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Work Arrangements

November 1991

Work Arrangements presents detailed information on hourly, daily and weekly work schedules, flexible work arrangements, home-based work, temporary work, multiple jobholding and paid overtime.

Tables are easy to read and contain data for paid workers aged 15 to 64 classified by age group, sex, family status, industry, occupation, full-time, part-time and work schedule.

Work Arrangements (71-605, \$40) is now available. See "How to Order Publications".

For further information, contact Ernest B. Akyeampong (613-951-4624), Labour and Household Surveys Analysis Division.

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MAJOR RELEASES

Consumer Price Index

August 1993 (Preliminary Estimate)

The preliminary estimate of the All-items Consumer Price Index (CPI) for Canada for August 1993 is 130.6 (1986 = 100), up 0.1% from July 1993 and up 1.7% from August 1992.

The preliminary estimate of the seasonally adjusted monthly change is 0.2%. Increases in the clothing and the tobacco products and alcoholic beverages indexes were largely offset by a decline in food prices.

This information is preliminary and subject to revision, so users who wish to apply it to escalation contracts should wait until final figures are published this Friday.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 2260.

No further details are available at this time on the August CPI. Further information will be available this Friday, September 17, at 7:00 a.m., when the final Allitems CPI and its breakdown for commodities and cities is published in *Consumer Price Index* (62-001, \$9.30/\$93).

Work Arrangements

November 1991

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In November 1991, close to one million paid workers stated that they regularly worked Saturdays and about half a million usually worked Sundays.

About 45% of paid workers spent 8 to 8.5 hours per day on the job. Slightly over 300,000 workers had a regular workday that lasted 12 hours or more. Some 800,000 workers reported paid overtime in November 1991. Over three million workers had shift schedules.

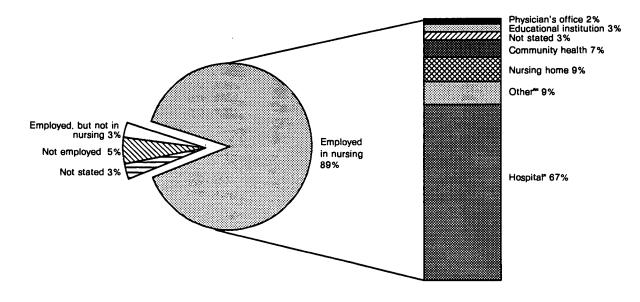
Among dual-earner couples with both spouses working full time, 28% had dissimilar work schedules (e.g., daytime versus shift schedule).

Over 360,000 workers had second jobs that were paid jobs (as opposed to self-employment). The most common reason given for working at multiple jobs was to meet regular household expenses (33%).

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For further information, contact Ernest B. Akyeampong (613-951-4624), Labour and Household Surveys Analysis Division. For additional analysis on the subject of work arrangements (such as flexitime, paid overtime and shift work), consult the Autumn 1993 and Spring 1993 issues of *Perspectives on Labour and Income* (75-001E).

Registered Nurses by Employment Status and Place of Employment, 1992



- Includes general hospitals, psyciatric hospitals, nursing stations and rehabilitation centres.
- Includes business/industry, private nursing, self-employed, association/government and others.

Registered Nurses

Canada had 263,683 registered nurses in 1992, 0.5% more than in 1991. In 1992, the ratio of registered nurses employed in nursing to the Canadian population was one nurse for every 117 residents, compared with one nurse for every 150 residents in 1982.

British Columbia had the lowest ratio of employed nurses to population with one nurse for every 124 residents, followed by Quebec at 121 and Alberta at 120. Both Nova Scotia and New Brunswick had the highest nurse/population ratio at one nurse for every 99 residents.

Most nurses who were employed in 1992 (84%) had a diploma in nursing; 15% had a baccalaureate degree and 1% had a master's degree or a Ph.D.

In 1992, 89% of registered nurses were employed in nursing, 3% in non-nursing and 5% were unemployed; the status of the remaining 3% was not known.

