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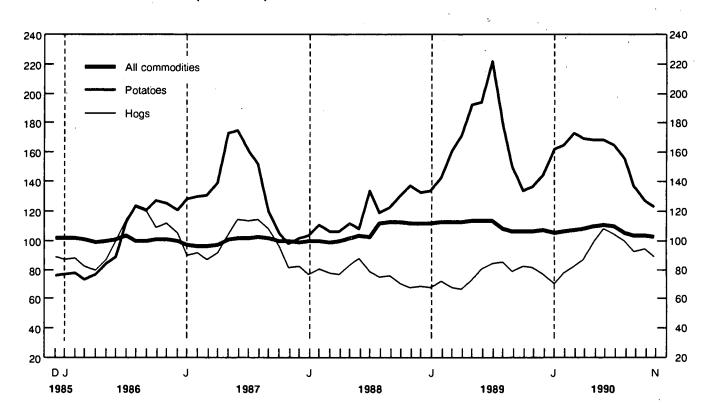
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Farm Product Price Index (1986 = 100)



Farm Product Price Index

November 1990

The Farm Product Price Index (1986 = 100) for Canada stood at 102.3 in November, down 0.9% from the revised October level of 103.2. Both the crops and livestock indexes fell by 0.8%. The overall index remained 3.4% below the year-earlier level of 105.9. Canadian production of the major grains for the 1990-91 crop year (August 1–July 31) was at record levels, 21% above the previous year. Larger-than-average expected world cereal harvests and weak export demand for both food and feed grains continue to exert downward pressure on prices.

The percentage changes in the index between October and November 1990 by province were as follows:

•	Newfoundland	+ 2.5%
•	Prince Edward Island	-1.8%
•	Nova Scotia	-1.2%
•	New Brunswick	+0.4%
•	Quebec	-1.1%
•	Ontario	-0.4%
•	Manitoba	-0.8%
•	Saskatchewan	-1.5%
•	Alberta	-0.6%
•	British Columbia	-1.6%
•	Canada	-0.9%

Crops

The crops index fell 0.8% in November to 96.5, as the cereals, oilseeds, and potatoes indexes all decreased. The crops index stood 12.8% below the year-earlier level of 110.7.

- The cereals index decreased 0.9% in November to 88.7. The drop was mainly due to lower wheat prices in most provinces and lower corn prices in Ontario. A lower percentage of Canadian Western Red Spring Wheat deliveries caused prices to fall in Saskatchewan and Alberta. The index in November was at its lowest level since July 1987, and stood 35.2% below the level attained in November 1988.
- The oilseeds index fell 0.7% in November to 107.0, as a result of lower prices for soybeans and flax. This was the sixth consecutive monthly decrease in the index, following six monthly increases. World oilseed production for 1990-91 is forecast to reach record levels, 2% above 1989-90 levels. The index was 6.6% below the year-earlier level, and stood 21.6% below the November 1988 level.
- The potatoes index decreased 3.9% in November to 122.2. The index has been falling since April, and is at its lowest level since September 1988. The index stood 10.3% below the level attained one year earlier, as Canadian production increased 4%.

Livestock and Animal Products

The livestock and animal products index decreased 0.8% in November to a level of 105.9, as increases in the cattle, poultry, and eggs indexes were more than offset by a decrease of 5.7% in the hogs index.

- The hogs index fell 5.7% to 88.2 in November, the fourth decrease in the last five months. Although fourth-quarter hog slaughter is expected to be below the fourth quarter of 1989, November slaughter was 1% above the October level. The index remained 9.8% above the year-earlier level.
- The cattle index increased 0.2% to 108.5 in November. Slaughter and feeder cattle prices were strong. Beef production in the U.S. is expected to be 2% below the level attained in the fourth quarter of 1989, while in Canada it is expected to be 6% lower. The index stood 1.9% above its level of one year ago.
- The eggs index rose 0.6%, as the Canadian Egg Marketing Agency (C.E.M.A.) implemented a seasonal pricing adjustment effective November 1, increasing the price of Grade A eggs by four cents per dozen. The eggs index stood 0.9% above the year-earlier level.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 176.

The November issue of the Farm Product Price Index (62-003,\$7.10/\$71) is scheduled for release on January 24. See "How to Order Publications".

For further information on this release, contact Liz Leckie (613-951-2436), Farm Income and Prices Section, Agriculture Division.

