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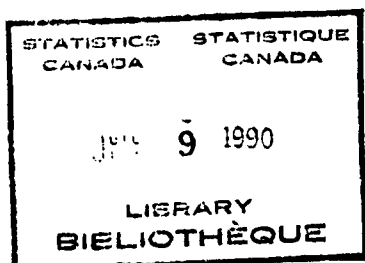
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### New Motor Vehicle Sales

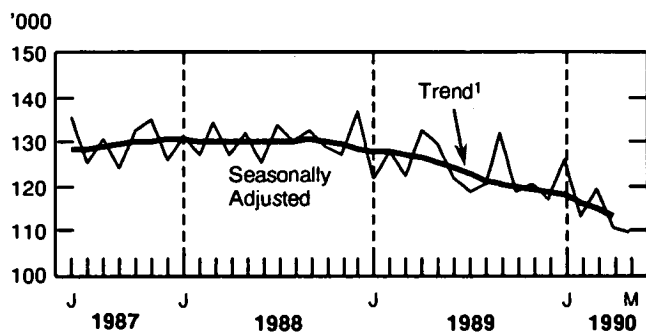
May 1990

#### Highlights

##### Seasonally Adjusted Sales

- Adjusted for seasonal fluctuations and the number of trading days, preliminary estimates indicate that sales of all new motor vehicles totalled 109,000 units in May 1990, a decrease of 1.2% from the revised April 1990 level. In May, lower sales were posted for both trucks (-1.3%) and passenger cars (-1.2%).

##### Monthly Sales of New Motor Vehicles, Canada, Seasonally Adjusted, in Units, 1987-1990



<sup>1</sup> The short-term trend represents a weighted average of the data.

- In the first five months of 1990, new motor vehicle sales have fluctuated markedly while registering on average a modest decline. Strong gains in January and March did not fully offset the declines in the other months.
- On an origin basis, sales of North American passenger cars decreased by 1.5% in May 1990 to a level of 47,000 units, while sales of imported passenger cars decreased 0.5% to 25,000 units. The declines for both North American and imported passenger car sales constituted two consecutive monthly declines.

#### Note to Users:

*North American vehicles: motor vehicles manufactured or assembled in North America. These vehicles may be built by domestic or foreign-owned companies.*

*Imported vehicles: motor vehicles manufactured or assembled overseas and marketed in Canada by domestic or foreign-owned companies.*

#### Unadjusted Sales

- Sales of all new motor vehicles totalled 148,000 units in May 1990, down 14.8% from the May 1989 level. Sales of trucks decreased by 18.0%, while passenger car sales recorded a drop of 13.2%.
- Unit sales of North American passenger cars declined by 18.5%. Sales of imported passenger cars were down by a modest 0.3% from their level in May 1989. The decline was attributable to a 1.0% decrease in cars imported from "other countries" and to a 0.1% drop in sales of Japanese cars.
- The Japanese share of the Canadian passenger car market rose to 26.8% in May 1990 from 23.3% a year earlier. The Japanese share grew mainly at the expense of North American manufacturers as their market share declined to 66.7% from 71.0% in May 1989.
- All provinces registered lower unit sales of motor vehicles in May 1990 compared to May 1989 except for Prince Edward Island (+1.6%). The decreases ranged from -21.2% in Nova Scotia to -8.4% in Alberta.
- For the first five months of 1990, total new motor vehicle sales decreased 10.1% from the same period last year to 602,000 units. Sales of domestic passenger cars were down by 14.7% to 268,000 units, while imported passenger car sales decreased 1.2% to 132,000 units. Sales of trucks totalled 202,000 units during this period, down 8.8% from a year earlier.

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Available on CANSIM: matrix 64.

For further information on this release, contact Roger Laplante (613-951-3552) or Maurice Massaad (613-951-9682), Retail Trade Section, Industry Division.

The May 1990 issue of *New Motor Vehicle Sales* (63-007, \$14.40/\$144) will be available the third week of September. See "How to Order Publications".

