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From: Doug McCann
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Date: 1/5/99 10:06AM
Subject: Nat'l Tourism 3q98

NATIONAL TOURISM INDICATORS 3RD QUARTER 1998
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 13-009-XPB

In Canada 3rd quarter 1998, tourism expenditures in Canada (unadjusted) increased +6.5% to \$17.3 billion over the 3rd quarter 1997. Spending by non-residents increased +9.9% to \$6.2 billion.

From: Doug McCann
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Date: 1/6/99 12:05PM
Subject: Short Term Expectations

SHORT TERM EXPECTATIONS

Every month Statistics Canada canvasses a group of economic analysts for forecasts of key economic indicators. Results attached.

The forecast for February 1999;

Consumer Price Index percentage increase (yr/yr) is	+1.2%
Unemployment rate seasonally adjusted	8.3%
Labour force participation seasonally adjusted	65.3%

The forecast for January 1999

Exports (\$billions)	\$28.0
Imports (\$billions)	\$26.3

The forecast for December

GDP at FC \$1992 (mth/mth) percent increase	+0.2%
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In November the survey results forecast **CPI** to increase +1.1% while the actual was +1.2%; the **unemployment** rate was forecast to be 8.5%, and the actual was 8.0%; labour force **participation** rate was forecast to be 64.9%, while the actual was 65.6%.

In October the survey results forecast **exports** to be \$25.7 billion, while the actual was \$28.5 billion; **imports** were forecast to be \$24.3 billion, while the actual was \$26.5 billion; and **GDP** was forecast to increase +0.1%, while the actual was +0.2%.

	INDICATORS INDICATEURS	YEAR / MONTH ANNÉE / MOIS	MEAN / MOYENNE			MIN.	MAX.	ACTUAL DATA CHIFFRE RÉEL
			original version	1st revision	2nd revision			
im	Consumer Price Index	97/07	1.8	-	-	1.7	1.9	1.7
	Indices des prix à la	97/08	1.8	-	-	1.7	2.0	1.9
	consommation	97/09	1.8	-	-	1.7	2.0	1.6
300	% year/year	97/10	1.6	-	-	1.5	1.8	1.5
		97/11	1.5	-	-	1.2	1.7	0.8
		97/12	1.1	-	-	0.9	1.4	0.7
		98/01	0.8	-	-	0.5	1.1	1.1
		98/02	1.0	-	-	0.8	1.3	1.0
		98/03	-	-	-	-	-	0.9
		98/04	1.0	-	-	0.7	1.2	0.8
		98/05	0.9	-	-	0.7	1.0	1.1
		98/06	1.1	-	-	1.0	1.2	1.0
		98/07	1.2	1.1	-	1.0	1.5	1.0
		98/08	1.2	1.2	1.1	0.9	1.2	0.8
		98/09	1.2	1.1	0.9	0.6	1.0	0.7
		98/10	1.1	1.0	0.8	0.6	1.0	1.0
		98/11	1.1	0.9	1.1	0.8	1.3	1.2
		98/12	1.0	1.2	1.3	1.1	1.5	
		99/01	1.1	1.2		0.7	1.6	
		99/02	1.2			0.7	1.7	
im	Unemployment	97/07	9.1	-	-	8.9	9.4	9.0
	Chômage	97/08	9.1	-	-	8.9	9.5	9.0
745	% (S.A.)	97/09	9.0	-	-	8.8	9.2	9.0
		97/10	9.0	-	-	8.8	9.4	9.1
		97/11	9.0	-	-	8.9	9.3	9.0
		97/12	9.0	-	-	8.8	9.2	8.6
		98/01	8.8	-	-	8.5	9.3	8.9
		98/02	8.8	-	-	8.4	9.0	8.6
		98/03	-	-	-	-	-	8.5
		98/04	8.5	-	-	8.3	8.6	8.4
		98/05	8.4	-	-	8.2	8.6	8.4
		98/06	8.4	-	-	8.2	8.6	8.4
		98/07	8.4	8.4	-	8.2	8.5	8.4
		98/08	8.3	8.4	8.4	8.2	8.7	8.3
		98/09	8.4	8.4	8.4	8.3	8.5	8.3
		98/10	8.5	8.4	8.4	8.3	9.1	8.1
		98/11	8.5	8.5	8.2	8.0	8.5	8.0
		98/12	8.5	8.2	8.0	7.8	8.5	
		99/01	8.3	8.3		7.9	8.9	
		99/02	8.3			7.8	9.0	
im	Labour Force	97/12	65.0	-	-	64.8	65.0	64.8
	participation rate	98/01	64.8	-	-	64.4	64.9	64.9
778	Taux de participation -	98/02	64.9	-	-	64.8	65.0	65.0
	population active	98/03	-	-	-	-	-	64.9
	% (S.A.)	98/04	65.0	-	-	64.9	65.1	65.1
		98/05	65.2	-	-	65.0	65.3	65.1
		98/06	65.1	-	-	65.0	65.3	64.8
		98/07	65.1	65.0	-	64.8	65.2	64.9
		98/08	65.1	65.0	65.0	64.9	65.1	64.9
		98/09	65.0	65.0	64.9	64.8	65.0	65.2
		98/10	64.9	64.9	65.1	64.6	65.4	65.2
		98/11	64.9	65.1	65.2	65.0	65.6	65.6
		98/12	65.0	65.2	65.5	65.0	65.8	
		99/01	65.1	65.4		64.9	65.7	
		99/02	65.3			64.8	65.7	

	MOIS	REVISED			1997		1998		1st release 1er version	Latest revision dernière révision	
		original version	1st revision	2nd revision							
im	Exports	97/11	25.2	-	-	24.8	25.5	25.6	26.0		
	Exportations	97/12	25.6	-	-	25.0	26.1	26.7	26.5		
449	billions \$	98/01	26.6	-	-	25.9	27.2	25.8	25.6		
		98/02	-	-	-	-	-	26.4	26.3		
		98/03	26.5	-	-	25.3	26.8	25.9	26.1		
		98/04	25.9	-	-	25.0	26.5	26.0	26.5		
		98/05	26.0	-	-	25.3	26.6	26.1	26.3		
		98/06	25.9	26.0	-	25.5	26.5	26.0	25.4		
		98/07	26.0	26.1	26.2	25.7	27.0	25.6	25.7		
		98/08	26.2	26.6	25.6	25.1	26.1	27.4	27.5		
		98/09	26.7	25.7	27.1	26.0	28.0	27.2	27.3		
		98/10	25.7	27.0	27.1	26.5	27.6	28.5		Real	
		98/11	26.9	27.2	28.2	27.0	29.0				
		98/12	27.1	28.2		26.0	30.1				
		99/01	28.0			26.0	29.0				
										Surplus	
im	Imports	97/11	24.5	-	-	24.0	25.0	24.5	24.3	1.7	
	Importations	97/12	24.7	-	-	24.3	25.0	25.0	25.0	1.5	
390	billions \$	98/01	25.0	-	-	24.5	25.6	24.1	24.1	1.5	
		98/02	-	-	-	-	-	24.5	24.5	1.8	
		98/03	24.7	-	-	24.2	25.0	24.3	24.1	2.0	
		98/04	24.4	-	-	24.0	24.8	24.8	25.0	1.5	
		98/05	25.0	-	-	24.3	26.5	24.5	24.9	1.4	
		98/06	25.0	24.5	-	24.0	24.8	24.5	24.5	0.9	
		98/07	25.1	24.1	24.4	24.0	24.9	24.1	24.0	1.7	
		98/08	24.3	24.5	24.3	24.0	24.8	25.3	25.6	1.9	
		98/09	24.4	24.3	25.1	24.0	25.6	25.6	25.8	1.5	
		98/10	24.3	25.1	25.4	24.9	25.9	26.5		2.0	
		98/11	25.0	25.4	26.3	25.0	27.1				
		98/12	25.5	26.4		25.0	28.1				
		99/01	26.3			24.5	27.1				
im	Gross Domestic	97/11	0.3	-	-	-0.1	0.5	-0.3	-0.1		
	Product (at factor	97/12	0.3	-	-	-0.2	0.5	1.1	1.1		
	cost by industry)	98/01	0.1	-	-	-1.0	0.5	-0.8	-0.7		
1	Produit intérieur brut	98/02	0.4	-	-	0.1	0.6	1.1	0.9		
	(au coût des facteurs	98/03	0.4	-	-	0.1	0.8	0.5	0.3		
	par industrie)	98/04	0.5	0.4	-	0.1	0.8	0.0	-0.1		
	(S.A.) constant 1992 \$	98/05	0.2	0.2	-	-0.2	0.5	-0.2	-0.2		
	% month/month)	98/06	0.3	0.1	0.0	-0.4	0.2	-0.1	0.1		
		98/07	0.2	0.1	0.1	-0.2	0.3	-0.3	-0.3		
		98/08	0.5	0.2	0.1	-0.1	0.6	0.7			
		98/09	0.1	0.0	0.3	-0.2	0.5	0.1			
		98/10	0.1	0.2	0.3	-0.2	0.6	0.2			
		98/11	0.1	0.1		-0.4	0.4				
		98/12	0.2			-0.2	0.6				

From: Doug McCann
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Subject: IPPI Nov'98; RMPI Nov'98; Refined Petroleum Sales Nov'98; Crude Oil Natural Gas Oct'98

INDUSTRIAL PRODUCT PRICE INDEX NOVEMBER 1998
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 62-011-XPB

In Canada November 1998, the industrial product price index (IPPI 1992=100) remained unchanged at 120.3 over October 1998, and increased +0.3% over November 1997.

Intermediate goods remained unchanged at 119.2, over October 1997, and declined -2.1% over November 1997. Finished goods increased +0.1% to 121.9 over October 1998, and increased +3.7% over November 1997.

RAW MATERIAL PRICE INDEX NOVEMBER 1998
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 62-011-XPB

In Canada November 1998, the raw material price index (RMPI 1992=100) declined -2.5% to 105.2 over October 1998, and declined -14.9% over November 1997.

DOMESTIC SALES OF REFINED PETROLEUM PRODUCTS NOVEMBER 98
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 26-006-XPB

In Canada, November 1998, total sales of all refined petroleum products increased +3.1% to 7.4 million cubic metres over November 1997. Year-to-dates sales increased +2.3% to 84.4 million cubic metres.

CRUDE OIL AND NATURAL GAS OCTOBER 1998
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 26-006-XPB

In Canada October 1998, production of **crude oil** increased +0.7% to 10.9 million cubic metres over October 1997. Year-to-date production increased +4.9% to 106.9 million cubic metres over the same period last year.

In Canada October 1998, **Natural gas** production increased +3.6% to 13.9 billion cubic metres over October 1997. Year-to-date production increased +2.9% to 132.6 billion cubic metres over the same period last year.

From: Doug McCann
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Subject: Help-wanted Index Dec'98;

HELP-WANTED INDEX DECEMBER 1998

In Canada December 1998, the help-wanted index (1996=100) increased +1.4% to 133 over November 1998, and increased +9.8% over December 1997.

In Nova Scotia December 1998, the help-wanted index increased +4.8% to 132, over November 1998, and increased +15.9% over December 1997.

For 1981-97 data see
<http://www.statcan.ca/english/freepub/71-540-XIE/71-540-XIE.pdf>

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Subject: Labour Force Dec'98

LABOUR FORCE SURVEY DECEMBER 1998
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 71-001-PPB

also see

<http://www.gov.ns.ca/fina/statisti/emp/empl1.htm>
<http://www.gov.ns.ca/fina/publish/pub19.htm>
<http://www.gov.ns.ca/fina/stats.div/brief/employ.htm>

Seasonally Adjusted

(month over month)

In Canada December 1998 labour force increased +0.2% to 15.8 million, employment increased +0.2% to 14.6 million, unemployment increased +0.4% to 1.3 million, and the unemployment rate remained unchanged at 8.0% over November 1998.

In Nova Scotia December 1998 labour force declined -0.9% to 449,400, employment declined -0.5% to 401,800, unemployment declined -4.6% to 47,600 and the unemployment rate declined -0.4% to 10.6% over November 1998.

Unadjusted

(year over year)

In Canada December 1998 labour force increased +2.7% to 15.6 million, employment increased +3.2% to 14.4 million, unemployment declined -3.1% to 1.2 million, and the unemployment rate declined -0.4 percentage points to 7.7% over December 1997.

In Nova Scotia December 1998 labour force remained unchanged at 442,700, employment increased +0.8% to 400,000, unemployment declined -0.7% to 42,700 and the unemployment rate declined -0.8 percentage points to 9.6% over December 1997.

From: Doug McCann
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Subject: Building Permits Nov'98; Housing Price Index Nov'98; Childhood asthma 94/95

BUILDING PERMITS NOVEMBER 1998
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 64-001-XIB

In Canada November 1998, the value of building permits (seasonally adjusted) increased +8.9% to \$2.8 billion over October 1998, and declined -1.7% over November 1997.

In Nova Scotia November 1998, the value of building permits (seasonally adjusted) increased +10.2% to \$60.7 million over October 1998, and increased +10.2% over November 1997.

NEW HOUSING PRICE INDEX NOVEMBER 1998
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 62-007-XPB

In Canada November 1998, the new housing price index (1992=100) remained unchanged at 100.2 over October 1998, and increased +0.7% over November 1997.

In Halifax November 1998, the new housing price index (1992=100) remained unchanged at 108.4 over October 1998, and increased +1.5% over November 1997.

CHILDHOOD ASTHMA 1994/95
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 82-003-XPB

In Canada 1994/95, 11.2% of children aged 0 to 14 have asthma (672,000 out of a population of 6 million). This compares with 3.1% in 1983/84 and 2.5% in 1978/79.

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Subject: Motor Vehicle Sales Nov'98; Entertainment Services 1996

NEW MOTOR VEHICLE SALES NOVEMBER 1998
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 63-007-XIB

In Canada November 1998, new motor vehicle unit sales (unadjusted) declined -5.3% to 106,440 units and sales value declined -1.5% to \$3.2 billion, over November 1997. Year-to-date unit sales increased +2.5% to 1.3 million, and year-to-date sales value increased +5.2% to \$37.0 billion, over the same period last year.

In Nova Scotia November 1998, new motor vehicle unit sales (unadjusted) declined -2.3% to 2,543 units, and sales value declined -0.8% to \$67.4 million, over November 1997. Year-to-date unit sales increased +5.9% to 37,399 units and sales value increased +9.8% to \$940.5 billion, over the same period last year.

ENTERTAINMENT SERVICES 1996
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 63-016-XPB

In Canada 1996, consumer spending on entertainment services increased +49.4% to \$5.8 billion, over 1986. Average household spending in 1996 increased to \$533 (or 1.1% of household budget) compared to \$439 (0.7% of household budget) in 1986.

Entertainment services include rental of cablevision (47.6% of total spending), rental of video tapes (17.4%), rental of video games (1.5%), admission to movie theatres (10.8%), attendance at live performances (11.5%), attendance at live sports events (6.9%), admission to other activities and venues (3.2%), and rental of satellite services (1.1%).

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Subject: Innovation: Service Industries '96

INNOVATION IN DYNAMIC SERVICE INDUSTRIES 1996
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 88-516-XIE

Service-producing industries dominate the Canadian economy. In 1996 service industries accounted for 75% of total employment, an increase of 8% over the previous two decades. Service-providing firms account for 93% of net job growth. Service-based activities account for over two thirds of gross domestic product.

In the survey it was found that a substantial portion of dynamic service industries introduced a new product, process or organizational form in the 1994 to 1996 period (technical business services, 43%; communications, 45%; financial services 62%).

The impact of innovation on labour was an increase in the number of workers in 26% to 32% of the firms, and a decrease in the number of workers in 4% to 13% of the firms. No change was reported in 61% to 64% of the firms.

The impact of innovation on skill requirements was an increased requirement in 28% to 36% of the firms surveyed, and a decreased requirement in 2% to 4% of the firms. No change was reported in 62% to 68% of the firms surveyed.

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Subject: Manufacturing Nov'98; Int'l Travel Nov'98; Liquor and Gaming'96

MONTHLY SURVEY OF MANUFACTURING NOVEMBER 1998
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 31-001-XPB

In Canada November 1998, seasonally adjusted manufacturer's **shipments** increased +1.0% to \$38.6 billion over October 1998, and increased +4.9% over November 1997. **Inventories** increased +0.5% to \$50.4 billion over October 1998, and increased +4.9% over November 1997. **Unfilled orders** declined -0.6% to \$48.9 billion over October 1998, and increased +14.8% over November 1997. **New orders** declined -3.4% to \$38.3 billion over October 1998, and increased +1.0% over November 1997. The inventories to shipments ratio declined to 1.30 from 1.31 in October 1998, and remained unchanged over November 1997.

In Nova Scotia November 1998, seasonally adjusted manufacturer's **shipments** increased +2.0% to \$576 million over October 1998.

TRAVEL BETWEEN CANADA AND OTHER COUNTRIES NOVEMBER 1998
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 66-001-PPB

In Canada November 1998, car excursions by Canadians to the U.S. declined -23.2% to 2.0 million trips (unadjusted) over November 1997. Car excursions by Americans to Canada increased +12.3% to 2.1 million over November 1997.

In Canada November 1998, trips (unadjusted) by visitors from other countries (excluding U.S.) to Canada declined -1.6% to 158,000 over November 1997. The number of Canadians travelling overseas increased +5.4% to 279,000 over November 1997.

PROVINCIAL LIQUOR AND GAMING BUSINESS ENTERPRISES
NET INCOME AND REMITTANCES 1986 to 1996

In Canada 1996, net income of provincial and territorial liquor authorities increased +3.5% to \$2.6 billion over 1995, and increased +21.5 over 1986. Net income of lottery and gaming enterprises increased +11.1% to \$3.6 billion over 1995, and increased +192.7 over 1986.

In Canada 1996, remittances from provincial and territorial liquor authorities declined -10.9% to \$2.4 billion over 1995, and increased +11.3% over 1986. Remittances from lottery and gaming enterprises increased +10.5 to \$3.4 billion over 1995, and increased +181.6% over 1986.

Note: Data calculated using the Financial Management System (FMS).

OTHER RELEASES

Construction Union Wage Rate Index Dec'98 (62-007-XPB)
Selected Financial Indexes Dec'98 (62-007-XPB)
Telephone Statistics Oct'98 (56-002-XIB)

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Subject: CPI Dec'98; Wholesale Trade Nov'98; Natural Gas Nov'98

CONSUMER PRICE INDEX DECEMBER 1998
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 62-001-XPB

also: <http://www.gov.ns.ca/fina/stats.div/brief/prices.htm>
<http://www.gov.ns.ca/fina/statisti/cpi/cpi1.htm>
<http://www.gov.ns.ca/fina/statisti/publish/pub20.htm>

In Canada December 1998, the consumer price index (1992=100) declined -0.3% to 107.6 over November 1998, and increased +1.0% over December 1997.

In Nova Scotia November 1998, the consumer price index (1992=100) declined -0.3% to 108.0 over November 1998, and increased +0.4% over December 1997.

WHOLESALE TRADE NOVEMBER 1998
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 63-008-XIB

In Canada October 1998, wholesale merchants' **sales** (seasonally adjusted) declined -0.6% to \$28.4 billion over October 1998, and increased +0.7% over November 1997. **Inventories** remained unchanged at \$41.1 billion over October 1998, and increased +6.5% over November 1997.

In Nova Scotia October 1998, wholesale merchants' **sales** (seasonally adjusted) decreased -3.6% to \$479 million over September 1998, and decreased -7.6% over October 1997.

NATURAL GAS SALES NOVEMBER 1998
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 55-002-XPB

In Canada November 1998, natural gas sales declined -6.5% to 6.2 billion cubic metres over November 1997. Year-to-date sales declined -5.8% to 60.2 billion cubic metres over the same period last year.

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Subject: Import/Exports Nov'98; Composite Index Dec'98;

CANADIAN INTERNATIONAL MERCHANDISE TRADE NOVEMBER 1998
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 65-001-XPB

In Canada November 1998, merchandise **exports** (seasonally adjusted) declined -0.1% to \$28.4 billion over October 1998, and increased +9.4% over November 1997. Year-to-date exports increased +6.9% to \$293.7 billion over the same period last year.

In Canada November 1998, merchandise **imports** (seasonally adjusted) declined -0.8% to \$26.5 billion over October 1998, and increased +8.8% over November 1997. Year-to-date imports increased +9.4% to \$275.7 billion over the same period last year.

In Canada November 1998, the international **balance of trade** in merchandise trade (seasonally adjusted) surplus was \$1.9 billion. Year-to-date the surplus was \$18.0 billion.

In Nova Scotia January-October 1998, merchandise **exports** increased +5.7% to \$2.8 billion over January-October 1997. Merchandise **imports** increased +0.2% to \$4.4 billion over the same period last year.

COMPOSITE INDEX DECEMBER 1998
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 11-010-XPB

In Canada December 1998, the composite leading indicator (1981=100) increased +0.2% to 208.7.

Five of ten indicators were positive. Business and personal services employment increased +0.6% to 2.3 million. The U.S. composite leading indicator (1967=100) increased +0.1% to 226.0. The average workweek (manufacturing) increased +0.3% to 38.7 hours. New orders, durables (1981\$) increased +1.7% to \$16.1 billion. Furniture and appliances sales (1981\$) increased +0.3% to \$1.4 billion.

Three of ten indicators were negative. The housing index (1981=100) decreased -0.6% to 125.3. The TSE 300 stock price index (1975=1000) declined -1.4% to 6231. The Money supply (M1, 1981\$) declined -1.1% to \$41.2 billion.

The last two indicators were unchanged - the sales of other durable goods (1981\$) at \$4.6 billion, and the shipments/inventory ratio finished goods at 1.59.

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Subject: Retail Trade Nov'98; Enrollment in trade/vocational programs 95/96

RETAIL TRADE NOVEMBER 1998
 Statistics Canada Cat. No. 63-005-XPB

In Canada November 1998, seasonally adjusted retail sales increased +1.1% to \$20.8 billion over October 1998, and increased +4.1% over November 1997.

In Nova Scotia November 1998, seasonally adjusted retail sales increased +0.4% to \$639 million over October 1998, and increased +7.3% over November 1997.

WOMEN IN FULL-TIME TRADE AND VOCATIONAL PROGRAMS 1995/96

In Canada 1995/96, the percentage of women enrolled in full-time and vocational pre-employment/pre-apprenticeship programs increased to 43.6% of total enrollments, compared with 37.7% in 1991/92. Female enrollments are concentrated in arts, business, health and social science fields, exceeding 70% of total enrollments.

Full-time Trade and Vocational Programs Percent of total enrollment - female

	83/84	87/88	91/92	95/96
Arts	72.5	66.5	64.4	70.1
Business	72.0	77.6	72.1	73.5
Engineering	6.2	10.9	8.2	8.4
Health Science	78.1	85.4	83.9	84.7
Natural science	11.0	23.0	14.1	21.3
Social Science	55.5	74.0	62.4	73.2
Total	35.1	42.5	37.7	43.6

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Subject: Int'l Trade Securities Nov'98; Coal Prod'n 1998

CANADA'S INTERNATIONAL TRANSACTIONS IN SECURITIES
NOVEMBER 1998
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 67-002-XPB

In Canada November 1998, net foreign investment in Canadian securities was an inflow of \$4.0 billion. Year-to-date net foreign investment in Canadian securities was an inflow of \$19.3 billion.

In Canada November 1998, net Canadian investment in foreign securities was an outflow of \$4.1 billion. Year-to-date net Canadian investment in foreign securities was an outflow of \$17.5 billion.

Note: Outflow indicates an outflow of money from Canada - either Canadians investing abroad, or foreigners withdrawing assets. Inflow indicates an inflow of money into Canada - either Canadians withdrawing assets from abroad or foreigners investing in Canada.

COAL PRODUCTION 1998

In Canada 1998, coal production declined -5.5% to 74 million metric tonnes. Value of coal production declined -6.6% to \$1.8 billion over 1997.

In Nova Scotia 1998, coal production declined -17.9% to 2.2 million metric tonnes. Value of coal production declined -12.4% to \$138 million, over 1997.

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Subject: EI Nov'98

EMPLOYMENT INSURANCE NOVEMBER 1998

In Canada November 1998, the number of beneficiaries (seasonally adjusted) receiving regular employment insurance benefits declined -2.1% to 539,720 over October 1998. Regular payments increased +2.1% to \$704.3 million. Year-to-date payments (all beneficiaries) declined -2.7% to \$10.7 billion over the same period last year.

In Nova Scotia November 1998, the number of beneficiaries (seasonally adjusted) receiving regular employment insurance benefits declined -1.3% to 30,760, over October 1998.

From: Doug McCann
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Subject: Labour Force Update 1998

LABOUR FORCE UPDATE 1998
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 71-005-XPB

In Canada December 1998, **employment** (seasonally adjusted) increased +3.2% to 14.7 million over December 1997, and increased +10.8% over December 1989. **Unemployment** (seasonally adjusted) declined -3.7% to 1.3 million over December 1997, and increased +16.4% over December 1989. **Unemployment rate** (seasonally adjusted) declined -0.6% to 8.0% over December 1997, and increased +0.3% over December 1989. **Participation rate** increased +0.8% to 65.6% over December 1997, and declined -1.9% over December 1989.

In Nova Scotia December 1998, **employment** (seasonally adjusted) increased +1.1% to 401,800 over December 1997, and increased +5.1% over December 1989. **Unemployment** (seasonally adjusted) declined -8.8% to 47,600 over December 1997, and increased +4.6% over December 1989.

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Subject: IPPI Dec'98; RMPI Dec'98; Earns, Emp, Hrs Nov'98

INDUSTRIAL PRODUCT PRICE INDEX DECEMBER 1998
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 62-011-XPB

In Canada December 1998, the Industrial product price index (1992=100) declined -0.7% to 119.4 over November 1998, and declined -0.3% over December 1997.

Comparative Economic Conditions (Canada) 1998 over 1997

Industrial Product Price Index has declined -0.1%.
Consumer Price Index has increased +0.9%.
Manufacturing shipments have increased +2.1%.
Manufacturing, new orders have increased +1.9%.
Manufacturing, average weekly earnings have increased +2.7%.
Manufacturing, average employment has increased +4.0%.
Retail sales have increased +4.6%.
Exports have increased +6.9%.
Public and private capital expenditure has increased +7.7%

RAW MATERIALS PRICE INDEX DECEMBER 1998
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 62-011-XPB

In Canada December 1998, the raw materials price index (1992=100) declined -4.5% to 99.1 over November 1998, and declined -16.4% over December 1997. The 1998 annual change in raw material prices was -14.6% over 1997.

EMPLOYMENT, EARNINGS AND HOURS NOVEMBER 1998
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 72-002-XPB

In Canada November 1998, average weekly earnings (seasonally adjusted) remained unchanged at \$607.58 over October 1998 and increased +1.2% over November 1997. The number of employees (seasonally adjusted) increased +0.2% to 11.7 million over October 1998.

In Nova Scotia November 1998, average weekly earnings (seasonally adjusted) increased +0.6% to \$512.74 over October 1998, and increased +2.8% over November 1997. The number of employees declined -0.8% to 321,000.

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Subject: GDP Nov'98; TV Viewing Fall'97; Crude Oil, Natural Gas Nov'98; Electric Power Nov'98

GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT BY INDUSTRY AT FACTOR COST
November 1998
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 15-001-XPB

In Canada November 1998, gross domestic product at factor cost (seasonally adjusted, 1992\$) increased +0.4% to \$724.2 billion (annualized rate) over October 1998, and increased +2.7% over November 1997.

GDP in goods-producing industries increased +0.7% to \$238.2 billion over October 1998, and increased +1.6% over November 1997.

GDP in service-producing industries increased +0.3% to \$486.0 billion over October 1998, and increased +3.3% over November 1997.

TELEVISION VIEWING FALL 1997

In the fall 1997, Canadians averaged 22.7 hours per week viewing television, down from 22.8 hours in 1996. Women (18+) averaged 26.5 hours per week, men (18+) averaged 21.7 hours per week, teens (12-17) averaged 16.9 hours per week, and children (2-11) averaged 17.9 hours per week.

In the fall 1997, Nova Scotians averaged 24.1 hours per week viewing television. Women (18+) averaged 28.8 hours per week, men (18+) averaged 23.0 hours per week, teens (12-17) averaged 18.3 hours per week, and children (2-11) averaged 19.2 hours per week.

CRUDE OIL AND NATURAL GAS November 1998
Statistics Canada Cat. NO. 26-006-XPB

In Canada November 1998, crude oil production declined -3.3% to 10.3 million cubic metres. Year-to-date production increased +4.1% to 117.2 million cubic metres over the same period last year.

In Canada November 1998, marketable natural gas production increased +1.9% to 13.5 million cubic metres over November 1997. Year-to-date production increased +2.8% to 146.1 million cubic metres over the same period last year.

ELECTRIC POWER STATISTICS November 1998
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 57-001-XPB

In Canada November 1998, net generation of electricity declined -4.7% to 45,146 gigawatt hours over November 1997. Year-to-date net generation declined -1.8% to 492,196 GWh, over the same period last year.

From: Doug McCann
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Subject: Business Conditions Jan'99; Grain Stocks Dec'98; Refined Petroleum '98

QUARTERLY BUSINESS CONDITIONS
SURVEY: MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES JANUARY 1999

In Canada January 1999, manufacturers (74%) expect that during the next three months the **volume of production** will remain about the same as the last three months and an additional 17% believe that volume will increase.

Orders received by 76% of manufacturers are about the same as the last quarter, with 11% are experiencing increases and 13% declines. 81% consider the present backlog of **unfilled orders** as about normal, 12% lower than normal. Most respondents (80%) believe the **finished product inventory** to be about right while 16% consider levels to be too high. 74% believe that **employment** during the next three months will change little, 14% expect an increase and 12% a decrease.

Most manufacturers (87%) do not foresee any production difficulties. A small number (5%) think that they may experience a skilled labour shortage. 3% expect a working capital shortage and 2% a raw material shortage.

GRAIN STOCKS December 31, 1998
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 22-002-XPB

In Canada December 31, 1998 the total stocks of grain increased +6% to 20.4 million tonnes, over December 31, 1997.

DOMESTIC SALES OF REFINED PETROLEUM PRODUCTS 1998
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 45-004-XPB

In Canada December 1998, sales of refined petroleum products increased +1.2% to 7.9 million cubic metres over December 1997. Year-to-date sales increased +2.3% to 92.4 million cubic metres, over last year.

From: Doug McCann
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Date: 2/3/99 10:35AM
Subject: Help-wanted Index Jan'99

HELP-WANTED INDEX January 1999
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 71-540-XIE

In Canada January 1999, the help-wanted index (1996=100) increased +0.7% to 133 over December 1998 and increased +10.5% over January 1998.

In Nova Scotia January 1999, the help-wanted index (1996=100) increased +2.6% to 132 over December 1998, and increased +18.9% over January 1998.

STATISTICS ON RESULTS OF THE SHORT TERM EXPECTATIONS SURVEY
ENQUÊTE SUR LES ANTICIPATIONS À COURT TERME

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INDICATORS INDICATEURS	YEAR / MONTH ANNÉE / MOIS	MEAN / MOYENNE			MIN.	MAX.	ACTUAL DATA CHIFFRE RÉEL	
		original version	1st revision	2nd revision				
Cansim 9940 Serie P100000 % year/year	Consumer Price Index	97/07	1.8	-	-	1.7	1.9	1.7
	Indices des prix à la consommation	97/08	1.8	-	-	1.7	2.0	1.9
		97/09	1.8	-	-	1.7	2.0	1.6
		97/10	1.6	-	-	1.5	1.8	1.5
		97/11	1.5	-	-	1.2	1.7	0.8
		97/12	1.1	-	-	0.9	1.4	0.7
		98/01	0.8	-	-	0.5	1.1	1.1
		98/02	1.0	-	-	0.8	1.3	1.0
		98/03	-	-	-	-	-	0.9
		98/04	1.0	-	-	0.7	1.2	0.8
		98/05	0.9	-	-	0.7	1.0	1.1
		98/06	1.1	-	-	1.0	1.2	1.0
		98/07	1.2	1.1	-	1.0	1.5	1.0
		98/08	1.2	1.2	1.1	0.9	1.2	0.8
		98/09	1.2	1.1	0.9	0.6	1.0	0.7
	98/10	1.1	1.0	0.8	0.6	1.0	1.0	
	98/11	1.1	0.9	1.1	0.8	1.3	1.2	
	98/12	1.0	1.2	1.3	1.1	1.5	1.0	
	99/01	1.1	1.2	1.0	0.6	1.1		
	99/02	1.2	1.1		0.5	1.2		
	99/03	1.1			0.5	1.3		
Cansim 3451 Serie D980745 % (S.A.)	Unemployment	97/07	9.1	-	-	8.9	9.4	9.0
	Chômage	97/08	9.1	-	-	8.9	9.5	9.0
		97/09	9.0	-	-	8.8	9.2	8.9
		97/10	9.0	-	-	8.8	9.4	9.1
		97/11	9.0	-	-	8.9	9.3	8.9
		97/12	9.0	-	-	8.8	9.2	8.5
		98/01	8.8	-	-	8.5	9.3	8.8
		98/02	8.8	-	-	8.4	9.0	8.6
		98/03	-	-	-	-	-	8.4
		98/04	8.5	-	-	8.3	8.6	8.4
		98/05	8.4	-	-	8.2	8.6	8.4
		98/06	8.4	-	-	8.2	8.6	8.4
		98/07	8.4	8.4	-	8.2	8.5	8.4
		98/08	8.3	8.4	8.4	8.2	8.7	8.3
		98/09	8.4	8.4	8.4	8.3	8.5	8.3
	98/10	8.5	8.4	8.4	8.3	9.1	8.0	
	98/11	8.5	8.5	8.2	8.0	8.5	8.0	
	98/12	8.5	8.2	8.0	7.8	8.5	8.0	
	99/01	8.3	8.3	8.1	7.9	8.2		
	99/02	8.3	8.1		7.9	8.4		
	99/03	8.1			7.8	8.6		
Cansim 3451 Serie D980778 % (S.A.)	Labour Force participation rate	97/12	65.0	-	-	64.8	65.0	64.7
	Taux de participation - population active	98/01	64.8	-	-	64.4	64.9	64.9
		98/02	64.9	-	-	64.8	65.0	65.0
		98/03	-	-	-	-	-	64.9
		98/04	65.0	-	-	64.9	65.1	65.1
		98/05	65.2	-	-	65.0	65.3	65.1
		98/06	65.1	-	-	65.0	65.3	64.9
		98/07	65.1	65.0	-	64.8	65.2	65.0
		98/08	65.1	65.0	65.0	64.9	65.1	65.1
		98/09	65.0	65.0	64.9	64.8	65.0	65.2
		98/10	64.9	64.9	65.1	64.6	65.4	65.3
		98/11	64.9	65.1	65.2	65.0	65.6	65.5
	98/12	65.0	65.2	65.5	65.0	65.8	65.6	
	99/01	65.1	65.4	65.6	65.4	65.7		
	99/02	65.3	65.6		65.3	65.8		
	99/03	65.5			64.6	65.9		

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Cansim 3685 Serie D399449	Exports	97/11	25.2	-	-	24.8	25.5	25.6	26.0	Real
	Exportations	97/12	25.6	-	-	25.0	26.1	26.7	26.5	
	billions \$	98/01	26.6	-	-	25.9	27.2	25.8	25.6	
		98/02	-	-	-	-	-	26.4	26.4	
		98/03	26.5	-	-	25.3	26.8	25.9	26.2	
		98/04	25.9	-	-	25.0	26.5	26.0	26.5	
		98/05	26.0	-	-	25.3	26.6	26.1	26.3	
		98/06	25.9	26.0	-	25.5	26.5	26.0	25.4	
		98/07	26.0	26.1	26.2	25.7	27.0	25.6	25.7	
		98/08	26.2	26.6	25.6	25.1	26.1	27.4	27.5	
		98/09	26.7	25.7	27.1	26.0	28.0	27.2	27.2	
		98/10	25.7	27.0	27.1	26.5	27.6	28.5	28.4	
		98/11	26.9	27.2	28.2	27.0	29.0	28.4		
		98/12	27.1	28.2	28.0	26.0	28.9			
	99/01	28.0	27.9		26.0	28.8				
	99/02	27.9			25.8	29.3				
Cansim 3651 Serie D397990	Imports	97/11	24.5	-	-	24.0	25.0	24.5	24.3	Surplus
	Importations	97/12	24.7	-	-	24.3	25.0	25.0	25.0	
	billions \$	98/01	25.0	-	-	24.5	25.6	24.1	24.1	
		98/02	-	-	-	-	-	24.5	24.5	
		98/03	24.7	-	-	24.2	25.0	24.3	24.2	
		98/04	24.4	-	-	24.0	24.8	24.8	25.0	
		98/05	25.0	-	-	24.3	26.5	24.5	24.9	
		98/06	25.0	24.5	-	24.0	24.8	24.5	24.5	
		98/07	25.1	24.1	24.4	24.0	24.9	24.1	24.0	
		98/08	24.3	24.5	24.3	24.0	24.8	25.3	25.6	
		98/09	24.4	24.3	25.1	24.0	25.6	25.6	25.8	
		98/10	24.3	25.1	25.4	24.9	25.9	26.5	26.7	
		98/11	25.0	25.4	26.3	25.0	27.1	26.5		
		98/12	25.5	26.4	26.2	25.0	27.0			
	99/01	26.3	26.2		24.5	26.9				
	99/02	26.2			24.5	26.8				
Cansim 4680 Serie I56001	Gross Domestic	97/11	0.3	-	-	-0.1	0.5	-0.3	-0.1	
	Product (at factor	97/12	0.3	-	-	-0.2	0.5	1.1	1.1	
	cost by industry)	98/01	0.1	-	-	-1.0	0.5	-0.8	-0.7	
	Produit intérieur brut	98/02	0.4	-	-	0.1	0.6	1.1	0.9	
	(au coût des facteurs	98/03	0.4	-	-	0.1	0.8	0.5	0.3	
	par industrie)	98/04	0.5	0.4	-	0.1	0.8	0.0	-0.1	
	(S.A.) constant 1992 \$	98/05	0.2	0.2	-	-0.2	0.5	-0.2	-0.2	
	% month/month)	98/06	0.3	0.1	0.0	-0.4	0.2	-0.1	0.1	
		98/07	0.2	0.1	0.1	-0.2	0.3	-0.3	-0.3	
		98/08	0.5	0.2	0.1	-0.1	0.6	0.7		
		98/09	0.1	0.0	0.3	-0.2	0.5	0.1		
		98/10	0.1	0.2	0.3	-0.2	0.6	0.2		
		98/11	0.1	0.1	0.1	-0.3	0.3	0.4		
	98/12	0.2	0.2		-0.2	0.6				
	99/01	0.1			-0.3	0.4				

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Date: 2/4/99 9:55AM
Subject: Building Permits Dec'98; Construction Price Index; Labour Income Nov'98

BUILDING PERMITS December 1998
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In Canada December 1998 the value of building permits (seasonally adjusted) declined -0.4% to \$2.8 billion over November 1998. Year-to-date value of building permits increased +7.2% to \$33.5 billion over 1997.

