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## MAJOR RELEASES

- Wholesale Trade, February 1991

Seasonally adjusted, wholesale merchants' sales increased 1.4\% in February from January. After removing the effect of the change in indirect taxes, sales declined by about 10.0\% compared to February 1990.

- Industrial Product Price Index, March 1991

The IPPI declined $0.4 \%$ in March 1991, while the year-over-year rate of change stood at 0.9\%.

- Raw Materials Price Index, March 1991

Lower crude oil prices pushed the RMPI down 5.0\% in March, the fourth consecutive decline.

- Adult Female Offenders in the Provincial/Territorial Corrections Systems, 1989-90
In 1989-90, of the 115,114 admissions to provincial/territorial correctional facilities, 9,183 , or $8 \%$, were women.


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## MAJOR RELEASES

## Wholesale Trade

## February 1991

> Note to Users
> Data collected and published for 1991 exclude provincial sales taxes and the Goods and Services Tax. Prior to January 1991, data include the Federal Sales Tax except for wholesalers which were licensed. Due to this change in indirect taxes, data for 1991 are not strictly comparable with those of previous years.

## Highlights

## Seasonally Adjusted Sales

- Preliminary estimates indicate that wholesale merchants' sales in February rose $1.4 \%$ from the previous month to $\$ 13.6$ billion. Sales fell $15.1 \%$ between February 1990 and February 1991. After removing the effect of the change in indirect taxes, the year-over-year sales decline is approximately $10.0 \%$.
- The $1.4 \%$ increase recorded in February follows a sharp drop of about $4.5 \%$ in January (after adjustment for indirect taxes) and a gain of 2.0\% in December.
- Seven of the nine trade groups registered higher sales than in January 1991. The overall increase was primarily attributable, in order of dollar impact, to gains reported by wholesalers of food,
beverage, drug and tobacco products ( $+1.9 \%$ ), wholesalers of farm machinery, equipment and supplies ( $+17.9 \%$ ), wholesalers of apparel and dry goods ( $+14.2 \%$ ) and wholesalers of other products (farm and paper products; agricultural supplies; industrial and household chemicals; etc.) ( $+1.7 \%$ ).
- Regionally, all provinces and territories, except Prince Edward Island and Alberta, posted sales increases, ranging from $9.1 \%$ in Saskatchewan to $1.0 \%$ for Ontario. British Columbia was virtually unchanged.


## Seasonally Adjusted Inventories

- In February, wholesale merchants' inventories were $\$ 23.2$ billion, $0.3 \%$ higher than those of the previous month. This gain represents the first increase in the inventories level since July of last year.
- The ratio of inventories-to-sales at the end of February 1991 stood at 1.70:1, down from 1.72:1 recorded in the previous month.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 649 (sales, seasonally adjusted), 648 (sales, not seasonally adjusted), 61 (inventories, seasonally adjusted) and 59 (inventories, not seasonally adjusted).

The February 1991 issue of Wholesale Trade ( $63-008, \$ 14.40 / \$ 144$ ) will be available the third week of May. See "How to Order Publications".

For more information on this release, contact Gilles Berniquez (613-951-3540), Industry Division.

