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## MAJOR RELEASES

### Employment, Earnings and Hours

September 1993 (Preliminary)

While seasonally adjusted payroll employment dropped slightly in September, average weekly earnings rose 1.5% on a year-over-year basis.

#### Average weekly earnings

Average weekly earnings rose 1.5% on a year-over-year basis, unchanged from the previous month. The increase was substantially less than that of September 1992 (+3.5%). Lower wage settlements, rollbacks and payroll cuts were partly responsible for the continuing low growth rate in average weekly earnings. A change in the employment mix toward lower-paying industries also contributed to lower earnings growth. Business services, forestry and logging, and accommodation, food and beverage services recorded the lowest year-over-year changes in average weekly earnings in September.

Average weekly earnings in business services stood at \$580.00, a 1.0% drop from September 1992. This was the fifth consecutive month in which earnings declined from the previous year. Accounting and bookkeeping services (-5.9%), advertising services (-4.8%) and employment agencies and personnel suppliers (-4.1%) reported significant year-over-year decreases in average weekly earnings. The earnings decline in business services was also due in

#### Note to users

The Survey of Employment, Payrolls and Hours covers all industries except agriculture, fishing and trapping, religious organizations, private households and defence services.

Year-over-year changes refer to unadjusted data.

part to a shift in employment toward the lower-paying component industries. Employment agencies and personnel suppliers (where weekly earnings averaged \$378.70 compared with \$580.00 for all business services) recorded substantial employment gains from the previous year.

#### Average weekly earnings

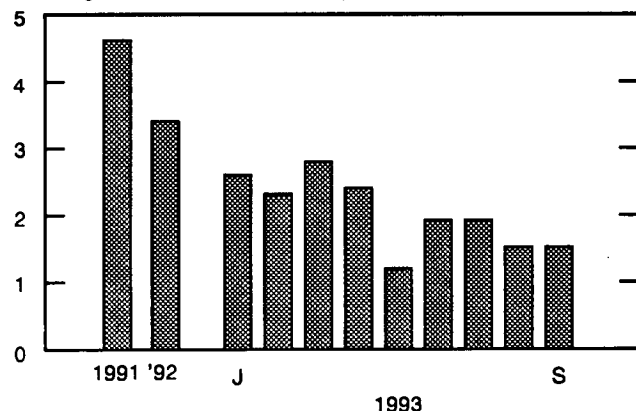
Jan.-Sept. 1992 to  
Jan.-Sept. 1993

	% change, unadjusted
Finance, insurance and real estate	5.6
Retail trade	3.5
Health and social services	3.4
Manufacturing	2.8
Public administration	2.7
Accommodation, food and beverage services	2.5
Mining, quarrying and oil wells	2.3
Wholesale trade	2.2
<b>All industries</b>	<b>2.0</b>
Logging and forestry services	1.7
Transportation, communications and other utilities	1.3
Educational services	1.2
Construction	0.3
Business services	-0.5

#### Average weekly earnings

Year-over-year  
% change

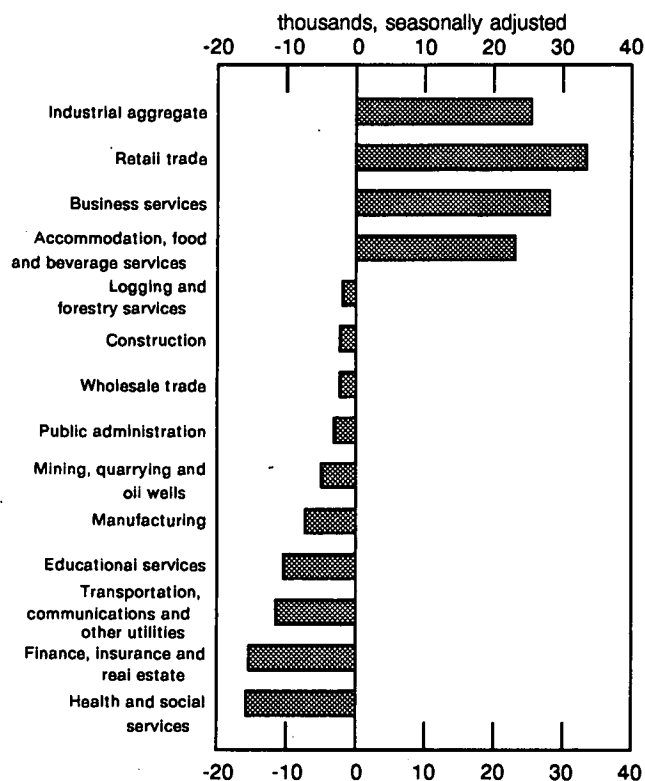
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#### Employment

