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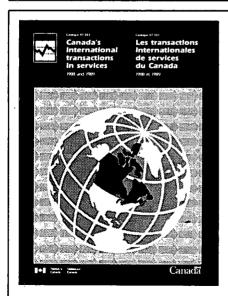
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# DATA AVAILABILITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Railway Carloadings, Seven-day Period Ending August 7, 1990 Tea, Coffee and Cocoa, June 1990

# PUBLICATIONS RELEASED



#### Canada's International Transactions in Services 1988 and 1989

The latest comprehensive source on international service transactions is now available. Aggregate data for 1969 to 1989 and details for 1986 to 1988 are presented. Major categories are travel, freight and shipping, business services, government transactions and miscellaneous services. A description of sources and methods is also provided.

Business services are categorized by geographical area, industry, country of control and whether or not with foreign affiliated companies. New with this issue are:

- experimental breakdowns for over 20 additional countries and country groups and
- a technical note explaining the estimation of financial services, particularly banking and securities transactions.

The publication Canada's International Transactions in Services, 1988 and 1989 (67-203, \$32) is now available.

For further information, please contact Hugh Henderson (613-951-9049), Balance of Payments Division.

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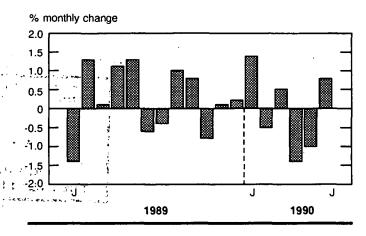
#### Retail Trade June 1990

# **Highlights**

#### Seasonally Adjusted

- Preliminary estimates indicate that retail sales increased 0.8% in June to \$16.2 billion, following declines in May and April. Excluding motor vehicle and recreational vehicle dealers, retail sales increased 0.5% in June.
- The 0.8% gain represents the largest monthly increase since January, when retail sales advanced 1.4%. In spite of the June increase, retail sales decreased 1.7% in the second quarter compared to an advance of 1.3% in the first quarter.
- The June increase was broadly based, with 11 of the 16 trade groups recording higher sales. The most significant sales increases, in order of dollar impact, were reported by motor vehicle and recreational vehicle dealers (1.9%), general merchandise stores (1.9%) and women's clothing stores (3.4%).
- The major trade groups continued to display sizable month-to-month fluctuations, with generally declining sales over the quarter. The 1.9% increase reported by motor vehicle and recreational vehicle dealers followed a decline of 0.1% in May. A 0.1% gain by supermarkets and grocery stores followed a 1.1% decline in May. General merchandise store sales increased 1.9% in June, following a 2.7% decline in May.
- Seven provinces posted sales increases in June, ranging from 3.8% in Saskatchewan to 0.5% in Manitoba. Declines were recorded by Ontario (-0.6%), Prince Edward Island (-0.1%) and British Columbia (-0.1%). The Yukon and Northwest Territories recorded a decline of 2.2%.

#### Retail Sales, Canada, Seasonally Adjusted



#### Year-to-date

 Cumulative retail sales for the first six months of 1990 amounted to \$93.7 billion, up 2.5 % over the corresponding period in 1989.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 2398 (department store type merchandise totals for the provinces and territories), 2399 (seasonally adjusted) and 2400 (unadjusted).

The June 1990 issue of *Retail Trade* (63-005, \$14.40/\$144) will be available the first week of September. See "How to Order Publications".

