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Major Releases

Inventories, Shipments and Orders in Manufacturing Industries, June 1987

- Despite a small increase in June – the third consecutive modest monthly gain – manufacturing shipments remained 1.2% below the February 1987 peak.

International Travel Account, Second Quarter 1987

- Canada's deficit on the travel account reached a record \$2.3 billion in the first six months of 1987.

Wholesale Trade, June 1987

- Wholesale merchants' sales rose 18.6% over June 1986.

Department Store Sales and Stocks, June 1987

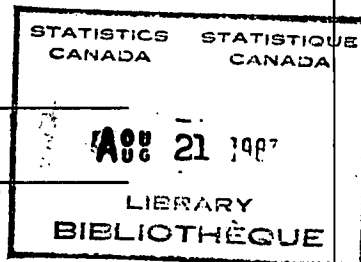
- Seasonally adjusted, department store sales increased 3.3% over May.

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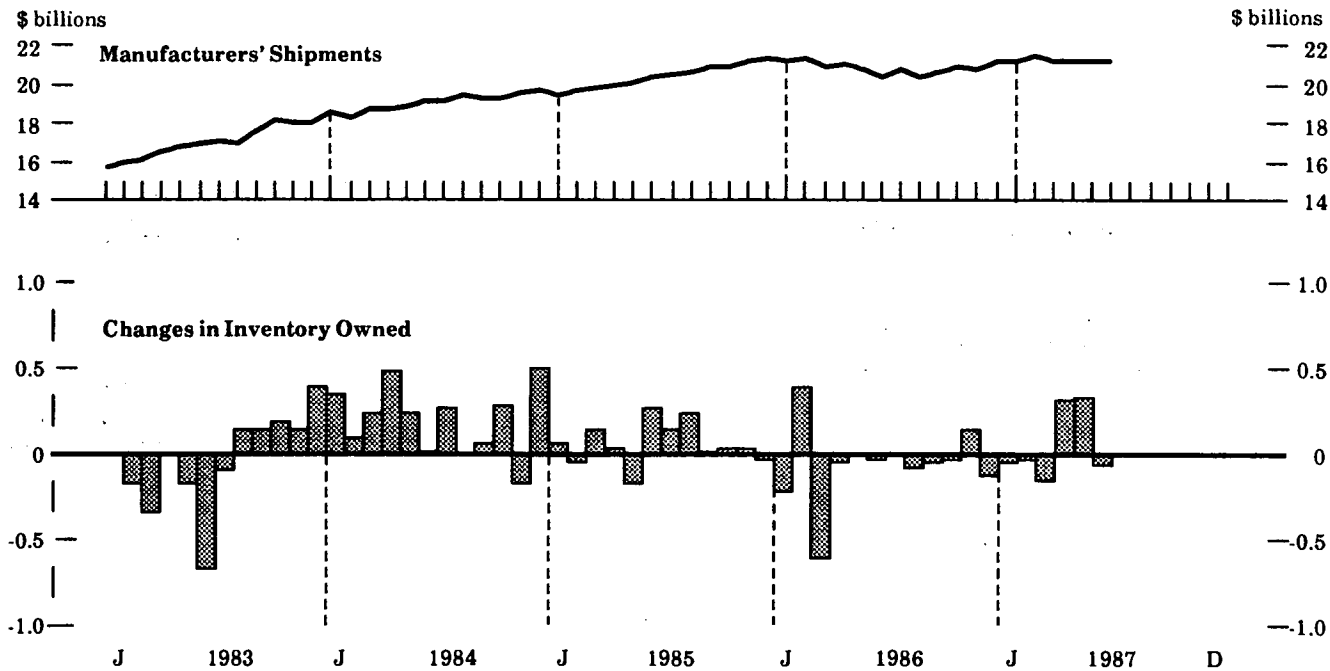
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Major Releases

Manufacturers' Shipments and Changes in Inventory Owned, 1983-1987

(Seasonally adjusted)



Inventories, Shipments and Orders in Manufacturing Industries June 1987

Shipments for all Canadian manufacturing industries posted a small increase in June, the third consecutive month to show a modest rise. Nevertheless, shipments remained 1.2% below the February 1987 peak.