Seasonally adjusted payroll employment dropped slightly (-0.1%) to 9,962,000 in September. The trend in monthly employment remained unsettled, alternating from negative to positive for the past five months. Payroll employment has edged up slightly (+25,000) since January 1993, with gains in retail trade, in business services and in accommodation, food and beverage services offset by losses in health and social services and in finance, insurance and real estate.

### Changes in employment levels January to September 1993



Payroll employment in accommodation, food and beverage industries rose slightly from August to record the largest year-over-year increase this year (+6.7%). The employment growth was due to an expansion in food service industries (+11.4%), which employed 538,400.

The year-over-year increase in payroll employment in business services was bolstered by growth in employment agencies and personnel suppliers (+28.1%), which comprise placement services or agents who provide personnel on permanent or temporary contracts.

After five months of employment growth, retail trade employment declined in September. Retail sales were unchanged in September following increases in four of the previous five months.

### Average weekly hours (employees paid by the hour)

In September, average weekly hours for employees paid by the hour for all industries rose 0.5% from August. The trend has been rising marginally since January 1993, increasing at an average rate of 0.1% per month. Average weekly hours increased in most provinces—especially in Manitoba, Alberta, Quebec and Ontario. Finance, insurance and real estate (+2.0%), accommodation, food and beverage services (+1.1%), and retail trade (+1.0%) contributed to the growth in average weekly hours. Average weekly hours in accommodation, food and beverage services recovered to July's level of 23.4 hours after dropping in August.

Construction posted a fourth consecutive monthly increase in average weekly hours (+0.8%), which have risen by more than one hour since May 1993. The increase in hours was the main contributor to average weekly earnings growth in construction since May 1993.

### Payrolls

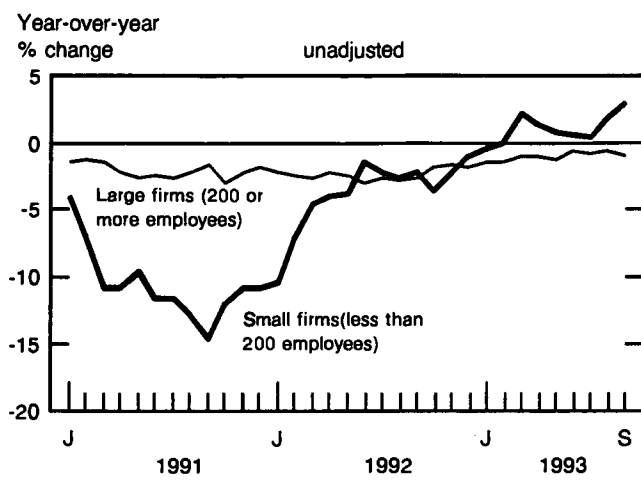
Total payrolls of businesses rose 2.1% on a year-over-year basis. Small firms led the growth in total payrolls, accounting for 70% of the overall increase. The positive effect of small firms on payroll growth has increased during the year. Year-to-date, small firms contributed 55% of the payroll gain for all firms. Small firms' payrolls in retail trade (+12.5%) and accommodation, food and beverage services (+11.0%) contributed substantially to September's increase.