In Nova Scotia December 1998, the value of building permits (seasonally adjusted) increased +8.1% \$67.2 million over November 1998. Year-to-date value of building permits declined -1.7% to \$620.3 million over 1997.

NON-RESIDENTIAL BUILDING CONSTRUCTION PRICE INDEX
FOURTH QUARTER 1998

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 62-007-XPB

In Canada fourth quarter 1998, the composite construction price index (1992=100) increased +0.4% to 113.0 over the third quarter 1998, and increased +1.9% over the fourth quarter 1997.

In Halifax fourth quarter 1998, the construction price index (1992=100) increased +0.7% to 105.2 over the third quarter 1998, and increased +1.8% over the fourth quarter 1997.

ESTIMATES OF LABOUR INCOME November 1998

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 13F0016XPB

In Canada November 1998, labour income increased +0.1% to \$39.2 billion, over October 1998.

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Subject: Labour Force Jan'99

LABOUR FORCE SURVEY January 1999
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 71-001-PPB

also see

<http://www.gov.ns.ca/fina/publish/pub19.htm>
<http://www.gov.ns.ca/fina/stats.div/brief/employ.htm>

Seasonally Adjusted
(month over month)

In Canada January 1999 labour force increased +0.4% to 15.9 million, employment increased +0.6% to 14.7 million, unemployment declined -1.9% to 1.2 million, and the unemployment rate declined -0.2% to 7.8% over December 1998.

In Nova Scotia January 1999 labour force increased +1.1% to 454,400, employment increased 1.8% to 408,900, unemployment declined -4.6% to 45,500 and the unemployment rate declined -0.6% to 10.0% over December 1998.

Unadjusted
(year over year)

In Canada January 1999 labour force increased +2.6% to 15.6 million, employment increased +3.8% to 14.2 million, unemployment declined -9.0% to 1.3 million, and the unemployment rate declined -1.1 percentage points to 8.6% over January 1998.

In Nova Scotia January 1999 labour force increased +0.5% to 442,000, employment increased + 1.8% to 394,000, unemployment declined -8.9% to 48,000 and the unemployment rate declined -1.1 percentage points to 10.9% over January 1998.

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Date: 2/5/99 10:08AM
Subject: Dept Store Sales Dec'98; Employment Dynamics '96

DEPARTMENT STORE SALES December 1998

In Canada December 1998, department store sales (unadjusted) increased +4.7% to \$2.6 billion over December 1997. Year-to-date sales increased +6.0% to \$16.9 billion, over the same period last year.

In Nova Scotia December 1998, department store sales (unadjusted) increased +2.7% to \$89.3 million over December 1997. Year-t-date sales increased +5.1% to \$531.2 million over the same period last year.

EMPLOYMENT DYNAMICS 1996

In Canada 1996, the number of employer-businesses increased +0.5% to 941,100, over 1995. Businesses with less than 5 employees represent 78% of all businesses and 11% of employment.

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Subject: Constuction Price Index 4Q98

APARTMENT BUILDING CONSTRUCTION PRICE INDEX
FOURTH QUARTER 1998
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In Canada 4th quarter 1998, the apartment building composite construction price index (1992=100) increased +0.4% to 112.2 over the 3rd quarter 1998, and increased +1.8% over the 4th quarter 1997.

In Halifax 4th quarter 1998, the apartment building construction price index increased +0.7% to 106.4 over the 3rd quarter 1998, and increased +2.2% over the 4th quarter 1997.

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Date: 2/9/99 10:03AM
Subject: Police Personnel '98

POLICE PERSONNEL AND EXPENDITURES 1997 and 1998
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 85F0019XIE

In Canada 1998, the number of police officers remains unchanged at 54,722 over 1997. The number of male officers has declined -1.2% to 48,036 and the number of female officers has increased +9.8% to 6,686 over 1997. In Canada the number of officers per 100,000 population has declined to 181. Expenditures in 1997 increased +0.6% to \$6 billion (\$200 per capita).

In Halifax (CMA) 1998, there were 526 police officers, or 151 officers per 100,000 population.

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Date: 2/10/99 10:00AM
Subject: Housing Price Index Dec'98; Large Retailers Nov'98

NEW HOUSING PRICE INDEX December 1998
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In Canada December 1998 the new housing price index (1992=100) increased +0.1% to 100.3, over November 1998 and increased +0.6% over December 1997.

In Halifax December 1998, the new housing price index (1992=100) remained unchanged at 108.4 over November 1998, and increased +1.5% over December 1997.

MONTHLY SURVEY OF LARGE RETAILERS November 1998

In Canada November 1998, sales (unadjusted) of large retailers increased +6.4% to \$6.3 billion over November 1997.

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Subject: Motor Vehicle Sales Dec'98

NEW MOTOR VEHICLE SALES December 1998
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Current Month

In Canada December 1998, new motor vehicle sales (unadjusted) increased +1.3% to 108,261 units over November 1998, and declined -20.5% over December 1997. Sales value increased +3.8% to \$3.3 billion over November 1998, and declined -14.8% over December 1997.

In Nova Scotia December 1998, new motor vehicle unit sales (unadjusted) increased +17.6% to 2990 units, over November 1998, and declined -3.8% over December 1997. Sales value increased +17.9% to \$79.5 million over November 1998, and declined -1.4% over December 1997.

Annual

In Canada 1998, new motor vehicle unit sales (unadjusted) increased +0.3% to 1.4 million units, over 1997. Sales value increased +3.2% to \$40.2 billion, over 1997.

In Nova Scotia 1998, annual new motor vehicle unit sales (unadjusted) increased +5.1% to 40,389 units over 1997. Sales value increased +8.8% to \$1.0 billion over 1997.

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Subject: Int'l Travel Dec'98

TRAVEL BETWEEN CANADA AND OTHER COUNTRIES 1998

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Current month

In Canada December 1998, Canadian same day car trips (seasonally adjusted) to the United States increased +2.7% to 2.2 million trips over November 1998. American same day car trips (seasonally adjusted) to Canada declined -0.9% to 2.4 million trips.

The number of Canadians (seasonally adjusted) travelling abroad (one or more nights) increased +1.5% to 1.5 million trips, over November 1998. Residents of other countries (seasonally adjusted) visiting Canada (one or more nights) declined -1.1% to 1.7 million trips, over November 1998.

Year-to-date

In Canada 1998, the number of same day car trips (unadjusted) by Canadians to the United States declined -18.3% to 28.4 million trips over 1997. The number of same day car trips by Americans (unadjusted) to Canada increased +7.2% to 27.1 million over 1997.

The number of Canadians (unadjusted) travelling abroad (one or more nights) declined -7.7% to 17.6 million over 1997. The number of residents of other countries (unadjusted) travelling (one or more nights) to Canada increased +6.8% to 18.9 million trips over 1997.

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Subject: Manufacturing Dec'98; Community Colledges 96/97

MONTHLY SURVEY OF MANUFACTURING December 1998
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 31-001-XPB

In Canada December 1998, seasonally adjusted manufacturer's **shipments** increased +1.4% to \$39.5 billion over November 1998, and increased +5.3% over December 1997. **Inventories** declined -1.3% to \$49.6 billion over November 1998, and increased +3.8% over December 1997. **Unfilled orders** declined -0.8% to \$48.6 billion over November 1998, and increased +14.7% over December 1997. **New orders** increased +1.1% to \$39.1 billion over November 1998, and increased +4.9% over December 1997. The inventories to shipments ratio declined to 1.26 from 1.29 in November 1998, and 1.28 in December 1997.

In Nova Scotia December 1998, seasonally adjusted manufacturer's shipments declined -4.7% to \$547 million over November 1998.

FINANCIAL STATISTICS OF COMMUNITY COLLEGES 1996/97

In Canada 1996/97 the total revenues (adjusted for inflation) of community colleges declined -5.5% to \$5.3 billion over 1995/96. Total expenditures declined -5.8% to \$5.4 billion.

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Date: 2/17/99 10:35AM
Subject: Migration 96/97; Demographics Oct'98

MIGRATION 1996- 97

In Nova Scotia 1996 - 97, international and interprovincial migration resulted in a total net gain of 1,090 compared with 1,650 in 1995 - 96.

In Halifax (CMA) migration resulted in a total net gain of 2,001 compared with 2,073 in 1995-96.

DEMOGRAPHIC STATISTICS October 1, 1996 to October 1, 1997 Statistics Canada Cat. No. 91-213-XPB

In Canada October 1, 1998 the total population was estimated to be 30,381,109 an increase of 607,965 (+2.0%) over October 1, 1997.

In Nova Scotia October 1, 1998 the total population was estimated to be 935,495 an increase of 2,856 (+0.3%) over October 1, 1996.

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Subject: CPI Jan'99; Farm Price Index 4q98; Hsld computer use '97; Natural Gas Dec'98

CONSUMER PRICE INDEX January 1999
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 62-001-XPB

also: <http://www.gov.ns.ca/fina/stats.div/brief/prices.htm>
<http://www.gov.ns.ca/fina/statisti/cpi/cpi1.htm>
<http://www.gov.ns.ca/fina/statisti/publish/pub20.htm>

In Canada January 1999, the consumer price index (1992=100) increased +0.2% to 108.2 over December 1998, and increased +0.6% over January 1998.

In Nova Scotia January 1999, the consumer price index (1992=100) declined -0.2% to 108.7 over December 1998, and declined -0.5% over January 1998.

FARM INPUT PRICE INDEX 4thQ 1998

In Canada 4th quarter 1998, the farm input price index (1986=100) increased +0.1% to 128.2 over the 3rd quarter 1998 and declined -1.4% over the 4th quarter 1997.

In eastern Canada 4th quarter 1998, the farm input price index increased +0.3% to 130.8 over the 3rd quarter 1998, and declined -2.9% over the 4th quarter 1997.

COMPUTER COMMUNICATIONS USED BY HOUSEHOLDS 1997
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 11-010-XPB

In Canada 1997, the percent of Canadian households that used computer communications (web browsers, e-mail) was 38.1%. At least 29.4% of households had one regular user.

Households with regular users, used computer communications one a day (61.0%), at least once a week (33.6%). Heavy users (20+ hours per month) account for 41.9% of all users, and light users (less than 10 hours per month) account for 28% of all users.

NATURAL GAS SALES Dec'98
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 55-002-XPB

In Canada December 1998, natural gas sales increased +6.4% to 7.5 billion cubic metres over December 1997. Year-to-date sales declined -4.2% to 64.5 billion cubic metres.

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Subject: Int'l Trade Dec'98; Wholesale Trade Dec'98

CANADIAN INTERNATIONAL MERCHANDISE TRADE December 1998
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 67-001-XPB

In Canada December 1998, merchandise **exports** (seasonally adjusted) declined -0.7% to \$28.3 billion over November 1998, and increased +6.9% over December 1997. Year-to-date exports increased +7.4% to \$323.4 billion over the same period last year.

In Canada December 1998, merchandise **imports** (seasonally adjusted) remained unchanged at \$26.8 billion over November 1998, and increased +7.3% over December 1997. Year-to-date imports increased +9.8% to \$304 billion over the same period last year.

In Canada December 1998, the merchandise **balance of trade** declined to \$1.6 billion from \$1.8 billion in November 1998. The year-to-date balance of trade declined to \$19.4 billion from \$24.3 billion in the same period last year.

In Nova Scotia November 1998, merchandise **exports** increased +2.3% to \$297.7 million over October 1998, and increased +7.3% over November 1997. Year-to-date exports increased +7.7% to \$3.1 billion over Jan-Nov 1997.

In Nova Scotia November 1998, merchandise **imports** declined -2.1% to \$436.6 million over October 1998, and declined -13.3% over November 1997. Year-to-date imports declined -0.9% to \$4.8 billion over Jan-Nov 1997.

WHOLESALE TRADE December 1998
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 63-008-XIB

In Canada December 1998, wholesale merchants' **sales** (seasonally adjusted) increased +1.3% to \$28.8 billion over November 1998, and remained unchanged over December 1997. Wholesale merchants' **inventories** increased +0.2% to \$41.1 billion over November 1998, and increased +6.1% over December 1997.

In Nova Scotia December 1998, wholesale merchants' **sales** (seasonally adjusted) increased +5.6% to \$549 million over November 1998, and increased +9.4% over December 1997.

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Subject: Nova Scotia Manufacturers Shipments Dec'98

MONTHLY SURVEY OF MANUFACTURING December 1998
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(supplement to DailyStats Feb. 16, 1999)

In Nova Scotia December 1998, the value of manufacturer's shipments declined -9.2% to \$526.6 million over November 1998, and increased +4.0% over December 1997. Year-to-date shipments increased +4.9% to \$6.5 billion over Jan-Dec 1997.

for details see:

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In Nova Scotia December 1998, the value of manufacturer's shipments declined -9.2% to \$526.6 million over November 1998, and increased +4.0% over December 1997. Year-to-date shipments increased +4.9% to \$6.5 billion over Jan-Dec 1997.

for details see:

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Subject: Retail Dec'98; Domestic Travel 3Q98; Livestock Stats Jan 1/99; Imports and Exports 4Q98

RETAIL TRADE December 1998
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In Canada December 1998, retail sales (seasonally adjusted declined -0.3% to \$20.8 billion over November 1998 and increased +0.1% over December 1997. Year-to-date retail sales increased +4.3% to \$247.4 billion over 1997.

In Nova Scotia December 1998, retail sales (seasonally adjusted) increased +0.2% to \$644 million over November 1998, and increased +2.1% over December 1997. Year-to-date retail sales increased +4.0% to \$7.6 billion over 1997.

DOMESTIC TRAVEL 3RD QUARTER 1998

In Canada 3rd quarter 1998, the number of domestic person-trips by Canadians increased +16.4% to 51.6 million trips, over the 3rd quarter 1997. Travelers spent \$6.5 billion and averaged 3.9 nights away from home.

In Nova Scotia 3rd quarter 1998, the number of domestic person-trips by Nova Scotians increased +13.4% to 2.3 million trips over the 3rd quarter 1997. Travelers spent \$290 million and averaged 4.9 nights away from home.

In Canada 3rd quarter 1998, tourism expenditures totaled \$6.5 billion (residents = \$4.7 billion; non-residents = \$1.8 billion).

In Nova Scotia 3rd quarter 1998, tourism expenditures totaled \$290 million (residents = \$155 million; non-residents = \$135 million).

LIVESTOCK STATISTICS January 1, 1999
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 23-603-UPE

In Canada January 1, 1999 the number of cattle declined to 12.8 million head from 13.1 million head on January 1, 1998; the number of hogs increased to 12.5 million head from 12.0 million head on January 1, 1998.

In Atlantic Canada January 1, 1999 the number of cattle declined to 308,000 head from 311,000 head on January 1, 1998; the number of hogs increased to 357,000 head from 346,000 head on January 1, 1998.

NOVA SCOTIA IMPORTS AND EXPORTS 4TH Quarter 1998
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 65C0003

In Nova Scotia 1998, international merchandise imports totaled \$5.1 billion and international merchandise exports totaled \$3.4 billion. For details see:

<http://www.gov.ns.ca/fina/statisti/bstat.htm>

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Subject: Int'l Trade in Securities Dec'98; Public/Private Investment '99

CANADA'S INTERNATIONAL TRANSACTIONS IN SECURITIES
DECEMBER 1998
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 67-002-XPB

In Canada December 1998, net foreign investment in Canadian securities was an inflow of \$3.1 billion. Year-to-date net foreign investment in Canadian securities was an inflow of \$24.2billion.

In Canada December 1998, net Canadian investment in foreign securities was an outflow of \$4.4 billion. Year-to-date net Canadian investment in foreign securities was an outflow of \$21.9 billion.

Note: Outflow indicates an outflow of money from Canada - either Canadians investing abroad, or foreigners withdrawing assets. Inflow indicates an inflow of money into Canada - either Canadians withdrawing assets from abroad or foreigners investing in Canada.

PRIVATE AND PUBLIC INVESTMENT INTENTIONS 1999
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 61-205-XIB

In Canada 1999, capital spending intentions of public and private organizations are expected to increase +0.2% to \$161.6 billion over 1998.

In Nova Scotia 1999, capital spending intentions of public and private organizations are expected to decline -3.3% to \$4.5 billion over 1998.

EMPLOYMENT INSURANCE December 1998

In Canada December 1998, the number of employment insurance beneficiaries receiving regular benefits declined -0.6% to 536,210 over November 1998.

In Nova Scotia December 1998, the number of employment insurance beneficiaries receiving regular benefits declined -6.9% to 28,640 over November 1998.

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Subject: Farm Cash Receipts '98; Hospital Utilization '96/97

FARM CASH RECEIPTS 1998
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In Canada 4th quarter 1998, farm cash receipts declined -2.7% to \$7.2 billion over the same period last year. Year-to-date farm cash receipts declined -2.1% to \$29.0 billion over 1997.

In Nova Scotia 4th quarter 1998, farm cash receipts increased +5.2% \$101 million over the same period last year. Year-to-date farm cash receipts increased +1.6% to #371 million over 1997.

HOSPITAL UTILIZATION 1996/97

In Canada 1996/97, the number of hospital discharges declined -4.6% to 3.2 million over 1995/96. The rate per 100,000 population declined -5.8% to 10,523 discharges.

In Nova Scotia 1996/97, the number of hospital discharges declined -5.8% to 109,237. The rate per 100,000 population declined -6.3% to 11,557 discharges.

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Subject: IPPI jan'99; RMPI jan'99; Composite Index Dec'98; Earnings Dec'98

INDUSTRIAL PRODUCT PRICE INDEX JANUARY 1999

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 62-011-XPB

In Canada January 1999, the industrial product price index (1992=100) declined -0.3% to 119.2 over December 1998, and declined -0.3% over January 1998.

RAW MATERIALS PRICE INDEX JANUARY 1999

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 62-011-XPB

In Canada January 1999, the raw materials price index (1992=100) increased +3.8% to 103.5 over December 1998, and declined -9.9% over January 1998.

COMPOSITE INDEX JANUARY 1999

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 11-010-XPB

In Canada January 1999, the composite leading indicator (1981=100) increased +0.4% to 210.1 over December 1998.

Six of ten indicators were positive. Business and personal services employment increased +0.9% to 2.3 million. The TSE 300 stock price index (1975=1000) increased +0.3% to 6247. The U.S. composite leading indicator (1967=100) increased +0.2% to 226.3. Average workweek in manufacturing increased +0.3% to 39.0 hours. New orders, durables increased +1.1% to \$16.0 billion (1981\$). Furniture and appliance sales increased +0.4% to \$1.4 billion (1981\$).

Three of ten indicators were negative. The housing index (1981=100) declined -0.6% to 124.5. The money supply (M1 1981\$) declined -0.6% to \$41.4 billion. Other durable goods retail sales declined -0.1% to \$4.6 billion (1981\$).

One indicator was unchanged - shipment/inventories of finished goods ratio at 1.59.

EMPLOYMENT, EARNINGS AND HOURS DECEMBER 1998

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 72-002-XPB

In Canada December 1998, average weekly earnings (seasonally adjusted) increased +0.1% to \$608.04 over November 1998, and increased +1.2% over December 1997. The number of employees increased +0.4% to 11.7 million over November 1998.

In Nova Scotia December 1998, average weekly earnings (seasonally adjusted) increased +1.0% to \$518.17 over November 1998, and +3.6% over December 1997. The number of employees increased +0.9% to 325,000 over November 1998.

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Subject: Financial Stats '98; Int'l Travel Acct '98; Large Retailers Dec'98

FINANCIAL STATISTICS ENTERPRISES 1998

Statistics Canada Cat No. 61-008-XPB

In Canada 4th quarter 1998 all industries operating profit increased +15.1% to \$28.7 billion over 3rd quarter 1998. Year-to-date operating profits declined -4.8% to \$105.3 billion over 1997.

INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL ACCOUNT 1998

In Canada 1998, the international travel deficit was \$1.9 billion. International travelers spent \$13.7 billion in Canada while Canadians spent \$15.6 billion abroad.

MONTHLY SURVEY OF LARGE RETAILERS Dec'98

In Canada December 1998, sales of large retailers increased +7.4% to \$8.4 billion over December 1997.

From: Doug McCann
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Subject: Nat'l Accts '98; Int'l Bal of Paym'ts '98; GDP by industry Dec'98; Lumber '98; Crude oil, Nat'l Gas

NATIONAL ECONOMIC AND FINANCIAL ACCOUNTS 1998
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 13-001-XPB

In Canada fourth quarter 1998, gross domestic product at market prices (1992\$) increased +1.1% to \$840.4 billion over the 3rd quarter 1998. Year-to-date GDP increased +3.0% over 1997.

CANADA'S BALANCE OF INTERNATIONAL PAYMENTS 1998

In Canada 4th quarter 1998, the current account deficit (seasonally adjusted) increased to \$5.2 billion from \$4.6 billion in 3rd quarter 1998. Year-to-date the current account deficit increased to \$18.4 billion compared with \$12.8 billion in 1997.

GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT BY INDUSTRY AT FACTOR COST
December 1998
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 15-001-XPB

In Canada December 1998, GDP at factor cost in 1992 prices (seasonally adjusted) increased +0.4% to \$727.5 billion over November 1998 and increased +2.1% over December 1997.

LUMBER SHIPMENTS 1998
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 35-001-XIB

In Canada 1998, lumber shipments declined -2.0% to 64.5 million cubic metres over 1997.

In Atlantic Canada 1998, lumber shipments increased +21.0% to 4.9 million cubic metres over 1997.

CRUDE OIL AND NATURAL GAS December 1998
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 26-006-XPB

In Canada December 1998, crude oil production declined -6.2% to 10.6 million cubic metres over December 1997. Year-to-date crude oil production increased +3.3% to 127.9 million cubic metres over 1997.

In Canada December 1998, natural gas production increased +1.6% to 14.3 billion cubic metres over December 1997. Year-to-date natural gas production increased +2.5% to 160.1 billion cubic metres over 1997.

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Subject: Performing Arts 96/97; Environment Ind. 96/97; Waste Mgmt '96

PERFORMING ARTS 1996-97

In Canada 1996-97, performing arts show attendance declined -12.8% to 13.2 million over 1994-95. Operating revenues increased +2.4% to \$418.7 million and operating expenses increased +2.2% to \$419.4 million, over 1994-95.

ENVIRONMENT INDUSTRY 1996-97

In Canada 1997, environmental goods and services increased to \$22 billion from \$21 billion in 1996. Exports of environmental goods and services were \$754 million in 1996. In 1997 imports of environmental goods and services increased to \$2.5 billion from \$2.1 billion in 1996.

WASTE MANAGEMENT: GOVERNMENT AND BUSINESS SECTORS 1996

In Canada 1996, governments and business disposal of municipal solid waste, construction and demolition waste declined -5% to 20.6 million tonnes over 1994. Per capita waste declined to 0.69 tonnes from 0.73 tonnes in 1994.

In Nova Scotia 1996, government and business disposal of municipal solid waste, construction and demolition waste was 553,638 tonnes. Per capita waste declined to 0.59 tonnes per capita from 0.76 tonnes in 1994.

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Subject: Farm Families '96; Refined petroleum sales Jan'99

FARM FAMILIES TOTAL INCOME 1996

In Canada 1996, farm families' total income increased +0.3% to \$56,788 over 1995. Net farm operating income declined -4.1% to \$17,658 and total off-farm income increased +2.4% to \$39,131.

DOMESTIC SALES OF REFINED PETROLEUM PRODUCTS Jan. 1999
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 45-004-XPB

In Canada January 1999, sales of refined petroleum products declined -0.9% to 7.5 million cubic metres.

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Subject: Public Sector Employment '98

PUBLIC SECTOR EMPLOYMENT 1998
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 72-209-XPB

In Canada 1998, total public sector employment declined -0.6% to 2.8 million employees, over 1997. Remuneration increased +0.6% to \$101.6 billion over 1997.

In Nova Scotia 1998, total public sector employment declined -1.4% to 105,490 employees, over 1997. Remuneration increased +0.7% to \$3.4 billion over 1997.

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Subject: Building Permits Jan'99; Industrial Capacity 4Q98; Illicit Drugs '97; Marine Carriers '97

BUILDING PERMITS January 1999
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In Canada January 1999, the value of building permits (seasonally adjusted) declined -2.9% to \$2.7 billion over December 1998, and increased +7.1% over January 1998.

In Nova Scotia January 1999, the value of building permits (seasonally adjusted) increased +14.3% to \$72.5 million over December 1998, and increased +134.3% over January 1998.

INDUSTRIAL CAPACITY UTILIZATION RATES 4thQ 1998

In Canada 4th quarter 1998, industrial capacity utilization rates in non-farm goods-producing industries increased +0.7% to 82.5% over the 3rd quarter 1998. On an annual basis the industrial capacity utilization rate declined -0.6% to 82.6% over 1997.

ILLICIT DRUGS AND CRIME 1997
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 85-002-XPE, Vol.18 No.15.

In Canada 1997 the number of drug offenses increased to 66,521 from 65,729 in 1996. In both years this represents 222 offenses per 100,000 population.

In 1997, cannabis offenses account for 72% of all drug crimes, compared with 58% in 1991. Cocaine offenses have declined to 17% of all cases in 1997 from 28% in 1991.

ANNUAL SURVEY OF CANADIAN-DOMICILED MARINE CARRIERS 1997
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 50-002-XIB

In Canada 1997, for-hire marine carriers (145) reported revenues of \$2.0 billion and a profit of \$123 million.

From: Doug McCann
To: dailystats
Date: 3/10/99 9:58AM
Subject: Help-wanted Index Feb'99; Housing Price Index Jan'99

HELP-WANTED INDEX February 1999
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 71-540-XIE

In Canada February 1999, the help-wanted index (1996=100, seasonally adjusted and smoothed) increased +0.7% to 136 over January 1999, and increased +8.8% over February 1998.

In Nova Scotia February 1999, the help-wanted index (1996=100, seasonally adjusted and smoothed) remained unchanged at 133 over January 1999, and increased +18.0% over February 1998.

NEW HOUSING PRICE INDEX January 1999
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 62-007-XPB

In Canada January 1999, the new housing price index (1992=100) remained unchanged at 100.3 over December 1998, and increased +0.5% over January 1998.

In Halifax January 1999, the new housing price index (1992=100) increased +1.6% to 110.1 over December 1998, and increased +3.0% over January 1998.

From: Doug McCann
To: dailystats
Date: 3/11/99 10:10AM
Subject: Young Adults '96

YOUNG ADULTS LIVING AT HOME 1996
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 11-008-XPE, Spring 1999

In Canada 1996, the number of young adults living at home increased to 57% from 43% in 1981.

In 1996, the number of women aged 20 to 34 living at home increased to 23% from 16% in 1981. The number of men aged 20 to 34 living at home increased to 33% from 26% in 1981.

From: Doug McCann
To: dailystats
Date: 3/12/99 9:32AM
Subject: Labour Force Feb'99

LABOUR FORCE SURVEY February 1999
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 71-001-PPB

also see

<http://www.gov.ns.ca/fina/publish/pub19.htm>
<http://www.gov.ns.ca/fina/stats.div/brief/employ.htm>
<http://www.gov.ns.ca/fina/statisti/emp/empl1.htm>

Seasonally Adjusted
(month over month)

In Canada February 1999 labour force increased +0.1% to 15.9 million, employment increased +0.1% to 14.7 million, unemployment increased +0.1% to 1.2 million, and the unemployment rate remained unchanged at 7.8% over January 1999.

In Nova Scotia February 1999 labour force increased +0.6% to 457,200, employment remained unchanged at 409,100, unemployment increased +5.7% to 48,100 and the unemployment rate increased +0.5% to 10.5% over January 1999.

Unadjusted
(year over year)

In Canada February 1999 labour force increased +2.4% to 15.6 million, employment increased +3.4% to 14.3 million, unemployment declined -6.8% to 1.3 million, and the unemployment rate declined -0.8 percentage points to 8.5% over February 1998.

In Nova Scotia February 1999 labour force increased +0.2% to 442,400, employment increased +0.3% to 392,800, unemployment declined -0.6% to 49,600 and the unemployment rate declined -0.1 percentage points to 11.2% over February 1998.

From: Doug McCann
To: dailystats
Date: 3/22/99 9:27AM
Subject: Short Term Expectations Feb'99

SHORT TERM EXPECTATIONS

Every month Statistics Canada canvasses a group of economic analysts for forecasts of key economic indicators. Results attached.

The forecast for April 1999;

Consumer Price Index percentage increase (yr/yr) is	+0.9%
Unemployment rate seasonally adjusted	7.9%
Labour force participation seasonally adjusted	65.7%

The forecast for March 1999

Exports (\$billions)	\$28.2
Imports (\$billions)	\$26.5

The forecast for February 1999

GDP at FC \$1992 (mth/mth) percent increase	+0.1%
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In January the survey results forecast CPI to increase +1.1% while the actual was +0.6%; the unemployment rate was forecast to be 8.3%, and the actual was 7.8%; labour force participation rate was forecast to be 65.1%, while the actual was 65.8%.

In December the survey results forecast exports to be \$27.1 billion, while the actual was \$28.3 billion; imports were forecast to be \$25.5 billion, while the actual was \$26.8 billion; and GDP was forecast to increase +0.2%, while the actual was +0.4%.

	INDICATORS INDICATEURS	YEAR / MONTH ANNEE / MOIS	MEAN / MOYENNE			MIN.	MAX.	ACTUAL DATA CHIFFRE RÉEL
			original version	1st revision	2nd revision			
im	Consumer Price Index Indices des prix à la consommation % year/year	97/07	1.8	-	-	1.7	1.9	1.7
300		97/08	1.8	-	-	1.7	2.0	1.9
		97/09	1.8	-	-	1.7	2.0	1.6
		97/10	1.6	-	-	1.5	1.8	1.5
		97/11	1.5	-	-	1.2	1.7	0.8
		97/12	1.1	-	-	0.9	1.4	0.7
		98/01	0.8	-	-	0.5	1.1	1.1
		98/02	1.0	-	-	0.8	1.3	1.0
		98/03	-	-	-	-	-	0.9
		98/04	1.0	-	-	0.7	1.2	0.8
		98/05	0.9	-	-	0.7	1.0	1.1
		98/06	1.1	-	-	1.0	1.2	1.0
		98/07	1.2	1.1	-	1.0	1.5	1.0
		98/08	1.2	1.2	1.1	0.9	1.2	0.8
		98/09	1.2	1.1	0.9	0.6	1.0	0.7
		98/10	1.1	1.0	0.8	0.6	1.0	1.0
		98/11	1.1	0.9	1.1	0.8	1.3	1.2
		98/12	1.0	1.2	1.3	1.1	1.5	1.0
		99/01	1.1	1.2	1.0	0.6	1.1	0.6
		99/02	1.2	1.1	0.7	0.5	1.0	
	99/03	1.1	0.8		0.4	1.0		
	99/04	0.9			0.4	1.2		
im	Unemployment Chômage % (S.A.)	97/07	9.1	-	-	8.9	9.4	9.0
745		97/08	9.1	-	-	8.9	9.5	9.0
		97/09	9.0	-	-	8.8	9.2	8.9
		97/10	9.0	-	-	8.8	9.4	9.1
		97/11	9.0	-	-	8.9	9.3	8.9
		97/12	9.0	-	-	8.8	9.2	8.5
		98/01	8.8	-	-	8.5	9.3	8.8
		98/02	8.8	-	-	8.4	9.0	8.6
		98/03	-	-	-	-	-	8.4
		98/04	8.5	-	-	8.3	8.6	8.4
		98/05	8.4	-	-	8.2	8.6	8.4
		98/06	8.4	-	-	8.2	8.6	8.4
		98/07	8.4	8.4	-	8.2	8.5	8.4
		98/08	8.3	8.4	8.4	8.2	8.7	8.3
		98/09	8.4	8.4	8.4	8.3	8.5	8.3
		98/10	8.5	8.4	8.4	8.3	9.1	8.0
		98/11	8.5	8.5	8.2	8.0	8.5	8.0
		98/12	8.5	8.2	8.0	7.8	8.5	8.0
		99/01	8.3	8.3	8.1	7.9	8.2	7.8
		99/02	8.3	8.1	7.7	6.4	8.0	
	99/03	8.1	7.9		7.6	8.2		
	99/04	7.9			7.6	8.4		
im	Labour Force participation rate Taux de participation - population active % (S.A.)	97/12	65.0	-	-	64.8	65.0	64.7
778		98/01	64.8	-	-	64.4	64.9	64.9
		98/02	64.9	-	-	64.8	65.0	65.0
		98/03	-	-	-	-	-	64.9
		98/04	65.0	-	-	64.9	65.1	65.1
		98/05	65.2	-	-	65.0	65.3	65.1
		98/06	65.1	-	-	65.0	65.3	64.9
		98/07	65.1	65.0	-	64.8	65.2	65.0
		98/08	65.1	65.0	65.0	64.9	65.1	65.1
		98/09	65.0	65.0	64.9	64.8	65.0	65.2
		98/10	64.9	64.9	65.1	64.6	65.4	65.3
		98/11	64.9	65.1	65.2	65.0	65.6	65.5
		98/12	65.0	65.2	65.5	65.0	65.8	65.6
		99/01	65.1	65.4	65.6	65.4	65.7	65.8
		99/02	65.3	65.6	65.7	65.0	66.0	
		99/03	65.5	65.7		64.9	66.1	
	99/04	65.7			64.8	66.2		

		MOIS	original version	1st revision	2nd revision			1st release 1er version	Latest revision Dernière révision
im	Exports	97/11	25.2	-	-	24.8	25.5	25.6	26.0
	Exportations	97/12	25.6	-	-	25.0	26.1	26.7	26.5
449	billions \$	98/01	26.6	-	-	25.9	27.2	25.8	25.7
		98/02	-	-	-	-	-	26.4	26.5
		98/03	26.5	-	-	25.3	26.8	25.9	26.3
		98/04	25.9	-	-	25.0	26.5	26.0	26.6
		98/05	26.0	-	-	25.3	26.6	26.1	26.4
		98/06	25.9	26.0	-	25.5	26.5	26.0	25.6
		98/07	26.0	26.1	26.2	25.7	27.0	25.6	25.9
		98/08	26.2	26.6	25.6	25.1	26.1	27.4	27.7
		98/09	26.7	25.7	27.1	26.0	28.0	27.2	27.3
		98/10	25.7	27.0	27.1	26.5	27.6	28.5	28.5
		98/11	26.9	27.2	28.2	27.0	29.0	28.4	28.5
		98/12	27.1	28.2	28.0	26.0	28.9	28.3	
		99/01	28.0	27.9	28.2	27.8	28.6		
		99/02	27.9	28.2		27.5	29.0		
		99/03	28.2			27.0	29.2		
									Real Surplus
im	Imports	97/11	24.5	-	-	24.0	25.0	24.5	24.3
	Importations	97/12	24.7	-	-	24.3	25.0	25.0	25.0
390	billions \$	98/01	25.0	-	-	24.5	25.6	24.1	24.2
		98/02	-	-	-	-	-	24.5	24.6
		98/03	24.7	-	-	24.2	25.0	24.3	24.2
		98/04	24.4	-	-	24.0	24.8	24.8	25.1
		98/05	25.0	-	-	24.3	26.5	24.5	25.0
		98/06	25.0	24.5	-	24.0	24.8	24.5	24.6
		98/07	25.1	24.1	24.4	24.0	24.9	24.1	24.1
		98/08	24.3	24.5	24.3	24.0	24.8	25.3	25.8
		98/09	24.4	24.3	25.1	24.0	25.6	25.6	25.9
		98/10	24.3	25.1	25.4	24.9	25.9	26.5	26.9
		98/11	25.0	25.4	26.3	25.0	27.1	26.5	26.8
		98/12	25.5	26.4	26.2	25.0	27.0	26.8	
		99/01	26.3	26.2	26.6	26.0	27.0		
		99/02	26.2	26.6		26.0	27.2		
		99/03	26.5			25.6	27.4		
im	Gross Domestic Product (at factor cost by industry)	97/11	0.3	-	-	-0.1	0.5	-0.3	-0.1
1	Produit intérieur brut (au coût des facteurs par industrie)	97/12	0.3	-	-	-0.2	0.5	1.1	1.1
	(S.A.) constant 1992 \$	98/01	0.1	-	-	-1.0	0.5	-0.8	-0.7
	% month/month)	98/02	0.4	-	-	0.1	0.6	1.1	0.9
		98/03	0.4	-	-	0.1	0.8	0.5	0.3
		98/04	0.5	0.4	-	0.1	0.8	0.0	0.0
		98/05	0.2	0.2	-	-0.2	0.5	-0.2	-0.2
		98/06	0.3	0.1	0.0	-0.4	0.2	-0.1	0.1
		98/07	0.2	0.1	0.1	-0.2	0.3	-0.3	
		98/08	0.5	0.2	0.1	-0.1	0.6	0.7	
		98/09	0.1	0.0	0.3	-0.2	0.5	0.1	
		98/10	0.1	0.2	0.3	-0.2	0.6	0.2	
		98/11	0.1	0.1	0.1	-0.3	0.3	0.4	
		98/12	0.2	0.2	0.2	-0.2	0.6	0.4	
		99/01	0.1	0.2		-0.2	0.4		
		99/02	0.1			-0.1	0.4		

From: Doug McCann
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Date: 3/22/99 10:08AM
Subject: Retail Trade Jan'99; Natural gas Jen'99

RETAIL TRADE January 1999
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 63-005-XPB

In Canada January 1999, retail trade (seasonally adjusted) increased +1.7% to \$21.2 billion over December 1998, and increased +5.1% over January 1998.

