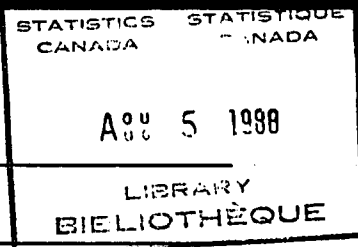


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Labour Force Survey

July 1988

Overview

Estimates from Statistics Canada's Labour Force Survey for July 1988 show a rise in employment and unemployment levels following the declines noted in the previous month. Employment increased by 25,000, maintaining the moderate upward trend which began in the second quarter. Unemployment rose by an estimated 46,000 as the result of a significant increase in the number of persons in the labour force, particularly for those aged 15 to 24.

The unemployment rate advanced 0.3, to 7.9, similar to rates recorded earlier this year.

Employment

For the week ended July 16, 1988, the seasonally adjusted level of employment was estimated at 12,364,000, an increase of 25,000 from June.

- Employment grew by 17,000 among persons aged 15 to 24, with the gains distributed among men and women. The small increase in employment among persons aged 25 and over was confined to women (+8,000).
- Full-time employment rose by 56,000 as the result of an increase of 41,000 for men. Part-time employment declined by 34,000, concentrated almost entirely among men.
- Employment rose in agriculture (+14,000) and manufacturing (+34,000) while it declined in primary industries other than agriculture (-5,000), transportation, communications and other utilities (-13,000) and public administration (-9,000). There was little or no change in the remaining industries.
- The estimated level of employment rose by 3,000 in Nova Scotia, 19,000 in Ontario and 12,000 in British Columbia while it declined by 11,000 in Alberta. There was little or no change in the remaining provinces.

Unemployment

The seasonally adjusted estimate of unemployment rose by 46,000 in July 1988, to 1,057,000 and the unemployment rate advanced 0.3, to 7.9.

- Unemployment rose by an estimated 27,000 among persons aged 15 to 24. For those aged 25 and over it rose by 19,000, with men accounting for most of the increase (+16,000).
- The unemployment rate advanced 0.8, to 12.0 for persons aged 15 to 24, the same as the rate observed in March. For those aged 25 and over, the rate was up slightly (+0.1) for the third consecutive month, to 6.8.
- The estimated number of unemployed increased by 2,000 in New Brunswick, 29,000 in Quebec, 14,000 in Ontario, 3,000 in Manitoba and 9,000 in Alberta. There was little or no change in the other provinces.
- The unemployment rate increased by 0.3 in Newfoundland (17.7), 0.6 in New Brunswick (12.1), 0.8 in Quebec (9.7), 0.2 in Ontario (5.0), 0.5 in Manitoba (7.9) and 0.7 in Alberta (8.2). It declined by 0.3 in Nova Scotia (9.6), 0.2 in Saskatchewan (7.0) and 0.3 in British Columbia (10.4) while remaining unchanged in Prince Edward Island (13.1).

Participation Rate/Employment Ratio

The participation rate advanced 0.3, to 66.8 while the employment/population ratio remained unchanged at 61.5.

- The participation rate rose among persons aged 15 to 24, up 1.3 to 70.0, following the large decline recorded in June. It remained unchanged at 66.0 for persons aged 25 and over.
- The employment/population ratio advanced 0.6, to 61.6 among persons aged 15 to 24, while it edged down to 61.5 for those in the 25 and over age group.

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Changes since July 1987
(unadjusted estimates)

- Employment rose by an estimated 401,000 (+3.2%), to 12,820,000.
- Full-time employment increased by 373,000, to 11,269,000 (+3.4%) and part-time employment increased slightly (+28,000), to 1,551,000 (+1.8%).
- Employment grew by 3.5% in the goods-producing industries as the result of gains in construction (+6.5%) and manufacturing (+5.0%).
- Employment advanced 3.1% in the service-producing industries with the strongest gains noted in finance, insurance and real estate (+6.9%) and trade (+4.7%).
- The estimated number of unemployed fell by 106,000 (-9.2%), to 1,052,000.
- The unemployment rate decreased by 0.9, to 7.6.
- The participation rate rose by 0.5, to 69.0 and the employment/population ratio advanced 1.2, to 63.8.

