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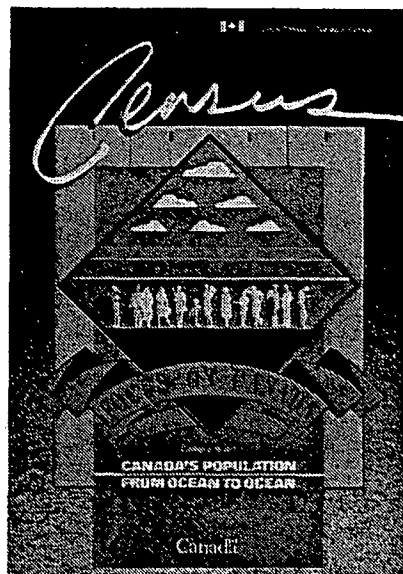
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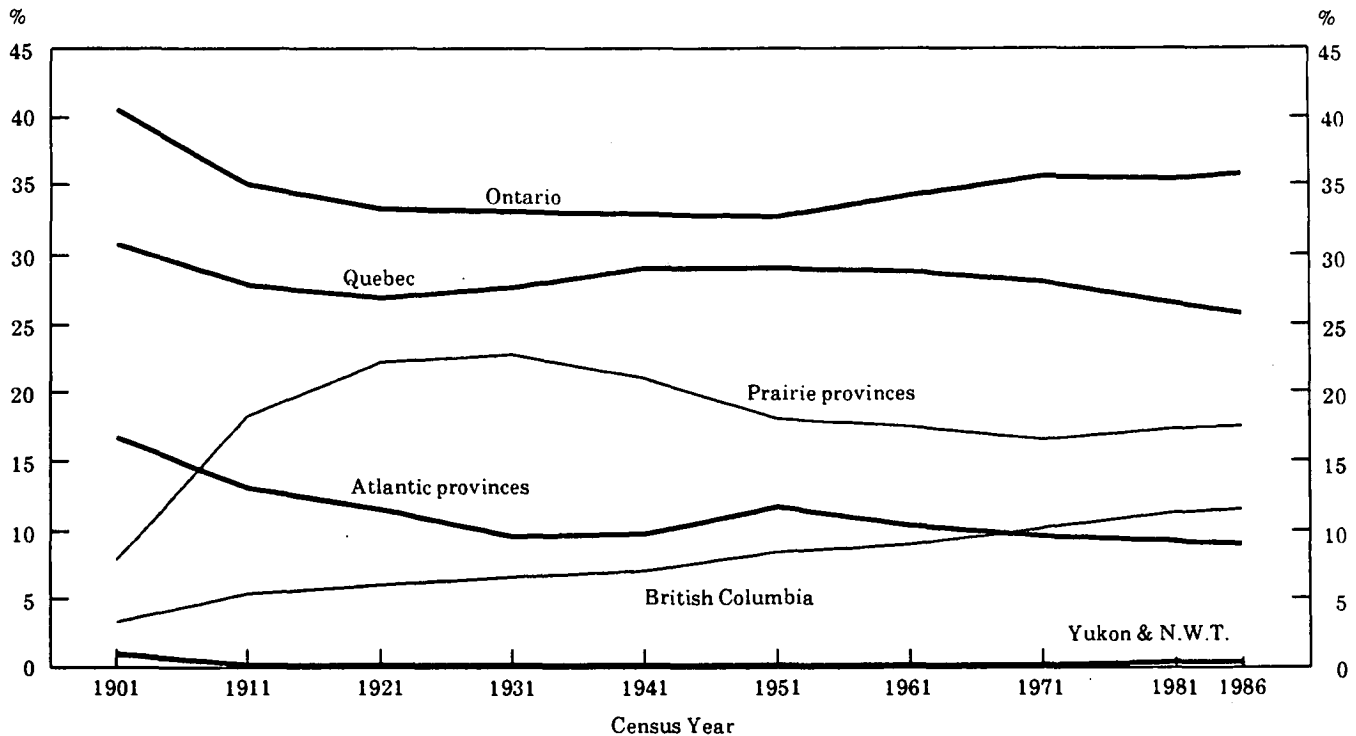
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Fewer Canadians lived in small municipalities and small urban areas in 1986 than in 1981. In fact, 78% of the growth of Canada's rural population occurred within the boundaries of major metropolitan areas.