## Chart 1

## Wholesale Merchants' Sales



Chart 2
Wholesale Merchants' Inventories


[^0]Wholesale Merchants' Sales, by Trade Group and Region
February 1991

| Trade group | Unadjusted |  |  |  | Seasonally adjusted |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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|  | $\begin{gathered} \text { Feb. } \\ 1990 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Jan. } \\ \text { 1991r } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Feb. } \\ & \text { 1991p } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Feb. } \\ 1991 / \\ 1990 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Feb. } \\ 1990 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Nov. } \\ & 1990 \text { r } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Dec. } \\ & 1990^{r} \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Jan. } \\ \text { 1991r } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Feb. } \\ & \text { 1991p } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{array}{r} \text { Feb. } \\ 1991 / \\ \text { Jan. } \\ 1991 \end{array}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Feb. } \\ 1991 / \\ 1990^{*} \end{gathered}$ |
|  | millions of \$ |  |  | \% |  | millions of \$ |  |  |  | \% | \% |
| Canada |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Food, beverage, drug and tobacco products |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Apparel and dry goods | 429 | 252 | 363 |  | -15.5 |  |  |  | 389 | 307 | 298 | 285 | 326 | 14.2 | -16.2 |
| Household goods | 519 | 405 | 401 | -22.8 | 577 | 519 | 496 | 471 | 453 | -4.0 | -21.5 |
| Motor vehicles, parts and accessories | 1,593 | 1,399 | 1,498 | -6.0 | 1,765 | 1,737 | 1,723 | 1,638 | 1,661 | 1.4 | -5.9 |
| Metals, hardware, plumbing and heating equipment and supplies | 1,249 | 880 | 868 | -30.5 | 1,318 | 1,040 | 1,076 | 923 | 924 | 0.1 | -29.9 |
| Lumber and building materials | 1,203 | 863 | 852 | -29.2 | 1,604 | 1,352 | 1,253 | 1,187 | 1,149 | -3.2 | -28.4 |
| Farm machinery, equipment and supplies | 267 | 169 | 205 | -23.2 | 392 | 319 | 331 | 249 | 293 | 17.9 | -25.3 |
| Other machinery, equipment and supplies | 3,772 | 2,826 | 2,730 | -27.6 | 3,953 | 3,206 | 3.570 | 2,872 | 2,897 | 0.9 | -26.7 |
| Other products | 2,152 | 2,091 | 2,099 | -2.5 | 2,442 | 2,424 | 2,429 | 2,339 | 2,379 | 1.7 | -2.5 |
| Total, all trades | 14,490 | 12,162 | 12,279 | -15.3 | 16,070 | 14,534 | 14,823 | 13,460 | 13,643 | 1.4 | -15.1 |
| Regions |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Newtoundland | 139 | 133 | 130 | -6.4 | 158 | 172 | 176 | 149 | 151 | 1.9 | -4.0 |
| Prince Edward Island | 36 | 26 | 25 | -30.0 | 40 | 32 | 31 | 28 | 28 | -0.4 | -29.2 |
| Nova Scotia | 356 | 260 | 275 | -22.7 | 413 | 341 | 335 | 308 | 318 | 3.3 | -23.1 |
| New Brunswick | 242 | 196 | 201 | -16.9 | 281 | 253 | 242 | 223 | 234 | 4.9 | -16.6 |
| Quebec | 3.740 | 3,102 | 3,096 | -17.2 | 4,127 | 3,667 | 3,791 | 3,380 | 3,424 | 1.3 | -17.0 |
| Ontario | 5,782 | 5,020 | 5,076 | -12.2 | 6,335 | 5,958 | 6,054 | 5,515 | 5,571 | 1.0 | -12.1 |
| Manitoba | 449 | 368 | 376 | -16.2 | 533 | 472 | 453 | 418 | 442 | 5.5 | -17.1 |
| Saskatchewan | 447 | 370 | 375 | -16.0 | 548 | 504 | 495 | 417 | 455 | 9.1 | $-17.0$ |
| Alberta | 1,272 | 1,174 | 1,171 | -7.9 | 1,456 | 1,368 | 1,486 | 1,358 | 1,353 | -0.4 | -7.0 |
| British Columbia | 2,012 | 1,501 | 1,540 | -23.5 | 2,165 | 1,748 | 1,741 | 1,649 | 1,650 | .. | -23.8 |
| Yukon and Northwest Territories | 16 | 12 | 13 | -15.1 | 16 | 18 | 20 | 14 | 16 | 9.0 | 0.2 |

