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Help-wanted Index

December 1991

The Help-wanted Index serves as an early indicator of the demand for labour by monitoring changes in the number of help-wanted ads published in 20 major metropolitan areas.

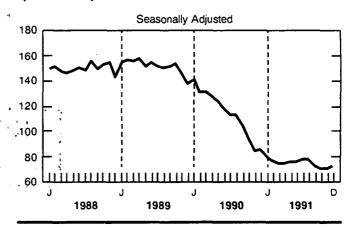
Highlights - Seasonally Adjusted

• After reaching a peak of 157 in April 1989, the Help-wanted Index for Canada (1981 = 100) started a decline which accelerated in 1990. In 1991, the trend slowed and the index stabilized at 75 in the second quarter. After increasing to 77 in July, the index then declined again in September and October and remained unchanged at 70 in November. In December, the index advanced two points to 72.

Changes by Region

 Between November and December 1991, the Help-wanted Index increased 6.3% in Ontario (to 67 from 63), 4.2% in British Columbia (to 75 from 72), 3.0% in the Atlantic provinces (to 102 from 99) and 2.3% in Quebec (to 89 from 87). In the Prairie provinces, the index declined 3.9% (to 49 from 51).

Help-wanted Index, Canada (1981 = 100)



 Compared with December 1990, the Help-wanted Index was lower in all regions: down 28% in the Prairie provinces, 24% in the Atlantic provinces, 14% in British Columbia, 13% in Ontario and 7% in Quebec.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 105 (levels 5 and 7).

Users interested in trend-cycle estimates, or indices for metropolitan areas surveyed, please contact Carole Lacroix (613-951-4039) or André Picard (613-951-4045), Labour Division (FAX: 613-951-4087).

The Daily, January 8, 1992

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DATA AVAILABILITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Canadian Mining

1989

The value of Canada's mineral production in 1989 was \$33,544.9 million, up 5.6% from 1988. The metal mining, structural materials and fuels industries all showed gains over their 1988 values. The non-metal mining industry recorded a modest decline, mostly caused by a decrease in the value of potash production.

Summary statistics of the Canadian mineral industry will be released in the 1989 edition of the General Review of the Mineral Industries (26-201, \$22). The data are based on the 1989 Annual Census of Mines, Quarries and Sand Pits. Publications detailing individual sections of this industry are available in the 26-000 series catalogues.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 7950-7969.

For further information on the fuels industry, coal mines, crude petroleum and natural gas (conventional, non-conventional), please contact R. Rasia (613-951-3569), Industry Division, Statistics Canada. For information on all other mineral industries, please contact T. Newman (613-992-6439), Mineral and Metal Statistics Division, Energy, Mines and Resources Canada.

Canadian Mining

1989

Mining Industry	. 1980 SIC	CANSIM Matrix	Value of Production		Percentage Change
Mining Industry			1988	1989	Orlange
			(\$	millions)	
Metal mines	061	7956	12,456.5	12,902.1	3.6
Gold mines	0611	7951	2,013.7	2,079.6	3.3
Silver-lead-zinc mines	0614	7952	1,593.9	1,749.4	9.8
Nickel-copper-zinc mines	0612-0613	7953	6,324.6	6,617.3	4.6
Iron mines	0617	7954	1,283.0	1,351.1	5.3
Other miscellaneous metal					
mines	0615-0616-0619	7955	1,241.3	1,104.7	-11.0
Non-metal mines (except coal)	062	7962	1,987.9	1,953.4	-1.7
Asbestos mines	0621	7957	241.4	303.7	25.8
Peat industry	0622	7959	105.6	120.3	13.9
Gypsum mines	0623	7958	88.0	90.8	3.2
Potash mines	0624	7960	1,212.1	1,074.2	-11.4
Other miscellaneous non-metal					
mines (except coal)	0625-0629	7961	340.9	364.3	6.9
Fuels industry ¹	063+0711	7969	16,436.3	17,771.7	8.1
Coal mines	063	7967	1,719.3	1,662.0	-3.3
Crude petroleum and natural					
gas industry ¹	0711	7968	14,717.0	16,109.7	9.5
Quarry and sand pit industries	08	7965	896.7	917.7	2.3
Stone quarries	081	7963	506.8	513.9	1.4
Sand and gravel pits	082	7964	389.9	403.8	3.6
Industrial minerals sector	062 + 08	7966	2,884.6	2,871.1	-0.5
Mining industry total ¹		7950	31,777.4	33,544.9	5.6

Excludes non-conventional crude oil industry (SIC 0712)

Industrial Chemicals and Synthetic Resins

November 1991

Canadian chemical firms produced 131 214 tonnes of polyethylene synthetic resins in November 1991, an increase of 3.9% from the 126 231r (revised) tonnes produced in November 1990.

January to November 1991 production totalled 1420 333 tonnes, up 2.0% from the 1392 269 tonnes produced during the same period in 1990.

Data are also available on Canadian production of three other types of synthetic resins and 24 industrial chemicals for November 1991, November 1990, and corresponding cumulative figures.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 951.

The November 1991 issue of *Industrial Chemicals* and *Synthetic Resins* (46-002, \$5.60/\$56) will be available at a later date. See "How to Order Publications".

For more detailed information on this release, contact Raj Sehdev (613-951-3513), Industry Division.



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