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Real Gross Domestic Product at Factor Cost by Industry

July 1991(Seasonally Adjusted Data)

Monthly Overview

Gross domestic product grew 0.2% in July, the same rate as in June. Goods producers boosted output 0.6% in July. This fourth consecutive increase raised goods production to a level 3.0% above its trough in March 1991. Services output was unchanged in July following a flat June and a 0.2% increase in May.

Goods-producing Industries

Manufacturing, construction and forestry continued to post the strongest growth in the goods sector. Fishing also posted a marginal gain. Mining (-1.6%) and agriculture (-1.4%) recorded the largest losses. Utility output fell 0.2%.

Manufacturing output rose 1.1% to a level 5.1% above its March 1991 trough. Since March, production of durables has increased 7.3% while non-durables output has advanced 2.8%. Although gains were widespread in July, producers of food, primary and fabricated metal products, and wood products accounted for most of them. Losses were narrowly-based and moderate, with producers of machinery, refined petroleum products and paper posting the largest declines.

Food production jumped 2.2% in July, the largest monthly increase since May 1985. Meat producers accounted for more than half the gain. Advances by other food producers were widespread but partly offset by lower output of fish and dairy products.

Following a 1.9% jump in June, primary metal producers boosted output 2.7% to a level 10.9% above the January 1991 trough. Producers of iron and steel led the advance, increasing output 6.4% in July to a level 21.5% above that in March 1991. Production increases by iron foundries and aluminum processors were partly offset by lower smelting and refining output.

Output of fabricated metal products increased 3.3%, the largest monthly gain since August 1985. Led by a 3.5% increase in metal stamping, the gains were widespread except for producers of boilers and heat exchange equipment.

Production of wood products increased 3.3% in July. This fourth consecutive advance raised output 13.4% above its March 1991 trough. Sawmill output jumped 4.2% to stand 23% above its January 1991 level. Led by producers of doors and windows, manufacturers of other wood products recorded marginal gains in July.

Elsewhere in manufacturing, advances in the tobacco and transportation equipment industries were offset by declines in petroleum refining, machinery, paper and chemicals.

Construction output rose 1.5% in July to a level 3.3% above its March 1991 trough. Higher activity on singles and apartments paced residential construction to gains of 6.4% in July and 21% since March 1991. Lower activity on industrial and commercial projects led non-residential construction to a 1.8% loss, its 13th consecutive decline, bringing it to a level 16.9% below that a year earlier.

Following marginal gains in the two previous months, mining output plunged 1.6% in July. Although a 1.7% drop in production of crude oil and natural gas accounted for most of the loss, declines elsewhere were widespread.

Services-producing Industries

Output of services was flat in June and July following an increase of 0.2% in May and an exceptional 1.2% jump in April. For the second consecutive month, transportation and storage, and wholesale and retail trade reported increases in production. These gains were largely offset by losses in finance, insurance, and real estate, and community, business and personal services. Communications output declined marginally.

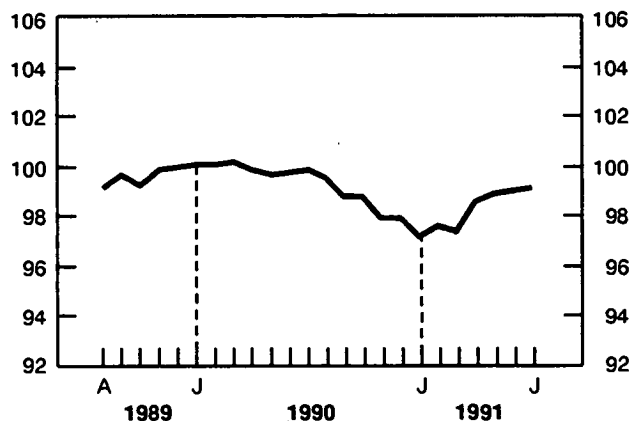
The 1.0% advance in wholesale trade followed gains averaging 1.4% in May and June and 2.8% in March and April. While output in July was only 2.5% above its year-earlier level, it was 12.0% higher than its January 1991 trough. Wholesalers of construction-related materials (machinery and equipment, lumber and hardware) have accounted for about half the gains since January. In July, seven of 11 categories recorded higher sales. Gains by wholesalers of household goods, lumber and grain were partly offset by losses led by farm machinery and motor vehicles.