Employment was the main contributor to expanding payrolls for small firms (less than 200 employees) in September. The year-over-year payroll growth of 4.0% for small firms resulted from increases of 2.6% in employment and 1.4% in average weekly earnings.

### Total paid hours (employees paid by the hour and salaried employees)

Year-to-date, total paid hours declined slightly (-0.1%) from the previous year. The overall weakness in total paid hours between January and September for large firms (-1.0%) reflected declining

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hours for employees paid by the hour and for salaried employees. Major decreases in total hours for large firms were evident in manufacturing, finance and insurance and in communications and other utilities. A year-over-year increase in total paid hours for small firms (+1.1%) was led by surging growth in hours for employees paid by the hour (+3.1%), which was offset by a drop in hours (-1.5%) for salaried employees.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 4285-4466, 9438-9452 and 9639-9911.

Detailed industry data and other labour market indicators are available from *Employment, Earnings and Hours* (72-002, \$28.50/\$285) and by special tabulation.

For further information on this release or on the program, products and services, contact Stephen Johnson (613-951-4090, fax: 613-951-4087), Labour Division. □

### Average weekly earnings\*

Industry Group - Canada (1980 S.I.C.)	August 1993 <sup>r</sup>	September 1993 <sup>p</sup>	August 1993 to September 1993	September 1992	September 1993 <sup>p</sup>	September 1992 to September 1993
	dollars	% change		dollars	% change	
	seasonally adjusted			unadjusted		
<b>Industrial aggregate</b>	<b>560.45</b>	<b>562.31</b>	<b>0.3</b>	<b>555.55</b>	<b>563.99</b>	<b>1.5</b>
Logging and forestry	723.59	714.18	-1.3	696.04	698.83	0.4
Mining, quarrying and oil wells	962.10	961.54	-0.1	944.46	959.49	1.6
Manufacturing	674.31	677.12	0.4	660.80	678.01	2.6
Construction	646.28	647.30	0.2	650.00	658.71	1.3
Transportation, communications and other utilities	714.55	722.15	1.1	709.66	719.85	1.4
Trade	409.56	411.90	0.6	403.69	412.12	2.1
Wholesale trade	594.41	599.32	0.8	584.23	595.54	1.9
Retail trade	331.90	330.80	-0.3	322.14	332.88	3.3
Finance, insurance and real estate	625.62	633.13	1.2	598.47	632.70	5.7
Business services	579.23	580.00	0.1	585.75	580.00	-1.0
Education-related services	691.80	687.51	-0.6	678.14	696.51	2.7
Health and social services	502.93	502.76	0.0	491.09	500.43	1.9
Accommodation, food and beverage services	215.24	217.08	0.9	217.72	218.90	0.5
Public administration	736.56	742.80	0.8	727.84	740.70	1.8
<b>Provinces and territories</b>						
Newfoundland	529.31	529.44	0.0	519.90	532.12	2.4
Prince Edward Island	452.51	455.23	0.6	447.28	454.65	1.6
Nova Scotia	500.77	498.39	-0.5	494.93	498.39	0.7
New Brunswick	504.79	510.20	1.1	495.84	510.20	2.9
Quebec	543.53	549.50	1.1	544.70	549.50	0.9
Ontario	591.45	594.25	0.5	584.66	596.05	1.9
Manitoba	495.16	497.72	0.5	486.58	496.42	2.0
Saskatchewan	477.55	473.67	-0.8	473.24	475.28	0.4
Alberta	553.03	552.62	-0.1	554.08	555.02	0.2
British Columbia	566.77	563.64	-0.6	554.91	567.69	2.3
Yukon	658.83	680.21	3.2	682.94	680.21	-0.4
Northwest Territories	703.71	703.43	0.0	721.38	714.20	-1.0

<sup>p</sup> Preliminary estimates.

