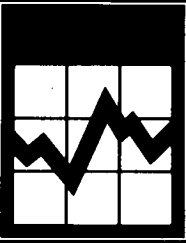


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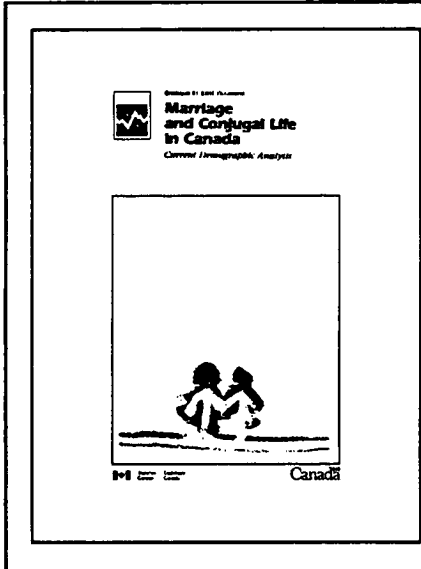
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The Current Demographic Analysis series was augmented today by its 10th edition, *Marriage and Conjugal Life in Canada*.

The publication's 160 pages describe, from a demographic viewpoint, the history of successive generations of Canadians from the period of New France to the present who have lived in harmony or discord with the institution of marriage. More than 50 tables and over 30 charts trace the changing outlook and behaviour of Canadians past and present.

Marriage and Conjugal Life in Canada (91-534E, \$38) is now available. See "How to Order Publications."

For more information, contact Jean Dumas (613-951-2327), Research and Analysis Section, Demography Division.



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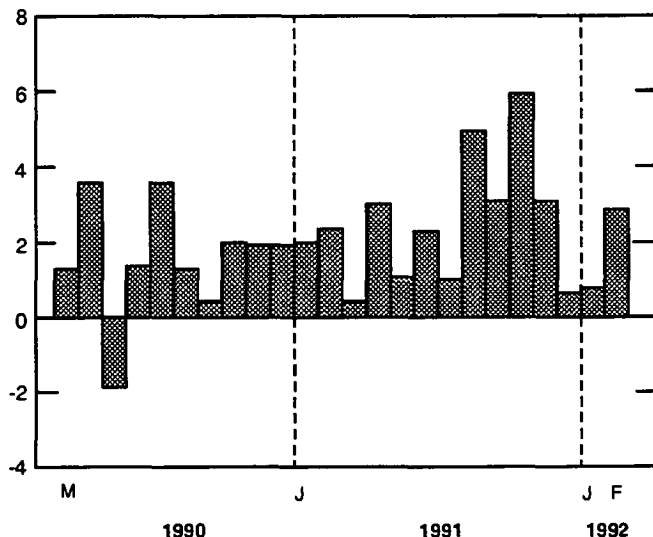
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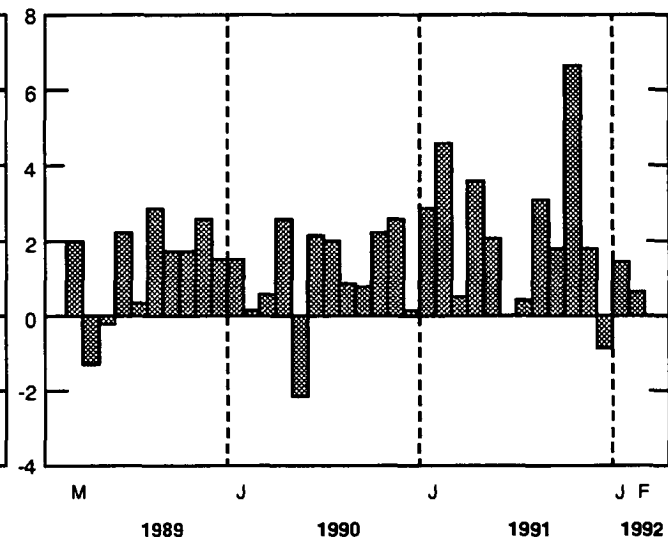
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Canadian Bonds

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¹ Comprises bonds, stocks and money market paper.

Canada's International Transactions in Securities

February 1992

Canadian Securities

Non-residents invested a net \$2.8 billion in Canadian securities in February 1992, following two months of relatively moderate net investment that averaged \$0.7 billion. Two-thirds of the net investment in February came from net buying of Canadian money market paper (\$1.9 billion) as non-residents resumed their purchases of Government of Canada treasury bills. A further \$0.7 billion was invested in Canadian bonds and \$0.2 billion was invested in stocks.

In February, the \$1.9 billion increase in holdings by non-residents of Canadian money market paper followed a \$0.6 billion (revised) net disinvestment in January. During February, the entire investment was directed to Government of Canada treasury bills (\$2.0 billion) and followed the large disinvestment (\$0.9 billion) of January. Geographically, as for most of 1991, residents based in the United Kingdom

continued to be major investors in Government of Canada treasury bills, taking 85% of the net investment for February. Gross trading in all money market paper totalled \$26 billion in February, second only to the record \$30 billion monthly high recorded in January.

