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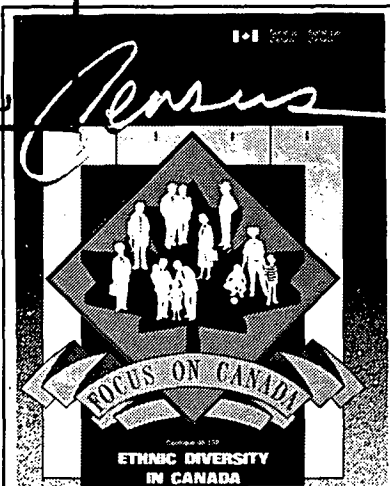
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Focus on Canada Series – Ethnic Diversity in Canada 1986 Census

Ethnic diversity is an important feature of modern Canadian life. This study reviews the changing ethnic profile of Canada and the geographic distribution of major ethnic groups. It examines the applicability of the cultural mosaic and melting pot concepts to the Canadian situation. Special attention is focussed on the population reporting multiple ethnicities. The role played by immigration is considered in the analysis.

Ethnic Diversity in Canada (98-132, \$10) is now available. See "How to Order Publications". See page 8 of today's *DAILY* for highlights.

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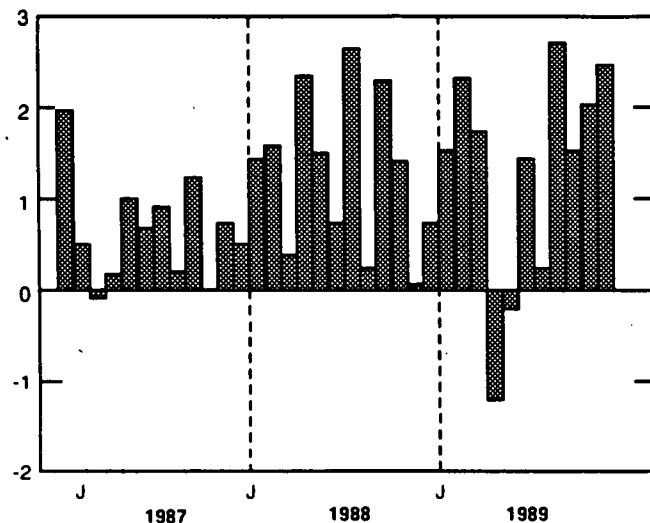
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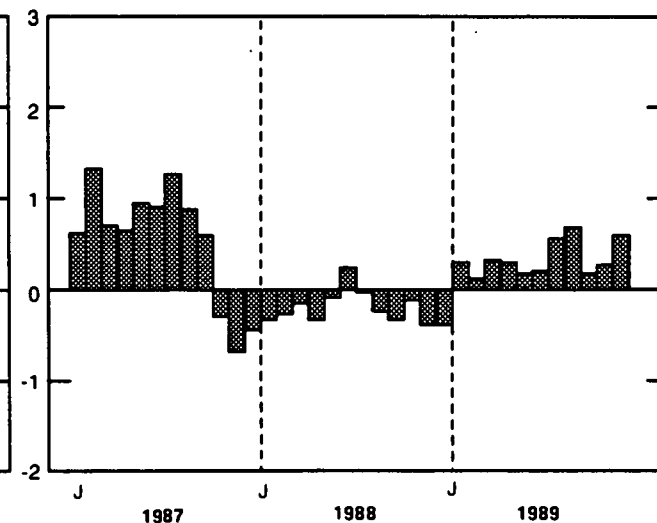
Canadian Bonds

\$ Billions



Canadian Stocks

\$ Billions



Security Transactions With Non-residents

November 1989

Canadian Securities

In November, non-residents were major buyers of Canadian bonds and stocks, acquiring, on a net basis, \$2.5 billion of Canadian bonds and nearly \$600 million of Canadian stocks.

