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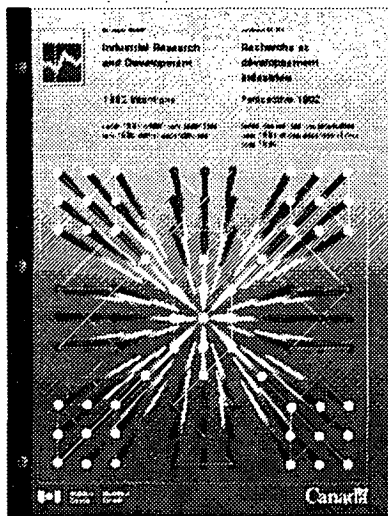
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Industrial Research and Development

1992 Intentions (with 1991 preliminary estimates and 1990 actual expenditures)

Industry spending intentions for 1992, if realized, will be more than twice the amount spent on research and development (R&D) in 1983. This year, Canadian firms plan to spend more than \$5.2 billion on research and development, an increase of 1.6% over 1991. This increase is comparable to the 1.5% experienced in 1991, but lower than the 6.9% achieved in 1990. Industrial R&D represents 53% of all R&D performed in Canada.

Industrial Research and Development, 1992 Intentions presents statistical information for the years 1963 to 1992. Among the topics covered are current and capital expenditures on research and development, energy R&D expenditures by area of technology, R&D expenditure as a percentage of company sales, sources of funds for intramural R&D, personnel engaged in R&D, and foreign payments made and received for technological services. Most historical tables

are presented for 1988 to 1992 and disaggregated by 46 industrial groupings, size of R&D program, employment size, sales size, country of control, and by province.

Industrial Research and Development, 1992 Intentions (with 1991 preliminary estimates and 1990 actual expenditures) (88-202, \$44) is now available. See "How to Order Publications".

For more information on this release, contact Michel Boucher (613-951-7683), Services, Science and Technology Division.



MAJOR RELEASE

Sales of Refined Petroleum Products

August 1992

Highlights

Seasonally Adjusted Sales

- Preliminary estimates indicate that sales of refined petroleum products totalled 6.4 million cubic metres in August 1992, a decrease of 1.0% from July 1992.
- The August decrease was attributable to decreased sales of heavy fuel oil (-4.3%), "all other refined products" (-3.5%) and diesel fuel oil (-1.0%). Sales of both light fuel oil and motor gasoline increased, 3.7% and 0.4%, respectively. Diesel fuel sales declined for the third consecutive month.

Unadjusted Sales

- Total sales of refined petroleum products decreased 4.9% from August 1991, to 6.7 million

cubic metres. Three of the four main products registered decreases: heavy fuel oil (-10.9%), diesel fuel oil (-6.1%) and motor gasoline (-4.2%). Only light fuel oil showed an increase (7.6%).

- Cumulative sales of refined petroleum products for the first eight months of 1992 amounted to 53.0 million cubic metres, up 1.2% from the corresponding period in 1991. Within this total, light fuel oil sales increased 7.4%, heavy fuel oil 7.3% and motor gasoline 0.9%. Diesel fuel oil is down 0.5% to date.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 628-642 and 644-647.

The August 1992 issue of *Refined Petroleum Products* (45-004, \$18.20/\$182) will be available the third week of November. See "How to Order Publications".

For more detailed information on this release, contact Gérard O'Connor (613-951-3562), Energy Section, Industry Division.

Sales of Refined Petroleum Products

	May 1992 ^r	June 1992 ^r	July 1992 ^r	August 1992 ^p	August 1992/ July 1992
Seasonally Adjusted					
(thousands of cubic metres)					
Total, All Products	6 721.9	6 618.1	6 463.7	6 401.8	-1.0
Motor Gasoline	2 770.5	2 735.0	2 662.5	2 672.6	0.4
Diesel Fuel Oil	1 401.2	1 324.1	1 297.3	1 283.9	-1.0
Light Fuel Oil	492.8	493.9	478.3	495.9	3.7
Heavy Fuel Oil	743.3	698.7	657.5	629.0	-4.3
All Other Refined Products	1 314.1	1 366.4	1 368.1	1 320.4	-3.5
Total					
	August 1991	August 1992 ^p	January- August 1991	January- August 1992 ^p	Cumulative 1992/1991
Unadjusted					
(thousands of cubic metres)					
Total, All Products	7 048.6	6 704.2	52 364.8	52 974.5	1.2
Motor Gasoline	3 060.2	2 932.1	21 902.3	22 093.5	0.9
Diesel Fuel Oil	1 508.7	1 417.4	10 346.3	10 289.8	-0.5
Light Fuel Oil	158.1	170.1	3 741.0	4 017.8	7.4
Heavy Fuel Oil	611.8	545.4	5 246.2	5 628.0	7.3
All Other Refined Products	1 709.8	1 639.2	11 129.0	10 945.4	-1.6

^p Preliminary.
^r Revised.

DATA AVAILABILITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Construction Type Plywood

July 1992

Canadian firms produced 145 017 cubic metres of construction type plywood during July 1992, a decrease of 2.9% from the 149 331 cubic metres produced during July 1991.

January to July 1992 production totalled 1 094 457 cubic metres, an increase of 12.6% from the 971 682 cubic metres produced during the same period in 1991.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 122 (level 1).

The July 1992 issue of *Construction Type Plywood* (35-001, \$5/\$50) will be available at a later date. See "How to Order Publications".

For more information on this release, contact Ted Brown (604-666-3694), Pacific Region, Statistics Canada, Sinclair Centre, 757 West Hastings Street, Vancouver, B.C. V6C 3C9. ■

Telephone Statistics - Preliminary Report on Large Telephone Systems

1991

Canada's 14 major telephone systems reported operating revenues of \$13.3 billion in 1991, up 1.4% over 1990. Operating expenses were \$9.8 billion, unchanged from 1990. Net operating revenue was \$3.5 billion, an increase of 5.8% from 1990. Telephone toll messages increased 5.7% in 1991 to 3.2 billion.

The Vol. 22, No. 3 issue of *Communications Service Bulletin* (56-001, \$8.20/\$49) will be available at a later date. See "How to Order Publications".

For more information on this release, contact J.R. Slattery (613-951-2205), Services, Science and Technology Division. ■

Production, Shipments and Stocks on Hand of Sawmills in British Columbia

July 1992

Sawmills in British Columbia produced 2 650 230 cubic metres of lumber and ties in July 1992, a decrease of 4.4% from the 2 773 311 cubic metres produced in July 1991.

January to July 1992 production was 19 534 496 cubic metres, an increase of 5.1% from the 18 588 539 cubic metres produced over the same period in 1991.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 53 (series 1.2, 2.2 and 3.2).

The July 1992 issue of *Production, Shipments and Stocks on Hand of Sawmills in British Columbia* (35-003, \$7.10/\$71) will be available at a later date. See "How to Order Publications".

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Railway Operating Statistics, June 1992.

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New Motor Vehicle Sales, November 1991.

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Service Industries Service Bulletin: Leisure and Personal Services, Preliminary Estimates 1990.

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