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Real Gross Domestic Product at Factor Cost by Industry

(Seasonally Adjusted Data) August 1992

Monthly Overview

Production rose 0.5% in August, its best gain in over a year. Almost half the increase was accounted for by resolution of a strike in pulp and paper and resumption of auto parts production following plant shutdowns in July. Excluding these special factors, GDP still advanced 0.3% and for the entire economy, output in July and August averaged 0.5% above its second quarter level. Goods producers boosted output 1.2% in August following four monthly declines that averaged 0.4%. Output of services slowed to 0.2% following increases of 0.4% in June and 0.5% in July.

Goods-producing Industries

A 1.2% increase in the production of goods was its largest gain since December 1988. Manufacturers were responsible for most of the increase in dollar terms. Gains were also recorded in mining, utilities and forestry. Declines in construction, agriculture and fishing partly offset the gains.

Manufacturing output surged 1.7% as 13 of the 21 major manufacturing groups increased production. Manufacturers of paper and allied products, primary metals and transportation equipment accounted for most of the advance. Higher output of electrical products led widespread gains elsewhere in manufacturing. Cutbacks in food processing and in printing and publishing moderated the advance.

Production of paper and allied products jumped 9.6% as labour disputes in the pulp industry ended. Output of pulp and paper increased 12.6% to a level slightly higher than before the disruptions. Higher production was reflected by strong exports of pulp and newsprint.

Producers of primary metal raised output 6.8%. Although the increase was widespread, production of iron and steel and smelting and refining were responsible for most of the gain.

Following several monthly increases and decreases, output of transportation equipment advanced 3.0% but remained 1.4% lower than its

recent peak last April. Producers of motor vehicle parts (+7.7%) accounted for most of the increase. Production of motor vehicles was up 0.6%.

Output of electrical and electronic products advanced 2.2%, its fourth consecutive monthly increase. Led by higher production of telecommunication equipment and electronic parts, output of electronic equipment advanced 4.6%.

These gains in manufacturing were partly offset by losses in food processing (-1.7%), printing and publishing (-2.4%) and wood products (-1.9%). Losses in food were widespread but were dominated by a 16.6% decline in fish processing. Sawmills accounted for about half of the dollar losses in the wood products industry.

Mining output grew 2.9%, led by an increase of 2.7% of crude oil and natural gas extraction. Output of potash mines soared 49.7% and iron mines, affected by temporary closures in July, posted a 30.4% gain. Other metal mines declined 4.6%.

Following three monthly declines, output of utilities rose 1.3%. Widespread advances were led by a 1.0% increase in electric power.

Construction output dropped 0.5%, its fifth consecutive monthly decline. Lower construction of single dwellings accounted for most of the 1.6% drop in residential construction. Non-residential construction dropped a further 1.2% to a level 29.6% lower than its peak in February 1990. Engineering construction increased a marginal 0.3%.

Services-producing Industries

The 0.2% increase in services in August followed growth averaging 0.3% so far this year, as finance, insurance and real estate led gains by all major groups except communications.

Higher activity by mutual funds and increased royalties led a 0.4% advance in finance, insurance and real estate. Lower output by real estate agents, stock exchanges and finance companies moderated the gain.

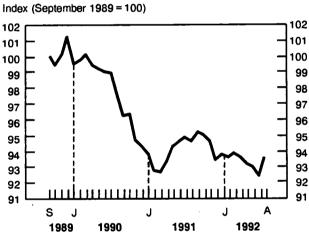
Following several monthly increases, community, business and personal services inched ahead 0.1%. Amusement services and accommodation and food services contributed the most to the gain. Business services declined 0.2% following three consecutive monthly advances.

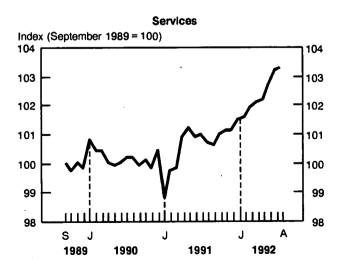
Higher sales by motor vehicle dealers and retailers of food led a 0.4% gain in retail trade as nine of 18 trade groups recorded higher sales.

