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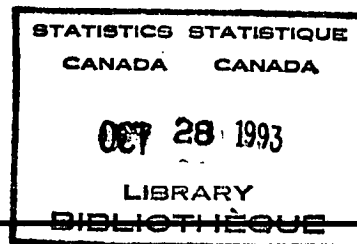
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Homeowner Repair and Renovation Expenditure

1992 (Preliminary)

Homeowners spent \$12.3 billion on repairs and renovations in 1992, up 6.8% from \$11.5 billion in 1991. This increase has ended a two-year slump in the housing repair and renovation market. Lower interest rates combined with a rise in the number of homeowners – partly due to Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation's First Home Loan Insurance Program – contributed to the increase in total expenditure.

Two-thirds (\$8.3 billion) of the total expenditure was for contracted work and other hired labour, compared with one-third (\$4.0 billion) for separately purchased materials.

Of the \$12.3 billion spent on repair and renovation projects, \$8.4 billion (68.0%) was spent on additions, renovations and new installations, which are considered investments that increase the value of the home. The remaining \$3.9 billion (32.0%) went to repair, maintenance and replacement projects, which are considered expenditures that maintain the value of the home.

Average expenditure

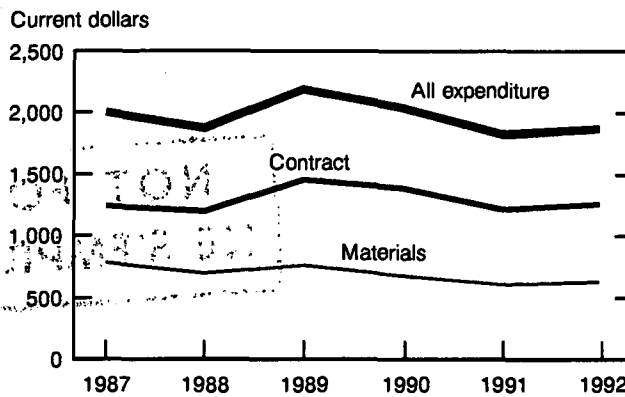
After two consecutive years of declines, in 1992, the national average homeowner repair and renovation expenditure increased 3.1% to \$1,872, from \$1,816 in 1991. However, this level was still below the six-year peak of \$2,190 reached in 1989. Except for Prince Edward Island (-20.7%) and Ontario (-7.8%), all provinces reported increases in average expenditure on repair and renovation activities.

At \$2,202, British Columbia's homeowners had the highest average expenditure on repairs and renovations in 1992. They replaced Ontario's homeowners who, for the first time in four years, did not have the highest average. From 1991 to 1992, Ontario's average expenditure fell by \$165 to \$1,938, placing it in third place among the 10 provinces. For the third consecutive year, the lowest average expenditure occurred in Saskatchewan with \$1,136.

Share of total expenditure

Since 1987, the initial year of the Housing Repair and Renovation Survey, homeowners in Newfound-

Average homeowner repair and renovation expenditure



land have been reporting the highest proportion of their repair and renovation expenditure on separately purchased materials (60.0% in 1992). The share of total expenditure allocated to separately purchased materials in other provinces ranged from 27.0% in Prince Edward Island to 40.0% in Nova Scotia during 1992. Historically, the smallest proportion was found in Prince Edward Island or Ontario.

A large proportion of total repair and renovation expenditure is accounted for by a small number of homeowners. In 1992, only 3.6% of all homeowners had expenses of \$10,000 or more on repair and renovation projects; however, their spending represented 42.0% of the total \$12.3 billion.

Homeowners in urban centres had a tendency to use more contracted work for repair and renovation projects than those in rural areas. In urban centres, the share of total repair and renovation expenditures going to contractors was 70.0% compared with 56.0% for rural areas.

Preliminary tables from the Housing Repair and Renovation Survey of 1992 are now available. Data are presented by level of expenditure, province, size of area of residence and type of dwelling.

Additional tables by income and other characteristics of homeowner households and their dwellings will be available in *Homeowner Repair and Renovation Expenditure in Canada, 1992* (62-201), which is scheduled for release in February 1994.