Gross Domestic Product

Seasonally adjusted at annual rates at 1986 prices

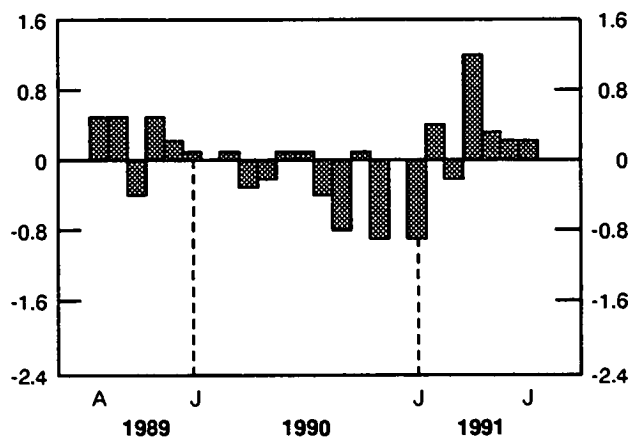
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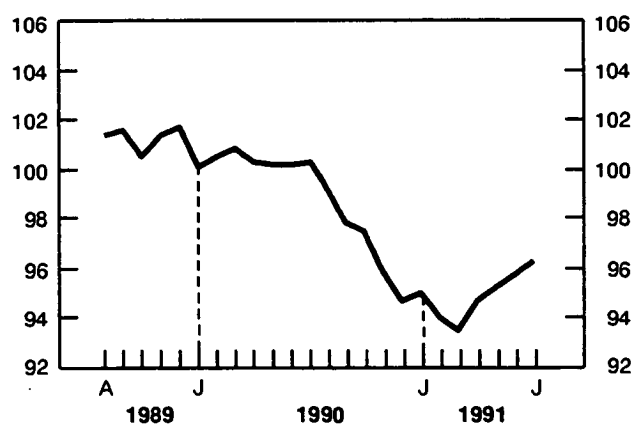
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Total economy



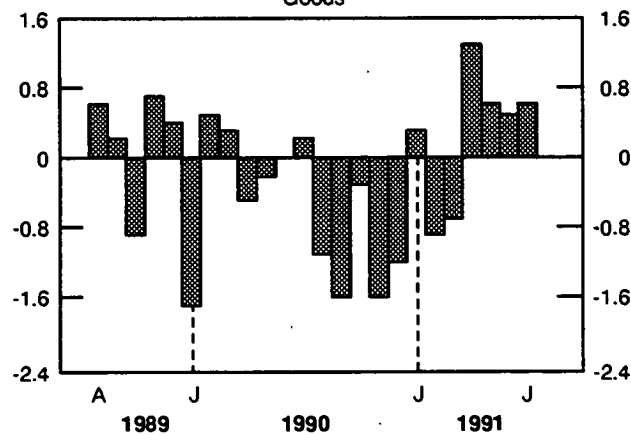
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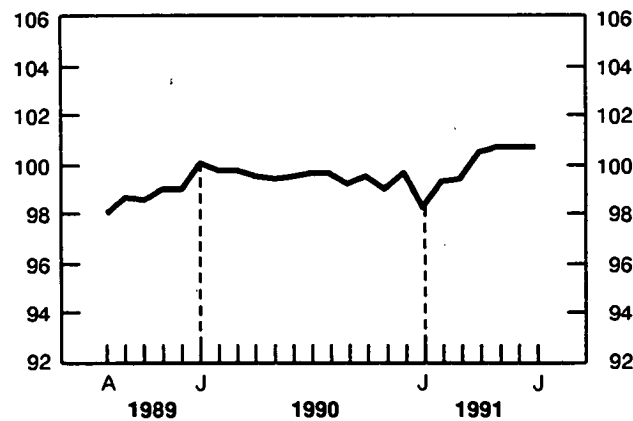
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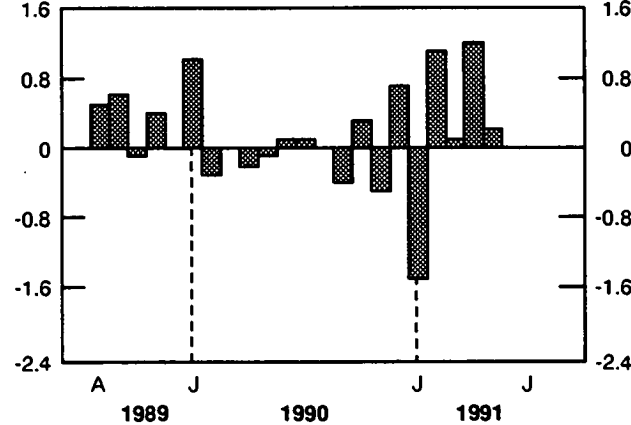
Services