In Nova Scotia January 1999, retail trade (seasonally adjusted) increased +3.3% to \$668 million, over December 1998, and increased + 7.6% over January 1998.

NATURAL GAS SALES January 1999
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 55-002-XPB

In Canada January 1999, Natural gas sales increased +4.7% to 8.6 billion cubic metres over January 1998.

From: Doug McCann
To: dailystats
Date: 3/23/99 10:18AM
Subject: Productivity '97

MULTIFACTOR PRODUCTIVITY 1997

In Canada 1997, multifactor productivity* in the Canadian business sector increased +2.9%. In the same period labour productivity** increased +2.9%, and real GDP increased +5.2%.

**A measure of technical efficiency of production. Its growth rate is the difference between growth of output produced (real valued added) and the weighted growth of the quantity of primary inputs used.*

*** Real GDP per hour worked or, the ratio between output and labour input (hours worked).*

From: Doug McCann
To: dailystats
Date: 3/24/99 12:22PM
Subject: Int'l Trade Securities Jan'99; Composite Index Feb'99; Emp Ins Jan'99

CANADA'S INTERNATIONAL TRANSACTIONS IN SECURITIES

January 1999

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 67-002-XPB

In Canada January 1999, net foreign investment in Canadian securities was an outflow of \$6.0 billion.

In Canada January 1999, net Canadian investment in foreign securities was an outflow of \$2.6 billion.

Note: Outflow indicates an outflow of money from Canada - either Canadians investing abroad, or foreigners withdrawing assets. Inflow indicates an inflow of money into Canada - either Canadians withdrawing assets from abroad or foreigners investing in Canada.

COMPOSITE INDEX February 1999

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 11-010-XPB

In Canada February 1999, the composite leading indicator (1981=100) increased +0.5% to 211.1 over January 1999.

Eight of ten indexes were positive. The housing index (1981=100) increased +0.2% to 124.9. Business and personal services employment increased +0.7% to 2.4 million. The TSE 300 stock price index (1975=1000) increased +0.3% to 6,265. The US composite leading indicator (1967=100) increased +0.2% to 226.8. The average workweek (manufacturing) increased +0.3% to 39.0 hours. New orders, durables (1981\$) increased +0.9% to \$16.2 billion. The shipments to inventories of finished goods ratio increased from 1.60 to 1.62. Furniture and appliances sales (1981\$) increased +0.6% to \$1.4 billion.

One of ten indexes was negative. The money supply (M1 1981\$) declined -0.5% to \$41.2billion.

One of ten indexes was unchanged. Other durable goods sales (1981\$) remained unchanged at \$4.6 billion.

EMPLOYMENT INSURANCE January 1999

In Canada January 1999, the number of beneficiaries receiving regular benefits declined -3.0% to 519,980 over December 1998.

In Nova Scotia January 1999, the number of beneficiaries receiving regular benefits remained unchanged at 28,640 over December 1998.

From: Doug McCann
To: dailystats
Date: 3/25/99 11:36AM
Subject: Youth Crime '97/98; Emp, Earns, Hrs Jan'99; Low Income '93 to '96

YOUTH COURT STATISTICS 1997/98
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 85-522-XPB

In Canada 1997/98, youth court case rates (per 10,000 youths) increased +1% to 453 cases, over 1996/97. Case rates have declined -9% over 1992/93.

In Nova Scotia 1997/98, youth court case rates (per 10,000 youths) declined -3% to 453 cases, over 1996/97.

EMPLOYMENT EARNINGS AND HOURS January 1999
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 72-002-XPB

In Canada January 1999, average weekly earnings (seasonally adjusted) declined -0.6% to \$605.24 over December 1998, and declined -0.2% over January 1998.

In Canada January 1999, employment (seasonally adjusted) increased +0.2% to 11,731,000 over December 1998.

In Nova Scotia January 1999, average weekly earnings (seasonally adjusted) declined -1.4% to \$512.10 over December 1998, and increased +2.7% over January 1998.

In Nova Scotia January 1999, employment (seasonally adjusted) increased +0.6% to 326,000 over December 1998.

SURVEY OF LABOUR AND INCOME DYNAMICS
ENCOUNTERING LOW INCOME 1993 to 1996
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 75F0002MIE

In Canada 1993 to 1996, 20.6% of individuals aged 16+ experienced at least one year of low income. Individuals were considered to have low income if disposable family income was below Statistics Canada's after-tax low income cut-offs (LICOs).

Documents available on internet at:

<http://www.statcan.ca/english/research/75F0002MIE/free.htm>

<http://www.statcan.ca/english/concepts/poverty/pauv.htm>

From: Doug McCann
To: dailystats
Date: 3/26/99 11:16AM
Subject: IPPI Feb'99; RMPI Feb'99; Crude Oil/Natural Gas Jan'99; Air Travel '97

INDUSTRIAL PRODUCT PRICE INDEX February 1999

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 62-011-XPB

In Canada February 1999, the IPPI (1992=100) declined -0.4% to 118.8 over January 1999, and declined -0.5% over February 1998.

RAW MATERIALS PRICE INDEX February 1999

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 62-011-XPB

In Canada February 1999, the RMPI (1992=100) declined -1.8% to 101.5 over January 1999, and declined -10.3% over February 1998.

CRUDE OIL AND NATURAL GAS January 1999

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 26-006-XPB

In Canada January 1999, crude oil production declined -5.2% to 10.2 million cubic metres over January 1998.

In Canada January 1998, natural gas production (marketable) declined -0.1% to 14.6 billion cubic metres over January 1998.

AIR TRAVEL 1997

In Canada 1997, air travel between Canada and the United States increased +4.2% to 14 million scheduled and chartered passenger flights over 1996. Domestic flights within Canada was unchanged at 14.2 million passenger flights.

From: Doug McCann
To: dailystats
Date: 3/29/99 11:08AM
Subject: Tourism 4Q98; Sex Offenders '97; Aquaculture '97

NATIONAL TOURISM INDICATORS 4th QUARTER 1998

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 13-009-XPB

In Canada 4th quarter 1998, tourism expenditures (unadjusted) increased +7.0% to \$9.3 billion over the same period last year. Spending by Canadians on tourism in Canada increased +5.3% to \$6.9 billion over the 4th quarter 1997. Expenditures by non-residents increased +12.4% to \$2.4 billion over the same quarter last year.

In Canada 4th quarter 1998, tourism expenditures (seasonally adjusted) increased 5.6% to \$12.0 billion over the 3rd quarter 1998. Year-to-date tourism expenditures increased +7.0% to \$47.0 billion (\$14.2 billion by non-residents; \$32.8 billion by Canadians), over 1997.

SEX OFFENDERS 1997

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 85-002-XPE

In Canada 1997, the number of sexual offenses reported to police increased to 30,735 from 30,369 in 1996. The rate increased to 101.5 per 100,000 population from 101.4 in 1996.

In Nova Scotia 1997, the rate of sexual offenses reported to police was 113 per 100,000 population.

AQUACULTURE FINANCIAL STATISTICS 1997

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 21-603-UPE

Unified Enterprise Survey

In Canada 1997 revenues from fish farming were about \$460 million. Fish farming expenses incurred were \$461 million (cost of materials = \$125 million; salaries = \$75 million; processing services = \$34 million; interest charges = \$11 million; operating expenses = \$216 million). Aquaculture production increased +23% to 87,200 tonnes over 1996.

From: Doug McCann
To: dailystats
Date: 3/30/99 9:50AM
Subject: Int'l Investment '98

CANADA'S INTERNATIONAL INVESTMENT POSITION 1998

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 67-202-XPB

In 1998, Canada's net international investment liability declined to \$323.6 billion (36% of GDP) from \$325.0 billion in 1997. Total external assets increased to \$647.2 billion from \$569.4 a year earlier, and total external liabilities increased to \$970.8 billion from \$894.4 billion in 1997.

From: Doug McCann
To: dailystats
Date: 3/31/99 10:34AM
Subject: GDP Jan'99; Refined Petroleum Feb'99; Population 4Q98; Coal Jan'99

GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT BY INDUSTRY AT FACTOR COST

January 1999

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 15-001-XPB

In Canada January 1999, GDP at factor cost, seasonally adjusted (\$1992) increased +0.2% to \$730.1 billion (annual rate) over December 1998, and increased +3.1% over January 1998.

DOMESTIC SALES OF REFINED PETROLEUM PRODUCTS FEB 1999

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 45-004-XPB

In Canada February 1999, sales of refined petroleum products increased +0.3% to 7.1 million cubic metres over February 1998. Year-to-dates sales increased +1.0% to 14.7 million cubic metres over Jan-Feb 1998.

DEMOGRAPHIC STATISTICS OCTOBER-DECEMBER 1998

Statistics Canada Cat. NO. 91-002-XIB

In the 4th quarter 1998, Canada's estimated population increased +0.9% (annual rate) to 30.4 million over the same period last year.

In the 4th quarter 1998, Nova Scotia's estimated population increased +0.1% (annual rate) to 935,583 over the same period last year.

COAL AND COKE STATISTICS January 1999

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 45-002-XPB

In Canada January 1999, coal production declined -4.9% to 6,0457 kilotonnes over January 1998.

From: Doug McCann
To: dailystats
Date: 4/1/99 10:30AM
Subject: Nat'l Balance Sheet Accts '98; Labour Income Jan'99; Farm Statistics '97

NATIONAL BALANCE SHEET ACCOUNTS 1998
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 13-214-PPB

In Canada 1998, the national net worth increased +3.6% to \$2.8 trillion over 1997. The national net worth per capita increased +2.6% to \$90,900 over 1997.

ESTIMATES OF LABOUR INCOME January 1999
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 13F0016XPB

In Canada January 1999, labour income (seasonally adjusted) declined -0.2% to \$39.3 billion over December 1998.

FARM TAXATION STATISTICS 1997

In Canada 1997, average operating revenues per farm increased +4.3% to \$149,550 over 1996. Average operating expenses increased +5.1% to \$125,480 over the previous year.

The average operating revenues of poultry farms increased +12.4% to \$504,477. Average operating expenses increased +10.9% to \$447,186 over 1996.

From: Doug McCann
To: dailystats
Date: 4/6/99 10:03AM
Subject: Prison Population '97/98

PRISON POPULATION AND COSTS 1997/98
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 85-002-XIE

In Canada 1997/98 the average daily prison (federal, provincial) population declined -3.3% to 32,970 adults over 1996/97. The number of offenders placed in custody declined -6.2% to 218,526 over 1996/97. The number of adult offenders sentenced to community supervision (probation, parole, statutory release) increased +17.0% to 108,828 over the previous year. Total operational costs for adult correctional services increased to \$2.08 billion from \$1.97 billion in 1996/97.

From: Doug McCann
To: dailystats
Date: 4/7/99 10:05AM
Subject: Help-wanted Index Mar'99

HELP-WANTED INDEX MARCH 1999

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In Nova Scotia March 1999, the help-wanted index declined -1.3% to 134 over February 1999, and increased +15.7 over March 1998.

From: Doug McCann
To: dailystats
Date: 4/7/99 11:25AM
Subject: Short Term Expectations Mar'99

SHORT TERM EXPECTATIONS

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Imports (\$billions)	\$26.5

The forecast for March 1999

GDP at FC \$1992 (mth/mth) percent increase	+0.3%
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In February the survey results forecast CPI to increase +1.2% while the actual was +0.8%; the unemployment rate was forecast to be 8.3%, and the actual was 7.8%; labour force participation rate was forecast to be 65.3%, while the actual was 65.8%.

In January the survey results forecast exports to be \$28.0 billion, while the actual was \$28.9 billion; imports were forecast to be \$26.3 billion, while the actual was \$26.2 billion; and GDP was forecast to increase +0.1%, while the actual was +0.2%.

From: Doug McCann
To: dailystats
Date: 4/8/99 1:10PM
Subject: Building Permits Feb'99; Standard Classifications

BUILDING PERMITS February 1999
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 64-001-XIB

In Canada February 1999, the value of building permits (seasonally adjusted) declined -3.4% to \$2.6 billion over January 1999, and declined -6.8% over February 1998.

In Nova Scotia February 1999, the value of building permits (seasonally adjusted) declined -2.8% to \$72.5 million over January 1999, and increased +54.1% over February 1998.

INITIATIVE TO CREATE A PRODUCT CLASSIFICATION SYSTEM

http://www.statcan.ca/english/Subjects/Standard/standard_classifications.htm

Statistics Canada is proposing the development of a Product Classifications system, in cooperation with the Economic Classification Policy Committee (ECPC) composed of representatives of the U.S. Bureau of the Census (USBC), the Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS) and the Bureau of Economic Analysis (BEA), acting on behalf of the Office of Management and Budget of the United States and the Instituto Nacional de Estadística, Geografía e Informática (INEGI) of Mexico.

The objective of the initiative is to improve the comparability of Canadian services product data with that of Mexico and the United States and to develop a demand-based product classification system, that is, one that groups products that are used together, are substitutes for one another or supply the same market. Product data, so grouped are required for many purposes and are useful for the analysis of market share, import competition and similar studies.

From: Doug McCann
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Date: 4/9/99 10:26AM
Subject: Labour Force Mar'99

LABOUR FORCE SURVEY March 1999
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 71-001-PPB

also see

<http://www.gov.ns.ca/fina/publish/pub19.htm>
<http://www.gov.ns.ca/fina/stats.div/brief/employ.htm>
<http://www.gov.ns.ca/fina/statisti/emp/empl1.htm>

Finance IntraNet users see

<http://iweb.gov.ns.ca/fina/statisti/library.htm>

Seasonally Adjusted
(month over month)

In Canada March 1999 labour force decreased -0.2% to 15.9 million, employment declined -0.2% to 14.7 million, unemployment declined -0.5% to 1.2 million, and the unemployment rate remained unchanged at 7.8% over February 1999.

In Nova Scotia March 1999 labour force declined -0.4% to 455,400, employment declined -0.1 to 408,500, unemployment declined -2.5% to 46,900 and the unemployment rate declined -0.2% to 10.3% over February 1999.

Unadjusted
(year over year)

In Canada March 1999 labour force increased +2.2% to 15.6 million, employment increased +2.9% to 14.3 million, unemployment declined -6.8% to 1.3 million, and the unemployment rate declined -0.7 percentage points to 8.5% over March 1998.

In Nova Scotia March 1999 labour force increased +1.7% to 446,200, employment increased + 1.3% to 393,300, unemployment increased +4.8% to 42,900 and the unemployment rate increased +0.4 percentage points to 11.9% over March 1998.

From: Doug McCann
To: dailystats
Date: 4/12/99 10:35AM
Subject: Housing Price Index Feb'99; Large Retailers Jan'99; Dept Store Sales Feb'99

NEW HOUSING PRICE INDEX February 1999
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 62-007-XPB

In Canada February 1999, the new housing price index (1992=100) remained unchanged at 100.3 over January 1999, and increased +0.5% over February 1998.

In Halifax February 1999, the new housing price index (1992=100) remained unchanged at 110.1 over January 1999, and increased +3.0% over February 1998.

MONTHLY SURVEY OF LARGE RETAILERS January 1999

In Canada January 1999, sales by the group of large retailers (unadjusted) increased +6.4% to \$5.1 billion over January 1999.

DEPARTMENT STORE SALES February 1999

In Canada February 1999, department store sales including concessions (unadjusted) increased +4.3% to \$988.2 million over February 1998. Year-to-date sales increased +5.8% to \$1.98 billion over the same period last year.

In Nova Scotia February 1999, department store sales (unadjusted) including concessions increased +1.5% to \$27.7 million over February 1998. Year-to-date sales increased +4.8% to \$55.9 million over the same period last year.

Monthly Survey of Large Retailers - The Panel**The Food Retailers**

Agora Food Merchants Inc.
Atlantic Wholesalers Ltd.
Buy Low Foods Ltd.
Canada Safeway Limited
E.U.M.R. Inc.
Horne & Pitfield Inc.
Hudon & Deaudelin Ltée.
Loblaws Supermarkets Limited
Loeb Inc. (including franchises)
Overwaitea Food Group & Division of Great Pacific Industries
Provigo Distribution Inc. (including franchises)
Sobeys Inc.
The Great Atlantic & Pacific Company of Canada, Ltd.
Westfair Foods Ltd.
Zehrmart Inc.

The Department Stores (including concessions)

Sears Canada Inc.
Hudson's Bay Co.
The T. Eaton Co. Canada Ltd.
Wal-Mart Canada Inc.
Zellers Inc.

The Other Non-Food Retailers

58133 Ontario Limited (Biway)
668824 Alberta Limited (Visions: The Big Name in Electronics)
A & B Sound Limited
A & P Drug Mart Ltd.
Agora Food Merchants Inc. (Western Cellars)
Aventure Electronique Inc.
Boutique Au Coton Inc. B.A.C.
Boutique Jacob Inc.
Boutique Marie Claire Inc.
Brault et Martineau Inc.
Canadian Tire Corporation, Limited
Château Stores of Canada Ltd.
Club Monaco Inc.
Colonial Furniture Inc.
Comark Inc.
Costco Wholesale Corp.
Cotton Ginny Limited
Dylex Limited
Eddie Bauer of Canada Inc.
Future Shop Ltd.
Gap (Canada) Inc.
Grafton - Fraser Inc.
Great Pacific Industries Inc. (Overwaitea Gas Division)
Harry Rosen Inc.
Holt Renfrew & Co. Ltd.
Ikea Canada Limited Partnership
International Clothiers Inc.
Intertan Canada Ltd. (Radio Shack Division)
La Senza Inc.
Levi's Shops (PVA) Inc.

Sears Canada Inc.
Shirmax Retail Ltd.
Sony Of Canada Ltd.
Sport-Chek International Ltd.
Sports Experts Inc.
Suzy Shier Inc.
Tabi International Limited
Talbots (Canada) Inc.
The Brick Warehouse Corporation
The Forzani Group Ltd.
The Sports Authority Canada Inc.
Thrifty's Riding And Sports Limited
Venator Group of Canada Inc.
Westfair Foods Ltd. (Gas Division)
Winners Apparel Ltd.
YM Inc. (Sales)

Enquête mensuelle sur les détaillants majeurs - Liste des détaillants**Les magasins d'alimentation**

Agora Food Merchants Inc.
Atlantic Wholesalers Ltd.
Buy Low Foods Ltd.
Canada Safeway Limited
E.U.M.R. Inc.
Horne & Pitfield Inc.
Hudon & Deaudelin Ltée.
Loblaws Supermarkets Limited
Loeb Inc. (including franchises)
Overwaitea Food Group & Division of Great Pacific Industries
Provigo Distribution Inc. (including franchises)
Sobeys Inc.
The Great Atlantic & Pacific Company of Canada, Ltd.
Westfair Foods Ltd.
Zehrmart Inc.

Les grands magasins

Sears Canada Inc.
Hudson's Bay Co.
The T. Eaton Co. Canada Ltd.
Wal-Mart Canada Inc.
Zellers Inc.

Les magasins autres qu'alimentaires

58133 Ontario Limited (Biway)
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A & B Sound Limited
A & P Drug Mart Ltd.
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Great Pacific Industries Inc. (Overwaitea Gas Division)
Harry Rosen Inc.
Holt Renfrew & Co. Ltd.

Marks & Spencer Canada Inc.
Mark's Work Wearhouse Ltd.
Moore's The Suit People Inc.
Nigel Hogarth Holdings Ltd.
Nygard International Ltd.
Pharma Plus Drugmarts Ltd.
Price Costco Canada Inc.
Reitmans (Canada) Inc.
Roots Canada Ltd.
SAAN Stores Limited
Sears Canada Inc.
Shirmax Retail Ltd.
Sony Of Canada Ltd.
Sport-Chek International Ltd.
Sports Experts Inc.
Suzy Shier Inc.
Tabi International Limited
Talbots (Canada) Inc.
The Brick Warehouse Corporation
The Forzani Group Ltd.
The Sports Authority Canada Inc.
Thrifty's Riding And Sports Limited
Westfair Foods Ltd. (Gas Division)
Winners Apparel Ltd.
Woolworth Canada Inc.
YM Inc. (Sales)

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Subject: Family Income '97;

FAMILY INCOMES 1997
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 13-207-XPB, 13-569-XIB
<http://www.statcan.ca/english/Pgdb/People/famili.htm#inc>

In Canada 1997, average family income before taxes declined -0.7% to \$57,146 from \$57,544 in 1996, and a decline of -4.5% from the pre-recession peak of \$59,862 in 1989.

In Canada 1997, the estimated number of low-income persons declined -1.4% to 5,222,000 persons, over 1996. The low-income rate declined to 17.5% from 17.9% in 1996.

From: Doug McCann
To: dailystats
Date: 4/15/99 12:23PM
Subject: Service Indicators 4Q98

SERVICE INDICATORS 4th QUARTER 1998
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 63-016-XPB

In Canada 4th quarter 1998, real GDP (seasonally adjusted and annualized) in the services sector increased +0.9% to \$487 billion over 3rd quarter 1998.

The trade deficit in services increased to \$1.99 billion from \$1.94 billion in the previous quarter, and remained unchanged over the same quarter last year.

Employment remained unchanged at 10.9 million, over the 3rd quarter, and increased +3.8% over the 4th quarter last year.

In Canada 4th quarter 1998, the Computer Services sector real GDP (annualized and seasonally adjusted) increased +6.3% to \$9.8 billion, over the previous quarter and 18.4% over the same quarter last year. Employment in this sector increased +19.1% to 231,000 over the same quarter last year.

From: Doug McCann
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Date: 4/16/99 3:17PM
Subject: Motor Vehicle Sales Feb'99; Travel Feb'99;

NEW MOTOR VEHICLE SALES February 1999
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 63-007-XIB

Current Month

In Canada February 1999, new motor vehicle sales (unadjusted) increased +4.7% to 90,901 units over January 1999, and increase +4.7% over February 1998. Sales value increased +5.9% to \$2.7 billion over January 1999, and increased +11.5% over February 1999.

In Nova Scotia February 1999, new motor vehicle unit sales (unadjusted) increased +18.0% to 2466 units, over January 1999, and increased +7.8% over February 1998. Sales value increased +20.7% to \$67.2 million over January 1999, and increased +19.0% over February 1998.

Annual

In Canada 1999, year-to-date new motor vehicle unit sales (unadjusted) increased +8.2% to 177,691 units, over 1998. Year-to-date sales value increased +15.5% to \$5.3 billion, over 1998.

In Nova Scotia 1999, year-to-date new motor vehicle unit sales (unadjusted) increased +7.1% to 4,555 units over 1998. Sales value increased +15.2% to \$123.0 million over 1998.

TRAVEL BETWEEN CANADA AND OTHER COUNTRIES February '99
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 66-001-PPB

In Canada February 1999, same day travel by car to Canada by Americans (seasonally adjusted) increased +6.1% to 2.2 million trips over January 1999. Same day travel by car by Canadians to the United States increased +4.0% to 2.2 million trips over January 1999.

Overnight trips (seasonally adjusted) by foreigners to Canada increased +4.1% to 1.7 million trips over January 1999. Overnight trips abroad by Canadians increased +3.1% to 1.5 million over January 1999.

In Canada February 1999, same day trips (unadjusted) by Americans increased +0.7% to 1.8 million over February 1998, and same day trips by Canadians declined -12.0% to 1.8 million over February 1998.

Overnight trips (unadjusted) by foreigners increased +12.4% to 0.9 million over February 1998. Overnight travel by Canadians increased +0.5% to 1.2 million over February 1998.

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Date: 4/19/99 11:13AM
Subject: Manufacturing Feb'99; Pension Pland 3Q98

SURVEY OF MANUFACTURING February 1999
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 31-001-XPB

In Canada February 1999, seasonally adjusted manufacturer's shipments declined -0.4% to \$39.1 billion over January 1999 and increased +5.3% over February 1998. Inventories increased +0.1% to \$49.6 billion over January 1999 and increased +2.9% over February 1998. Unfilled orders increased +3.2% to \$49.8 billion over January 1999, and increased +14.5% over February 1998.. New orders increased +5.0% to \$40.6 billion over January 1999, and increased +9.0% over February 1998. The inventories to shipments ratio increased to 1.27 from 1.26 in January 1999, declined from the 1.30 ratio of February 1998.

In Nova Scotia December 1998, seasonally adjusted manufacturer's shipments declined -2.3% to \$539 million over January 1999.

EMPLOYER PENSION PLANS 3RD QUARTER 1998
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 74-001-XPB

In Canada 3rd quarter 1998 the market value of trustee pension plans declined -9% to \$460 billion over the previous quarter. In the longer term the market value increased +49% over 3rd quarter 1993.

From: Doug McCann
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Date: 4/20/99 10:39AM
Subject: Int'l Trade Feb'99; Composite Index Mar'99

CANADIAN INTERNATIONAL MECHANDISE TRADE February 1999
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 65-001-XPB

In Canada February 1999, merchandise **exports** (seasonally adjusted) declined -0.9% to \$28.7 billion over January 1999, and increased +8.4% over February 1998. Year-to-date exports increased +10.6% to \$57.7 billion over the same period last year.

In Canada February 1999, merchandise **imports** (seasonally adjusted) declined -0.5% to \$26.1 billion over January 1999, and increased +6.0% over February 1998. Year-to-date imports increased +7.2% to \$52.3 billion over the same period last year.

In Canada February 1999, the merchandise **balance of trade** surplus declined to \$2.6 billion from \$2.7 billion in January 1999. The year-to-date balance of trade surplus increased to \$5.3 billion from \$3.3 billion in the same period last year.

In Nova Scotia **January 1999**, merchandise **exports** increased +7.3% to \$269.8 million over January 1998

In Nova Scotia **January 1999**, merchandise **imports** declined -12.5% to \$353.7 million over January 1998.

COMPOSITE INDEX MARCH 1999
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 11-010-XPB

In Canada March 1999, the composite leading indicator (1981=100) increased +0.6% to 212.1 over February 1999.

Nine of ten indexes were positive. The housing index (1981=100) increased +0.7% to 125.4. Business and personal services employment increased +0.4% to 2.3 million. The TSE 300 stock price index (1975=1000) increased +0.9% to 6,321. The US composite leading indicator (1967=100) increased +0.2% to 227.3. The average workweek (manufacturing) increased +0.5% to 39.2 hours. New orders, durables (1981\$) increased +0.9% to \$16.4 billion. The shipments to inventories of finished goods ratio increased from 1.61 to 1.63. Furniture and appliances sales (1981\$) increased +0.8% to \$1.4 billion. Other durable goods sales (1981\$) increased +0.5% to \$4.6 billion

One of ten indexes was negative. The money supply (M1 1981\$) declined -0.3% to \$40.9 billion.

From: Doug McCann
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Date: 4/21/99 12:35PM
Subject: CPI Mar'99, Wholesale Feb'99; Natural Gas Feb'99

CONSUMER PRICE INDEX MARCH 1999
Statistics Canada Cat No 62-001-XPB

also: <http://www.gov.ns.ca/fina/stats.div/brief/prices.htm>
<http://www.gov.ns.ca/fina/statisti/cpi/cpi1.htm>
<http://www.gov.ns.ca/fina/statisti/publish/pub20.htm>

In Canada March 1999, the consumer price index (1992=100) increased +0.4% to 108.4 over February 1999, and increased +1.0% over March 1998.

In Nova Scotia March 1999, the consumer price index (1992=100) remained unchanged at 108.6 over February 1999, and increased +0.1% over March 1998.

WHOLESALE TRADE February 1999
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 63-008-XIB

In Canada February 1999, seasonally adjusted wholesale merchants' sales remained unchanged at \$28.7 billion over January 1999, and increased +3.3% over February 1998. In February 1999, merchants' inventories declined -0.3% to \$40.9 billion over January 1999, and increased +6.0% over February 1998.

In Nova Scotia February 1999, seasonally adjusted wholesale merchants' sales declined -0.5% to \$555 million over January 1999, and increased +17.3% over February 1998.

NATURAL GAS SALES February 1999
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 55-002-XPB

In Canada February 1999, natural gas sales increased +5.5% to 7.1 billion cubic metres over February 1998. Year-to-date (Jan-Feb) sales increased +5.5% to \$15.7 billion cubic metres over the same period in 1998.

From: Doug McCann
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Date: 4/22/99 10:15AM
Subject: Retail Feb'99; Int'l Trade in Securities Feb'99; School Boards '96

RETAIL TRADE February 1999
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 63-005-XPB

In Canada February 1999, retail sales (seasonally adjusted) declined -0.4% to \$21.0 billion over January 1999, and increased +3.8% over February 1998.

In Nova Scotia February 1999, retail sales declined -0.3% to \$653 million over January 1999, and increased +2.5% over February 1998.

CANADA'S INTERNATIONAL TRANSACTIONS IN SECURITIES
February 1999
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 67-002-XPB

In Canada February 1999, net foreign investment in Canadian securities was an outflow of \$155 million. Year-to-date net foreign investment in Canadian securities was an outflow of \$5.8 billion.

In Canada February 1999, net Canadian investment in foreign securities was an outflow of \$793 million. Year-to-date net Canadian investment in foreign securities was an outflow of \$4.0 billion.

Note: Outflow indicates an outflow of money from Canada - either Canadians investing abroad, or foreigners withdrawing assets. Inflow indicates an inflow of money into Canada - either Canadians withdrawing assets from abroad or foreigners investing in Canada.

SCHOOL BOARD EXPENDITURES AND REVENUES 1996

In Canada 1996, school board expenditures (operational and capital spending) declined -0.1% to \$31.0 billion over 1995. Expenditures represent 3.8% of GDP, down from 4.3% in 1992. The annual cost (1996\$) per student declined -5% to \$6,840, from \$7,200 in 1991.

In Nova Scotia 1996, school board expenditures (operational and capital spending) declined -1.4% to \$724.2 million over 1995.

From: Doug McCann
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Date: 4/23/99 11:33AM
Subject: InterNet '98; Field Crops '99

INTERNET USE BY HOUSEHOLDS 1998
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 63-016-XPB, 56M0002GPE

In Canada 1998, internet use from **any location** by households with at least one regular user increased to 35.9% (4.3 million) of households from 29.4% in 1997. Internet use from the **home** in 1998 increased by 44% to 2.7 million households (22.6% of all households) over 1997. This is virtually the same as internet use from the **workplace** (23.3% of all households). Internet use from **school** increased to 12% from 9% in 1997.

In Nova Scotia 1998, internet use from **any location** by households with at least one regular user increased to 37.9% (139,757) of households from 32.2% in 1997. Internet use from the **home** in 1998 increased to 23.7% (87,394) of households from 14.3% 1997. Internet use from the **workplace** which increased to 22.9% (84,444) from 20.7% in 1997. Internet use from **school** increased to 17.4% (64,163) from 14.3% in 1997.

In Halifax (CMA) in 1998, internet use from **any location** by households with at least one regular user increased to 50.2% (71,057) of households from 39.2% in 1997. Internet use from the **home** in 1998 increased to 33.8% (47,843) of households from 19.2% in 1997. Internet use from **work** increased to 33.7% (47,702) of households from 30.9% in 1997. Internet use from **school** increased to 21.5% (30,433) of households from 15.5% in 1997.

MARCH INTENTIONS OF PRINCIPLE FIELD CROPS 1999
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 22-002-XPB

In Canada March 1999, seeding intentions for 1999, of major grains and oilseeds declined -1% to 26.7 million acres over 1998.

From: Doug McCann
To: dailystats
Date: 4/23/99 2:26PM
Subject: Internet 1998

CITY RANKINGS

Source: Statistics Canada, October 1998 Household Internet Use Survey.

(Households with at least one member regularly using computer communications from (1) any location, (2) home, [other connection locations not shown are work, school, library and 'other' location]. The percentages provided are based on the number of households connected, divided by the number of households in each city.)

	ANY	HOME	ANY	HOME
HALIFAX	3	4	50.2%	33.8%
Ottawa	1	1	55.4	36.2
Calgary	2	2	52.8	34.8
Victoria	4	3	48.5	34.5
Vancouver	5	5	45.7	31.6
Edmonton	6	8	43.9	27.0
Kitchener-Waterloo	7	10	42.4	25.9
Toronto	8	7	42.0	27.7
Hamilton	9	9	41.2	28.8
London	10	6	40.4	29.0

From: Doug McCann
To: dailystats
Date: 4/26/99 11:55AM
Subject: 1996 Census of Agriculture - Population

AGRICULTURE-POPULATION LINKAGE DATABASE
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 93F0038XIE
<http://www.statcan.ca/english/censusag/apr26/tables3.htm>

Population

In Canada 1996, the total number of farms declined (-1.2%) to 276,548 farms from 280,043 farms in 1991. Total farm population declined (-1.7%) to 851,410 from 865,895 in 1991. Farm population as a percentage of total population declined to 3.0% from 3.2% in 1991.

In Nova Scotia 1996, the total number of farms increased (+11.9%) to 4,453 farms from 3,980 farms in 1991. Total farm population increased (+4.2%) to 13,060 from 12,535 in 1991. Farm population as a percentage of total population remained unchanged at 1.4%.

Income

In Canada 1995, net farm income on unincorporated farms contributed 19% of total income, while wages/salaries income contributed 55%, net non-farm income contributed 4%, income from government contributed 12% towards total income.

In Nova Scotia 1995, net farm income on unincorporated farms contributed 15% of total income, while wages/salaries income contributed 56%, net non-farm income 3%, and income from government contributed 15% towards total income.

Education

In Canada 1996, farm operators' average number of years of schooling increased to 11.7 years from 11.3 years in 1991. The percent of farm operators with university increased to 15.1% from 13.4% in 1991.

In Nova Scotia 1996, farm operators' average number of years of schooling increased to 12.2 years from 11.8 years in 1991. The percent of farm operators with university increased to 24.1% from 22.2% in 1991.

From: Doug McCann
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Date: 4/27/99 11:39AM
Subject: Y2K Mar'99; Employment Insurance Feb'99; Oil and Gas Feb'99

PREPAREDNESS FOR THE YEAR 2000 March 1999

In Canada the proportion of large organizations that will have critical systems ready before the end of April 1999 - 18%; medium sized organizations - 25%; small organizations 32%.

The proportion of large organizations that have taken steps to ensure critical systems will function in the Year 200 - 100%; medium size organizations - 98%; small organizations - 87%.

The proportion of large organizations who have implemented contingency measures to ensure sustained operations in the event of Year 2000 failures - 85%; medium size organizations - 72%; small organizations - 61%.

The proportion of large organizations who have approached business partners about Year 2000 preparedness - 87%; medium sized organizations - 72%; small organizations - 46%.

[small = 6 to 50 employees; medium = 50 to 250; large = > 250+]

EMPLOYMENT INSURANCE February 1999

In Canada February 1999, the number of beneficiaries receiving regular benefits increased +1.0% to 528,420 beneficiaries, over January 1999.

In Nova Scotia February 1999, the number of beneficiaries receiving regular benefits declined -1.6% to 28,090 beneficiaries over January 1999.

CRUDE OIL AND NATURAL GAS February 1999

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 26-006-XPB

In Canada February 1999, the production of crude oil declined -10.4% to 9.1 million cubic metres, over February 1998. Year-to-date production declined -8.3% to 19.3 million cubic metres over Jan-Feb 1998.

In Canada February 1999, the production of natural gas declined -2.0% to 12.5 billion cubic metres over February 1998. Year-to-date production declined -1.0% to 27.1 billion cubic metres over Jan-Feb 1998.

From: Doug McCann
To: dailystats
Date: 4/28/99 10:36AM
Subject: IPPI Mar'99; RMPI Mar'99; Class of '95

INDUSTRIAL PRODUCT PRICE INDEX MARCH 1999
Statistics Canada Cat No. 62-011-XPB

In Canada March 1999, the industrial product price index (1992=100) increased +0.8% to 119.7 over February 1999, and increased +1.4% over March 1998.

RAW MATERIALS PRICE INDEX MARCH 1999
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 62-011-XPB

In Canada March 1999, the raw materials price index (1992=100) increased +5.5% to 107.0 over February 1999, and declined -2.9% over March 1998.

CLASS OF '95
REPORT OF THE 1997 NATIONAL SURVEY OF 1995 GRADUATES
<http://www.hrdc-drhc.gc.ca/arb/publications/books/class95/class95.pdf>

Labour Market Outcomes

In Canada June 1997 (2years after graduation) the unemployment rate of trade and vocational school graduates = 15.4%; college graduates = 9.5%; university graduates - bachelor's = 9.3%, master's = 6.6%, doctorate = 8.2%.

Earnings

In June 1997, median full-time earnings for trade and vocational school graduates = \$23,000; college graduates = \$25,700; university graduates - bachelor's = \$32,000, master's = \$47,000, doctorate = \$47,000.

From: Doug McCann
To: dailystats
Date: 4/29/99 10:43AM
Subject: Employment, Earnings, Hours Feb'99; Heart Disease '96/97; Low Income Among Children '93/94;

EMPLOYMENT, EARNINGS AND HOURS February 1999
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 72-002-XPB

In Canada February 1999, average weekly earnings (seasonally adjusted) increased +0.2% to \$607.97 over January 1999, and increased +0.1% over February 1998. Employment increased +0.3% to 11.8 million over January 1999.

In Nova Scotia February 1999, average weekly earnings (seasonally adjusted) increased +1.6% to \$513.80 over January 1999, and increased +2.5% over February 1998. Employment increased +0.3% to 328,000 over January 1999.

LIVING WITH HEART DISEASE 1996/97

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 82-003-XPB

<http://www.statcan.ca/cgi-bin/downpub/listpub.cgi?catno=82-003-XIE>

In Canada 1996/97, about 3% (344,900) of Canadians aged 35 to 64 reported that they had been diagnosed with heart disease.

For those with heart disease, about 43% were employed, about 22% were low income, and about 12% were in financial distress.

For those without heart disease, about 73% were employed, about 12% were low income, and about 5% were in financial distress.

LOW INCOME AMONG CHILDREN

<http://www.statcan.ca/english/Vlib/Research/no132e.pdf>

In the period 1993/94 about 38% of children in two-parent families moved out of a low-income situation, compared with 27% of children in lone-parent families.