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

Retail Sales, by Trade Group and by Region June 1990

Trade group	Unadjusted				Seasonally Adjusted						
	June 1989	May 1990 r	June 1990P	June 1990/ June 1989	June 1989	March 1990 r	April 1990 <sup>r</sup>	May 1990 <sup>r</sup>	June 1990P	June 1990/ May 1990	June 1990/ June 1989
	millions of \$		%	- ***	millions of \$				%	%	
Canada											
Supermarkets and grocery stores	3,674	3,623	3,743	1.9	3,439	3,451	3,506	3,466	3,469	0.1	0.9
All other food stores	306	312	328	7.2	286	301	307	301	310	2.8	8.3
Drug and patent medicine stores	728	800	804	10.5	725	774	792	803	811	1.0	11.9
Shoe stores	171	173	178	4.1	165	171	169	161	168	4.5	1.7
Men's clothing stores	192	188	194	1.2	184	181	180	179	181	1.2	-1.5
Women's clothing stores	335	355	362	8.0	333	351	349	341	353	3.4	5.9
Other clothing stores	371	359	364	-1.8	389	383	380	375	378	0.8	-2.8
Household furniture and appliance stores	809	721	749	-7.4	809	771	756	757	743	-1.8	<b>-8</b> .1
Household furnishings stores	233	219	218	-6.2	217	218	211	211	205	-2.8	-5.8
Motor vehicle and recreational vehicle dealers	4,257	4,412	4,035	-5.2	3,660	3,744	3,510	3,508	3,573	1.9	-2.4
Gasoline service stations	1,265	1,255	1,247	-1.4	1,182	1,206	1,187	1,194	1,179	-1.3	-0.3
Automotive parts, accessories and services	1,093	1,121	1,096	0.3	952	1,029	997	983	970	-1.3	1.9
General merchandise stores	1,686	1,672	1,693	0.4	1,713	1,721	1,730	1,684	1,717	1.9	0.2
Other semi-durable goods stores	697	747	714	2.5	643	658	672	665	668	0.3	3.9
Other durable goods stores	475	462	477	0.5	460	476	468	470	469	-0.1	1,9
All other retail stores	1,070	1,025	1,111	3.8	947	1,013	1,005	958	986	2.9	4.1
Total, all stores	17,361	17,443	17,314	-0.3	16,105	16,446	16,220	16,057	16,182	0.8	0.5
Total excluding motor vehicle and recreational vehicle dealers	13,104	13,031	13,279	1.3	12,445	12,702	12,709	12,549	12,608	0.5	1.3
Department store type merchandise	5,696	5,695	5,754	1.0	5,638	5,702	5,708	5,647	5,694	0.8	1.0
Regions											
Newfoundland	317	317	316	-0.4	296	300	296	286	296	3.4	-
Prince Edward Island	76	71	74	-2.9	67	68	66	65	65	-0.1	-2.0
Nova Scotia	552	561	564	2.2	519	544	530	521	536	2.8	3.
New Brunswick	446	444	458	2.7	410	416	410	413	420	1.7	2.5
Quebec	4,408	4,464	4,284	-2.8	4,036	4,031	3,962	3,924	3,968	1.1	-1.
Ontario	6,560	6,469	6,431	-2.0	6,078	6,136	6,029	6,003	5,965	-0.6	-1.
Manitoba	606	623	624	3.0	564	584	583	584	587	0.5	4.
Saskatchewan	553	548	575	3.9	511	517	518	504	523	3.8	2.
Alberta	1,749	1,718	1,751	0.1	1,633	1,646	1,637	1,604	1,636	2.0	0.
British Columbia	2,046	2,179	2,187	6.9	1,940	2,135	2,106	2,085	2,082	-0.1	7.
Yukon and Northwest Territories	49	49	50	3.0	44	46	46	47	46	-2.2	3.
Yukon	21	21	22	3.4							
Northwest Territories	27	28	28	2.6							

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# DATA AVAILABILITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### Railway Carloadings

Seven-day period Ending August 7, 1990

#### **Highlights**

- Revenue freight loaded by railways in Canada during the week totalled 4.0 million tonnes, a decrease of 8.1% from the same period last year.
- Piggyback traffic increased 1.3% over the same period last year while the number of cars loaded decreased 4.9% during the same period.
- The tonnage of revenue freight loaded to-date this year is 2.6% 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.

# Tea, Coffee and Cocoa

June 1990

Data on tea, coffee and cocoa for the second quarter of 1990 are now available.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 188 (series 1.7 and 1.8).

The publication *Production and Stocks of Tea, Coffee and Cocoa* (32-025, \$6.75/\$27) will be released at a later date. See "How to Order Publications".

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

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