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% change

Services



Following a 1.0% advance in June, transportation and storage output gained a further 0.5% in July. Transportation services rose 0.9%. Higher water, truck and urban transport services accounted for most of the gain, and were partly offset by marginal but widespread declines elsewhere. Lower throughput of natural gas paced pipeline output to a 3.7% decline. Higher activity by grain elevators raised storage output 10.6%.

Retail trade advanced 0.3% in July following a 0.8% decline in June. While 11 of 18 store-types recorded higher sales, retailers of motor vehicles, general merchandise and service station operators accounted for most of the gains.

Output by finance, insurance and real estate dropped 0.3%. The declines in housing and stock market activity that began in May continued into July as output by real estate agents and security brokers fell. These losses were partly offset by gains by banks and credit unions, insurance companies and

investment companies.

Community, business and personal services declined 0.3% following a 0.3% gain in June and a flat May. Services to business fell 0.8% as declines in miscellaneous business and professional services were partly offset by increases by advertising agencies and computer service bureaus. Accommodation and food services dropped 0.5% as gains by hotels were more than offset by restaurant losses.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 4671-4674.

Order the July 1991 issue of *Gross Domestic Product by Industry* (15-001, \$12.10/\$121), scheduled for release in October.

For further information, contact Lyle Sager (613-951-9164), Industry Measures and Analysis Division.

Real Gross Domestic Product at Factor Cost by Industry, at 1986 Prices by Month

(Seasonally Adjusted at Annual Rates)
(\$ millions)

