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### Machinery and Equipment Price Index

Fourth Quarter 1991

The Machinery and Equipment Price Index by industry of purchase (1986 = 100) was at a preliminary level of 100.9 in the fourth quarter of 1991, up 0.4% from its revised third quarter level. The component for domestically-produced machinery and equipment increased 0.5%, while the imported goods component increased 0.2%.

The total index was down 3.2% for the fourth quarter compared to the same quarter last year, due to decreases in the domestic and imported components of 2.5% and 3.8%, respectively.

Among the industry divisions, prices in agriculture (1.9%) and forestry (1.2%) showed the greatest increases. The fishing industry showed the largest decrease (-0.2%). Between the fourth quarter of 1990 and the fourth quarter of 1991, the steepest price decreases were noted in community, business and personal services (-9.6%); trade (-7.3%); and finance, insurance and real estate (-5.3%).

**Available on CANSIM: matrices 2023-2025.**

The fourth quarter 1991 issue of *Construction Price Statistics* (62-007, \$18/\$72) will be available in March. See "How to Order Publications".

For further information on this release, contact the Information and Current Analysis Unit (613-951-9607), Prices Division.

### Machinery and Equipment Price Indexes (1986 = 100)

	Relative Importance <sup>1</sup>	Indexes			Percentage Change	
		4th Q. 1991	3rd Q. 1991	4th Q. 1990	4th Q. 91/ 3rd Q. 91	4th Q. 1991/1990
<b>Machinery and Equipment Price Index :</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>100.9</b>	<b>100.5</b>	<b>104.2</b>	<b>0.4</b>	<b>-3.2</b>
<b>SIC Divisions:</b>						
1. Agriculture	11.0	113.5	111.4	112.4	1.9	1.0
2. Forestry	1.5	112.3	110.7	111.5	1.4	0.7
3. Fishing	0.6	102.5	102.7	106.0	-0.2	-3.3
4. Mines, Quarries and Oil Wells	6.0	98.2	98.3	100.2	-0.1	-2.0
5. Manufacturing	29.9	102.2	102.1	104.9	0.1	-2.6
6. Construction	3.5	98.1	98.1	99.8	0.0	-1.7
7. Transportation, Communication, Storage and Utilities	25.9	100.0	100.0	102.7	0.0	-2.6
8. Trade	4.0	96.3	95.7	103.9	0.6	-7.3
9. Finance, Insurance and Real Estate	1.8	95.1	95.5	100.4	-0.4	-5.3
10. Community, Business and Personal Services	11.1	91.3	90.7	101.0	0.7	-9.6
11. Public Administration	4.7	98.6	98.3	103.8	0.3	-5.0

\* These indexes are preliminary

<sup>1</sup> Division weights are based on the value of capitalized expenditures on new machinery and equipment for the years 1979-1983 at 1986 prices (Public and Private Investment in Canada, 1979-1983)

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## DATA AVAILABILITY ANNOUNCEMENT

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### Oils and Fats

December 1991

Production by Canadian manufacturers of all types of deodorized oils in December 1991 totalled 62 404 tonnes, a decrease of 7.9% from the 67 740 tonnes produced in November 1991. Year-to-date production in December 1991 totalled 724 320 tonnes, an increase of 15.5% from the 1990 figure of 627 324 tonnes.

Manufacturers' packaged sales of shortening totalled 9 028 tonnes in December 1991, down from the 11 098 tonnes sold the previous month. The cumulative sales to date were 125 922 tonnes

compared to the cumulative sales of 118 021 tonnes in 1990.

Sales of packaged salad oil decreased to 4 928 tonnes in December 1991, down from 8 954 tonnes in November 1991. The cumulative sales to date in 1991 were 74 346 tonnes, compared to cumulative sales of 70 115 tonnes in 1990.

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The December 1991 issue of *Oils and Fats* (32-006, \$5/\$50) will be available at a later date.

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



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### **General Review of the Mineral Industries, 1989.**

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(Canada: \$22; United States: US\$26; Other Countries: US\$31).

### **Telephone Statistics, 1990.**

**Catalogue number 56-203**

(Canada: \$36; United States: US\$43; Other Countries: US\$50).

### **Construction Price Statistics, Third Quarter 1991.**

**Catalogue number 62-007**

(Canada: \$18/\$72; United States: US\$21.50/US\$86; Other Countries: US\$25.25/US\$101).

### **New Motor Vehicle Sales, August 1991.**

**Catalogue number 63-007**

(Canada: \$14.40/\$144; United States: US\$17.30/US\$173; Other Countries: US\$20.20/US\$202).

### **Historical Labour Force Statistics, 1991.**

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