



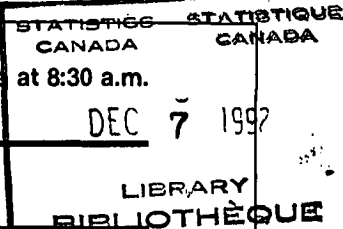
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Immigration and Citizenship 1991 Census

Tomorrow's *Daily* will present immigration, citizenship and place of birth data on the immigrant and non-immigrant populations in Canada. *The Daily* will also report data on non-permanent residents who were counted for the first time in the 1991 Census.

One publication, *Immigration and Citizenship* (93-316, \$40), will accompany this special issue of *The Daily*. It displays data for Canada, the provinces and territories and, in some cases, census metropolitan areas. Place of birth data from the 1986 Census are also included.

Mother tongue data from the long census questionnaire will be presented on January 12, 1993.



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Reconciliation of the Canada-United States Current Account Estimates

1990 and 1991

Statistics Canada and the Bureau of Economic Analysis of the U.S. Department of Commerce announced today that reconciliation of the published bilateral current account estimates for 1990 and 1991 is complete. A detailed analysis of the differences in the Canadian and U.S. published estimates and the process used to reconcile those estimates will appear in the December 1992 issue of *Canadian Economic Observer* (a Statistics Canada publication), in the November 1992 issue of *Survey of Current Business* (a Department of Commerce publication) and in an occasional publication, *Reconciliation of the Canada-United States Current Account, 1990 and 1991*.

The reconciliation, which continues a long history of cooperation between the Canadian and U.S. statistical agencies, has resulted in greater accuracy of published estimates of transactions between Canada and the United States – two of the world's largest trading partners – and in increased efficiency in producing the estimates. Cooperation between the statistical agencies has been critical in containing the total cost of producing the estimates and in significantly reducing total respondent burden.

Improvements to the estimates have come both from the exchange of data and improved estimating methodologies. In 1990 and 1991, over 80% of the data used to compile Canadian-U.S. estimates were provided through the exchange of data, including Canadian and U.S. merchandise imports; services such as travel, passenger fares, inland freight charges, and government expenditures; unilateral transfers such as pensions; and certain U.S. and Canadian banking data used to estimate interest income. Improved estimating methodologies were also introduced: U.S. compilers revised the methodology for developing U.S. estimates of some portfolio

income receipts from Canada, and Canadian and U.S. compilers each effected improvements in Canadian and U.S. source data for a number of service transactions.

For 1990, the difference between the latest Canadian and U.S. published estimates of the Canadian-U.S. current account balance was \$3.3 billion. (All figures are in U.S. dollars.) After reconciliation, the difference was reduced to \$0.4 billion. The Canadian reconciled balance was a Canadian deficit of \$2.7 billion and the U.S. reconciled balance was a U.S. surplus of \$3.1 billion. For 1991, the difference of \$5.5 billion in the published estimates was virtually eliminated. The reconciled balance was a Canadian deficit or U.S. surplus of \$3.6 billion.

In the Canadian estimates, receipts and payments were reduced in both years. The reduction in payments largely reflected definitional adjustments in merchandise trade, services and investment income. The reduction in receipts reflected definitional differences in unilateral transfers and adjustments for differences in data sources. In the U.S. estimates, the largest reconciliation adjustments reflected a decrease in receipts and an increase in payments in both years. The decrease in receipts was largely in inland freight charges, and the increase in payments was largely due to the inclusion of Canadian re-exports in U.S. imports and the exclusion of reinvested earnings from U.S. direct investment payments.

Further enquiries may be directed to Lucie Laliberté (613-951-9055), Balance of Payments Division, Statistics Canada or to Anthony DiLullo (202-523-0621), Balance of Payments Division of the Bureau of Economic Analysis, U.S. Department of Commerce. □

Major U.S.-Canadian Balances

(US\$ billions)

	Published estimates			Reconciled estimates ¹		
	United States	Canada	Differences	United States	Canada	Remaining differences
1990						
Merchandise trade	-10.2	14.4	+ 4.2	-13.2	13.2	-
Services	8.2	-8.0	+ 0.2	7.5	-7.2	+ 0.3
Investment income	7.9	-9.9	-2.0	9.0	-9.0	-
Goods, services and income	5.9	-3.5	+ 2.4	3.3	-3.0	+ 0.3
Unilateral transfers, net	-0.3	1.2	+ 0.9	-0.2	0.2	-
Current account	5.6	-2.3	+ 3.3	3.1	-2.7	+ 0.4
1991						
Merchandise trade	-8.0	12.1	+ 4.1	-11.9	11.9	-
Services	9.6	-9.2	+ 0.4	8.6	-8.7	-0.1
Investment income	8.4	-8.0	+ 0.4	7.2	-7.1	+ 0.1
Goods, services and income	10.0	-5.1	+ 4.9	3.9	-3.9	-
Unilateral transfers, net	-0.3	0.9	+ 0.6	-0.3	0.3	-
Current account	9.7	-4.2	+ 5.5	3.6	-3.6	-

¹ A few differences remain in the reconciled estimates because some service and income estimates could not be fully reconciled.
- Nil or zero.