	1990	1991			
	July	April	May	June	July
Total Economy	510,239.0	503,245.7	504,930.5	505,836.9	506,711.4
Business Sector:	419,833.7	411,950.9	413,332.1	414,377.7	415,374.6
Goods:	177,002.8	166,844.4	167,854.8	168,746.4	169,728.4
Agriculture	11,703.4	11,542.8	11,515.2	11,494.8	11,336.4
Fishing and Trapping	917.3	883.2	882.0	871.2	878.4
Logging Industry	2,638.6	2,631.6	2,568.0	2,781.6	2,848.8
Mining Industries	20,132.8	19,732.8	19,820.4	19,900.8	19,590.4
Manufacturing Industries	92,699.0	84,956.4	85,678.8	86,116.8	87,055.2
Construction Industries	33,227.7	30,975.6	31,188.0	31,426.8	31,892.4
Other Utility Industries	15,684.0	16,122.0	16,202.4	16,154.4	16,126.8
Services:	242,830.9	245,106.5	245,477.3	245,631.3	245,646.2
Transportation and Storage	22,407.3	22,123.2	22,008.0	22,220.4	22,334.4
Communication Industries	18,617.4	19,402.8	19,207.2	19,120.8	19,074.0
Wholesale Trade	26,397.7	26,058.0	26,428.8	26,787.6	27,056.4
Retail Trade	30,629.9	29,416.8	29,755.2	29,511.6	29,610.0
Finance, Insurance and Real Estate	79,954.7	84,273.6	84,274.8	84,376.8	84,138.0
Community, Business and Personal Services	64,823.9	63,832.1	63,803.3	63,614.1	63,433.4
Non-business Sector:	90,405.3	91,294.8	91,598.4	91,459.2	91,336.8
Goods:	916.6	948.0	954.0	944.4	930.0
Services:	89,488.7	90,346.8	90,644.4	90,514.8	90,406.8
Government Service Industry	33,246.9	33,825.6	34,119.6	33,934.8	33,862.8
Community and Personal Services	52,854.4	53,186.4	53,203.2	53,282.4	53,272.8
Other Services	3,387.4	3,334.8	3,321.6	3,297.6	3,271.2
Other Aggregations:					
Goods-producing Industries	177,919.4	167,792.4	168,808.8	169,690.8	170,658.4
Services-producing Industries	332,319.6	335,453.3	336,121.7	336,146.1	336,053.0
Industrial Production	129,432.4	121,759.2	122,655.6	123,116.4	123,702.4
Non-durable Manufacturing	42,463.4	40,370.4	40,431.6	40,742.4	41,077.2
Durable Manufacturing	50,235.6	44,586.0	45,247.2	45,374.4	45,978.0

Building Permits

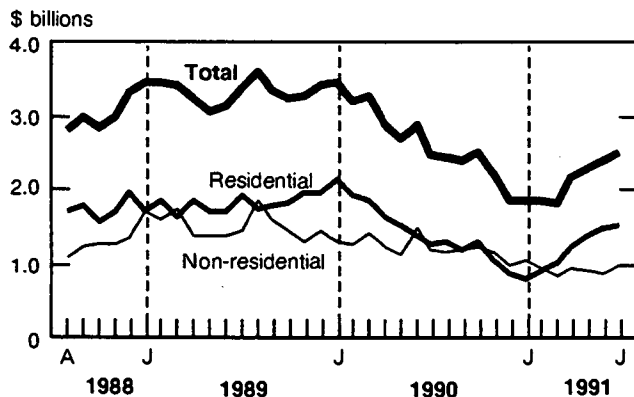
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Summary

The preliminary value of building permits issued in Canada jumped 4.7% in July to a level of \$2,508 million, up from \$2,396 million in June. This increase is mainly attributable to the non-residential construction sector.

Value of Building Permits Issued in Canada

Seasonally adjusted



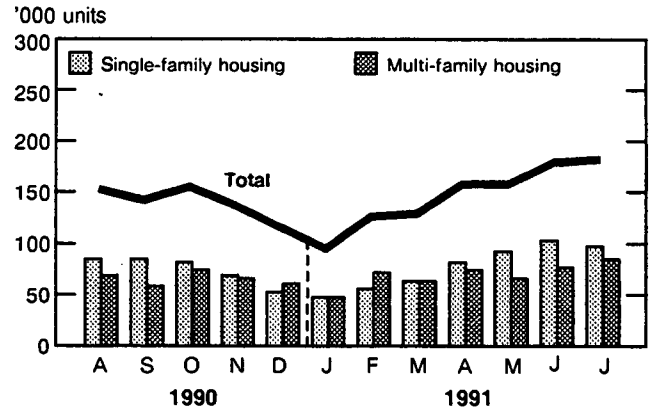
Note: Revised data for June, preliminary data for July.

