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## **Estimates of Labour Income**

April 1993 (Preliminary)

Unadjusted labour income in April grew to \$32.6 billion, up 3.0% from April 1992. The year-over-year change is slightly below the average posted in the first three months of 1993, but the same as the 1992 annual change.

#### Seasonally Adjusted

Wages and salaries decreased by 0.2% in April, following changes of +0.7% in March, +0.5% in February and -0.1% in January.

Construction, federal administration and local administration recorded the largest declines. Trade posted an increase of over 1.0%. The remaining industries showed little change.

Most provinces posted declines or showed marginal growth in wages and salaries from March except for Prince Edward Island, which grew at 1.0%.

#### Unadjusted

On a year-over-year basis, wages and salaries grew at a rate of 3.0% in April 1993, a little below the 3.4% registered in March 1993.

The small deceleration in growth was largely attributable to manufacturing, mining, commercial services, and transportation, communications and other utilities.

#### Note to Users

Labour income is wages and salaries plus supplementary labour income. Wages and salaries account for 90% of labour income and supplementary labour income accounts for 10%. Wages and salaries include directors' fees, bonuses, commissions, gratuities, income-in-kind, taxable and retroactive allowances wage payments. Supplementary labour income includes employer contributions to employee welfare, pension, workers' compensation and unemployment insurance plans. Labour income estimates account for 57% of Gross Domestic Product.

Most provinces showed less growth or the same growth in April as compared to March 1993, with the exception of Prince Edward Island.

#### **Annual revision**

This release of labour income estimates incorporates the results of an annual revision, following receipt of the 1991 income tax information. The data were revised from 1989 through 1992.

#### Available on CANSIM: matrices 1791 and 1792.

The January-March 1993 issue of *Estimates of Labour Income* (72-005, \$22.50/\$90) will be available in August. See "How to Order Publications".

For information on the estimates, contact Jean Lambert (613-951-4058), Labour Division (fax: 613-951-4087).

	April	March	April	March 1993 to April 1993	
	seasonally adjusted				
		\$ millions		% change	
Agriculture, fishing and trapping	217.0	226.4	224.8	-0.7	
Forestry	227.9	248.4	249.5	0.4 0.7	
Mines, quarries and oil wells	604.6	594.1 5 106 0	598.2 5 160.2	-0.5	
Manufacturing industries	5,052.7	5,196.9	5,169.2	_	
Construction industry	1,642.3	1,702.2	1,663.9	-2.3	
Transportation, communications and		0.050.4	0.047.5	0.4	
other utilities	2,771.1	2,852.4	2,847.5	-0.3	
Trade	3,963.3	4,011.7	4,061.5	1.2	
Finance, insurance and real estate	2,397.8	2,521.1	2,535.8	0.0	
Commercial and personal services	3,800.8	3,952.1	3,967.6	0.4	
Education and related services	2,663.7	2,752.9	2,750.4	-0.	
Health and welfare services	2,635.7	2,756.8	2,775.5	0.7	
Federal administration and other		_			
government offices	989.0	1,026.9	1,007.2	-1.9	
Provincial administration	707.2	715.9	720.1	0.0	
Local administration	657.0	705.0	683.1	· -3.1	
Total wages and salaries	28,371.1	29,328.0	29,278.2	-0.2	
Supplementary labour income	3,771.3	3,941.0	3,909.4	-0.	
Labour Income	32,142.4	33,269.0	33,187.6	-0.2	
				April 1992 to April 1993	
		unadjusted			
				% change	
Agriculture, fishing and trapping	164.8	146.2	169.4	2.	
Forestry	175.4	206.3	192.8	9.	
Mines, quarries and oil wells	5 <b>8</b> 6.9	590.0	580.4	-1.	
Manufacturing industries	4,990.7	5,050.0	5,105.9	2.	
Construction industry	1,513.5	1,433.6	1,508.0	<b>-</b> 0.	
Transportation, communications and	,	.,	,		
other utilities	2,725.7	2,794.4	2,784.3	2.	
Trade	3,929.5	3.953.0	4,026.6	. 2	
Finance, insurance and real estate	2,392.2	2,480.0	2,524.1	5.	
Commercial and personal services	3,710.9	3,827.8	3,863.3	4	
Education and related services	2,777.3	2,869.7	2,866.7	3	
Health and welfare services	2,623.5	2,749.9	. 2,761.9	5	
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Federal administration and other	1,006.6	1,019.0	1,014.5	0.	
government offices	696.6	706.0	709.6	1.	
Provincial administration  Local administration	639.5	6 <b>83</b> .5	658.0	2.	
Total wages and salaries	27,933.1	28,509.5	28,765.5	3.	
	0.740.0	3,829.8	3,841.7	3.	
Supplementary labour income	3,713.2	3,023.0	0,041.7	0.	

