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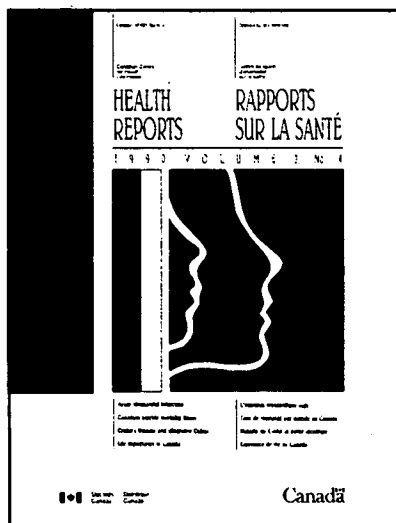
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Health Reports

Fourth Quarter 1990

The fourth quarter 1990 issue of *Health Reports*, offering access to essential data on topical areas of the health field in Canada, is now available.

This issue features analytical articles on life expectancy in Canada, suicide rates of those born in Canada and first-generation immigrants, Crohn's disease and ulcerative colitis, and acute myocardial infarction in Manitoba. Also included in the publication are data highlights on marriages, births, divorces, hospital morbidity, Canadian hospitals, surgical procedures, tuberculosis and nursing programs.

The fourth quarter 1990 issue of *Health Reports*, Vol. 2, No. 4 (82-003, \$26/\$104) is now available. See "How to Order Publications".

For further information on this release, contact Nelson Nault (613-951-1746), Canadian Centre for Health Information.



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Health Reports

Fourth Quarter 1990

Selected Highlights

Canadian Suicide Mortality Rates: First-generation Immigrants Versus Canadian-born

- Since 1950, worldwide suicide rates have been increasing. Suicide is now cited as cause of death for over 1,000 people every day.
- In Canada, the increase is due entirely to higher rates among men. In 1969, the rate was 15.6 per 100,000 men. In 1987, the rate was 22.1. Over this period, the rate for women remained relatively stable at 6.2.
- Three times as many Canadian-born men commit suicide as do women. The ratio is two to one for first-generation immigrants.
- In 1988, suicide was the cause of death in at least 3,510 cases, accounting for 5% of all deaths.

Life Expectancy in Canada

- At 73 years for men and more than 80 years for women, Canada's life expectancy at birth compares favourably with other developed countries. Japan currently leads the world with 75.6 years for men and 81.4 years for women.

- In 1920-22, just over one in 10 Canadians could expect to survive to their 85th birthday. By 1985-87, this had increased to more than three out of 10.
- Married men, on average, live over eight years longer than those never married and more than 10 years longer than widowers. Married women live three years longer than those never married and four years longer than divorced or widowed women.

Crohn's Disease and Ulcerative Colitis: Morbidity and Mortality

- In 1971, rates per 100,000 for both types of inflammatory bowel disease were almost the same. By 1986 the rates for Crohn's disease were 34 for females and 23 for males, while for ulcerative colitis, the rates were 13 for females and 14 for males.
- Rates for hospital discharges for Crohn's disease increased by 192% for females and 148% for males between 1971 and 1986.
- The under 45 age group accounted for 25% of deaths due to Crohn's disease and for 17% of deaths due to ulcerative colitis.

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Construction Union Wage Rate Index

February 1991

The Canada Total Union Wage Rate Index (including supplements) for construction trades (1986 = 100) remained unchanged (119.8) in February from January. On a year-over-year basis, the composite index increased 5.4% from 113.7 to 119.8.

The table below shows wage rates for crane operators, heavy equipment operators and truck drivers for selected cities.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 956, 958, 2033-2038.

The first quarter 1991 issue of *Construction Price Statistics* (62-007, \$18/\$72) will be available in June. See "How to Order Publications".

For further information on this release, contact the Information and Current Analysis Unit (613-951-9607), Prices Division.

