

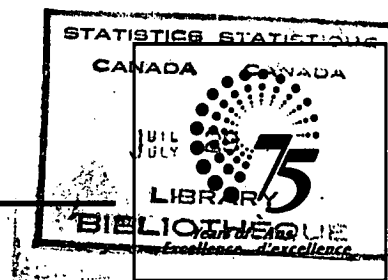
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May 1993

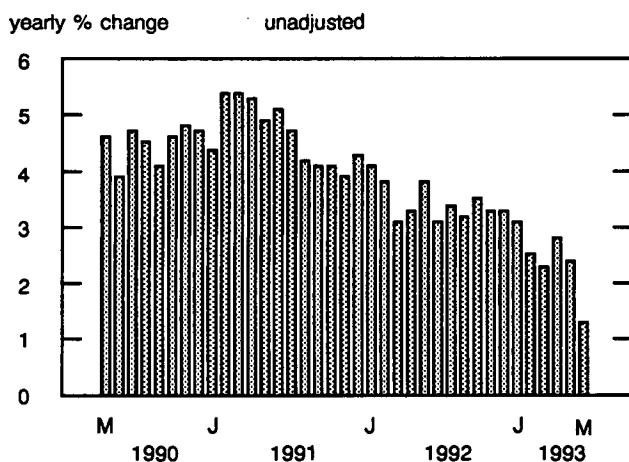
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Average Weekly Earnings

Unadjusted

On a year-over-year basis, weakness in May in average weekly earnings resulted in part from declines in construction (-2.8%), real estate and insurance (-4.6%) and business services (-1.0%). Growth in average weekly earnings has been generally decelerating since February 1991.

Average Weekly Earnings, Industrial Aggregate



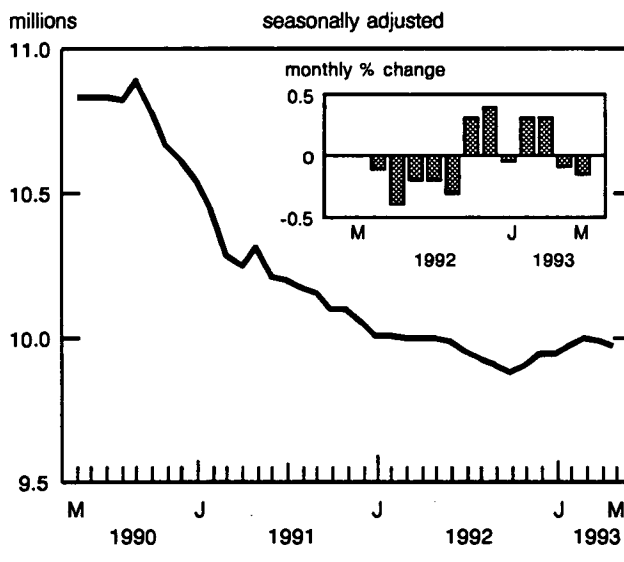
Average weekly earnings grew by less than the national average (+1.3%) in Saskatchewan (+0.4%), Quebec (+0.6%), Manitoba (+0.6%) and Nova Scotia (+0.7%). Average weekly increased slightly more than the national average in Ontario (+1.5%).

Employment

Seasonally Adjusted

Industrial aggregate payroll employment in May was estimated at 9,969,00, down slightly (-0.1%) from April. Over the previous six months, employment had shown an average monthly increase of 0.2%. The employment decline was concentrated in finance, insurance and real estate (-1.8%), construction (-0.9%) and in durable goods manufacturing (-0.7%). An employment gain of 1.4% in wholesale trade partly offset the declines.

Employment, Industrial Aggregate



All provinces and territories except Quebec (+0.1%) and the Yukon (+1.6%) had employment decreases.

The industrial aggregate is the sum of all industries except agriculture, fishing and trapping, religious organizations, private households and military personnel.

Unadjusted

Employment for firms with less than 200 employees, which accounted for 45% of the overall total in May, continued to be stronger than for firms with 200 or more employees. The year-over-year employment gain in May for the small firms was 38,000; for the large firms, however, the year-over-year employment loss was 56,000. Accommodation, food and beverage services and retail trade had the largest gains for the small firms. For the large firms, manufacturing and finance and insurance showed the biggest employment losses.

Average Weekly Hours

Seasonally Adjusted

Average weekly hours for hourly-rated employees posted the largest monthly decrease (-0.4%) since March 1992. All major industries except trade (+0.6%) registered monthly declines.