From: Doug McCann
To: dailystats
Date: 4/30/99 10:13AM
Subject: GDP Feb'99; Coal Feb'99; Coal Mining '97

GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT BY INDUSTRY AT FACTOR COST
February 1999
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 15-001-XPB

In Canada February 1999, GDP at factor cost (1992 prices, seasonally adjusted) increased +0.1% to \$730.6 billion (annual rate) over January 1999, and increased +2.4% over February 1998.

COAL AND COKE STATISTICS February 1999
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 45-002-XPB

In Canada February 1999, coal production declined -7.1% to 5,833 kilotonnes over February 1998. Year-to-date production declined -6.0% to 11,880 tonnes over Jan-Feb 1998.

In February 1999, coal exports declined -20.4% to 2,214 kilotonnes over February 1998. Year-to-date exports increased +1.0% to 5,020 kilotonnes over the same period last year.

COAL MINING 1997
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 26-206-XPB

In Canada 1997, coal production increased +3.7% to 78,673 kilotonnes over 1996. The value of coal production decreased -0.7% to \$1.9 billion over 1996.

In 1997, coal exports increased +6.0% to 36,530 kilotonnes over 1996. Employment in coal mines declined -2.6% to 8,935 employees over 1996, while wages and salaries increased +1.2% to \$518 million.

From: Doug McCann
To: dailystats
Date: 5/4/99 10:23AM
Subject: Building Permits Mar'99; Business Conditions Apr'99

BUILDING PERMITS MARCH 1999
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 64-001-XIB

In Canada March 1999, the value of building permits (seasonally adjusted) increased +18.7% to \$3.1 billion over February 1999. In the 1st quarter 1999, the value of building permits increased +3.2% to \$8.4 billion over the 1st quarter 1998.

In Nova Scotia March 1999, the value of building permits (seasonally adjusted) declined -24.0% to \$55.8 million over February 1999. In the 1st quarter 1999, the value of building permits increased +10.0% over the 1st quarter 1998.

QUARTERLY BUSINESS CONDITIONS
SURVEY: MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES April 1999

In Canada April 1999, manufacturers expect that the volume of production during the next three months compared to the last three months will increase. Orders received are expected to increase slightly, the present backlog of unfilled orders are expected to decline slightly, the finished product inventory is about right and employment is expected decrease slightly, as compared to the last three months.

Most manufacturers (86%) do not foresee any production difficulties. It is expected that the working capital shortage will ease, labour shortage will increase, and the raw material shortage will decline.

From: Doug McCann
To: dailystats
Date: 5/5/99 10:17AM
Subject: Help-wanted Index Apr'99

HELP-WANTED INDEX April 1999

In Canada April 1999, the help-wanted index (seasonally adjusted and smoothed) increased +1.4% to 150 over March 1999, and increased +5.6% over April 1998.

In Nova Scotia April 1999, the help-wanted index (seasonally adjusted and smoothed) increased +0.6% to 156 over March 1999, and increased +17.3% over April 1998.

From: Doug McCann
To: dailystats
Date: 5/5/99 12:24PM
Subject: Short Term Expectations May'99

SHORT TERM EXPECTATIONS

Every month Statistics Canada canvasses a group of economic analysts for forecasts of key economic indicators. Results attached.

The forecast for June1999;

Consumer Price Index percentage increase (yr/yr) is	+1.0%
Unemployment rate seasonally adjusted	7.7%
Labour force participation seasonally adjusted	65.8%

The forecast for May 999

Exports (\$billions)	\$28.8
Imports (\$billions)	\$26.2

The forecast for April1999

GDP at FC \$1992 (mth/mth) percent increase	+0.3%
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In March the survey results forecast CPI to increase +1.1% while the actual was +1.0%; the unemployment rate was forecast to be 7.9%, and the actual was 7.8%; labour force participation rate was forecast to be 65.5%, while the actual was 65.6%.

In JFebruary the survey results forecast exports to be \$27.9 billion, while the actual was \$28.7 billion; imports were forecast to be \$26.2 billion, while the actual was \$26.1 billion; and GDP was forecast to increase +0.1%, while the actual was +0.1%.

From: Doug McCann
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Date: 5/6/99 10:27AM
Subject: Field Crops Mar'99; Department Stores Sales Mar'99

FIELD CROP REPORTING SERIES
GRAIN STOCKS MARCH 31, 1999
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 22-002-XPB

In Canada 31 March 1999, the total stocks of grain increased +15% to 14.8 million tonnes, over the previous year.

DEPARTMENT STORES SALES AND STOCKS

In Canada March 1999, unadjusted department store sales (including concessions) increased +3.3% to \$1.2 billion over March 1998. Year-to-date sales increased +4.9% to \$3.2 billion over Jan-Mar 1998.

In Nova Scotia March 1999, unadjusted department store sales (including concessions) increased +12.2% to \$39.1 million over March 1998. Year-to-date sales increased +7.7% to \$95.0 million over Jan-Mar 1998.

From: Doug McCann
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Subject: Labour Force Apr'99

LABOUR FORCE SURVEY April 1999
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 71-001-PPB

also see

<http://www.gov.ns.ca/fina/publish/pub19.htm>
<http://www.gov.ns.ca/fina/stats.div/brief/employ.htm>
<http://www.gov.ns.ca/fina/statisti/emp/empl1.htm>

Finance IntraNet users see

<http://iweb.gov.ns.ca/fina/statisti/library.htm>

Seasonally Adjusted
(month over month)

In Canada April 1999 labour force increased +0.6% to 16.0 million, employment increased +0.1% to 14.7 million, unemployment increased +6.5% to 1.3 million, and the unemployment rate increased +0.5% to 8.3% over March 1999.

In Nova Scotia April 1999 labour force increased +0.8% to 458,900, employment increased +2.0% to 416,500, unemployment declined -9.6% to 42,400 and the unemployment rate declined -1.1% to 9.2% over March 1999.

Unadjusted
(year over year)

In Canada April 1999 labour force increased +2.5% to 15.7 million, employment increased +2.5% to 14.4 million, unemployment increased +2.4% to 1.4 million, and the unemployment rate remained unchanged at 8.6% over April 1998.

In Nova Scotia April 1999 labour force increased +1.2% to 450,200, employment increased + 3.3% to 400,900, unemployment declined -12.7% to 49,300 and the unemployment rate declined -1.7 percentage points to 11.0% over April 1998.

From: Doug McCann
To: dailystats
Date: 5/10/99 10:04AM
Subject: Building Construction Price Index 1Q99; Educational Staff Community Colleges '96/97

NON-RESIDENTIAL BUILDING CONSTRUCTION PRICE INDEXES
1ST QUARTER 1999
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 62-007-XPB

In Canada 1st quarter 1999, the non-residential building construction price index (1992=100) increased +0.2% to 113.2 over the 4th quarter 1998, and +1.3% over the 1st quarter 1999.

In Halifax 1st quarter 1999, the non-residential building construction price index (1992=100) increased +0.5% to 105.7 over the 4th quarter 1998, and increased +1.6% over the 1st quarter 1998.

EDUCATIONAL STAFF OF COMMUNITY COLLEGES AND VOCATIONAL SCHOOLS 1996/97

In Canada 1996/97, community colleges and public vocational schools employed over 65,000 full and part-time educational staff (about 50% full-time).

In Nova Scotia 1996/97 almost all educational staff at community colleges and public vocational schools were full-time, and more than two-thirds were male.

From: Doug McCann
To: dailystats
Date: 5/11/99 10:42AM
Subject: Quarterly Retail '98; Large Retailers

QUARTERLY RETAIL COMMODITY SURVEY
Annual 1998, 3rd & 4th Quarters '98

In Canada 1998, total spending in retail stores increased +3.6% to \$246.8 billion over 1997. Spending on motor vehicles and related products was \$86.4 billion (35% of total spending), and on food and beverages \$59.3 billion (19.4%).

MONTHLY SURVEY OF LARGE RETAILERS
Annual 1998, February 1999

In Canada February 1999, sales for the group of large retailers increased +6.0% to \$4.5 billion over February 1998. In 1998, sales by the group of large retailers increased +8.0% to \$68 billion over 1997.

In 1998, the group of large retailers (attached) accounted for 35% of total retail trade, excluding motor and recreational vehicle dealers, up from 33% in 1997.

Monthly Survey of Large Retailers - The Panel**The Food Retailers**

Agora Food Merchants Inc.
Atlantic Wholesalers Ltd.
Buy Low Foods Ltd.
Canada Safeway Limited
E.U.M.R. Inc.
Horne & Pitfield Inc.
Hudon & Deaudelin Ltée.
Loblaws Supermarkets Limited
Loeb Inc. (including franchises)
Overwaitea Food Group & Division of Great Pacific Industries
Provigo Distribution Inc. (including franchises)
Sobeys Inc.
The Great Atlantic & Pacific Company of Canada, Ltd.
Westfair Foods Ltd.
Zehrmart Inc.

The Department Stores (including concessions)

Sears Canada Inc.
Hudson's Bay Co.
The T. Eaton Co. Canada Ltd.
Wal-Mart Canada Inc.
Zellers Inc.

The Other Non-Food Retailers

58133 Ontario Limited (Biway)
668824 Alberta Limited (Visions: The Big Name in Electronics)
A & B Sound Limited
A & P Drug Mart Ltd.
Agora Food Merchants Inc. (Western Cellars)
Aventure Electronique Inc.
Boutique Au Coton Inc. B.A.C.
Boutique Jacob Inc.
Boutique Marie Claire Inc.
Brault et Martineau Inc.
Canadian Tire Corporation, Limited
Château Stores of Canada Ltd.
Club Monaco Inc.
Colonial Furniture Inc.
Comark Inc.
Costco Wholesale Corp.
Cotton Ginny Limited
Dylex Limited
Eddie Bauer of Canada Inc.
Future Shop Ltd.
Gap (Canada) Inc.
Grafton - Fraser Inc.
Great Pacific Industries Inc. (Overwaitea Gas Division)
Harry Rosen Inc.
Holt Renfrew & Co. Ltd.
Ikea Canada Limited Partnership
International Clothiers Inc.
Intertan Canada Ltd. (Radio Shack Division)
La Senza Inc.
Laurie's Shoppes (PVA) Inc.

Sears Canada Inc.
Shirmax Retail Ltd.
Sony Of Canada Ltd.
Sport-Chek International Ltd.
Sports Experts Inc.
Suzy Shier Inc.
Tabi International Limited
Talbots (Canada) Inc.
The Brick Warehouse Corporation
The Forzani Group Ltd.
The Sports Authority Canada Inc.
Thrifty's Riding And Sports Limited
Venator Group of Canada Inc.
Westfair Foods Ltd. (Gas Division)
Winners Apparel Ltd.
YM Inc. (Sales)

Enquête mensuelle sur les détaillants majeurs - Liste des détaillants**Les magasins d'alimentation**

Agora Food Merchants Inc.
Atlantic Wholesalers Ltd.
Buy Low Foods Ltd.
Canada Safeway Limited
E.U.M.R. Inc.
Horne & Pitfield Inc.
Hudon & Deaudelin Ltée.
Loblaws Supermarkets Limited
Loeb Inc. (including franchises)
Overwaitea Food Group & Division of Great Pacific Industries
Provigo Distribution Inc. (including franchises)
Sobeys Inc.
The Great Atlantic & Pacific Company of Canada, Ltd.
Westfair Foods Ltd.
Zehrmart Inc.

Les grands magasins

Sears Canada Inc.
Hudson's Bay Co.
The T. Eaton Co. Canada Ltd.
Wal-Mart Canada Inc.
Zellers Inc.

Les magasins autres qu'alimentaires

58133 Ontario Limited (Biway)
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Grafton - Fraser Inc.
Great Pacific Industries Inc. (Overwaitea Gas Division)
Harry Rosen Inc.
Holt Renfrew & Co. Ltd.

Marks & Spencer Canada Inc.
Mark's Work Wearhouse Ltd.
Moore's The Suit People Inc.
Nigel Hogarth Holdings Ltd.
Nygard International Ltd.
Pharma Plus Drugmarts Ltd.
Price Costco Canada Inc.
Reitmans (Canada) Inc.
Roots Canada Ltd.
SAAN Stores Limited
Sears Canada Inc.
Shirmax Retail Ltd.
Sony Of Canada Ltd.
Sport-Chek International Ltd.
Sports Experts Inc.
Suzy Shier Inc.
Tabi International Limited
Talbots (Canada) Inc.
The Brick Warehouse Corporation
The Forzani Group Ltd.
The Sports Authority Canada Inc.
Thrifty's Riding And Sports Limited
Westfair Foods Ltd. (Gas Division)
Winners Apparel Ltd.
Woolworth Canada Inc.
YM Inc. (Sales)

From: Doug McCann
To: dailystats
Date: 5/12/99 12:00PM
Subject: Housing Price Index Mar'99; Apt Building Price Index 1Q99

NEW HOUSING PRICE INDEX March 1999
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 62-007-XPB

In Canada March 1999, the new housing price index (1992=100) increased +0.2% to 100.5 over February 1999, and increased +0.6% over March 1998.

in Halifax March 1999, the new housing price index (1992=100) remain unchanged at 110.1 over February 1999, and increased +3.0% over March 1998.

APARTMENT BUILDING CONSTRUCTION PRICE INDEX 1Q99
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 62-007-XPB

In Canada 1st quarter 1999 the apartment building construction price index (1992=100) increased +0.3% to 112.6 over 4th quarter 1998, and increased +1.3% over the 1st quarter 1998.

In Halifax 1st quarter 1999, the apartment building construction price index (1992=100) increased +0.7% to 107.1 over 4th quarter 1998, and increased +1.9% over 1st quarter 1998.

From: Doug McCann
To: dailystats
Date: 5/13/99 12:01PM
Subject: Deaths '97; Retirement Savings '97; MEPI 1Q99; Refined Petroleum Mar'99

DEATHS 1997

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 84F0208XPB, 84F0503XPB, 84F0209XPB

In Canada 1997, the number of deaths increased +1.3% to 215,669, over 1996 (males +0.5% to 111,985; females +2.2% to 103,684). Life expectancy at birth has increased to 78.6 years from 78.4 years in 1996.

In Nova Scotia, the number of deaths increased +3.8% to 8,044 over 1996. Life expectancy from birth has increased to 77.8 years from 77.7 years in 1996.

RETIREMENT SAVINGS THROUGH EMPLOYER PENSION PLANS AND REGISTERED RETIREMENT SAVINGS PLANS 1991 to 1997

Statistics Canada cat. no. 74F0002XIB

<http://www.statcan.ca/english/Pgdb/People/Labour/labor55.htm>

In Canada 1991 to 1997, 52.2% of all taxfiles contributed regularly (4, 5, 6 or 7 years) to either RRSP or RPP; 71.1% contributed at least once, and 28.9% made no contributions.

In Nova Scotia 1991 to 1997, 45% of all taxfilers contributed regularly to either RRSP or RPP, 61.3% contributed in at least one year, and 38.7% made no contributions.

MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT PRICE INDEX 1ST QUARTER 1999

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 62-007-XPB

In Canada 1st quarter 1999, the MEPI (1986=100) declined -0.6% to 132.7 over the 4th quarter 1998, and increased +3.8% over the 1st quarter 1998.

DOMESTIC SALES OF REFINED PETROLEUM PRODUCTS MARCH 1999

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 45-004-XPB

In Canada March 1999, sales of refined petroleum products increased +3.0% to 7.8 million cubic metres over March 1998. Year-to-date sales increased +2.2% to 22.6 million cubic metres over the same period las year.

From: Doug McCann
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Date: 5/14/99 11:42AM
Subject: Composite Index Apr'99; Motor Veh sales Mar'99; Travel Mar'99; Gov't Debt '96

COMPOSITE INDEX April 1999
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 11-010-XPB

In Canada April 1999, the composite leading indicator (1981=100) increased +0.7% to 212.9 over March 1999.

Nine of ten indexes were positive.

The housing index (1981=100) increased +0.6% to 125.8.

Business and personal services employment increased +0.3% to 2.3 million.

The TSE 300 stock price index (1975=1000) increased +2.0% to 6,446.

The US composite leading indicator (1967=100) increased +0.3% to 228.0.

New orders, durables (1981\$) increased +1.8% to \$16.7 billion.

The shipments to inventories of finished goods ratio increased from 1.63 to 1.64.

Furniture and appliances sales (1981\$) increased +0.6% to \$1.4 billion.

Other durable goods sales (1981\$) increased +0.7% to \$4.7 billion

The money supply (M1 1981\$) increased +2.0% to \$41.2 billion.

One index was unchanged. The average workweek (manufacturing) remained unchanged at 38.8 hours.

NEW MOTOR VEHICLE SALES MARCH 1999
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 63-007-XIB

In Canada March 1999, new motor vehicle unit sales (unadjusted) increased +9.9% to 144,533 units over March 1998. Year-to-date unit sales increased +9.0% to 322,224 units over Jan-Mar 1998.

In Nova Scotia March 1999, new motor vehicle sales (unadjusted) increased +2.7% to 3,867 units over March 1998. Year-to-date unit sales increased +5.1% to 8,422 units.

In Canada March 1999, new motor vehicle sales value increased +17.9% to \$4.2 billion over March 1998. Year-to-date sales value increased +16.0% to \$9.5 billion, over Jan-Mar 1998.

In Nova Scotia March 1999, new motor vehicle sales value increased +13.0% to \$102.4 million, over March 1998. Year-to-date sales value increased +14.2% to \$225.5 million over the same period last year.

TRAVEL BETWEEN CANADA AND OTHER COUNTRIES MARCH 1999
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 66-001-PPB

In March 1999, same-day car trips (seasonally adjusted) by Canadians to the U.S. declined -2.4% to 2.2 million, over February 1999, and same-day car trips (unadjusted) declined -14.3% to 2.1 million over March 1998.

In March 1999, same day car trips by Americans to Canada increased +0.8% to 2.3 million over February 1999, and same-day car trips (unadjusted) increased +5.3% to 1.9 million over March 1998.

In March 1999, trips overseas (seasonally adjusted) by Canadians declined -2.2% to 1.4 million over February 1999, and trips abroad (unadjusted) declined -1.5% to 1.7 million over March 1998.

In March 1999, trips by foreigners to Canada (seasonally adjusted) increased +0.8% to 1.7 million over February 1999. Trips by foreigners to Canada (unadjusted) increased +14.8% to 961,000 over March 1998.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT FINANCE 1996 Financial Management System Basis

In Canada 1996, on an FMS basis, the debt of local governments (municipalities, etc) increased +2.2% to \$22.9 billion over 1995. Per capita debt increased to \$765 from \$757.

In Nova Scotia 1996, on an FMS basis, the debt of local government increased +5.4% to \$216 million over 1995. Per capita debt increased to \$232 from \$220.

From: Doug McCann
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Date: 5/17/99 12:50PM
Subject: Computer Use

COMPUTER USE AND INTERNET USE BY RURAL HOUSEHOLDS
<http://www.statcan.ca/english/freepub/21-006-XIE/19990721-006-XIE.pdf>

In Canada 1997, about 42% of households in urban centres 100,000+ have used computer communications, while about 29% of rural households have done the same.

In Canada 1997, the number of computers in the home increased to 36.4% from 33.2% in 1994, and 19.4% in 1989.. In 1994, in rural and small town areas the number with a computers in the home increased to 22% from 14% in 1989.

From: Doug McCann
To: dailystats
Date: 5/18/99 12:24PM
Subject: Manufacturing Mar'99; Divorces '97

MONTHLY SURVEY OF MANUFACTURING MARCH 1999
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 31-001-XPB

In Canada March 1999, seasonally adjusted manufacturer's shipments increased +2.0% to \$39.8 billion over February 1999 and increased +6.4% over March 1998. Inventories increased +0.1% to \$49.6 billion over February 1999 and increased +3.0% over March 1998. Unfilled orders declined -0.3% to \$49.7 billion over February 1999, and increased +14.2% over March 1998. New orders declined -2.3% to \$39.7 billion over February 1999, and increased +5.9% over March 1998. The inventories to shipments ratio declined to 1.25 from 1.27 in February 1999, and 1.29 in March 1998.

In Nova Scotia March 1999, seasonally adjusted manufacturer's shipments increased +2.0% to \$549 million over February 1999.

DIVORCES 1997
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 84F0213XPB

In Canada 1997, the number of divorces granted declined -5.8% to 67,408 over 1996. The divorce rate per 1,000 marriages declined -5.7% to 348 over 1996.

In Nova Scotia 1997, the number of divorces granted declined -11.0% to 1,983 over 1996. The divorce rate per 1,000 marriages increased +17.9% to 382 over 1996.

From: Doug McCann
To: dailystats
Date: 5/19/99 10:54AM
Subject: Wholesale Mar'99; Computer HW & SW Sales Mar'99; NAICS Classification - employment '98

WHOLESALE TRADE March 1999
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 63-008-XIB

In Canada March 1999, seasonally adjusted wholesale merchants' sales remained increased +0.8% to \$29.3 billion over February 1999, and increased +5.2% over March 1998. In March 1999, merchants' inventories increased +0.3% to \$41.1 billion over February 1999, and increased +5.1% over March 1998.

In Nova Scotia March 1999, seasonally adjusted wholesale merchants' sales declined -1.1% to \$543 million over February 1999, and increased +8.2% over March 1998.

COMPUTER HARDWARE AND SOFTWARE SALES MARCH 1999
Statistics Canada: Wholesale Trade Cat. No. 63-008-XIB

In Canada March 1999, seasonally adjusted wholesale merchants' sales of computers, packaged software and other electronic machinery increased +3.0% to \$3.0 billion over February 1999, and increased +24.3% over March 1998.

In Canada 1998, wholesale merchants' sales of computers, packaged software and other electronic machinery increased 16.5% to \$32 billion over 1997, and an increase of +74.1% over 1994. In 1994 computers & packaged software sales represented 8.0% of total wholesale trade sales. In 1998 computers & packaged software sales represents 9.5% of total wholesale trade sales.

EMPLOYMENT ACCORDING TO NEW CLASSIFICATION SYSTEMS
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 71-005-XPB

In Canada 1998, almost 53% of total employment (according to the new occupation and industry classification systems) sales and service (25.0%); business finance and administration (17.5%); and management (10.4%). Almost 74% of employment was in the service-producing sector.

From: Doug McCann
To: dailystats
Date: 5/20/99 11:43AM
Subject: Int'l Trade Mar'99

CANADIAN INTERNATIONAL MERCHANDISE TRADE MARCH 1999
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 65-001-XPB

In Canada March 1999, merchandise exports (seasonally adjusted) increased +0.6% to \$29.0 billion over February 1999, and increased +10.3% over March 1998. Year-to-date exports increased +10.8% to \$86.9 billion over the same period last year.

In Canada March 1999, merchandise imports (seasonally adjusted) increased +0.2% to \$26.4 billion over February 1999, and increased +8.9% over March 1998. Year-to-date imports increased +8.0% to \$78.9 billion over the same period last year.

In Canada March 1999, the merchandise balance of trade surplus increased to \$2.6 billion from \$2.5 billion in February 1999. The year-to-date balance of trade surplus increased to \$7.9 billion from \$5.4 billion in the same period last year.

In Nova Scotia February 1999, merchandise exports increased +20.6% to \$28.8 million over February 1998. Year-to-date exports increased +15.6% to \$566.4 million over Jan-Feb 1998.

In Nova Scotia February 1999, merchandise imports declined -36.0% to \$405.8 million over February 1998. Year-to-date imports declined -26.8% to \$759.7 million over Jan-Feb 1998.

From: Doug McCann
To: dailystats
Date: 5/21/99 10:59AM
Subject: CPI Apr'99; Retail Mar'99

CONSUMER PRICE INDEX MARCH 1999
Statistics Canada Cat No 62-001-XPB

also: <http://www.gov.ns.ca/fina/stats.div/brief/prices.htm>
<http://www.gov.ns.ca/fina/statisti/cpi/cpi1.htm>
<http://www.gov.ns.ca/fina/statisti/publish/pub20.htm>

In Canada April 1999, the consumer price index (1992=100) increased +0.5% to 108.3 over March 1999, and increased +1.7% over April 1998.

In Nova Scotia April 1999, the consumer price index (1992=100) increased +0.9% to 108.4 over March 1999, and increased +1.2% over April 1998.

RETAIL TRADE MARCH 1999
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 63-005-XPB

In Canada March 1999, retail sales (seasonally adjusted) increased +1.1% to \$21.3 billion over February 1999, and increased +4.9% over March 1998.

In Nova Scotia March 1999, retail sales remained unchanged at \$662 million over February 1999, and increased +5.6% over March 1998.

From: Doug McCann
To: dailystats
Date: 5/25/99 10:26AM
Subject: Natural Gas Mar'99; Farm Income '96

NATURAL GAS SALES MARCH 1999
Statistics Canada Cat No. 55-002-XPB

In Canada March 1999, natural gas sales increased +5.2% to 7.3 billion cubic metres over March 1998. Year-to-date sales increased +5.8% to 23.2 billion cubic metres.

ECONOMIC OVERVIEW OF FARM INCOME
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 21-005-XIE

In Canada 1996, average farm net operating income (excluding depreciation) increased +1.8% to \$23,977 over 1995. The average farm net operating income of grain and oilseed farms increased +5.7% to \$26,192.

In Nova Scotia 1996, average farm net operating farm income (excluding depreciation) increased +6.8% to \$23,977 over 1995. The average farm net operating income for grain and oil farms was negative at -\$3,827.

Upcoming releases: (3) cattle farms
(4) dairy farms
(5) hog farms
(6) fruit and vegetable farms
(7) poultry and egg farms
(8) greenhouse and nursery farms
(9) potato farms

From: Doug McCann
To: dailystats
Date: 5/26/99 10:11AM
Subject: Employment Insurance Mar'99

EMPLOYMENT INSURANCE MARCH 1999

In Canada March 1999, the number of beneficiaries (seasonally adjusted) receiving regular benefits declined -0.7% to 525,820 recipients, over February 1999.

In Nova Scotia March 1999, the number of beneficiaries (seasonally adjusted) receiving regular benefits increased +0.7% to 28,290 recipients, over February 1999.

From: Doug McCann
To: dailystats
Date: 5/27/99 10:21AM
Subject: Int'l Trade Securities Mar'99; Net Farm Income '98; Farm Cash Receipts 1Q99; Emp, Earns,Hrs Mar'99

CANADA'S INTERNATIONAL TRANSACTIONS IN SECURITIES
March 1999
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 67-002-XPB

In Canada March 1999, net foreign investment in Canadian securities was an outflow of \$1.3 billion. Year-to-date net foreign investment in Canadian securities was an outflow of \$6.7 billion.

In Canada March 1999, net Canadian investment in foreign securities was an outflow of \$2.3 billion. Year-to-date net Canadian investment in foreign securities was an outflow of \$5.1 billion.

Note: Outflow indicates an outflow of money from Canada - either Canadians investing abroad, or foreigners withdrawing assets. Inflow indicates an inflow of money into Canada - either Canadians withdrawing assets from abroad or foreigners investing in Canada.

NET FARM INCOME 1998
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 21-603-UPE

In Canada 1998, net farm cash income declined -9.1% to \$6.2 billion, over 1997, and was slightly higher than the five year \$6.1 billion average. Direct program payments increased +29.9% to \$1.4 billion to offset declines in 1998. Net farm income increased +16.0% to \$2.5 billion over 1997.

In Nova Scotia 1998, net farm cash income increased +8.1% to \$80 million over 1997. Net farm income increased +33.3% to \$33 million, over 1997.

NET FARM CASH RECEIPTS 1st QUARTER 1999
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 21-603-UPE

In Canada 1st quarter 1999, farm cash receipts declined -0.4% to \$7.8 billion, over Jan-Mar 1998. Direct program payments declined -0.8% to \$261 million.

In Nova Scotia 1st quarter 1999, farm cash receipts remained unchanged at \$85 million, over Jan-Mar 1998.

EMPLOYMENT EARNINGS AND HOURS MARCH 1999
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 72-002-XPB

In Canada March 1999, average weekly earnings (seasonally adjusted) remained unchanged at \$605.47 over February 1999, and declined -0.3% over March 1998. Seasonally adjusted employment increased +0.3% to 11.8 million over February 1999.

In Nova Scotia March 1999, average weekly earnings (seasonally adjusted) increased +0.9% to \$515.35 over February 1999, and increased +1.6% over March 1998. Seasonally adjusted employment remained unchanged at 329,000 employees.

From: Doug McCann
To: dailystats
Date: 5/28/99 10:27AM
Subject: IPPI Apr'99; RMPI Apr'99

INDUSTRIAL PRODUCT PRICE INDEX APRIL 1999
Statistics Canada Cat No. 62-011-XPB

In Canada April 1999, the industrial product price index (1992=100) remained unchanged at 119.9 over March 1999, and increased +0.8% over April 1998.

RAW MATERIALS PRICE INDEX APRIL 1999
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 62-011-XPB

In Canada April 1999, the raw materials price index (1992=100) increased +4.9% to 112.1 over March 1999, and increased +0.4% over April 1998.

From: Doug McCann
To: dailystats
Date: 5/31/99 10:25AM
Subject: GDP Mar'99; Int'l Tracel Acct 1Q99; Crude Oil, Natural Gas Mar'99

GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT BY INDUSTRY AT FACTOR COST MARCH 1999
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 15-001-XPB

In Canada March 1999, GDP at factor cost in 1992 prices (seasonally adjusted), increased +0.3% to \$733.1 billion (annualized), over February 1999, and increased +2.4% over March 1998.

In Canada 1st quarter 1999, GDP at factor cost in 1992 prices (seasonally adjusted), increased +0.8% to \$731.2 billion (annualized) over the 4th quarter 1998, and increased +2.6% over the 1st quarter 1998.

INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL ACCOUNT 1stQ99

In Canada 1st quarter 1999, the international travel deficit was \$182 million. International travelers spent \$3.9 billion in Canada while Canadians spent \$4.1 billion abroad.

In Canada March 1999, crude oil production declined -10.8% to 9.9 million cubic metres over March 1998. Year-to-date crude oil production declined -9.2% to 29.2 million cubic metres over Jan-Mar 1998.

In Canada March 1999, natural gas production declined -1.5% to 13.9 billion cubic metres, over March 1998. Year-to-date natural gas production declined -1.2% to 41.0 billion cubic metres, over Jan-Mar 1998.

From: Doug McCann
To: dailystats
Date: 6/2/99 9:57AM
Subject: Dept Stores Apr'99; Help-wanted May'99

DEPARTMENT STORES SALES April 1999

In Canada April 1999, unadjusted department store sales including concessions increased +0.5% to \$1.3 billion over April 1998. Year-to-date sales increased +3.5% to \$4.5 billion over Jan-Apr 1998.

In Nova Scotia April 1999, unadjusted department stores sales including concessions declined -6.1% to \$39.4 million over April 1998. Year-to-date sales increased +3.3% to \$134.4 million over Jan-Apr 1998.

HELP-WANTED INDEX MAY 1999

In Canada May 1999, the seasonally adjusted and smoothed help-wanted index (1996=100) increased +0.9% to 157 over April 1999, and increased +10.0% over May 1998.

In Nova Scotia May 1999, the seasonally adjusted and smoothed help-wanted index (1996=100) increased +0.2% to 159 over April 1999, and increased +14.0% over May 1998.

From: Doug McCann
To: dailystats
Date: 6/2/99 11:52AM
Subject: Short Term Expectations June 1999

SHORT TERM EXPECTATIONS

Every month Statistics Canada canvasses a group of economic analysts for forecasts of key economic indicators. Results attached.

The forecast for July 1999;

Consumer Price Index percentage increase (yr/yr) is	+1.5%
Unemployment rate seasonally adjusted	8.0%
Labour force participation seasonally adjusted	65.9%

The forecast for June 1999

Exports (\$billions)	\$29.0
Imports (\$billions)	\$26.6

The forecast for May 1999

GDP at FC \$1992 (mth/mth) percent increase	+0.2%
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In April the survey results forecast CPI to increase +0.9% while the actual was +1.7%; the unemployment rate was forecast to be 7.9%, and the actual was 8.3%; labour force participation rate was forecast to be 65.7%, while the actual was 66.0%.

In March the survey results forecast exports to be \$28.2 billion, while the actual was \$29.0 billion; imports were forecast to be \$26.5 billion, while the actual was \$26.4 billion; and GDP was forecast to increase +0.3%, while the actual was +0.3%.

From: Doug McCann
To: dailystats
Date: 6/3/99 11:23AM
Subject: Farm Income '96

ECONOMIC OVERVIEW OF FARM INCOME
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 21-005-XIE

CATTLE FARMS

In Canada 1996, average farm net operating income of cattle farms declined -8.6% to \$8,019 over 1995 (Revenues = \$119,894; expenses = \$111,875)

In Nova Scotia 1996, average farm net operating income for cattle farms declined -41.5% to \$2,642 over 1995 (Revenues = \$46,654; Expenses = \$44,012).

Upcoming releases:

- (4) dairy farms
- (5) hog farms
- (6) fruit and vegetable farms
- (7) poultry and egg farms
- (8) greenhouse and nursery farms
- (9) potato farms

From: Doug McCann
To: dailystats
Date: 6/4/99 9:36AM
Subject: Labour Force Apr'99

LABOUR FORCE SURVEY May 1999
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 71-001-PPB

also see

<http://www.gov.ns.ca/fina/publish/pub19.htm>
<http://www.gov.ns.ca/fina/stats.div/brief/employ.htm>
<http://www.gov.ns.ca/fina/statisti/emp/empl1.htm>

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<http://iweb.gov.ns.ca/fina/statisti/library.htm>

Seasonally Adjusted
(month over month)

In Canada May 1999 labour force declined -0.3% to 15.9 million, employment declined -0.1% to 14.6 million, unemployment declined -2.7% to 1.3 million, and the unemployment rate declined -0.2 percentage points to 8.1% over April 1999.

In Nova Scotia May 1999 labour force remained unchanged at 459,100, employment declined -0.5% to 414,600, unemployment increased +5.0% to 44,500 and the unemployment rate increased +0.5 percentage points to 9.7% over April 1999.

Unadjusted
(year over year)

In Canada May 1999 labour force increased +2.1% to 16.0 million, employment increased +2.4% to 14.7 million, unemployment declined -1.2% to 1.3 million, and the unemployment rate declined -0.2 percentage points to 8.2% over May 1998.

In Nova Scotia May 1999 labour force increased +1.6% to 466,800, employment increased +2.4% to 418,200, unemployment declined -4.5% to 48,500 and the unemployment rate declined -0.7 percentage points to 10.4% over May 1998.

From: Doug McCann
To: dailystats
Date: 6/4/99 10:10AM
Subject: Port Activity '98; Petroleum Sales Apr'99

PORT ACTIVITY 1998

In Canada 1998, Total tonnage handled declined -0.2% to 375.2 million tonnes over 1997.

In Halifax 1998, total tonnage handled declined -7.0% to 13.4 million tonnes over 1997.

In Port hawkesbury Nova Scotia 1998, total tonnage handled declined -9.7% to 14.4 million tonnes over 1997.

DOMESTIC SALES OF REFINED PETROLEUM PRODUCTS
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 45-004-XPB

In Canada April 1999, sales of refined petroleum products declined -1.6% to 7.1 million cubic metres over April 1998. Year-to-date sales increased +1.1% to 29.7 million cubic metres over Jan-Apr 1997.

From: Doug McCann
To: dailystats
Date: 6/7/99 10:28AM
Subject: Building Permits Apr'99; Ind Capacity 1Q99; Youth Custody '97-98

BUILDING PERMITS April 1999
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 64-001-XIB

In Canada April 1999, the value of building permits (seasonally adjusted) declined -8.0% to \$2.9 billion over March 1999, and increased +0.9% over April 1998.

In Nova Scotia April 1999, the value of building permits (seasonally adjusted) increased +21.3% to \$67.6 million over March 1999, and increased +61.4% over April 1998.

INDUSTRIAL CAPACITY UTILIZATION RATES 1ST QUARTER 1999

In Canada 1st quarter 1999, industrial capacity utilization rates increased +0.5% to 83.1, over the 4th quarter 1998, and declined -0.3% over the 1st quarter 1998.

YOUTH CUSTODY AND COMMUNITY SERVICES 1997-98
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 85-546-XIE

In Canada (excluding Saskatchewan) 1997-98, admissions into youth custody (remand, secure custody, open custody) totaled 42,600 or 182 per 10,000 youth aged 12 to 17 years of age.

In Nova Scotia 1997-98, the admission rate into youth custody was 96 per 10,000 youth.

From: Doug McCann
To: dailystats
Date: 6/8/99 10:32AM
Subject: Bus Industry '97; Widows '96

PASSENGER BUS INDUSTRY 1997
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 53-215-XIB

In Canada 1997, scheduled intercity carriers derived 62.3% (down from 62.3% in 1995) of their revenue from scheduled intercity services, and the balance from charter, school bus, parcel express and other services. Charter carriers derived 57.5% (down from 64.2% in 1995) of their revenues from charter services. School bus carriers derived 78.1% (down from 79.4% in 1995) of their revenues from school bus transportation.

WIDOWS WHO LIVE ALONE 1996
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 11-008-XPE

In Canada 1996, about 75% of widows aged 65+ lived by themselves, about 11% lived with an unmarried adult son or daughter, and about 11% lived with a married adult child. The balance lived with friends or other relatives.

In 1921 there were about two widows for every widower. In 1996 the ratio increased to about five to one.

From: Doug McCann
To: dailystats
Date: 6/9/99 11:49AM
Subject: Farm Input Price Index 1Q99; Impact of Divorce; Courier Ind '97; Taxi Ind '97

FARM INPUT PRICE INDEX 1ST QUARTER 1999
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 62-004-XPB

In Canada 1st quarter 1999, the farm input price index (1986=100) increased +0.5% to 124.9 over the 4th quarter 1998, and declined -2.1% over the 1st quarter 1998.

IMPACT OF DIVORCE ON ADOLESCENTS
<http://www.statcan.ca/english/Vlib/Research/no135e.pdf>

In Canada 1995, males, aged 25 to 32, whose parents had divorced earned \$2,200 less per year than their counterparts (\$16,600 vs \$18,800). Females, aged 25 to 32, whose parents had divorced, earned \$1,200 less per year than their counterparts (\$12,800 vs \$14,000).