<sup>r</sup> Revised estimates.

\* For all employees.

## Number of employees

Industry group (1980 S.I.C.)	August 1993 <sup>r</sup>	September 1993 <sup>p</sup>	August 1993 to September 1993	September 1992	September 1993 <sup>p</sup>	September 1992 to September 1993
	thousands		% change	thousands		% change
	seasonally adjusted			unadjusted		
<b>Industrial aggregate</b>	<b>9,972</b>	<b>9,962</b>	<b>-0.1</b>	<b>10,070</b>	<b>10,128</b>	<b>0.6</b>
Logging and forestry	58	57	-1.7	66	68	3.0
Mining, quarrying and oil wells	116	116	0.0	127	120	-5.5
Manufacturing	1,581	1,578	-0.2	1,611	1,613	0.1
Construction	391	391	0.0	471	446	-5.3
Transportation, communications and other utilities	800	804	0.5	835	824	-1.3
Trade	1,901	1,896	-0.3	1,858	1,905	2.5
Wholesale trade	562	566	0.7	578	575	-0.5
Retail trade	1,338	1,326	-0.9	1,280	1,330	3.9
Finance, insurance and real estate	642	645	0.5	656	649	-1.1
Business services	509	510	0.2	505	520	3.0
Education-related services	944	918	-2.8	901	904	0.3
Health and social services	1,104	1,102	-0.2	1,132	1,109	-2.0
Accommodation, food and beverage services	709	710	0.1	682	728	6.7
Public administration	710	714	0.6	719	717	-0.3
<b>Provinces and territories</b>						
Newfoundland	137	138	0.7	143	145	1.4
Prince Edward Island	39	39	0.0	42	41	-2.4
Nova Scotia	282	280	-0.7	287	288	0.3
New Brunswick	225	225	0.0	237	237	0.0
Quebec	2,414	2,409	-0.2	2,436	2,453	0.7
Ontario	3,930	3,939	0.2	4,000	3,979	-0.5
Manitoba	373	368	-1.3	385	377	-2.1
Saskatchewan	295	293	-0.7	305	300	-1.6
Alberta	958	959	0.1	983	977	-0.6
British Columbia	1,289	1,272	-1.3	1,219	1,298	6.5
Yukon	11	11	0.0	13	12	-7.7
Northwest Territories	21	21	0.0	21	22	4.8

<sup>p</sup> Preliminary estimates.<sup>r</sup> Revised estimates.

## Sales of Refined Petroleum Products

October 1993

Seasonally adjusted, sales of refined petroleum products decreased 0.8% to 6.8 million cubic metres in October. This followed a 1.6% increase in September. Sales volumes for five of the seven product groups decreased in October.

Sales of petrochemical feedstocks (materials produced by refineries and used as input by the petrochemical industry) fell 13.8% in October after a 7.3% gain in September. Heavy fuel oil sales decreased 4.2%, the second consecutive monthly decline. Sales of diesel fuel oil increased 2.6% in October, the third consecutive monthly increase.

### Unadjusted

Sales of refined petroleum products decreased 0.8% from October 1992, to 6.9 million cubic metres. Sales of five of the seven product groups increased from October 1992.

For the first 10 months of 1993, cumulative sales of refined petroleum products totalled 66.7 million cubic metres, an increase of 0.6% from 1992. The largest sales increases were recorded by diesel fuel oil (+4.3%) and motor gasoline (+1.7%). Sales of heavy fuel oil decreased 10.3% from the same period in 1992, primarily reflecting reduced imports by electric utilities.

The light fuel oil and heavy fuel oil components of refined petroleum products are subject to significant month-to-month variation and revision.

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

The October 1993 issue of *Refined Petroleum Products* (45-004, \$18.20/\$182), will be available the third week of January. See "How to Order Publications".