Wholesale Merchants' Inventories, by Trade Group
February 1991

| Trade group | Unadjusted |  |  |  | Seasonally adjusted |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Feb. } \\ & 1990 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Jan. } \\ \text { 1991r } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Feb. } \\ & \text { 1991p } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Feb. } \\ 1991 / \\ 1990 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Feb. } \\ & 1990 \end{aligned}$ | Nov. 1990 r | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Dec. } \\ & 1990 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Jan. } \\ \text { 1991r } \end{gathered}$ | Feb. <br> 1991p | $\begin{array}{r} \text { Feb. } \\ 1991 / \\ \text { Jan. } \\ 1991 \end{array}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Feb. } \\ 1991 / \\ 1990^{*} \end{gathered}$ |
| Canada | millions of \$ |  |  | \% |  | millions of \$ |  |  | \% \% |  |  |
| Food, beverage, drug and tobacco $\begin{array}{llllllllllll}\text { products } & 2,661 & 2,482 & 2,558 & -3.8 & 2,684 & 2,637 & 2,666 & 2,501 & 2,565 & 2.6 & -4.5\end{array}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Apparel and dry goods | 818 | 705 | 738 | -9.8 | 816 | 747 | 727 | 724 | 734 | 1.3 | -10.1 |
| Household goods | 1,205 | 922 | 916 | -23.9 | 1,205 | 1,079 | 1,020 | 922 | 916 | -0.7 | -23.9 |
| Motor vehicles, parts and accessories | 3,429 | 3,536 | 3,640 | 6.1 | 3,389 | 3,450 | 3,491 | 3.628 | 3,601 | -0.7 | 6.3 |
| Metals, hardware, plumbing and heating equipment and supplies | 2,013 | 1,696 | 1,748 | -13.2 | 2,029 | 1,789 | 1,745 | 1,711 | 1,751 | 2.3 | -13.7 |
| Lumber and building materials | 2,469 | 2,216 | 2,335 | -5.4 | 2,487 | 2,329 | 2,322 | 2,346 | 2,372 | 1.1 | -4.6 |
| Farm machinery, equipment and supplies | 1.583 | 1,405 | 1,437 | -9.2 | 1.576 | 1,464 | 1,441 | 1,424 | 1,426 | 0.1 | -9.5 |
| Other machinery, equipment and supplies | 7,256 | 6,735 | 6,714 | -7.5 | 7,285 | 6,947 | 6,881 | 6,833 | 6,784 | -0.7 | -6.9 |
| Other products | 3,090 | 3,030 | 3,131 | 1.3 | 3,025 | 3,167 | 3,097 | 3,070 | 3,087 | 0.5 | 2.0 |
| Total, all trades | 24,523 22,728 23,217 |  |  | -5.3 | 24,496 | 23,611 | 23,390 | 23,160 | 23,236 | 0.3 | -5.1 |

## Industrial Product Price Index

March 1991
According to preliminary figures; the Industrial Product Price Index (IPPI, $1986=100$ ) edged down $0.4 \%$ to 110.3 in March 1991 from February's revised level of 110.7. This marks the second consecutive decrease of $0.4 \%$ registered by the IPPI. Of the 21 major groups of products, nine decreased while eight increased and four stayed unchanged. The main indexes contributing decreases this month were petroleum and coal products ( $-3.3 \%$ ), followed by paper and paper products ( $-1.1 \%$ ). Increases of $0.6 \%$ for lumber, sawmill and other wood products and $0.3 \%$ for fruits, vegetables, feeds and miscellaneous food products moderated the overall decrease.

Since March 1990, the IPPI has increased 0.9\%. This is down from the annual rate of change of $2.2 \%$ registered in December 1990 and January 1991. The major force behind the year-over-year change was the petroleum and coal products index, which has shown an increase of $15.2 \%$ since March 1990. Other contributing increases came from chemicals and chemical products ( $4.9 \%$ ) and autos, trucks and other transportation equipment ( $1.4 \%$ ). These were largely moderated by decreases in lumber, sawmill and other wood products ( $-6.9 \%$ ), paper and paper products $(-5.4 \%)$ and primary metals products ( $-3.9 \%$ ). Excluding petroleum and coal products, the 12 -month change was $0.1 \%$ in March.