Unadjusted

Year-over-year, average weekly hours for hourly-rated employees for the industrial aggregate fell 0.2% in May. The decline for large firms (-0.5%) was moderated by an increase (+0.2%) for the small firms.

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

Data 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 Howard Krebs at (613-951-4090, fax 613-951-4087), Labour Division. □

Employment, Earnings and Hours

Industry Group – Canada (1980 S.I.C.)	Average weekly earnings*					
	April 1993 ^r	May 1993 ^p	April 1993 to May 1993	May 1992	May 1993 ^p	May 1992 to May 1993
	seasonally adjusted			unadjusted		
	\$		% change	\$		% change
Industrial aggregate	558.67	555.50	-0.6	548.57	555.46	1.3
Logging and forestry	706.58	709.16	0.4	700.09	699.32	-0.1
Mining, quarrying and oil wells	953.22	928.92	-2.5	937.51	934.26	-0.3
Manufacturing	672.09	670.45	-0.2	655.84	670.27	2.2
Construction	644.17	629.40	-2.3	646.09	627.94	-2.8
Transportation, communication and other utilities	714.90	708.53	-0.9	704.64	707.16	0.4
Trade	410.55	410.77	0.1	401.56	412.63	2.8
Wholesale trade	591.90	584.72	-1.2	585.16	587.45	0.4
Retail trade	331.01	332.65	0.5	318.22	334.31	5.1
Finance, insurance and real estate	618.14	613.15	-0.8	591.47	615.20	4.0
Business services	586.18	584.10	-0.4	590.13	584.10	-1.0
Education-related services	671.78	668.70	-0.5	664.72	657.54	-1.1
Health and social services	500.58	500.18	-0.1	483.55	501.77	3.8
Accommodation, food and beverage services	215.63	215.03	-0.3	210.81	214.63	1.8
Public administration	740.44	746.26	0.8	713.74	740.00	3.7
Industrial aggregate – Provinces and Territories						
Newfoundland	529.97	530.30	0.1	504.32	528.00	4.7
Prince Edward Island	454.38	451.54	-0.6	441.25	447.15	1.3
Nova Scotia	496.17	494.19	-0.4	490.63	494.19	0.7
New Brunswick	511.35	498.21	-2.6	493.48	498.21	1.0
Quebec	543.11	539.37	-0.7	536.37	539.37	0.6
Ontario	589.94	589.14	-0.1	578.87	587.74	1.5
Manitoba	493.26	490.79	-0.5	485.57	488.52	0.6
Saskatchewan	473.58	474.46	0.2	471.93	473.83	0.4
Alberta	553.84	551.31	-0.5	539.09	548.02	1.7
British Columbia	558.73	555.25	-0.6	548.44	556.10	1.4
Yukon	683.95	662.56	-3.1	677.52	662.56	-2.2
Northwest Territories	717.64	710.12	-1.0	707.04	700.06	-1.0

P Preliminary estimates.

r Revised estimates.

* For all employees.

Employment, Earnings and Hours

Industry Group – Canada (1980 S.I.C.)	Number of employees					
	April 1993 ^r	May 1993 ^P	April 1993 to May 1993	May 1992	May 1993 ^P	May 1992 to May 1993
	seasonally adjusted			unadjusted		
	thousands		% change	thousands		% change
Industrial aggregate	9,984	9,969	-0.1	10,100	10,082	-0.2
Logging and forestry	57	55	-4.4	53	53	-1.1
Mining, quarrying and oil wells	122	119	-2.2	131	120	-8.5
Manufacturing	1,570	1,563	-0.4	1,620	1,586	-2.1
Construction	394	390	-0.9	441	404	-8.4
Transportation, communication and other utilities	815	813	-0.3	819	813	-0.7
Trade	1,889	1,903	0.7	1,871	1,911	2.2
Wholesale trade	577	585	1.4	584	591	1.3
Retail trade	1,312	1,320	0.6	1,287	1,320	2.6
Finance, insurance and real estate	659	648	-1.8	669	653	-2.4
Business services	505	509	0.7	485	507	4.5
Education-related services	923	923	0.0	943	960	1.9
Health and social services	1,123	1,122	-0.2	1,135	1,122	-1.2
Accommodation, food and beverage services	708	709	0.4	683	723	5.9
Public administration	711	708	-0.4	722	714	-1.1
Industrial aggregate – Provinces and Territories						
Newfoundland	134	134	-0.4	137	133	-3.5
Prince Edward Island	39	38	-1.6	40	40	-1.4
Nova Scotia	282	280	-0.6	285	282	-0.8
New Brunswick	227	226	-0.6	231	231	-0.1
Quebec	2,389	2,392	0.1	2,478	2,449	-1.2
Ontario	4,005	3,993	-0.3	4,024	4,023	0.0
Manitoba	376	375	-0.3	380	379	-0.1
Saskatchewan	296	294	-0.6	306	301	-1.8
Alberta	961	959	-0.2	975	966	-1.0
British Columbia	1,242	1,234	-0.7	1,211	1,247	3.0
Yukon	11	11	1.6	12	12	0.1
Northwest Territories	21	21	0.0	20	21	3.1