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

### Sales of refined petroleum products

	July 1993 <sup>r</sup>	August 1993 <sup>r</sup>	September 1993 <sup>r</sup>	October 1993 <sup>p</sup>	September 1993 to October 1993
	thousands of cubic metres				% change
	seasonally adjusted				
<b>Total, all products</b>	<b>6 726.1</b>	<b>6 727.5</b>	<b>6 832.8</b>	<b>6 777.3</b>	<b>-0.8</b>
Motor gasoline	2 800.2	2 834.4	2 900.0	2 881.0	-0.7
Diesel fuel oil	1 365.1	1 370.6	1 407.0	1 442.9	2.6
Light fuel oil	520.5	525.8	519.8	503.8	-3.1
Heavy fuel oil	570.5	656.4	604.6	578.9	-4.2
Aviation turbo fuel	413.6	354.6	379.5	370.8	-2.3
Petrochemical feedstocks <sup>1</sup>	327.2	337.1	361.6	311.8	-13.8
All other refined products	729.0	648.6	660.3	688.1	4.2
	October 1992	October 1993 <sup>p</sup>	January to October 1992	January to October 1993 <sup>p</sup>	January- October 1992 to January- October 1993
	unadjusted				
<b>Total, all products</b>	<b>6 922.2</b>	<b>6 863.2</b>	<b>66 325.1</b>	<b>66 721.7</b>	<b>0.6</b>
Motor gasoline	2 808.9	2 807.7	27 760.5	28 227.7	1.7
Diesel fuel oil	1 529.8	1 618.7	13 301.8	13 875.8	4.3
Light fuel oil	423.4	428.3	4 462.6	4 513.6	1.1
Heavy fuel oil	593.2	534.1	6 610.4	5 932.5	-10.3
Aviation turbo fuel	416.0	377.0	3 906.2	3 792.9	-2.9
Petrochemical feedstocks <sup>1</sup>	335.9	302.0	3 238.3	3 158.3	-2.5
All other refined products	815.0	795.4	7 045.3	7 220.9	2.5

<sup>p</sup> Preliminary figures.

<sup>r</sup> Revised figures.

<sup>1</sup> Materials produced by refineries used as input by the petrochemical industry.

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## **Corporations and Labour Unions Returns Act, Part II: Labour Unions 1991**

In 1991, total income from union operations was \$966.0 million, up 5.9% from 1990. Union dues collected increased 7.0% to \$852.3 million.

For all unions, 5.8% of dues went to support strikes in 1991, down from 9.0% in 1990.

The excess of income over expenditures fell to \$26.9 million in 1991, down from \$44.9 million in 1990. National unions reported a surplus of \$50.6 million; international and government unions reported a combined loss of \$23.7 million.

### **Union membership unchanged**

Total union membership remained essentially unchanged in 1991 at 3.9 million members. However, the U.S.-based international unions continued to lose members in Canada, with a further loss of 3.6% or 44,600 members.

Female membership grew by 26,100 members to account for 40.7% of all union members, up from 40.0% in 1990. In contrast, male membership fell by 35,100 in 1991.

The overall unionization rate of industry stood at 35.1% in 1991, up from 34.7% in 1990.

### **Unionization higher in metro areas**

The average unionization rate in major metropolitan areas was 40.6% in 1991, over 1½ times the 26.5% rate in non-metropolitan areas.

Public administration and educational services continued as the most highly unionized industries at 77.9% and 75.3% respectively. Agriculture remained relatively non-unionized at 1.7%.

*Corporations and Labour Unions Returns Act, Part II: Labour Unions, 1991* (71-202, \$34) is now available. See "How to Order Publications".

For further information, contact Stuart McLeod (613-951-9862), Industrial Organization and Finance Division. ■

## DATA AVAILABILITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Electric Power Statistics

September 1993

Net generation of electric energy in September 1993 increased to 37 978 gigawatt hours (GWh), up 2.6% from September 1992. Exports in September 1993 increased 32.2% to 3 560 GWh; imports increased to 390 GWh, from 299 GWh.

