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Estimates of Labour Income

June 1992

Highlights

The June 1992 preliminary estimate of labour income¹, which comprises approximately 57% of Gross Domestic Product, was \$33.5 billion, an increase of 2.9% from June 1991. The year-to-date growth in labour income was 2.7%, similar to the 1991 annual increase of 2.8%.

Seasonally Adjusted – Wages and Salaries

- The seasonally adjusted estimate of wages and salaries was little changed in June (+0.1%), following an increase of 0.5% in May.
- In June, wages and salaries rose in education and related services (2.5%), federal administration (1.4%), provincial administration (1.4%), forestry (1.3%) and in health and welfare services (0.6%). Those gains were offset by declines in construction (-1.5%), finance, insurance and real estate (-1.3%), local administration (-1.3%), mines, quarries and oil wells (-1.0%) and in transportation, communication and other utilities (-0.7%). In addition, wages and salaries decreased in manufacturing in June (-0.6%) following two consecutive monthly increases.

¹ Labour income is composed of wages and salaries and supplementary labour income. Wages and salaries account for approximately 90% of labour income, while supplementary labour income makes up the remaining 10%. Wages and salaries include directors' fees, bonuses, commissions, gratuities, income-in-kind, taxable allowances and retroactive wage payments. Supplementary labour income includes employer contributions to employee welfare, pension, workers' compensation and unemployment insurance plans.

- Newfoundland (0.9%), Ontario (0.6%) and the Yukon, the Northwest Territories and Abroad (1.0%) all recorded increases in wages and salaries in June. Declines were noted in the remaining provinces with the exception of New Brunswick which was unchanged in June.

Unadjusted

- In June, wages and salaries grew by 2.4% from a year earlier, bringing the year-to-date increase to 2.2%.
- The strongest year-to-date growth in wages and salaries occurred in education and related services (6.6%), local administration (5.3%), health and welfare services (4.7%), transportation, communications and other utilities (3.5%) and in finance, insurance and real estate (3.4%). In contrast, year-to-date declines in wages and salaries were noted in construction (-5.1%), forestry (-3.2%) and mines, quarries and oil wells (-0.7%). Year-to-date wages and salaries in manufacturing were flat, changing by -0.1%.
- New Brunswick (2.6%), Alberta (2.8%), British Columbia (4.4%) and the Yukon, the Northwest Territories and Abroad (3.4%) recorded larger year-to-date increases in wages and salaries than the national growth of 2.2%. The growth in these provinces and territories was moderated by smaller increases in the other provinces.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 1791 and 1792.

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

For information on the estimates, contact Georgette Gauthier (613-951-4051), Labour Division (fax: 613-951-4087). □

Wages and Salaries and Supplementary Labour Income

(millions of dollars)

	June 1992 ^P	May 1992 ^r	April 1992 ^f	June 1991
Unadjusted				
Agriculture, fishing and trapping	272.1	219.7	174.2	270.3
Forestry	260.6	212.1	165.5	262.5
Mines, quarries and oil wells	659.7	645.8	628.6	678.8
Manufacturing industries	5,289.9	5,159.1	5,006.2	5,313.0
Construction industry	1,817.5	1,715.0	1,500.3	1,900.0
Transportation, communications and other utilities	2,889.4	2,856.2	2,805.6	2,817.7
Trade	4,092.2	4,042.2	3,949.6	3,997.5
Finance, insurance and real estate	2,568.4	2,553.9	2,494.7	2,489.6
Commercial and personal services	4,103.5	3,990.6	3,884.3	3,983.1
Education and related services	2,851.4	2,779.8	2,760.8	2,615.1
Health and welfare services	2,674.9	2,648.1	2,574.8	2,551.2
Federal administration and other government offices	998.6	970.2	972.3	955.5
Provincial administration	727.6	698.7	686.3	701.8
Local administration	682.0	660.8	641.4	655.5
Total wages and salaries	29,887.7	29,152.1	28,244.7	29,191.6
Supplementary labour income	3,647.4	3,556.0	3,507.3	3,407.1
Labour income	33,535.1	32,708.1	31,752.1	32,598.7
Adjusted for Seasonal Variation				
Agriculture, fishing and trapping	229.3	233.5	233.3	227.9
Forestry	225.4	222.4	215.1	227.1
Mines, quarries and oil wells	635.4	641.9	644.1	653.9
Manufacturing industries	5,045.1	5,075.6	5,038.3	5,099.5
Construction industry	1,676.1	1,701.0	1,671.7	1,757.3
Transportation, communications and other utilities	2,823.9	2,843.1	2,849.8	2,748.7
Trade	4,013.8	4,003.4	3,977.5	3,933.2
Finance, insurance and real estate	2,506.8	2,539.0	2,510.9	2,430.2
Commercial and personal services	4,009.6	3,990.5	3,975.7	3,897.4
Education and related services	2,749.4	2,683.1	2,651.6	2,520.8
Health and welfare services	2,630.4	2,613.8	2,579.2	2,509.0
Federal administration and other government offices	957.8	944.9	966.1	916.2
Provincial administration	708.0	698.5	698.3	683.2
Local administration	657.8	666.2	660.8	632.2
Total wages and salaries	28,857.6	28,837.4	28,708.1	28,203.1
Supplementary labour income	3,521.6	3,517.6	3,564.8	3,290.2
Labour income	32,379.2	32,354.9	32,273.0	31,493.3

