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Estimates of Labour Income

October 1991

The October 1991 preliminary estimate of labour income¹, which comprises approximately 50% of Gross Domestic Product (GDP) in the National Income and Expenditure Accounts, was \$33.2 billion, an increase of 3.3% from October 1990. The year-to-date growth in labour income was 3.6%, compared to the 1990 annual gain of 6.7%.

Highlights – Wages and Salaries

Seasonally Adjusted

- Seasonally adjusted wages and salaries grew slightly (0.2%) in October, following a decline of 0.2% in September.
- Federal administration wages and salaries recorded a substantial increase of 9.8% in October following a decrease in September of 8.0%. This industry was affected in September by the labour dispute with the Public Service Alliance of Canada (PSAC).
- Increases in wages and salaries were also noted in transportation, communications and other utilities (0.7%) and commercial and personal services (0.7%).
- Manufacturing (-0.4%), construction (-0.8%), and forestry (-2.9%) all recorded declines in October.
- Increases in wages and salaries occurred in Newfoundland (0.9%), Manitoba (0.8%), British Columbia (1.0%), and the Yukon, Northwest Territories and Abroad (0.8%). The remaining provinces showed little change between September and October.

¹ Labour income is composed of two components – wages and salaries and supplementary labour income. Wages and salaries account for 90% of labour income.

Unadjusted

- In October 1991, wages and salaries advanced by 2.7% from October 1990. This was the lowest rate of growth in 1991 and brought the year-to-date growth rate to 3.3%.
- The highest year-over-year growth rates in October were noted in health and welfare services (8.0%), finance, insurance and real estate (6.8%), local administration (6.6%), and education and related services (6.4%).
- Weakness in wages and salaries occurred in construction (-8.2%) and manufacturing (-0.1%).
- The year-over-year growth rates decelerated in October compared to September in mines, quarries and oil wells, trade, and finance, insurance and real estate.
- New Brunswick (4.5%), Alberta (4.2%), British Columbia (4.6%), and the Yukon, Northwest Territories and Abroad (4.2%) continued to record larger year-over-year increases in wages and salaries in October than the national growth rate (+2.7%). These increases were moderated by weaker growth in the remaining provinces.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 1791 and 1792.

The October-December 1991 issue of *Estimates of Labour Income* (72-005, \$22.50/\$90) will be available in April. See "How to Order Publications".

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Wages and Salaries and Supplementary Labour Income

(millions of dollars)

	October 1991 ^p	September 1991 ^r	August 1991 ^f	October 1990
Unadjusted for Seasonal Variation				
Agriculture, fishing and trapping	262.8	336.6	375.9	255.9
Forestry	228.8	241.4	246.2	225.1
Mines, quarries and oil wells	707.2	714.9	716.4	674.5
Manufacturing industries	5,194.6	5,238.1	5,265.2	5,197.1
Construction industry	2,070.6	2,121.2	2,166.3	2,256.5
Transportation, communications and other utilities	2,865.5	2,835.0	2,867.1	2,742.9
Trade	4,120.9	4,124.6	4,149.5	4,065.4
Finance, insurance and real estate	2,700.1	2,718.2	2,747.7	2,528.6
Commercial and personal services	4,163.9	4,149.5	4,223.7	4,000.1
Education and related services	2,587.1	2,525.3	2,046.8	2,431.0
Health and welfare services	2,477.7	2,470.3	2,519.8	2,294.5
Federal administration and other government offices	922.0	848.2	950.8	911.1
Provincial administration	683.2	693.1	703.5	654.6
Local administration	634.4	644.6	643.5	595.0
Total wages and salaries	29,618.9	29,661.1	29,622.4	28,832.3
Supplementary labour income	3,533.8	3,476.2	3,450.7	3,255.9
Labour income	33,152.7	33,137.3	33,073.1	32,088.2
Adjusted for Seasonal Variation				
Agriculture, fishing and trapping	231.2	233.4	233.4	225.4
Forestry	204.5	210.5	218.1	201.0
Mines, quarries and oil wells	709.3	712.4	707.0	676.2
Manufacturing industries	5,201.0	5,223.9	5,237.9	5,192.8
Construction industry	1,826.9	1,842.4	1,881.5	1,980.2
Transportation, communications and other utilities	2,838.3	2,818.1	2,826.0	2,712.8
Trade	4,129.6	4,135.3	4,133.8	4,073.6
Finance, insurance and real estate	2,721.1	2,718.2	2,701.3	2,537.7
Commercial and personal services	4,089.0	4,062.1	4,057.1	3,921.9
Education and related services	2,507.3	2,508.3	2,479.9	2,355.4
Health and welfare services	2,503.2	2,501.6	2,501.8	2,319.2
Federal administration and other government offices	940.5	857.7	931.0	928.9
Provincial administration	683.6	683.8	679.3	655.2
Local administration	639.2	639.8	627.8	599.5
Total wages and salaries	29,280.1	29,208.5	29,258.3	28,383.2
Supplementary labour income	3,494.7	3,424.8	3,411.5	3,207.6
Labour income	32,774.8	32,633.3	32,669.8	31,590.8

^p Preliminary estimates.