Note: A U.S. surplus (+) is a Canadian deficit (-), and a Canadian surplus (+) is a U.S. deficit (-).

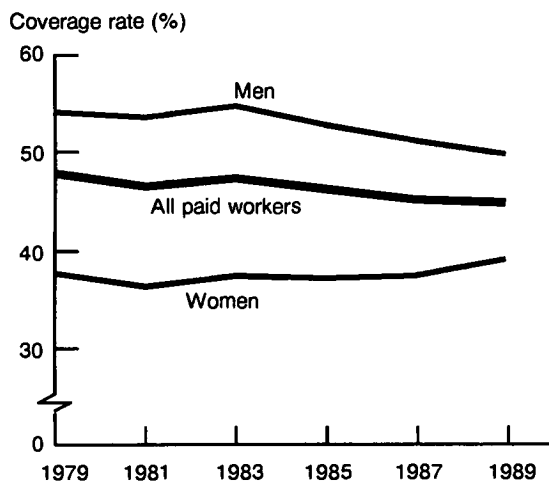
Employer-sponsored Pension Plans – Who is Covered?

1990

Highlights

- Almost 49% of paid workers aged 20 and over were covered by registered employer-sponsored pension plans (RPPs) in 1989. However, coverage in the public sector was 73%, compared to just 39% in the private sector.

Pension Coverage Is Declining for Men, While It Is Increasing for Women



Sources: Pension Plans in Canada database and Labour Force Survey

Note to Users

Employer-sponsored pension plan coverage is much more prevalent in the public sector than in the private sector. As well, people who have full-time jobs and jobs covered by union agreements are much more likely to belong to pension plans than those who work part-time or who are non-unionized. The Winter 1992 issue of *Perspectives on Labour and Income* (released December 1, 1992) features an article entitled "Employer-sponsored Pension Plans – Who is Covered?" The study focuses on the pension coverage of paid workers according to selected demographic and job-related characteristics.

- Pension plan coverage rates vary significantly by industry. With the exception of agriculture (with a rate under 10%), the lowest rates were in business, personal and other services (20%) and in trade (29%).
- Smaller firms are much less likely than larger ones to provide RPPs. Fewer than 15% of paid workers in firms with less than 20 employees were pension plan members, while 72% of those in firms employing 500 or more workers participated in plans.
- The pension plan coverage rate for workers in full-time jobs was 53% in 1989. Part-time employees, however, had a coverage rate of only 24%.

The Winter 1992 issue of *Perspectives on Labour and Income* (75-001E, \$13.25/\$53) is now available. See "How to Order Publications".

For further information, contact Hubert Frenken (613-951-7569), Labour and Household Surveys Analysis Division, or Karen Maser (613-951-4033), Labour Division. ■

DATA AVAILABILITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Heritage Institutions Survey 1990-91

Data from the 1990-91 annual Survey of Heritage Institutions in Canada are now available. Detailed information on items such as revenues, expenditures, attendance and employment can be obtained, tabulated by province or institution type, on a cost-recovery basis.

Highlights

- Visits to heritage institutions in 1990-91 remained stable at over 113 million visits.
- Total operating revenues and expenditures increased by about 6%, exceeding \$1 billion and \$947 million, respectively.
- Capital revenues in 1990-91 decreased by 14% to \$238 million, a sharp contrast to the previous year when revenues for capital projects increased by over 50%.

For further information on these data, contact Erika Dugas (613-951-1568), Culture Statistics Program, Education, Culture and Tourism Division. ■

Deliveries of Major Grains October 1992

Producer deliveries of major grains by prairie farmers increased from October 1991, except for barley, rye, and flaxseed – where marketings decreased.

Producer Deliveries of Major Grains by Prairie Farmers

	October 1991	October 1992
	(in thousand tonnes)	
Wheat (excluding durum)	1 096.0	1 449.6
Durum wheat	55.5	162.4
Total wheat	1 151.5	1 612.0
Oats	48.3	131.3
Barley	374.0	287.9
Rye	21.1	18.3
Flaxseed	53.8	47.3
Canola	380.8	467.4
Total	2 029.5	2 564.2

Available on CANSIM: matrices 976-981.

The October 1992 issue of *Cereals and Oilseeds Review* (22-007, \$13.80/\$138) is scheduled for release in January 1993. See "How to Order Publications".

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

Railway Operating Statistics September 1992

The seven major railways in Canada reported a combined net loss of \$131.2 million in September 1992. Operating revenues remained about the same as in September 1991, at \$537.0 million.

Revenue freight tonne-kilometres in September were down 3.3% from September 1991. In September, freight train-kilometres decreased 1.5%, while freight car-kilometres decreased 3.2% from the year-earlier figures.

All 1991 figures have been revised.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 142.

The September 1992 issue of *Railway Operating Statistics* (52-003, \$10.50/\$105) is to be released at a later date.