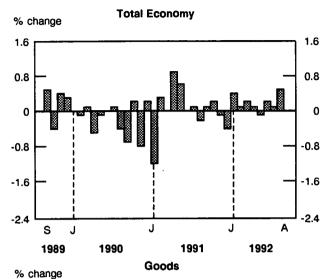
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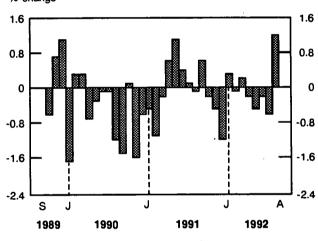
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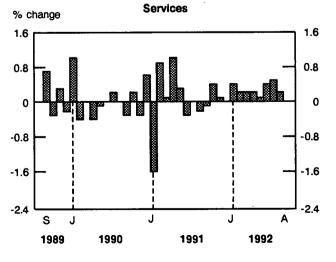












Following increases in June and July, transportation and storage advanced a further 0.3%. Higher throughput of natural gas led a 3.4% increase in pipelines. Storage activities also contributed to the strength, gaining 2.8%. Transportation services fell 0.4%. Losses in urban transit, railway and water services, among others, were partly offset by a gain in trucking services.

Elsewhere, communications output dropped 0.7% as output of telecommunication carriers fell 0.9%. Wholesale trade was unchanged as gains by wholesalers of food and machinery and equipment

were offset by losses by wholesalers of petroleum products, hardware and other products.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 4671-4674.

The August 1992 issue of *Gross Domestic Product by Industry* (15-001, \$12.70/\$127) is scheduled for release in November.

For further information, contact Michel Girard (613-951-9145), Industry Measures and Analysis Division.

Real Gross Domestic Product at Factor Cost by Industry, at 1986 Prices by Month (Seasonally Adjusted at Annual Rates)

	1991	1992			
	August	May	June	July	August
			(\$ millions)		
Total Economy	498,711.8	500,999.4	502,041.9	502,737.1	505,329.6
Business Sector:	407,136.3	408,795.3	409,807.7	410,409.3	412,925.2
Goods:	167,424.7	164,810.3	164,471.8	163,495.6	165,500.2
Agriculture	11,275.2	10,888.4	10,719.1	10,436.7	10,343.2
Fishing and Trapping	985.2	951.8	933.7	907.2	884.2
Logging Industry	2,419.2	2,454.5	2,437.6	2,488.4	2,511.4
Mining Industries	19,918.7	20,274.7	20,216.0	20,244.6	20,826.3
Manufacturing Industries	85,499.7	84,358.4	84,606.7	84,131.6	85,591.8
Construction Industries	31,314.3	29,850.6	29,655.0	29,436.1	29,293.1
Other Utility Industries	16,012.4	16,031.9	15,903.7	15,851.0	16,050.2
Services:	239,711.6	243,985.0	245,335.9	246,913.7	247,425.0
Transportation and Storage	21,388.8	21,807.5	21,869.9	22,237.1	22,313.8
Communication Industries	18,952.4	19,435.2	19,465.2	19,646.5	19,512.1
Wholesale Trade	28,320. 0	29,162.5	29,502.7	29,852.6	29,861.0
Retail Trade	29,524.5	29,841.4	30,219.8	30,269.0	30,378.3
Finance, Insurance and Real Estate	80,601.5	83,187.1	83,708.1	84,130.6	84,496.6
Community, Business and Personal Services	60,924.4	60,551.3	60,570.2	60,777.9	60,863.2
Non-business Sector:	91,575.5	92,204.1	92,234.2	92,327.8	92,404.4
Goods:	950.8	928.9	950.5	960.1	991.3
Services:	90,624.7	91,275.2	91,283.7	91,367.7	91,413.1
Government Service Industry	33,597.6	34,018.3	34,055.5	33,953.5	34,009.9
Community and Personal Services	53,498.1	53,808.3	53,811.9	53,960.7	53,981.0
Other Services	3,529. 0	3,448.6	3,416.3	3,453.5	3,422.2
Other Aggregations:					
Goods-producing Industries	168,375.5	165,739.2	165,422.3	164,455.7	166,491.5
Services-producing Industries	330,336.3	335,260.2	336,619.6	338,281.4	338,838.1
Industrial Production	122,381.6	121,593.9	121,676.9	121,187.3	123,459.6
Non-durable Manufacturing	39,631.7	39,240.1	38,945.3	38,952.8	39,445.8
Durable Manufacturing	45,868.0	45,118.3	45,661.4	45,178.8	46,146.0

