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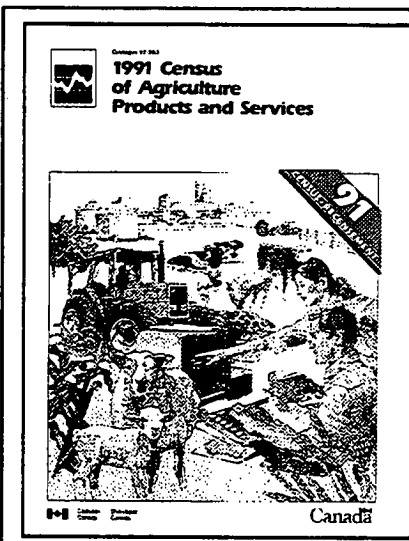
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1991 Census of Agriculture Products and Services

The first 1991 Census of Agriculture publication, *1991 Census of Agriculture Products and Services*, is now available.

This publication provides full details of all 1991 Census of Agriculture products and services, including prices and ordering information. This publication also contains information on Census of Agriculture terms, geography and history.

The *1991 Census of Agriculture Products and Services* (92-303, free) is now available. See "How to Order Publications" or contact any one of the Statistics Canada Regional Reference Centres.

For more information, call Lynda Kemp, User Services and Marketing Unit, Census of Agriculture (613-951-8711 or call toll-free 1-800-465-1991).



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Estimates of Labour Income

January 1992

Highlights

The January 1992 preliminary estimate of labour income¹, which comprises approximately 50% of Gross Domestic Product (GDP) in the National Income and Expenditure Accounts, was \$31.4 billion, an increase of 2.5% from January 1991.

Seasonally Adjusted - Wages and Salaries

- The seasonally adjusted estimate of wages and salaries declined 0.3% in January 1992, following an increase of 0.4% in December 1991.
- Increases in wages and salaries were noted in forestry (2.1%), construction (1.5%) and provincial administration (1.5%). But these increases were more than offset by declines in manufacturing (0.7%), transportation, communications and other utilities (1.1%), finance, insurance and real estate (1.1%), commercial and personal services (0.7%) and federal administration (1.3%).
- Wages and salaries declined in January 1992 in the Yukon, the Northwest Territories and abroad (1.7%), Newfoundland (1.4%), Saskatchewan (0.7%), British Columbia (0.6%) and Ontario (0.4%). Increases were recorded in Prince Edward Island (1.3%) and New Brunswick (0.9%).

Unadjusted

- The year-over-year growth in wages and salaries in January 1992 was 1.8%. This was the same as the December 1991 year-to-year growth rate and down from the 1991 overall annual growth of 2.2%.
- Decelerations in the year-to-year growth rates in January occurred in mines, quarries and oil wells, transportation, communications and other utilities, health and welfare services and federal administration. Wages and salaries in both manufacturing and construction continued to record year-to-year declines.
- New Brunswick (2.6%), Saskatchewan (2.7%), Alberta (3.0%), British Columbia (4.5%) and the Yukon, the Northwest Territories and abroad (5.6%) continued in January to record larger year-over-year increases in wages and salaries than the national growth rate (1.8%).

Available on CANSIM: matrices 1791 and 1792.

The January-March 1992 issue of *Estimates of Labour Income* (72-005, \$22.50/\$90) will be available in August. See "How to Order Publications".

For further information on the monthly estimates contact Georgette Gauthier (613-951-4051) or Katherine Fraser (613-951-4049). For information on the annual estimates of labour income contact Jean-Pierre Maynard (613-951-4050) or Sylvia Reid-Hibbert (613-951-4054), Labour Division or fax (613-951-4087). □

¹ Labour income is composed of two components - wages and salaries and supplementary labour income. Wages and salaries account for 90% of labour income.