^P Preliminary estimates.^r Revised estimates.

Sales of Refined Petroleum Products

June 1993 (Preliminary)

Seasonally adjusted sales of refined petroleum products totalled 6.6 million cubic metres in June 1993, an increase of 0.6% from May 1993. This was the first monthly increase since February 1993.

Seasonally Adjusted

Sales of two of the four main products increased in June: light fuel oil (+7.4%) and heavy fuel oil (+1.9%). In addition, sales of "all other refined products" (includes petrochemical feedstocks, kerosene, asphalt, etc.) increased 3.2%. Sales fell for diesel fuel oil (-1.8%) and motor gasoline (-0.8%).

June's decrease in motor gasoline sales followed modest increases in the previous two months. The 1.8% decline in diesel fuel oil sales in June followed a sharp 3.6% increase in May.

Unadjusted

Total sales of refined petroleum products decreased 1.6% from June 1992, to 6.6 million cubic metres. Of the four main products, only heavy fuel oil

sales decreased (-20.6%), primarily a reflection of reduced imports. Also, sales of "all other refined products" declined 6.5%. The other three main products reported increased sales: light fuel oil (+21.2%), diesel fuel oil (+4.0%) and motor gasoline (+0.9%).

Year-to-date sales of refined petroleum products for the first six months of 1993 totalled 38.7 million cubic metres, a 0.4% decrease from the same period in 1992. Heavy fuel oil was the major contributing factor to this overall decrease, falling 15.7% from the same period in 1992. Year-to-date sales increased for diesel fuel oil (+4.1%), motor gasoline (+1.7%) and light fuel oil (+0.1%).

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

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

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

For further information about this release, contact Brian Preston (613-951-3563), Energy Section, Industry Division.

Sales of Refined Petroleum Products

	March 1993 ^r	April 1993 ^r	May 1993 ^r	June 1993 ^p	May 1993 to June 1993
	thousands of cubic metres				% change
	seasonally adjusted				
Total, All Products	6 859.9	6 645.1	6 573.8	6 613.8	0.6
Motor Gasoline	2 817.6	2 822.1	2 829.1	2 807.0	-0.8
Diesel Fuel Oil	1 396.0	1 367.6	1 417.2	1 392.1	-1.8
Light Fuel Oil	510.3	441.9	490.8	527.1	7.4
Heavy Fuel Oil	656.3	638.9	541.8	551.9	1.9
All Other Refined Products	1 479.7	1 374.6	1 294.9	1 335.7	3.2
	June 1992	June 1993 ^p	January to June 1992	January to June 1993 ^p	January- June 1992 to January- June 1993
	unadjusted				
Total, All Products	6 675.5	6 569.4	38 873.4	38 727.0	-0.4
Motor Gasoline	2 952.5	2 978.7	16 006.7	16 274.7	1.7
Diesel Fuel Oil	1 427.7	1 485.1	7 478.1	7 786.2	4.1
Light Fuel Oil	164.0	198.7	3 454.0	3 458.6	0.1
Heavy Fuel Oil	607.0	482.1	4 321.8	3 641.3	-15.7
All Other Refined Products	1 524.3	1 424.8	7 612.8	7 566.2	-0.6

^p Preliminary figures.

^r Revised figures.

Crude Oil and Natural Gas

May 1993 (Preliminary)

Production of crude oil and equivalent hydrocarbons in May (8.5 million cubic metres) rose 6.0% from May 1992. Approximately 75% of May's increase in production was exported. Year-to-date production for 1993 rose 1.9% from the same period in 1992, to 42.0 million cubic metres.