Non-resident net investment in Canadian bonds amounted to a modest \$0.7 billion in February 1992, half that of January and well below the massive net monthly investments that averaged \$2.2 billion in 1991. The foreign investment in February again came solely from new bonds (\$3.1 billion). This was partially offset by higher retirements (\$1.5 billion) and the second consecutive month of net selling by non-residents in the secondary market (\$0.9 billion).

New bond sales to non-residents remained strong at \$3.1 billion in February, in line with the unusually high placements prevailing last year. Provinces and their enterprises continued to be the principal issuers of new bonds, raising \$2.5 billion in foreign markets in February; the balance was directed to new federal government bonds issued domestically. New issues in Canadian dollars represented almost 60% of the

total in February, a return to the pattern prevailing for much of 1991. The balance was split between issues denominated in U.S. dollars and Deutschemarks. Retirements were higher than the low level of January; three-quarters of the redemptions in February were issues of the provinces and their enterprises.

In the secondary market, non-residents sold a net \$0.9 billion of Canadian bonds in February, bringing their net disinvestment of outstanding issues to \$2.0 billion in the first two months of 1992. In February, non-residents sold a net \$1.1 billion of federal issues and purchased a net \$0.2 billion of other Canadian issues. Europeans continued to be heavy net sellers of outstanding Canadian bonds, selling \$1.0 billion. During February, Canadian and U.S. long-term interest rates and the corresponding differentials favouring investment in Canada remained virtually unchanged.

Non-residents increased their holdings of Canadian stocks by \$0.2 billion in February 1992, their first net investment of any size in five months. The bulk of the investment came from the secondary market and entirely from the United States. This was

the first net investment in two years by Americans in outstanding Canadian shares. The gross value of trading with non-residents rose some 20% to \$3.2 billion, the highest level in 11 months. Canadian stock prices, as measured by the TSE 300 Index, declined marginally during February.

Foreign Securities

Canadian residents continued to increase their holdings of foreign securities in February, adding an additional \$0.3 billion to the \$6.7 billion they have acquired since February 1991. During February 1992, a \$0.5 billion net investment in foreign stocks, mainly overseas shares, was partially offset by a small \$0.2 billion net disinvestment in foreign bonds.

The February issue of *Canada's International Transactions in Securities* (67-002, \$15.80/\$158) will be available in May. See "How to Order Publications".

For further information in this release, contact D. Granger (613-951-1864), Balance of Payments Division.

Canada's International Transactions in Securities

Period	Canadian Securities					Foreign Securities				
	Bonds				Money market paper (net)	Stocks (net)	Total Canadian securities	Bonds (net)	Stocks (net)	Total foreign securities
	Outstanding bonds (net)	New issues	Retirements	Total bonds						
\$ millions										
1991										
Jan.	-89	3,451	-536	2,825	-428	-418	1,980	257	-169	88
Feb.	664	5,208	-1,284	4,588	-1,794	-450	2,343	-426	-328	-754
March	-1,550	4,382	-2,308	525	76	-153	448	-48	-11	-59
April	689	3,925	-1,024	3,590	-493	-123	2,974	-596	-421	-1,017
May	-208	2,993	-720	2,064	-790	-236	1,038	-350	-674	-1,023
June	-2,386	3,478	-1,102	-9	2,341	-44	2,288	74	-986	-912
July	-107	2,620	-2,091	423	405	186	1,014	-475	186	-290
August	1,082	2,898	-919	3,061	1,751	115	4,927	426	-508	-82
Sept.	979	3,544	-2,715	1,808	1,135	134	3,077	-533	-61	-595
Oct.	708	6,699	-777	6,629	-608	-60	5,961	1,078	-452	626
Nov.	-586	4,231	-1,885	1,759	1,356	-65	3,050	-238	-733	-971
Dec.	1,440	1,817	-4,121	-864	1,477	13	626	-239	-383	-621
1992										
Jan.	-1,189	3,694	-1,061	1,444	-647	1	798	-379	-523	-903
Feb.	-859	3,079	-1,546	673	1,929	220	2,823	187	-528	-341
Jan. and Feb.										
1991	575	8,660	-1,820	7,413	-2,222	-868	4,323	-169	-497	-666
1992	-2,048	6,773	-2,607	2,117	1,282	221	3,621	-192	-1,051	-1,244

Note: A minus sign indicates the purchase of securities from non-residents, i.e., an outflow of capital from Canada.