Highlights

- Preliminary estimates indicate the seasonally adjusted value of **shipments** increased 0.2% in June to a level of \$21,234 million. This is the third consecutive month with a relatively modest increase.
- **New orders** rose 0.3% to \$21,475 million in June. This followed monthly increases which averaged nearly 1.0% in April and

May. However, new orders still remain slightly below the February 1987 peak.

- **Inventory owned**, at \$33,709 million, showed a slight decline in June, following increases in April and May. Inventory owned had been on a declining trend from November 1986 to March 1987.
- The **ratio of seasonally adjusted total inventory owned to seasonally adjusted shipments** remained at 1.59:1 in June. The ratio has remained below 1.60:1 for six consecutive months; through most of 1986 the ratios were in the 1.60:1 to 1.65:1 range.
- The seasonally adjusted **unfilled orders backlog** increased for the third month in a row, with a 1.0% rise in June to \$24,304 million. However, unfilled orders are still 1.2% below their April 1986 peak.

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- Not adjusted for seasonal variation, manufacturers' shipments in June 1987 were estimated at \$23,147 million, 6.2% higher than the June 1986 level. Cumulative shipments for the first six months of 1987 have been estimated at \$128,304 million, 1.4% higher than the value for the corresponding period in 1986.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 9550-9580.

Order the June 1987 issue of *Inventories, Shipments and Orders in Manufacturing Industries* (31-001, \$15/\$150), available in about three weeks time. Data for shipments by province in greater detail than normally published may be available on request. Contact Michel Labonté (613-991-3508) or the Shipments, Inventories and Orders Section (613-990-9832), Industry Division.

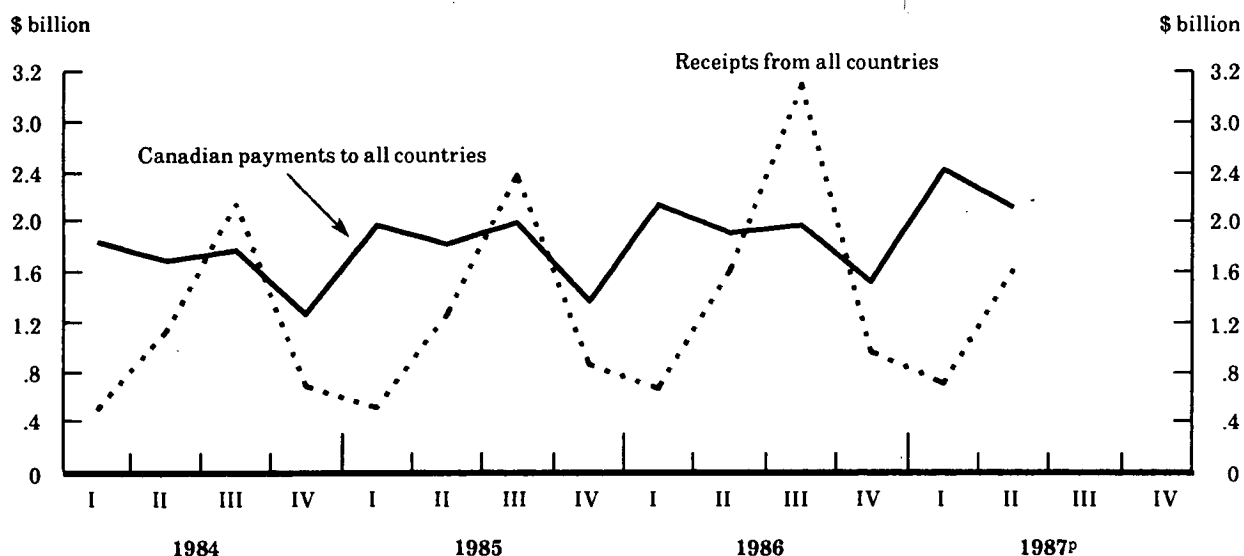
Estimated Value of Shipments, Inventories and Orders in all Manufacturing Industries
(Based on 1983 Census of Manufactures Benchmarks)
(Millions of Dollars)