SURVEY OF COURIERS AND LOCAL MESSENGER INDUSTRY 1997
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 50-002-XIB

In Canada 1997, total operating revenue for couriers and local messenger industry was \$3.8 billion. Total operating expenses were \$3.5 billion.

In Nova Scotia 1997, total operating revenue for couriers and local messengers industry was \$126.1 million. Total operating expenses were \$118.2 million.

SURVEY OF THE TAXI AND LIMOUSINE SERVICE INDUSTRY 1997
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 50-002-XIB

In Canada 1997, total operating revenue of the taxi and limousine service industry was \$873.1 million. Total operating expenses were \$692.6 million.

In Nova Scotia 1997, total operating revenue of the taxi and limousine service industry was \$21.8 million. Total operating expenses were \$16.9 million.

From: Doug McCann
To: dailystats
Date: 6/10/99 10:38AM
Subject: Nat'l Accts 1Q99; Balance Int'l Payments 1Q99; New Housing Price Index Apr'99

NATIONAL ECONOMIC AND FINANCIAL ACCOUNTS
FIRST QUARTER 1999
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 13-001-XPB

GDP (\$1992)

In Canada 1st quarter 1999, GDP at 1992 prices increased +1.0% over the 4th quarter 1998 and increased +3.2% over the 1st quarter 1998. The annualized change was +4.2%.

Note: annualized change is the growth rate compounded annually. The year-over-year change is the growth rate of a given quarter compared with the same quarter in the previous year.

GDP expenditure based (current\$)

In Canada 1st quarter 1999, gross domestic product at market prices increased +1.6% to \$918.9 billion (seasonally adjusted at annual rates) over the 4th quarter 1998.

GDP expenditure based (\$1992)

In Canada 1st quarter 1999, gross domestic product at market prices increased +1.0% to \$857.7 billion (seasonally adjusted at annual rates) over the 4th quarter 1998.

CANADA'S BALANCE OF INTERNATIONAL PAYMENTS
FIRST QUARTER 1999
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 67-001-XPB

In Canada 1st quarter 1999, the current account deficit (seasonally adjusted at quarterly rates) declined to \$1.4 billion from the \$4.1 billion deficit in 4th quarter 1998 and the \$4.0 billion deficit in 1st quarter 1998.

NEW HOUSING PRICE INDEX April 1999
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 62-007-XPB

In Canada April 1999, the new housing price index (1992=100) increased +1.0% to 100.6 over March 1999, and increased +0.7% over April 1998.

In Halifax April 1999, the new housing price index (1992=100) remained unchanged at 110.1 over March 1999, and increased +1.5% over April 1998.

From: Doug McCann
To: dailystats
Date: 6/11/99 11:16AM
Subject: Family Violence '97; Shelters for abused women '97/98

FAMILY VIOLENCE 1997
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 85-224-XPE

In Canada 1978 to 1997, there were 12, 871 victims of homicide (4,475 female, 8,399 male). Of these 3,938 were victims of family homicides (2,254 female and 1,684 males).

Spouses represented 18% of all victims of solved homicides and 48% of family related homicides. In the period 1,485 women were killed by their husbands, and 442 men were killed by their wives.

The number of children killed by their parents totaled 877 in the 1978-97 period. The number of children killed by their mothers increased from 15 in 1988 to 25 in 1997. The number of children killed by their fathers increased from 19 in 1988 to 37 in 1997.

SHELTERS FOR ABUSED WOMEN 1997/98
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 85-002-XPE

In Canada April 20, 1998 there were 2,260 women resident in shelters for reasons of abuse. The rate per 100,000 adult women in the population is 18.2.

In Nova Scotia April 20, 1998, there were 92 women resident in shelters for reasons of abuse. The rate per 100,000 adult women in the population is 23.5.

From: Doug McCann
To: dailystats
Date: 6/14/99 11:07AM
Subject: Dom. Travel '98; Int' Travel Apr '99; Motor Vehicle Apr'99; Education Price Index '97

DOMESTIC TRAVEL 1998

In Canada 1998, domestic travel increased +12.5% to 144.3 million trips (126.1 million intra-provincial, 18.2 million inter-provincial) over 1997. Spending on domestic travel increased +15.4% to \$18.9 billion, over 1997.

In 1998, Nova Scotians took 5.4 million intra-provincial trips and 1.0 million inter-provincial person trips (total domestic trips = 6.4 million). Total spending on domestic travel was \$847.9 million.

TRAVEL BETWEEN CANADA AND OTHER COUNTRIES April 1999

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 66-001-PPB

In Canada April 1999, Canadian trips abroad (seasonally adjusted) increased +2.0% to 3.8 million trips over March 1999. Year-over-year trips (unadjusted) declined -8.2% to 3.9 million trips over April 1998.

In Canada April 1999, foreigners' trips (seasonally adjusted) to Canada increased +0.4% to 4.2 million trips over March 1999. Year-over-year trips (unadjusted) increased +9.4% to 3.4 million trips over April 1998.

NEW MOTOR VEHICLE SALES April 1999

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 63-007-XIB

In Canada April 1999, new motor vehicle unit sales (unadjusted) increased +1.7% to 142,870 units over March 1998.

EDUCATION PRICE INDEX 1997

In Canada 1997, the education price index (1992=100) increased +0.7% to 106.5 over 1996. In the same period CPI increased +1.6% to 107.6.

From: Doug McCann
To: dailystats
Date: 6/16/99 12:11PM
Subject: Manufacturing Apr'99; Births '97

MONTHLY SURVEY OF MANUFACTURING April 1999
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 31-001-XPB

In Canada April 1999, seasonally adjusted manufacturer's shipments declined -0.8% to \$39.5 billion over March 1999 and increased +5.9% over April 1998. Inventories increased +0.8% to \$50.0 billion over March 1999 and increased +3.6% over April 1998. Unfilled orders declined -1.0% to \$49.2 billion over March 1999, and increased +12.6% over April 1998. New orders declined -1.5% to \$39.0 billion over March 1999, and increased +4.1% over April 1998. The inventories to shipments ratio increased to 1.27 from 1.25 in March 1999, and declined from 1.30 in April 1998.

In Nova Scotia April 1999, seasonally adjusted manufacturer's shipments increased +7.0% to \$590 million over March 1999.

BIRTHS 1997

In Canada 1997, there were 348,598 live births. The infant mortality rate (deaths per 1000 live births) declined to 5.5 from 5.6 in 1996, and 7.3 in 1987.

In Nova Scotia there were 9,952 live births in 1997. The infant mortality rate was 4.4.

From: Doug McCann
To: dailystats
Date: 6/17/99 10:19AM
Subject: Int'l Merchandise Trade Apr'99; Wholesale Trade Apr'99; Large Retailers Mar '99

CANADIAN INTERNATIONAL MERCHANDISE TRADE April 1999
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 65-001-XPB

In Canada April 1999, merchandise trade exports (seasonally adjusted) declined -0.9% to \$28.7 billion over March 1999, and increased +8.5% over April 1998. Year-to-date exports increased +10.7% to \$115.2 billion over Jan-Apr 1998.

In Canada April 1999, merchandise trade imports (seasonally adjusted) declined -0.3% to \$26.3 billion over March 1999, and increased +4.7% over April 1998. Year-to-date imports increased +6.8% to \$105.1 billion over Jan-Apr 1998.

In Canada April 1999, merchandise balance of trade surplus declined to \$2.4 billion over March 1999. Year-to-date balance of trade surplus increased to \$10.2 billion over Jan-Apr 1998.

In Nova Scotia March 1999, merchandise trade exports increased +15.8% to \$309.0 million over March 1998. Year-to-date exports increased 16.1% to \$878.3 million over Jan-Mar 1998.

In Nova Scotia March 1999, merchandise trade imports declined -7.9% to \$436.5 million, over March 1998. Year-to-date imports declined -20.8% to \$1.2 billion over Jan-Mar 1998.

WHOLESALE TRADE April 1999
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 63-008-XIB

In Canada April 1999 wholesale merchants' sales (seasonally adjusted) remained unchanged at \$23.3 billion over March 1999, and increased +5.1% over April 1998.

In Canada April 1999, wholesale merchants' inventories (seasonally adjusted) declined -0.8% to \$40.6 billion over March 1999, and increased +3.1% over April 1998.

In Nova Scotia April 1999, wholesale merchants' sales (seasonally adjusted) increased +11.5% to \$627 million over March 1999, and increased +29.6% over April 1998.

MONTHLY SURVEY OF LARGE RETAILERS

In Canada April 1999, sales for the group of large retailers (unadjusted) increased +7.0% to \$5.2 billion over March 1998.

From: Doug McCann
To: dailystats
Date: 6/21/99 12:12PM
Subject: retail Trade Apr'99

RETAIL TRADE April 1999
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 63-005-XPB

In Canada April 1999, retail sales (seasonally adjusted) declined -0.4% to \$21.2 billion over March 1999, and increased +2.7% over April 1998.

In Nova Scotia April 1999, retail sales declined -4.0% to \$631 million over March 1999, and declined -0.4% over April 1998.

SUBSCRIPTION
details at <http://www.gov.ns.ca/fina/publish/pub23.htm>

From: Doug McCann
To: dailystats
Date: 6/23/99 10:06AM
Subject: Int'l Trade Securities Apr'99; Composite Index May'99; Employment Insurance Apr'99

CANADA'S INTERNATIONAL TRANSACTIONS IN SECURITIES

April 1999

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 67-002-XPB

In Canada April 1999, net foreign investment in Canadian securities was an inflow of \$3.3 billion. Year-to-date net foreign investment in Canadian securities was an outflow of \$3.0 billion.

In Canada April 1999, net Canadian investment in foreign securities was an inflow of \$0.6 billion. Year-to-date net Canadian investment in foreign securities was an outflow of \$5.0 billion.

Note: Outflow indicates an outflow of money from Canada - either Canadians investing abroad, or foreigners withdrawing assets. Inflow indicates an inflow of money into Canada - either Canadians withdrawing assets from abroad or foreigners investing in Canada.

COMPOSITE INDEX May 1999

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 11-010-XPB

In Canada May 1999, the composite leading indicator (1981=100) increased +0.4% to 214.0 over April 1999.

Seven of ten indexes were positive.

The housing index (1981=100) increased +1.6% to 129.1.

The TSE 300 stock price index (1975=1000) increased +2.0% to 6,573.

The US composite leading indicator (1967=100) increased +0.2% to 228.4.

New orders, durables (1981\$) increased +0.9% to \$16.9 billion.

The shipments to inventories of finished goods ratio increased from 1.64 to 1.66.

Furniture and appliances sales (1981\$) increased +0.5% to \$1.4 billion.

Other durable goods sales (1981\$) increased +1.0% to \$4.7 billion

One index was unchanged.

Business and personal services remained unchanged at \$2.3 million.

Two of ten indexes were negative.

The average workweek (manufacturing) declined -0.3% to 38.6 hours.

The money supply (M1 1981\$) decline -0.3% to \$41.6 billion.

EMPLOYMENT INSURANCE April 1999

In Canada April 1999, the number of beneficiaries receiving regular benefits declined -1.6% to 513,450.

In Nova Scotia April 1999, the number of beneficiaries receiving regular benefits declined -4.3% to 26,830.

From: Doug McCann
To: dailystats
Date: 6/25/99 10:22AM
Subject: IPPI May'99; RMPI May'99; Population 1Q99

INDUSTRIAL PRODUCT PRICE INDEX MAY 1999
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 62-011-XPB

In Canada May 1999, the IPPI (1992=100) declined -0.1% to 119.9 over April 1999, and increased +0.8% over May 1998.

RAW MATERIALS PRICE INDEX MAY 1999
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 62-011-XPB

In Canada May 1999, the RMPI (1992=100) increased +1.4% to 113.5 over April 1999, and increased +2.6% over May 1998.

DEMOGRAPHIC STATISTICS 1ST QUARTER 1999
Statistics Canada Cat. NO. 91-002-XIB

In Canada 1st quarter 1999, population increased +0.2% over the previous quarter to 30,482,862.

In Nova Scotia 1st quarter 1999, population (935,593) remained unchanged over the previous quarter.

From: Doug McCann
To: dailystats
Date: 6/28/99 10:04AM
Subject: Oil/Natural Gas Apr'99; Pension Plans 4Q98

CRUDE OIL AND NATURAL GAS April 1999
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 26-006-XPB

In Canada April 1999, crude oil production declined -8.4% to 9.5 million cubic metres, over April 1998. Year-to-date production declined -9.0% to 38.7 million cubic metres over Jan-Apr 1998.

In Canada April 1999, natural gas production increased +1.9% to 13.6 billion cubic metres over April 1998. Year-to-date production declined -0.1% to 54.8 billion cubic metres over Jan-Apr 1998.

EMPLOYER PENSION PLANS 4th QUARTER 1998
Statistics Canada Cat. NO. 74-001-XPB

In Canada 4th quarter 1998, the market value of employer pension plans (trusted pension funds) increased +8.8% to \$499 billion over the 3rd quarter 1998, and +7.2% over the 4th quarter in 1997.

From: Doug McCann
To: dailystats
Date: 6/29/99 4:12PM
Subject: Emp,Earns, Hrs Apr'99; Field Crops '99

EMPLOYMENT, EARNINGS AND HOURS April 1999
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 72-002-XPB

In Canada April 1999, average weekly earnings (seasonally adjusted) increased +0.2% to \$607.42 over March 1999, and declined -0.1% over April 1998. The number of employees remained unchanged at 11.8 million over March 1999.

In Nova Scotia April 1999, average weekly earnings (seasonally adjusted) increased +1.2% to \$520.02 over March 1999, and increased +1.8% over April 1998. The number of employees increased +0.6% to 332,000 over March 1999.

ESTIMATES OF PRINCIPAL FIELD CROPS 1999
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 22-002-XPB

In Canada 1999, total wheat seeding acres declined -3% to 26.1 million acres over 1998.

From: Doug McCann
To: dailystats
Date: 6/30/99 11:13AM
Subject: GDP '99; Labour Productivity '98; Enterprise Financial Stats 1Q99

GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT BY INDUSTRY AT FACTOR COST

April 1999

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 15-001-XPB

In Canada April 1999, GDP at factor cost (\$1992) seasonally adjusted increased +0.3% to \$735.4 billion (annualized) over March 1999, and increased +2.7% over April 1998.

LABOUR PRODUCTIVITY, HOURLY COMPENSATION AND UNIT LABOUR COST 1998

In Canada 1998, business sector GDP increased +3.4% over 1997. Labour productivity increased +0.7%, hourly compensation increased +4.0%, and unit labour cost increased +3.2%.

QUARTERLY SURVEY OF FINANCIAL STATISTICS FOR ENTERPRISES 1ST QUARTER 1999

In Canada 1st quarter 1999, operating profits increased +4.7% to \$36.3 billion over 4th quarter 1998.

From: Doug McCann
To: McCann, Doug
Date: 07/99 1:32PM
Subject: Re: Department Store Sales and Stocks; Survey of Large Retailers

DEPARTMENT STORE SALES AND STOCKS MAY 1999
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 63-002-XPB

Department store sales are increasing in Canada. Seasonally adjusted data for Canada shows that the \$1.5 billion in sales recorded last May was a 1.7% increase over April and a 4.9% increase over May 1998. Sales had been flat from early to mid 1998 but have been increasing since last fall.

Unadjusted provincial data shows that Nova Scotia had \$44.8 million in sales for May 1999 representing a 10.2% increase over May 1998. All provinces and territories posted increases with Nova Scotia being the second highest in the country.

MONTHLY SURVEY OF LARGE RETAILERS April 1999

This unadjusted data comes from a survey of 80 of the largest retailers in Canada, exclusive of motor and recreational vehicle dealers. These large retailers accounted for 38% of the total retail trade in April. Sales of \$5.7 billion represented an increase of 5.2% over April 1998. Total sales in the entire retail sector were only up 3.2% over the same period. Sales in all product lines increased with the exception of sporting and leisure goods. Health and personal care products exhibited the largest increase (+18%), followed by housewares (+10.5%) and home furnishings (+9.8%).

From: Doug McCann
To: McCann, Doug
Date: 07/99 1:32PM
Subject: Re: National Longitudinal Survey of Children and Youth; Estimates of Labour Income

NATIONAL LONGITUDINAL SURVEY OF CHILDREN AND YOUTH
transition into adolescence

This survey, started in 1994, is conducted every two years. It started with parental interviews for a sample of Canadian children up to age eleven along with a self reporting section for the older children aged ten and eleven. The survey will follow this group of children into adulthood. This latest release comes from data collected in 1996/97 and focuses on the self reported data from the oldest children who are now twelve and thirteen years old.

The release reports on adolescent behaviour from attitudes, risk taking, peer pressure and mental health. There is also data from teachers and principals, self reported data from ten and eleven year olds and results from school testing of reading comprehension. Data is also available through custom tabulations.

ESTIMATES OF LABOUR INCOME - April 1999
Statistics Canada Catalogue 13F0016XPB

Canadian labour income rose 0.3% over March and 2.7% in the first four months of 1999 compared to the same period in 1998. Increases were noted in logging/forestry, trade, finance/insurance/real estate and commercial/personal services. Declines occurred in transport, storage/communications and Federal administration/other government services.

From: Doug McCann
To: McCann, Doug
Date: 07/99 1:33PM
Subject: Re: Building Permits/Help Wanted

BUILDING PERMITS - May 1999
Statistics Canada Catalogue 64-001XIB

The seasonally adjusted value of building permits in Canada fell 1.8% from April to \$2.8 billion. Although residential permits showed an increase it was more than offset by a decline in non-residential permits.

Low mortgage rates and consumer confidence in the economy resulted in the value of residential building permits increasing 6.2% over April and 11.8% over May 1998. Permits for multi-family construction was up 15.5% from April to \$460 million while the value of single family housing was up 3.0% to \$1.2 billion.

After a 30% gain in March, non-residential permits have declined for two consecutive months. The May value of \$1.2 billion represents an 11.1% decline from April.

Nova Scotia is the reverse of the national situation. The overall value of permits is up 23.8% over April but it is non-residential construction fuelling the growth with an increase of 85.3% to \$40 million while residential construction fell 5.3% to \$43.3 million

HELP WANTED INDEX - June 1999

The Help- wanted Index is compiled from the number of help wanted ads in 22 newspapers from 20 major metropolitan areas. Nationally, the seasonally adjusted number was up 1.3% over the previous month and 11.2% over June 1998. In Nova Scotia the increases were 3.1% and 16.3% respectively. Increases from May were observed in eight provinces while Saskatchewan posted a decrease and Alberta was unchanged.

SHORT TERM EXPECTATIONS SURVEY

The results of the short term expectations survey are attached.

From: Doug McCann
To: McCann, Doug
Date: 07/99 1:34PM
Subject: Re: Labour Force Survey

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<http://www.gov.ns.ca/fina/statisti/emp/empl1.htm>

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<http://iweb.gov.ns.ca/fina/statisti/library.htm>

Seasonally Adjusted
(month over month)

In Canada the June 1999 labour force declined -0.5% to 15.9 million, employment remained unchanged at 14.6 million, unemployment declined -6.5% to 1.2 million, and the unemployment rate declined -0.5 percentage points to 7.6% over May 1999.

In Nova Scotia the June 1999 labour force dropped slightly to 458,800, employment increased 0.4% to 416,600, unemployment decreased -5.0% to 42,200 and the unemployment rate decreased +0.5 percentage points to 9.2% over May 1999.

Unadjusted
(year over year)

In Canada the June 1999 labour force increased +1.7% to 16.2 million, employment increased +2.6% to 15.0 million, unemployment declined -8.5% to 1.2 million, and the unemployment rate declined -0.8 percentage points to 7.2% over June 1998.

In Nova Scotia the June 1999 labour force increased +1.7% to 472,600, employment increased +3.3% to 432,000, unemployment declined -12.5% to 40,600 and the unemployment rate decreased -1.4 percentage points to 8.6% over June 1998.

From: Doug McCann
To: McCann, Doug
Date: 07/99 1:34PM
Subject: Re: National Tourism Indicators; Employment Insurance Coverage; New Housing Price Index

NATIONAL TOURISM INDICATORS, CAT. NO. 13-009-XPB

Tourism expenditures in Canada reached \$9.4 million during the first quarter of 1999, up 5.4% from the same quarter last year.

Spending by Canadians in Canada was \$7.4 million (or 78.7% of the total) in the first quarter 1999 up 3.5% over the first quarter last year. Domestic tourism spending was influenced by less foreign travel by Canadians and favourable economic conditions at home.

Expenditures by non-residents were \$2.0 billion (or 21.3% of total expenditures), up 12.8% over the first quarter 1998. Visits from the U.S., Europe and Asia/Pacific were up 5.7%, 9.5%, and 4.0%, respectively.

EMPLOYMENT INSURANCE COVERAGE 1998

Out of a total of 1,262,000 unemployed Canadians, 660,000 (52%) were potentially eligible for for employment insurance benefits in 1998. About 489,000 actually received benefits. The 171,000 who were potentially eligible but did not receive EI because they did not claim these benefits, were not eligible. or for some other unspecified reasons.

Of the 602,000 unemployed person not potentially eligible (48% of the total unemployed) about 400,00 had not worked during the last 12 months or had not worked at all. Of these, about 200,000 were long-term unemployed. The other 200,000 had a period of staying at home or were going to school since their last job.

The remaining third were not potentially eligible for EI benefits because they were either self-employed, had received uninsured employment, had returned to school, or they had quit their job.

This release is available free of charge at:

<http://www.statcan.ca:80/english/freepub/73F0008XIE/free.htm>

NEW HOUSING PRICE INDEX, MAY 1999

The New Housing Price index for Canada increased by 0.6% over May 1998 and showed no change over April 1999. The highest annual changes were in Calgary (5.1%), and Regina (3.6%) while Vancouver, Victoria, and Sudbury-Thunder Bay experienced declines of 4.5%, 3.9% and 0.6%

The New Housing Price Index for Halifax was up by 1.3% over May 1998 and up 0.3% over April 1999.

Other Releases:

Cement May 1999

From: Doug McCann
To: McCann, Doug
Date: 07/99 4:03PM
Subject: New Motor Vehicle Sales, May 1999

NEW MOTOR VEHICLE SALES, MAY 1999

In May 1999, 153,101 new motor vehicles were sold in **Canada**, a decline of 3.2% from April 1999. Despite fewer vehicles sold, the dollar value increased by 4.7% to \$4.3 billion over the same period.

On a year-over-year basis, the number of motor vehicles sold in May 1999 declined 3.2% from May 1998. The dollar value of motor vehicles also declined by 0.6% over this period.

In **Nova Scotia**, 5,075 new vehicles were sold in May, an increase of 14.9% over April 1999. Over the same period, the dollar value increased 13.6%.

On a year-over-year basis, the number of new vehicles sold declined 3.1% while the dollar value declined 4.3%.

Other Releases

Frozen fish 1998

From: Doug McCann
To: MacDonald, Neil; McCann, Doug
Date: 07/99 4:04PM
Subject: Re: Internet Use by Household; Travel Between Canada and Other Countries

SERVICE INDICATORS, Cat. No. 63-016-XPB, 1st QUARTER 1999

Statistics Canada's Service Indicators contains two Internet related articles: 1.) Getting Connected: Internet Use by Households and 2.) Challenges Facing Canada's Internet Service Providers (ISPs); A Snapshot from a Survey of ISPs.

Canadian households continued to increase their usage of the Internet. Work, at 23.3%, was still the first ranked location where Canadians connected to the Internet. Usage from home increased to 22.6% in 1998; an increase of 6.6% over 1997. Connectedness through schools was third at 12.1%.

There is a strong relationship between Internet use and income. About 50.4% of the highest income households included someone who was a regular user of the Internet whereas the level for the lowest income households was 4.1%. Usage in schools and public libraries helped to narrow the disparities between the highest and lowest income households.

Connectedness also increased with the level of education as 68.1% of households where the household head had a university education were connected to the Internet. Only 12.6% of households where the household head did not complete high school were Internet connected.

The rates of connectedness rose for all age groups. The group aged 35 to 54, at 46.9%, were the most likely to use the Internet. Connectedness for under 35, ages 55 to 64, and over 65 is 45.3%, 27.5%, and 7.2%, respectively.

TRAVEL BETWEEN CANADA AND OTHER COUNTRIES, MAY 1999

In May 1999, Canadians increased their overnight trips to the United States to 1.1 million, an increase of 1.3% over the previous month. Trips by American residents to Canada declined by 2.2% to 1.3 million over April 1999. Although trips by Americans to Canada have fallen over the past two months, they remain at higher levels than the same period last year.

The number of Canadians traveling overseas declined 2.7% from April 1999 to 360,000. Overseas residents traveling to Canada numbered 347,000 in May 1999; an increase of 2.5%.

Other Release:

Steel Primary Forms, July 10, 1999
Steel Primary Forms, May 1999
Shipments of Rolled Steel, May 1999
Particleboard, Oriented Strandboard and Fibreboard, May 1999
Electric Power in Canada, 1997
Industrial Monitor on CD-ROM, July 1999

From: Doug McCann
To: McCann, Doug
Date: 07/99 4:05PM
Subject: Re: CPI June 1999; Composite Index June 1999; Manufacturing Shipments: National and Provincial Levels

CONSUMER PRICE INDEX JUNE 1999
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 62-001-XPB

In **Canada** June 1999, the consumer price index all-items (1992=100) increased 0.1% to 110.5 over May 1999, and increased 1.6% over June 1998. The monthly 0.1% increase was the result of higher prices for traveler accommodations, fresh vegetables, confectionary items, and beef. Price declines were registered for gasoline, men's clothing, and fresh fruit in June 1999.

In **Nova Scotia** June 1999, the consumer price index (1992=100) increased 0.1% to 110.0 over May 1999, and increased 1.5% over June 1998. The June 1999 price increase resulted from significantly higher prices for traveler accommodation, gasoline, processed meat, and footwear. Fresh and frozen beef, tableware, fresh vegetables, non-alcoholic beverages, women's clothing, paper, and jewelry also experienced price increases. Off-setting the overall increase were lower prices for furniture, men's clothing, fresh fruit, reading materials, chicken, recreational equipment, bakery products, and inter-city transportation.

COMPOSITE INDEX JUNE 1999
Statistics Canada, Cat No. 11-010-XPB

The leading indicator increased 0.2% over May 1999. Seven out of ten components showed increases; most significantly the Housing Index (1981=100) up 2.1% and the TSE 300 stock price index (1975=1000) up 2.0%.

In the United States, only one of the ten components of the leading indicator showed a decrease. This, coupled with rising commodity prices, is continuing to encourage Canadian exports to the United States.

MANUFACTURING SHIPMENTS: NATIONAL AND PROVINCIAL LEVELS 1997, 1996
Statistics Canada, Cat. No. 31-203-XPB

The data from the Annual Survey of Manufacturers for 1996 has been revised.

Manufacturing shipments in Canada increased by 6.8% in 1997 over 1996. Of the 22 major manufacturing groups, 21 posted increases. Groups posting significant increases included furniture and fixtures (15.8%), machinery (12.0%), transportation equipment (10.2%), wood (8.7%), and chemicals and chemical products (8.0%). The only group experiencing a decline was paper and allied products (-2.4%).

Nova Scotia's manufacturing shipments increased 2.5% in 1997 over 1996.

Other Releases:

The Passenger Bus Industry, First half 1998
Air Fare Statistics, First Quarter 1998
Civil Aviation Operating Statistics, April 1999
Civil Aviation Financial Statistics, First Quarter 1999
Public Use Microdata File: Households and Housing File 1996 Census

From: Doug McCann
To: McCann, Doug
Date: 07/99 4:05PM
Subject: Re: Survey Mfg., May'99, Work Absence Rates 1987-98

MONTHLY SURVEY OF MANUFACTURING, May 1999 (seasonally adjusted)

Manufacturers' shipments in Canada grew 1.0% to \$39.9 billion in May 1999. Food, motor vehicles and electrical and electronic products industries led this increase. These gains were partially offset by decreases in the aircraft and parts industry and the machinery industry.

Since last month, manufacturers' shipments rose in seven of the 10 provinces and declined in all territories (ranged from +6.8% in Newfoundland to -4.8% in PEI). Nova Scotia experienced a -0.1% change in shipments.

In May Canadian manufacturers' backlog of unfilled orders grew 0.3% to \$49.2 billion and inventories edged up 0.5% to \$50.3 billion.

Data for June will be released August 17.

WORK ABSENCE RATES, 1987-1998 (Cat. No. 71-535-MPB, No. 10)

Work Absence Rates, 1987-1998 looks at absences from work for personal reasons (illness or disability) and personal or family responsibilities (excluding maternity leave). The report is based on data from the Labour Force Survey and uses the recently implemented 1991 Standard Occupational Classification system, the new North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) and the redefined public/private sectors.

Joan Bisson
Research & Statistics Officer

From: Doug McCann
To: McCann, Doug
Date: 07/99 4:06PM
Subject: Re: Cdn. Intl. Trade, Wholesale Trade - May'99 - Release July 20'99

CANADIAN INTERNATIONAL MERCHANDISE TRADE, May 1999 (Cat. No. 65-001-XIB)

Canada's exports rose 0.5% in May 1999 to \$28.9 billion and imports remained virtually unchanged at \$26.5 billion (+0.1%), pushing the trade balance to \$2.4 billion.

The marked increase in exports of coal, wheat, seafood, cars and minerals more than offset the sharp drop in aircraft and forest product exports.

The strong recovery in imports of televisions, magazines and periodicals and automotive parts was almost completely offset by the sharp drop in imports of aircraft, oil, gold and primary steel products.

WHOLESALE TRADE, May 1999 (Cat. No. 63-008-XIB)

Wholesale trade rose 1.8% in May to \$29.8 billion. Except for a slowdown in the first half of 1998, sales have generally been climbing for the last three years. Gains this month were broadly based, with increases in nine of the 11 trade groups and seven of those nine having strong increases between 2.7% to 4.7%.

Eight provinces had increased sales in May, with wholesalers in Newfoundland posting the largest percentage increase, up 7.1% over April. There was no change in Manitoba and Nova Scotia posted a -1.2% change.

HEALTH INDICATORS, 1999 (Cat. No. 82-221-XCB)

Health Indicators 1999 is an electronic database that examines the health status of Canadians, as well as health-care use and performance, including such topics as:

- workplace injuries
- births, stillbirths and deaths
- chronic conditions
- use of medication
- use of health services
- unmet health care needs
- reasons for hospitalization
- selected procedures in hospitals
- causes of death

(database, for the first time, is available on compact disc)

OTHER RELEASES TODAY:

- Export and Import Price Indexes, May 1999
- Natural Gas Sales, May 1999
- Construction Union Wage Rate Index, June 1999
- Selected Financial Indexes, June 1999
- Construction-type Plywood, May 1999
- Electric Utility Construction Price Indexes, 1997-1998
- Stocks of Frozen Poultry Meat, July 1, 1999

Joan Bisson
Research & Statistics Officer

From: Doug McCann
To: McCann, Doug
Date: 07/99 4:08PM
Subject: Re: Retail Trade May'99, Crime Stats '98, NS Mfg. Shipments May'99-Release of July 21, 1999

Retail Trade, May 1999 (Cat. No. 63-005)

Total retail sales in Canada reached \$21.3 billion, up 0.4% from April. Sluggish sales by motor and recreational vehicle dealers dampened an otherwise strong month for retailers.

Retail sales in Atlantic Canada bounced back in May (+4.2%) following a 2.7% decline in April. All sectors contributed to this increase. April to May 1999 increases in each of the four Atlantic Provinces were as follows:

Nfld.: 3.6%

PEI: 2.8%

NS: 4.7%

NB: 4.1%

Consumers in Ontario increased spending by 0.8% during May, Quebec spent about the same and western retailers posted weaker sales.

Crime Statistics, 1998 (Cat. No. 85-002-XIE, Vol. 19, No. 9)

The Canadian crime rate, based on crimes reported by police, fell for the seventh consecutive year in 1998. The 4.1% drop resulted in the lowest rate in almost 20 years. Among the few crimes showing an increase were drug offences (+6.0%) and prostitution (+1.7%).

The decline in the crime rate in Nova Scotia between 1997-1998 was -3.6% and Metro Halifax was unchanged.

Manufacturers Shipments, Nova Scotia, May 1999 (Cat. No. 31-001)

(see attached table)

Other Releases Today:

Deliveries of Major Grains

Joan Bisson
Research & Statistics Officer

From: Doug McCann
To: McCann, Doug
Date: 07/99 4:08PM
Subject: Re: Cnd. Intl. Transactions in Securities May'99, Radio Listening Fall'98-Releases July 22'99

Canada's International Transactions in Securities, May 1999

Foreigners increased their holdings of Canadian Securities by \$4.1 billion in May, with significant acquisitions of new corporate bonds and shares of Canadian firms. U.S. investors accounted for all the buying in May as other foreign investors, mainly Europeans, sold some of their holdings.

At the same time, Canadians resumed their investment in foreign securities with purchases of \$1.2 billion of mainly foreign stocks.

Radio Listening, Fall 1998

Canadians appear to have rediscovered their radios:

- in fall of 1998, they spent 20.4 hours per week listening to the radio
- up from fall 1997's 19.9 hours per week
- in fall 1998, listening time had increased in every province (ranged from ½ hour in B.C. to almost 2 hours in NS and PEI)
- largest share of listeners went to adult contemporary music
- in all 1998, people from Quebec, PEI and Alberta had the highest listenership (21.3 hours per week) and at the other extreme BC tuned in for only 18.6 hours per week; Nova Scotians tuned in on average 20.6 hours per week.
- radio was least popular among teenagers aged 12-17 (11 hours per week on average--1/2 as much time as adults aged 18+)

Other Releases Today:

Steel Primary Forms, Week Ending July 17, 1999
railway carloadings, Nine-Day Period Ending June 30, 1999
Electric Lamps, June 1999
Electric Lamps, 2nd Quarter 1999

Joan Bisson
Research & Statistics Officer

From: Doug McCann
To: McCann, Doug
Date: 07/99 4:09PM
Subject: Re: Family Tax After Income 1997; Canada's International Transactions in Services 1998; Innovation Analy

FAMILY INCOME AFTER TAX
Statistics Canada, Cat. No. 13-210-XPB

After adjusting for inflation, estimated family income after tax in Canada remained essentially unchanged in 1997 as compared to 1996. The 1997 average after tax family income was estimated at \$45,605, down approximately 6% from 1989. Transfer payments averaged about \$6,474; 10% less than the peak in 1993. The average income tax was \$11,541 and was down slightly from the high recorded in 1996.

Another related report, Low Income After Tax, 1997 will be released in early August.

Free statistics on average income, income tax and transfer payments are available at:

<http://www.statcan.ca/english/Pgdb/People/famili.htm#inc>

CANADA'S INTERNATIONAL TRANSACTIONS IN SERVICES, 1998
Statistics Canada, Cat. No. 67-203-XPB

Canada's export of services increased 9% in 1998 to \$45.9 billion. Service imports to Canada rose by 3% to \$52.9 billion resulting in a service trade deficit of \$7.0 billion. This \$7.0 billion trade deficit is the lowest since 1988.

Services traded include travel, transportation, commercial services to the business community and some government services.

The United States, the United Kingdom and Japan remain the dominant countries of service trade with Canada. Statistics Canada has added a new series which provides summary estimates of trade services with 44 individual trading partners.

INNOVATION ANALYSIS BULLETIN
Statistics Canada, Cat. No. 88-003-XIE

Statistics Canada has released a new product which provides a profile of trends in science, technology, and the information society. The first issue includes articles on a new framework to measure science and technology knowledge, Canadian contributions to scientific journals, rise in patents and licenses at Canadian universities, and getting connected to the Internet.

Other Releases:

Pipeline Transportation of Crude Oil and Refined Petroleum Products)
Farm Product Prices

From: Doug McCann
To: McCann, Doug
Date: 07/99 4:10PM
Subject: Re: Economic Dependency Profiles 1997; Employment Insurance May 1999

ECONOMIC DEPENDENCY PROFILES, 1997
Statistics Canada, Cat. No. 13C0017

In Canada, taxfilers received \$18.17 in transfer payments for every \$100 of employment income in 1997. This amount is down by \$1.18 from 1996. Since reaching its peak of \$20.68 in 1993, the Economic Dependency Ratio (EDR) has declined every year. This is due to changes in Employment Insurance and increases in employment income.

All provinces and territories showed declines in the EDR in 1997 except for Prince Edward Island and the Yukon. Residents of the Northwest Territories (excluding Nunavut) and Yukon were least dependent on government transfers at \$9.35 and \$11.39 respectively. Newfoundland (\$34.60) and Prince Edward Island (\$32.22) were most dependent on transfers.

In Nova Scotia, the EDR was \$26.00 in 1997; a decline of 5.14% from 1996.

EMPLOYMENT INSURANCE, MAY 1999

In May 1999, an estimated 521,440 Canadians received regular Employment Insurance benefits; an increase of 0.5% over April 1999. Regular payments increase by 4.8% over April 1999 to \$698,200,000.

In Nova Scotia, the number of beneficiaries in May 1999 was 26,950; a decrease of 0.3% over April 1999.

Other Releases:

Crude Oil and Natural Gas
Pulpwood and Wood Residue

From: Doug McCann
To: McCann, Doug
Date: 07/99 4:10PM
Subject: Re: Private and Public Investment, Revised Intentions 1999; Employment, Earnings and Hours; May 1999

PRIVATE AND PUBLIC INVESTMENT, REVISED INTENTIONS 1999
Statistics Canada, Cat. No. 61-206-XIB

Starting with these revised intentions for 1999, investment intentions are now calculated on the North American Industrial Classification System (NAICS) rather than Standard Industrial Classification (SIC 1980). Data has been recalculated on the same basis back to 1991.

Total private and public investment in Canada is expected to increase by 6.8% to \$174.2 billion in 1999. Private and public investment is composed of investment in plant and equipment and housing investment.

Investment in plant and equipment by the private sector and the government sector in Canada is expected to increase to \$135.8 billion in 1999; an increase of 8.1% over 1998. This increase is a result of steady profits, high capacity utilization rates, and low interest rates. Housing is expected to increase by 2.7% over 1998 to \$38.4 billion.