Student Data

From May to September inclusive, data on the participation of students in the labour market are collected through the Labour Force Survey. Persons aged 15 to 24 who were attending school full-time in March 1988 were asked additional questions. The information is compiled for two categories of students: (1) those who plan to return to school in September 1988 and (2) those who do not plan to return to school at that time, or are not certain what they will do.

Returning students:

- The unemployment rate, not adjusted for seasonal variations, was estimated at 10.7 in July 1988, a decrease of 1.8 from the rate observed last year. The rate declined strongly (-3.6) among students aged 20 to 24, to 4.7. There was a more moderate decline (-1.3) for those in the 15 to 19 age group, to 12.6.
- Employment among returning students increased by 72,000 over last year, to 1,207,000.
- The participation rate advanced 2.9, to 76.0 and the employment/population ratio rose by 3.9, to 67.9.

Other students:

- The unemployment rate was estimated at 14.9 in July 1988, a decline of 0.8 from the estimate of one year ago.
- The participation rate fell by 0.4, to 86.0 while the employment/population ratio advanced 0.4, to 73.2.

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Available on CANSIM: matrices 2074, 2075, 2078-2099, 2101-2107 and table 00799999.

The July 1988 issue of *The Labour Force* (71-001, \$22/\$220) will be available the third week of August. See "How to Order Publications".

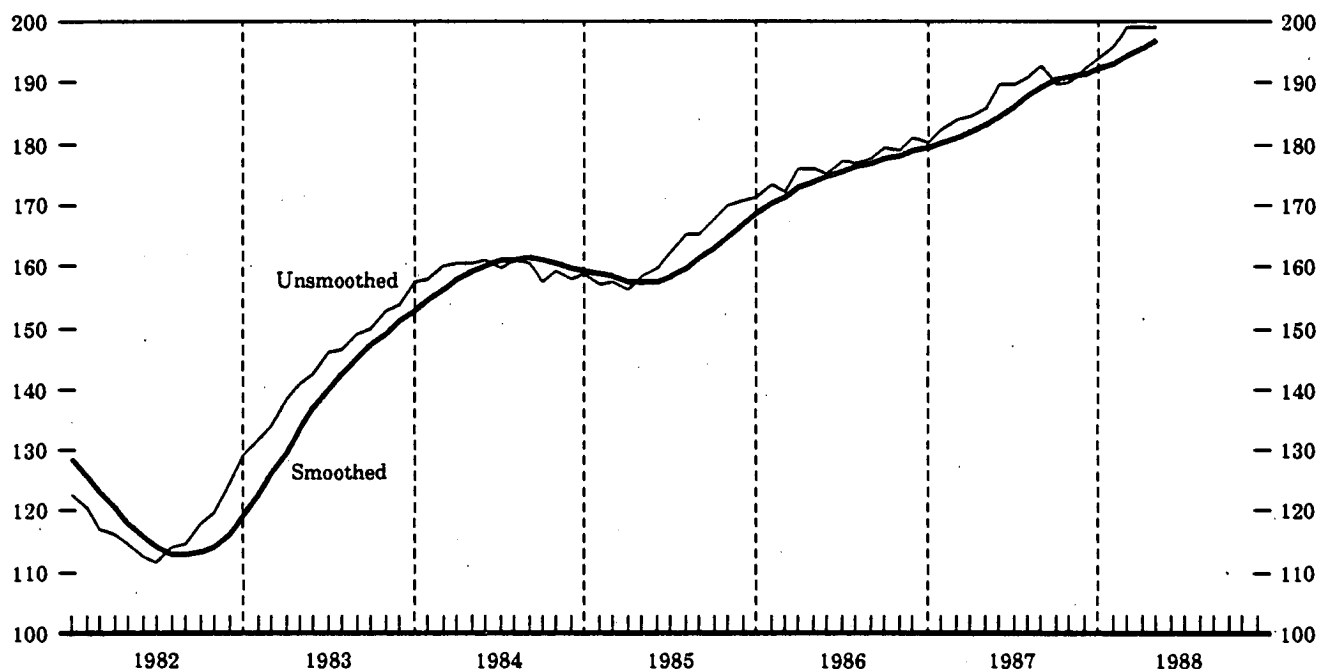
For more detailed information on this release, contact Ken Bennett (613-951-4720), Household Surveys Division. For summary information, order *Labour Force Information* (71-001P, \$5.50/\$55), now available.

