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The Canada total Union Wage Rate Index (including supplements) for construction trades (1981=100) for February 1988 remained unchanged from January 1988's level of 141.1. On a year-over-year basis, the 18-city Canada composite index increased by 3.1%.

In St. John's, Newfoundland, plumbers received an increase in the social portion of their existing benefit package. In Sudbury and Thunder Bay, both cement finishers and plasterers received total package increments within their existing contracts.

The accompanying table presents indexes for the 18 major cities across Canada. Cities in Saskatchewan and Alberta are excluded from this table, as no collective agreements have been signed for the majority of construction trades in these two provinces.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 400-405, 956 and 958.

The first quarter 1988 issue of *Construction Price Statistics* (62-007, \$16.50/\$66) will be available in June. See "How to Order Publications".

For more detailed information on this release, contact the Information and Current Analysis Unit (613-951-9607), Prices Division.

Construction Union Wage Rate Indexes, Basic Rate plus Supplements

February 1988

(1981 = 100)

	Feb.1988	Jan. 1988	Feb. 1987	% Change	
				Feb. 1988/ Jan. 1988	Feb. 1988/ Feb. 1987
Canada	141.1	141.1	136.9	-	3.1
St. John's	142.8	142.7	142.7	0.1	0.1
Halifax	165.0	165.0	160.9	-	2.5
Saint John	144.2	144.2	140.8	-	2.4
Quebec City	142.5	142.5	136.8	-	4.2
Chicoutimi	141.8	141.8	136.2	-	4.1
Montreal	142.2	142.2	136.5	-	4.2
Ottawa	147.2	147.2	141.6	-	4.0
Toronto	142.5	142.5	137.6	-	3.6
Hamilton	142.9	142.9	138.1	-	3.5
St. Catharines	145.0	145.0	138.9	-	4.4
Kitchener	148.5	148.5	141.8	-	4.7
London	147.6	147.6	141.4	-	4.4
Windsor	144.4	144.4	138.4	-	4.3
Sudbury	146.5	146.3	140.0	0.1	4.6
Thunder Bay	145.3	145.2	139.0	0.1	4.5
Winnipeg	136.1	136.1	133.2	-	2.2
Vancouver	132.1	132.1	132.1	-	-
Victoria	132.1	132.1	132.1	-	-

- Nil or zero.

Data Availability Announcement

Steel Pipe and Tubing

January 1988

Steel pipe and tubing production for January 1988 totalled 145 554 tonnes, an increase of 35.7% from the 107 266 (revised figure) tonnes produced a year earlier.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 35.

The January 1988 issue of *Steel Pipe and Tubing* (41-011, \$4.50/\$45) is scheduled to be released the week of April 4. See "How to Order Publications".

For more detailed information on this release, contact Gerry Barrett (613-951-3515), Industry Division.



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