## Highlights

- According to initial estimates, the petroleum and coal products price index declined $3.3 \%$ during the past month, reflecting mainly lower prices for gasoline and other fuel oil. Over the last 12 months, the petroleum and coal index has risen $15.2 \%$, but this rate is down from its year-overyear rate of $28.3 \%$ in December 1990.
- For a sixth consecutive month, the paper and paper products index fell ( $-1.1 \%$ ), due mainly to a $2.8 \%$ drop in pulp prices. Lower prices were
experienced on both domestic and export markets. A smaller decrease was registered for newsprint paper ( -0.4 ). Over the last 12 months, the pulp index has fallen $21.9 \%$ and was the major factor behind the $5.4 \%$ decline in the paper and paper products index, while the newsprint paper index was up $7.9 \%$.
- Both chemicals and chemical products and primary metal products indexes decreased by $0.4 \%$ in March 1991. In the first case, a widespread pattern of decline in synthetic resins $(-2.1 \%)$ led the way. In March, lower prices for nickel products $(-3.1 \%)$ pushed down the primary metal products index, its sixth consecutive monthly decline.
- After nine consecutive monthly declines, the lumber, sawmill and other wood products index went up $0.6 \%$ in March. Leading the way, the softwood lumber index was up $1.4 \%$, reflecting higher prices in all regions. Higher prices were also registered for Douglas fir plywood (2.1\%) and other softwood plywood (2.4\%). Over the last 12 months, lower prices for softwood lumber $(-10.1 \%)$, coupled with declines for softwood veneer and plywood ( $-13.6 \%$ ), particleboard and waferboard ( $-12.4 \%$ ) and pulpwood chips ( $-6.3 \%$ ) caused lumber, sawmill and other wood products to fall $6.9 \%$.
- Higher prices for wheat flour ( $1.6 \%$ ), sugar ( $3.7 \%$ ) and complete feeds ( $0.6 \%$ ) pushed the fruits, vegetables, feeds and other miscellaneous food products index up $0.3 \%$. Over the last 12 months, the index is down $0.5 \%$.


## Available on CANSIM: matrices 2000-2008.

The March 1991 issue of Industry Price Indexes ( $62-011, \$ 18.20 / \$ 182$ ) will be available at the end of May. See "How to Order Publications".