**New Motor Vehicle Sales - Canada**  
May 1990

|  | Seasonally Adjusted Data      |                            |                            |                          |
|--|-------------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|
|  | February<br>1990 <sup>r</sup> | March<br>1990 <sup>r</sup> | April<br>1990 <sup>r</sup> | May<br>1990 <sup>p</sup> |
|  | Units<br>% Change             | Units<br>% Change          | Units<br>% Change          | Units<br>% Change        |
| <b>Total New Motor Vehicles</b>          | <b>112,998</b><br>-10.2       | <b>119,178</b><br>5.5      | <b>110,597</b><br>-7.2     | <b>109,248</b><br>-1.2   |
| <b>Passenger Cars by Origin:</b>         |                               |                            |                            |                          |
| North America                            | 49,892<br>-8.0                | 51,949<br>4.1              | 48,260<br>-7.1             | 47,540<br>-1.5           |
| Overseas                                 | 26,053<br>-4.6                | 26,538<br>1.9              | 25,239<br>-4.9             | 25,106<br>-0.5           |
| <b>Total</b>                             | <b>75,946</b><br>-6.8         | <b>78,486</b><br>3.3       | <b>73,499</b><br>-6.4      | <b>72,647</b><br>-1.2    |
| <b>Trucks, Vans and Buses</b>            | <b>37,053</b><br>-16.4        | <b>40,691</b><br>9.8       | <b>37,098</b><br>-8.8      | <b>36,602</b><br>-1.3    |
|  | Unadjusted Sales              |                            |                            |                          |
|  | May<br>1990                   | Change<br>1990/89          | January-<br>May<br>1990    | Change<br>1990/89        |
|  | Units                         | %                          | Units                      | %                        |
| <b>Total New Motor Vehicles</b>          | <b>148,056</b>                | <b>-14.8</b>               | <b>601,579</b>             | <b>-10.1</b>             |
| <b>Passenger Cars by Origin:</b>         |                               |                            |                            |                          |
| North America                            | 67,634                        | -18.5                      | 267,635                    | -14.7                    |
| Japan                                    | 27,130                        | -0.1                       | 104,871                    | 2.2                      |
| Other Countries(Including South Korea)   | 6,568                         | -1.0                       | 26,761                     | -12.6                    |
| <b>Total</b>                             | <b>101,332</b>                | <b>-13.2</b>               | <b>399,267</b>             | <b>-10.7</b>             |
| <b>Trucks, Vans and Buses by Origin:</b> |                               |                            |                            |                          |
| North America                            | 39,525                        | -21.0                      | 170,584                    | -11.4                    |
| Overseas                                 | 7,199                         | 2.7                        | 31,728                     | 8.0                      |
| <b>Total</b>                             | <b>46,724</b>                 | <b>-18.0</b>               | <b>202,312</b>             | <b>-8.8</b>              |

<sup>p</sup> Preliminary  
<sup>r</sup> Revised

## Federal Public Sector Employment

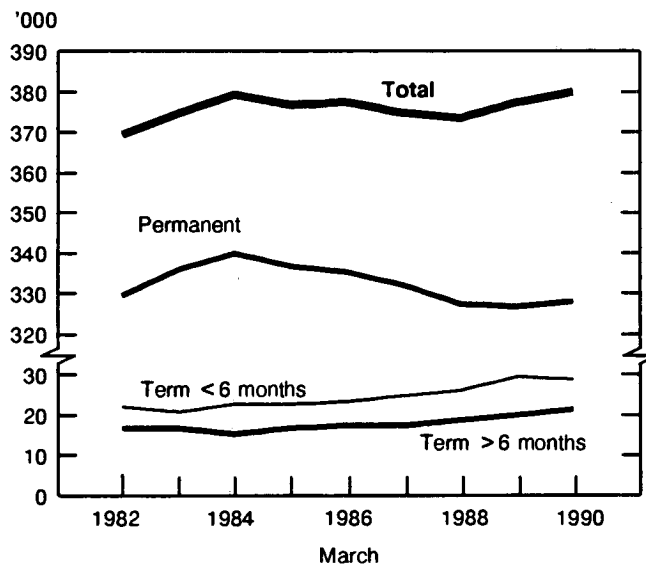
March 1990

### Highlights

#### Federal Government

- Employment in the federal government increased 0.6% to 379,900 in March 1990 from 377,500 in March 1989.
- During this same period, the number of permanent employees increased 0.5% to 327,700. Term employees hired for a period of six months or more increased 6.7% (1,300), while term employees hired for less than six months decreased 2.6% (600).
- The increase is a continuation of the trend evident over the last six months and it reflects staffing increases related to the GST and Refugee Determination programs.