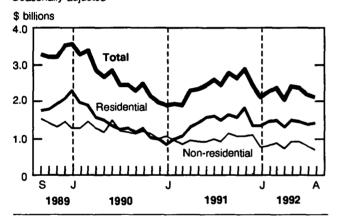
Building Permits

(Seasonally Adjusted Data) August 1992

Summary

The preliminary value of building permits issued in Canada declined 4.3% to \$2,094 million in August, down from \$2,188 million in July. This is the first time since January 1991 that a decline was recorded for a period of three consecutive months. The non-residential sector (-16.2%) was entirely responsible for this decline, while the residential sector reported a 2.6% increase in the value of building permits. The total value of building permits was down in all regions of Canada during August.

Value of Building Permits Issued in Canada Seasonally adjusted



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

Residential Sector

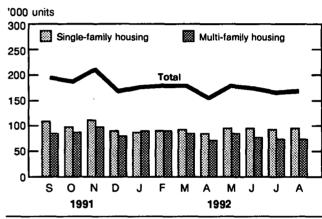
- After two consecutive declines, the preliminary value of residential building permits increased 2.6% to \$1,420 million in August, up from \$1,384 million in July.
- The value of building permits increased in both the multi-family (+3.0% to \$422 million) and single-family (+2.5% to \$998 million) dwelling sectors in August.
- Quebec (-4.1%) reported the only decline in the value of residential building permits in August. This drop came entirely from the multiple-dwelling

sector (-10.0%). All other regions reported increases, ranging from 0.9% for Ontario to 9.3% for the British Columbia region (which includes the Yukon and the Northwest Territories).

• The preliminary total number of dwelling units authorized in August increased to 167,000 units at an annual rate, up 2.0% from 164,000 units in July. Both the single-dwelling sector (+2.6% to 93,000 units) and the multiple-dwelling sector (+1.1% to 74,000 units) reported increases in the number of dwelling units authorized.

Dweiling Units Authorized in Canada

Seasonally adjusted at annual rates



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

Advance Estimate of the Residential Sector for September 1992

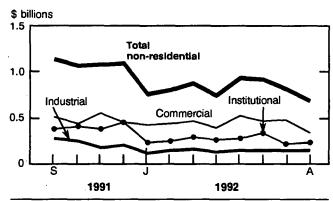
- The advance estimate for September indicated that the value of residential building permits issued in Canada declined to \$1,413 million, down 0.7% from the revised value¹ for August (\$1,423 million).
- The advance estimate of dwelling units authorized in September increased 1.4% to 170,000 units at annual rates, up from the revised 168,000 units reported in August.

The addition of data due to the advance estimate for September results in the revision of seasonally adjusted figures for previous months, including August.

Non-residential Sector

- The preliminary value of non-residential building permits dropped 16.2% to \$674 million in August, down from \$804 million in July. This decline pushed the value of non-residential building permits to its lowest level since January 1986.
- The value of building permits for commercial projects fell 30.9% to \$322 million in August, which is the lowest level to be recorded since March 1985. Furthermore, all regions contributed to this decline. In the other non-residential sectors, the value of institutional projects was up 5.5% to \$223 million and the value of industrial projects increased 2.0% to \$129 million.
- The only increase in the value of non-residential building permits in August occurred in Quebec (+6.4%), while the Prairies (-37.3%), the British Columbia region (-19.3%) and Ontario (-18.3%) reported significant declines.