DATA AVAILABILITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Oil Pipeline Transport

October 1990

Highlights

- In October, net receipts of crude oil and refined petroleum products into Canadian pipelines increased 8.2% from the same period last year to 15 706 289 cubic metres (m³). Year-to-date receipts, now at 142 194 065 m³, are down 0.3% from 1989.
- Pipeline exports of crude oil increased 4.1% compared to October 1989 while pipeline imports rose 34.7% for the same period. On a cumulative basis, exports in 1990 are now down 0.5% from 1989 levels, while imports are up by 1.3%.
- Deliveries of crude oil by pipeline to Canadian refineries this month rose 8.5% from 1989 while deliveries of liquid petroleum gases and refined petroleum products decreased 9.1%.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 181.

The October 1990 issue of *Oil Pipeline Transport* (55-001, \$10/\$100) will be available the last week of January. See "How to Order Publications".

For more detailed information on this release, contact G. O'Connor (613-951-3562), Energy Section, Industry Division.

Oils and Fats

November 1990

Production by Canadian manufacturers of all types of deodorized oils in November 1990 totalled 62 563 tonnes, an increase of 4.8% from the 59 687 tonnes produced in October 1990. The 1990 year-to-date production totalled 580 554 tonnes, an increase of 3.4% from the corresponding 1989 figure of 561 594 tonnes.

Manufacturers' packaged sales of shortening totalled 11 916 tonnes in November 1990, up from the 10 380 tonnes sold the previous month. The cumulative sales to date were 109 316 tonnes compared to the cumulative sales of 110 094 tonnes in 1989.

Sales of packaged salad oil increased to 5 689 tonnes in November 1990 from 5 555 tonnes in October 1990. The cumulative sales to date in 1990 were 63 706 tonnes, compared to the cumulative sales of 68 786 tonnes in 1989.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 184.

The November 1990 issue of Oils and Fats (32-006, \$5/\$50) will be available at a later date.

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

Particleboard, Waferboard and Fibreboard

November 1990

Canadian firms produced 113 872 cubic metres of waferboard in November 1990, a decrease of 41.2% from the 193 802 cubic metres produced in November 1989. Particleboard production totalled 77 162 cubic metres, down 45.2% from 140 744r (revised) cubic metres the previous year. Production of fibreboard for November 1990 was 7 734 thousand square metres, basis 3.175mm, a decrease of 14.9% from the 9 087r thousand square metres of fibreboard produced in November 1989.

Cumulative production of waferboard during the year 1990 totalled 1 874 526 cubic metres, down 5.1% from the 1 975 448r cubic metres produced during the previous year. Particleboard production was 1 076 987 cubic metres, down 9.1% from the 1 185 441r cubic metres in January to November 1989. Year-to-date production of fibreboard was 86 891 thousand square metres, basis 3.175mm, down 1.1% from the 87 897r thousand square metres, basis 3.175mm, for the same period in 1989.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 31 (series 2, 3 and 4) and 122 (series 8 and 34).

The November 1990 issue of *Particleboard*, *Waferboard and Fibreboard* (36-003, \$5/\$50) will be available at a later date. See "How to Order Publications".

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

Steel, Primary Forms

November 1990

Steel, primary forms, production for November 1990 totalled 767 792 tonnes, a decrease of 36.1% from 1 201 014 tonnes the previous year.

Year-to-date production totalled 11 257 215 tonnes, down 20.9% from 14 225 267 tonnes a year earlier.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 58 (level 2, series 3).

The November 1990 issue of *Primary Iron and Steel* (41-001,\$5/\$50) will be available at a later date. See "How to Order Publications".

For more detailed information on this release, contact Gerry Barrett (613-951-3515), Industry Division.



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(Canada: \$12.20/\$122.00; United States: US\$14.60; US\$146.00; Other Countries: US\$17.10/US\$171.00).

Capacity Utilization Rates in Canadian Manufacturing Industries, Third Quarter 1990. Catalogue number 31-003

(Canada: \$11.00/\$44.00; United States: US\$13.25/US\$53.00; Other Countries: US\$15.50/US\$62.00).

Rigid Insulating Board (Wood Fibre Products), November 1990.

Catalogue number 36-002

(Canada: \$5.00/\$50.00; United States: US\$6.00/US\$60.00; Other Countries: US\$7.00/US\$70.00).

Gas Utilities, September 1990. Catalogue number 55-002

(Canada: \$12.70/\$127.00; United States: US\$15.20/US\$152.00; Other Countries: US\$17.80/US\$178.00).

Consumer Prices and Price Indexes, July-September 1990.

Catalogue number 62-010

(Canada: \$18.00/\$72.00; United States: US\$21.50/US\$86.00; Other Countries: US\$25.25/US\$101.00).

Education Statistics Bulletin, Vol. 12, No. 9 – Full-time Education Staff in Trade and Vocational Programs in Canada, 1985-86 to 1987-88. Catalogue number 81-002

(Canada: \$4.90/\$49.00; United States: US\$5.90/US\$59.00; Other Countries: US\$6.90/US\$69.00).

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