Sectors experiencing significant increases include Arts, Entertainment and Recreation (42.9%), Health Care and Social Assistance (238.3%), Real Estate and Rental and Leasing (27.4%), and Transportation and warehousing (25.0%).

All areas of the countries are anticipated to experience an increase in investment intentions with the exception of Prince Edward Island (-0.4%), Manitoba (-3.9%), and the Northwest Territories and Nunavut (-21.0%) Newfoundland and New Brunswick are expected to post the largest spending increases at 29.2% and 22.2%, respectively.

Public and Private Investment in Nova Scotia in 1999 is expected to be \$4.8 billion; an increase of 5.8% over 1998.

EMPLOYMENT, EARNINGS AND HOURS, MAY 1999
Statistics Canada, Cat. No. 72-002-XPB

In Canada, the average weekly earnings for all employees in May 1999 were estimated at \$607.39. On a month-over-month basis, there is basically no change from April 1999. On a year-over-year basis, average weekly earnings in May 1999 increased by 0.5% over May 1998.

The average weekly earnings for all employees in Nova Scotia in May 1999 decreased 0.7% to \$518.67 from April 1999. On a year-over-year basis, average weekly wages increased by 1.1% over May 1998.

Other Releases

Postal Code Conversion File, May 1999
Postal Codes by Federal Riding File, May 1999
Labour Force Income Profile, 1997
Stocks of Frozen Meat Products, July 1999
Cereals and Oilseeds Review, May 1999

From: Doug McCann
To: McCann, Doug
Date: 07/99 4:11PM
Subject: Re: Industrial Product Price Index, June 1999; Raw Materials Price Index, June 1999; Short Term Expecta

INDUSTRIAL PRODUCT PRICE INDEX, June 1999
Statistics Canada, Cat. No. 62-011-XPB

The Industrial Price Product Index (IPI) reflects the price manufacturers receive for their goods when they leave the plant. In June 1999, the IPI for Canada was 120.2; an increase of 0.1% over May 1999. On a year-over-year basis, the IPI for Canada increased by 0.8%.

RAW MATERIALS PRICE INDEX, June 1999
Statistics Canada, Cat. No. 62-011-XPB

The Raw Materials Index (RMPI) reflects the prices paid by Canadian producers for key raw materials. In June 1999, the RMPI for Canada was 112.9; a decrease of 0.5% over May 1999. On a year-over-year basis, the RMPI for Canada increased by 5.4%.

SHORT EXPECTATIONS SURVEY
(originally released July 7, 1999)

Every month Statistics Canada canvasses a group of economic analysts for forecasts of key economic indicators. Results attached.

The forecast for August 1999;

Consumer Price Index percentage increase (yr/yr) is 1.6%
Unemployment rate seasonally adjusted 8.1%
Labour force participation seasonally adjusted 66.0%

The forecast for July 1999
Exports (\$billions) \$28.9
Imports (\$billions) \$26.7

The forecast for June 1999 GDP at FC \$1992 (mth/mth) percent increase +0.2%

In May the survey results forecast CPI to increase 0.8% while the actual was 1.6%; the unemployment rate was forecast to be 7.8%, and the actual was 8.1%; labour force participation rate was forecast to be 65.9%, while the actual was 65.7%.

In April the survey results forecast exports to be \$29.0 billion, while the actual exports was \$29.0 billion; imports were forecast to be \$26.2 billion, while the actual was \$26.3 billion; and GDP was forecast to increase 0.3%, while the actual increase was 0.3%.

Other Releases

Steel Primary Forms
Passenger Bus Industry

From: Doug McCann
To: McCann, Doug
Date: 07/99 4:12PM
Subject: Re: Gross Domestic Product, May 1999; Student Debt, 1990/91-1995/96; R & D Expenditures in Health

GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT BY INDUSTRY AT FACTOR COST
May 1999, Statistics Canada, Cat. No. 15-0001-XPB

Canadian GDP stood at \$737,630 in May 1999. This value represents a 0.3% increase over April 1999 and 3.1% increase over May 1998. This increase represents 10 consecutive months of economic expansion since mid-1998's strike induced slowdown.

Industries exhibiting significant monthly increases in May 1999 were logging and forestry (1.9%), communications (1.1%), wholesale trade (1.0%), mining, quarrying and wells (1.0%) and business services (0.9%). Manufacturing was unchanged while fishing and trapping, education, and accommodation and food declined by 0.3%, 0.1% and 0.2%, respectively.

STUDENT DEBT, 1990/91 - 1995/96
Available in Education Quarterly Review,
Statistics Canada, Cat. No. 81-003-XPB

In the 1990/91 school year one in five students experienced repayment difficulties of their Canada Student Loans. In 1995/96 that number increased to one in three students.

In 1990/91, 98,878 students who consolidated their student loan payments owed an average of \$6,810. In 1995/96 148,731 students had consolidated loans and owed an average of \$7,725, an increase of 13.4% over 1990/91. In total, post-secondary students consolidated over \$1.1 billion in 1995/96, an increase of 70.6% from 1990/91.

Default rates of students also increased over the five year period, from 17.6% in 1990/91 to 21.8% in 1995/96.

RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT EXPENDITURES IN HEALTH, 1970-1998
Available in Science Statistics, Service Bulletin, Statistics Canada Cat. No. 88-001-XIB, vol 23, no. 4

In Canada, Health accounted for 16.2%, or \$1 out of every \$6, of all research and development activities. In 1998, an estimated \$2.3 billion dollars was spent on health research and development in universities, teaching hospitals, pharmaceutical companies, government laboratories, and private non-profit organizations.

HISTORICAL STATISTICS OF CANADA
Statistics Canada, Cat. No. 11-516-XIE

Statistics Canada has released the compendium, Historical Statistics of Canada. This publication depicts the growth and development of Canada from Confederation 1867 to the present with text and comprehensive statistical tables. Data includes population, demographic, economic, justice, politics, etc.

This publication is available for free at:

<http://www.statcan.ca:80/english/freepub/11-516-XIE/free.htm>

Other Releases:

Neighbourhood Income and Demographics, 1997
Asphalt Roofing, June 1999

Coal and Coke Statistics, May 1999

Pipeline Transportation of Crude Oil and Refined Petroleum, May 99

Electric Power Statistics, May 1999

Energy Consumption by Manufacturing Industries, 1998

From: Doug McCann
To: McCann, Doug
Date: 8/3/99 10:10AM
Subject: Business Conditions Jul'99; Gov't Finance 98/99; Dept Store Sales Jun'99

QUARTERLY BUSINESS CONDITIONS
SURVEY: MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES JULY 1999

In Canada July 1999, manufacturers (53%) expect that during the next three months the volume of production will remain about the same as the last three months and an additional 37% believe that volume will increase.

Orders received by 60% of manufacturers are expected to be about the same as the last quarter, with 30% are expecting increases and 10% declines. 74% consider the present backlog of unfilled orders as about normal, 13%, both lower, and higher than normal. Most respondents (81%) believe the finished product inventory to be about right while 16% consider levels to be too high. 72% believe that employment during the next three months will change little, 16% expect an increase and 12% a decrease.

Most manufacturers (82%) do not foresee any production difficulties. A small number (7%) think that they may experience a skilled labour shortage. 4% expect a working capital shortage and 2% a raw material shortage.

GOVERNMENT FINANCE: REVENUE, EXPENDITURE 1998/99
Financial Management System (FMS) Basis

In Canada 1998/99, government surplus (all levels), measured on a FMS basis, increased to \$2.5 billion from \$0.4 billion in 1997/98.. The Federal government surplus increased to \$5.3 billion from \$4.5 billion in the previous period. Provincial government deficits increased to -\$6.0 billion from -\$4.0 billion in 97/98. Local governments reported a surplus of \$3.1 billion, compared to a deficit of -\$53 million in 97/98.

DEPARTMENT STORE SALES June 1999

In Canada June 1999, unadjusted department store sales (including concessions) increased +11.6% to \$1.4 billion over June 1998. Year-to-date sales increased +5.6% to \$7.4 billion over the same period last year.

In Nova Scotia June 1999, unadjusted department store sales (including concessions) increased +19.1% to \$43.4 million over June 1998. Year-to-date sales increase +6.9% to \$222.6 million over Jan-Jun 1998.

From: Doug McCann
To: daily1
Date: 8/5/99 1:24PM
Subject: Short Term Expectations Aug'99

SHORT TERM EXPECTATIONS

Every month Statistics Canada canvasses a group of economic analysts for forecasts of key economic indicators. Results attached.

The forecast for September 1999;

Consumer Price Index percentage increase (yr/yr) is	+1.9%
Unemployment rate seasonally adjusted	7.8%
Labour force participation seasonally adjusted	65.6%

The forecast for August 1999

Exports (\$billions)	\$29.0
Imports (\$billions)	\$26.5

The forecast for July 1999

GDP at FC \$1992 (mth/mth) percent increase	+0.3%
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In June the survey results forecast CPI to increase +1.0% while the actual was +1.6%; the unemployment rate was forecast to be 7.7%, and the actual was 7.6%; labour force participation rate was forecast to be 65.8%, while the actual was 65.3%.

In May the survey results forecast exports to be \$28.8 billion, while the actual was \$29.9 billion; imports were forecast to be \$26.2 billion, while the actual was \$26.5 billion.

In April the survey forecast GDP to increase +0.3%, while the actual was +0.3%.

STATISTICS ON RESULTS OF THE SHORT TERM EXPECTATIONS SURVEY
STATISTIQUES SUR LES RÉSULTATS DE L'ENQUÊTE SUR LES ANTICIPATIONS À COURT TERME

FOR RELEASE ON AUGUST 4, 1999 / POUR PUBLICATION LE 4 AOÛT 1999

INDICATORS INDICATEURS	YEAR / MONTH ANNÉE / MOIS	MEAN / MOYENNE			MIN.	MAX.	ACTUAL DATA CHIFFRE RÉEL
		original version	1st revision	2nd revision			
Cansim 9940 Serie P100000 Consumer Price Index Indices des prix à la consommation % year/year	98/07	1.2	1.1	—	1.0	1.5	1.0
	98/08	1.2	1.2	1.1	0.9	1.2	0.8
	98/09	1.2	1.1	0.9	0.6	1.0	0.7
	98/10	1.1	1.0	0.8	0.6	1.0	1.0
	98/11	1.1	0.9	1.1	0.8	1.3	1.2
	98/12	1.0	1.2	1.3	1.1	1.5	1.0
	99/01	1.1	1.2	1.0	0.6	1.1	0.6
	99/02	1.2	1.1	0.7	0.5	1.0	0.7
	99/03	1.1	0.8	0.7	0.3	0.9	1.0
	99/04	0.9	0.8	1.1	0.5	1.2	1.7
	99/05	0.8	0.9	1.5	1.2	1.8	1.6
	99/06	1.0	1.5	1.5	1.3	1.6	1.6
	99/07	1.5	1.5	1.7	1.4	2.0	
99/08	1.6	1.7		1.4	1.9		
99/09	1.9			1.5	2.2		
Cansim 3451 Serie D980745 Unemployment Chômage % (S.A.)	98/07	8.4	8.4	—	8.2	8.5	8.4
	98/08	8.3	8.4	8.4	8.2	8.7	8.3
	98/09	8.4	8.4	8.4	8.3	8.5	8.3
	98/10	8.5	8.4	8.4	8.3	9.1	8.0
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Cansim 3685 Serie D399449 Exports Exportations billions \$	98/06	25.9	26.0	–	25.5	26.5	26.0	25.6
	98/07	26.0	26.1	26.2	25.7	27.0	25.6	25.9
	98/08	26.2	26.6	25.6	25.1	26.1	27.4	27.6
	98/09	26.7	25.7	27.1	26.0	28.0	27.2	27.7
	98/10	25.7	27.0	27.1	26.5	27.6	28.5	28.4
	98/11	26.9	27.2	28.2	27.0	29.0	28.4	28.4
	98/12	27.1	28.2	28.0	26.0	28.9	28.3	28.3
	99/01	28.0	27.9	28.2	27.8	28.6	28.9	28.8
	99/02	27.9	28.2	28.8	28.1	29.2	28.7	28.7
	99/03	28.2	28.8	28.8	28.4	29.1	29.0	28.8
	99/04	29.0	28.8	28.5	25.8	29.2	28.7	28.8
	99/05	28.8	28.9	29.0	28.7	29.1		29.9
	99/06	29.0	28.9	28.9	28.5	29.3		
	99/07	28.9	29.0		28.5	29.5		
99/08	29.0			28.3	29.5			
Cansim 3651 Serie D397990 Imports Importations billions \$	98/06	25.0	24.5	–	24.0	24.8	24.5	24.4
	98/07	25.1	24.1	24.4	24.0	24.9	24.1	24.1
	98/08	24.3	24.5	24.3	24.0	24.8	25.3	25.7
	98/09	24.4	24.3	25.1	24.0	25.6	25.6	25.9
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	99/07	26.7	26.4		25.7	26.7		
99/08	26.5			25.5	26.9			
Cansim 4680 Serie I56001 Gross Domestic Product (at factor cost by industry) Produit intérieur brut (au coût des facteurs par industrie) (S.A.) constant 1992 \$ % month/month)	98/05	0.2	0.2	–	-0.2	0.5	-0.2	-0.1
	98/06	0.3	0.1	0.0	-0.4	0.2	-0.1	0.1
	98/07	0.2	0.1	0.1	-0.2	0.3	-0.3	-0.3
	98/08	0.5	0.2	0.1	-0.1	0.6	0.7	0.8
	98/09	0.1	0.0	0.3	-0.2	0.5	0.1	0.2
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	98/11	0.1	0.1	0.1	-0.3	0.3	0.4	0.5
	98/12	0.2	0.2	0.2	-0.2	0.6	0.4	0.4
	99/01	0.1	0.2	0.4	0.2	0.6	0.2	0.2
	99/02	0.1	0.3	0.2	0.0	0.3	0.1	0.1
	99/03	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.1	0.5	0.3	0.4
	99/04	0.3	0.2	0.2	-0.1	0.4	0.3	0.3
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From: Doug McCann
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Date: 8/3/99 10:10AM
Subject: Business Conditions Jul'99; Gov't Finance 98/99; Dept Store Sales Jun'99

QUARTERLY BUSINESS CONDITIONS
SURVEY: MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES JULY 1999

In Canada July 1999, manufacturers (53%) expect that during the next three months the volume of production will remain about the same as the last three months and an additional 37% believe that volume will increase.

Orders received by 60% of manufacturers are expected to be about the same as the last quarter, with 30% are expecting increases and 10% declines. 74% consider the present backlog of unfilled orders as about normal, 13%, both lower, and higher than normal. Most respondents (81%) believe the finished product inventory to be about right while 16% consider levels to be too high. 72% believe that employment during the next three months will change little, 16% expect an increase and 12% a decrease.

Most manufacturers (82%) do not foresee any production difficulties. A small number (7%) think that they may experience a skilled labour shortage. 4% expect a working capital shortage and 2% a raw material shortage.

GOVERNMENT FINANCE: REVENUE, EXPENDITURE 1998/99
Financial Management System (FMS) Basis

In Canada 1998/99, government surplus (all levels), measured on a FMS basis, increased to \$2.5 billion from \$0.4 billion in 1997/98.. The Federal government surplus increased to \$5.3 billion from \$4.5 billion in the previous period. Provincial government deficits increased to -\$6.0 billion from -\$4.0 billion in 97/98. Local governments reported a surplus of \$3.1 billion, compared to a deficit of -\$53 million in 97/98.

DEPARTMENT STORE SALES June 1999

In Canada June 1999, unadjusted department store sales (including concessions) increased +11.6% to \$1.4 billion over June 1998. Year-to-date sales increased +5.6% to \$7.4 billion over the same period last year.

In Nova Scotia June 1999, unadjusted department store sales (including concessions) increased +19.1% to \$43.4 million over June 1998. Year-to-date sales increase +6.9% to \$222.6 million over Jan-Jun 1998.

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Subject: Short Term Expectations Aug'99

SHORT TERM EXPECTATIONS

Every month Statistics Canada canvasses a group of economic analysts for forecasts of key economic indicators. Results attached.

The forecast for September 1999;

Consumer Price Index percentage increase (yr/yr) is	+1.9%
Unemployment rate seasonally adjusted	7.8%
Labour force participation seasonally adjusted	65.6%

The forecast for August 1999

Exports (\$billions)	\$29.0
Imports (\$billions)	\$26.5

The forecast for July 1999

GDP at FC \$1992 (mth/mth) percent increase	+0.3%
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In June the survey results forecast CPI to increase +1.0% while the actual was +1.6%; the unemployment rate was forecast to be 7.7%, and the actual was 7.6%; labour force participation rate was forecast to be 65.8%, while the actual was 65.3%.

In May the survey results forecast exports to be \$28.8 billion, while the actual was \$29.9 billion; imports were forecast to be \$26.2 billion, while the actual was \$26.5 billion.

In April the survey forecast GDP to increase +0.3%, while the actual was +0.3%.

STATISTICS ON RESULTS OF THE SHORT TERM EXPECTATIONS SURVEY
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Cansim 9940 Serie P100000 Consumer Price Index Indices des prix à la consommation % year/year	98/07	1.2	1.1	—	1.0	1.5	1.0
	98/08	1.2	1.2	1.1	0.9	1.2	0.8
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Subject: Construction Price Index 2Q99

NON-RESIDENTIAL BUILDING CONSTRUCTION PRICE INDEXES 2ND QUARTER 1999

In Canada 2nd quarter 1999, the non-residential building construction price composite index (1992=100) increased +0.9% to 114.2 over the 1st quarter 1999, and increased +1.9% over the 2nd quarter 1998.

In Halifax 2nd quarter 1999, the non-residential building construction price composite index (1992=100) increased +0.5% to 106.2 over 1st quarter 1999, and increased +1.8% over the 2nd quarter 1998.

From: Doug McCann
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Subject: Housing Price Index Jun'99; Apartment Building Construction Price Index 2Q99

NEW HOUSING PRICE INDEX June 1999
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 62-007-XPB

In Canada June 1999, the new housing price index (1992=100) remained unchanged at 100.6 over May 1999, and increased +0.5% over June 1998.

In Halifax June 1999, the new housing price index (1992=100) increased +0.5% to 111.0 over May 1999, and increased +1.8% over June 1998.

APARTMENT BUILDING CONSTRUCTION PRICE INDEX 2ND QUARTER 1999
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In Canada 2nd quarter 1999, the apartment building construction price composite index (1992=100) increased +0.8% to 113.5 over the 1st quarter 1999, and increased +1.9% over the 2nd quarter 1998.

In Halifax 2nd quarter 1999, the apartment building construction price index (1992=100) increased +0.9% to 108.1 over the 1st quarter 1999, and increased +2.6% over the 2nd quarter 1998.

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Date: 8/13/99 9:10AM
Subject: MEPI 2q99

MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT PRICE INDEX 2ND QUARTER 1999
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In Canada 2nd quarter 1999, the machinery and equipment price index (1986=100) declined -1.4% to 131.3 over the 1st quarter 1999, and increased +1.7% over the 2nd quarter 1998.

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Date: 8/13/99 1:38PM
Subject: Composite Index Jul'99

COMPOSITE INDEX May 1999
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 11-010-XPB

In Canada July 1999, the composite leading indicator (1981=100) increased +0.1% to 215.0 over June 1999.

Five of ten indexes were positive.

The housing index (1981=100) increased +1.3% to 133.9.

The TSE 300 stock price index (1975=1000) increased +1.9% to 6,835.

The US composite leading indicator (1967=100) increased +0.2% to 229.2

The shipments to inventories of finished goods ratio increased from 1.67 to 1.68.

Furniture and appliances sales (1981\$) increased +0.4% to \$1.4 billion.

Three indexes were unchanged.

The average workweek (manufacturing) remained unchanged at 38.6 hours.

New orders, durables (1981\$) remained unchanged at \$16.9 billion.

Other durable goods sales (1981\$) remained unchanged at \$4.8 billion

Two of ten indexes were negative.

Business and personal services declined -0.7% to \$2.3 billion.

The money supply (M1 1981\$) decline -0.4% to \$41.2 billion.

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Subject: Motor Vehicle Sales Jun'99; Travel Jun'99

NEW MOTOR VEHICLE SALES June 1999
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In Canada June 1999, new motor vehicle sales (seasonally adjusted) increased +1.8% to 124,979 over May 1999, and increased +0.6% over June 1998.

In Nova Scotia, new motor vehicle sales (seasonally adjusted) increased +8.6%, over May 1999.

TRAVEL BETWEEN CANADA AND OTHER COUNTRIES June 1999
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 66-001-PPB

In Canada June 1999, the number of Canadians traveling abroad (unadjusted) declined -6.2% to 3.7 million over June 1998. The number of Canadians traveling abroad (seasonally adjusted) declined -1.5% to 3.7 million over May 1999.

Travel to Canada (unadjusted) increased +2.1% to 5.1 million trips over June 1998. Travel to Canada (seasonally adjusted) declined -0.8% to 4.1 million trips over May 1999.

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Subject: CPI Jul'99; Mortality'94-96; Airfares 2Q98

CONSUMER PRICE INDEX July 1999
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In Canada July 1999, the consumer price index all-item, not seasonally adjusted (1992=100), increased +0.3% to 110.8 over June 1999, and increased +1.8% over June 1998.

In Nova Scotia July 1999, the consumer price index, all item, not seasonally adjusted (1992=100) increased +0.1% to 110.1 over June 1999, and increased +1.5% over June 1999.

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MORTALITY RATES IN CMAs 1994-96
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In Canada 1994-96, the annualized age-standardized mortality-rate (per 100,000) for men was 853.9 deaths and 522.8 deaths for women.

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Subject: Int'l Trade Jun'99; Wholesale Trade Jun'99

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From: Doug McCann
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Subject: Retail Trade Jun'99; Large Retailers Jun'99; Nat'l Gas Jun'99

RETAIL TRADE June 1999
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In Canada June 1999, retail trade (seasonally adjusted) increased +0.3% to \$15.8 billion, over May 1999, and increased +5.3% over June 1998.

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MONTHLY SURVEY OF LARGE RETAILERS JUNE 1999

In Canada June 1999, sales for the group of large retailers (unadjusted) increased +8.3% to \$5.9 billion over June 1998.

NATURAL GAS SALES June 1999
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 55-002-XPB

In Canada June 1999, natural gas sales declined -1.7% to 3.7 trillion cubic metres, over June 1998. Year-to-date sales increased +5.9% to 35.0 trillion cubic metres over Jan-Jun 1998.

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Subject: Movie Theatres '97/98; Union Statistics '99

MOVIE THEATRES AND DRIVE-INS 1997-98
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 87F0009XPE

In Canada 1997-98, attendance at movie theatres increased +8% to 97.7 million admissions, over the previous year. Profits increased +32% to \$83 million. Admissions to drive-in theatres declined -5% to 2.2 million, but profits increased +13% to \$2.8 million.

In Canada 1997-98, the average attendance per person at movie theatres and drive-ins was 3.33 visits. In Nova Scotia average number of visits per person was 2.73.

UNION STATISTICS FIRST HALF 1999
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 75-001-XPE, August.

In Canada Jan-Jun 1999, union membership remained unchanged at 3.6 million paid workers, over the first six months of 1998. The rate of union membership declined to 30.1% from 30.7% (average paid employment increased by 292,000 to 11.9 million).

Average hourly earnings of full-time unionized workers were higher than full-time non-unionized workers (\$19.06 per hr vs \$15.57); and higher for part-time unionized workers was well (\$16.80 per hour vs \$9.81).

Full-time female unionized workers, on average, earned 90% of the hourly wages of male unionized workers. Part-time female unionized workers, on average, earned 8% more than male unionized workers.

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Subject: Tuition Fees'99/00; Livestock July'99; Emp Ins Jun'99; Low Income'97

UNIVERSITY TUITION FEES 1999/2000

In Canada 1999/2000, average undergraduate tuition fees increased +8.8% to \$3,433 over 1998/1999. Average graduate tuition fees increased +8.3% to \$3,681 over last year.

In Canada 1999/2000, average undergraduate arts tuition increased +7.1% to \$3,379, over 1998/1999, and increased +125.9% over 1990/1991.

In Nova Scotia 1999/2000, average undergraduate arts tuition fees increased +5.3% to \$4,113 over the previous year, and increased +111.7% over 1990/1991.

LIVESTOCK ESTIMATES July 1, 1999 Statistics Canada Cat. No. 23-603-UPE

In Canada July 1, 1999, the cattle herd declined -1.6% to 14.5 million head over July 1, 1998. The hog inventory increased +0.3% to 12.4 million. The sheep herd increased +6.6% to 885,000.

In Atlantic Canada July 1, 1999, the cattle herd declined -2.8% to 1.4 million head over July 1, 1998. The hog inventory declined -0.3% to 375,000. The sheep herd increased +6.8% to 47,000.

EMPLOYMENT INSURANCE July 1999

In Canada June 1999, the number of beneficiaries (seasonally adjusted) receiving regular benefits declined -1.8% to 512,050.

In Nova Scotia June 1999, the number of beneficiaries (seasonally adjusted) receiving regular benefits declined -0.2% to 26,890.

LOW INCOME AFTER TAX AND LOW INCOME MEASURES Statistics Canada 13-582-XIB and 13-592-XIB

Two documents available providing information for Canada and the provinces on various measure of low income.

In Canada 1997, the incidence of low income after tax (LICO-IAT) among families and unattached individuals was 10.5 for families (878,000 families) and 30.2 for unattached individuals (1,245,000 individuals).

In Nova Scotia 1997, the incidence of low income after tax (LICO-IAT) was 11.3 for families and 27.4 for unattached individuals.

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Subject: Farm Cash ReceiptsJun'99; Emp, Earns, Hrs Jun'99; Field Crops Jul'99

FARM CASH RECEIPTS January TO June 1999
Statistics Canada Cat No. 21-001-XIB

In Canada 2nd quarter 1999, farm cash receipts declined -3.0% to \$6.6 billion, over 2nd quarter 1998. Year-to-date farm cash receipts declined -1.9% to \$14.4 billion over Jan-Jun 1998.

In Nova Scotia 2nd quarter 1999, farm cash receipts increased +1.3% to \$81 million over the 2nd quarter 1998. Year-to-date farm cash receipts remained unchanged at \$166 million over Jan-Jun 1998.

EMPLOYMENT, EARNINGS AND HOURS June 1999
Statistics Canada 72-002-XPB

In Canada Jun'99, average weekly earnings increased +0.1% to \$609.89 over May 1999, and increased +0.7% over June 1998. Employment (seasonally adjusted) increased +0.1% to 11.8 million over May 1999.

In Nova Scotia Jun'99, average weekly earnings increased +1.5% to \$525.53 over May 1999, and increased +2.1% over June 1998. Employment declined -0.3% to 328,000 over May 1999.

ESTIMATES OF PRINCIPAL FIELD CROPS PRODUCTION July 31, 1999
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 22-002-XPB

In Canada July 31, 1999, canola production increased +9% to 8.3 million tonnes over 1998. Total wheat production increased +3% to 25.0 million tonnes over 1998.

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Subject: IPPI Jul'99; RMPI Jul'99; Oil & Nat'l Gas Jun'99; Grads moving to US '95

INDUSTRIAL PRODUCT PRICE INDEX July 1999
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 62-011-XPB

In Canada July 1999, the IPPI (1992=100) increased +1.2% to 122.1 over June 1999, and increased +2.2% over July 1998.

RAW MATERIAL PRICE INDEX July 1999
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 62-011-XPB

In Canada July 1999, the RMPI (1992=100) increased +4.6% to 118.1 over June 1999, and increased +10.0% over July 1998.

CRUDE OIL AND NATURAL GAS June 1999
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 26-006-XPB

In Canada June 1999, crude oil production declined -5.9% to 10.1 million cubic metres over June 1998. Year-to-date crude oil production declined -6.5% to 59.7 million cubic metres over Jan-Jun 1998.

In Canada June 1999, natural gas production increased +2.1% to 12.8 billion cubic metres over June 1998. Year-to-date natural gas production increased +0.9% to 37.2 billion cubic metres.

1995 GRADUATES WHO MOVED TO THE UNITED STATES, MARCH 1999
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 81-587-XIB

In Canada 1995, 1.5% (4,600) of the 1995 graduating class of 300,000 moved to the United States. About 830 of the '95 graduates returned to Canada by March 1999.

In 1995 about 12% of all PhD students moved to the US, 3.2% of all master's, 1.7% of all bachelor's and 1.4% of all college graduates.

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INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL ACCOUNT 2ND QUARTER 1999

In Canada 2nd quarter 1999, the international travel account balance deficit (seasonally adjusted) increased to \$392 million from the \$160 million deficit posted in the previous quarter, and declined from the \$682 million deficit in the 2nd quarter 1998.

Total spending outside Canada in the 2nd quarter remained unchanged at \$4.1 billion over the 1st quarter 1999, and increased +1.4% over the 2nd quarter 1998. Total spending by foreigners in Canada declined -5.8% to \$3.7 billion over the previous quarter, and increased +10.2% over 2nd quarter 1998.

CHARACTERISTICS OF INTERNATIONAL TRAVELERS 1ST QUARTER 1999

Statistics Canada: International Travel Survey

In Canada 1st quarter 1999, international traveler overnight trips to Canada increased +10.9% to 2.6 million, over 1st quarter 1998.

Spending by American overnight visitors (almost 2 million) increased +24.4% to \$900 million, over the same period last year. Spending by overseas visitors (543,000 visits) increased +17.3% to \$638 million over the 1st quarter 1998.

DEPARTMENT STORE SALES July 1999

In Canada July 1999, department store sales including concessions, increased +12.1% to \$1.4 billion over July 1998. Year-to-date sales increased +6.6% to \$8.8 billion over Jan-Jul 1998.

In Nova Scotia July 1999, department store sales increased +13.0% to \$42.8 million over July 1998. Year-to-date sales increased +7.8% to \$265.4 million over Jan-Jul 1998.

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Subject: Nat'l Accts 2Q99; Int'l Payments 2Q99; GDP by Industry Jun'99

NATIONAL ECONOMIC AND FINANCIAL ACCOUNTS 2ND QUARTER 1999
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 13-001-XPB

GDP (\$1992)

In Canada 2nd quarter 1999, GDP at 1992 prices increased +0.8% over the 1st quarter 1999 and increased +3.7% over the 2nd quarter 1998. The annualized change was +3.3%.

Note: annualized change is the growth rate compounded annually. The year-over-year change is the growth rate of a given quarter compared with the same quarter in the previous year.

GDP expenditure based (current\$)

In Canada 2nd quarter 1999, gross domestic product at market prices increased +1.6% to \$936.1 billion (seasonally adjusted at annual rates) over the 1st quarter 1999.

GDP expenditure based (\$1992)

In Canada 2nd quarter 1999, gross domestic product at market prices increased +0.8% to \$864.8 billion (seasonally adjusted at annual rates) over the 1st quarter 1999.

CANADA'S BALANCE OF INTERNATIONAL PAYMENTS
SECOND QUARTER 1999
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 67-001-XPB

In Canada 2nd quarter 1999, the current account deficit (seasonally adjusted at quarterly rates) increased to -\$1.3 billion from the \$1.0 billion deficit in 1st quarter 1999, and declined from the \$4.5 billion deficit in 2nd quarter 1998.

GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT BY INDUSTRY AT FACTOR COST
June 1999
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 15-001-XPB

In Canada June 1999, GDP at factor cost (\$1992) seasonally adjusted increased +0.3% to \$741.2 billion (annualized) over May 1999, and increased +3.6% over June 1998.

INDICATORS INDICATEURS	YEAR / MONTH ANNÉE / MOIS	MEAN / MOYENNE			MIN.	MAX.	ACTUAL DATA CHIFFRE RÉEL	
		original version	1st revision	2nd revision			1st release	Latest revision
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Cansim 3685 Serie D399449 Exports Exportations billions \$	98/06	25.9	26.0	–	25.5	26.5	26.0	25.6
	98/07	26.0	26.1	26.2	25.7	27.0	25.6	25.9
	98/08	26.2	26.6	25.6	25.1	26.1	27.4	27.6
	98/09	26.7	25.7	27.1	26.0	28.0	27.2	27.7
	98/10	25.7	27.0	27.1	26.5	27.6	28.5	28.4
	98/11	26.9	27.2	28.2	27.0	29.0	28.4	28.4
	98/12	27.1	28.2	28.0	26.0	28.9	28.3	28.3
	99/01	28.0	27.9	28.2	27.8	28.6	28.9	28.8
	99/02	27.9	28.2	28.8	28.1	29.2	28.7	28.7
	99/03	28.2	28.8	28.8	28.4	29.1	29.0	28.8
	99/04	29.0	28.8	28.5	25.8	29.2	28.7	28.8
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	99/01	26.3	26.2	26.6	26.0	27.0	26.2	26.1
	99/02	26.2	26.6	26.3	25.0	26.6	26.1	26.4
	99/03	26.5	26.4	26.2	26.0	26.6	26.4	26.4
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Cansim 4680 Serie I56001 Gross Domestic Product (at factor cost by industry) Produit intérieur brut (au coût des facteurs par industrie) (S.A.) constant 1992 \$ % month/month)	98/05	0.2	0.2	–	-0.2	0.5	-0.2	-0.1
	98/06	0.3	0.1	0.0	-0.4	0.2	-0.1	0.1
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	98/10	0.1	0.2	0.3	-0.2	0.6	0.2	0.2
	98/11	0.1	0.1	0.1	-0.3	0.3	0.4	0.5
	98/12	0.2	0.2	0.2	-0.2	0.6	0.4	0.4
	99/01	0.1	0.2	0.4	0.2	0.6	0.2	0.2
	99/02	0.1	0.3	0.2	0.0	0.3	0.1	0.1
	99/03	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.1	0.5	0.3	0.4
	99/04	0.3	0.2	0.2	-0.1	0.4	0.3	0.3
	99/05	0.2	0.2	0.2	-0.1	0.4		
	99/06	0.2	0.3		0.0	0.5		
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NON-RESIDENTIAL BUILDING CONSTRUCTION PRICE INDEXES 2ND QUARTER 1999

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Subject: Housing Price Index Jun'99; Apartment Building Construction Price Index 2Q99

NEW HOUSING PRICE INDEX June 1999
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In Canada June 1999, the new housing price index (1992=100) remained unchanged at 100.6 over May 1999, and increased +0.5% over June 1998.

In Halifax June 1999, the new housing price index (1992=100) increased +0.5% to 111.0 over May 1999, and increased +1.8% over June 1998.

APARTMENT BUILDING CONSTRUCTION PRICE INDEX 2ND QUARTER 1999
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Subject: MEPI 2q99

MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT PRICE INDEX 2ND QUARTER 1999
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In Canada 2nd quarter 1999, the machinery and equipment price index (1986=100) declined -1.4% to 131.3 over the 1st quarter 1999, and increased +1.7% over the 2nd quarter 1998.

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Subject: Composite Index Jul'99

COMPOSITE INDEX May 1999
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In Canada July 1999, the composite leading indicator (1981=100) increased +0.1% to 215.0 over June 1999.

Five of ten indexes were positive.

The housing index (1981=100) increased +1.3% to 133.9.

The TSE 300 stock price index (1975=1000) increased +1.9% to 6,835.

The US composite leading indicator (1967=100) increased +0.2% to 229.2

The shipments to inventories of finished goods ratio increased from 1.67 to 1.68.

Furniture and appliances sales (1981\$) increased +0.4% to \$1.4 billion.

Three indexes were unchanged.

The average workweek (manufacturing) remained unchanged at 38.6 hours.

New orders, durables (1981\$) remained unchanged at \$16.9 billion.

Other durable goods sales (1981\$) remained unchanged at \$4.8 billion

Two of ten indexes were negative.

Business and personal services declined -0.7% to \$2.3 billion.

The money supply (M1 1981\$) decline -0.4% to \$41.2 billion.

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Subject: Motor Vehicle Sales Jun'99; Travel Jun'99

NEW MOTOR VEHICLE SALES June 1999
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In Canada June 1999, new motor vehicle sales (seasonally adjusted) increased +1.8% to 124,979 over May 1999, and increased +0.6% over June 1998.

In Nova Scotia, new motor vehicle sales (seasonally adjusted) increased +8.6%, over May 1999.

TRAVEL BETWEEN CANADA AND OTHER COUNTRIES June 1999
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In Canada June 1999, the number of Canadians traveling abroad (unadjusted) declined -6.2% to 3.7 million over June 1998. The number of Canadians traveling abroad (seasonally adjusted) declined -1.5% to 3.7 million over May 1999.

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Subject: Manufacturing Jun'99

MONTHLY SURVEY OF MANUFACTURING June 1999
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Subject: CPI Jul'99; Mortality'94-96; Airfares 2Q98

CONSUMER PRICE INDEX July 1999
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In Canada June 1999, wholesale merchants' inventories (seasonally adjusted) increased +1.5% to \$40.8 billion, over May 1999, and increased +2.5% over June 1998.

In Nova Scotia June 1999, wholesale merchants' sales declined -3.9% to \$592 million over May 1999, and increased +14.3% over June 1998.

From: Doug McCann
To: daily1
Date: 8/20/99 10:19AM
Subject: Retail Trade Jun'99; Large Retailers Jun'99; Nat'l Gas Jun'99

RETAIL TRADE June 1999
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 63-005-XPB

In Canada June 1999, retail trade (seasonally adjusted) increased +0.3% to \$15.8 billion, over May 1999, and increased +5.3% over June 1998.

In Nova Scotia June 1999, retail trade (seasonally adjusted) increased +1.3% to \$677 million, over May 1999, and increased +7.3% over June 1998.

MONTHLY SURVEY OF LARGE RETAILERS JUNE 1999

In Canada June 1999, sales for the group of large retailers (unadjusted) increased +8.3% to \$5.9 billion over June 1998.

NATURAL GAS SALES June 1999
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 55-002-XPB

In Canada June 1999, natural gas sales declined -1.7% to 3.7 trillion cubic metres, over June 1998. Year-to-date sales increased +5.9% to 35.0 trillion cubic metres over Jan-Jun 1998.

From: Doug McCann
To: daily1
Date: 8/23/99 1:35PM
Subject: Int'l Trans Securities Jun'99

CANADA'S INTERNATIONAL TRANSACTIONS IN SECURITIES
June1999
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 67-002-XPB

In Canada June 1999, net foreign investment in Canadian securities was an outflow of -\$781 million. Year-to-date net foreign investment in Canadian securities was an inflow of +\$2.7 billion.