New bond sales to non-residents, net of redemptions, doubled to \$1.7 billion in November. Sales in the current month included several large United States dollar issues placed in the Euro market, and a large placement in the Japanese domestic market. In the secondary market, net foreign investment in outstanding Canadian bonds slowed to \$757 million, compared to the large investments recorded in the previous four months, which averaged

\$1.3 billion a month. The Canada-United States long-term interest rate differential continued to widen, and reached its highest level in more than two years. Japanese investors continued to be major buyers of outstanding Canadian bonds with a net investment of \$1.1 billion, bringing their net investment since August to \$3.5 billion. This investment was channelled into a wide range of federal government issues, with maturities up to 10 years. United States investors, however, reduced their holdings of Canadian bonds by \$785 million, following a net disinvestment of \$500 million in the previous month.

Foreign investment in Canadian stocks more than doubled to \$586 million in November and included over \$200 million of new stock issues. The investment continued to come mostly from the United States. Canadian stock prices recorded a gain of 1%, as measured by the TSE 300 Composite Index. □

Foreign Securities

Residents invested, on a net basis, \$148 million in foreign bonds in November, in contrast to a small net disinvestment in the previous month. For the year-to-date, residents increased their holdings of foreign bonds by \$1.5 billion. The net investment in foreign stocks was negligible, following net investments totalling \$1.4 billion in the previous five months. In the current month, residents reduced their holdings of United States stocks, but added to holdings of overseas stocks.

The November 1989 issue of *Security Transactions With Non-residents* (67-002, \$15/\$150) will be available in February. See "How to Order Publications".

For further information on this release, contact J. Motala (613-951-9052), Balance of Payments, International and Financial Economics Division.

Security Transactions With Non-residents

(Net sales to non-residents + / net purchases from non-residents -)

Period	Canadian securities					Foreign securities		
	Bonds			Stocks		Bonds	Stocks	Total foreign securities
	Outstanding bonds (net)	New issues ¹	Total bonds		Total Canadian securities			
\$ millions								
1989								
June	119	1,323	1,443	198	1,640	348	-411	-63
July	1,051	-818	233	549	781	527	-336	191
August	1,893	824	2,717	677	3,394	-1,441	-16	-1,457
September	1,046	487	1,534	178	1,712	-462	-485	-947
October	1,259	777	2,036	254	2,290	51	-134	-83
November	757	1,699	2,456	586	3,041	-148	10	-138
January-to-November								
1988	7,398	7,251	14,651	-1,993	12,656	-249	-968	-1,217
1989	7,646	6,953	14,599	3,601	18,200	-1,547	-880	-2,427

¹ Net of retirements.

Building Permits

October 1989

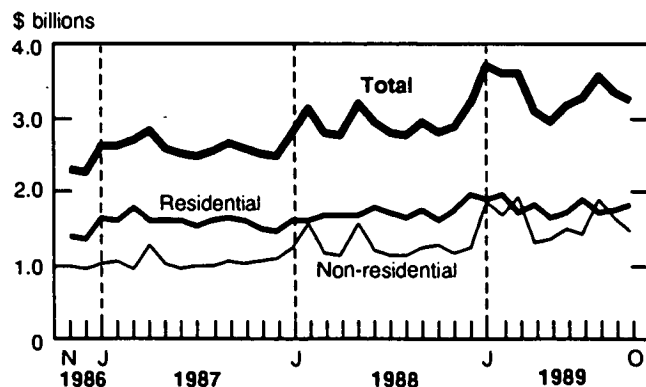
Seasonally Adjusted Data and Construction Short-term Trend Indices

Summary

The preliminary value of building permits issued in Canada was \$3,233.9 million in October, down 2.7% from \$3,323.0 million in September. This slight drop was entirely attributable to the non-residential sector.

Value of Building Permits Issued in Canada

Seasonally Adjusted



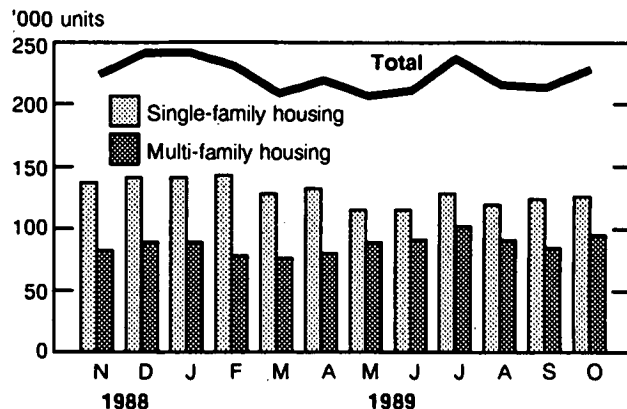
Note: Revised data for September, preliminary data for October.

