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### Major Release

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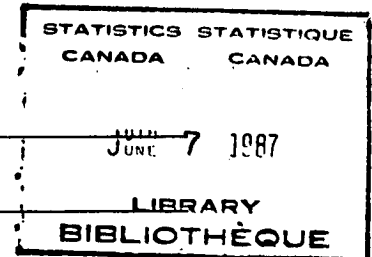
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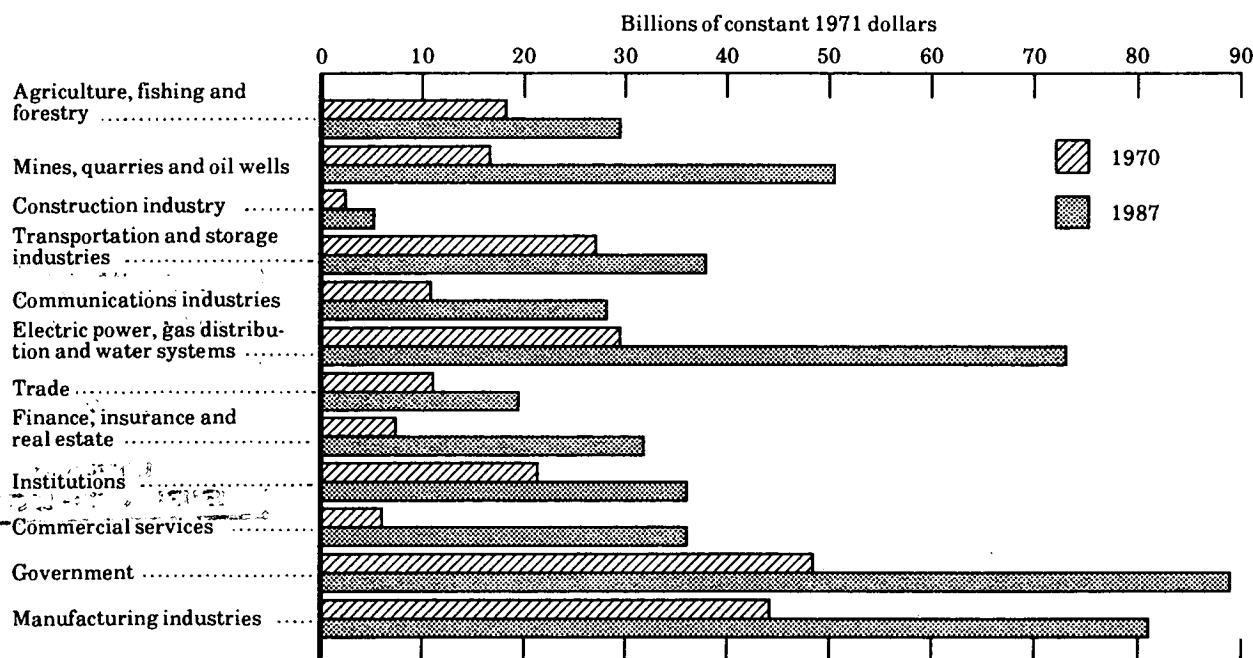
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## Major Release

### Total Non-Residential Fixed Assets by Industry



### Fixed Assets in Canada 1987

The value of non-residential buildings and engineering structures and machinery and equipment in Canada is expected to reach \$520 billion (measured in 1971 constant dollars) this year, a real increase of 3.1% over the level recorded in 1986. Sectorally, the real increases are expected to be 2.8% to \$82 billion in the manufacturing sector and 3.1% to \$445 billion in the non-manufacturing sector.

Valued in current dollars, these fixed assets are expected to amount to \$1,648 billion in 1987, up 7% above the 1986 level.

Other major highlights include:

- For the non-manufacturing sector, it is the service industries which are expected to account for the largest increases in fixed assets: finance, insurance and real estate

should post a 9.1% gain, commercial service industries 8.8%, communications 3.7%, and trade 2.7%.

- In the goods-producing industries of the non-manufacturing sector, the annual percentage changes in total fixed assets are more moderate than those in the service industries: forestry -2.7%, agriculture -1.2%, construction 0.2%, mines, quarries and oil wells 2.1%, and electric power, gas distribution and water systems 2.8%.
- The durable goods manufacturing industries account for the largest gains in the manufacturing sector: transportation equipment manufacturers 10.8%, miscellaneous manufacturing industries 7.1%, electrical and electronic products industries 5.4% and machinery industries 3.8%.

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- For most of the non-durable goods manufacturers, the gains are less than the 2.8% average expected for the manufacturing sector as a whole: printing, publishing and allied industries 3.3%, food and beverage manufacturers 2.3%, textiles industries 2.2%, and the paper and allied industries 2.1%.