Labour Force Characteristics, Canada

	July 1988	June 1988	July 1987
Seasonally Adjusted Data			
Labour Force (,000)	13,421	13,350	13,118
Employment (,000)	12,364	12,339	11,944
Unemployment (,000)	1,057	1,011	1,174
Unemployment Rate (%)	7.9	7.6	8.9
Participation Rate (%)	66.8	66.5	66.1
Employment/Population Ratio (%)	61.5	61.5	60.2
Unadjusted Data			
Labour Force (,000)	13,872	13,666	13,577
Employment (,000)	12,820	12,693	12,419
Unemployment (,000)	1,052	973	1,158
Unemployment Rate (%)	7.6	7.1	8.5
Participation Rate (%)	69.0	68.1	68.5
Employment/Population Ratio (%)	63.8	63.2	62.6

The Canadian Composite Leading Indicator (1971 = 100)

January 1982 to May 1988



Composite Leading Indicator
May 1988

The Composite Leading Indicator (1971 = 100) registered steady growth in May, up 0.7% for the third consecutive month. The manufacturing industries related to business investment and exports continued to be the main source of strength, while some of the consumer related components also turned up, notably motor vehicle sales.

New orders for investment goods continued to grow strongly in May, in accordance with the revised investment expenditures for 1988 from the Private and Public Investment survey. Total shipments firmed as there were increases in investment, export and consumer related industries. Car sales and housing starts were strong during the month, while exports have been rising throughout the year. The ratio of shipments to stocks of finished goods dropped slightly from a record level (1.82) in April.

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Available on CANSIM: matrix 161.

For more detailed information on this release, or about the next release dates, contact F. Roy-Mayrand (613-951-3627), International and Financial Economics Division.

For more information on the economy, order the August issue of *Canadian Economic Observer* (11-010, \$20/\$200), available the week of August 15. See "How to Order Publications". This issue also includes feature articles on the Mid-year Review of Labour Markets and a Comparison of Canada-U.S. Labour Markets in the 1980s.

Canadian Leading Indicators

	Percentage Change			Level
	March	April	May	May
Composite Leading Indicator (1971 = 100)				
Smoothed	0.7	0.7	0.7	197.1
Unsmoothed	1.6	-0.1	0.1	199.2
Retail Trade				
Furniture and appliance sales	-0.4	-0.2	-0.5	143,328 ⁴
New motor vehicle sales	0.0	0.0	1.0	822,474 ⁴
Residential construction index¹	-2.0	-1.3	-0.5	110.8
Manufacturing				
New orders - durable	3.2	1.4	1.4	3,962 ⁵
Shipment to inventory ratio - (finished goods) ²	0.00	0.00	-0.01	1.81
Average workweek (hours)	-0.1	0.0	-0.1	38.7
Percentage change in price per unit labour cost ²	0.16	0.15	.13	0.39
United States composite leading index (1967 = 100)	0.0	0.1	0.0	191.6
TSE 300 stock price index (excluding oil and gas)	-1.8	-0.7	-0.2	3,073
Money supply (M1) (\$1971)³	-0.3	-0.3	-0.2	11,031 ⁵

¹ Composite index of housing starts (units), building permits (constant dollars) and mortgage loan approvals (numbers).

² Difference from previous month.

³ Deflated by the consumer price index for all items.

⁴ Thousands of 1971 dollars.

⁵ Millions of 1971 dollars.

Data Availability Announcements

Oil Pipeline Transport

May 1988

Highlights

- In May, net receipts of crude oil and refined petroleum products into Canadian pipelines totalled 13 903 356 cubic metres (m³), an increase of 10.6% from the same period last year. Year-to-date receipts, at 69 970 216 m³, were up 10.7% from 1987.
- Pipeline exports of crude oil increased 1.7% from May 1987 while pipeline imports rose 52.9% for the same period. On a cumulative basis, exports in 1988 were up 15.2% from 1987 levels, while imports were down by 5.8%.
- Deliveries of crude oil by pipeline to Canadian refineries in May 1988 rose 9.1% from a year earlier while deliveries of liquid petroleum gases and refined petroleum products increased 29.2%.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 181.

