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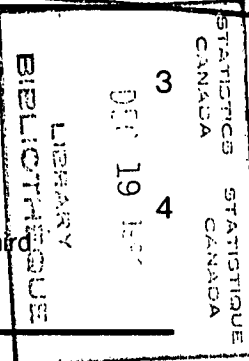
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- **Preliminary Statement of Canadian International Trade, October 1990**
Merchandise trade remained very strong in October.
- **Capacity Utilization in Canadian Manufacturing Industries, Third Quarter 1990**
Capacity utilization in manufacturing industries dropped 1.4% to 78% in the third quarter as production fell.



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Migration Estimates by Census Division

1988-89

Annual migration estimates are available at the census division level. These estimates are now available for the period 1988-89, presented in four different tables as follows:

- Population movements for census divisions by province of origin and/or destination;
- Migration by five age groups;
- Migration by type and by sex: interprovincial, intraprovincial, international;
- Major flows by census division of origin/destination.

For more information on these estimates, inquiries can be directed to the Small Area and Administrative Data Division (613-951-9720).



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Preliminary Statement of Canadian International Trade

October 1990

Exports increased in October by \$569.4 million over September levels, to reach \$12.7 billion, the highest level registered in the last 10 years. Exports of automotive products advanced considerably, following declines in August and September. The largest increase was posted for passenger cars, up by \$267.4 million. Increased exports were also observed in the machinery and equipment sector, chiefly as a result of a \$100.8 million increase in exports of aircraft.

Total imports also increased in October, by \$984.7 million to \$11.9 billion, higher than any previous monthly level. Energy products registered the highest increase (\$323.5 million), due mostly to an increase in crude petroleum imports of \$219 million. This increase was a direct result of higher prices emanating from the Persian Gulf crisis and of larger volumes. A large increase was also observed in the machinery and equipment sector (\$283.5 million), but year-to-date imports were less than those recorded in 1989.

The larger increase in imports compared to exports generated a decline in the trade surplus in October to \$802.6 million, down by \$415.3 million from the revised September level. This follows surpluses of \$1.2 billion observed in both August and September. The only trading area with which Canada had a surplus in October was the United States (\$1.7 billion), though the balance was lower by \$180.2 million than the September level.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 3620-3629, 3651, 3685-3713, 3718, 3719, 3887-3913.

Current account data, which incorporate merchandise trade statistics as well as data concerning trade in services and capital account movements, are available on a quarterly basis in *Canada's Balance of International Payments* (67-001).

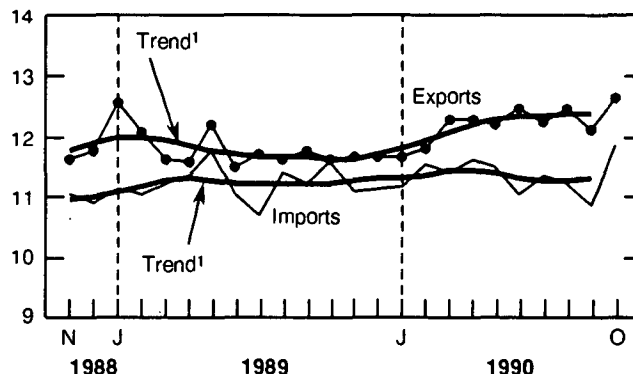
For further information on international trade statistics (detailed tables, charts and a more complete analysis) order *Preliminary Statement of Canadian International Trade* (65-001P, \$10/\$100), now available. See "How to Order Publications".

For more detailed information on statistics, concepts and definitions, order the October 1990

Merchandise Trade

Seasonally Adjusted
 Balance of Payments Basis

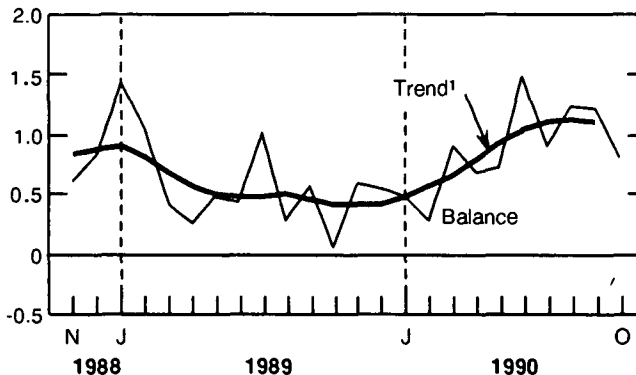
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Merchandise Trade Balance