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

Industrial Product Price Indexes
$(1986=100)$

| Index | Relative Importance ${ }^{1}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Index } \\ \text { March } 1991^{2} \end{gathered}$ | \% Change |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | March 1991/ February 1991 | March 1991/ <br> March 1990 |
| Industrial Product Price Index - Total | 100.0 | 110.3 | -0.4 | 0.9 |
| Ṫotal IPPI excluding petroleum and coal products ${ }^{3}$ | 93.6 | 110.2 | -0.2 | 0.1 |
| Intermediate goods | 60.4 | 110.5 | -0.5 | -0.3 |
| First-stage intermediate goods | 13.4 | 113.9 | -0.7 | -4.1 |
| Second-stage intermediate goods | 47.0 | 109.5 | -0.4 | 0.9 |
| Finished goods | 39.6 | 110.0 | -0.3 | 2.8 |
| Finished foods and feeds | 9.9 | 114.5 | 0.0 | 2.8 |
| Capital equipment | 10.4 | 107.6 | -0.1 | 1.5 |
| All other finished goods | 19.3 | 109.0 | -0.5 | 3.6 |
| Aggregation by commodities: |  |  |  |  |
| Meat, fish and dairy products | 7.4 | 109.9 | -0.3 | 2.5 |
| Fruit, vegetable, feed, miscellaneous food products | 6.3 | 112.2 | 0.3 | -0.5 |
| Beverages | 2.0 | 119.9 | 0.0 | 3.6 |
| Tobacco and tobacco products | 0.7 | 134.0 | 0.2 | 10.9 |
| Rubber, leather, plastic fabric products | 3.1 | 115.4 | -0.2 | 0.0 |
| Textile products | 2.2 | 109.2 | 0.2 | -0.5 |
| Knitted products and clothing | 2.3 | 113.0 | 0.1 | 0.9 |
| Lumber, sawmill, other wood products | 4.9 | 102.6 | 0.6 | -6.9 |
| Furniture and fixtures | 1.7 | 118.1 | 0.0 | 0.9 |
| Paper and paper products | 8.1 | 116.4 | -1.1 | -5.4 |
| Printing and publishing | 2.7 | 125.0 | -0.3 | 4.2 |
| Primary metal products | 7.7 | 108.7 | -0.4 | -3.9 |
| Metal fabricated products | 4.9 | 111.9 | 0.0 | -0.4 |
| Machinery and equipment | 4.2 | 114.8 | 0.1 | 1.1 |
| Autos, trucks, other transportation equipment | 17.6 | 98.6 | -0.3 | 1.4 |
| Electrical and communication products | 5.1 | 111.0 | 0.0 | 0.4 |
| Non-metallic mineral products | 2.6 | 111.6 | -0.1 | -0.3 |
| Petroleum and coal products ${ }^{3}$ | 6.4 | 111.9 | -3.3 | 15.2 |
| Chemicals, chemical products | 7.2 | 117.7 | -0.4 | 4.9 |
| Miscellaneous manufactured products | 2.5 | 112.2 | 0.4 | 2.8 |
| Miscellaneous non-manufactured commodities | 0.4 | 81.0 | 0.9 | 5.7 |

[^1]
## Raw Materials Price Index

March 1991

## Monthly Change

The Raw Materials Price Index (RMPI, $1986=100$ ) declined $5.0 \%$ between February and March 1991 to a preliminary level of 104.9. The RMPI excluding the mineral fuels component declined by $0.4 \%$. Of the seven components of the RMPI, five fell and two rose in March. The main contributors to the monthly change were:

- The mineral fuels index declined $14.0 \%$, mainly as a result of an estimated $14.9 \%$ decrease in crude mineral oil prices and a decrease of $1.1 \%$ in natural gas prices.
- The animal and animal products index was down $0.6 \%$, mainly as a result of lower prices for hogs $(-3.1 \%)$. The index for furs, hides and skins also declined $(-10.9 \%)$. Prices for eggs were up (5.3\%).
- The vegetable products index was down by $2.3 \%$. Declines were recorded for potatoes ( $-34.4 \%$ ) and soybeans ( $-2.9 \%$ ), which were partially offset by price increases for grains ( $1.3 \%$ ) and canola (2.5\%).


## Year-over-year Change

Between March 1990 and March 1991, the RMPI decreased $3.7 \%$. The RMPI excluding the mineral fuels component was also down, by $3.1 \%$. The main contributors to the annual change were:

- Prices for crude mineral oil decreased by $5.5 \%$ and caused the mineral fuels index to decline by $5.0 \%$. Prices for coal were up ( $5.9 \%$ ).
- The vegetable products index was $15.0 \%$ below its level a year ago, due to lower prices for grains (-18.5\%), oilseeds ( $-8.8 \%$ ), unrefined sugar ( $-38.7 \%$ ) and fresh vegetables ( $-27.3 \%$ ). A partially-offsetting effect came from higher prices for fresh fruits (20.5\%).
- The non-ferrous metals index was lower by $10.8 \%$ as prices for almost all metals have fallen by more than $10 \%$; only prices for radioactive concentrates have risen ( $10.6 \%$ ).
- Increases in the prices for hogs (3.6\%), cattle for slaughter ( $3.1 \%$ ) and fish ( $18.9 \%$ ) were largely responsible for the increase in the animal and animal products index (3.2\%).

Available on CANSIM: matrix 2009.
For further information on this release, contact the Information and Current Analysis Section (613-951-9607), Prices Division.