	June 1987 ^p	May 1987 ^r	April 1987	June 1986
Not adjusted for seasonal variation				
Shipments - Total	23,146.8	21,800.9	21,477.2	21,787.8
New orders - Total	23,167.5	22,134.2	21,483.7	21,518.7
Unfilled orders - Total	24,311.2	24,290.5	23,957.2	24,487.9
Inventory owned - Total	33,641.0	33,902.9	33,767.4	33,493.1
Adjusted for seasonal variation				
Shipments - Total	21,234.4	21,195.7	21,127.4	20,347.1
New orders - Total	21,474.5	21,405.5	21,297.8	20,298.6
Unfilled orders - Total	24,304.3	24,064.2	23,854.4	24,535.3
Inventory owned - Total	33,709.2	33,779.8	33,437.4	33,539.7
Ratio of total inventories owned to shipments	1.59	1.59	1.58	1.65

^p Preliminary figures.

^r Revised figures.

Receipts and Payments on Travel Account, 1984-1987



^P Preliminary estimates.

International Travel Account

Second quarter 1987

In the second quarter of 1987, preliminary estimates showed that Canada's receipts from international travel decreased very slightly (-0.3%) from the same period last year to \$1,623 million. Receipts from the United States fell by 5% to \$1,055 million while earnings from residents of all other countries were up 9% to \$568 million.

Payments by Canadian residents on foreign travel in the second quarter of 1987 rose by 12% to \$2,113 million. Payments to the United States were up 11% to \$1,330 million while spending by Canadians in countries other than the United States grew by 12% to \$783 million.

First Half of 1987

For the first six months of the year, total travel receipts were up 2% to \$2,316 million while Canadian payments to all countries increased by 14% to \$4,586 million. As a result, Canada's deficit for the first six months reached a record \$2,270 million, up 29% over the same period last year. (It should be noted that the

Note to Users:

International travel statistics are seasonal in nature; therefore, all quarterly comparisons are made with similar time periods of previous years. However, comparisons with last year must take into account the impact of Expo 86 on both visitors' receipts and residents' payments.

magnitude of the annual travel account deficit will depend on the performance in the remaining two quarters – traditionally a surplus during the third and a deficit in the fourth.)

See the accompanying chart for the trend in receipts and payments between Canada and all countries in the world for the years 1984-1987.

(see table on page 5)

The April-June issue of *Travel Between Canada, and Other Countries* (66-001, \$35/\$140), will be available in the middle of September. Contact Paul L. Paradis (613-990-8933), International Travel Section, Education, Culture and Tourism Division.

International Travel Receipts and Payments

	1986					1987 ^P	
	QI	QII	QIII	QIV	1986	QI	QII
(millions of \$)							
United States							
Receipts	457	1,109	2,277	663	4,506	474	1,055
Payments	1,303	1,196	1,095	835	4,429	1,511	1,330
Balance	-846	-87	1,182	-172	77	-1,037	-275
All other countries							
Receipts	194	519	825	289	1,827	219	568
Payments	834	699	864	673	3,070	962	783
Balance	-640	-180	-39	-384	-1,243	-743	-215
Total all countries							
Receipts	651	1,628	3,102	952	6,333	693	1,623
Payments	2,137	1,895	1,959	1,508	7,499	2,473	2,113
Balance	-1,486	-267	1,143	-556	-1,166	-1,780	-490

^P Preliminary estimates.

Wholesale Trade

June 1987

Sales

- Preliminary estimates indicate that wholesale merchants' sales for June 1987 were 18.6% above those of June 1986. In the first six months of 1987, cumulative sales were up 13.5% compared to the corresponding period in 1986.
- In June, all major groups except wholesalers of farm machinery, equipment and supplies (-9.8%) registered increased sales over a year earlier. The trade groups having the most significant impact on the overall sales increase were wholesalers of electrical and non-electrical machinery, equipment and supplies (+30.5%), food (+17.3%) and lumber and building materials (+18.8%).