Seasonally Adjusted
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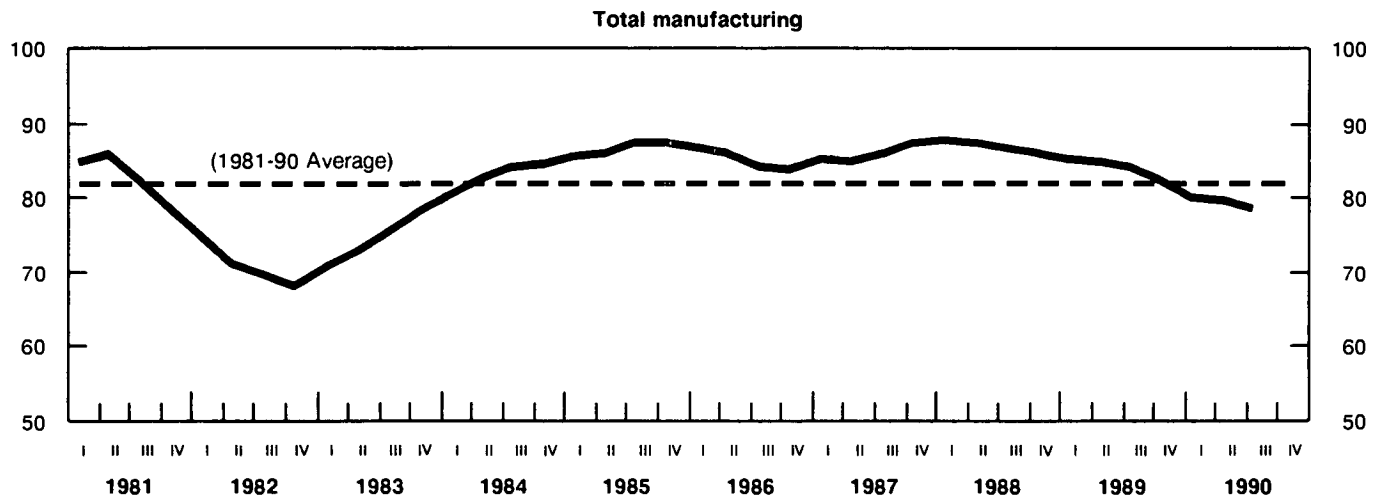
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¹ The short-term trend represents a weighted average of the data.

issue of *Summary of Canadian International Trade* (65-001, \$18.20/\$182), available the first week of January 1991, or contact Gordon Blaney (613-951-9647), Trade Information Unit, or Marlene Sterpan (613-951-1711) (for analysis information), or Denis Pilon (613-951-4808) (for price index information), Trade Measures and Analysis Section, International Trade Division.

Capacity Utilization Rates, 1981-1990



Capacity Utilization in Canadian Manufacturing Industries

Third Quarter 1990

Capacity utilization in the manufacturing industries dropped 1.4% to 78% in the third quarter as production fell. The decline in production reflected reduced demand along with strikes in some of the manufacturing industries. This movement in capacity utilization continues a steady decline from a peak of 87.1% in the first quarter of 1988.

In the durable goods industries, the capacity utilization rate dropped 1% in the third quarter to 76.2%.

- With the decline in construction activity, capacity utilization fell by 6.1% in the wood industries and by 4.1% in the non-metallic mineral products industries.
- Coinciding with the reduction in building construction and housing starts was a decline in expenditures on furniture and fixtures. The furniture and fixtures industries saw their rate of capacity utilization deteriorate by 3.5%.
- A strike in the steel industry accounted for the 3.7% reduction in the primary metals industries' rate of capacity utilization.

- As exports of motor vehicles grew in the third quarter, capacity utilization expanded 2.3% in the transportation equipment manufacturing industries.

In non-durable goods manufacturing industries, the capacity utilization rate fell 1.6% in the third quarter to 80.1%.