Value of Non-residential Permits Issued in Canada Seasonally adjusted

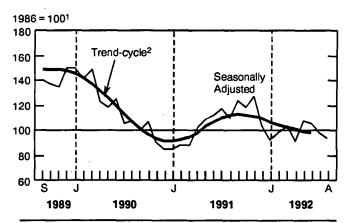


Note: Revised data for July, preliminary data for August.

Short-term Trend

 The short-term trend (excluding engineering projects) continued to fall during June, dropping 1.4% to 97.2. The short-term trend declined 2.8% in the nonresidential sector to 81.1 and fell 0.6% in the residential sector to 109.0 in June.

Building Permits Indices



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

The trend-cycle shows the seasonally adjusted value of building permits without irregular influences, which can obscure the short-term trend. In order to reduce the number of false signals in the construction activity series, the trendcycle is published with a two-month lag.

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

The August 1992 issue of *Building Permits* (64-001, \$22.10/\$221) is scheduled for release the first week of November.

For further information on statistics, contact Monique Lavigne (613-951-2583). For analytical information, contact Paul Gratton (613-951-2025), Current Investment Indicators Section, Investment and Capital Stock Division.

Value of Residential and Non-residential Building Permits August 1992

Regions and Type	Seasonally adjusted			Unadjusted				
of Construction	August 1992	July 1992 r	Aug./July 1992	August 1992/ 1991	August 1992	July 1992 r	Aug./July 1992	Augus 1992 199
	\$ th	\$ thousands % change		\$ thousands		% change		
Canada								
Total Construction	2,094,124		-4.3	-13.4		2,395,014	-10.3	-17.1
Residential	1,420,271	1,384,134	2.6	-5.5	1,419,232	1,539,302	-7.8	-6.
Non-residential	673,853	803,852	-16.2	-26.4	729,558	855,712	-14.7	-32.4
Industrial	128,706	126,163	2.0	-39.4	148,752	124,276	19.7	-37.
Commercial	322,103	466,216	-30.9	-13.4	331,794	467,796	-29.1	-26.8
Institutional	223,044	211,473	5.5	-32.7	249,012	263,640	-5.5	-35.9
Atlantic								
Total Construction	130,347	132,582	-1.7	2.3	151,676	172,797	-12.2	. 3.0
Residential	77 ,5 95	75,836	2.3	-4.1	98,274	108,319	-9.3	-1.9
Non-residential	52,752	56,746	-7.0	13.4	53,402	64,478	-17.2	13.4
Industrial	5,886	4,418	33.2	4.3	4,603	4,371	5.3	19.8
Commercial	28,745	34,494	-16.7	21.6	31,837	41,961	-24.1	16.
Institutional	18,121	17,834	1.6	5.2	16,962	18,146	-6.5	6.3
Quebec								
Total Construction	424,585	425,958	-0.3	-20.0	415,886	364,714	14.0	-23.
Residential	260,094	271,291	-4.1	-18.8	240,337	226,501	6.1	-22.
Non-residential	164,491	154,667	6.4	-21.7	175,549	138,213	27.0	-24.
Industrial	53,237	37,451	42.2	12.4	58,154	27,133	114.3	22.
Commercial	62,370	74,160	-15.9	-39.3	63,879	67,935	-6.0	-47.
Institutional	48,884	43,056	13.5	-18.6	53,516	43,145	24.0	-16.8
Ontario								
Total Construction	704,475	747,488	-5.8	-31.1	758,314	846,615	-10.4	-31.9
Residential	492,421	487,810	0.9	-24.1	513,212	568,067	-9.7	-22.
Non-residential	212,054	259,678	-18.3	-43.2	245,102	278,548	-12.0	-45.
Industrial	45,380	50,262	-9.7	-62.8	58,576	50,513	16.0	-58.
Commercial	83,081	149,425	-44.4	-18.0	8 9,486	139,115	-35.7	-38.
Institutional	83,593	59,991	39.3	-44.3	97,040	88,920	9.1	-41.
Prairies								
Total Construction	278,858	321,356	-13.2	-12.9	287,977	367,235	-21.6	-22.
Residential	195,107	187,859	3.9	23.5	191,018	213,294	-10.4	20.
Non-residential	83,751	133,497	-37.3	-48.4	96,959	153,941	-37.0	-54.
Industrial	11,223	19,915	-43.6	-53.2	13,833	26,342	-47.5	-57.
Commercial	46,709	69,908	-33.2	-37.6	51,994	75,030	-30.7	-41.
Institutional	25,819	43,674	-40.9	-59.3	31,132	52,569	-40.8	-65.
British Columbia ¹	•							
Total Construction	555,859	560,602	-0.8	32.7	534,937	643,653	-16.9	27.
Residential	395,054	361,338	9.3	33.7	376,391	423,121	-11.0	34.
Non-residential	160,805	199,264	-19.3	30.2	158,546	220,532	-28.1	13.
Industrial	12,980	14,117	-8.1	-2.9	13,586	15,917	-14.6	-11.
Commercial	101,198	138,229	-26.8	45.6	94,598	143,755	-34.2	32.
Institutional	46,627	46,918	-0.6	14.8	50,362	60,860	-17.2	-4.