^P Preliminary estimates.^r Revised estimates.^f Final estimates.

New Motor Vehicle Sales

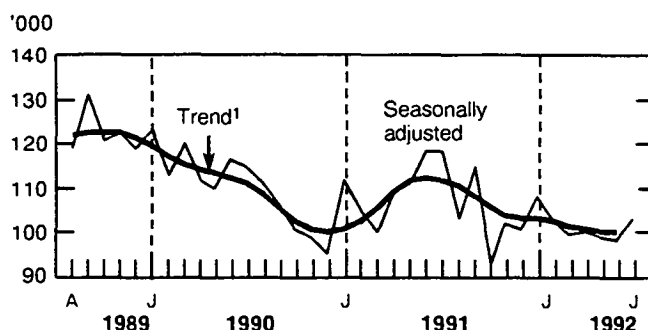
July 1992

Highlights

Seasonally Adjusted Sales

- Preliminary estimates indicate that new motor vehicle sales totalled 103,000 units in July 1992, an increase of 4.9% from the revised June figure. This increase was due to stronger sales of both passenger cars (+5.5%) and trucks (+3.9%).

Monthly Sales of New Motor Vehicles, Canada, Seasonally Adjusted, in Units, 1989-1992



¹ The short-term trend represents a moving average of the data.

Note to Users

North American vehicles: motor vehicles manufactured or assembled in North America. These vehicles may be built by domestic or foreign-owned companies.

Imported vehicles: motor vehicles manufactured or assembled overseas and marketed in Canada by domestic or foreign-owned companies.

Unadjusted Sales

- Sales of all new motor vehicles for July 1992 were 110,000 units, down 10.8% from July 1991. Sales of passenger cars declined 12.5% and truck sales decreased 7.4%.
- The July decrease in passenger car sales stemmed from a drop of 15.3% for North American passenger cars and a decrease of 5.7% for cars manufactured in Japan.
- The North American share of the Canadian passenger car market fell to 66% in July 1992, down from 68% a year earlier, but the Japanese share rose from 26% to 28% for the same period.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 64.

The July 1992 issue of *New Motor Vehicle Sales* (63-007, \$14.40/\$144) will be available in November. See "How to Order Publications".

For more detailed information on this release, contact Diane Lake (613-951-9824), Retail Trade Section, Industry Division. □

New Motor Vehicle Sales - Canada

July 1992

	Seasonally Adjusted Data			
	April 1992 ^r	May 1992 ^r	June 1992 ^r	July 1992 ^p
	Units % Change	Units % Change	Units % Change	Units % Change
Total New Motor Vehicles	99,896 + 1.0	98,827 -1.1	98,058 -0.8	102,881 + 4.9
Passenger Cars by Origin:				
North America	41,367 + 6.1	40,628 -1.8	40,616 -	43,713 + 7.6
Overseas	25,346 -0.9	24,957 -1.5	24,048 -3.6	24,481 + 1.8
Total	66,713 + 3.3	65,585 -1.7	64,664 -1.4	68,194 + 5.5
Trucks, Vans and Buses	33,183 -3.5	33,242 + 0.2	33,394 + 0.5	34,687 + 3.9
	Unadjusted Sales			
	July 1992	Change 1992/1991	January- July 1992	Change 1992/1991
	Units	%	Units	%
Total New Motor Vehicles	110,316	-10.8	757,489	-8.4
Passenger Cars by Origin:				
North America	48,192	-15.3	318,973	-15.6
Japan	20,248	-5.7	145,044	-1.8
Other Countries	5,186	-9.0	36,872	-3.8
Total	73,626	-12.5	500,889	-11.2
Trucks, Vans and Buses by Origin:				
North America	30,923	-9.7	220,788	-0.4
Overseas	5,767	+ 6.7	35,812	-13.0
Total	36,690	-7.4	256,600	-2.4

^p Preliminary.

