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Marine Transport Statistics for Canadian Ports

International Shipping, 1989 Final Data

International cargo tonnage handled at Canadian ports in 1989 amounted to 239 million tonnes, a decline of 4% from the 1988 record level of 250 million tonnes. Tonnage loaded decreased by 7% from 1988, to 159 million tonnes, whereas international cargo arrivals increased by 2% to 80 million tonnes in 1989.

Detailed statistics for 1989 will appear in the publication *Shipping in Canada* (54-205, \$41), available early next year. See "How to Order Publications".

For further information on this release, contact Andrea Mathieson (613-951-0291), Marine Transport Unit, Transportation Division.

The Dairy Review

October 1990

Creamery butter production in Canada totalled 6 912 tonnes in October, a 4.9% decrease from a year earlier. Production of cheddar cheese amounted to 9817 tonnes, an increase of 13.6% over October 1989.

An estimated 588 120 kilolitres of milk were sold off Canadian farms for all purposes in September 1990, an increase of 0.5% from September 1989. This brought the total estimate of milk sold off farms during the first nine months of 1990 to 5 614 560 kilolitres, a decrease of 0.4% from the January-September 1989 period.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 3428, 5632-5638, 5650-5661, 5664-5667 and 5673.

The October 1990 issue of *The Dairy Review* (23-001, \$12.20/\$122) is scheduled for release on January 8. See "How to Order Publications".

For further information, contact David Burroughs (613-951-2510), Agriculture Division.

Shipments of Rolled Steel

October 1990

Rolled steel shipments for October 1990 totalled 768 250 tonnes, a decrease of 8.7% from the preceding month's total of 841 269 tonnes and a decrease of 30.8% from the year-earlier level of 1110 175 tonnes.

Year-to-date shipments totalled 10 144 463 tonnes, a decrease of 10.3% compared to 11 306 370 tonnes the previous year.

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

The October 1990 issue of *Primary Iron and Steel* (41-001, \$5/\$50) will be available at a later date. See "How to Order Publications".

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

Steel Primary Forms

Week Ending December 8,1990

Preliminary estimates indicate that Canadian steel primary forms production for the week ending December 8,1990 totalled 194333 tonnes, an increase of 9.2% from the preceding week's total of 177 889 tonnes but down 30.9% from the year-earlier level of 281 067 tonnes. The cumulative total in 1990 was 11 422 079 tonnes, a decrease of 21.5% from 14546 335 tonnes for the same period in 1989.

For more detailed information on this release, contact Greg Milsom (613-951-9827), Industry Division.

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Consumer Price Index, November 1990. Catalogue number 62-001 (Canada: \$9.30/\$93.00; United States: US\$11.20/\$112.00; Other Countries: US\$13.00/\$130.00). Available Friday, December 14 at 7 a.m..

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