Residential Sector

- The preliminary value of residential building permits increased 4.2% in October to \$1,785.5 million, from \$1,713.0 million in September.
- This increase was entirely due to the multi-family dwelling sector, which gained 19.3% to \$537.5 million. The single-family dwelling sector slipped slightly (-1.1%) to \$1,248.0 million.
- The Atlantic region was the only one to register a decrease in the value of residential building permits recorded in October.
- The number of dwelling units authorized totalled 221,232 units, at annual rate, in October (125,436 single detached and 95,796 multiple dwellings), a 5.9% increase.

Dwelling Units Authorized in Canada

Seasonally Adjusted at Annual Rates



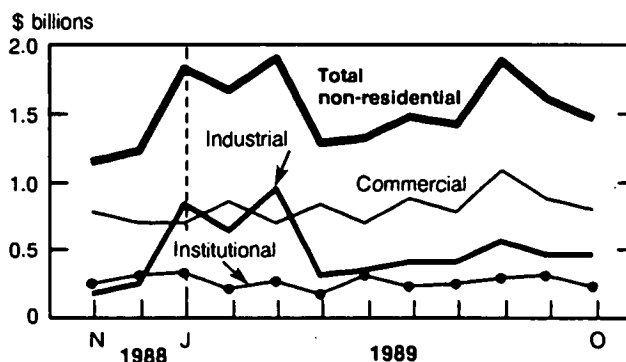
Note: Revised data for September, preliminary data for October.

Non-residential Sector

- The preliminary value of non-residential building permits decreased (-10.0%), for the second consecutive month, to \$1,448.4 million in October, from \$1,610.1 million in September.

Value of Non-residential Permits Issued in Canada

Seasonally Adjusted



Note: Revised data for September, preliminary data for October.

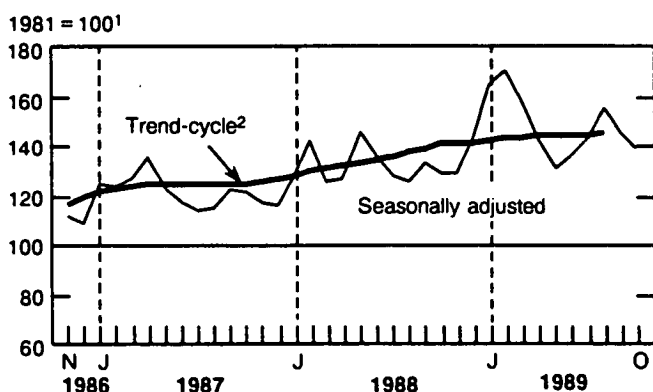
- Both the institutional sector (-23.1% to \$220.7 million) and, to a lesser extent, the commercial sector (-11.2% to \$775.0 million) were responsible for this drop. The slight gain recorded in the industrial sector (0.5% to \$452.7 million) did not offset the decrease that occurred in the other non-residential sectors.
- On a regional basis, losses in non-residential building permits in October were reported in all regions except the Prairies.

Short-term Trend

- The short-term trend of construction (excluding engineering projects) increased slightly (0.1%) in August to 144.6, from a revised level of 144.4 in July.
- The trend index of residential permits continued its drop (-0.5%) started in February 1989, to 153.6, while the non-residential trend index rose (0.8%) to 135.1 in August.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 80 (levels 3-7, 10-15), 129, 137, 443, 989-992, 994, 995 and 4073.

Building Permits Indices



¹ This series is deflated by using the construction input price index which includes cost of material and labor.

² The trend-cycle shows the seasonally-adjusted value of Building Permits without irregular influences which can obscure the short-term trend.

The October 1989 issue of *Building Permits* (64-001, \$20/\$200) is scheduled for release the last week of January.

