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February 1991 (Preliminary Data)

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On the basis of rate structure information, sales in February 1991 were broken down as follows, with the percentage changes from February 1990 in brackets residential sales, 1 817.2 million cubic metres (-6.3%); commercial sales, 1 505.8 million cubic metres (-5.1%); and industrial sales (including direct sales), 2 668.7 million cubic metres (-2.3%).

Year-to-date figures for 1991 indicate that sales of natural gas amounted to 13 279.2 million cubic metres, a 1.5% increase from the level recorded during the same period in 1990.

On the basis of rate structure information, year-to-date sales were broken down as follows, with the percentage changes from 1990 in brackets: residential sales, 4 193.8 million cubic metres (+2.0%); commercial sales, 3 424.0 million cubic metres (+2.4%) and industrial sales (including direct sales), 5 661.3 million cubic metres (+0.5%).

The February 1991 issue of *Gas Utilities* (55-002, \$12.70/\$127) will be available shortly. See "How to Order Publications".

For more detailed information on this release, contact Gary Smalldridge (613-951-3567), Energy Section, Industry Division.

Sales of Natural Gas – Preliminary Data February 1991

	Rate structure				
	Residential	Commercial	Industrial	Direct	Total
	(thousands of cubic metres)				
New Brunswick	-	-	-	-	-
Quebec	104 171	205 595	320 910	3 068	633 744
Ontario	990 223	699 096	855 386	137 333	2 682 038
Manitoba	110 344	99 014	46 971	575	256 904
Saskatchewan	102 683	76 916	5 523	133 614	318 736
Alberta	316 828	272 372	912 987	-	1 502 187
British Columbia	192 928	152 830	143 017	109 329	598 104
February 1991 – Canada	1 817 177	1 505 823	2 284 794	383 919	5 991 713
February 1990 - Canada	1 939 956	1 586 301	2 313 917	416 246	6 256 420
% change	-6.3	-5.1	-2.3		-4.2
Year-to-date - Canada 1991	4 193 821	3 424 011	4 876 254	785 097	13 279 183
Year-to-date - Canada 1990	4 109 980	3 343 635	4 765 954	864 834	13 085 403
% change	2.0	2.4	0	.5	1.5

Note: Revised figures will be available in the "Gas Utilities" publication (55-002) as well as on CANSIM. – nil or zero.

DATA AVAILABILITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Production, Shipments and Stocks on Hand of Sawmills in British Columbia

February 1991

Sawmills in British Columbia produced 2 596 300 cubic metres of lumber and ties in February 1991, a decrease of 6.5% from the 2 778 300 cubic metres produced in February 1990.

January-to-February 1991 production was 4 869 000 cubic metres, a decrease of 16.0% from the 5 797 300 cubic metres produced over the same period in 1990.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 53 (series 1.2, 2.2 and 3.2).

The February 1991 issue of *Production*, *Shipments and Stocks on Hand of Sawmills in British Columbia* (35-003, \$7.10/\$71) will be available at a later date. See "How to Order Publications".

For more detailed information on this release, contact Jock Dobie (604-666-2671), Pacific Region, Statistics Canada, Sinclair Centre, 757 West Hastings Street, Vancouver, B.C., V6C 3C9.

Imports by Commodity (H.S. Based) February 1991

Commodity-country import trade statistics based on the Harmonized System (H.S.) for February 1991 are now available on microfiche, computer printouts or magnetic tapes in advance of the monthly publication. The February 1991 issue of *Imports by Commodity (H.S. Based)* (65-007, \$55.10/\$551) will be available the second week of May. See "How to Order Publications".

For more detailed information on this release, contact Gordon Blaney (613-951-9647), International Trade Division.

Local Government Long-term Debt March 1991

Estimates of the accumulated long-term debt of local governments in Canada (except Ontario), as of March 1991, are now available.

For further information on this release, contact Marlene Vollmer (613-951-1830), Public Institutions Division.

For more information, or general inquiries on Public Institutions Division products or services, contact Patricia Phillips (613-951-0767).

Notifiable Diseases Annual Summary 1989

The notifiable diseases annual summary for 1989 is now available by sex and five-year age group for Canada and the provinces.

Available on CANSIM: cross-classified table 00050122.

Contact Nelson Nault (613-951-1746), Canadian Centre for Health Information.

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