In 1992, 67% of nurses worked in hospitals, 9% in nursing homes, 7% in community health, 3% in educational institutions, 2% in physicians' offices and 9% in areas that ranged from self-employment to business and industry. In 1992, as in previous years, most nurses worked in direct patient care (76%) and worked full time (66%).

Further tabulations of the 1992 data on registered nurses in Canada are now available. For more information, please contact the Information Requests Unit (613-951-1746), Canadian Centre for Health Information.

Registered Nurses by Employment Status

	Total	Employed in nursing	Employed, but not in nursing	Not employed	Not stated
Canada	263,683	234,128	6,812	14,307	8,436
Newfoundland	5,372	5,064	32	275	1
Prince Edward Island	1,298	1,246	14	21	8
Nova Scotia	9,585	9,128	59	393	5
New Brunswick	8,195	7,349	29	211	606
Quebec	62,209	57,330	390	1,148	3,341
Ontario	102,685	86,413	5,308	8,562	2,402
Manitoba	10,850	10,251	131	124	344
Saskatchewan	9,118	8,698	55	231	134
Alberta	23,937	21,461	324	1,840	312
British Columbia	29,913	26,696	462	1,479	1,276
Northwest Territories	530	492	8	23	7

DATA AVAILABILITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Raw Materials Price Indexes - Early Estimate

August 1993

The Raw Materials Price Index is estimated to have increased 0.2% in August 1993 from July 1993. The mineral fuels index led the upward movement (+2.6%) followed by the metals index (+0.4%). Decreases for wood (-2.4%) and vegetable and animal products (-0.3%) moderated the overall increase. The RMPI excluding mineral fuels is estimated to have decreased 0.7% in August.

This is an early estimate of August's Raw Materials Price Index based on partial returns and other indicators. The regular index will be published at the end of this month.

For further information, contact the Information and Current Analysis Unit (613-951-9607), Prices Division.

Particleboard, Waferboard and Fibreboard

July 1993

A total of 194 547 cubic metres of waferboard were produced in July 1993, up 4.7% from 185 898 (revised) cubic metres in July 1992. Particleboard production reached 127 402 cubic metres, up 60.7% from 79 340 cubic metres in July 1992. Fibreboard production in July 1993 totalled 8 698 thousand square metres (basis 3.175mm), a 14.4% increase from 7 604 thousand square metres in July 1992.

Year-to-date waferboard production at the end of July 1993 totalled 1 353 858 cubic metres, up 17.8% from 1 149 233r cubic metres the year before. Year-to-date particleboard production totalled 796 924r cubic metres, up 20.7% from 660 171r cubic metres the year before. Year-to-date fibreboard production reached 58 819 thousand square metres (basis 3.175mm), up 9.5% from 53 725 thousand square metres the year before.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 31 (series 2, 3 and 4) and 122 (series 8 and 34).

The July 1993 issue of *Particleboard*, *Waferboard* and *Fibreboard* (36-003, \$5/\$50) will be available at a later date.

For more detailed information on this release, contact Jacques Lepage (613-951-3516), Industry Division.

Blow-moulded Plastic Bottles

Second Quarter 1993

Data on production and shipments of blow-moulded plastic bottles for the second quarter of 1993 are now available.

Production and Shipments of Blow-moulded Plastic Bottles (47-006, \$6.75/\$27) 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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Puipwood and Wood Residue Statistics, July 1993.

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(Canada: \$6.10/\$61; United States: US\$7.30/US\$73;

Other Countries: US\$8.50/US\$85).

New Motor Vehicle Sales, May 1993. Catalogue number 63-007

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US\$20.20/US\$202).

Service industries Service Bulletin: Specialty Advertising Distributors, 1991. Vol. 5, No. 2.

Catalogue number 63-015

(Canada: \$7.20/\$43; United States: US\$8.65/US\$52;

Other Countries: US\$10/US\$60).

Analytic Report No. 6: Work Arrangements,

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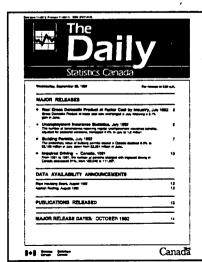
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