For further information on this release, contact Louise Marmen (613-951-2583), Science, Technology and Capital Stock Division. ■

Crude Oil and Natural Gas

October 1989

Preliminary figures indicate that production of crude oil and equivalent hydrocarbons in October 1989 totalled 8.2 million cubic metres, a decrease of 5.4% from October 1988. Exports, down 8.7% from October 1988, posted a ninth decline this year. Imports were down 5.1% from October last year. As a result, year-to-date imports are now 5.9% above those recorded during the first 10 months last year. Refinery receipts in October were down 4.0% from the same month last year.

Marketable production of natural gas, at 8.0 billion cubic metres, posted a ninth consecutive gain, rising 6.6% over October 1988. Gas exports were up

17.7% over October 1988. Sales in Canada were up 0.2% for the same period. On a cumulative basis, marketable production is now up 5.5% above comparable 1988 levels, while sales are 7.8% higher than January-October 1988 sales. Exports of natural gas have increased 5.4% over the same period.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 127 and 128.

The October 1989 issue of *Crude Oil and Natural Gas Production* (26-006, \$9.50/\$95) will be available the second week of February. See "How to Order Publications".

For further information on this release, contact Gérard O'Connor (613-951-3562), Energy Section, Industry Division.

Crude Oil and Natural Gas

	October 1989	% Change from October 1988	January - October 1989	% Change from January - October 1988
(thousands of cubic metres)				
Crude oil and equivalent				
Production	8 151.4	-5.4	80 906.6	-3.0
Exports	2 999.0	-8.7	31 326.0	-8.9
Imports	1 870.5	-5.1	22 990.1	5.9
Refinery receipts	6 863.8	-4.0	72 542.0	1.3
(millions of cubic metres)				
Natural gas				
Marketable production	7 966.6	6.6	77 579.0	5.5
Exports	3 345.6	17.7	30 614.3	5.4
Canadian sales	3 988.1	0.2	44 931.8	7.8

Focus on Canada Series – Ethnic Diversity in Canada

1986 Census

Immigration continues to have an impact upon Canada's ethnic diversity. For example, among Canadian-born population in 1986, the most numerous ethnic groups were British, French, German, Aboriginal, and Ukrainian. Among Canada's immigrant population, according to the 1986 Census, the most numerous ethnic groups were British, Italian, Chinese, German, and South Asian.

Ethnic Diversity in Canada studies these and other aspects of Canada's changing ethnic composition. Written in non-technical language and illustrated with a series of graphs and tables, this publication will be a valuable resource in homes, schools and offices.

Highlights

- Many Canadians report a mixed ethnic background. In 1986, nearly seven million Canadians, or 28% of the population, reported that they were of mixed ethnic origins. For example, 17% of Canadians said their ethnic background included two ethnic groups, 7% reported an ethnic background that included three groups, and 4% reported an ethnic background that involved four or more groups.
- The most recent Census revealed that the British group comprised 34% of the population and the French 24%. Persons of both British and French ethnic backgrounds made up 5% of the country's population, while another 13% had a mixed ethnic

heritage of British and/or French and other origins. A quarter of Canadians reported neither British nor French origins. By contrast, in 1901, 57% of Canadians reported British, 31% gave French and 12% had neither a British nor French ethnic background.

- Successive waves of immigration have influenced the ethnic composition of Canada. The censuses of 1911 to 1931 recorded that immigrants comprised 22% of the country's population. Since then, the proportion of immigrants in Canada's population has declined. Since 1951, immigrants have represented about 16% of Canada's population.
- Of those immigrants who came to Canada prior to 1961, 87% were from Europe, 7% from the United States, 3% from Asia, and 3% from the Caribbean, South and Central America, Africa, and Oceania (includes Australia, New Zealand and the Pacific Islands) combined.
- In contrast, of those immigrants who came to Canada between 1981 and 1986, 43% came from Asia, 29% from Europe, 7% from the United States and over 20% from the Caribbean, South and Central America, Africa and Oceania.

Ethnic Diversity in Canada (98-132, \$10) is one of the 16 publications in the **Focus on Canada Series**. This series highlights social trends and issues based on results from the 1986 Census of Population.

For further information on this or any of the publications in the **Focus on Canada Series**, contact your nearest Regional Reference Centre. ■

DATA AVAILABILITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Railway Carloadings

Seven-day Period Ending January 14, 1990

Revenue freight loaded by railways in Canada during the week totalled 5.0 million tonnes, an increase of 12.0% over the same period last year.

