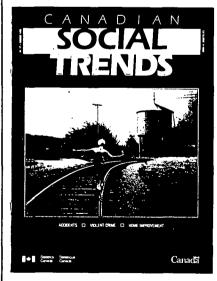


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Canadian Social Trends

Attacks and the threat of violence are the crimes that Canadians fear most, according to the lead story in the Summer issue of Canadian Social Trends. An estimated 1.7 million incidents of assault, robbery and sexual assault occurred in Canada in 1987 for a rate of 83 violent incidents per 1,000 people aged 15 and over. The majority of these incidents (65%) involved a physical attack, such as being hit, kicked, slapped, knocked down, or pushed. Approximately one-fifth of all physical attacks caused the victims to experience difficulty conducting their normal activities.

The highest rates of victimization were in urban areas. The people most likely to be victimized were men aged 15-24.

Rates of victimization were also high among people who participated in 30 or more evening activities outside their homes each month, and among those whose weekly consumption of alcohol amounted to 14 or more drinks.

As well as violent victimization, the Summer 1990 issue of Canadian Social Trends presents companion articles on homicide and policing. Other articles deal with home improvement, changes in educational attainment, Canada's demographic future, accidents, secretaries, and time use of the elderly.

Further information is available from the editors (613-951-2560). Order Canadian Social Trends (11-008E, \$34 for four issues) from Publication Sales (613-951-7277).

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Department Store Sales by Province and Metropolitan Area

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May 1990

Highlights

Department stores sales including concessions totalled \$1,127 million in May 1990, down 1.4% from the May 1989 level of \$1,144 million. Adjusted for the number of trading days, department store sales decreased 3.3% on a year-over-year basis. Concessions sales totalled \$88.9 million, 7.9% of total department store sales.

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

Department Store Sales Including Concessions

Province

- Newfoundland, \$14.9 million (+17.1%);
- Prince Edward Island, \$6.7 million (-4.8%);
- Nova Scotia, \$35.5 million (-2.3%);
- New Brunswick, \$23.5 million (-6.4%);
- Quebec, \$228.3 million (-3.3%);
- Ontario, \$461.0 million (-2:8%);
- Manitoba, \$49.0 million (-0.9%);
- Saskatchewan, \$31.4 million (-0.5%);
- Alberta, \$122.0 million (+0.4%);
- British Columbia, \$155.1 million (+3.6%).

Metropolitan Area

- Calgary, \$46.5 million (-1.3%);
- Edmonton, \$53.3 million (-0.3%);
- Halifax-Dartmouth, \$19.4 million (-2.9%);
- Hamilton, \$32.3 million (-6.9%);
- Montreal, \$124.2 million (-3.6%);
- Ottawa-Hull, \$53.7 million (-1.6%);
- Quebec City, \$32.7 million (-3.3%);
- Toronto, \$178.8 million (-5.8%);
- Vancouver, \$85.2 million (-1.2%);
- Winnipeg, \$43.3 million (-3.7%).

Note to Users:

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.

Information on department store sales and stocks by department will be released in <u>The Daily</u> during the week of July 23.

Department Stores Sales Excluding Concessions

Province

- Newfoundland, \$12.9 million (+15.7%);
- Prince Edward Island, \$6.1 million (-6.1%);
- Nova Scotia, \$32.6 million (-2.5%);
- New Brunswick, \$21.5 million (-6.3%);
- Quebec, \$213.7 million (-3.8%);
- Ontario, \$422.2 million (-3.4%);
- Manitoba, \$44.1 million (-1.1%);
- Saskatchewan, \$28.5 million (-1.5%);
- Alberta, \$112.6 million (-0.6%);
- British Columbia, \$144.2 million (+3.5%).

Metropolitan Area

- Calgary, \$42.5 million (-1.6%);
- Edmonton, \$49.3 million (-2.8%);
- Halifax-Dartmouth, \$18.1 million (-3.6%);
- Hamilton, \$29.5 million (-8.5%);
- Montreal, \$117.4 million (-4.2%);
- Ottawa-Hull. \$50.5 million (-2.0%);
- Quebec City, \$30.6 million (-4.3%);
- Toronto, \$165.6 million (-6.6%);
- Vancouver, \$79.7 million (-1.7%);
- Winnipeg, \$39.4 million (-3.4%).