Wages and Salaries and Supplementary Labour Income
(millions of dollars)

	January 1992 ^p	December 1991 ^r	November 1991 ^f	January 1991
Unadjusted for Seasonal Variation				
Agriculture, fishing and trapping	129.2	188.6	212.4	127.0
Forestry	179.7	175.3	204.7	179.6
Mines, quarries and oil wells	692.0	680.4	679.7	682.8
Manufacturing industries	4,963.7	5,026.1	5,044.9	5,015.1
Construction industry	1,466.7	1,569.4	1,775.8	1,532.3
Transportation, communications and other utilities	2,769.5	2,791.6	2,810.8	2,689.4
Trade	3,995.8	4,107.9	4,085.2	3,975.1
Finance, insurance and real estate	2,591.9	2,624.7	2,592.4	2,518.5
Commercial and personal services	3,915.7	3,988.2	4,036.4	3,807.1
Education and related services	2,600.8	2,578.8	2,647.3	2,470.0
Health and welfare services	2,443.5	2,446.0	2,469.7	2,351.9
Federal administration and other government offices	945.2	978.0	959.9	908.0
Provincial administration	656.3	659.9	665.7	638.9
Local administration	643.0	661.8	653.4	605.3
Total wages and salaries	27,992.9	28,476.7	28,838.3	27,501.0
Supplementary labour income	3,404.9	3,337.3	3,379.5	3,142.2
Labour income	31,397.8	31,814.1	32,217.8	30,643.2
Adjusted for Seasonal Variation				
Agriculture, fishing and trapping	228.2	230.8	239.1	224.6
Forestry	197.1	193.0	198.0	197.3
Mines, quarries and oil wells	690.7	702.7	691.5	681.4
Manufacturing industries	5,088.5	5,124.4	5,097.1	5,104.0
Construction industry	1,772.0	1,745.3	1,714.2	1,849.7
Transportation, communications and other utilities	2,819.1	2,849.7	2,816.6	2,737.7
Trade	4,035.7	4,031.4	4,067.1	4,015.1
Finance, insurance and real estate	2,635.1	2,663.5	2,634.8	2,560.5
Commercial and personal services	4,036.4	4,063.4	4,039.9	3,919.0
Education and related services	2,530.8	2,542.0	2,540.7	2,403.6
Health and welfare services	2,471.9	2,459.9	2,485.0	2,379.7
Federal administration and other government offices	977.9	991.2	978.4	939.4
Provincial administration	675.6	665.4	668.5	657.8
Local administration	653.0	647.9	652.0	620.3
Total wages and salaries	28,852.9	28,948.4	28,838.1	28,315.2
Supplementary labour income	3,510.2	3,390.9	3,378.4	3,235.6
Labour income	32,363.1	32,339.3	32,216.5	31,550.7

^p Preliminary estimates.

^r Revised estimates.

^f Final estimates.

Short-term Expectations Survey

The following are the forecasts of the year-over-year change in the Consumer Price Index and the unemployment rate for March 1992, of merchandise exports and imports for February 1992, and of Gross Domestic Product for January 1992.

The year-to-year increase in the Consumer Price Index for March was forecast at 1.7%, with minimum and maximum values of 1.4% and 2.0%, respectively. The mean forecast for February was very close to the actual value (1.8% versus 1.7%, respectively).

The mean forecast of the unemployment rate for March was 10.6% (minimum 10.4%, maximum 10.8%). For February, the mean forecast underestimated the outcome by 0.2%.

February merchandise exports were forecast to be \$12.0 billion, with a minimum and maximum of \$11.5 billion and \$12.5 billion, respectively. The forecast of imports for the same period was \$11.2 billion, with minimum and maximum values of \$10.9 billion and \$11.5 billion, respectively.

Note to users

Since April 1990, Statistics Canada has been canvassing a small group of economic analysts (an average of 24 participants) and requesting from them a one-month-ahead forecast of key economic indicators. The experience to date suggests that the results of this survey are found useful by the public at large. This month, participants were asked for their monthly forecasts of the year-to-year change in the Consumer Price Index, the unemployment rate, merchandise exports and imports, and the monthly change in the Gross Domestic Product.

