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### Federal Government Employment

September 1988

#### Highlights

##### General Government

- Employment in the federal government decreased 0.3% or 1,164 employees from September 1987 to 371,080 in September 1988. (General government includes departments, ministries, agencies, boards, and commissions but excludes government business enterprises.)

##### Decreases

- Most of the decline was accounted for by five departments or agencies: Indian Affairs and Northern Development, Environment, Statistics Canada, Regional Industrial Expansion, and Supply and Services.
- The Department of Indian Affairs and Northern Development, which led departments with a 8.6% decline in employment since September 1987, indicated that the Comprehensive Devolution Plan to Native Control was largely responsible for the decrease.
- Throughout the government, public service restraint and improvements in program efficiency were cited as the main explanations for decreasing employment. Also, transfers of responsibilities and employees between departments accounted for some specific departmental changes. This latter cause was noted in particular in the decline registered at Regional Industrial Expansion.

##### Increases

- Three departments, Public Works, Justice and Revenue Canada- Taxation, showed increases in employment since September 1987.
- Revenue Canada-Taxation employed more term employees due to increased work resulting from tax legislation changes. The other two departments indicated that transfers of responsibilities and employees from other departments were largely responsible for the increases.

##### Government Enterprises

- As compared to September 1987, employment in federal government enterprises decreased by 2% or 3,993 employees to 196,768 in September 1988.

Available on CANSIM: quarterly data located in matrix 2717; monthly data by province in matrix 2718; Canadian Armed Forces data in matrix 2720.

The July-September 1988 issue of *Federal Government Employment* (72-004, \$22/\$88) is scheduled for release in February. See "How to Order Publications".

For more information on this release contact P. Dudley (613-951-1845), Public Institutions Division.

## Data Availability Announcements

### Railway Carloadings

Ten-day period Ending January 31, 1989

#### Highlights

- Revenue freight loaded by railways in Canada during the period totalled 6.1 million tonnes, a decrease of 4.8% from the previous year.
- Piggyback traffic increased 4.1% from the same period last year. The number of cars loaded increased 4.3%.
- The tonnage of revenue freight loaded to date this year is 3.5% lower than that loaded in the previous year.

#### Railway Carloadings

	Ten-day Period ending January 31, 1989	Year-to-date
<b>Carload Traffic</b>		
Tonnes	6 093 486	19 044 707
% change from previous year	-4.8	-3.5
Cars	89,773	279,095
% change from previous year	-3.1	-2.2
<b>Piggyback Traffic</b>		
Tonnes	343 388	1 062 103
% change from previous year	4.1	1.8
Cars	11,707	36,119
% change from previous year	4.3	2.8

**Note to Users:** Piggyback traffic includes trailers and containers on flat cars. Piggyback traffic numbers are included in total carload traffic.

For more information on this release, contact Angus MacLean (613-951-2484), Surface Transport Unit, Transportation Division.

### Aviation Statistics Centre Service Bulletin

November 1988

- Preliminary operational data for the first 11 months of 1988 show that passenger-kilometres flown on unit toll domestic and international services by Level I carriers increased by 14.3% and 10.9% respectively over the same period of 1987. (Available on CANSIM: matrix 385.)
- In October 1988, total movements at the 60 Transport Canada towered airports decreased by 3.4% from October 1987, the first decline since March 1986. The decrease was due to a significant drop in the number of general aviation movements.
- In August 1988, Vancouver international airport posted a record 33,784 movements, the largest number ever recorded in one month at a Transport Canada towered airport. The largest increase in movements was in the turboprop category of aircraft, with an increase since August 1983 of 293%.
- The number of passengers travelling on domestic scheduled services totalled 3,466,660 during the second quarter of 1988, up 10.2% from the year-earlier period.
- Air passenger origin and destination data indicate that 2,097,030 passengers travelled between Canada and the United States during the second quarter of 1988, up 9.3% over the second quarter of 1987.

The November 1988 issue of the *Aviation Statistics Centre Service Bulletin* (51-004, \$8.50/\$85) will be available shortly. See "How to Order Publications".

For more information on this release, contact the Aviation Statistics Centre (819-997-1986), Transportation Division

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## Shipments of Rolled Steel

December 1988

Rolled steel shipments for December 1988 totalled 1 000 455 tonnes, a decrease of 12.1% from the preceding month's total of 1 137 727 tonnes and a decrease of 3.9% from the year-earlier level of 1 041 083 tonnes.

Year-to-date shipments totalled 13 261 522 tonnes, an increase of 4.0% compared to 12 748 778 tonnes the previous year.

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

The December 1988 issue of *Primary Iron and Steel* (41-001, \$4.50/\$45) will be available at a later date. See "How to Order Publications".

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

## Soft Drinks

January 1989

Data on soft drinks for January 1989 are now available.

Monthly Production of *Soft Drinks* (32-001, \$2.50/\$25) will be released at a later date. See "How to Order Publications".

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

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**Shipments of Solid Fuel Burning Heating Products, Quarter Ended December 1988.**  
**Catalogue number 25-002**  
(Canada: \$4.25/\$17; Other Countries: \$5.25/\$21).

**Fruit and Vegetable Preservation Service Bulletin, Vol. 17, No. 14, Pack of Processed Beets, 1988.**  
**Catalogue number 32-023**  
(Canada: \$7/\$115; Other Countries: \$8/\$125).

**Footwear Statistics, December 1988.**  
**Catalogue number 33-002**  
(Canada: \$4.50/\$45; Other Countries: \$5.50/\$55).

**Production and Sales of Phonograph Records and Pre-recorded Tapes in Canada, December 1988.**  
**Catalogue number 47-004**  
(Canada: \$4.50/\$45; Other Countries: \$5.50/\$55).

**Estimates of Labour Income, April-June 1988.**  
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(Canada: \$17.25/\$69; Other Countries: \$18.25/\$73).

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