The accompanying bar chart compares industries' holdings of fixed assets for the years 1970 and 1987. The year 1970 was picked for comparison because it marked the beginning of the decade which saw the energy crisis, a crisis that significantly affected many industries. The industries reporting the largest increases over this 17-year period are the commercial service industries (475.4%), the finance,

insurance and real estate industry (334.6%), mining, quarries and oil wells industries (203.9%), and electric power, gas distribution and water systems (147.4%).

The data series showing the accumulation of non-residential fixed assets have been updated and are now available on CANSIM matrices 3435-3470, 3472-3522 and 3524-3538 up to 1987 in current and constant 1971 dollars (1970 Standard Industrial Classification).

Contact R. Landry or D. Wallace (613-990-4489), Science, Technology and Capital Stock Division. The publication *Fixed Capital Flows and Stocks, 1987* (13-211), which will contain a complete set of national tables, is scheduled for release in August.

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## Data Availability Announcements

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### Railway Carloadings

7-day period ending June 14, 1987

#### Highlights

- Revenue freight tonnages loaded by railways in Canada during the week totalled 5.2 million tonnes, an increase of 6.6% from the previous year.
- The tonnage of revenue freight loaded to date this year is 1.5% more than that loaded in the previous year.
- Piggyback traffic increased by 9.7% from the same period last year. The number of cars loaded increased 8.5% during the same period.

Note: Piggyback traffic includes trailers and containers on flat cars. The 1986 figures and the 1987 year-to-date figures have been revised.

Piggyback traffic numbers are included in total carload traffic.

Contact the Surface Transport Unit, Transportation Division (613-990-6154).

### The Dairy Review

May 1987

In May 1987, creamery butter production in Canada totalled 7 802 tonnes, a decrease of 21.9% compared to May 1986. The May 1987 production of cheddar cheese in Canada amounted to 9 928 tonnes, a decrease of 0.8% compared to May 1986.

An estimated 638 890 kilolitres of milk were sold off Canadian farms for all purposes in April 1987, an increase of approximately 0.7% over April 1986. This brought the total estimate of milk sold off farms during the first four months of 1987 to 2 374 783 kilolitres, an increase of 1.3% over the January-April period a year ago.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 5632-5638, 5650-5663, 5666-5667.

For further information, order the May 1987 issue of *The Dairy Review* (23-001, \$10/\$100), scheduled for release on July 23. Contact Dave Burroughs (613-991-2550), Agriculture Division.

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### Railway Carloadings

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	Current period	Year-to-date
<b>Carload traffic</b>		
Tonnes	5 186 290	111 309 039
% change from previous year	+6.6	+1.5
<b>Cars</b>		
Cars	75 922	1 654 758
% change from previous year	+3.3	+0.3
<b>Piggyback traffic</b>		
Tonnes	254 697	5 819 519
% change from previous year	+9.7	+4.9
<b>Cars</b>		
Cars	9 129	209 253
% change from previous year	+8.5	+4.9

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## 1985 Census of Mines

Mining Industry	1980 SIC	CANSIM Matrix	Value of production		Per cent change
			1984	1985	
			(\$ million)		
Metal mines	061	7956	8,212.3	7,977.3	-2.9
Gold mines	0611	7951	964.2	969.8	0.6
Silver-lead-zinc mines	0614	7952	1,068.2	887.2	-16.9
Nickel-copper-zinc mines	0612-0613	7953	3,651.3	3,552.2	-2.7
Iron mines	0617	7954	1,423.1	1,415.9	-0.5
Other miscellaneous metal mines	0615-0616-0619	7955	1,105.6	1,152.2	4.2
Non-metal mines (except coal)	062	7962	1,740.7	1,446.8	-16.9
Asbestos mines	0621	7957	364.7	319.8	-12.3
Peat industry	0622	7959	63.5	81.9	29.0
Gypsum mines	0623	7958	62.0	75.6	21.9
Potash mines	0624	7960	925.9	651.1	-29.7
Other miscellaneous non-metal mines (except coal)	0625-0629	7961	324.6	318.5	-1.9
Fuels industry	063-071	7969	27,639.1	28,217.2	2.1
Coal mines	063	7967	1,716.2	1,753.6	2.2
Crude petroleum and natural gas industry	071	7968	25,922.9	26,463.6	2.1
Quarry and sand pit industries	08	7965	383.9	486.5	26.7
Stone quarries	081	7963	241.0	297.9	23.6
Sand and gravel pits	082	7964	142.9	188.6	32.0
Industrial minerals sector	062 + 08	7966	2,124.6	1,933.3	-9.0

For further information on the fuels industry, coal mines and crude petroleum and natural gas please contact M.I. Cavanagh (613-991-3569), Industry Division. For information on all other mineral industries, contact J. Brennan (613-995-9466), Information Systems Division, Energy Mines and Resources.

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**Culture Communiqué, Vol, 10, No. 4, Statistics on Motion Picture and Videotape Distributors, 1984.**  
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