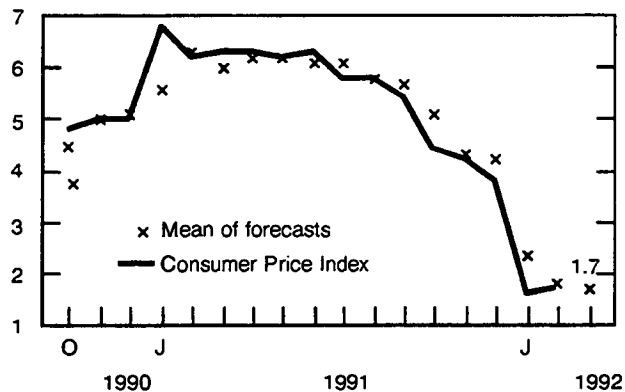
Gross Domestic Product was forecast to have changed -0.1% between December 1991 and January 1992, with minimum and maximum rates of -0.6% and +0.3%. Excluding an extreme value of -0.6%, the average forecast would show no movement in the monthly GDP (0.0%). Statistics Canada announced on March 31 that the actual change in GDP for January was +0.1%.

For a complete set of tables or for more information concerning this survey, contact Diane Lachapelle at (613-951-0568). □

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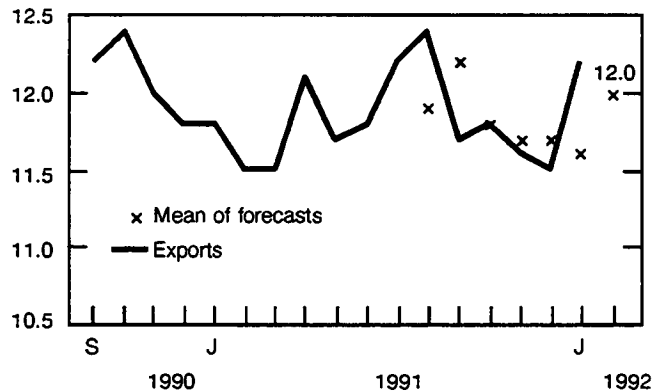
Consumer Price Index