For further information about this release, contact Paul Gratton, Family Expenditure Surveys Section (613-951-4165), Household Surveys Division. ■

DATA AVAILABILITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Population Estimates by Age, Sex and Marital Status

As of July 1, 1971-1993

Released today are estimates by age, sex and marital status of national, provincial and territorial population, as of July 1, 1993. These new estimates are based on 1991 Census results along with the Agency's estimates of the number of people not counted by the Census. In addition, the revised population estimates by age, sex and marital status now include non-permanent residents. To ease comparison with earlier years, historical revisions have been produced back to 1971.

Inclusion of estimates of population not counted in the Census has raised the national population estimates by percentages ranging from 1.6% to 2.9% over the 20-year period. Increases at the provincial level varied between 0.3% and 3.8%. The most important changes for marital status were among the divorced (+4.7%) and the single (+4.1%). Future annual population estimates will use a reference date of July 1 rather than June 1 as was previously the case.

Please refer to *The Daily* of September 16, 1993, for additional information on: why the methodology has been revised for the population estimates; calculation of undercoverage and of historical revisions; and, the effect of revising the population estimates on Statistics Canada's products.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 6213-6225.

All of the annual revised intercensal population estimates from 1971-1991 will be published in *Revised Intercensal Population Estimates, 1971-1991* (91-537) during the first quarter of 1994.

The postcensal annual estimates at national, provincial and territorial, census division and census metropolitan area levels for July 1, 1992 and 1993 will appear in *Annual Demographic Statistics* (91-213), which will replace catalogued publications numbered 91-204, 91-210, 91-211 and 91-212, also during the first quarter of 1994.

Future releases from the Population Estimates Program

Total Population, Census
Divisions and Census Metro-
politan Areas as of July 1,
1986-1993

November 30, 1993

Population by Age and Sex
for Census Divisions and
Census Metropolitan
Areas as of July 1, 1986-
1993

December 14, 1993

For more information, contact Ronald Raby (613-951-9582) or Rosemary Bender (613-951-2324) about methodology on population estimates; Margaret Michalowski (613-951-2328) about net undercoverage by marital status; Lise Champagne (613-951-2320) about other demographic estimates; and Don Royce (613-951-6940) about 1991 Census Coverage Studies. You may also contact your nearest Statistics Canada Regional Reference Centre. ■

Work Injuries Statistics

1992

In 1992, Workers' Compensation Boards accepted 455,659 work-related, time-loss injuries. This represented a decrease of 12% from the previous year and followed the downward trend observed in employment. This was the third consecutive decline in the number of injuries.

Of the total number of injuries and illnesses reported, the most frequent injuries were sprains and strains (45%); contusions, crushing and bruises (14%); and cuts, lacerations and punctures (10%).

The back was the part of body most frequently injured (29%), followed by the wrist, hand or fingers (20%) and the ankle, foot or toes (9%).

Bodily motion was the most frequent source of injury (14%). It was followed by working surfaces (12%) and boxes, barrels, containers and packages (12%).

The most frequent types of accident were overexertion (30%), struck by an object (15%) and falls (15%).

Except for a slight decrease between 1982 and 1983, the number of injuries increased continuously, from 479,558 in 1982 to 620,979 in 1989. Since then, the number decreased each year, falling to 455,659 in 1992. This represented a 27% decline from the 1989 peak.

The report *Work Injuries, 1990-92* (72-208, \$30) will be released in December.

For more information about the statistics or to order special tabulations, call Joanne Proulx (613-951-4040), Labour Division (fax: 613-951-4087). ■

Steel Primary Forms

Week Ending October 23, 1993 (Preliminary)

Steel primary forms production for the week ending October 23, 1993 totalled 276 966 tonnes, up 4.9% from the week-earlier 264 086 tonnes but down 2.1% from the year-earlier 282 835 tonnes.

The cumulative total at the end of the week was 11 611 359 tonnes, a 4.3% increase from 11 127 058 tonnes for the same period in 1992.

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

Asphalt Roofing

September 1993

Shipments of asphalt shingles totalled 3 826 988 metric bundles in September 1993, a decrease of 7.8% from 4 150 456 metric bundles shipped a year earlier.