Available on CANSIM: matrices 111 and 112 (levels 10-12).

Order the May 1990 issue of Department Store Monthly Sales, by Province and Selected Metropolitan Area (63-004, \$2.70/\$27), available the fourth week of July. See "How to Order Publications".

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

Railway Carloadings

Nine-day Period Ending June 30, 1990

Revenue freight loaded by railways in Canada during the week totalled 5.7 million tonnes, a decrease of 5.7% from the same period last year.

Piggyback traffic decreased 14.9% and the number of cars loaded decreased 12.2% from the same period last year.

The tonnage of revenue freight loaded to date this year is 3.7% 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 and 1990 cumulative data have been revised.

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

Railway Operating Statistics

March 1990

The seven major railways reported a combined net income of \$20.1 million in March 1990. Operating revenues of \$619.3 million were down by \$11.8 million from the March 1989 figure.

Revenue freight tonne-kilometres were up 9.3% over March 1989. Freight train-kilometres registered an increase of 5.5%, while freight car-kilometres increased by 6.9%.

All 1989 figures have been revised.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 142.

The March 1990 issue of the Railway Operating Statistics (52-003, \$10.50/\$105) will be released the fourth week of July. See "How to Order Publications".

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

Electric Storage Batteries

May 1990

Canadian manufacturers of electric storage batteries sold 136,566 automotive and heavy duty commercial replacement batteries in May 1990, a decrease of 7.9% from 148,272 batteries sold the same month a year earlier.

Cumulative sales for January to May 1990 totalled 757,719r automotive and heavy duty commercial replacement batteries, down 16.8% from 910,539 for the same period in 1989.

Information on sales of other types of storage batteries is also available.

The May 1990 issue of Factory Sales of Electric Storage Batteries (43-005, \$5/\$50) will be available at a later date. See "How to order Publications".

For more detailed information on this release, contact J.-P. Beauparlant (613-951-3526), Industry Division.

Pulpwood and Wood Residue StatisticsMay 1990

Pulpwood receipts totalled 2 328 269 cubic metres in May 1990, a decrease of 10.3% from 2 595 663 cubic metres a year earlier. Receipts of wood residue totalled 4 830 432 cubic metres, down 0.9% from 4 872 196 cubic metres in May 1989. Consumption of pulpwood and wood residue was reported at 8 723 105 cubic metres, an increase of 1.7% over 8 578 488 cubic metres reported the previous year. The closing inventory of pulpwood and wood residue totalled 18 823 038 cubic metres, an increase of 4.4% over 18 033 416 cubic metres a year earlier.

Year-to-date receipts of pulpwood totalled 15 688 058 cubic metres, a decrease of 8.3% from 17 117 168 cubic metres a year earlier. Receipts of wood residue increased 4.0% to 23 837 507 cubic metres, from the year-earlier level of 22 915 279 cubic metres. Consumption of pulpwood and wood residue, at 42 453 005 cubic metres, was down 1.5% from 43 078 313 cubic metres a year earlier.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 54.

The May 1990 issue of *Pulpwood and Wood Residue Statistics* (25-001, \$6.10/\$61) will be available at a later date. See "How to Order Publications".

For further information on this release, contact Jacques Lepage (613-951-3516), Industry Division.

Footwear Statistics

May 1990

Canadian manufacturers produced 2,935,295 pairs of footwear in May 1990, a decrease of 8.4% from the 3,204,447^r pairs produced a year earlier.

Year-to-date production for January to May 1990 totalled 13,831,175^r pairs of footwear, down 2.1% from 14,132,988^r pairs produced during the same period in 1989.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 8.

The May 1990 issue of Footwear Statistics (33-002, \$5/\$50) will be available at a later date. See "How to Order Publications".

For further information on this release, contact Don Grant (613-951-5998), Industry Division.

Steel Wire and Specified Wire ProductsMay 1990

Factory shipments of steel wire and specified wire products for May 1990 are now available, as are production and export market data for selected commodities.

Shipments totalled 75 150 tonnes in May 1990, an increase of 14.1% over the 65 838r tonnes shipped during the previous month.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 122 (series 19).

The May 1990 issue of Steel Wire and Specified Wire Products (41-006, \$5/\$50) will be available at a later date. See "How to Order Publications".

For further information on this release, contact Bruno Pépin (613-951-9837), Industry Division.

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