Year-to-year percentage change



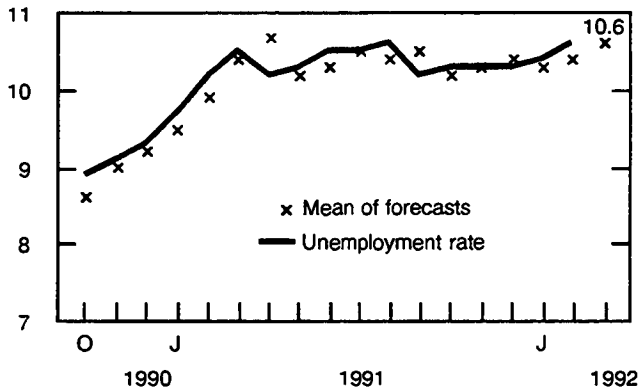
Canadian International Trade Exports

\$ billions



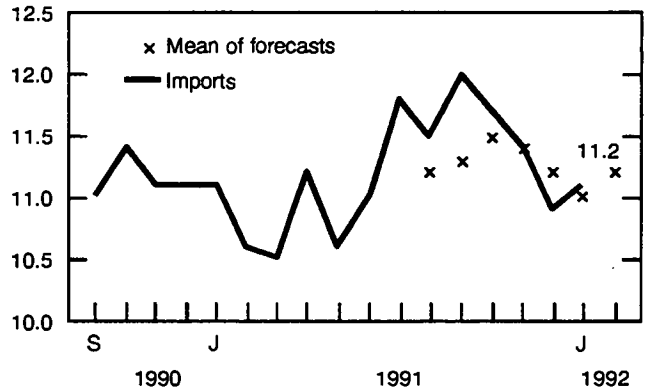
Unemployment Rate

%



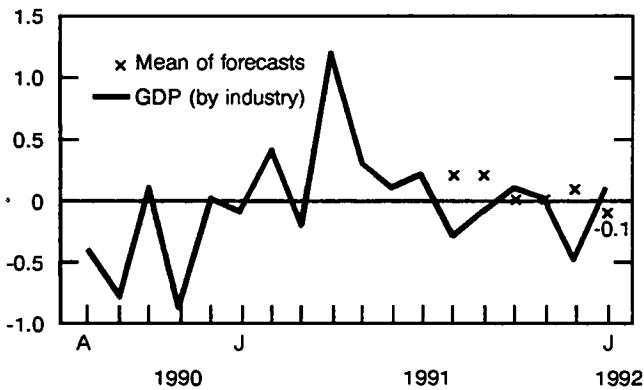
Canadian International Trade Imports

\$ billions



Gross Domestic Product (by Industry)

Percentage change



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Sugar Sales

March 1992

Canadian sugar refiners reported total sales of 85 089 tonnes for all types of sugar in March 1992, comprising 75 264 tonnes in domestic sales and 9 825 tonnes in export sales. The 1992 year-to-date sales reported for all types of sugar totalled 236 729 tonnes: 204 776 tonnes in domestic sales and 31 953 tonnes in export sales.

This compares to total sales of 70 001 tonnes in March 1991, of which 63 936 tonnes were domestic sales and 6 065 tonnes were export sales. The 1991 year-to-date sales reported for all types of sugar totalled 210 961 tonnes: 193 554^r (revised) tonnes in domestic sales and 17 407^r tonnes in export sales.

The March 1992 issue of *The Sugar Situation* (32-013, \$5/\$50) will be available at a later date. See "How to Order Publications".

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

Steel Pipe and Tubing

February 1992

Steel pipe and tubing production for February 1992 totalled 124 437 tonnes, a 13.0% decrease from the 143 054^r (revised) tonnes produced a year earlier.

Year-to-date production totalled 245 591 tonnes, down 14.6% from the 287 728^r tonnes produced during the same period in 1991.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 35.

The February 1992 issue of *Steel Pipe and Tubing* (41-011, \$5/\$50) will be available at a later date.

For more detailed information on this release, contact Greg Milsom (613-951-9827), Industry Division. ■

Pulpwood and Wood Residue Statistics

February 1992

Pulpwood receipts amounted to 3 981 061 cubic metres in February 1992, an 11.4% decrease from 4 493 743^r (revised) cubic metres a year earlier. Receipts of wood residue totalled 5 008 776 cubic metres, up 4.1% from 4 809 364^r cubic metres in February 1991. Consumption of pulpwood and wood residue was reported at 8 403 697 cubic metres, a 1.0% decrease from 8 485 887^r cubic metres reported the previous year. The closing inventory of pulpwood and wood residue decreased 13.4% to 18 393 713 cubic metres, down from 21 237 249^r cubic metres a year earlier.

Year-to-date receipts of pulpwood totalled 7 653 103^r cubic metres, an 11.6% decrease from 8 656 916^r cubic metres a year earlier. Receipts of wood residue increased 7.3% to 9 642 772^r cubic metres, up from the year-earlier level of 8 988 854^r cubic metres. Consumption of pulpwood and wood residue, at 17 144 438^r cubic metres, was down 0.4% from 17 218 578^r cubic metres a year earlier.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 54.

The February 1992 issue of *Pulpwood and Wood Residue Statistics* (25-001, \$6.10/\$61) will be available at a later date.

For more detailed information on this release, contact Jacques Lepage (613-951-3516), Industry Division. ■

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Canned and Frozen Fruits and Vegetables, January 1992.

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Coal and Coke Statistics, January 1992.

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Electric Power Statistics, January 1992.

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Wholesale Trade, January 1992.

Catalogue number 63-008

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

Summary of Canadian International Trade, January 1992.

Catalogue number 65-001

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