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On the basis of rate structure information, sales in March 1990 were broken down as follows, with the percentage changes from March 1989 in brackets: residential sales, 1 741.4 million cubic metres (-10.0%); commercial sales, 1 396.2 million cubic metres (-12.6%) and industrial sales (including direct sales) 2 888.3 million cubic metres (-2.7%).

Year-to-date figures for the first three months of 1990 indicate that sales of natural gas amounted to 19 113.5 million cubic metres, a 4.1% decrease from the level recorded during the same period of 1989.

On the basis of rate structure information, year-to-date sales were broken down as follows, with the percentage changes from 1989 in brackets: residential sales 5 873.7 million cubic metres (-5.2%); commercial sales, 4 758.1 million cubic metres (-6.0%); and industrial sales (including direct sales) 8 481.7 million cubic metres (-2.3%).

Order the March 1990 issue of *Gas Utilities* (55-002, \$12.10/\$121), available the third week of June. See "How to Order Publications".

For further information on this release, contact Gary Smalldridge (613-951-3567), Energy Section, Industry Division.

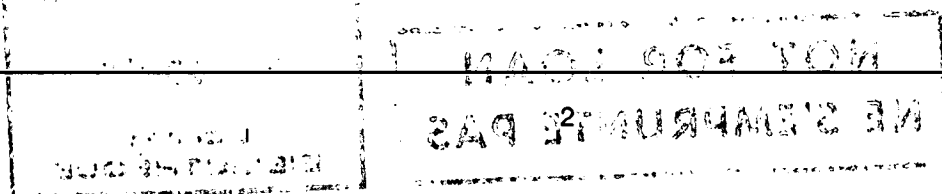
Sales of Natural Gas – Preliminary Data

March 1990

	Rate structure				
	Residential	Commercial	Industrial	Direct	Total
	thousands of cubic metres				
New Brunswick	—	—	—	—	—
Quebec	93 975	191 736	377 654	4 650	668 015
Ontario	888 932	597 276	898 347	151 781	2 536 336
Manitoba	90 339	93 430	42 908	1 040	227 717
Saskatchewan	116 000	80 000	15 000	90 000	301 000
Alberta	373 116	285 031	975 556	—	1 633 703
British Columbia	179 067	148 763	171 067	160 271	659 168
March 1990 – Canada	1 741 429	1 396 236	2 480 532	407 742	6 025 939
March 1989 – Canada	1 939 707	1 596 981	2 612 350	355 535	6 504 573
% change	-10.0	-12.6	-2.7		-7.4
Year-to-date Canada 1990	5 873 693	4 758 144	7 185 081	1 296 599	19 113 517
Year-to-date Canada 1989	6 197 925	5 064 445	7 543 999	1 133 516	19 939 885
% change	-5.2	-6.0	-2.3		-4.1

Note: Revised figures will be available in the "Gas Utilities" publication (55-002) as well as on CANSIM.

— Nil or zero.



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March 1990

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



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