- Wholesale trade increases between June 1986 and June 1987 were posted in all regions, ranging from 22.4% in British Columbia, the Yukon and Northwest Territories to 16.7% in Quebec.

Inventories

- Inventory levels in June 1987 were 2.5% higher than those reported in June 1986. The ratio of inventories to sales at the end of June 1987 stood at 1.32:1, down from the 1.53:1 recorded in the corresponding month of 1986.

(see table on page 7)

Available on CANSIM: matrix 44.

Order the June 1987 issue of *Wholesale Trade* (63-008, \$5/\$50), available the third week of September. Contact Gilles Simard (613-991-3541), Wholesale Trade Section, Industry Division.

Wholesale Trade

Percentage Change in Sales and Inventories for June 1987/1986

Major Trade Groups - Regions	Sales			Inventories		Stocks/Sales Ratios	
	May 1987/ 86 ^r	June 1987/ 86 ^p	Jan.-June 1987/ 86 ^p	May 1987/ 86 ^r	June 1987/ 86 ^p	June 1986 ^r	June 1987 ^p
Total all trades	10.3	18.6	13.5	2.9	2.5	1.53	1.32
Food	12.1	17.3	14.1	5.7	5.4	0.73	0.66
Tobacco, drugs and toilet preparations	7.0	13.4	5.8	5.9	-1.1	0.99	0.86
Apparel, dry goods, furniture and general merchandise	8.2	26.5	16.8	0.5	-0.1	2.64	2.09
Motor vehicles and accessories	1.1	7.9	6.6	8.8	5.8	1.73	1.70
Farm machinery, equipment and supplies	-7.9	-9.8	-2.6	-12.0	-10.9	2.81	2.78
Other machinery, equipment and supplies ¹	18.9	30.5	20.2	6.3	5.1	1.89	1.53
Metals, hardware, plumbing and heating equipment	18.6	31.1	15.3	3.6	4.2	1.74	1.38
Lumber and building materials	17.1	18.8	20.3	0.3	1.5	1.33	1.14
Other wholesalers ²	4.8	16.6	10.4	0.4	2.4	1.30	1.14
Regions							
Atlantic provinces	13.1	22.0	13.9	11.7	11.6	1.33	1.22
Quebec	4.5	16.7	11.0	1.9	5.0	1.35	1.22
Ontario	13.0	17.6	16.4	8.4	5.8	1.50	1.35
Prairie provinces	10.7	20.5	10.6	-6.4	-7.6	2.07	1.59
B.C., Yukon and Northwest Territories	13.0	22.4	13.2	2.0	2.9	1.35	1.14

¹ Includes: electrical machinery, equipment and supplies; and machinery and equipment, n.e.s.

² Includes: farm products (excluding grain); paper and paper products; scrap and waste materials; and wholesalers, n.e.s.

^r Revised figures.

^p Preliminary figures.

Department Store Sales and Stocks

June 1987

Highlights

Seasonally Adjusted Data

- Adjusted for seasonal fluctuations and the number of trading days, department store sales in June 1987 totalled \$1,090 million, an increase of 3.3% over the previous month's revised total of \$1,055 million. Higher sales were recorded in 31 of the 40 departments.
- The 3.3% increase in sales in June followed a decline of 2.8% in May 1987, further extending the trend of fluctuating but generally moderately rising sales observed since the beginning of 1987.
- Seasonally adjusted, department store stocks (at selling value) totalled \$4,429 million at the end of June 1987, down 0.3% from the May 1987 revised value of \$4,441 million. This marginal decline followed a 2.4% increase in May and a 6.5% decline in April.
- The inventories to sales ratio stood at 4.06:1 in June, down from the average ratio of 4.12:1 observed in the five previous months.

Unadjusted Data

- Department stores in Canada reported sales totalling \$1,017 million in June 1987, up 7.7% over the June 1986 level of \$944

million. Cumulative sales for the period January to June 1987 totalled \$5,455 million, up 1.4% over the corresponding period in 1986.