Residential Sector

- The preliminary value of residential building permits increased 1.7% in July to \$1,533 million, up from \$1,507 million in June. The value of residential building permits has been increasing since January 1991.
- The value of building permits in the single-family dwelling sector declined by 2.2% to \$1,075 million while the multi-family dwelling sector recorded a gain of 12.1% for a level of \$458 million.
- Ontario (+9.4%) and the Prairies (+7.0%) were the only regions to report a gain in the value of residential building permits in July.
- The total number of dwelling units authorized in July rose 2.5% to 181,000 units at an annual rate (98,000 single-detached and 83,000 multiple dwellings).

Dwelling Units Authorized in Canada

Seasonally adjusted at annual rates



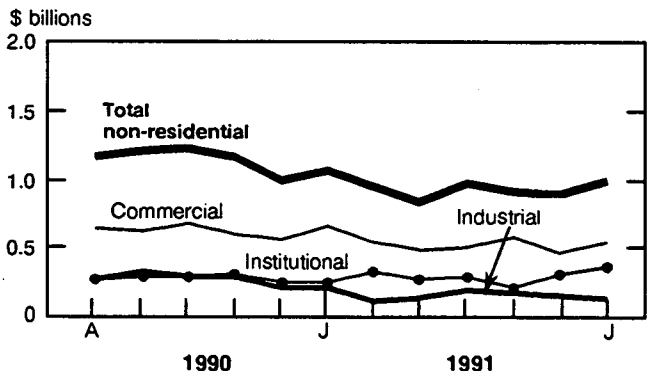
Note: Revised data for June, preliminary data for July.

Non-residential Sector

- The preliminary value of non-residential building permits grew by 9.8% in July to a level of \$975 million, from \$889 million in June.
- The value of building permits increased 13.7% in the commercial sector to \$519 million and 22.1% in the institutional sector to \$348 million, but dropped 26.3% in the industrial sector to a level of \$108 million.

Value of Non-residential Permits Issued in Canada

Seasonally adjusted



Note: Revised data for June, preliminary data for July.

- The Atlantic region (-0.1%) and Quebec (-7.9%) were the only regions to report declines in the value of non-residential building permits in July.

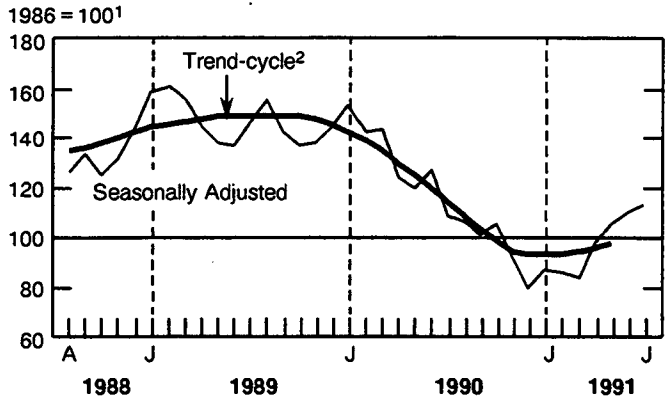
Short-term Trend

- The short-term trend (excluding engineering projects) was up by 1.9% in May to a level of 97.0. This represents the fourth consecutive increase and was entirely due to the residential trend index.
- The trend index of residential permits increased 4.9% in May to a level of 99.8 while the non-residential trend index dropped 2.3% to 93.2.

Advance Estimate of Residential Building Permits for August 1991

- The advance estimate for August indicated that the value of residential building permits issued in Canada declined to \$1,417 million, down 7.3% from the revised value for July (\$1,528 million).
- The advance estimate of dwelling units authorized in August showed a decrease of 8.3% to 166,000 units at an annual rate, from the level of 181,000 units reported in July.

Building Permits Indices



¹ This series is deflated by using the construction input price index which includes cost of material and labor.

² The trend-cycle shows the seasonally-adjusted value of Building Permits without irregular influences which can obscure the short-term trend.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 80 (levels 3-7, 16-22), 129, 137, 443, 989-992, 994, 995 and 4073.

The July 1991 issue of *Building Permits* (64-001, \$22/\$220) is scheduled for release the third week of October.

