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 Revenu après impôt, répartition selon la taille du revenu au Canada 1990

Low Income Review Update

Continuing Statistics Canada's implementation of decisions resulting from a comprehensive review of low income cut-offs, additional data have been prepared to help understand the nature of low income. First, low income data are now available on an after-tax basis. Second, information on the extent to which family income falls short of the low income cut-offs is also available.

This new information is available in the report *Income After Tax, Distributions by Size in Canada, 1990* (13-210, \$25), which is now available. See "How to Order Publications".

For further information, contact the Income and Housing Surveys Section (613-951-9775), Household Surveys Division.



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Highlights

- Cash transfer payments, at \$5,542, represented 10.7% of pre-tax family income in 1990, up from 9.9% in 1989. In the five years previous to 1989, transfer payments declined as a proportion of family income, down from 10.7% in 1984.
- Income taxes took almost 20% of family income in 1990, continuing an upward trend that was evident throughout the 1980s. In 1980, income tax payments were about 15% of family income.
- The lowest 20% of families on the income scale received only 2.7% of income before the receipt of transfers and the payment of taxes but received 6.4% of income after receiving transfers and 7.6% of income after paying income taxes. On the other hand, the top 20% of families received 42.8% of income before transfers, 39.3% after transfers, and 36.7% after taxes.

- Transfers and taxes reduce family income differences among provinces. Before transfers and taxes, the ratio of income in the lowest income province was 60% of the highest income province (\$31,178 in Newfoundland and \$51,851 in Ontario). After transfers and taxes, the ratio was 74% (\$33,683 in Prince Edward Island and \$45,494 in Ontario).

These estimates were prepared from data collected by the Survey of Consumer Finances, a supplement to the April 1991 Labour Force Survey (approximately 45,000 households). The sample excludes the institutional population and households in the Yukon and the Northwest Territories and on Indian reserves.

Pre-tax family income statistics for 1990 from this survey were released last fall in *Income Distribution by Size in Canada* (13-207, \$40). Microdata tapes containing information on the 1990 incomes of economic families and of individuals aged 15 years and over, along with socio-demographic characteristics, will be released later. These tapes have been carefully reviewed to ensure that they do not contain information that would allow identification of specific households, families or individuals. The tapes can be ordered by contacting the Household Surveys Division.

Income After Tax, Distributions by Size in Canada, 1990 (13-210, \$25) is now available. See "How to Order Publications".

For more information concerning these data or on the availability of special request tabulations, contact the Income and Housing Surveys Section (613-951-9775), Household Surveys Division. ■

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Particleboard, Waferboard and Fibreboard

March 1992

Canadian firms produced 163 204 cubic metres of waferboard in March 1992, a 56.9% increase from the 104 019 cubic metres produced in March 1991. Particleboard production reached 96 482 cubic metres, up 13.8% from 84 818 cubic metres the previous year. Production of fibreboard for March 1992 was 8 125 thousand square metres, basis 3.175mm, a 3.0% increase from the 7 888 thousand square metres, basis 3.175mm, of fibreboard produced in March 1991.

Cumulative production of waferboard during 1992 totalled 446 114 cubic metres, up 50.5% from the 296 333 cubic metres produced during the previous year. Particleboard production for January to March 1992 was 263 352 cubic metres, up 14.0% from the 230 924 cubic metres produced from January to March 1991. Year-to-date production of fibreboard reached 22 774 thousand square metres, basis 3.175mm, up 5.8% from the 21 518 thousand square metres, basis 3.175mm, for the same period in 1991.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 31 (series 2, 3 and 4) and 122 (series 8 and 34).

The March 1992 issue of *Particleboard, Waferboard and Fibreboard* (36-003, \$5/\$50) will be available at a later date.

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

Footwear Statistics

March 1992

Canadian manufacturers produced 1,945,365 pairs of footwear in March 1992, a 10.4% decrease from the 2,170,245^r (revised) pairs produced a year earlier.

Year-to-date production for January to March 1992 totalled 5,309,829 pairs of footwear, down 10.9% from the 5,957,623^r pairs produced during the same period in 1991.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 8.

The March 1992 *Footwear Statistics* (33-002, \$5/\$50) will be available at a later date.

For more detailed information on this release, contact Don Grant (613-951-5998), Industry Division. ■

Restaurants, Caterers and Taverns

January and February 1992

Restaurant, caterer and tavern receipts for January 1992 are estimated at \$1,324 million, up 4.0% over the revised January 1991 estimate of \$1,271 million. Total receipts for February 1992 are estimated at \$1,352 million, up 3.6% over the revised February 1991 estimate of \$1,303 million.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 52.

Total industry estimates for 1989-1991 have been revised and are now available on CANSIM matrix 52. They will be published in a special release due for publication in May.

The January and February 1992 issues of *Restaurants, Caterers and Taverns* (63-011, \$6.10/\$61) will be available in approximately three weeks time. See "How to Order Publications."

For detailed information on this release, contact William Birbeck, Services, Science and Technology Division (613-951-3506). ■



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