Building permits issued for the Yukon and the Northwest Territories are included in the British Columbia region. Preliminary figure.

Revised figure.

Crude Oil and Natural Gas

July 1992

Highlights

- Preliminary estimates indicate that production of crude oil and equivalent hydrocarbons in July amounted to 8.6 million cubic metres, an increase of 5.0% from July 1991. Year-to-date production rose 3.4% over the same period in 1991, to 57.8 million cubic metres.
- Imports of crude oil decreased 32.0% from July 1991 to 2.4 million cubic metres. Year-to-date imports for 1992 amounted to 16.4 million cubic metres, a decrease of 5.9% from last year.
- Exports of crude oil increased 37.4% from July 1991 to 4.3 million cubic metres. Year-to-date exports were 28.2 million cubic metres, 9.0% higher than in 1991.

- Marketable production of natural gas, at 8.9 billion cubic metres, posted an 18.3% gain over July 1991. Year-to-date production in 1992 was 9.8% higher than last year.
- Exports of natural gas, at 4.7 billion cubic metres, rose 32.5% over July 1991. Year-to-date exports, at 32.5 billion cubic metres, posted a 21.7% gain over 1991.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 127, 128, 530-532 and 534-547.

The July 1992 issue of *Crude Oil and Natural Gas Production* (26-006, \$10/\$100) will be available during the first week of November. See "How to Order Publications".

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

Crude Oil and Natural Gas

	July 1992	% Change from July 1991	January- July 1992	% Change from January July 1991
Crude oil and equivalent	(m³ thousands)		(m³ thousands)	
Production ¹	8 631.6	5.0	57 764.7	3.4
Exports	4 279.9	37.4	28 185.3	9.0
Imports	2 444.3	-32.0	16 350.1	-5.9
Refinery receipts	6 975.0	-16.4	45 808.4	-3.6
	(m³ millions)		(m³ millions)	
Natural Gas				
Marketable production ²	8 936.7	18.3	66 443.2	9.8
Exports	4 669.1	32.5	32 510.6	21.7
Canadian sales	2 767.2	1.9	33 564.4	2.0

Disposition may differ from production due to inventory change, industry own use, etc.

² Disposition may differ from production due to inventory change, usage as pipeline fuel, pipeline losses, line pack fluctuations, etc.

DATA AVAILABILITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Asphalt Roofing

September 1992

Shipments of asphalt shingles totalled 4 150 456 metric bundles in September 1992, an increase of 8.6% from the 3 821 134 metric bundles shipped a year earlier.

January to September 1992 shipments were 32 832 740 metric bundles, up 6.6% from 30 797 661 metric bundles shipped during the same period in 1991.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 32 and 122 (series 27 and 28).

The September 1992 issue of Asphalt Roofing (45-001, \$5/\$50) will be available at a later date.

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

Pack of Processed Strawberries

Data on the pack of processed strawberries for 1992 are now available.

Pack of Selected Processed Fruits (excluding apples), 1992 (32-234, \$13) will be released at a later date.

For further information, contact Peter Zylstra (613-951-3511), Industry Division.

