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Department Store Sales by Province and Metropolitan Area

March 1990

Department stores sales including concessions totalled \$1,029 million in March 1990, up 4.6% over the March 1989 level of \$984 million. Concessions sales totalled \$78.8 million, 7.7% of total department store sales.

Department store sales during March 1990 for the provinces and the 10 metropolitan areas surveyed were as follows (with the percentage change from March 1989 in parentheses):

Department Stores Sales Including Concessions

Province

- Newfoundland, \$13.9 million (+20.1%)
- Prince Edward Island, \$6.3 million (-1.8%)
- Nova Scotia, \$32.6 million (-1.4%)
- New Brunswick, \$21.6 million (+3.4%)
- Quebec, \$193.3 million (+4.8%)
- Ontario, \$423.5 million (+3.8%)
- Manitoba, \$44.5 million (+5.7%)
- Saskatchewan, \$30.0 million (+4.6%)
- Alberta, \$116.2 million (+4.0%)
- British Columbia, \$147.2 million (+7.3%).

Metropolitan Area

- Calgary, \$44.8 million (+2.5%)
- Edmonton, \$50.6 million (+4.6%)
- Halifax-Dartmouth, \$17.8 million (-4.1%)
- Hamilton, \$30.3 million (+1.7%)
- Montreal, \$105.1 million (+4.2%)
- Ottawa-Hull, \$47.8 million (+3.3%)
- Quebec City, \$27.3 million (+3.0%)
- Toronto, \$168.9 million (+2.8%)
- Vancouver, \$82.6 million (+5.4%)
- Winnipeg, \$39.7 million (+3.1%).

Department Stores Sales Excluding Concessions

Province

- Newfoundland, \$12.2 million (+18.7%)
- Prince Edward Island, \$6.1 million (+0.3%) Q Q Section.
- Nova Scotia, \$30.0 million (-2.7%)
- New Brunswick, \$19.8 million (+2.8%)

Note to Users:

Trading days have a significant impact on department store sales. Estimates shown in this release are not adjusted for trading day differences.

Users should note that the year-over-year movements for some provinces and census metropolitan areas are exaggerated due to the inclusion of some outlets previously classified to the general merchandise category.

Data users should also note that monthly department stores sales including and excluding concessions for the January 1989 to February 1990 period have been revised to incorporate late responses. A concession is a separately owned business usually operated as a department within the department store premises, under licence or contractual agreement.

Information on department store sales and stocks by department will be released in *The Daily* during the week of May 28, 1990.

- Quebec, \$181.4 million (+4.2%)
- Ontario, \$389.6 million (+3.6%)
- Manitoba, \$39.9 million (+4.5%)
- Saskatchewan, \$27.2 million (+3.5%)
- Alberta, \$107.3 million (+3.6%)
- British Columbia, \$136.7 million (+6.6%).

Metropolitan Area

- Calgary, \$40.9 million (+2.5%)
- Edmonton, \$47.1 million (+3.2%)
- Halifax-Dartmouth, \$16.5 million (-5.5%)
- Hamilton, \$27.8 million (+0.6%)
- Montreal, \$99.4 million (+3.6%)
- Ottawa-Hull, \$45.0 million (+3.1%)
- Quebec City, \$25.7 million (+2.1%)
- Toronto, \$157.9 million (+2.9%)
- Vancouver, \$77.3 million (+5.3%)
- Winnipeg, \$36.0 million (+2.5%).

Order the March 1990 issue of *Department Store Monthly Sales, by Province and Selected Metropolitan Area* (63-004, \$2/\$20), available the fourth week of May. See-"How to Order Publications".

For further information on this release, contact Maurice Massaad (613-951-9682), Retail Trade Section, Industry Division.

Aviation Statistics Centre Service Bulletin

February 1990

Preliminary operational data on scheduled services reported by Air Canada and Canadian Airlines International for the two first months of 1990 show that domestic passenger-kilometres decreased 8.8%, while international passenger-kilometres increased 12.9% over the same period of 1989.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 385.

