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- Non-residential construction prices increased 0.5% from March, and showed a 2.9% year-over-year increase.

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- The index increased 0.5% from the previous month, a 12-month change of 2.6%.

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## Major Releases

### Construction Building Material Price Index: Non-residential

April 1987

The Non-residential Building Material Price Index (1981=100) rose to 129.4 in April, up 0.5% from the revised figure for the previous month, and 2.9% higher than a year earlier. This was the smallest year-over-year increase recorded since April 1985.

Several minor price increases occurred between March and April 1987, the most significant of which were for metal roofing and siding and ready-mix concrete. These more than offset decreases for plywood and particleboard.

Between April 1986 and April 1987, prices for mechanical materials increased 3.4%; architectural materials 3.1%; electrical materials 2.2%; and structural materials 2.0%. Increases which had the most notable effect on the total index were for ready-mix concrete, metal roofing and siding, and colorless plate and sheet glass.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 423.

Order the second quarter 1987 issue of *Construction Price Statistics* (62-007, \$15/\$60), available in September 1987. Contact the Information Service (613-990-9607), Prices Division.

### Construction Building Material Price Indexes: Non-residential

April 1987  
(1981 = 100)

	Apr. '87	Mar. '87	Apr. '86	% Change	
				Apr. '87/ Mar. '87	Apr. '87/ Apr. '86
<b>Total materials</b>	<b>129.4</b>	<b>128.7</b>	<b>125.8</b>	<b>0.5</b>	<b>2.9</b>
Architectural materials	131.3	130.3	127.3	0.8	3.1
Structural materials	128.0	127.5	125.5	0.4	2.0
Mechanical materials	131.9	131.6	127.6	0.2	3.4
Electrical materials	121.8	121.8	119.2	-	2.2

- Nil or zero.

## Construction Building Material Price Index: Residential

April 1987

The price index for residential construction building materials (1981 = 100) rose to 133.0 in April, up 0.5% from the revised figures for the previous month, and 2.6% higher than a year ago. This is the smallest year-over-year increase since April 1985.

Between March and April 1987, the main price increases were for metal roofing and siding, lumber, structural and architectural metal products and gypsum wallboard. Partly offsetting were decreases for plywood and particleboard.

Between April 1986 and April 1987, prices for architectural materials rose 3.2%, principally due to increases for gypsum wallboard and windows and sash. This was followed by a 3.1% increase in prices for mechanical materials, primarily due to sanitaryware and plumbing fittings. Structural materials rose 1.3% while electrical materials were up 1.2%.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 423.

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## Construction Building Material Price Indexes: Residential

April 1987  
(1981 = 100)

	Apr. '87	Mar. '87	Apr. '86	% Change	
				Apr. '87/ Mar. '87	Apr. '87/ Apr. '86
<b>Total materials</b>	<b>133.0</b>	<b>132.3</b>	<b>129.6</b>	<b>0.5</b>	<b>2.6</b>
Architectural materials	133.3	132.5	129.2	0.6	3.2
Structural materials	135.7	134.8	133.9	0.7	1.3
Mechanical materials	131.5	131.1	127.6	0.3	3.1
Electrical materials	120.6	120.6	119.2	-	1.2

- Nil or zero.

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## Data Availability Announcements

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### Department Store Sales by Province and Metropolitan Area April 1987

- Department stores in Canada reported sales totalling \$1,026 million in April 1987, up 4.7% over the revised April 1986 level of \$981 million.
- Cumulative sales for the period January to April 1987 totalled \$3,417 million, up 2.1% over the corresponding period in 1986.
- Department store sales during April 1987, for the provinces and the 10 metropolitan areas surveyed, were as follows (with the percentage change from April 1986 in parentheses):

#### Province

- Newfoundland, \$12.5 million (+9.6%);
- Prince Edward Island, \$6.2 million (+18.2%);
- Nova Scotia, \$33.6 million (+11.9%);
- New Brunswick, \$22.5 million (+8.5%);
- Quebec, \$196.7 million (+2.8%);
- Ontario, \$395.6 million (+8.5%);
- Manitoba, \$51.3 million (+1.4%);
- Saskatchewan, \$32.1 million (+8.3%);
- Alberta, \$126.9 million (+1.3%);
- British Columbia, \$149.1 million (-1.9%).

#### Metropolitan Area

- Calgary, \$47.1 million (-0.8%);
- Edmonton, \$56.0 million (-0.6%);
- Halifax-Dartmouth, \$18.6 million (+7.6%);
- Hamilton, \$28.7 million (+9.4%);
- Montreal, \$111.4 million (-0.7%);
- Ottawa-Hull, \$48.3 million (+13.8%);
- Quebec City, \$27.7 million (+4.7%);
- Toronto, \$154.4 million (+3.8%);
- Vancouver, \$87.6 million (-2.2%);
- Winnipeg, \$46.4 million (+1.7%).

#### Note to Users:

Information on department store sales and stocks by department will be released in the *Daily* during the week of June 22, 1987.

Order the April 1987 issue of *Department Store Monthly Sales, by Province and Selected Metropolitan Area* (63-004, \$2/\$20), available the fourth week of June 1987. Contact Colleen Loggie (613-991-3548), Retail Trade Section, Industry Division.

### Microdata Tape on Household Income (1985), Facilities and Equipment 1986

The ninth in a series of analytic microdata tapes containing information on the facilities and equipment present in Canadian households in 1986 and the income received by the household in the preceding year is now available at a cost of \$600.

Dwelling characteristics (including type and age of dwelling, number of rooms and bedrooms, heating equipment and fuel) are provided for each household as well as information on the presence of such items as washing machines, dryers, microwave ovens, home computers, televisions, VCRs and automobiles. In addition, the file contains information on rent paid, dwelling condition and repairs. Information is also included on household income sources and characteristics such as number of adults and children.