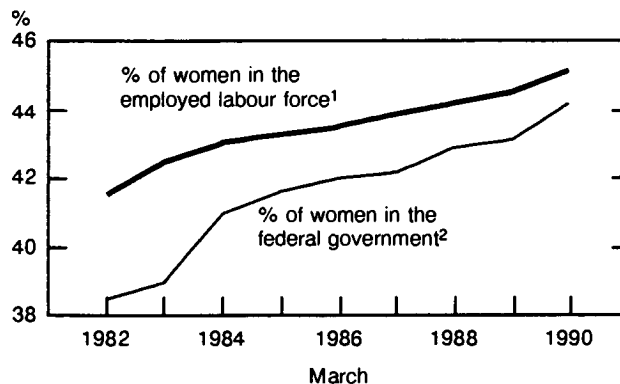
#### Federal Government Employment by Type of Employment



- In March 1990, the percentage of women in the federal government work force (excluding military personnel) was 44% (128,500), marginally below the 45% rate for all women in the employed labour force in Canada. This is an increase from March 1982 when the percentage of women employed by the federal government was 38%

(109,500), and the proportion of women in the employed labour force was 41%.

#### Percentage of Women in the Employed Labour Force and Federal Government Employment



<sup>1</sup> Unadjusted data  
<sup>2</sup> Excluding military

- Women represented 83% (67,200) of the total federal employees in the administrative support category (clerical, secretarial and data processing positions) in March 1990. This reflects little change from March 1982 when women employed in this category represented 82% (68,000).
- In March 1990, the executive, scientific and professional category (managers, statisticians, teachers) had 30,100 employees, with women accounting for 24% (7,200). In March 1982, there were 25,500 employees in this category and 21% (5,500) were women.

#### Government Enterprises

- The number of employees in federal government business enterprises decreased 16.5% from 193,000 in March 1989 to 161,200 in March 1990. This was largely related to the privatization of Air Canada and layoffs at CN Rail, Via Rail and Petro-Canada.

#### Historical Revision

- The federal government employment and payroll series have been revised from January 1975 to December 1989. The Bank of Canada, which was part of the federal government, has been transferred to government business enterprises.

The data are available on CANSIM matrices 2717 and 2718.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 2717( for quarterly data), 2718 (for monthly data by province) and 2720 (for military data).

**Definitions and Data Availability**

- Government includes departments, agencies, boards, commissions, military personnel and RCMP uniformed personnel, but excludes government business enterprises. The Public Institutions Division's federal public sector employment series is the only measure of federal government employment that includes all federal government agencies, military personnel and RCMP uniformed personnel. A comparison with Treasury Board and Public Service Commission universes demonstrates the differences.

For further information on this release, contact Peter Dudley (613-951-1851) or Pearl Allen (613-951-1845), Public Institutions Division.

Detailed data on federal government employment are available in standard format and special tabulation from the Public Institutions Division. Data are available by department, occupational category, province and a number of other categories.

For further information on Public Institutions Division's products or services, contact Patricia Phillips (613-951-0767) or FAX (613-951-0661). ■

**Federal General Government Employment - March 1990:**

Based on Statistics Canada, Treasury Board and Public Service Commission universes

|   |   |  |   |   |   |   |
|---|---|--|---|---|---|---|
| <p><b>Statistics Canada</b><br/>379,874</p> | } | <p><b>Treasury Board</b><br/>239,710</p> | } | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Office of the Superintendent of Financial Institutions . . . . . 372</li> <li>- Public Service Staff Relations Board . . . . . 144</li> <li>- Northern Careers Program . . . . . 72</li> </ul>   | } | <p><b>Public Service Commission</b><br/>215,421</p> |
|   |   |  | } | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Employees in both Public Service Commission and Treasury Board universes . . . . . 214,833</li> </ul>  |   |   |
|   |   |  | } | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Employees not appointed by the Public Service Commission . . . . . 1,009</li> <li>- Term employees appointed for less than 6 months . . . . . 23,868</li> </ul>  |   |   |
|   |   |  |   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Employees of other federal government agencies for which Treasury Board is not the employer . . . . . 31,429</li> <li>- National Defence Military Personnel . . . . . 89,186</li> <li>- RCMP Uniformed Personnel . . . . . 18,961</li> </ul> |   |   |