Meat and Meat Products Industry (Except Poultry)

1990 Annual Survey of Manufactures

In 1990, the value of shipments of goods of own manufacture for the meat and meat products industry (except poultry) (SIC 1011) totalled \$8,962.6 million, up 2.7% from \$8,722.8 million in 1989.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 5380.

The data for this industry will be released in *Food Industries* (32-250, \$35).

For more detailed information on this release, contact Peter Zylstra (613-951-3511), Industry Division.

Fish Products Industry

1990 Annual Survey of Manufactures

In 1990, the value of shipments of goods of own manufacture for the fish products industry (SIC 1021) totalled \$2,647.1 million, up 1.2% from \$2,616.1 million in 1989.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 5382.

The data for this industry will be released in *Food Industries* (32-250, \$35).

For more detailed information on this release, contact Peter Zylstra (613-951-3511), Industry Division.

Fluid Milk Industry

1990 Annual Survey of Manufactures

In 1990, the value of shipments of goods of own manufacture for the fluid milk industry (SIC 1041) totalled \$3,044.5 million, down 1.8% from \$3,099.7 million in 1989.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 5385.

The data for this industry will be released in *Food Industries* (32-250, \$35).

For more detailed information on this release, contact Peter Zylstra (613-951-3511), Industry Division.

Other Dalry Products Industries

1990 Annual Survey of Manufactures

In 1990, the value of shipments of goods of own manufacture for the other dairy products industries (SIC 1049) totalled \$4,486.2 million, up 5.6% from \$4,249.1 million in 1989.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 5386.

The data for this industry will be released in *Food Industries* (32-250, \$35).

For more detailed information on this release, contact Peter Zylstra (613-951-3511), Industry Division.

Bread and Other Bakery Products Industry

1990 Annual Survey of Manufactures

In 1990, the value of shipments of goods of own manufacture for the bread and other bakery products industry (SIC 1072) totalled \$1,897.6 million, up 6.5% from \$1,782.2 million in 1989.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 5392.

The data for this industry will be released in *Food Industries* (32-250, \$35).

For more detailed information on this release, contact Peter Zylstra (613-951-3511), Industry Division.

Other Food Products Industries, including Malt and Malt Flour Industry

1990 Annual Survey of Manufactures

In 1990, the value of shipments of goods of own manufacture for the other food products industries including malt and malt flour industry (SIC 1098) totalled \$3,317.9 million, up 4.9% from \$3,162.7 million in 1989.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 5400.

The data for this industry will be released in *Food Industries* (32-250, \$35).

For more detailed information on this release, contact Peter Zylstra (613-951-3511), Industry Division.

Other Clothing and Apparel Industries

1990 Annual Survey of Manufactures

In 1990, the value of shipments of goods of own manufacture for the other clothing and apparel industries n.e.c. (SIC 2499) totalled \$581.1 million, down 5.0% from \$611.8 million in 1989.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 5457.

The data for this industry will be released in Clothing Industries (34-252, \$35).

For more detailed information on this release, contact M. Labonté (613-951-3510), Industry Division.

Other Electrical Products Industries, including Telecommunication Equipment Industry

1990 Annual Survey of Manufactures

In 1990, the value of shipments of goods of own manufacture for the other electrical products industries, including the telecommunication equipment industry (SIC 3398), totalled \$3,490.3 million, up 9.1% from \$3,200.5 million in 1989.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 5578.

The data for this industry will be released in *Electrical and Electronic Products Industries* (43-250, \$35).

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

Other Non-metallic Mineral Products Industries

1990 Annual Survey of Manufactures

In 1990, the value of shipments of goods of own manufacture for the other non-metallic mineral products industries (SIC 3599) totalled \$318.7 million, down 2.0% from \$325.2 million in 1989.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 6864.

The data for this industry will be released in Non-metallic Mineral Industries (44-250, \$35).

For more detailed information on this release, contact S. Pépin (613-951-3514), Industry Division. ■

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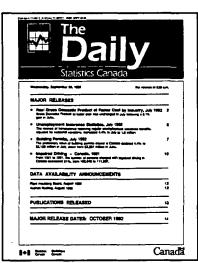
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