In November 1989, total movements at the 60 Transport Canada towered airports decreased 0.1% from November 1988.

Preliminary fourth quarter 1989 data show an increase of 12.8% (21 061 tonnes) in total enplaned and deplaned cargo on major scheduled services over the same period in 1988. Over 90% of this increase occurred on domestic segments.

During the third quarter of 1989, the number of passengers on domestic scheduled services for all city-pairs totalled 3,486,910, down 7.7% compared to the third quarter of 1988. In addition, a decrease of 5.8% was also recorded for the top 25 city-pairs, the first such decline in 1989.

The total number of Canadian registered civil aircraft with a valid certificate of airworthiness decreased 10.2% from the 1986 level, to 16,154 in 1987. Hours flown by these aircraft increased 4.7% to 3,321,519.

The Vol. 22, No. 5 issue of the *Aviation Statistics Centre Service Bulletin* (51-004, \$8.90/\$89) will be available shortly. See "How to Order Publications".

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

Oils and Fats

March 1990

Production by Canadian manufacturers of all types of deodorized oils in March 1990 totalled 52 085 tonnes, an increase of 2.2% over the 50 982 tonnes produced in February 1990. The 1990 year-to-date production totalled 149 561 tonnes, an increase of 3.0% over the corresponding 1989 figure of 145 162^r tonnes.

Manufacturers' packaged sales of shortening totalled 10 268 tonnes in March 1990, down from the 10 364 tonnes sold the previous month. The cumulative sales to date were 27 742 tonnes,

compared to the cumulative sales of 28 330 tonnes in 1989.

Sales of packaged salad oil increased to 7 263 tonnes in March 1990, from 6 646 tonnes in February 1990. The cumulative sales-to-date in 1990 were 19 542 tonnes, compared to the cumulative sales of 21 480r tonnes in 1989.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 184.

The March 1990 issue of *Oils and Fats* (32-006, \$5/\$50) will be available at a later date. See "How to Order Publications".

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

Steel Exports

April 1990 (Preliminary)

Data on preliminary steel exports for April 1990 are now available.

The final data will be published in *Primary Iron* and Steel, April 1990 (41-001, \$5/\$50). See "How to Order Publications".

For further information on this release, contact G.W. Barrett (613-951-3515), Industry Division.

Cable Television

1989

Information is now available for the cable television industry for 1989.

The Communications Service Bulletin, Vol. 20, No. 4 (56-001, \$8.20/\$49) is scheduled for release the week of May 21. See "How to Order Publications".

For further information on this release, contact J.R. Slattery (613-951-2205), Services, Science and Technology Division.

Radio/Television Industry

1989

Information for 1989 is now available for the radio/television industry.

The Vol. 20 No. 5 issue of the Communications Service Bulletin (56-001, \$8.20/\$49) is scheduled for release the week of May 28. See "How to Order Publications".

For further information on this release, contact J.R. Slattery (613-951-2205), Services, Science and Technology Division.



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Fruit and Vegetable Preservation Service Bulletin, Vol. 18, No. 8, Pack of Processed Beans, Green and Wax, 1989.

Catalogue number 32-023

(Canada: \$7.80/\$127.00; United States: US\$9.30/US\$152.00; Other Countries:

US\$10.90/US\$178.00).

Passenger Bus and Urban Transit Statistics,

March 1990.

Catalogue Number 53-003

(Canada: \$7.10/\$71.00; United States: US\$8.50/US\$85.00; Other Countries:

US\$9.90/US\$99.00).

Farm Product Price Index, March 1990. Catalogue Number 62-003

(Canada: \$7.10/\$71.00; United States: US\$8.50/US\$85.00; Other Countries: US\$9.90/US\$99.00).

Preliminary Statement of Canadian International Trade (H.S. Based), March 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).

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