Construction Union Wage Rates¹

February 1991

	Trades					
	Crane Operator		Heavy Equipment Operator		Truck Driver	
	Basic Rate	Basic Rate and selected pay supplements	Basic Rate	Basic Rate and selected pay supplements	Basic Rate	Basic Rate and selected pay supplements
	(in dollars)					
St. John's	14.55	16.72	15.70	18.73	15.35	18.35
Halifax	18.12	21.28	17.74	20.87	16.86	19.92
Saint John	16.75	20.87	16.15	20.19	15.47	19.41
Montreal	20.04	23.72	18.83	22.38	16.68	20.00
Ottawa	20.92	25.95	19.90	24.83	16.50	21.09
Toronto	21.97	27.13	21.03	26.09	18.33	22.31
Thunder Bay	20.70	25.70	19.62	24.51	16.55	21.14
Winnipeg	20.15	24.12	16.27	19.85	15.61	19.12
Regina	19.37	22.57	16.80	19.74	16.58	19.50
Edmonton	20.99	24.81	20.99	24.81	19.57	23.78
Vancouver	22.75	29.17	22.24	28.60	21.86	28.37

¹ Rates are available for other trades and other cities.

Basic Rate and selected pay supplements: vacation pay, statutory holiday pay, employer's contribution to health and welfare and pension plans ■

DATA AVAILABILITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sound Recording Survey

1989-90

Preliminary data from the 1989-90 annual Sound Recording Survey (production, releases and sales) are now available.

Highlights

- In 1989-90, record label companies reported sales of \$340 million, an increase of 9% over 1988-89. Increases in the sales of sound recordings were generated primarily by foreign-controlled companies which had sales of \$301 million, an increase of 13% over 1988-89.
- The number of new recordings with English lyrics reached 3,145, compared with 335 recordings with French lyrics.
- Some 71% of the French-language recordings and 8% of English-language recordings had Canadian content.
- About 74% of the 615 new recordings with Canadian content were released by Canadian-controlled companies. The revenues from these recordings totalled \$22 million, about 6% of total sales for record label companies.

All data can be cross-classified by origin of financial control, size of record label company as well as by various geographic divisions.

For further information, contact Nicole Charron (613-951-1544), Education, Culture and Tourism Division. ■

Railway Carloadings

Seven-day Period Ending March 14, 1991

Highlights

- Revenue freight loaded by railways in Canada during the week totalled 4.6 million tonnes, a decrease of 6.9% from the same period last year.
- Piggyback traffic decreased 14.1% from the same period last year. The number of cars loaded decreased 8.7% during the same period.
- The tonnage of revenue freight loaded to date this year is 3.0% lower 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 1990 figures have been revised.

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

Stocks of Frozen Meat Products

March 1, 1991

Total frozen meat in cold storage as of March 1 amounted to 30 647 tonnes compared with 31 880 tonnes a month earlier and 31 568 tonnes a year ago.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 87 and 9517-9525.

To order *Stocks of Frozen Meat Products* (\$11.50/\$115), a statistical bulletin, contact Guy Gervais (613-951-2453).

For more information on this release, contact David Burroughs (613-951-2510), Agriculture Division. ■

Selected Financial Indexes

February 1991

February 1991 figures are now available for the Selected Financial Indexes.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 2031.

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For more detailed information on this release, contact the Information and Current Analysis Unit (613-951-9607), Prices Division. ■

Lime Industry

1989 Annual Survey of Manufactures

In 1989, the value of shipments of goods of own manufacture for the lime industry (SIC 3581) totalled \$185.0 million, up 2.7% from \$180.2 million in 1988.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 6859.

Data will be released in *Non-metallic Mineral Products Industries* (44-250, \$35).

For more detailed information on this release, contact Karnail Singh Gill (613-951-3520), Industry Division. ■

PUBLICATIONS RELEASED

Corrugated Boxes and Wrappers, February 1991.

Catalogue number 36-004

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

Mineral Wool Including Fibrous Glass Insulation, February 1991.

Catalogue number 44-004

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

Employment, Earnings and Hours, December 1990.

Catalogue number 72-002

(Canada: \$38.50/\$385.00; United States: US\$46.20/US\$462.00; Other Countries: US\$53.90/US\$539.00).

Health Reports, Vol. 2, No. 4, Fourth Quarter 1990.

Catalogue number 82-003

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