For January to September 1993, shipments totalled 30 160 474 metric bundles, down 8.1% from 32 832 740 metric bundles for the same period in 1992.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 32 and 122 (series 27 and 28).

The September 1993 issue of *Asphalt Roofing* (45-001, \$5/\$50) will be available at a later date.

For more detailed information on this release, contact Sandra Bohatyretz (613-951-3531), Industry Division. ■

Coal and Coke Statistics

August 1993

Production of coal totalled 5 179 kilotonnes in August 1993, down 2.0% from August 1992. Year-to-date production at the end of August 1993 totalled 44 137 kilotonnes, down 2.7% from the previous year.

Exports in August fell to 2 219 kilotonnes, down 10.6% from August 1992; imports decreased 33.7% to 866 kilotonnes. For January to August 1993, exports totalled 17 770 kilotonnes, 14.2% below last year.

Coke production in August 1993 decreased to 313 kilotonnes, down 4.9% from August 1992.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 9.

The August 1993 issue of *Coal and Coke Statistics* (45-002, \$10/\$100) will be available the last week of October. See "How to Order Publications".

For more detailed information on this release, contact Dave Madsen (613-951-9823), Energy Section, Industry Division. ■

Electric Power Statistics

August 1993

Net generation of electric energy in August 1993 increased to 40 733 gigawatt hours (GWh), up 7.1% from August 1992. Exports in August increased 30.0% to 4 209 GWh; imports decreased to 256 GWh, from 473 GWh.

Year-to-date net generation at the end of August 1993 totalled 337 276 GWh, up 2.4% from the previous year. Year-to-date exports (21 778 GWh), rose 9.7% and year-to-date imports (5 821 GWh) rose 24.5% from the previous year.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 3987-3999.

The August 1993 issue of *Electric Power Statistics* (57-001, \$9/\$90) will be available the first week of November. See "How to Order Publications".

For more detailed information on this release, contact Dave Madsen (613-951-9823), Energy Section, Industry Division. ■

Building Board Industry

1992 Annual Survey of Manufactures

In 1992, the value of shipments of goods of own manufacture for the building board industry (SIC 2714) totalled \$148.2 million, up 18.7% from \$124.8 million in 1991.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 5486.

The data for this industry will be released in *Paper and Allied Products Industries* (36-250, \$35).

For more detailed information on this release, contact Sandra Bohatyretz (613-951-3531), Industry Division. ■

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Construction Type Plywood, August 1993.

Catalogue number 35-001

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

Production, Shipments and Stocks on Hand of Sawmills East of the Rockies (Excluding Newfoundland and Prince Edward Island), August 1993.

Catalogue number 35-002

(Canada: \$10/\$100; United States: US\$12/US\$120; Other Countries: US\$14/US\$140).

Production, Shipments and Stocks on Hand of Sawmills in British Columbia, August 1993.

Catalogue number 35-003

(Canada: \$7.10/\$71; United States: US\$8.50/US\$85; Other Countries: US\$9.90/US\$99).

Mineral Wool Including Fibrous Glass Insulation, September 1993.

Catalogue number 44-004

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

Oil Pipeline Transport, July 1993.

Catalogue number 55-001

(Canada: \$10/\$100; United States: US\$12/US\$120; Other Countries: US\$14/US\$140).

Department Store Sales and Stocks, July 1993.

Catalogue number 63-002

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

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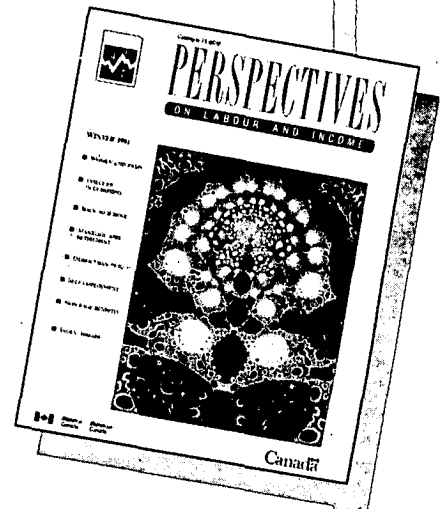
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