- All provinces registered higher sales in June 1987, with the exception of British Columbia (-11.6% from the year-earlier period) and Alberta (-9.3%). The increases ranged from 20.4% in Prince Edward Island to 6.1% in Newfoundland. Sales were up in seven of the 10 metropolitan areas surveyed.
- Sales by major department stores in June 1987 totalled \$596 million, up 4.6% over the corresponding month a year earlier, while junior department stores had sales of \$420 million, up 12.3% over the same period last year.
- Unadjusted, department store stocks at month-end totalled \$4,179 million, an increase of 4.0% over the level reached in June 1986.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 112.

Order the June 1987 issue of *Department Store Sales and Stocks* (63-002, \$13/\$130), available the third week of October. Contact Roger Laplante (613-991-3549), Retail Trade Section, Industry Division.

Data Availability Announcements

Census of Manufactures 1985

Preliminary figures from the 1985 Census of Manufactures show total shipments of manufactured goods rose to \$248,493 million, an increase of 8.0% from the 1984 total. Total value added increased 7.7% to \$101,358 million.

The total number of persons employed by these manufacturers rose by 2.6% in 1985 to 1.77 million and their wages and salaries reached \$46,208 million for a gain of 7.3% from the 1984 payroll.

The accompanying table shows selected principal statistics for Canada and the provinces for all manufacturing industries.

(see table on page 10)

Available on CANSIM: matrix 5378.

Contact R. Staveley or G. Welsh (613-990-9497), Industry Division. Complete data will be published later in *Manufacturing Industries of Canada: National and Provincial Areas, 1985* (31-203, \$55).

1985 Census of Manufactures - Selected Principal Statistics of the Manufacturing Industries of Canada, by Province*

Province	Manufacturing activity						
	Production and related workers				Cost of fuel and electricity	Cost of materials and supplies used	Value of shipments of goods of own manufacture
	No. of establishments	Number	Person-hours paid '000	Wages			
						\$'000	
Newfoundland	321	13,122	26,388	246,485	108,760	582,746	1,223,800
Prince Edward Island	141	2,694	5,594	41,362	11,717	192,923	296,874
Nova Scotia	820	26,958	54,823	534,639	182,237	2,976,884	4,634,819
New Brunswick	665	22,167	46,340	482,870	258,487	2,707,625	4,243,042
Quebec	10,653	367,676	752,891	7,942,842	2,081,681	34,019,301	60,459,610
Ontario	15,570	666,831	1,427,774	16,361,666	3,162,387	77,735,969	131,988,196
Manitoba	1,267	38,589	79,051	777,643	160,560	3,061,770	5,549,259
Saskatchewan	791	13,646	27,708	322,342	108,512	1,882,675	2,982,923
Alberta	2,536	51,989	107,891	1,338,299	512,464	11,349,295	17,191,892
British Columbia	4,062	101,249	205,499	3,018,823	820,736	11,266,132	19,863,405
Yukon	10	99	213	1,864	206	2,153	5,117
Northwest Territories	18	139	346	3,758	605	39,726	53,699
Canada 1985	36,854	1,305,159	2,734,519	31,072,594	7,408,353	145,817,198	248,492,634
Canada 1984 ^r	36,465	1,240,817	2,583,486	28,294,557	7,256,843	136,122,271	230,070,145
Percentage change	1.1	5.2	5.8	9.8	2.1	7.1	8.0

