



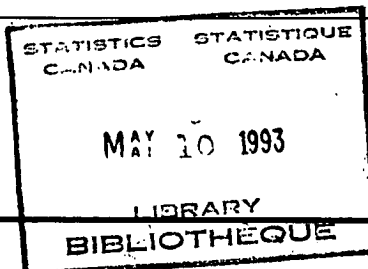
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Tomorrow, *The Daily* will be dedicated to a presentation of data on mobility, migration, education, and housing costs from the 1991 Census of Canada. Four publications will be released with these data.

Mobility and Migration (93-322, \$40) presents data on the mobility and migration patterns based on place of residence five years and one year ago. Data are tabulated for Canada, the provinces/territories and census metropolitan areas.

Educational Attainment and School Attendance (93-328, \$40) presents data on the educational attainment and school attendance of the population aged 15 and over. Data from the 1971 and 1981 Censuses are included for comparison.

Major Fields of Study of Postsecondary Graduates (93-329, \$40) presents data on the major fields of study of the population aged 15 and over with postsecondary qualifications.

Housing Costs and Other Characteristics of Canadian Households (93-330, \$40) presents data on shelter costs of private households. Data are tabulated for Canada, the provinces/territories and, in selected tables, for census metropolitan areas.

To purchase these publications or to obtain more information, contact your nearest Statistics Canada Regional Reference Centre.



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MAJOR RELEASE

Farm Product Price Index

March 1993

The Farm Product Price Index (1986=100) for Canada stood at 101.0 in March, up 0.1% from the revised February level of 100.9. The livestock and animal products index rose 0.9% to 110.5 – a record high – with increases in the cattle and calves and the hogs indexes. The crops index dropped 1.7% to 85.5. The cereals and potatoes indexes also decreased, but the oilseeds index increased marginally.

Change In the Farm Product Price Index

	March\Feb. 1993 % Change
Newfoundland	0.3
Prince Edward Island	3.7
Nova Scotia	0.8
New Brunswick	-0.2
Quebec	2.4
Ontario	-1.0
Manitoba	-0.7
Saskatchewan	-0.4
Alberta	-0.4
British Columbia	1.1
Canada	0.1

Crops

The crops index dropped 1.7% to 85.5 – a level not seen since 1978 – as the cereals and potatoes indexes both decreased. Since the beginning of the 1992/93 crop year in August 1992, the index has remained at lows not seen since 1977/78. In March, the index stood 14.3% below its year-earlier level.

The cereals index fell 3.4% to 69.1. Throughout 1992/93, the cereals index has been at its lowest levels since 1972/73. In March, Canadian Wheat Board wheat prices dropped in response to lower-quality marketings. Except for designated barley

prices, most other cereal prices trended down. The cereals index in March stood 24.9% below its year-earlier level.

The oilseeds index increased by 0.2% to 118.7. Soybean and canola prices rose, but flaxseed prices fell. The oilseeds index has increased in 10 of the last 15 months, so that in March it stood 17.6% above its year-earlier level.

Livestock and Animal Products

The livestock and animal products index rose 0.9% to 110.5 – a record high. The livestock and animal products index in March stood 10.8% above its year-earlier level.

The cattle and calves index also reached a new record, increasing 0.9% to 121.4. In each of the last three months, the cattle and calves index has established a new record. In the United States, Omaha slaughter steer prices rose 3.2% in March, following increases of 0.7% in February and 3.6% in January. Canadian slaughter of cattle and calves to the end of March was off 6.5% from the same period last year. In March, the cattle and calves index stood 15.5% above its year-earlier level.

The hogs index rose 2.6% to 84.4, the sixth increase in the last seven months. Hog prices in the U.S. rose 5.5% during the same period. For the first quarter of 1993, Canadian slaughter was up 1.7% from the same period last year, while U.S. slaughter was down 0.6%. The hogs index stood 23.8% above its year-earlier level, which was one of its lowest levels in recent years.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 176.

The March issue of the *Farm Product Price Index* (62-003, \$7.10/\$71) is scheduled for release on May 17. 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. ■

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Basic Summary Tabulations

1991 Census

The *1991 Census 2B Basic Summary Tabulations* are a series of 47 tables based on data collected from a 20% sample of households. Each table features two or more interrelated variables on the Canadian population and their dwellings. Data are aggregated for a variety of standard geographical areas, extending from the country as a whole to enumeration areas – the building blocks for all higher geographic levels.

Tables now available are as follows:

- J9101 Population by Ethnic Origin (25), Showing Age Groups (13b)
- N9101 Population 15 Years and Over by Age Groups (17) and Marital Status (6a), Showing Labour Force Activity (8) and Sex (3)
- N9102 Population 15 Years and Over by Age Groups (17) and Sex (3), Showing Work Activity in 1990 (15)
- N9105 Employed Labour Force 15 Years and Over by Age Groups (17a) and Sex (3), Showing Hours Worked in the Reference Week (10)
- N9106 Females 15 Years and Over in Private Households by Age Groups (8a), Marital Status (8) and Presence of Children (6), Showing Labour Force Activity (8a)
- N9107 Experienced Labour Force 15 Years and Over by Sex (3) and Occupation Major Groups (Based on the 1980 Classification) (23), Showing Age Groups (7)
- N9108 Experienced Labour Force 15 Years and Over by Sex (3) and Occupation Major Groups (Based on the 1980 Classification) (23), Showing Industry Divisions (Based on the 1980 Classification) (19)

- N9109 Experienced Labour Force 15 Years and Over by Sex (3) and Occupation Major Groups (Based on the 1971 Classification) (24), Showing Industry Divisions (Based on the 1970 Classification) (13)

These tables are available on magnetic tape for the following geographic levels: census divisions and subdivisions, census metropolitan areas/census agglomerations, census tracts, federal electoral districts and enumeration areas. A diskette version will be available in two weeks.

To order the *1991 Census 2B Basic Summary Tabulations*, please contact your nearest Statistics Canada Regional Reference Centre. ■

Passenger Bus and Urban Transit Statistics

March 1993

In March 1993, a total of 82 Canadian urban transit systems with annual operating revenues of \$1 million or more (subsidies included) carried 135.1 million fare passengers, up 3.3% from March 1992. Operating revenues totalled \$132.4 million, up 13.5% from March 1992.

During the same period, 22 passenger bus carriers earning \$1 million or more annually from intercity and rural bus operations carried 0.9 million fare passengers, down 7.4% from March 1992. Operating revenues from the same services totalled \$20.3 million, a 0.2% decrease from March 1992.

All 1992 figures and 1993 cumulative data have been revised.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 351 and 352.

The March 1993 issue of *Passenger Bus and Urban Transit Statistics* (53-003, \$7.10/\$71) will be available the second week of May.

For further information on this release, contact Morteza Doroudian (613-951-0522), Transportation Division. ■

PUBLICATIONS RELEASED

Cement, March 1993.

Catalogue number 44-001

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

Oil Pipeline Transport, February 1993.

Catalogue number 55-001

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

Canada's International Transactions in Securities, February 1993.

Catalogue number 67-002

(Canada: \$15.80/\$158; United States: US\$19/US\$190; Other Countries: US\$22.10/US\$221).

Help-wanted Index, 1981-1992.

Catalogue number 71-540

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Mobility and Migration, 1991 Census.

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