The May 1988 issue of *Oil Pipeline Transport* (55-001, \$9/\$90) will be available the last week of August. See "How to Order Publications".

For more detailed information on this release, contact Gerard O'Connor (613-951-3562), Energy Section, Industry Division.

Steel Ingots

Week Ending July 30, 1988

Preliminary estimates indicate that Canadian steel ingot production for the week ending July 30, 1988 totalled 264 725 tonnes, a decrease of 4.6% from the preceding week's total of 277 345 tonnes but up 13.7% from the year-earlier level of 232 807 tonnes.

The cumulative total in 1988 was 8 828 668 tonnes, an increase of 2.3% from 8 627 080 tonnes for the same period in 1987.

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

Processed Fruits And Vegetables

March 1988

Data on processed fruits and vegetables for March 1988 are now available. The publication *Canned and Frozen Fruits and Vegetables* (32-011, \$4.50/\$45) will be released at a later date.

For more detailed information, contact Brian Preston (613-951-3511), Industry Division.

Poultry Products Industry

1986 Census of Manufactures

In 1986, the value of shipments of goods of own manufacture for the poultry products industry (SIC 1012) totalled \$1,665.7 million, up 7.4% from \$1,551.4 million in 1985.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 5381.

Data for the industry will be published at a later date (32-250B 1012, \$4). See "How to Order Publications".

For more detailed information on this release, contact Brian Preston (613-951-3511), Industry Division.

Wine Industry

1986 Census of Manufactures

In 1986, the value of shipments of goods of own manufacture for the wine industry (SIC 1141) totalled \$262.3 million, up 2.4% from \$256.2 million in 1985.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 5405.

Data for the industry will be published at a later date (32-251B 1141, \$4). See "How to Order Publications".

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Plastic Pipe and Pipe Fittings Industry
1986 Census of Manufactures

In 1986, the value of shipments of goods of own manufacture for the plastic pipe and pipe fittings industry (SIC 1621) totalled \$478.5 million, up 20.8% from \$396.2 million in 1985.

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Data for the industry will be published at a later date (33-250B 1621, \$4). See "How to Order Publications".

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

Book Publishing Industry
1986 Census of Manufactures

In 1986, the value of shipments of goods of own manufacture for the book publishing industry (SIC 2831) totalled \$611.1 million, down 0.8% from \$615.8 million in 1985.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 5500.

Data for the industry will be published at a later date (36-251B 2831, \$4). See "How to Order Publications".

For more detailed information on this release, contact R. Wright (613-951-3514), Industry Division.

Power Boiler and Heat Exchanger Industry
1986 Census of Manufactures

In 1986, the value of shipments of goods of own manufacture for the power boiler and heat exchanger industry (SIC 3011) totalled \$540.8 million, up 5.2% from \$514.2 million in 1985.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 5516.

Data for the industry will be published at a later date (41-251B 3011, \$4). See "How to Order Publications".

For more detailed information on this release, contact Bruno Pépin (613-951-9837), Industry Division.

Custom Coating of Metal Products Industry
1986 Census of Manufactures

In 1986, the value of shipments of goods of own manufacture for the custom coating of metal products industry (SIC 3041) totalled \$707.5 million, up 3.0% from \$686.9 million in 1985.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 5524.

Data for the industry will be published at a later date (41-251B 3041, \$4). See "How to Order Publications".

For more detailed information on this release, contact Bruno Pépin (613-951-9837), Industry Division.

Basic Hardware Industry

1986 Census of Manufactures

In 1986, the value of shipments of goods of own manufacture for the basic hardware industry (SIC 3061) totalled \$382.5 million, up 20.8% from \$316.8 million in 1985.

Available on CANSIM: matrix 5531.

Data for the industry will be published at a later date (41-251B 3061, \$4). See "How to Order Publications".

For more detailed information on this release, contact Bruno Pépin (613-951-9837), Industry Division.

Soap and Cleaning Compounds Industry

1986 Census of Manufactures

In 1986, the value of shipments of goods of own manufacture for the soap and cleaning compounds industry (SIC 3761) totalled \$1,506.5 million, up 10.3% from \$1,365.3 million in 1985.

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