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Revised figures.

# **Short-term Expectations Survey**

Since April 1990, Statistics Canada has been canvassing a small group of economic analysts (an average of 23 participants) and requesting from them a one-month-ahead forecast of key economic indicators.

This month, participants were asked for forecasts of the year-over-year change in the Consumer Price Index and the unemployment rate for June 1993, the levels of merchandise exports and imports for May 1993, as well as the month-to-month change in Gross Domestic Product at factor cost for May 1993.

The year-over-year increase in the Consumer Price Index for June was forecast at 1.9%, with minimum and maximum values of 1.5% and 2.2% respectively. In May, the mean forecast (2.0%) overestimated the outcome (1.8%).

The mean forecast of the unemployment rate for June was 11.3% (minimum 11.1%, maximum 11.6%). For May, the mean forecast (11.3%) underestimated the outcome by 0.1 percentage points.

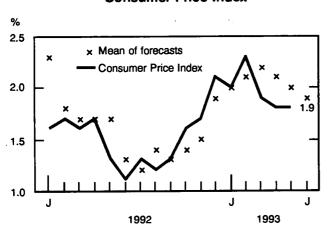
May merchandise exports were forecast to be \$14.8 billion with a minimum and maximum of \$14.4 billion and \$15.2 billion respectively. For April, the mean forecast (\$14.6 billion) underestimated the outcome by \$0.2 billion. The forecast of imports for May was \$13.8 billion, with minimum and maximum values of \$13.5 billion and \$14.1 billion, respectively. For April, a mean forecast of \$13.7 billion matched the outcome.

Real Gross Domestic Product at factor cost was forecast to have changed by 0.4% between April and May 1993, with minimum and maximum rates of 0.2% and 0.8%. Between March and April 1993, the mean forecast (0.3%) overestimated the outcome of 0.0%.

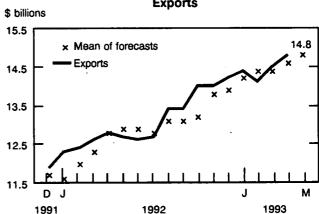
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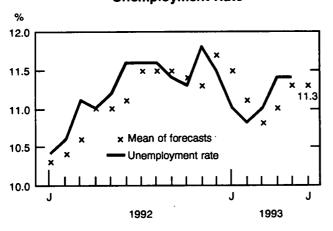
#### **Consumer Price Index**



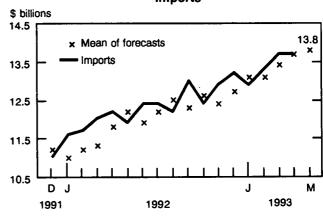
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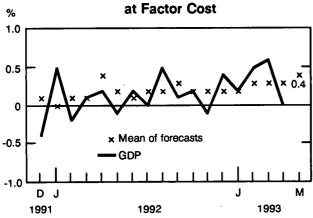
## **Unemployment Rate**



Canadian International Trade Imports



# Real Gross Domestic Product



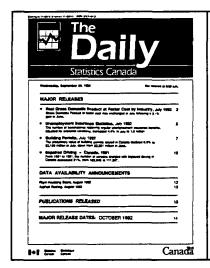
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# **Average Prices of Selected Farm Inputs**June 1993

Average prices of selected farm inputs for June 1993 are now available by geographic region.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 550-582.

For further information, contact the Information and Current Analysis Unit (613-951-9606), Prices Division.



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