.0% or 2,996 employees from 290,133 in December 1985. During the four-year period from December 1982, the number of employees has increased by 2.1% or 6,026.

At the provincial level, changes in employment from a year earlier were as follows:

• Newfoundland,	25	(1.0%);
• Prince Edward Island,	11	(3.7%);
• Nova Scotia,	-541	(-7.8%);
• New Brunswick,	144	(3.7%);
• Quebec,	795	(1.3%);
• Ontario,	1,256	(0.9%);
• Manitoba,	450	(4.6%);
• Saskatchewan,	499	(4.9%);
• Alberta,	87	(0.3%);
• British Columbia,	153	(0.5%);
• Yukon,	28	(13.4%);
• Northwest Territories,	89	(9.2%).

- The decrease in Nova Scotia was provincewide, marking the first year-to-year decline in December in three years.
- The increase in New Brunswick was largely due to higher employment in protection, transportation and sanitation services in Saint John and Moncton. The 3.7% year-over-year rate of increase in employment for New Brunswick registered the highest growth since December 1980.

- The gain in Quebec occurred mainly in Quebec City, Shawinigan and Sherbrooke. The increase was a result of hiring workers for sanitation services, and recreation and cultural services. The rise in government services in Quebec marked a reversal from the decline noted in the previous year-over-year period.

- The major portion of the increase in Ontario can be attributed to a growth in metropolitan area employment in Toronto, mainly as a result of increased hirings of workers for social services, recreation and community services, public works, and sanitation and waste disposal services. The largest increases were reported for the city of Toronto, Metro Toronto, Regional Peel, Vaughn, Newmarket and Scarborough. The 0.9% rate of increase recorded in Ontario was the lowest since 1979.

- The increases in Manitoba and Saskatchewan were provincewide, as were the increases in the Yukon and Northwest Territories.

Available on CANSIM: local government services monthly data by province and territory are located in matrix 2725, and that for municipalities over 10,000 population by metropolitan area and major urban area in matrix 2726. Data on hospitals, school boards and government enterprises from January 1985 to March 1986 are also available from CANSIM.

Order the October-December 1986 issue of *Local Government Employment* (72-009, \$10/\$40), to be released near the end of May. Contact M. Fathy (613-991-1843), or C. Doucet (613-991-1846), Public Institutions Division.

Data Availability Announcements

Restaurants, Caterers and Taverns February 1987

Restaurants, caterers and taverns reported receipts totalling \$961.0 million for February 1987, an increase of 8.8% over the \$883.4 million reported for the same period in 1986.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 52.

Order the February 1987 issue of *Restaurants, Caterers and Taverns* (63-011, \$5/\$50), available in approximately three weeks time. Contact the Services Division (613-991-3494).

Particleboard, Waferboard and Hardboard February 1987

Canadian firms produced 111 246 cubic metres of waferboard in February 1987, an increase of 1.5% from the 109 574 cubic metres produced a year earlier. Particleboard production totalled 92 077 cubic metres in February 1987, down 2.7% from 94 663 cubic metres the previous year. Production of hardboard for the month was 3 264 thousand square metres, basis 3.175 mm (35,137 thousand square feet, basis 1/8-inch), a decrease of 29.0% from the 4 598 thousand square metres, basis 3.175 mm (49,497 thousand square feet, basis 1/8-inch) produced in February 1986.

Production of waferboard during January to February 1987 totalled 215 718 cubic metres, down 4.0% from the 224 798 cubic metres produced during the same period a year earlier. Particleboard production was 190 221 cubic metres, up 0.1% from 189 970 cubic metres in January to February 1986. Production of hardboard was down to 5 613 thousand square metres, basis 3.175 mm (60,421 thousand square feet, basis 1/8-inch), a decrease of 35.1% from 8 643 thousand square metres, basis 3.175 mm (93,029 thousand square feet, basis 1/8-inch) for the first two months in 1986.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 122 (series 8 and 34).

Order the February 1987 issue of *Particleboard, Waferboard and Hardboard* (36-003, \$4/\$40), to be released the week of April 20. Contact Jacques Lepage (613-991-3510), Industry Division.

Steel Pipe and Tubing February 1987

Steel pipe and tubing production for February 1987 totalled 106 461 tonnes, a decrease of 7.1% from the 114 552^r (revised figure) tonnes produced a year earlier.

Year-to-date production totalled 209 094 tonnes, down 13.8% from the 242 660^r tonnes produced during the same period in 1986.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 35.

Order the February 1987 issue of *Steel Pipe and Tubing* (41-011, \$4/\$40), to be released the week of April 20. Contact Gerry Barrett (613-991-3515), Industry Division.

Sawmills East of the Rockies January 1987

Production of lumber in sawmills east of the Rockies increased 8.4% to 1 668 388 cubic metres (707,023,000 feet board measure) in January 1987 from 1 539 478 cubic metres (652,394,000 feet board measure) after revisions in January 1986.

Stocks on hand at the end of January 1987 totalled 2 195 048 cubic metres (930,209,000 feet board measure), a decrease of 3.5% from 2 273 729 cubic metres (963,552,000 feet board measure) in January 1986.

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

Order the January 1987 issue of *Production, Shipments and Stocks on Hand of Sawmills East of the Rockies* (35-002, \$8/\$80), to be released the week of April 20. Contact Jacques Lepage (613-991-3510), Industry Division.



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January 1987.

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Semi-annual Period Ended December 1986.

Catalogue number 32-004

(Canada: \$6/\$12; Other Countries: \$7/\$14).

Fruit and Vegetable Preservation
Service Bulletin, Vol. 15, No. 4, Pack of
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Catalogue number 32-023

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Rigid Insulating Board, February 1987.

Catalogue number 36-002

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