Imports of crude oil increased 44.2% from May 1992, to 2.7 million cubic metres. Year-to-date imports at the end of May 1993 (13.6 million cubic metres) rose 20.6% from 1992. This increase in imports shows up as increased refinery receipts (+13.5%). Most notably, the Atlantic region's refineries increased production during the first five months of 1993 compared with the same period in 1992. A similar increase in exports of refined products (primarily light fuel oil and motor gasoline) has been reported by these refineries.

Exports of crude oil increased 9.1% from May 1992, to 4.4 million cubic metres. Year-to-date exports at the end of May (20.2 million cubic metres) were off 1.1% from 1992.

Marketable production of natural gas in May (9.9 billion cubic metres) posted a 3.6% gain from May 1992. Year-to-date production at the end of May was up 9.8% from 1992, at 53.4 billion cubic metres. Approximately 53% of the increased production has been exported.

Exports of natural gas (5.3 billion cubic metres) rose 9.0% from May 1992. Year-to-date natural gas exports (26.3 billion cubic metres) moved 10.6% ahead of 1992.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 530-532 and 534-547.

The May 1993 issue of *Crude Petroleum and Natural Gas Production* (26-006, \$10/\$100) will be available the first week of September. See "How to Order Publications".

For more detailed information on this release, contact Brian Preston (613-951-3563), Energy Section, Industry Division.

Crude Oil and Natural Gas

	May 1992	May 1993	May 1992 to May 1993	January - May 1992	January - May 1993	January- May 1992 to January- May 1993
	thousands of cubic metres		% change	thousands of cubic metres		% change
Crude oil and equivalent¹						
Production	8 056.0	8 541.9	6.0	41 171.5	41 952.9	1.9
Exports	4 016.6	4 383.1	9.1	20 450.0	20 225.4	-1.1
Imports	1 893.4	2 729.9	44.2	11 281.0	13 608.0	20.6
Refinery receipts	5 930.5	6 730.8	13.5	32 201.6	34 703.0	7.8
	millions of cubic metres		% change	millions of cubic metres		% change
Natural gas²						
Marketable production	9 571.4	9 911.3	3.6	48 652.6	53 419.7	9.8
Exports	4 865.5	5 302.1	9.0	23 768.4	26 286.5	10.6
Canadian sales ³	3 750.9	3 783.4	0.9	27 828.6	29 806.8	7.1

¹ Disposition may differ from production due to inventory change, industry own-use, etc.

² Disposition may differ from production due to inventory change, usage as pipeline fuel, pipeline losses, line-pack fluctuations, etc.

³ Includes direct sales.

DATA AVAILABILITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Steel Primary Forms

Week Ending July 24, 1993 (Preliminary)

Steel primary forms production for the week ending July 24, 1993 totalled 281 509 tonnes, up 1.8% from the week-earlier 276 647 tonnes and up 31.6% from the year-earlier 213 895 tonnes. The cumulative total at the end of the week was 8 075 475 tonnes, a 5.0% increase from 7 692 855 tonnes for the same period in 1992.

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

Biscuit Production

June 1993

Production of biscuits (all types) totalled 103 374 362 kilograms for the semi-annual period ended June 1993, an increase from the same period of 1992.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 190.

Production of Selected Biscuits (32-026, \$6.75/\$13.50) will be available shortly. See "How to Order Publications".

For more detailed information on this release, contact Peter Zylstra (613-951-3511), Industry Division. ■

Industrial Chemicals and Synthetic Resins

June 1993

Chemical firms produced 130 574 tonnes of polyethylene synthetic resins in June 1993, a 0.6% decrease from 131 340 tonnes produced in June 1992.

For January to June 1993, production totalled 812 521 (revised) tonnes, down 3.3% from 840 055 tonnes produced during the same period in 1992.

Data are also available on production of three other types of synthetic resins and 24 industrial chemicals for June 1993 and June 1992.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 951.

The June 1993 issue of *Industrial Chemicals and Synthetic Resins* (46-002, \$5.60/\$56) will be available at a later date.

For more detailed information on this release, contact Raj Sehdev (613-951-3513), Industry Division. ■



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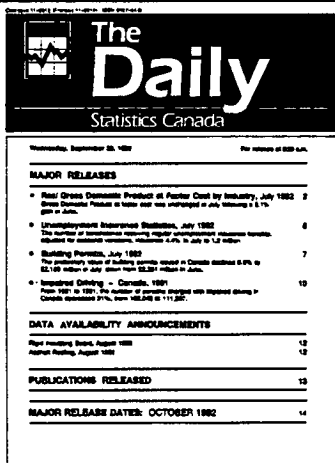
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