Piggyback traffic increased 2.7% and the number of cars loaded increased 3.1% over the same period last year.

The tonnage of revenue freight loaded to date this year is 7.7% higher than that loaded in the previous year.

Note: Piggyback traffic includes trailers and containers on flat cars. Piggyback traffic numbers are included in total carload traffic. All 1989 figures have been revised.

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

Imports by Commodity (H.S. Based)

November 1989

Commodity-country import trade statistics based on the Harmonized System (H.S.) for November 1989 are now available on microfiche, computer printouts or magnetic tapes in advance of the monthly publication.

Available on CANSIM (for selected information):
matrices 3887-3913 and 3718.

The November 1989 issue of *Imports by Commodity (H.S. Based)* (65-007, \$52.50/\$525) will be available the second week of February 1990. See "How to Order Publications".

For further information on this release, contact Gordon Blaney (613-951-9647), International Trade Division. ■

Stocks of Canadian Grain

December 31, 1989

The estimates of the stocks of Canadian wheat, durum wheat, oats, barley, rye, flaxseed, canola, soybeans and corn at December 31, 1989 will be released January 26, 1990 at 15:00 hrs. Data on stocks held both on farms and in commercial positions are included. This report provides the first mid-year information on the quantities of grains and oilseeds available for export and domestic use for the 1989-90 crop year.

Also included in the report are the 1989 average yields of spring wheat seeded on summerfallow and stubble land in Western Canada.

For further information, contact the Crop Reporting Unit, (613-951-8717), Agriculture Division. ■

Grain Marketing Situation Report

December 1989

The situation report for December is now available. This report presents up-to-date information on the Canadian and world grain supply and market situation.

For further information on this release, contact Karen Gray (204-983-2856), Agriculture Division. ■

Potato Chip, Pretzel and Popcorn Industry

1987 Census of Manufactures

In 1987, the value of shipments and other revenue for the potato chip, pretzel and popcorn industry (SIC 1093) totalled \$613.8 million, up 5.9% over \$579.8 million in 1986.

Data for the industry will be published at a later date (31-203, \$58). See "How to Order Publications".

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

Household Products of Textile Materials Industry

1987 Census of Manufactures

In 1987, the value of shipments and other revenue for the household products of textile materials industry (SIC 1993) totalled \$654.6 million, up 11.5% over \$587.0 million in 1986.

Data for the industry will be published at a later date (31-203, \$58). See "How to Order Publications".

For further information on this release, contact Andy Shinnan (613-951-3510), Industry Division. ■

Indicating and Recording Instruments Industry

1987 Census of Manufactures

In 1987, the value of shipments and other revenue for the indicating and recording instruments industry (SIC 3911) totalled \$1,175.1 million, up 9.2% over \$1,076.0 million in 1986.

Data for the industry will be published at a later date (31-203, \$58). See "How to Order Publications".

For further information on this release, contact Bob Wright (613-951-3514), Industry Division. ■

Other Textile Products Industries Including Tire Cord Fabric Industry

1987 Census of Manufactures

In 1987, the value of shipments and other revenue for the other textile products industries including tire cord fabric industry (SIC 1998) totalled \$708.8 million, up 5.9% over \$669.1 million in 1986.

Data for the industry will be published at a later date (31-203, \$58). See "How to Order Publications".

For further information on this release, contact Andy Shinnan (613-951-3510), Industry Division. ■

Other Manufactured Products Industries, n.e.c.

1987 Census of Manufactures

In 1987, the value of shipments and other revenue for the other manufactured products industries, n.e.c. (SIC 3999) totalled \$1,074.1 million, up 8.6% over \$989.1 million in 1986.

Data for the industry will be published at a later date (31-203, \$58). See "How to Order Publications".

For further information on this release, contact Bob Wright (613-951-3514), Industry Division. ■

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Field Crop Reporting Series No. 1, Stocks of Canadian Grains at December 31, 1989.

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(Canada: \$72; Other Countries: \$78)

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Focus on Canada - Ethnic Diversity in Canada, Census 1986.

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(Canada: \$10; Other Countries: \$11).

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