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### Sugar Sales

June 1990

Canadian sugar refiners reported total sales of 91 421 tonnes for all types of sugar in June 1990, comprising 85 548 tonnes in domestic sales and 5 873 tonnes in export sales. The 1990 year-to-date sales reported for all types of sugar totalled 465 682 tonnes: 437 338 tonnes in domestic sales and 28 344 tonnes in export sales.

This compares to total sales of 97 921 tonnes in June 1989, of which 94 716 tonnes were domestic sales and 3 205 tonnes were export sales. The 1989 year-to-date sales reported for all types of sugar totalled 491 504 tonnes: 460 294 tonnes in domestic sales and 31 210 tonnes in export sales.

The June 1990 issue of *The Sugar Situation* (32-013, \$5.00/\$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. ■

### Passenger Bus and Urban Transit Statistics

May 1990

In May 1990, a total of 70 Canadian urban transit systems with gross annual total operating revenues of \$500,000 or more (subsidies included) carried 118,656,099 fare passengers, a decrease of 2.9% from the previous month. A comparison with the same period in 1989 showed a decrease of 4.2%. Operating revenues totalled \$93,374,404, down 2.4% from April 1990 but up 3.6% from May 1989.

During the same period, 23 passenger bus carriers earning \$500,000 or more annually from intercity and rural bus operations carried 1,151,271 fare passengers, up 0.7% from the previous month but down 9.3% from the same month last year. Earnings of these carriers totalled \$19,948,481, a 0.4% decrease from the April 1990 operating revenues but an increase of 19.4% over May 1989.

All 1989 figures and 1990 cumulative data have been revised.

**Available on CANSIM: matrices 351 and 352.**

The May 1990 issue of *Passenger Bus and Urban Transit Statistics* (53-003, \$7.10/\$71) will be

available the fourth week of July. See "How to Order Publications".

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

### Canadian Civil Aviation Statistics

May 1990

Data reported by Canadian Level I air carriers on scheduled services for the first five months of 1990 show that domestic passenger-kilometres decreased by 7.5%, while international passenger-kilometres increased by 8.9% over the same period of 1989.

**Available on CANSIM: matrix 385.**

Preliminary civil aviation data for May 1990 will be published in the August issue of the *Aviation Statistics Centre Service Bulletin* (51-004, \$9.30/\$93). See "How to Order Publications".

For further information on this release, contact Katerina Tieman (819-997-6188), Aviation Statistics Centre, Transportation Division. ■

### Industrial Chemicals and Synthetic Resins

May 1990

Canadian chemical firms produced 134 987 tonnes of polyethylene synthetic resins in May 1990, an increase of 23.8% from the 109 071<sup>r</sup> (revised figures) tonnes produced in May 1989.

January to May 1990 production totalled 648 541 tonnes, up 13.1% from 573 403<sup>r</sup> (revised figures) tonnes produced during the same period in 1989.

Data are also available on Canadian production of three other types of synthetic resins and 24 industrial chemicals for May 1990, May 1989 and corresponding cumulative figures.

**Available on CANSIM: matrix 951.**

The May 1990 issue of *Industrial Chemicals and Synthetic Resins* (46-002, \$5.60/\$56) will be available at a later date. See "How to Order Publications".

For further information on this release, contact Raj Sehdev (613-951-3513), Industry Division. ■

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**Processed Fruits And Vegetables**

March 1990

Data on processed fruits and vegetables for March 1990 are now available. The publication *Canned and*

*Frozen Fruits and Vegetables-Monthly* (32-011, \$5.00/\$50) will be released at a later date. See "How to Order Publications".

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**Gypsum Products, May 1990.**

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