^r Revised.

- Nil or zero.

Farm Product Price Index

July 1992

Highlights

The Farm Product Price Index (1986=100) for Canada stood at 95.2 in July, down 1.3% from the revised June level of 96.5. The crops index was down 0.7% to 88.9; decreases in the cereals and oilseeds indexes more than offset a 7.5% increase in the potatoes index. The livestock and animal products index fell 1.7% to 99.1, with decreases in the cattle and calves and hogs indexes. Despite increases in recent months, the total index has remained at low levels not seen since the 1979-1980 crop year. This has been mainly due to lower Canadian Wheat Board (CWB) initial prices for wheat and barley.

The percentage changes in the index between June and July 1992, by province, were as follows:

Newfoundland	+ 1.4%
Prince Edward Island	+ 2.4%
Nova Scotia	+ 1.3%
New Brunswick	+ 0.1%
Quebec	-0.9%
Ontario	-4.3%
Manitoba	-0.8%
Saskatchewan	-0.1%
Alberta	+ 0.1%
British Columbia	+ 2.8%
Canada	-1.3%

Crops

The crops index was down 0.7% in July to 88.9, as the cereals (-0.9%) and oilseeds (-3.5%) indexes both decreased. The index remained 10.4% below the year-earlier level.

- The cereals index fell 0.9% to 74.9 in July as oats, barley and corn prices declined. This was the second consecutive drop in the index

following six months in which it rose or remained stable. The index remained 16.8% below the year-earlier level.

- The oilseeds index fell 3.5% to 100.9, almost offsetting the gain of 3.8% seen in June. Both soybean and canola prices decreased in July. The index stood 3.5% above the year-earlier level.
- The potatoes index rose 7.5% in July, as new potatoes began to come onto the market. In spite of the increase, the index remained 13.5% below the level seen a year earlier.

Livestock and Animal Products

The livestock and animal products index fell 1.7% to 99.1 in July. The cattle and calves and hogs indexes decreased, but the poultry, eggs and dairy indexes increased.

- The hogs index decreased by 5.0% to 77.6 in July, following normal seasonal trends. The index remained 11.1% below the level seen a year earlier, as Canadian inspected slaughter for the first seven months of 1992 was 7.2% above the same period a year earlier.
- The cattle and calves index fell 3.3% in response to lower U.S. prices, a second consecutive monthly drop. At 102.7, the July index stood 5.2% below the July 1991 level, as Canadian slaughter for the first seven months of 1992 stood 3.6% above year-earlier levels.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 176.

The July issue of the *Farm Product Price Index* (62-003, \$7.10/\$71) is scheduled for release on September 16. See "How to Order Publications".

For further information on this release, please contact Liz Leckie (613-951-2441), Farm Income and Prices Section, Agriculture Division. ■

DATA AVAILABILITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Electric Storage Batteries

July 1992

Canadian manufacturers of electric storage batteries sold 126,869 automotive and heavy-duty commercial replacement batteries in July 1992.

Cumulative sales amounted to 933,812 automotive and heavy-duty commercial replacement batteries from January to July 1992, down 5.9% from the 992,216 units sold the previous year.

Information on sales of other types of storage batteries is also available.

The July 1992 issue of *Factory Sales of Electric Storage Batteries* (43-005, \$5/\$50) will be available at a later date.

For more information on this release, contact L. Vincent (613-951-3523), Industry Division. ■

Steel Wire and Specified Wire Products

July 1992

Data on factory shipments of steel wire and specified wire products for July 1992 are now available, as are production and export market data for selected commodities.

Shipments totalled 56 567 tonnes in July 1992, a decrease of 12.9% from the 64 947^t (revised) tonnes shipped during the previous month.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 122 (series 19).

The July 1992 issue of *Steel Wire and Specified Wire Products* (41-006, \$5/\$50) will be available at a later date.

For more detailed information on this release, contact Bruno Pépin (613-951-9837), Industry Division. ■



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Asphalt Roofing, July 1992.

Catalogue number 45-001

(Canada: \$5/\$50; United States: US\$6/US\$60; Other Countries: US\$7/US\$70).

Railway Operating Statistics, May 1992.

Catalogue number 52-003

(Canada: \$10.50/\$105; United States: US\$12.60/US\$126; Other Countries: US\$14.70/US\$147).

Imports by Country, January-June 1992.

Catalogue number 65-006

(Canada: \$82.75/\$331; United States: US\$99.25/US\$397; Other Countries: US\$115.75/US\$463).

Imports by Commodity, June 1992.

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