Province	Total activity					
	Administrative, office and other non-manufacturing employees		Total employees		Total cost of materials, supplies and goods for re-sale	Total value of shipments and other revenue
	Number	Salaries \$'000	Number	Salaries and wages		
					\$'000	
Newfoundland	3,079	79,565	16,201	326,050	901,907	1,538,088
Prince Edward Island	694	16,118	3,388	57,480	239,884	354,122
Nova Scotia	8,191	239,998	35,149	774,637	3,531,192	5,304,657
New Brunswick	7,289	209,167	29,456	692,037	2,993,326	4,574,573
Quebec	123,066	3,854,403	490,742	11,797,245	38,607,566	65,921,129
Ontario	244,587	8,255,225	911,418	24,616,891	102,822,840	161,035,304
Manitoba	12,872	362,562	51,461	1,140,205	3,727,553	6,336,686
Saskatchewan	5,599	164,020	19,245	486,363	2,049,156	3,170,485
Alberta	22,695	742,692	74,684	2,080,991	12,121,226	18,110,060
British Columbia	33,475	1,210,089	134,724	4,228,912	12,233,149	21,024,575
Yukon	11	285	110	2,149	2,685	5,696
Northwest Territories	46	1,312	185	5,070	40,297	54,039
Canada 1985	461,604	15,135,436	1,766,763	46,208,030	179,270,781	287,429,412
Canada 1984 ^r	481,228	14,781,462	1,722,045	43,076,019	164,912,102	264,237,009
Percentage change	-4.1	2.4	2.6	7.3	8.7	8.8

* Preliminary figures.

- Nil or zero.

^r Revised figures.

Note: components may not add to totals due to rounding.

Railway Financial and Operating Statistics

February-April 1987

February 1987

Canada's seven major railways reported a combined net operating income of \$47.7 million in February 1987. Operating revenues of \$612.9 million were up \$56.4 million from the February 1986 figure.

Revenue freight tonne-kilometres rose 12.9% during the month. Freight train-kilometres registered an increase of 5.9% while freight car-kilometres advanced 8.7%.

March 1987

The seven major railways reported a combined net operating income of \$22.4 million in March 1987. Operating revenues of \$644.2 million were up \$4.9 million from the March 1986 figure.

Revenue freight tonne-kilometres were up 7.0% during the month. Freight train-kilometres registered an increase of 4.8% while freight car-kilometres rose 5.5%.

April 1987

The seven major railways reported a combined net operating income totalling \$21.7 million in April 1987. Operating revenues of \$669.9 million were up \$12.6 million from the April 1986 figure.

Revenue freight tonne-kilometres were up 5.3% during the month. Freight train-kilometres registered an increase of 2.7% while freight car-kilometres increased by 1.7%.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 142.

The February, March and April 1987 issues of *Railway Financial and Operating Statistics* (52-003, \$9.50/\$95) will be released the last week of August. Contact the Rail Unit (613-991-2484), Transportation Division.

Mineral Wool

July 1987

Manufacturers shipped 9 269 034 square metres of mineral wool (all R factors) in batts in July 1987, up 26.6% from the 7 319 076 square metres shipped a year earlier and up 8.2% from the 8 565 840 square metres shipped the previous month.

Year-to-date shipments to the end of July 1987 were 56 276 076 square metres, an increase of 21.3% from the same period in 1986.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 40 and 122 (series 32 and 33).

Order the July 1987 issue of *Mineral Wool including Fibrous Glass Insulation* (44-004, \$4/\$40), to be released the week of September 7. Contact Sharon M. Boyer (613-991-3520), Industry Division.

Stocks of Frozen Meats

August 1, 1987

Total frozen meat in cold storage at the opening of the first business day of August amounted to 28 793 tonnes as compared with 30 743 tonnes the previous month and 26 802 tonnes a year ago.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 87 and 9517-9525.

Order the August issue of *Stocks of Frozen Meat Products* (32-012, \$10/\$100), scheduled for release on September 3. Contact P.L. Beerstecher (613-990-8714), Agriculture Division.

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**Quarterly Economic Summary:
Statistical Supplement, July 1987.**
Catalogue number 13-007E
(Canada: \$25/\$100; Other Countries:
\$26/\$104).

**Fruit and Vegetable Production,
August 1987.**
Catalogue number 22-003
(Canada: \$8/\$60; Other Countries: \$9/\$68).

**Production, Shipments and Stocks
on Hand of Sawmills in British
Columbia, May 1987.**
Catalogue number 35-003
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Wholesale Trade, May 1987.
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