These data were collected as part of the Survey of Consumer Finances and the Household Facilities and Equipment Survey conducted as supplements to the April and May 1986 Labour Force Surveys. This microdata file contains approximately 34,000 household records. The tape has been carefully reviewed to ensure that it does not contain information that would allow the identification of specific households.

Contact the Income and Housing Surveys Section (613-990-9775), Household Surveys Division.

### **Restaurants, Caterers and Taverns** April 1987

Restaurant, caterer and tavern receipts totalled \$1,094.9 million for April 1987, an increase of 7.4% over the \$1,019.7 million reported for the same period last year.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 52.

Order the April 1987 issue of *Restaurants, Caterers and Taverns* (63-011, \$5/\$50), available the week of July 6. Contact the Services Division (613-991-3494).

### **Tobacco Products** May 1987

Canadian tobacco product firms produced 5,043,566,000 cigarettes in May 1987, a 14.3% increase from the 4,410,809,000 cigarettes manufactured during the same period in 1986. Production for January to May 1987 totalled 24,315,489,000 cigarettes, down from 24,506,162,000 cigarettes for the corresponding period in 1986.

Domestic sales in May 1987 totalled 4,328,839,000 cigarettes, a decrease of 2.1% from the May 1986 amount of 4,421,247,000 cigarettes. Year-to-date sales in 1987 totalled 19,434,409,000 cigarettes, down 6.1% from the 1986 cumulative amount of 20,693,702,000 cigarettes.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 46.

Order the May 1987 issue of *Production and Disposition of Tobacco Products* (32-022, \$4/\$40), to be released the week of June 29. Contact Brian Preston (613-991-3511), Industry Division.

### **Air Passenger Origin and Destination Statistics - Canada-United States Report** Third Quarter 1986

Air passenger origin and destination data indicate that 2,209,020 passengers travelled between Canada and the United States on scheduled services during the third quarter of 1986, up 21.5% from the 1,818,700 passengers recorded for the third quarter of 1985.

The success of Expo 86 brought many travellers to Vancouver. In fact, most of the increase in traffic during the third quarter of 1986, compared to the third quarter of 1985, was recorded between Vancouver and major American cities. For example, city-pair traffic increased for Vancouver-Los Angeles (44.2%), Vancouver-San Francisco/Oakland (69.5%), Vancouver-Seattle/Tacoma (67.1%) and for Vancouver-New York (83.6%).

Order the Vol. 19, No. 6 issue of the *Aviation Statistics Centre Service Bulletin* (51-004, \$8.50/\$85), available the second week of June. Contact A. MacDonald (819-997-1989), Aviation Statistics Centre, Transportation Division.

### **Railway Carloadings** 10 Days Ending May 31, 1987

Freight tonnages loaded by railways in Canada for the period ending May 31, 1987 totalled 6.8 million tonnes. Loadings decreased in the East by 11.1% but increased in the West by 10.1%.

Container-trailer or piggyback tonnages (included above) increased in the East by 1.3% and increased in the West by 1.0%; there was an overall national increase of 1.2%.

The year-to-date rail freight loadings totalled 101.2 million tonnes, an increase of 1.2% from the previous year. During the same period, piggyback cars loaded increased 4.8%.

Order the Vol. 3, No. 20 issue of *Railway Carloadings* (52-005, \$75 a year), scheduled for release the week of June 15. Contact Angus MacLean (613-991-2484), Surface Transport Section, Transportation Division.

## **Shipments of Office Furniture Products**

Quarter Ending March 1987

For the quarter ending March 31, 1987, shipments of office furniture products totalled \$161.7 million, an increase of 6.2% compared to \$152.2 million shipped during the same quarter of the previous year.

Manufacturers' shipments of office furniture products for the first quarter of 1987 are now available. Data for province of destination as well as exports are also available.

Order the first quarter issue of *Quarterly Shipments of Office Furniture Products* (35-006, \$5/\$20), to be released the week of July 6. Contact Marie-Pierre Longtin (613-991-3518), Industry Division.

## **Selected Financial Indexes**

April 1987

April 1987 figures are now available for the Selected Financial Indexes.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 412.

Order the second quarter 1987 issue of *Construction Price Statistics* (62-007, \$15/\$60), available in September 1987. Contact the Information and Current Analysis Unit (613-990-9607), Prices Division.

## **Shipments of Rolled Steel**

April 1987

Rolled steel shipments for April 1987 totalled 1 072 712 tonnes, a decrease of 3.6% from the preceding month's total of 1 112 650 tonnes but an increase of 1.3% from the year-earlier level of 1 058 564 tonnes.

Year-to-date shipments totalled 4 239 273 tonnes, an increase of 5.6% compared to 4 015 848 tonnes the previous year.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 58 and 122 (series 22-25).

Order the April 1987 issue of *Primary Iron and Steel* (41-001, \$4/\$40), to be released the week of July 6, 1987. Contact Gerry Barrett (613-991-3515), Industry Division.

## **Grain Marketing Situation Report**

May 1987

The situation report for May is now available. This report presents up-to-date information on the Canadian and world grain supply and market situation.

Contact Allister Hickson (204-949-2856), Agriculture Division, Room 600, 266 Graham Avenue, Winnipeg, Manitoba R3C 0K4.

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## Publications Released

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**Coal and Coke Statistics, January 1987.**  
**Catalogue number 45-002**  
(Canada: \$8/\$80; Other Countries: \$9/\$90).

**Refined Petroleum Products,**  
**February 1987. Catalogue number 45-004**  
(Canada: \$15/\$150; Other Countries:  
\$16/\$160).

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