Year-to-date net generation at the end of September 1993 totalled 375 209 GWh, up 2.4% from the previous year. Year-to-date exports (25 338 GWh), rose 12.4% and year-to-date imports (6 211 GWh) rose 24.8% from the previous year.

**Available on CANSIM: matrices 3987-3999.**

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

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

### Gypsum Products

October 1993

Manufacturers shipped 24 811 thousand square metres of plain gypsum wallboard in October 1993, up 22.2% from 20 308 thousand square metres in October 1992 and up 14.8% from 21 621 thousand square metres in September 1993.

Year-to-date shipments at the end of October 1993 totalled 191 225 thousand square metres, up 2.3% from a year earlier.

**Available on CANSIM: matrices 39 and 122 (series 11).**

The October 1993 issue of *Gypsum Products* (44-003, \$5/\$50) will be available at a later date.

For detailed information on this release, please contact Roland Joubert (613-951-3527), Industry Division. ■

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- Farm Product Price Index, July 1993  
The Farm Product Price Index rose 0.2% in July. The index index reported in August 1993.
- Adversity Statistics of Education, 1985-94  
Since 1985-86, learning in education in Canada declined from 120.5 to 119.5. This is a decline of 1.0 point. The 1985-86 year the average increase is 1.0 point.

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**The Sugar Situation**, October 1993.

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**Construction Type Plywood**, September 1993.

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**Production, Shipments and Stocks on Hand of  
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Newfoundland and Prince Edward Island)**,  
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**Production, Shipments and Stocks on Hand of  
Sawmills in British Columbia**, September 1993.

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**Railway Operating Statistics**, August 1993.

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**Telephone Statistics**, September 1993.

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Other Countries: US\$11.60/US\$116).

**Farm Product Price Index**, September 1993.

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**Average Prices of Selected Farm Inputs**,  
October 1993.

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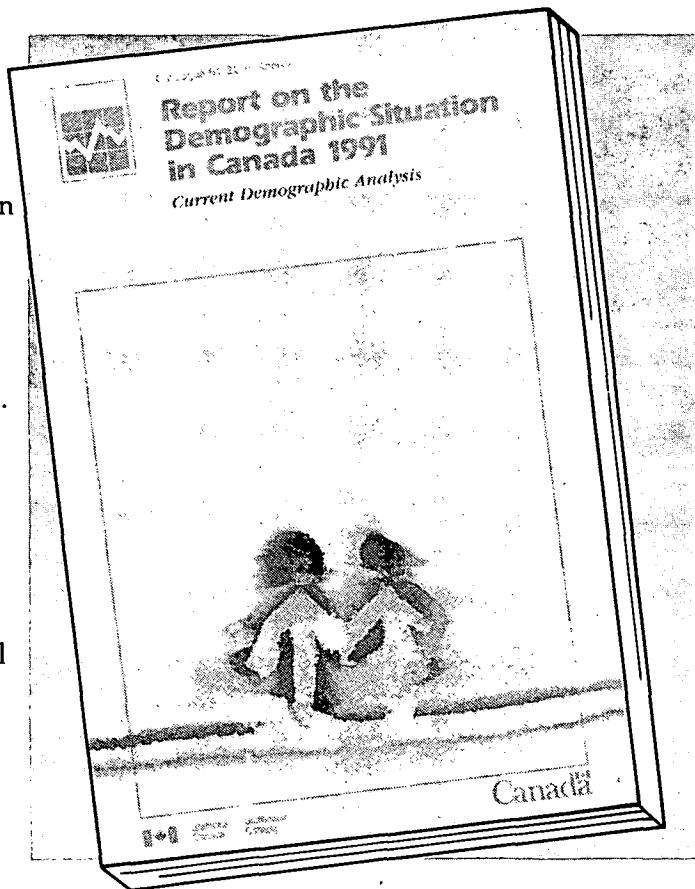
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