In Canada June 1999, net Canadian investment in foreign securities was an outflow of -\$1.7 billion. Year-to-date net Canadian investment in foreign securities was an outflow of -\$5.9 billion.

Note: Outflow indicates an outflow of money from Canada - either Canadians investing abroad, or foreigners withdrawing assets. Inflow indicates an inflow of money into Canada - either Canadians withdrawing assets from abroad or foreigners investing in Canada.

From: Doug McCann
To: daily1
Date: 8/24/99 10:43AM
Subject: Movie Theatres '97/98; Union Statistics '99

MOVIE THEATRES AND DRIVE-INS 1997-98
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 87F0009XPE

In Canada 1997-98, attendance at movie theatres increased +8% to 97.7 million admissions, over the previous year. Profits increased +32% to \$83 million. Admissions to drive-in theatres declined -5% to 2.2 million, but profits increased +13% to \$2.8 million.

In Canada 1997-98, the average attendance per person at movie theatres and drive-ins was 3.33 visits. In Nova Scotia average number of visits per person was 2.73.

UNION STATISTICS FIRST HALF 1999
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 75-001-XPE, August.

In Canada Jan-Jun 1999, union membership remained unchanged at 3.6 million paid workers, over the first six months of 1998. The rate of union membership declined to 30.1% from 30.7% (average paid employment increased by 292,000 to 11.9 million).

Average hourly earnings of full-time unionized workers were higher than full-time non-unionized workers (\$19.06 per hr vs \$15.57); and higher for part-time unionized workers was well (\$16.80 per hour vs \$9.81).

Full-time female unionized workers, on average, earned 90% of the hourly wages of male unionized workers. Part-time female unionized workers, on average, earned 8% more than male unionized workers.

From: Doug McCann
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Date: 8/25/99 11:52AM
Subject: Tuition Fees'99/00; Livestock July'99; Emp Ins Jun'99; Low Income'97

UNIVERSITY TUITION FEES 1999/2000

In Canada 1999/2000, average undergraduate tuition fees increased +8.8% to \$3,433 over 1998/1999. Average graduate tuition fees increased +8.3% to \$3,681 over last year.

In Canada 1999/2000, average undergraduate arts tuition increased +7.1% to \$3,379, over 1998/1999, and increased +125.9% over 1990/1991.

In Nova Scotia 1999/2000, average undergraduate arts tuition fees increased +5.3% to \$4,113 over the previous year, and increased +111.7% over 1990/1991.

LIVESTOCK ESTIMATES July 1, 1999 Statistics Canada Cat. No. 23-603-UPE

In Canada July 1, 1999, the cattle herd declined -1.6% to 14.5 million head over July 1, 1998. The hog inventory increased +0.3% to 12.4 million. The sheep herd increased +6.6% to 885,000.

In Atlantic Canada July 1, 1999, the cattle herd declined -2.8% to 1.4 million head over July 1, 1998. The hog inventory declined -0.3% to 375,000. The sheep herd increased +6.8% to 47,000.

EMPLOYMENT INSURANCE July 1999

In Canada June 1999, the number of beneficiaries (seasonally adjusted) receiving regular benefits declined -1.8% to 512,050.

In Nova Scotia June 1999, the number of beneficiaries (seasonally adjusted) receiving regular benefits declined -0.2% to 26,890.

LOW INCOME AFTER TAX AND LOW INCOME MEASURES Statistics Canada 13-582-XIB and 13-592-XIB

Two documents available providing information for Canada and the provinces on various measure of low income.

In Canada 1997, the incidence of low income after tax (LICO-IAT) among families and unattached individuals was 10.5 for families (878,000 families) and 30.2 for unattached individuals (1,245,000 individuals).

In Nova Scotia 1997, the incidence of low income after tax (LICO-IAT) was 11.3 for families and 27.4 for unattached individuals.

From: Doug McCann
To: daily1
Date: 8/26/99 10:43AM
Subject: Farm Cash ReceiptsJun'99; Emp, Earns, Hrs Jun'99; Field Crops Jul'99

FARM CASH RECEIPTS January TO June 1999
Statistics Canada Cat No. 21-001-XIB

In Canada 2nd quarter 1999, farm cash receipts declined -3.0% to \$6.6 billion, over 2nd quarter 1998. Year-to-date farm cash receipts declined -1.9% to \$14.4 billion over Jan-Jun 1998.

In Nova Scotia 2nd quarter 1999, farm cash receipts increased +1.3% to \$81 million over the 2nd quarter 1998. Year-to-date farm cash receipts remained unchanged at \$166 million over Jan-Jun 1998.

EMPLOYMENT, EARNINGS AND HOURS June 1999
Statistics Canada 72-002-XPB

In Canada Jun'99, average weekly earnings increased +0.1% to \$609.89 over May 1999, and increased +0.7% over June 1998. Employment (seasonally adjusted) increased +0.1% to 11.8 million over May 1999.

In Nova Scotia Jun'99, average weekly earnings increased +1.5% to \$525.53 over May 1999, and increased +2.1% over June 1998. Employment declined -0.3% to 328,000 over May 1999.

ESTIMATES OF PRINCIPAL FIELD CROPS PRODUCTION July 31, 1999
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 22-002-XPB

In Canada July 31, 1999, canola production increased +9% to 8.3 million tonnes over 1998. Total wheat production increased +3% to 25.0 million tonnes over 1998.

From: Doug McCann
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Date: 8/27/99 10:47AM
Subject: IPPI Jul'99; RMPI Jul'99; Oil & Nat'l Gas Jun'99; Grads moving to US '95

INDUSTRIAL PRODUCT PRICE INDEX July 1999
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 62-011-XPB

In Canada July 1999, the IPPI (1992=100) increased +1.2% to 122.1 over June 1999, and increased +2.2% over July 1998.

RAW MATERIAL PRICE INDEX July 1999
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 62-011-XPB

In Canada July 1999, the RMPI (1992=100) increased +4.6% to 118.1 over June 1999, and increased +10.0% over July 1998.

CRUDE OIL AND NATURAL GAS June 1999
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 26-006-XPB

In Canada June 1999, crude oil production declined -5.9% to 10.1 million cubic metres over June 1998. Year-to-date crude oil production declined -6.5% to 59.7 million cubic metres over Jan-Jun 1998.

In Canada June 1999, natural gas production increased +2.1% to 12.8 billion cubic metres over June 1998. Year-to-date natural gas production increased +0.9% to 37.2 billion cubic metres.

1995 GRADUATES WHO MOVED TO THE UNITED STATES, MARCH 1999
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 81-587-XIB

In Canada 1995, 1.5% (4,600) of the 1995 graduating class of 300,000 moved to the United States. About 830 of the '95 graduates returned to Canada by March 1999.

In 1995 about 12% of all PhD students moved to the US, 3.2% of all master's, 1.7% of all bachelor's and 1.4% of all college graduates.

SUBSCRIPTION
details at <http://www.gov.ns.ca/fina/publish/pub23.htm>

From: Doug McCann
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Date: 8/30/99 10:23AM
Subject: Int'l Travel 2Q99; Int'l Travel 1stQ99; Dept Store Sales Jul'99

INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL ACCOUNT 2ND QUARTER 1999

In Canada 2nd quarter 1999, the international travel account balance deficit (seasonally adjusted) increased to \$392 million from the \$160 million deficit posted in the previous quarter, and declined from the \$682 million deficit in the 2nd quarter 1998.

Total spending outside Canada in the 2nd quarter remained unchanged at \$4.1 billion over the 1st quarter 1999, and increased +1.4% over the 2nd quarter 1998. Total spending by foreigners in Canada declined -5.8% to \$3.7 billion over the previous quarter, and increased +10.2% over 2nd quarter 1998.

CHARACTERISTICS OF INTERNATIONAL TRAVELERS 1ST QUARTER 1999

Statistics Canada: International Travel Survey

In Canada 1st quarter 1999, international traveler overnight trips to Canada increased +10.9% to 2.6 million, over 1st quarter 1998.

Spending by American overnight visitors (almost 2 million) increased +24.4% to \$900 million, over the same period last year. Spending by overseas visitors (543,000 visits) increased +17.3% to \$638 million over the 1st quarter 1998.

DEPARTMENT STORE SALES July 1999

In Canada July 1999, department store sales including concessions, increased +12.1% to \$1.4 billion over July 1998. Year-to-date sales increased +6.6% to \$8.8 billion over Jan-Jul 1998.

In Nova Scotia July 1999, department store sales increased +13.0% to \$42.8 million over July 1998. Year-to-date sales increased +7.8% to \$265.4 million over Jan-Jul 1998.

From: Doug McCann
To: daily1
Date: 8/31/99 10:15AM
Subject: Nat'l Accts 2Q99; Int'l Payments 2Q99; GDP by Industry Jun'99

NATIONAL ECONOMIC AND FINANCIAL ACCOUNTS 2ND QUARTER 1999
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 13-001-XPB

GDP (\$1992)

In Canada 2nd quarter 1999, GDP at 1992 prices increased +0.8% over the 1st quarter 1999 and increased +3.7% over the 2nd quarter 1998. The annualized change was +3.3%.

Note: annualized change is the growth rate compounded annually. The year-over-year change is the growth rate of a given quarter compared with the same quarter in the previous year.

GDP expenditure based (current\$)

In Canada 2nd quarter 1999, gross domestic product at market prices increased +1.6% to \$936.1 billion (seasonally adjusted at annual rates) over the 1st quarter 1999.

GDP expenditure based (\$1992)

In Canada 2nd quarter 1999, gross domestic product at market prices increased +0.8% to \$864.8 billion (seasonally adjusted at annual rates) over the 1st quarter 1999.

CANADA'S BALANCE OF INTERNATIONAL PAYMENTS
SECOND QUARTER 1999
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 67-001-XPB

In Canada 2nd quarter 1999, the current account deficit (seasonally adjusted at quarterly rates) increased to -\$1.3 billion from the \$1.0 billion deficit in 1st quarter 1999, and declined from the \$4.5 billion deficit in 2nd quarter 1998.

GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT BY INDUSTRY AT FACTOR COST
June 1999
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 15-001-XPB

In Canada June 1999, GDP at factor cost (\$1992) seasonally adjusted increased +0.3% to \$741.2 billion (annualized) over May 1999, and increased +3.6% over June 1998.

From: Doug McCann
To: daily1
Date: 9/1/99 10:48AM
Subject: Childbirth and Employment '93/94

EMPLOYMENT AFTER CHILDBIRTH 1993/94
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 75-001-XPE, Autumn 1999

In Canada 1993/94, of working women who had given birth (367,000) , 21% had returned to work within one month, 52% within 6 months, 86% within one year, and 93% within two years.

From: Doug McCann
To: daily1
Date: 9/7/99 10:52AM
Subject: Building Permits Jul'99

BUILDING PERMITS July 1999
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 64-001-XIB

In Canada July 1999, the value of building permits (seasonally adjusted) increased +4.3% to \$3.2 billion over June 1999, and increased +12.3% over July 1998.

In Nova Scotia July 1999, the value of building permits (seasonally adjusted) declined -12.2% to \$83.4 million over June 1999, and increased +36.6% over July 1998.

From: Doug McCann
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Date: 9/9/99 9:05AM
Subject: Short Term Expectations Sept 99

SHORT TERM EXPECTATIONS

Every month Statistics Canada canvasses a group of economic analysts for forecasts of key economic indicators. Results attached.

The forecast for October;

Consumer Price Index percentage increase (yr/yr) is	+1.9%
Unemployment rate seasonally adjusted	7.7%
Labour force participation seasonally adjusted	65.7%

The forecast for September 1999

Exports (\$billions)	\$29.6
Imports (\$billions)	\$27.1

The forecast for August 1999

GDP at FC \$1992 (mth/mth) percent increase	+0.2%
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In July the survey results forecast CPI to increase +1.5% while the actual was +1.8%; the unemployment rate was forecast to be 8.0%, and the actual was 7.7%; labour force participation rate was forecast to be 65.9%, while the actual was 65.4%.

In June the survey results forecast exports to be \$29.0 billion, while the actual was \$29.4 billion; imports were forecast to be \$26.6 billion, while the actual was \$26.6 billion.

In June the survey forecast GDP to increase +0.2%, while the actual was +0.3%.

STATISTICS ON RESULTS OF THE SHORT TERM EXPECTATIONS SURVEY
 STATISTIQUES SUR LES RÉSULTATS DE L'ENQUÊTE SUR LES ANTICIPATIONS À COURT TERME

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INDICATORS INDICATEURS	YEAR / MONTH ANNÉE / MOIS	MEAN / MOYENNE			MIN.	MAX.	ACTUAL DATA CHIFFRE RÉEL	
		original version	1st revision	2nd revision				
Cansim 9940 Serie P100000	Consumer Price Index	98/07	1.2	1.1	-	1.0	1.5	1.0
	Indices des prix à la	98/08	1.2	1.2	1.1	0.9	1.2	0.8
	consommation	98/09	1.2	1.1	0.9	0.6	1.0	0.7
	% year/year	98/10	1.1	1.0	0.8	0.6	1.0	1.0
		98/11	1.1	0.9	1.1	0.8	1.3	1.2
		98/12	1.0	1.2	1.3	1.1	1.5	1.0
		99/01	1.1	1.2	1.0	0.6	1.1	0.6
		99/02	1.2	1.1	0.7	0.5	1.0	0.7
		99/03	1.1	0.8	0.7	0.3	0.9	1.0
		99/04	0.9	0.8	1.1	0.5	1.2	1.7
		99/05	0.8	0.9	1.5	1.2	1.8	1.6
		99/06	1.0	1.5	1.5	1.3	1.6	1.6
		99/07	1.5	1.5	1.7	1.4	2.0	1.8
	99/08	1.6	1.7	1.8	1.6	2.1		
	99/09	1.9	1.9		1.7	2.2		
	99/10	1.9			1.6	2.0		
Cansim 3451 Serie D980745	Unemployment	98/07	8.4	8.4	-	8.2	8.5	8.4
	Chômage	98/08	8.3	8.4	8.4	8.2	8.7	8.3
	% (S.A.)	98/09	8.4	8.4	8.4	8.3	8.5	8.3
		98/10	8.5	8.4	8.4	8.3	9.1	8.0
		98/11	8.5	8.5	8.2	8.0	8.5	8.0
		98/12	8.5	8.2	8.0	7.8	8.5	8.0
		99/01	8.3	8.3	8.1	7.9	8.2	7.8
		99/02	8.3	8.1	7.7	6.4	8.0	7.8
		99/03	8.1	7.9	7.8	7.7	7.9	7.8
		99/04	7.9	7.8	7.8	7.7	8.0	8.3
		99/05	7.8	7.8	8.1	8.0	8.3	8.1
		99/06	7.7	8.0	8.1	8.0	8.3	7.6
		99/07	8.0	8.1	7.7	7.5	8.0	7.7
	99/08	8.1	7.8	7.7	7.6	7.8		
	99/09	7.8	7.7		7.6	7.9		
	99/10	7.7			7.5	8.0		
Cansim 3451 Serie D980778	Labour Force	98/07	65.1	65.0	-	64.8	65.2	65.0
	participation rate	98/08	65.1	65.0	65.0	64.9	65.1	65.1
	Taux de participation -	98/09	65.0	65.0	64.9	64.8	65.0	65.2
	population active	98/10	64.9	64.9	65.1	64.6	65.4	65.3
	% (S.A.)	98/11	64.9	65.1	65.2	65.0	65.6	65.5
		98/12	65.0	65.2	65.5	65.0	65.8	65.6
		99/01	65.1	65.4	65.6	65.4	65.7	65.8
		99/02	65.3	65.6	65.7	65.0	66.0	65.8
		99/03	65.5	65.7	65.8	65.8	65.9	65.6
		99/04	65.7	65.9	65.7	65.6	65.9	66.0
		99/05	65.9	65.8	65.9	65.5	66.1	65.7
		99/06	65.8	65.9	65.9	65.7	66.0	65.3
		99/07	65.9	66.0	65.5	65.3	65.7	65.4
	99/08	66.0	65.6	65.5	65.4	65.7		
	99/09	65.6	65.6		65.4	65.8		
	99/10	65.7			65.4	66.1		

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		original version	1st revision	2nd revision			1st release 1er version	Latest revision Dernière révision		
Cansim 3685 Serie D399449	Exports	98/06	25.9	26.0	—	25.5	26.5	26.0	25.6	
	Exportations	98/07	26.0	26.1	26.2	25.7	27.0	25.6	25.9	
	billions \$	98/08	26.2	26.6	25.6	25.1	26.1	27.4	27.6	
		98/09	26.7	25.7	27.1	26.0	28.0	27.2	27.7	
		98/10	25.7	27.0	27.1	26.5	27.6	28.5	28.4	
		98/11	26.9	27.2	28.2	27.0	29.0	28.4	28.4	
		98/12	27.1	28.2	28.0	26.0	28.9	28.3	28.3	
		99/01	28.0	27.9	28.2	27.8	28.6	28.9	28.8	
		99/02	27.9	28.2	28.8	28.1	29.2	28.7	28.6	
		99/03	28.2	28.8	28.8	28.4	29.1	29.0	28.8	
		99/04	29.0	28.8	28.5	25.8	29.2	28.7	28.6	
		99/05	28.8	28.9	29.0	28.7	29.1	28.9		
		99/06	29.0	28.9	28.9	28.5	29.3	29.4		
		99/07	28.9	29.0	29.3	28.5	30.0			
	99/08	29.0	29.4		28.7	29.9				
	99/09	29.6			28.6	30.0				
									Real surplus	
Cansim 3651 Serie D397990	Imports	98/06	25.0	24.5	—	24.0	24.8	24.5	24.6	1.0
	Importations	98/07	25.1	24.1	24.4	24.0	24.9	24.1	24.1	1.8
	billions \$	98/08	24.3	24.5	24.3	24.0	24.8	25.3	25.7	2.0
		98/09	24.4	24.3	25.1	24.0	25.6	25.6	25.9	1.8
		98/10	24.3	25.1	25.4	24.9	25.9	26.5	26.7	1.7
		98/11	25.0	25.4	26.3	25.0	27.1	26.5	26.6	1.8
		98/12	25.5	26.4	26.2	25.0	27.0	26.8	26.8	1.5
		99/01	26.3	26.2	26.6	26.0	27.0	26.2	26.1	2.7
		99/02	26.2	26.6	26.3	25.0	26.6	26.1	26.4	2.2
		99/03	26.5	26.4	26.2	26.0	26.6	26.4	26.3	2.4
		99/04	26.5	26.3	26.5	26.2	26.9	26.3	26.4	2.2
		99/05	26.2	26.5	26.4	26.3	26.5	26.5	26.5	2.4
		99/06	26.6	26.4	26.4	26.0	26.6	26.6		2.8
		99/07	26.7	26.4	26.7	26.5	27.1			
	99/08	26.5	26.7		26.5	27.3				
	99/09	27.1			26.6	28.3				
Cansim 4680 Serie I56001	Gross Domestic	98/05	0.2	0.2	—	-0.2	0.5	-0.2	-0.1	
	Product (at factor	98/06	0.3	0.1	0.0	-0.4	0.2	-0.1	0.1	
	cost by industry)	98/07	0.2	0.1	0.1	-0.2	0.3	-0.3	-0.3	
	Produit intérieur brut	98/08	0.5	0.2	0.1	-0.1	0.6	0.7	0.8	
	(au coût des facteurs	98/09	0.1	0.0	0.3	-0.2	0.5	0.1	0.2	
	par industrie)	98/10	0.1	0.2	0.3	-0.2	0.6	0.2	0.2	
	(S.A.) constant 1992 \$	98/11	0.1	0.1	0.1	-0.3	0.3	0.4	0.5	
	% month/month)	98/12	0.2	0.2	0.2	-0.2	0.6	0.4	0.4	
		99/01	0.1	0.2	0.4	0.2	0.6	0.2	0.3	
		99/02	0.1	0.3	0.2	0.0	0.3	0.1	0.1	
		99/03	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.1	0.5	0.3	0.4	
		99/04	0.3	0.2	0.2	-0.1	0.4	0.3		
		99/05	0.2	0.2	0.2	-0.1	0.4	0.3		
		99/06	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.1	0.6	0.3		
	99/07	0.3	0.3		0.2	0.4				
	99/08	0.2			0.2	0.3				

Expected

Surplus (exports - imports) 99/07 2.6
99/08 2.7
99/09 2.5

Mean surplus of last 3 months 2.6

From: Doug McCann
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Subject: Seniors '96; Field crops July 31/99; Housing Price Index Jul'99; Petroleum Jul'99

SENIORS BEHIND THE WHEEL 1996
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 11-008-XPE

In Canada 1996, about 50% of Canadians aged 65+, or 1.7 million seniors, were driving a car, minivan or truck. Average distance traveled per day ranged from 11 to 17km. Seniors used their car for shopping, personal appointments, and social get-togethers, vs long-distance trips or transporting others.

FIELD CROP REPORT: GRAIN STOCKS July 31, 1999
Statistics Canada Cat No. 22-002-XPB

In Canada July 31, 1999, total stocks of wheat stocks increased +23% to 7.4 million tonnes, over the same date in 1998.

NEW HOUSING PRICE INDEX July 1999
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 62-007-XPB

In Canada July 1999, the new housing price index (1992=100) increased +0.2% to 100.8 over June 1999, and increased +0.6% over July 1999.

In Halifax July 1999, the new housing price index (1992=100) increased +0.6% to 111.7 over June 1999, and increased +3.7% over July 1998.

DOMESTIC SALES OF REFINED PETROLEUM PRODUCTS July 1999
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 45-004-XPB

In Canada July 1999, sales of refined petroleum products declined -1.4% to 8.0 million cubic metres over July 1998. Year-to-date sales increased +1.1% to 53.2 million cubic metres over Jan-Jul 1998.

From: Doug McCann
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Subject: Labour Force Survey Sep 99

LABOUR FORCE SURVEY September 1999
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 71-001-PPB

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<http://www.gov.ns.ca/fina/publish/pub19.htm>
<http://www.gov.ns.ca/fina/stats.div/brief/employ.htm>
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<http://iweb.gov.ns.ca/fina/statisti/library.htm>

Seasonally Adjusted
(month over month)

In Canada August 1999 labour force remained unchanged at 15.9 million, employment remained unchanged at 14.7 million, unemployment increased +0.8% to 1.2 million, and the unemployment rate increased +0.1 percentage points to 7.8% over July 1999.

In Nova Scotia July 1999 labour force declined -0.3% to 455,600, employment declined -0.1% to 416,200, unemployment declined -2.7% to 39,400 and the unemployment rate declined -0.3 percentage points to 8.6% over July 1999.

Unadjusted
(year over year)

In Canada August 1999 labour force increased +1.6% to 16.3 million, employment increased +2.1% to 15.1 million, unemployment declined -3.7% to 1.3 million, and the unemployment rate declined -0.4 percentage points to 7.7% over July 1998.

In Nova Scotia August 1999 labour force increased +1.1% to 476,100, employment increased + 3.1% to 436,300, unemployment declined -17.1% to 39,800 and the unemployment rate declined -1.8 percentage points to 8.4% over August 1998.

From: Doug McCann
To: daily1
Date: 9/10/99 12:06PM
Subject: Industrial Capacity 2Q99

INDUSTRIAL CAPACITY UTILIZATION RATES SECOND QUARTER 1999

In Canada 2nd quarter 1999, total industrial capacity utilization rates for non-farm goods-producing industries increased +0.5% to 83.8% over 1st quarter 1999, and increased +1.0% over 2nd quarter 1998.

From: Doug McCann
To: daily1
Date: 9/13/99 9:54AM
Subject: University Finances 97/98

UNIVERSITY FINANCES 1997/98

In Canada 1997/98 university total revenue increased +4.5% to \$12.1 billion, over 1996/97. Total expenditures increased +2.8% to \$11.8 billion in the same period.

In Canada 1997/98 university revenue sources, as a percentage of total revenue included government grants and contracts (55.3%), student fees (19.5%), bequests, donations and non-government grants and contracts (9.0%) and other - sales of products and services, investment and misc. revenue - (16.1%).

In Nova Scotia 1997/98, university revenue sources, as a percentage of total revenue included government grants and contracts (47.2%), student fees (28.2%), bequests, donations and non-government grants and contracts (5.4%) and other - sales of products and services, investment and misc. revenue - (19.1%).

From: Doug McCann
To: daily1
Date: 9/15/99 9:55AM
Subject: Motor Vehicle Sales Jul'99; Financial Stats 2Q99; Travel Jul'99

NEW MOTOR VEHICLE SALES July 1999
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 63-007-XIB

In Canada July 1999, new motor vehicle sales (seasonally adjusted) increased +4.0% to 130,542 units over June 1999, and increased +8.0% over July 1999.

QUARTERLY FINANCIAL STATISTICS FOR ENTERPRISES 2ND QUARTER 1999

In Canada 2nd quarter 1999, operating profits of businesses increased +1.6% to \$37.2 billion over the previous quarter.

TRAVEL BETWEEN CANADA AND OTHER COUNTRIES July 1999
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 66-001-PPB

In Canada July 1999, travel outside the country (seasonally adjusted) increased +2.1% to 3.8 million trips over June 1999. Travel to Canada increased +2.9% to 4.2 million trips.

From: Doug McCann
To: daily1
Date: 9/16/99 9:51AM
Subject: Manufacturing Jul'99

MONTHLY SURVEY OF MANUFACTURING July 1999
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 31-001-XPB

In Canada July 1999, manufacturers shipments declined -0.1% to \$40.3 billion over June 1999, and increased +16.2% over July 1998; inventories increased +1.0% to \$51.1 billion over June 1999, and increased +3.6% over July 1999; unfilled orders increased +0.7% to \$49.5 billion over June 1999, and increased +7.8% over July 1999; new orders increased +1.1% to \$40.7 billion over June 1999, and increased +13.4% over July 1998. The inventories to shipments ratio increased to 1.27 from 1.25 a month earlier, and declined from 1.42 in July 1998.

In Nova Scotia July 1999, manufacturers shipments (seasonally adjusted) increased +0.5% to \$597 million over June 1999.

From: Doug McCann
To: daily1
Date: 9/17/99 10:12AM
Subject: CPI Aug'99; Wholesale TRade Jul'99

CONSUMER PRICE INDEX August 1999
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 62-001-XPB

In Canada August 1999, the consumer price index all-item, not seasonally adjusted (1992=100), increased +0.3% to 111.1 over July 1999, and increased +2.1% over July 1998.

In Nova Scotia August 1999, the consumer price index, all item, not seasonally adjusted (1992=100) increased +0.9% to 111.1 over July 1999, and increased +2.3% over July 1999.

also: <http://www.gov.ns.ca/fina/stats.div/brief/prices.htm>
<http://www.gov.ns.ca/fina/statisti/cpi/cpi1.htm>
<http://www.gov.ns.ca/fina/statisti/publish/pub20.htm>

WHOLESALE TRADE July 1999
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 63-008-XIB

In Canada July 1999, wholesale merchants' sales (seasonally adjusted) increased +0.4% to \$30.2 billion over June 1999, and increased +10.3% over July 1998. Inventories increased +0.8% to \$41.3 billion over June 1999, and increased +2.6% over July 1998.

In Nova Scotia July 1999, wholesale merchants' sales (seasonally adjusted) declined -2.6% to \$572 million over June 1999, and increased +16.1% over July 1998.

From: Doug McCann
To: daily1
Date: 9/20/99 11:45AM
Subject: Public Sector Employment 2Q99; Natural Gas Jul'99

PUBLIC SECTOR EMPLOYMENT 2ND QUARTER 1999

In Canada 2nd quarter 1999, public sector employment declined -0.5% to 2.8 million, over 2nd quarter 1998.

In Nova Scotia 2nd quarter 1999, public sector employment declined -0.3% to 105,900, over 2nd quarter 1998.

Note: Public sector includes Federal, provincial and local governments, and government business enterprises. The Federal government includes the military. Provincial governments include universities, colleges, health and social services institutions. Local governments include school boards.

NATURAL GAS SALES July 1999 Statistics Canada Cat. No. 55-002-XPB

In Canada July 1999, Natural gas sales increased +2.2% to 3.5 billion cubic metres over July 1998. Year-to-date sales increased +5.6% to 40.6 billion cubic metres over Jan-Jul 1998.

SUBSCRIPTION
details at <http://www.gov.ns.ca/fina/publish/pub23.htm>

From: Doug McCann
To: daily1
Date: 9/21/99 12:08PM
Subject: Int'l Merchandise Trade Jul'99; Labour Force Measures

INTERNATIONAL MERCHANDISE TRADE Jul 1999
 Statistics Canada Cat. No. 65-001-XPB
http://strategis.ic.gc.ca/sc_mrkti/tdst/engdoc/tr_homep.html

In Canada July 1999, merchandise trade exports, seasonally adjusted, increased +1.8% to \$30.0 billion over June 1999, and increased +15.8% over July 1998. Year-to-date exports increased +11.8% to \$203.3 billion over Jan-Jul 1998.

In Canada July 1999, merchandise trade imports, seasonally adjusted, increased +0.3% to \$26.9 billion over June 1999, and increased +11.5% over July 1998. Year-to-date imports increased +7.9% to \$185.4 billion, over Jan-Jul 1998.

In Canada July 1999, the merchandise trade balance was a surplus of \$3.2 billion for the month, and a surplus of \$17.9 billion year-to-date.

In Nova Scotia June 1999, merchandise trade exports increased +3.3% to \$350.3 million over May 1999, and increased +12.2% over June 1998. Year-to-date exports increased +16.7% to \$1.9 billion over Jan-Jun 1998.

In Nova Scotia May 1999, merchandise trade imports declined -10.1% to \$328.5 million over May 1999, and declined -43.1% over June 1998. Year-to-date imports declined -25.5% to \$2.1 billion over Jan-Jun 1998.

LABOUR FORCE UPDATE:
 SUPPLEMENTARY MEASURES OF EMPLOYMENT 1998
 Statistics Canada Cat. No. 71-005-XPB

In Canada 1998, the official unemployment rate plus discouraged workers, plus those on recall, plus long-term future starts, and underutilized part-timers is 11.5%, or +3.2 percentage points above the official (1998) unemployment rate.

Other supplementary measures of unemployment rate:

Counting only those unemployed 1 year or more	1.1%
Counting only those unemployed 3 months or more	3.3%
Rate made comparable to U.S. rate	7.6%
Official rate (ILO Standard)	8.3%
Official rate plus discouraged workers	8.8%
Official rate plus waiting for recall	9.0%
Unemployment and under-employment	10.6%

Note: Supplementary measures the extent of hardship and under-utilization of labour. Updated annually, but available monthly from Statistics Canada upon request.

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 details at <http://www.gov.ns.ca/fina/publish/pub23.htm>

From: Doug McCann
To: daily1
Date: 9/22/99 11:03AM
Subject: Retail Trade Jul'99; Composite Index Aug'99; Literacy '94

RETAIL TRADE July 1999
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 63-005-XPB

In Canada July 1999, retail trade (seasonally adjusted) increased +1.3% to \$21.7 billion, over June 1999, and increased +5.5% over July 1998.

In Nova Scotia July 1999, retail trade (seasonally adjusted) declined -3.6% to \$664 million, over June 1999, and increased +3.5% over July 1999.

COMPOSITE INDEX August 1999
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 11-010-XPB

In Canada August 1999, the composite leading indicator (1981=100) increased +0.2% to 215.7 over July 1999.

Six of ten indexes were positive.

The housing index (1981=100) increased +0.7% to 134.8.

The TSE 300 stock price index (1975=1000) increased +1.4% to 6,928.

The US composite leading indicator (1967=100) increased +0.2% to 229.7

New orders, durables (1981\$) increased +0.3% to \$17.0 billion.

The shipments to inventories of finished goods ratio increased from 1.69 to 1.70.

Furniture and appliances sales (1981\$) increased +0.8% to \$1.4 billion.

Two indexes were unchanged.

The average workweek (manufacturing) remained unchanged at 38.7 hours.

Other durable goods sales (1981\$) remained unchanged at \$4.8 billion

Two of ten indexes were negative.

Business and personal services declined -0.7% to \$2.3 billion.

The money supply (M1 1981\$) decline -0.6% to \$40.9 billion.

INEQUALITIES IN LITERACY SKILLS AMONG YOUTH IN CANADA AND THE UNITED STATES, 1994
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 89-552-MPE

In Canada 1994, Canadian youth, on average scored the equivalent on one year higher in schooling than their American peer group, and about two years higher when scores are adjusted for education of parents and immigration status. Canadian youth, whose parents had completed secondary school, scored about two years of schooling below that of European youth whose parents had a similar level of education.

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From: Doug McCann
To: McCann, Doug
Date: 9/23/99 11:51AM
Subject: Int'l Transactions in Securities Jul'99

CANADA's INTERNATIONAL TRANSACTIONS IN SECURITIES July 1999
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 67-002-XIB

In Canada July 1999, net foreign investment in Canadian securities was an inflow of +\$2.3 billion. Year-to-date net foreign investment in Canadian securities was an inflow of +\$5.4 billion.

In Canada July 1999, net Canadian investment in foreign securities was an outflow of -\$4.1 billion. Year-to-date net Canadian investment in foreign securities was an outflow of -\$10.5 billion.

Note: Outflow indicates an outflow of money from Canada - either Canadians investing abroad, or foreigners withdrawing assets. Inflow indicates an inflow of money into Canada - either Canadians withdrawing assets from abroad or foreigners investing in Canada.

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details at <http://www.gov.ns.ca/fina/publish/pub23.htm>

From: Doug McCann
To: daily2
Date: 9/27/99 10:04AM
Subject: Large Retailers Jul'99; Fixed Assets '99; Engineering Services '98

MONTHLY SURVEY OF LARGE RETAILERS July 1999

In Canada July 1999, sales by large retailers (unadjusted) increased +4.4% to \$2.2 billion, over July 1998.

FIXED ASSETS 1999

In Canada 1999, total fixed assets (structures and equipment used to produce goods and services in the economy) was reported to be valued at \$2.0 trillion (1992\$). Building and engineering structures = \$1.4 trillion; Machinery and equipment = \$0.6 trillion.

CONSULTING ENGINEERING SERVICES PRICE INDEX 1998

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 62-007-XPB

In Canada 1998. consulting engineering services price index (1992=100) increased +1.5% to 106.8, over 1997.

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details at <http://www.gov.ns.ca/fina/publish/pub23.htm>

From: Doug McCann
To: daily2
Date: 9/28/99 9:50AM
Subject: IPPI Aug'99; RMPI Aug'99; Employment Ins. Jul'99

INDUSTRIAL PRODUCT PRICE INDEX August 1999
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 62-011-XPB

In Canada August 1999, the IPPI (1992=100) increased +0.4% to 122.5 over July 1999, and increased +2.0% over August 1998.

RAW MATERIAL PRICE INDEX July 1999
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 62-011-XPB

In Canada August 1999, the RMPI (1992=100) increased +2.3% to 120.5 over July 1999, and increased +13.1% over August 1998.

EMPLOYMENT INSURANCE July 1999

In Canada July 1999, the number of beneficiaries receiving regular benefits declined -3.0% to 496,920, over June 1999, and declined -13.6% over July 1998.

In Nova Scotia July 1999, the number of beneficiaries receiving regular benefits increased +1.1% to 27,170 over June 1999, and declined -12.0% over July 1998.

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details at <http://www.gov.ns.ca/fina/publish/pub23.htm>

From: Doug McCann
To: daily2
Date: 9/29/99 10:47AM
Subject: Nat'l Tourism 2Q99; Emp, Earns, Hours Jul'99; Student Enrolment '98/99; Oil, Natural Gas Jul'99

NATIONAL TOURISM INDICATORS 2 QUARTER 1999
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 13-009-XPB

In Canada 2nd quarter 1999, total tourism expenditures (unadjusted) increased +5.8% to \$12.2 billion, over 2nd quarter 1998. Foreign tourist expenditures increased +10.7% to \$4.1 billion, and Canadian tourist spending increased +3.5% to \$8.1 billion.

EMPLOYMENT, EARNINGS AND HOURS July 1999
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 72-002-XPB

In Canada July 1999, average weekly earnings increased +0.5% to \$612.85 over June 1999, and increased +1.2% over July 1998. Employment increased +0.6% to 11.8 million, over June 1999.

In Nova Scotia July 1999, average weekly earnings increased +1.3% to \$533.06 over June 1999, and increased +2.6% over July 1998. Employment increased +1.2% to 329,000 over June 1999.

COMMUNITY COLLEGES AND RELATED INSTITUTIONS
POSTSECONDARY FULL-TIME STUDENT ENROLMENT 1998/99

In Canada 1998/99, total postsecondary full-time student enrollment in community colleges and related institutions increased +2.7% to 409,848 students.

In Nova Scotia 1998/99, total postsecondary full-time student enrollment in community colleges and related institutions declined -0.2% to 7,291 students.

In Canada 1996/97, the number of graduates of community colleges and related institutions increased +8.0% to 85,892, over the previous year and increased +42.1% over the previous five years.

In Nova Scotia 1996/97, the number of graduates of community colleges and related institutions increased +13.2% to 4,179 over the previous year, and increased +304.2% over the previous five years.

CRUDE OIL AND NATURAL GAS JULY 1999
Statistics Canada Cat. NO. 22-007-XPB

In Canada July 1999, crude oil production declined -4.7% to 10.4 million cubic metres over July 1998. Year-to-date production declined -6.3% to 70.0 million cubic metres over Jan-Jul 1998.

In Canada July 1999, natural gas production increased +4.1% to 13.4 billion cubic metres over July 1998. Year-to-date production increased +1.4% to 94.4 billion cubic metres over Jan-Jul 1998.

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From: Doug McCann
To: daily2
Date: 10/4/99 10:14AM
Subject: Building Permits Aug'99

BUILDING PERMITS August 1999
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 64-001-XIB

In Canada August 1999, The value of building permits (seasonally adjusted) declined -9.4% to \$2.9 billion over July 1999, and increased +1.6% over August 1998.

In Nova Scotia August 1999, the value of building permits (seasonally adjusted) increased +1.8% to \$84.6 million over July 1999, and increased +37.6% over August 1998.