## Raw Materials Price Index

(1986 = 100)

|  | Relative Importance | IndexMarch $1991^{1}$ | \% Change |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | March 1991/ February 1991 | March 1991/ March 1990 |
| Raw Materials Total | 100 | 104.9 | -5.0 | -3.7 |
| Mineral fuels | 32 | 101.7 | -14.0 | -5.0 |
| Vegetable products | 10 | 89.9 | -2.3 | -15.0 |
| Animal and animal products | 25 | 107.2 | -0.6 | 3.2 |
| Wood | 13 | 123.6 | 0.3 | 0.2 |
| Ferrous materials | 4 | 92.4 | -0.1 | -0.1 |
| Non-ferrous metals | 13 | 104.4 | -0.1 | -10.8 |
| Non-metalic minerals | 3 | 106.0 | 1.0 | 3.1 |
| Total excluding mineral fuels | 68 | 106.4 | -0.4 | -3.1 |

Female Rate of Admission - Provincial/Territorial Custody, 1989-90


Sources: Canadian Centre for Justice Statistics
Statistics Canada, Census and Household Statistics Branch, Demography Division (updated postcensal estimates, June 1, 1989).

1 Population includes women 18 years of age and over.

## Adult Female Offenders in the Provincial/Territorial Corrections Systems

## 1989-90

Women incarcerated in Canada's corrections facilities, both provincial/territorial and federal, represent a small proportion (approximately $7 \%$ ) of the total inmate population. Of these women, over $95 \%$ are incarcerated in provincial/territorial facilities.

## Highlights

- In 1989-90 there were a total of $\mathbf{1 1 5 , 1 1 4}$ sentenced admissions ${ }^{1}$ to provincial/territorial correctional facilities in Canada, of whom $8 \%$, or 9,183 , were women. The number of women admitted under sentence has increased by 13.2\% since 1986-87.
- Nationally, the rate of admissions for women (aged 18 years and over) in 1989-90 was 9.1 per

[^2]10,000. The rate in Ontario (9.4) was roughly equal to the national rate. Five jurisdictions had admission rates higher than the national average: Prince Edward Island (13.9), the Northwest Territories (17.8), Saskatchewan (21.3), Alberta (24.5) and the Yukon (38.6).

- Women under the age of 35 made up the largest age group ( $76.1 \%$ ) of female admissions to provincial/territorial facilities. In all regions, at least two-thirds of the female offenders were less than 35 years of age.
- Of the 9,183 women admitted to provincial/ territorial facilities in 1989-90, 2,671 ( $29.1 \%$ ) were aboriginal women.
- The majority of adult female offenders had sentences of one month or less (62.6\%).
Vol 11., No. 6 of the Juristat Bulletin (85-002, $\$ 3.60 / \$ 90$ ) is now available. See "How to Order Publications".

For further information, contact Information and Client Services (613-951-9023), Canadian Centre for Justice Statistics.

## DATA AVAILABILITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

## Field Crop Reporting Series No. 3 Stocks of Canadian Grain

March 31, 1991

Total stocks of the eight major grains in storage on Canadian farms on March 31, 1991 were 27.3 million tonnes, $41 \%$ greater than on March 31, 1990. Stocks held in commercial positions were up $10 \%$, at 10.6 million tonnes. Total stocks in all positions totalled 37.9 million tonnes, the highest level since March 31, 1987.

## Wheat

Total farm stocks of all wheat were 14.7 million tonnes, up 60\% from March 31, 1990. Durum wheat stocks were 2.2 million tonnes, $43 \%$ higher than last year. The quality of the hard red spring wheat stocks is excellent, with $98 \%$ grading either 1 or 2 CW , compared to $69 \%$ last year.

## Oilseeds

The total quantity of oilseeds held on farms was 1.8 million tonnes, 31\% higher than on March 31, 1990. The quantity of canola in storage on farms on March 31, 1991. was relatively unchanged from last year. Stocks of flaxseed were 495 thousand tonnes, five times greater than levels a year ago.