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

Railway Carloadings October 1992

Revenue freight loaded by railways in Canada totalled 19.1 million tonnes in October 1992, a decrease of 8.7% from the October 1991 figure. The carriers received an additional 1.0 million tonnes from United States connections in October.

Total loadings for the January to October 1992 period decreased 4.8% from the 1991 period. Receipts from United States connections showed an increase of 1.5% for the same period.

All 1991 figures and 1992 cumulative data have been revised.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 1431.

The October 1992 issue of *Railway Carloadings* (52-001, \$8.30/\$83) will be released the fourth week of December.

For seasonally adjusted revenue freight loadings, contact Angus MacLean (613-951-2484), Transportation Division. ■

Industrial Chemicals and Synthetic Resins

October 1992

Canadian chemical firms produced 143 224 tonnes of polyethylene synthetic resins in October 1992, a 5.5% increase from the 135 750 (revised) tonnes produced in October 1991.

January to October 1992 production totalled 1 378 518 tonnes, up 6.7% from the 1 291 373 tonnes produced during the same period in 1991.

Data are also available on Canadian production of three other types of synthetic resins and 24 industrial chemicals for October 1992 and October 1991.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 951.

The October 1992 issue of *Industrial Chemicals and Synthetic Resins* (46-002, \$5.60/\$56) will be available at a later date.

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

Specified Domestic Electrical Appliances
October 1992

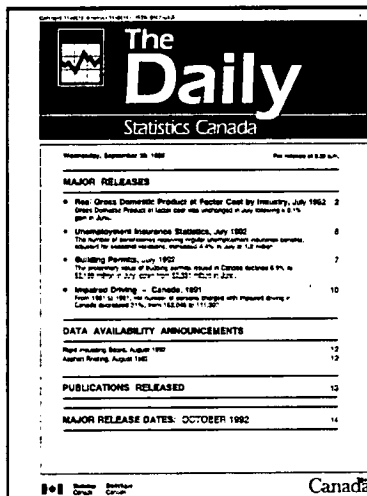
Data on production of kitchen appliances by Canadian manufacturers are confidential for October.

Production of home comfort products totalled 17,607 units in October 1992, a decrease of 43.0% from 30,894 units produced in October 1991.

From January to October 1992, production of specified domestic electrical appliances totalled 609,204 units. Corresponding production for the same period in 1991 totalled 718,358 units.

The October 1992 issue of *Specified Domestic Electrical Appliances* (43-003, \$5/\$50) will be available at a later date.

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



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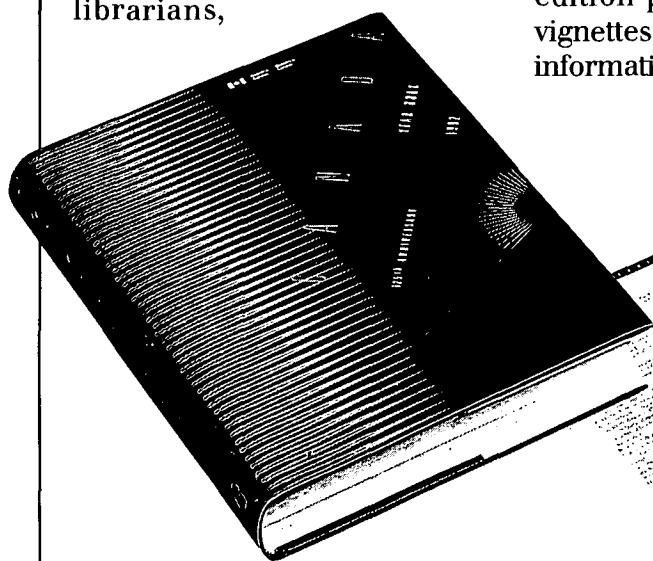
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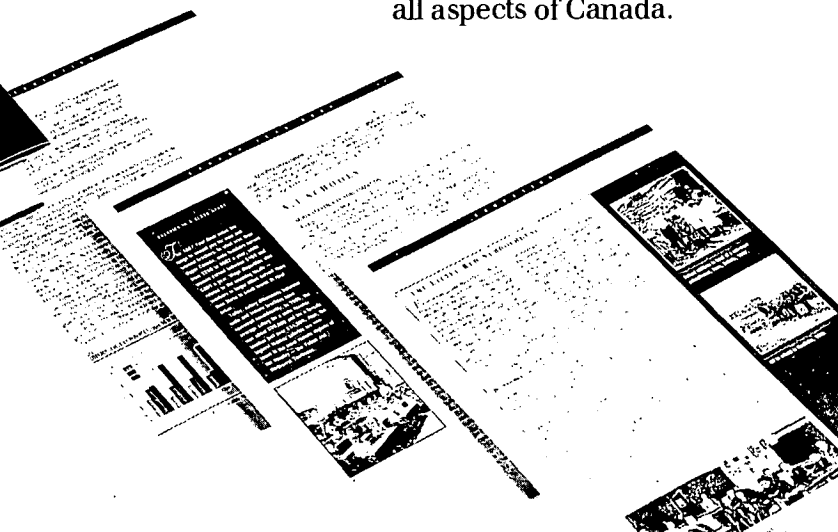
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