^r Revised estimates.

^f Final estimates.

DATA AVAILABILITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Railway Carloadings

Seven-day Period Ending December 21, 1991

Highlights

- Revenue freight loaded by railways in Canada during the period totalled 4.9 million tonnes, an increase of 4.3% over the same period last year.
- Piggyback traffic decreased 1.7% from the same period last year. The number of cars loaded increased 1.0% during the same period.
- The tonnage of revenue freight loaded to date this year increased 0.6% from 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. ■

Steel, Primary Forms

November 1991

Steel, primary forms, production for November 1991 totalled 1 144 941 tonnes, an increase of 49.1% from 767 792 tonnes the previous year.

Year-to-date production reached 11 843 900 tonnes, up 5.2% from 11 257 215 tonnes a year earlier.

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

The November 1991 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. ■

Particleboard, Waferboard and Fibreboard

November 1991

Canadian firms produced 145 765 cubic metres of waferboard in November 1991, an increase of 34.7% from the 108 181 cubic metres produced in November 1990. Particleboard production reached 85 150 cubic metres, up 8.7% from 78 341 cubic metres the previous year. Fibreboard production for November 1991 was 6 385 thousand square metres, basis 3.175mm, a decrease of 16.1% from the 7 610 thousand square metres, basis 3.175mm, of fibreboard produced in November 1990.

Cumulative waferboard production during the year 1991 totalled 1 455 866 cubic metres, down 22.1% from the 1 868 835 cubic metres produced during 1990. Particleboard production was 959 153 cubic metres, down 11.0% from the 1 078 166 cubic metres in January to November 1990. Year-to-date fibreboard production was 86 730 thousand square metres, basis 3.175mm, down slightly from the 86 766 thousand square metres, basis 3.175mm, for the same period in 1990.

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

The November 1991 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. ■

Specified Domestic Electrical Appliances

November 1991

Canadian electrical appliance manufacturers produced 80,911 kitchen appliances in November 1991, down 8.4% from the 88,293 appliances produced a year earlier.

Production of home comfort products totalled 24,593 in November 1991, a decrease of 3.3% from the previous year.

Year-to-date kitchen appliances production amounted to 799,269 units. Corresponding data for the same period in 1990 amounted to 824,576 units.

The November 1991 issue of *Specified Domestic Electrical Appliances* (43-003, \$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. ■

Footwear Statistics

November 1991

Canadian manufacturers produced 1,823,838 pairs of footwear in November 1991, a decrease of 18.4% from the 2,235,602^r (revised) pairs produced a year earlier.

Year-to-date production for January to November 1991 totalled 22,627,982^r pairs, down 22.4% from the 29,151,913^r pairs produced during the same period in 1990.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 8.

The November 1991 issue of *Footwear Statistics* (33-002, \$5/\$50) will be available at a later date. See "How to Order Publications".

For more detailed information on this release, contact Don Grant (613-951-5998), Industry Division. ■

Electric Storage Batteries

November 1991

Canadian manufacturers of electric storage batteries sold 306,990 automotive and heavy duty commercial replacement batteries in November 1991, a decrease of 26.2% from 415,811 batteries sold in the same month a year earlier.

Cumulative sales amounted to 2,229,759 automotive and heavy duty commercial replacement batteries from January to November 1991, down 12.5% from the 2,549,264 units sold the previous year.

Information on sales of other types of storage batteries is also available.

The November 1991 issue of *Factory Sales of Electric Storage Batteries* (43-005, \$5/\$50) will be available at a later date. See "How to Order Publications".

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

Production of Eggs

November 1991

Canadian egg production in November 1991 was 38.0 million dozen, a 1.0% decrease from November 1990. The average number of layers decreased 0.3% between November 1990 and 1991, while the number of eggs per 100 layers decreased to 2,172 from 2,188.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 1145, 1146 and 5689-5691.

To order *Production and Stocks of Eggs and Poultry* (\$115/year), contact Guy Gervais (613-951-2453).

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