## Course Grains

Total farm stocks of barley, grain corn, oats and rye were 10.8 million tonnes, $23 \%$ greater than on March 31, 1990.

## Data Source

The estimates of farm-held stocks of grain are based on a survey of 7,000 farm operators conducted by telephone during the period April 2 to 8, 1991.

Field Crop Reporting Series No. 3 - Stocks of Canadian Grain at March 31, 1991 is now available. See "How to Order Publications".

For futher information, contact the Crop Reporting Unit (613-951-8717), Agriculture Division.

## Grain Marketing Situation Report <br> March 1991

The situation report for March 1991 is now available. This report presents up-to-date information on the Canadian and world grain supply and market situation.

For further detailed information on this release, contact Karen Gray (204-983-2856), Agriculture Division.

## Railway Carloadings

Seven-day Period Ending April 14, 1991

## Highlights

- Revenue freight loaded by railways in Canada during the week totalled 5.1 million tonnes, an increase of $4.5 \%$ over the same period last year.
- Piggyback traffic decreased $13.4 \%$ from the same period last year. The number of cars loaded also decreased $0.4 \%$ during the same period.
- The tonnage of revenue freight loaded to date this year is $4.9 \%$ 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 and 1991 cumulative data have been revised.

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

## Electric Lamps

March 1991
Canadian light bulb and tube manufacturers sold 29,167,779 light bulbs and tubes in March 1991, an increase of $29.8 \%$ from the $22,479,528$ units sold a year earlier.

Year-to-date sales for 1991 amounted to $73,232,371$ light bulbs and tubes, up $15.0 \%$ from the $63,630,262$ sold during the same period in 1990.

The March 1991 issue of Electric Lamps (43-009, $\$ 5 / \$ 50$ ) will be available at a later date. See "How to Order Publications".

For more detailed information on this release, contact Laurie Vincent (613-951-3523), Industry Division.

## Provincial Government Assets and Liabilities

March 31, 1989
At March 31, 1989, the financial assets of provincial and territorial governments stood at $\$ 109,804$ million while liabilities were $\$ 181,808$ million. The net debt (excess of liabilities over financial assets) of $\$ 72,004$ million increased by $3.5 \%$ over the $\$ 69,546$ million at March 31, 1988.

A summary of balance-sheet items by province as of March 31, 1989 is now available.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 3201 to 3213.
For further information on this release, contact A.J. Gareau (613-951-1826), Public Institutions Division.

Data are available through custom and special tabulation. For more information or general inquiries on Public Institutions Division products or services, contact Patricia Phillips, Data Dissemination Coordinator (613-951-0767).

## Selected Financial Indexes

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

## Available on CANSIM: matrix 2031.

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

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

## Pack of Processed Mixed Vegetables 1990

The data on pack of processed mixed vegetables for 1990 are now available. Pack of Selected Processed Vegetables (32-240, \$13) will be released at a later date.

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

## Pack of Canned Tomatoes and Tomato Products 1990

The data on pack of processed tomatoes for 1990 are now available. Pack of Canned Tomatoes and Tomato Products (32-237, \$13) is now available.

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

## Pack of Processed Corn 1990

The data on pack of processed corn for 1990 are now available. Pack of Processed Corn (32-236, \$13) will be released at a later date.

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

## Pack of Processed Green and Wax Beans 1990

The data on pack of processed green and wax beans for 1990 are now available. Pack of Processed Beans, Green and Wax $(32-238, \$ 13)$ is now available.

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

## Pack of Processed Carrots 1990

The data on pack of processed carrots for 1990 are now available. Pack of Processed Carrots (32-239, \$13) will be released at a later date.

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[^0]:    1 The short-term trend represents a weighted average of data.

[^1]:    Weights are derived from the "make" matrix of the 1986 Input/Output table.
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[^2]:    1 Data for Prince Edward Island and New Brunswick represent those offenders admitted and released during the same year and are reported on a calendaryear basis.