Canada's Population from Ocean to Ocean is a new study that explores recent changes in the distribution of Canada's population.

Highlights:

- In 1986, more than one in three Canadians lived in the five largest metropolitan areas.
- Almost one-half (49.2%) of all Canadians lived in municipalities of 50,000 people or more. Fewer Canadians lived in small municipalities and small urban areas than in 1981: only 20.5% lived in municipalities with populations of less than 5,000.

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- Ontario was the most urbanized of Canada's provinces and territories in 1986, followed by Alberta. Prince Edward Island was the least urbanized.
 - Between 1981 and 1986, the Northwest Territories experienced the highest percentage (14.2) of population growth in Canada. Alberta followed with a 6.1% increase and Ontario was close behind at 5.7%.
 - The lowest growth rate occurred in Newfoundland, where the population grew by only one-tenth of one per cent between 1981 and 1986.
 - In 1986, almost three-quarters (72% per cent) of Canadians lived within 150 km. and 85% within 300 km. of the United States border.

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Sugar Sales

January 1989

Canadian sugar refiners reported total sales of 74 729 266 kilograms for all types of sugar in January 1989, comprising 67 700 796 kilograms in domestic sales and 7 028 470 kilograms in export sales. This compares to total sales of 62 558 000 kilograms in January 1988, of which 59 510 000 kilograms were domestic sales and 3 048 000 kilograms were export sales.

The January 1989 issue of *The Sugar Situation* (32-013, \$4.50/\$45) will be available at a later date. See "How to Order Publications".

For more information on this release, contact Brian Preston (613-951-3511), Industry Division.

Production of Eggs

December 1988

Canadian egg production increased slightly to about 40.5 million dozen in December 1988. The average number of layers decreased by 1.8% from December 1987 to 1988, while the number of eggs per 100 layers increased to 2,188 from 2,146.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 1145, 1146 and 5689-5691.

Production and Stocks of Eggs and Poultry (23-003) has been discontinued as a catalogued publication. Information formerly carried in this publication is now available in the form of a computer-generated "Statistical Bulletin". To order this statistical bulletin, contact Guy Gervais (613-951-2453).

For more information on this release contact Ruth McMillan (613-951-2549), Livestock and Animal Products Section, Agriculture Division.

Construction Type Plywood

December 1988

Canadian firms produced 167 343 cubic metres, (189,109,000 square feet, 3/8-inch basis) of construction type plywood during December 1988, a decrease of 5.2% from the 176 607 cubic metres (199,579,000 square feet, 3/8-inch basis) produced during December 1987.

January to December 1988 production totalled 2 161 658 cubic metres (2,442,827,000 square feet, 3/8-inch basis), a decrease of 3.0% from the 2 229 000 cubic metres (2,518,929,000 square feet, 3/8-inch basis) produced during the same period in 1987.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 122 (level 1).

The December 1988 issue of *Construction Type Plywood* (35-001, \$4.50/\$45) will be available at a later date. See "How to Order Publications".

For more information on this release, contact Jock Dobie (604-666-2671), Pacific Region, Statistics Canada, Sinclair Centre, 757 West Hastings Street, Vancouver, B.C. V6C 3C9.

Plastic Film and Bags

Fourth Quarter 1988

Figures for the fourth quarter of 1988 on plastic film and bags are now available.

Shipments of Plastic Film and Bags Manufactured from Resin (47-007, \$6.25/\$25) will be available at a later date.

For more information contact T. Raj Sehdev (613-951-3513), Industry Division.

Motor Carrier Freight - Quarterly Survey

First and Second Quarters 1988

The results of a new Motor Carrier Freight Quarterly Trucking Survey are available, covering the activities of the for-hire trucking industry in the first and second quarters of 1988.

The *Surface and Marine Transport Service Bulletin* (50-002, \$8.50/\$85) will be available at a later date.

For further information, contact Yasmin Sheikh (613-951-2518), Transportation Division.

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Electric Power Statistics, October 1988.

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