For further information on statistics, contact Pierre Pichette (613-951-2585) or Marcel Poirier (613-951-2026), and for analytical information, contact Paul Gratton (613-951-2025), Investment and Capital Stock Division. ■

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Production and Sales of Major Appliances

August 1991

Domestic sales of major appliances by Canadian manufacturers decreased to 138,650 units in August 1991, down 27.9% from 192,381 units in July 1991 and down 10.6% from the 155,139 units sold in the same month of 1990.

Year-to-date domestic sales from January to August 1991 amounted to 1,134,044 units compared to 1,403,518 units for the same period of 1990, or a 19.2% decrease.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 65, 66 and 122 (series 30).

The August 1991 issue of *Production, Sales and Stocks of Major Appliances* (43-010, \$5/\$50) will be available at a later date. See "How to Order Publications".

For more detailed information on this release, contact J.P. Beauparlant (613-951-3526), Industry Division.

Rigid Insulating Board

August 1991

Shipments of rigid insulating board totalled 3 162 thousand square metres (12.7 mm basis) in August 1991, a decrease of 15.8% compared to 3 755 (revised) thousand square metres (12.7 mm basis) in August 1990.

For January to August 1991, year-to-date shipments amounted to 24 296 thousand square metres (12.7 mm basis) compared to 25 000 thousand square metres (12.7 mm basis) for the same period in 1990, a decrease of 2.8%.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 31 (series 1) and 122 (series 4-7).

The August 1991 issue of *Rigid Insulating Board* (36-002, \$5/\$50) will be available at a later date. See "How to Order Publications".

For more detailed information on this release, contact Sandra Bohatyretz (613-951-3531), Industry Division.

Deliveries of Major Grains

July 1991

Producer deliveries of major grains by prairie farmers showed an increase from July 1990, except in the case of rye and canola where marketings decreased. Deliveries for July 1990 and July 1991 were as follows (in thousand tonnes):

	1990	1991
• Wheat (excluding durum)	1 408.3	4 075.2
• Durum wheat	252.0	554.1
• Total wheat	1 660.3	4 629.3
• Oats	78.7	90.9
• Barley	633.3	725.5
• Rye	54.1	53.5
• Flaxseed	17.4	94.0
• Canola	283.1	243.3
• Total	2 726.9	5 836.5

Available on CANSIM: matrices 976-981.

The July 1991 issue of *Cereals and Oilseeds Review* (22-007, \$13.80/\$138) is scheduled for release in October. See "How to Order Publications".

For further detailed information on this release, contact Alain Y. Bertrand (613-951-3859), Agriculture Division.

Rail in Canada

1989

Financial and operating data, revenue freight traffic and commodity origin and destination statistics are now available.

Highlights

- Total operating revenues for Canada's railway transport industry dropped to \$7.4 billion in 1989 from \$8.0 billion in 1988, a decrease of 6.9%.
- Expenditures of the railways continued to increase, reaching \$7.1 billion in 1989 compared to \$7.0 billion in 1988, resulting in a deterioration in the operating ratio from 0.87 in 1988 to 0.95 in 1989.

- In 1989, the rail industry provided employment to some 75,000 employees, and transported about 247 million tonnes of freight and 31 million passengers.
- Data on commodity origin and destination provided by CN and CP show that 12.5% of their combined revenues were generated intra-provincially, 50.9% from interprovincial

movements, 34.6% from international traffic and the remaining 2% movements of goods within the United States.

Rail in Canada, 1989 (52-216, \$45) will be available at a later date.

For further information, contact Yasmin Sheikh (613-951-2518), Surface Transport Unit, Transportation Division. ■

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Construction Type Plywood, July 1991.

Catalogue number 35-001

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**Production, Shipments and Stocks on Hand of
Sawmills East of the Rockies, July 1991.**

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Department Store Sales and Stocks, April 1991.

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**Department Store Monthly Sales by Province and
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**Summary of Canadian International Trade,
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