- With weak markets for clothing and textile products such as carpets, capacity utilization in the primary textiles industries fell 10.6%. Other intermediate-input producing industries also faced lower demand for their output. Rubber products and plastic products rates of capacity utilization dropped 7% and 3.5%, respectively.
- Decreased exports combined with work stoppages explain the 3.7% drop in capacity utilization in the paper and allied industries.
- Increased consumer demand for food and beverages led to higher production levels, with capacity utilization rates rising 0.7% and 1.9%, respectively.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 3540.

For further information on this release, contact D. Wallace (613-951-9685) or R. Landry (613-951-2579), Investment and Capital Stock Division. □

Capacity Utilization Rates in Canadian Manufacturing Industries

Third Quarter 1990 and Quarterly Percentage Changes

Industry	QIII 1990	QII 1990	QI 1990	QIV 1989	Quarterly % Change		
					QIII 1990/ QII 1990	QII 1990/ QI 1990	QI 1990/ QIV 1989
Total Manufacturing	78.0	79.1	79.6	81.7	-1.4	-0.6	-2.6
Durable Manufacturing Industries	76.2	77.0	76.8	79.8	-1.0	0.3	-3.8
Wood Industries	77.4	82.4	85.6	86.7	-6.1	-3.7	-1.3
Furniture and Fixtures	64.0	66.3	69.0	72.8	-3.5	-3.9	-5.2
Primary Metals	84.2	87.4	86.4	89.1	-3.7	1.2	-3.0
Fabricated Metal Products	76.9	77.3	76.8	79.2	-0.5	0.7	-3.0
Machinery	68.6	69.8	71.6	74.0	-1.7	-2.5	-3.2
Transportation Equipment	72.7	71.1	66.2	72.2	2.3	7.4	-8.3
Electrical and Electronic Products	79.8	79.3	82.4	84.8	0.6	-3.8	-2.8
Non-metallic Mineral Products	77.0	80.3	83.1	83.8	-4.1	-3.4	-0.8
Other Manufacturing Industries	77.1	76.1	75.6	76.2	1.3	0.7	-0.8
Non-durable Manufacturing Industries	80.1	81.4	82.6	83.7	-1.6	-1.5	-1.3
Food Industry	81.4	80.8	80.9	81.3	0.7	-0.1	-0.5
Beverage Industry	76.9	75.5	75.8	77.4	1.9	-0.4	-2.1
Tobacco Products	65.8	65.4	65.8	70.2	0.6	-0.6	-6.3
Rubber Products	78.2	84.1	85.4	88.9	-7.0	-1.5	-3.9
Plastic Products	68.4	70.9	73.3	75.7	-3.5	-3.3	-3.2
Leather and Allied Products	69.6	73.8	77.8	78.6	-5.7	-5.1	-1.0
Primary Textiles	76.1	85.1	86.9	86.8	-10.6	-2.1	0.1
Textile Products	72.8	74.9	75.6	77.5	-2.8	-0.9	-2.5
Clothing Industry	76.2	75.8	78.2	81.3	0.5	-3.1	-3.8
Paper and Allied Products	83.2	86.4	87.3	88.9	-3.7	-1.0	-1.8
Printing, Publishing and Allied Industries	73.1	74.9	78.3	79.8	-2.4	-4.3	-1.9
Refined Petroleum and Coal Products	88.7	87.7	93.1	91.4	1.1	-5.8	1.9
Chemicals and Chemical Products	88.2	89.4	89.3	89.0	-1.3	0.1	0.3

DATA AVAILABILITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Export and Import Price Indexes

October 1990

Current and fixed weighted export and import price indexes, on a balance of payments basis, are now available on a 1986=100 basis. Price indexes are listed from January 1986 to October 1990 for the five commodity sections and 62/61 major commodity groups.

Customs based current and fixed weighted U.S. price indexes are also available. Price indexes are listed from January 1986 to October 1990 on a 1986=100 basis. Included with the U.S. commodity indexes are the 10 "All Countries" and "U.S. only" SITC section indexes.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 3620-3629.

The October 1990 issue of *Summary of Canadian International Trade (H.S. Based)* (65-001, \$18.20/\$182) will be available the first week of January. See "How to Order Publications".