Marriage and Conjugal Life in Canada

Highlights

- Because of a short life expectancy, the average conjugal life span of a couple before this century seldom exceeded 20 years. As the birth rate was very high, less than 20% of parental couples used to survive until the marriage of their youngest child.
- At the end of the last century, the mean age at marriage in Canada was relatively high and a fairly large percentage of the population did not ever marry. For the generation that reached the age of 20 at the close of the Second World War, marriage was early and almost universal. Today we have returned to late and non-universal marriage.
- For those born in the early 1960s, the proportion of women who had not previously lived common law and who had married before age 25 fell to 30% compared to 75% among those born between 1936 and 1945. For men, the proportion fell from 54% to 22%.
- Lower rates of mortality, higher rates of divorce, an older age at first marriage, and remarriage have reduced the average duration of marriage.
- Younger Canadians are engaging in conjugal life later and later, whether they form a common-law union or a marriage.

Marriage and Conjugal Life in Canada (91-534E, \$38) is now available. See "How to Order Publications."

For more information contact Jean Dumas (613-951-2327), Research and Analysis Section, Demography Division. ■

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Electric Utilities Construction Price Indexes

1991 (Preliminary) and 1990 (Final)

Preliminary 1991 and final 1990 figures are now available for the Electric Utility Construction Price Indexes (EUCPI, 1986=100).

Starting in 1991, the Federal Sales Tax was removed from items where it had previously been deemed applicable. The Goods and Services Tax is not applied to any item within the EUCPI models; if utilities pay GST on their construction inputs, they are later reimbursed.

In 1991, the annual indexes for hydroelectric generating stations and steam electric generating stations increased 2.5% and 2.2%, respectively, while annual indexes for the other three models decreased from 0.9% to 2.6%.

Labour inputs into all models increased an average 5% to 6%, but many of the material and equipment items showed decreases. As in 1990, there was an important decrease in the prices of overhead conductors for distribution and transmission lines.

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The first quarter 1992 issue of *Construction Price Statistics* (62-007, \$18/\$72) will be available in June. See "How To Order Publications".

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

Railway Carloadings

Seven-day Period Ending April 7, 1992

Highlights

- Revenue freight loaded by railways in Canada during the period totalled 4.6 million tonnes, a 6.6% decrease from the same period last year.
- Piggyback traffic decreased 7.4% from the same period last year. The number of cars loaded decreased 4.4% during the same period.
- The tonnage of revenue freight loaded to date this year increased 6.4% from the previous year.

Note: Piggyback traffic includes trailers and containers on flat cars. Piggyback traffic numbers are included in total carload traffic. All 1991 figures and 1992 cumulative data have been revised.

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

Pack of Apples and Apple Products

1990

The data on pack of processed apples for 1990 are now available.

Pack of Apples and Apple Products 1990 (32-241, \$13) will be released at a later date.

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

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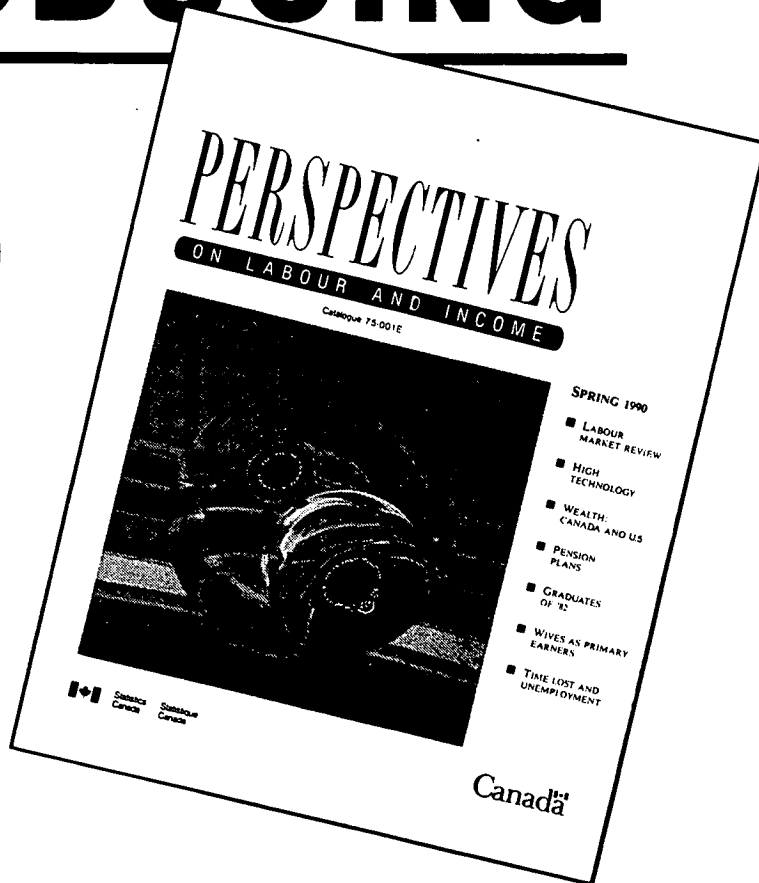
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