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Farm Tax Data Base

1985-86

Today, Statistics Canada launched the Farm Tax Data Base. The data base covers about 80 expenditure and revenue items commonly reported by unincorporated farms.

Considerable detail on farm finance is now available for the first time in non-census years. This is a direct result of access to taxation data for statistical purposes. This data base will allow analysts to study the expenditures of Canadian farms by the object of the expenditure, by the type of farm and by region. Analysts will therefore be able to compare, for example, expenditures on pesticides or on wages and salaries by farmers in Prince Edward Island with those by farmers in British Columbia. They will also be able to analyze and compare revenues from various farm activities by regions and by type of farm.

This use of taxation data has permitted Statistics Canada to significantly reduce the number of questions asked of farmers in its agricultural surveys. That is an important consideration for Canadian farmers.

The information currently available in the base covers the Atlantic provinces, Quebec, Ontario and British Columbia for the 1985 and 1986 tax years. Work is under way to expand coverage to the Prairie provinces and to add incorporated farms and balance sheet information. A publication is in preparation and should be available in October but Statistics Canada can now respond to specific user requests.

For further information, contact M. Menard (613-951-2446).



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Advance Statistics of Education

September 1988

Early estimates indicate that this year's enrolment in community colleges will level off at 321,400 after many years of steady increase. Full-time university enrolment will rise 2% from the previous year to 497,500. These anticipated slowdowns in enrolment growth are due mainly to the decline in the 18-21-year-old population and are only partially countered by the increasing participation by this age group in postsecondary education.

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These figures have been published in the latest edition of *Advance Statistics of Education, 1988-89*, released today. Other estimates for the 1988-89 school year are:

- Enrolment in Grades 1-8 is expected to increase slightly in 1988-89, reflecting the recent growth in the 6-13-year-old population. Fall enrolments are expected to total about 3 million.
- Enrolment in Grades 9-13 will likely decrease slightly to about 1.5 million, again a reflection of the changes in the population of the related age group. The 14-17-year-old population continues to decrease, but not as rapidly as in the early 80s.
- Because elementary-secondary enrolment started to grow in 1986-87, a slight increase is anticipated in the number of full-time teachers. The teaching force will reach 272,400 in 1988-89, if the ratio stays at 18:1 as it has over the past seven years.
- Total spending on education at all levels is expected to reach \$40.7 billion in 1988-89, an increase of 4.9% over 1987-88 and the lowest one-year rise in over a decade. About \$25.8 billion will be spent on elementary-secondary education, \$8.2 billion on universities, \$3.3 billion on community colleges and \$3.4 billion on vocational training. More than 90% of all education expenditures in Canada are publicly funded.

The 1988 calendar year will likely see:

- 104,900 bachelor's and first professional degrees awarded (up 15,600 from 1978)
- 16,200 master's degrees granted (up 3,600 from 1978)
- 2,500 doctorates conferred (up 680 from 1978).

Advance Statistics of Education, 1988-89 (81-220, \$20) is available today. See "How to Order Publications".

For further information, contact Edith Rechnitzer (613-951-9167), Projections and Analysis Section, or Yves Dupuis (613-951-1670), Finance Section, Education, Culture and Tourism Division.

Data Availability Announcements

Postcensal Annual Estimates of Population at June 1, 1988 and Quarterly Demographic Statistics

April-June 1988

Estimates of population for Canada, the provinces and territories at June 1 and July 1, 1988 as well as figures on immigration, interprovincial migration, births, deaths and marriages for the quarter April-June are now available on CANSIM.

Annual population estimates, matrix 60; quarterly population estimates, matrix 1; immigration, matrices 2, 3 and 397; births, deaths and marriages, matrices 4, 5 and 6; interprovincial migration (Family Allowances) matrix 5731.

These estimates will appear in the following publications: *Postcensal Annual Estimates of Population by Marital Status, Age, Sex and Components of Growth for Canada, Provinces and Territories, June 1, 1988* (91-210, \$27) and *Quarterly Demographic Statistics* (91-002, \$7/\$28), both available in the next few weeks. See "How to Order Publications".

For more detailed information, contact the nearest regional reference centre. For vital statistics (births, deaths, marriages), contact E. Sander (613-951-1746), Health Division; for other demographic estimates, contact Lise Champagne (613-951-2320), Demography Division.

Government Revenue and Expenditure Second Quarter 1988

Detail of government revenue and expenditure is now available, by level of government, on a national accounts basis for the quarter ended June 30.

Available on CANSIM: matrices 2711-2713.

For further information, contact Dan Finnerty (613-951-1820), Public Institutions Division.

Highway, Road, Street and Bridge Contractors 1986

Highlights

- With a slight increase of 2% (compared to an increase of 15% in 1985), total construction revenue reached a level of \$4.0 billion in 1986. This continued the industry's growth pattern, which resumed in 1984 after a decline of 8% in 1983. Significant increases were noted in Manitoba (+58%) and Ontario (+20%). On the other hand, construction done by these contractors declined in British Columbia (-20%), Nova Scotia (-17%) and New Brunswick (-16%).
- Net operating profit for 1986 increased significantly to 4.3% of total revenue (compared to 2.9% in 1985). Capital spending increased by 3%.

Complete census data will be available in the 1986 issue of *Highway, Road, Street and Bridge Contractors* (64-206, \$20), to be released near the end of November. See "How to Order Publications".

For further information, contact S. St-Amour (613-951-3499), Construction Census Section, Industry Division.

Heavy Engineering Contractors

1986

Highlights

- Construction output for heavy engineering contractors decreased by 5% to \$4,188 million in 1986. The decline took place in Alberta, British Columbia and each of the Atlantic provinces. The provinces of Quebec, Ontario, Manitoba and Saskatchewan, however, registered continued growth.
- Industry profits were lower in 1986, at 1.9% of total operating revenue (from 3.3% in 1985) whereas capital expenditures by the industry increased by 19% in 1986.

Complete census data will be available in the 1986 issue of *Heavy Engineering Contractors* (64-209, \$20), to be released near the end of November. See "How to Order Publications".

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Farm Cash Receipts, January-June 1988.
Catalogue number 21-001
(Canada: \$10/\$40; Other Countries: \$11/\$44)

The Dairy Review, June 1988.
Catalogue number 23-001
(Canada: \$11/\$110; Other Countries: \$12/\$120)

Inventories, Shipments and Orders in Manufacturing Industries, May 1988.
Catalogue number 31-001
(Canada: \$16.50/\$165; Other Countries: \$17.50/\$175)

Farm Input Price Index, Second Quarter 1988.
Catalogue number 62-004
(Canada: \$11.25/\$45; Other Countries: \$12.25/\$49)

Advance Statistics of Education, 1988-89.
Catalogue number 81-220
(Canada: \$20; Other Countries: \$21)

Population: Place Name Reference Lists - Atlantic Provinces, 1986 Census.
Catalogue number 92-121
(Canada: \$37; Other Countries: \$38.50)

Population: Place Name Reference Lists - Western Provinces and the Territories, 1986 Census.
Catalogue number 92-123
(Canada: \$34; Other Countries: \$35.50)

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