For further information on this release, contact Denis Pilon (613-951-4808), Price Index Unit, International Trade Division. ■

Railway Carloadings

Nine-day Period Ending November 30, 1990

Highlights

- Revenue freight loaded by railways in Canada during the week totalled 6.3 million tonnes, an increase of 2.7% over the same period last year.
- Piggyback traffic decreased 14.5% from the same period last year. The number of cars loaded decreased 7.8% during the same period.
- The tonnage of revenue freight loaded to date this year is 1.4% lower 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 and 1990 cumulative data have been revised.

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

Railway Carloadings

October 1990

Revenue freight loaded by railways in Canada totalled 21.5 million tonnes in October 1990, a decrease of 3.5% from the October 1989 figure. The carriers received an additional 1.0 million tonnes from United States connections.

Total loadings in Canada for the year to date showed a decrease of 1.4% from the 1989 period, while receipts from United States connections showed an increase of 2.5%. All 1989 figures and 1990 cumulative data have been revised.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 1431.

The October 1990 issue of *Railway Carloadings* (52-001, \$8.30/\$83) is to be released the third week of December.

For seasonally adjusted revenue freight loadings, contact Angus MacLean (613-951-2484), Transportation Division. ■

Production, Shipments and Stocks on Hand of Sawmills in British Columbia

October 1990

Sawmills in British Columbia produced 2 930 500 cubic metres of lumber and ties in October 1990, a decrease of 6.2% from the 3 122 800 cubic metres produced in October 1989.

January to October 1990 production was 28 633 400 cubic metres, a decrease of 5.4% from the 30 278 800 cubic metres produced over the same period in 1989.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 53 (series 1.2, 2.2 and 3.2).

The October 1990 issue of *Production, Shipments and Stocks on Hand of Sawmills in British Columbia* (35-003, \$7.10/\$71) will be available at a later date. See "How to Order Publications".

For more detailed 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. ■

Electric Lamps

November 1990

Canadian light bulb and tube manufacturers sold 22,856,758 light bulbs and tubes in November 1990, a decrease of 6.4% from the 24,417,253 units sold a year earlier.

Year-to-date sales for 1990 amounted to 233,018,879 light bulbs and tubes, up 4.1% from the 223,838,916 sold during the same period in 1989.

The November 1990 issue of *Electric Lamps* (43-009, \$5/\$50) will be available at a later date. See "How to Order Publications".

For more detailed information on this release, contact Laurie Vincent (613-951-3523), Industry Division. ■

User's Guide

To 1986 Census Data

A User's Guide to the 1986 Census data is now available. This guide refers to mobility status (ISBN 0-660-13340-7, \$23/\$24).

For more information, please call Sonia Thériault (613-951-0490), Census Operations Division. ■

Processed Fruits and Vegetables

October 1990

Data on processed fruits and vegetables for October 1990 are now available.

The publication *Canned and Frozen Fruits and Vegetables-Monthly* (32-011, \$5/\$50) will be released at a later date. See "How to Order Publications".

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



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Oils and Fats, October 1990.

Catalogue number 32-006

(Canada: \$5.00/\$50.00; United States:
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US\$7.00/US\$70.00).

Steel Wire and Specified Wire Products, October 1990.

Catalogue number 41-006

(Canada: \$5.00/\$50.00; United States:
US\$6.00/US\$60.00; Other Countries:
US\$7.00/US\$70.00).

Industrial Corporations: Financial Statistics, Third Quarter 1990.

Catalogue number 61-003P

(Canada: \$16.50/\$66.00; United States:
US\$19.75/US\$79.00; Other Countries:
US\$23.00/US\$92.00).

Preliminary Statement of Canadian International Trade, October 1990.

Catalogue number 65-001P

(Canada: \$10.00/\$100.00; United States:
US\$12.00/US\$120.00; Other Countries:
US\$14.00/US\$140.00).

Touriscope, International Travel, Advance Information, October 1990.

Catalogue number 66-001P

(Canada: \$6.10/\$61.00; United States:
US\$7.30/US\$73.00; Other Countries:
US\$8.50/US\$85.00).

International Student Participation in Canadian Education, 1989.

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