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details at <http://www.gov.ns.ca/fina/publish/pub23.htm>

From: Doug McCann
To: daily2
Date: 10/4/99 10:42AM
Subject: Seniors '98; GDP Jul'99; Dept Stores Aug'99

A PORTRAIT OF SENIORS IN CANADA 1998
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 89-519-XPE

In Canada 1998, there were 3.7 million seniors (individuals aged 65+) an increase of 57% over 1981. As a percentage of total population seniors represented 12% in 1998, 10% in 1981 and 5% in 1971.

GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT BY INDUSTRY AT FACTOR COST July 1999
Statistics Canada Cat. NO. 15-001-XPB

In Canada July 1999, GDP at factor cost (\$1992) seasonally adjusted increased +0.4% to \$748.7 billion (annualized) over June 1999, and increased +4.6% over July 1998.

DEPARTMENT STORE SALES August 1999

In Canada August 1999, department stores sales including concessions (unadjusted) increased +12.3% to \$1.5 billion over August 1998. Year-to-date sales increased +7.4% to \$10.3 billion over Jan-Aug 1999.

In Nova Scotia August 1999, department stores sales including concessions (unadjusted) increased +12.0% to \$47.4 million over August 1998. Year-to-date sales increased +8.4% to \$312.8 million over Jan-Aug 1999.

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details at <http://www.gov.ns.ca/fina/publish/pub23.htm>

From: Doug McCann
To: daily2
Date: 10/5/99 12:21PM
Subject: Labour Income Jul'99; Environment Industries 96-97

ESTIMATES OF LABOUR INCOME July 1999
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 13F0016XPB

In Canada July 1999, labour income (seasonally adjusted) increased +0.5% to \$35.9 billion, over June 1999. Year-to-date labour income increased +3.1% over Jan-Jul 1998.

Note: Wages and salaries comprise 88% of total labour income, supplementary labour income (employers contribution to employee welfare, pension, workers' compensation, employment insurance plans) contributes 12%. Labour income accounts for 52% of GDP.

ENVIRONMENT AND WASTE MANAGEMENT INDUSTRIES 1996 AND 1997
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 16F0008XIE, 16F0023XIE

In Canada 1997, environmental industry (business that provide goods and services to protect the environment) revenues increased +4% to \$11.5 billion over 1996. The number of establishments increased to 5,950 from 5,742 in 1996.

In Nova Scotia 1997, environmental industry revenues increased +9.9% to \$245 million over 1996. The number of establishments increased to 255 from 240 in 1996.

In Canada 1996, non-hazardous waste disposed was \$20.6 million tonnes, or 0.69 tonnes per capita (down from 0.73 in 1994).

In Nova Scotia, non-hazardous waste disposed was 553,638 tonnes, or 0.59 tonnes per capita (down from 0.76 in 1994) Nova Scotia waste disposal per capita is the lowest in Canada, and declined -22% in the period 1994 to 1996.

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From: Doug McCann
To: daily2
Date: 10/6/99 10:20AM
Subject: Help-wanted Sep'99

HELP-WANTED INDEX September 1999

In Canada September 1999, the help-wanted index (1996=100), seasonally adjusted and smoothed, increased +1.3% to 160 over August 1999, and increased +11.1% over September 1998.

In Nova Scotia September 1999, the help-wanted index (1996=100), seasonally adjusted and smoothed, increased +1.2% to 172 over August 1999, and increased +16.2% over September 1998.

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From: Doug McCann
To: daily2
Date: 10/6/99 2:57PM
Subject: Short Term Expectations Oct '99

SHORT TERM EXPECTATIONS

Every month Statistics Canada canvasses a group of economic analysts for forecasts of key economic indicators. Results attached.

The forecast for November;

Consumer Price Index percentage increase (yr/yr) is	+2.1%
Unemployment rate seasonally adjusted	7.7%
Labour force participation seasonally adjusted	65.6%

The forecast for October 1999

Exports (\$billions)	\$30.56
Imports (\$billions)	\$27.3

The forecast for September 1999

GDP at FC \$1992 (mth/mth) percent increase	+0.3%
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In August the survey results forecast CPI to increase +1.6% while the actual was +2.1%; the unemployment rate was forecast to be 8.1%, and the actual was 7.8%; labour force participation rate was forecast to be 66.0%, while the actual was 65.4%.

In July the survey results forecast exports to be \$28.9 billion, while the actual was \$30.0 billion; imports were forecast to be \$26.7 billion, while the actual was \$26.9 billion.

In July the survey forecast GDP to increase +0.3%, while the actual was +0.4%.

SUBSCRIPTION

details at <http://www.gov.ns.ca/fina/publish/pub23.htm>

From: Doug McCann
To: daily2
Date: 10/6/99 3:43PM
Subject: Labour Force Measures (Re-send)

UPDATED with Nova Scotia data

LABOUR FORCE UPDATE:
 SUPPLEMENTARY MEASURES OF EMPLOYMENT 1998
 Statistics Canada Cat. No. 71-005-XPB

In Canada 1998, the official unemployment rate plus discouraged workers, plus those on recall, plus long-term future starts, and underutilized part-timers is 11.5%, or +3.2 percentage points above the official (1998) unemployment rate.

Other supplementary measures of unemployment rate:

Counting only those unemployed 1 year or more	1.1%
Counting only those unemployed 3 months or more	3.3%
Rate made comparable to U.S. rate	7.6%
Official rate (ILO Standard)	8.3%
Official rate plus discouraged workers	8.8%
Official rate plus waiting for recall	9.0%
Unemployment and under-employment	10.6%

In Nova Scotia 1998, the official unemployment rate plus discouraged workers, plus those on recall, plus long-term future starts, and underutilized part-timers is 15.6%, or +4.9 percentage points above the official (1998) unemployment rate.

Other supplementary measures of unemployment rate:

Counting only those unemployed 1 year or more	1.4%
Counting only those unemployed 3 months or more	4.1%
Rate made comparable to U.S. rate	10.2%
Official rate (ILO Standard)	10.7%
Official rate plus discouraged workers	11.7%
Official rate plus waiting for recall	12.0%
Unemployment and under-employment	13.8%

Note: Supplementary measures the extent of hardship and under-utilization of labour. Updated annually, but available monthly from Statistics Canada upon request.

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From: Doug McCann
To: daily2
Date: 10/7/99 10:04AM
Subject: Population Jul'99; Homicides '98; Migration '97/98; Petroleum Products Aug '99

POPULATION ESTIMATES July 1, 1999

In Canada July 1, 1999, the population stood at 30,568,000 an increase of +0.9% from July 1, 1998.

In Nova Scotia July 1, 1999, the population stood at 940,825, an increase of +0.5% from July 1, 1998.

HOMICIDE STATISTICS 1998 Statistics Canada Cat. No. 85-002-XPE

In Canada 1998, the homicide rate declined as 31 fewer individuals (555) were killed than in 1997. The rate per 100,000 population declined -6.2% to 1.83.

MIGRATION 1997/98

In Halifax 1997/98, net migration increased the CMA's population by 1,750 persons (16,740 moved in; 15,000 moved out). The net rate per 1,000 population was 5.1.

DOMESTIC SALES OF REFINED PETROLEUM PRODUCTS August 1999 Statistics Canada Cat. No. 45-004-XPB

In Canada August 1999, the sale of refined petroleum products declined -0.8% to 8.2 million cubic metres, over August 1998. Year-to-date sales increased +1.1% to 61.5 million cubic metres over Jan-Aug 1998.

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From: Doug McCann
To: daily2
Date: 10/8/99 11:16AM
Subject: Labour Force Survey Sep 99

LABOUR FORCE SURVEY September 1999
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 71-001-PPB

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<http://www.gov.ns.ca/fina/publish/pub19.htm>
<http://www.gov.ns.ca/fina/stats.div/brief/employ.htm>
<http://www.gov.ns.ca/fina/statisti/emp/empl1.htm>

Finance IntraNet users see

<http://iweb.gov.ns.ca/fina/statisti/library.htm>

Seasonally Adjusted
(month over month)

In Canada September 1999 labour force increased +0.2% to 15.9 million, employment increased +0.4% to 14.7 million, unemployment declined -3.1% to 1.2 million, and the unemployment rate declined -0.3 percentage points to 7.5% over August 1999.

In Nova Scotia September 1999 labour force increased +1.1% to 460,600, employment remained unchanged at 416,300, unemployment increased +12.4% to 44,300 and the unemployment rate increased +1.0 percentage points to 9.6% over August 1999.

Unadjusted
(year over year)

In Canada September 1999 labour force increased +1.5% to 15,9 million, employment increased +2.4% to 14.9 million, unemployment declined -8.3% to 1.1 million, and the unemployment rate declined -0.7 percentage points to 6.8% over September 1998.

In Nova Scotia September 1999 labour force increased +2.1% to 462,000, employment increased +3.6% to 422,800, unemployment declined -11.9% to 39,200 and the unemployment rate declined -1.3 percentage points to 8.5% over September 1998.

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From: Doug McCann
To: daily2
Date: 10/12/99 10:41AM
Subject: Education and Technology '99; Housing Price Index Aug'99

COMPUTER TECHNOLOGY IN SCHOOLS 1999

In Canada 1999, the computer/student ratio is 9 in elementary, 8 in intermediate, and 7 in secondary schools. The percentage of students that use computers for e-mail - 40%; obtaining information from external databases - 81%; designing web sites - 30%; disseminating information via the internet - 35%.

In Nova Scotia 1999, the computer/student ratio is 15 in elementary, 11 in intermediate, and 9 in secondary schools. The percentage of students that use computers for e-mail - 53%; obtaining information from external databases - 79%; designing web sites - 33%; disseminating information via the internet - 38%.

NEW HOUSING PRICE INDEX August 1999

In Canada August 1999, the new housing price index (1992=100) increased +0.3% to 101.1 over July 1999, and increased +0.9% over August 1998.

In Halifax August 1999, the new housing price index (1992=100) increased +0.6% to 112.4 over July 1999, and increased +3.9% over August 1998.

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From: Doug McCann
To: daily2
Date: 10/13/99 10:24AM
Subject: Culture '97/98; Services Indicators 2Q99

GOVERNMENT EXPENDITURE ON CULTURE 1997/98
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 87F0001XPB

In Canada 1997/98, total government expenditure on culture declined -1.7% to \$5.6 billion, over 1996/97. Per capita expenditure by the Federal government was \$89, provincial governments \$57, and municipal governments \$49.

In Nova Scotia 1997/98, per capita expenditure by the Federal government was \$95, provincial government \$63, and municipal government \$32.

SERVICES INDICATORS 2ND QUARTER 1999
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 63-006-XIB

In Canada 2nd quarter 1999, GDP (real) increased +1.0%, over 1st quarter 1999. Employment increased +2.9% (306,200) over the 2nd quarter 1998.

Output in the computer and services related industry increased +4.4%, over the previous quarter. Employment in the computer systems design industry increased +27.6% over the same period last year.

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details at <http://www.gov.ns.ca/fina/publish/pub23.htm>

From: Doug McCann
To: daily2
Date: 10/14/99 12:52PM
Subject: Telecommunications Industry 1Q99

TELECOMMUNICATIONS INDUSTRY 1ST QUARTER 1999
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 56-002-XIB

In Canada 1st quarter 1999, operating revenues for the telecommunications industry was \$6.8 billion, and operating margin \$1.2 billion (17.4% of revenue). Capital expenditure investments reached \$1.3 billion.

SUBSCRIPTION
details at <http://www.gov.ns.ca/fina/publish/pub23.htm>

From: Doug McCann
To: daily2
Date: 10/15/99 10:19AM
Subject: CPI Sep'99; Motor Vehicle Sales Aug'99; Passenger Bus Industry '98

CONSUMER PRICE INDEX September 1999
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 62-001-XPB

In Canada September 1999, the consumer price index all-items, not seasonally adjusted (1992=100), increased +0.3% to 111.4 over August 1999, and increased +2.6% over September 1998.

In Nova Scotia September 1999, the consumer price index, all items, not seasonally adjusted (1992=100) increased +0.5% to 111.6 over August 1999, and increased +3.9% over September 1999.

also: <http://www.gov.ns.ca/fina/stats.div/brief/prices.htm>
<http://www.gov.ns.ca/fina/statisti/cpi/cpi1.htm>
<http://www.gov.ns.ca/fina/statisti/publish/pub20.htm>

NEW MOTOR VEHICLE SALES August 1999
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 63-007-XIB

In Canada August 1999, the number of new motor vehicles sold (seasonally adjusted) increased +0.5% to 131,552 units over July 1999, and increased +10.3% over August 1998.

PASSENGER BUS INDUSTRY 1998
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 50-002-XIB

In Canada 1998, the gross revenues of urban transit companies increased +3% to \$1.81 billion over 1997. Passenger trips increased to 1.43 billion trips over the 1.36 billion trips reported in 1994. About 10% of urban workers use public transit, 81% use private vehicles and the balance either walk or cycle to work.

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Subject: Deposit-accepting Intermediaries '97

DEPOSIT-ACCEPTING INTERMEDIARIES 1997

In Canada 1997, the value of services produced by deposit-accepting intermediaries increased +15.8% to \$41.5 billion over 1996. The value of electronic financial services (4.4% of total services) increased +68.2% to \$1.8 billion, over 1996.

Note: Electronic financial services covers services to individuals, businesses and institutions through networks of banking machines, telephone banking centres and the Internet.

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Subject: Composite Index Sep'99; Travel Aug'99

COMPOSITE INDEX September 1999
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 11-010-XPB

In Canada September 1999, the composite leading indicator (1981=100) increased +0.5% to 217.4 over August 1999.

Nine of ten indexes were positive.

The housing index (1981=100) increased +0.8% to 135.9.

The TSE 300 stock price index (1975=1000) increased +0.9% to 6,987.

The money supply (M1 1981\$) increased +0.6% to \$41.5 billion.

The US composite leading indicator (1967=100) increased +0.2% to 230.1

The average workweek (manufacturing) increased +0.3% to 39.0 hours.

New orders, durables (1981\$) increased +0.4% to \$17.0 billion.

The shipments to inventories of finished goods ratio increased from 1.70 to 1.71.

Furniture and appliances sales (1981\$) increased +1.0% to \$1.5 billion.

Other durable goods sales (1981\$) increased +0.2% to \$4.8 billion

One of ten indexes were negative.

Business and personal services declined -0.6% to \$2.3 million.

TRAVEL BETWEEN CANADA AND OTHER COUNTRIES August 1999
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 66-001-PPB

Month-over-month

In Canada August 1999, Canadian trips abroad (seasonally adjusted) increased +1.3% to 3.9 million trips over July 1999. Foreigner trips to Canada declined -3.1% to 4.0 million over July 1999.

Year-over-year

In Canada August 1999, Canadian trips abroad (unadjusted) increased +7.3% to 5.1 million trips over August 1998. Foreigner trips declined -3.1% to 6.5 million trips over August 1998.

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Subject: Int'l Merchandise Trade Aug'99; Wholesale Trade Aug'99

CANADIAN INTERNATIONAL MERCHANDISE TRADE August 1999
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 65-001-XPB
http://strategis.ic.gc.ca/sc_mrkti/tdst/engdoc/tr_homep.html

In Canada August 1999, merchandise trade exports, seasonally adjusted, increased +3.8% to \$27.2 billion over July 1999, and increased +16.1% over August 1998. Year-to-date exports increased +16.5% to \$202.4 billion over Jan-Aug 1998.

In Canada August 1999, merchandise trade imports, seasonally adjusted, increased +1.4% to \$21.1 billion over July 1999, and increased +6.8% over August 1998. Year-to-date imports increased +8.2% to \$163.8 billion, over Jan-Aug 1998.

In Canada August 1999, the merchandise trade balance was a surplus of \$3.6 billion for the month, and a surplus of \$22.1 billion year-to-date.

In Nova Scotia July 1999, merchandise trade exports declined -11.9% to \$313.4 million over June 1999, and increased +8.2% over July 1998. Year-to-date exports increased +15.8% to \$2.2 billion over Jan-Jul 1998.

In Nova Scotia July 1999, merchandise trade imports increased +0.7% to \$328.7 million over June 1999, and declined -8.5% over July 1998. Year-to-date imports declined -23.6% to \$2.4 billion over Jan-Jul 1998.

WHOLESALE TRADE August 1999
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 63-008-XIB

In Canada August 1999, wholesale merchants' sales (seasonally adjusted) increased +1.4% to \$30.6 billion over July 1999, and increased +10.6% over August 1998. Inventories (seasonally adjusted) increased +0.7% to \$41.4 billion over July 1999, and increased +2.9% over August 1998.

In Nova Scotia August 1999, wholesale merchants' sales (seasonally adjusted) increased +2.4% to \$575 million over July 1999, and increased +15.2% over August 1998.

In Canada August 1999, sales of computers, packaged software and other electronic machinery (seasonally adjusted) increased +1.3% to \$3.4 billion over July 1999, and increased +22.3% over August 1998.

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RETAIL TRADE August 1999
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In Canada August 1999, retail sales (seasonally adjusted) increased +1.2% to \$22.1 billion over July 1999, and increased +7.0% over August 1998.

In Nova Scotia August 1999, retail sales (seasonally adjusted) increased +1.4% to \$675 million over July 1999, and increased +5.5% over August 1998.

NATURAL GAS SALES August 1999
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 55-002-XPB

In Canada August 1999, natural gas sales declined -9.8% to 3.6 billion cubic metres over August 1998. Year-to-date sales increased +4.1% to 42.1 billion cubic metres over Jan-Aug 1998.

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CANADA's INTERNATIONAL TRANSACTIONS IN SECURITIES August 1999
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 67-002-XIB

In Canada August 1999, net foreign investment in Canadian securities was an outflow of -\$2.4 billion. Year-to-date net foreign investment in Canadian securities was an inflow of +\$4.0 billion.

In Canada August 1999, net Canadian investment in foreign securities was an outflow of -\$1.7 billion. Year-to-date net Canadian investment in foreign securities was an outflow of -\$11.1 billion.

Note: Outflow indicates an outflow of money from Canada - either Canadians investing abroad, or foreigners withdrawing assets. Inflow indicates an inflow of money into Canada - either Canadians withdrawing assets from abroad or foreigners investing in Canada.

EMPLOYMENT INSURANCE SUPPORT TO FAMILIES WITH NEWBORNS 1976 to 1998

In Canada 1998, maternity and parental benefits per week remained constant at \$277, compared with the previous year. Benefit duration increased to 24.5 weeks from 24.0 weeks in 1997. Total benefits increased to \$6780 from \$6630 in 1997.

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Subject: Manufacturing Aug'99

MONTHLY SURVEY OF MANUFACTURING August 1999
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 31-001-XPB

In Canada August 1999, manufacturers' shipments (seasonally adjusted) increased +3.5% to \$42.0 billion over July 1999, and increased +12.2% over August 1998.

Inventories increased +0.9% to \$53.4 billion over July 1999, and increased +4.2% over August 1998.

Unfilled orders increased +1.6% to \$52.7 billion over July 1999, and increased +7.3% over August 1998.

New orders increased +4.5% to \$42.8 billion over July 1999, and increased +9.6% over August 1998.

Inventories to shipments ratio declined to 1.27 from 1.30 in July 1999, and from 1.37 in August 1998.

In Nova Scotia August 1999, manufacturers' shipments increased +8.7% to \$670 million over July 1999.

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Subject: IPPI Sep'99; RMPI Sep'99

INDUSTRIAL PRODUCT PRICE INDEX September 1999
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 62-011-XPB

In Canada September 1999, the IPPI (1992=100) increased +0.5% to 123.1 over August 1999, and increased +3.1% over September 1998.

RAW MATERIAL PRICE INDEX September 1999
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 62-011-XPB

In Canada September 1999, the RMPI (1992=100) increased +3.5% to 125.5 over August 1999, and increased +16.1% over September 1998.

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Subject: Emp, Earns, Hrs Aug'99; Large Retailers Aug'99; Marriages '97; Oil and Gas Aug'99

EMPLOYMENT, EARNINGS AND HOURS August 1999
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 72-002-XPB

In Canada August 1999, average weekly earnings (seasonally adjusted) declined -0.1% to \$610.42 over July 1999, and increased +0.8% over August 1998. Employment (seasonally adjusted) declined -0.2% to 11.8 million over the previous month.

In Nova Scotia August 1999, average weekly earnings (seasonally adjusted) declined -0.8% to \$524.97 over July 1999, and increased +2.7% over August 1998. Employment (seasonally adjusted) remained unchanged at 328,000 over the previous month.

MONTHLY SURVEY OF LARGE RETAILERS August 1999

In Canada August 1999, sales for the group of large retailers increased +5.5% to \$5.9 billion over August 1998.

MARRIAGES 1997
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 84F212XPB

In Canada 1997, the number of marriages declined -2.2% to 153,306 over 1996.

In Nova Scotia 1997, the number of marriages declined -4.0% to 5,177 over 1996.

CRUDE OIL AND NATURAL GAS August 1999
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 26-006-XPB

In Canada August 1999, crude oil production declined -6.5% to 10.2 million cubic metres over August 1998. Year-to-date production declined -6.5% to 80.1 million cubic metres over Jan-Aug 1998.

In Canada August 1999, natural gas production increased +0.9% to 13.2 billion cubic metres over August 1998. Year-to-date production increased +1.3% to 107.5 billion cubic metres over Jan-Aug 1998.

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Subject: GDP Aug'99

GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT BY INDUSTRY AT FACTOR COST August 1999
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 15-001-XPB

In Canada August 1999, GDP (seasonally adjusted) at factor cost (\$1992) increased +0.5% to \$752.6 billion (annualized) over July 1999, and increased +4.1% over August 1998.

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Subject: Business Conditions Oct'99; Eldercare '96

QUARTERLY BUSINESS CONDITIONS
SURVEY: MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES OCTOBER 1999

In Canada October 1999, fewer manufacturers (45% in October vs 52% in July) expect that during the next three months the volume of production will remain about the same as the last three months, about 34% believe that volume will increase, and more believe (21% in October vs 12% in July) that volume will be lower.

Orders received by 70% of manufacturers (up from 60% in July) are expected to be about the same as the last quarter, with 25% are expecting increases and 5% declines. 75% consider the present backlog of unfilled orders as about normal, 17%, higher than normal, and 8% lower than normal. Most respondents (84%) believe the finished product inventory to be about right while 11% consider levels to be too high. 68% believe that employment during the next three months will change little, 18% expect an increase and 14% a decrease.

Most manufacturers (85%) do not foresee any production difficulties. A small number (7%) think that they may experience a skilled labour shortage. 2% expect a working capital shortage, a raw material shortage., or a unskilled labour shortage.

ELDERCARE IN CANADA 1996
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 89-570-XPE

In Canada 1996, 3.4 million seniors lived outside of institutions. More than 750,000 were in receipt of assistance from friends or relatives.

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Subject: Help-wanted Oct'99

HELP-WANTED INDEX October 1999

In Canada October 1999, the help-wanted index (1996=100) seasonally adjusted and smoothed, increased +1.3% to 162 over September 1999, and increased +11.9% over October 1998.

In Nova Scotia October 1999, the help-wanted index (1996=100) seasonally adjusted and smoothed, declined -1.2% to 170 over September 1999, and increased +12.9% over October 1999.

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SHORT TERM EXPECTATIONS

Every month Statistics Canada canvasses a group of economic analysts for forecasts of key economic indicators. Results attached.

The forecast for December;

Consumer Price Index percentage increase (yr/yr) is	+2.4%
Unemployment rate seasonally adjusted	7.5%
Labour force participation seasonally adjusted	65.6%

The forecast for November 1999

Exports (\$billions)	\$31.6
Imports (\$billions)	\$27.8

The forecast for October 1999

GDP at FC \$1992 (mth/mth) percent increase	+0.3%
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In September the survey results forecast CPI to increase +1.9% while the actual was +2.6%; the unemployment rate was forecast to be 7.8%, and the actual was 7.5%; labour force participation rate was forecast to be 65.6%, while the actual was 65.4%.

In August the survey results forecast exports to be \$29.0 billion, while the actual was \$31.2 billion; imports were forecast to be \$26.5 billion, while the actual was \$27.6 billion; GDP to increase +0.2%, while the actual was +0.5%.

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STATISTICS ON RESULTS OF THE SHORT TERM EXPECTATIONS SURVEY
STATISTIQUES SUR LES RÉSULTATS DE L'ENQUÊTE SUR LES ANTICIPATIONS À COURT TERME

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INDICATORS INDICATEURS	YEAR / MONTH ANNÉE / MOIS	MEAN / MOYENNE			MIN.	MAX.	ACTUAL DATA CHIFFRE RÉEL	
		original version	1st revision	2nd revision				
Cansim 9940 Serie P100000	Consumer Price Index Indices des prix à la consommation % year/year	98/07	1.2	1.1	—	1.0	1.5	1.0
		98/08	1.2	1.2	1.1	0.9	1.2	0.8
		98/09	1.2	1.1	0.9	0.6	1.0	0.7
		98/10	1.1	1.0	0.8	0.6	1.0	1.0
		98/11	1.1	0.9	1.1	0.8	1.3	1.2
		98/12	1.0	1.2	1.3	1.1	1.5	1.0
		99/01	1.1	1.2	1.0	0.6	1.1	0.6
		99/02	1.2	1.1	0.7	0.5	1.0	0.7
		99/03	1.1	0.8	0.7	0.3	0.9	1.0
		99/04	0.9	0.8	1.1	0.5	1.2	1.7
		99/05	0.8	0.9	1.5	1.2	1.8	1.6
		99/06	1.0	1.5	1.5	1.3	1.6	1.6
		99/07	1.5	1.5	1.7	1.4	2.0	1.8
		99/08	1.6	1.7	1.8	1.6	2.1	2.1
	99/09	1.9	1.9	2.1	1.7	2.5	2.6	
	99/10	1.9	2.0	2.5	2.3	2.5		
	99/11	2.1	2.4		2.1	2.7		
	99/12	2.4			2.0	3.2		
Cansim 3451 Serie D980745	Unemployment Chômage % (S.A.)	98/07	8.4	8.4	—	8.2	8.5	8.4
		98/08	8.3	8.4	8.4	8.2	8.7	8.3
		98/09	8.4	8.4	8.4	8.3	8.5	8.3
		98/10	8.5	8.4	8.4	8.3	9.1	8.0
		98/11	8.5	8.5	8.2	8.0	8.5	8.0
		98/12	8.5	8.2	8.0	7.8	8.5	8.0
		99/01	8.3	8.3	8.1	7.9	8.2	7.8
		99/02	8.3	8.1	7.7	6.4	8.0	7.8
		99/03	8.1	7.9	7.8	7.7	7.9	7.8
		99/04	7.9	7.8	7.8	7.7	8.0	8.3
		99/05	7.8	7.8	8.1	8.0	8.3	8.1
		99/06	7.7	8.0	8.1	8.0	8.3	7.6
		99/07	8.0	8.1	7.7	7.5	8.0	7.7
		99/08	8.1	7.8	7.7	7.6	7.8	7.8
	99/09	7.8	7.7	7.8	7.6	7.9	7.5	
	99/10	7.7	7.7	7.5	7.5	7.6		
	99/11	7.7	7.5		7.4	7.7		
	99/12	7.5			7.3	7.8		
Cansim 3451 Serie D980778	Labour Force participation rate Taux de participation - population active % (S.A.)	98/07	65.1	65.0	—	64.8	65.2	65.0
		98/08	65.1	65.0	65.0	64.9	65.1	65.1
		98/09	65.0	65.0	64.9	64.8	65.0	65.2
		98/10	64.9	64.9	65.1	64.6	65.4	65.3
		98/11	64.9	65.1	65.2	65.0	65.6	65.5
		98/12	65.0	65.2	65.5	65.0	65.8	65.6
		99/01	65.1	65.4	65.6	65.4	65.7	65.8
		99/02	65.3	65.6	65.7	65.0	66.0	65.8
		99/03	65.5	65.7	65.8	65.8	65.9	65.6
		99/04	65.7	65.9	65.7	65.6	65.9	66.0
		99/05	65.9	65.8	65.9	65.5	66.1	65.7
		99/06	65.8	65.9	65.9	65.7	66.0	65.3
		99/07	65.9	66.0	65.5	65.3	65.7	65.4
		99/08	66.0	65.6	65.5	65.4	65.7	65.4
	99/09	65.6	65.6	65.5	65.3	65.6	65.4	
	99/10	65.7	65.5	65.4	65.4	65.5		
	99/11	65.6	65.5		65.3	65.6		
	99/12	65.6			65.2	65.8		

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Cansim 3685 Serie D399449	Exports	98/06	25.9	26.0	—	25.5	26.5	26.0	25.6
	Exportations	98/07	26.0	26.1	26.2	25.7	27.0	25.6	27.6
	billions \$	98/08	26.2	26.6	25.6	25.1	26.1	27.4	27.6
		98/09	26.7	25.7	27.1	26.0	28.0	27.2	27.7
		98/10	25.7	27.0	27.1	26.5	27.6	28.5	28.4
		98/11	26.9	27.2	28.2	27.0	29.0	28.4	28.4
		98/12	27.1	28.2	28.0	26.0	28.9	28.3	28.3
		99/01	28.0	27.9	28.2	27.8	28.6	28.9	28.8
		99/02	27.9	28.2	28.8	28.1	29.2	28.7	28.6
		99/03	28.2	28.8	28.8	28.4	29.1	29.0	28.8
		99/04	29.0	28.8	28.5	25.8	29.2	28.7	28.7
		99/05	28.8	28.9	29.0	28.7	29.1	28.9	29.1
		99/06	29.0	28.9	28.9	28.5	29.3	29.4	29.7
		99/07	28.9	29.0	29.3	28.5	30.0	30.0	
	99/08	29.0	29.4	30.1	29.8	30.6	31.2		
	99/09	29.6	30.3	31.3	31.0	32.0			
	99/10	30.5	31.5		30.7	32.7			
	99/11	31.6			30.5	33.3			
Cansim 3651 Serie D397990	Imports	98/06	25.0	24.5	—	24.0	24.8	24.5	24.6
	Importations	98/07	25.1	24.1	24.4	24.0	24.9	24.1	24.1
	billions \$	98/08	24.3	24.5	24.3	24.0	24.8	25.3	25.7
		98/09	24.4	24.3	25.1	24.0	25.6	25.6	25.9
		98/10	24.3	25.1	25.4	24.9	25.9	26.5	26.7
		98/11	25.0	25.4	26.3	25.0	27.1	26.5	26.6
		98/12	25.5	26.4	26.2	25.0	27.0	26.8	26.8
		99/01	26.3	26.2	26.6	26.0	27.0	26.2	26.1
		99/02	26.2	26.6	26.3	25.0	26.6	26.1	26.4
		99/03	26.5	26.4	26.2	26.0	26.6	26.4	26.4
		99/04	26.5	26.3	26.5	26.2	26.9	26.3	26.5
		99/05	26.2	26.5	26.4	26.3	26.5	26.5	26.6
		99/06	26.6	26.4	26.4	26.0	26.6	26.6	26.8
		99/07	26.7	26.4	26.7	26.5	27.1	26.9	
	99/08	26.5	26.7	27.0	26.8	27.3	27.6		
	99/09	27.1	27.1	27.6	27.0	27.9			
	99/10	27.3	27.8		27.1	28.2			
	99/11	27.8			27.3	28.3			
Cansim 4680 Serie I56001	Gross Domestic	98/05	0.2	0.2	—	-0.2	0.5	-0.2	-0.1
	Product (at factor	98/06	0.3	0.1	0.0	-0.4	0.2	-0.1	0.1
	cost by industry)	98/07	0.2	0.1	0.1	-0.2	0.3	-0.3	-0.3
	Produit intérieur brut	98/08	0.5	0.2	0.1	-0.1	0.6	0.7	0.8
	(au coût des facteurs	98/09	0.1	0.0	0.3	-0.2	0.5	0.1	0.2
	par industrie)	98/10	0.1	0.2	0.3	-0.2	0.6	0.2	0.2
	(S.A.) constant 1992 \$	98/11	0.1	0.1	0.1	-0.3	0.3	0.4	0.5
	% month/month)	98/12	0.2	0.2	0.2	-0.2	0.6	0.4	0.4
		99/01	0.1	0.2	0.4	0.2	0.6	0.2	0.3
		99/02	0.1	0.3	0.2	0.0	0.3	0.1	0.2
		99/03	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.1	0.5	0.3	0.3
		99/04	0.3	0.2	0.2	-0.1	0.4	0.3	0.2
		99/05	0.2	0.2	0.2	-0.1	0.4	0.3	0.3
		99/06	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.1	0.6	0.3	
	99/07	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.6	0.4		
	99/08	0.2	0.3	0.4	0.3	0.6	0.5		
	99/09	0.3	0.3		0.2	0.4			
	99/10	0.3			0.2	0.3			

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LABOUR FORCE SURVEY October 1999
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QUARTERLY BUSINESS CONDITIONS
SURVEY: MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES OCTOBER 1999

In Canada October 1999, fewer manufacturers (45% in October vs 52% in July) expect that during the next three months the volume of production will remain about the same as the last three months, about 34% believe that volume will increase, and more believe (21% in October vs 12% in July) that volume will be lower.

Orders received by 70% of manufacturers (up from 60% in July) are expected to be about the same as the last quarter, with 25% are expecting increases and 5% declines. 75% consider the present backlog of unfilled orders as about normal, 17%, higher than normal, and 8% lower than normal. Most respondents (84%) believe the finished product inventory to be about right while 11% consider levels to be too high. 68% believe that employment during the next three months will change little, 18% expect an increase and 14% a decrease.

Most manufacturers (85%) do not foresee any production difficulties. A small number (7%) think that they may experience a skilled labour shortage. 2% expect a working capital shortage, a raw material shortage., or a unskilled labour shortage.

ELDERCARE IN CANADA 1996
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 89-570-XPE

In Canada 1996, 3.4 million seniors lived outside of institutions. More than 750,000 were in receipt of assistance from friends or relatives.

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Subject: Help-wanted Oct'99

HELP-WANTED INDEX October 1999

In Canada October 1999, the help-wanted index (1996=100) seasonally adjusted and smoothed, increased +1.3% to 162 over September 1999, and increased +11.9% over October 1998.

In Nova Scotia October 1999, the help-wanted index (1996=100) seasonally adjusted and smoothed, declined -1.2% to 170 over September 1999, and increased +12.9% over October 1999.

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SHORT TERM EXPECTATIONS

Every month Statistics Canada canvasses a group of economic analysts for forecasts of key economic indicators. Results attached.

The forecast for December;

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The forecast for November 1999

Exports (\$billions)	\$31.6
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The forecast for October 1999

GDP at FC \$1992 (mth/mth) percent increase	+0.3%
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Cansim 9940 Serie P100000	Consumer Price Index Indices des prix à la consommation % year/year	98/07	1.2	1.1	—	1.0	1.5	1.0
		98/08	1.2	1.2	1.1	0.9	1.2	0.8
		98/09	1.2	1.1	0.9	0.6	1.0	0.7
		98/10	1.1	1.0	0.8	0.6	1.0	1.0
		98/11	1.1	0.9	1.1	0.8	1.3	1.2
		98/12	1.0	1.2	1.3	1.1	1.5	1.0
		99/01	1.1	1.2	1.0	0.6	1.1	0.6
		99/02	1.2	1.1	0.7	0.5	1.0	0.7
		99/03	1.1	0.8	0.7	0.3	0.9	1.0
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		99/05	0.8	0.9	1.5	1.2	1.8	1.6
		99/06	1.0	1.5	1.5	1.3	1.6	1.6
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	99/10	1.9	2.0	2.5	2.3	2.5		
	99/11	2.1	2.4		2.1	2.7		
	99/12	2.4			2.0	3.2		
Cansim 3451 Serie D980745	Unemployment Chômage % (S.A.)	98/07	8.4	8.4	—	8.2	8.5	8.4
		98/08	8.3	8.4	8.4	8.2	8.7	8.3
		98/09	8.4	8.4	8.4	8.3	8.5	8.3
		98/10	8.5	8.4	8.4	8.3	9.1	8.0
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		98/12	8.5	8.2	8.0	7.8	8.5	8.0
		99/01	8.3	8.3	8.1	7.9	8.2	7.8
		99/02	8.3	8.1	7.7	6.4	8.0	7.8
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		99/04	7.9	7.8	7.8	7.7	8.0	8.3
		99/05	7.8	7.8	8.1	8.0	8.3	8.1
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	99/11	7.7	7.5		7.4	7.7		
	99/12	7.5			7.3	7.8		
Cansim 3451 Serie D980778	Labour Force participation rate Taux de participation - population active % (S.A.)	98/07	65.1	65.0	—	64.8	65.2	65.0
		98/08	65.1	65.0	65.0	64.9	65.1	65.1
		98/09	65.0	65.0	64.9	64.8	65.0	65.2
		98/10	64.9	64.9	65.1	64.6	65.4	65.3
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		99/02	65.3	65.6	65.7	65.0	66.0	65.8
		99/03	65.5	65.7	65.8	65.8	65.9	65.6
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		99/05	65.9	65.8	65.9	65.5	66.1	65.7
		99/06	65.8	65.9	65.9	65.7	66.0	65.3
		99/07	65.9	66.0	65.5	65.3	65.7	65.4
		99/08	66.0	65.6	65.5	65.4	65.7	65.4
	99/09	65.6	65.6	65.5	65.3	65.6	65.4	
	99/10	65.7	65.5	65.4	65.4	65.5		
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	Exportations	98/07	26.0	26.1	26.2	25.7	27.0	25.6	27.6
	billions \$	98/08	26.2	26.6	25.6	25.1	26.1	27.4	27.6
		98/09	26.7	25.7	27.1	26.0	28.0	27.2	27.7
		98/10	25.7	27.0	27.1	26.5	27.6	28.5	28.4
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		99/08	29.0	29.4	30.1	29.8	30.6	31.2	
	99/09	29.6	30.3	31.3	31.0	32.0			
	99/10	30.5	31.5		30.7	32.7			
	99/11	31.6			30.5	33.3			
Cansim 3651 Serie D397990	Imports	98/06	25.0	24.5	—	24.0	24.8	24.5	24.6
	Importations	98/07	25.1	24.1	24.4	24.0	24.9	24.1	24.1
	billions \$	98/08	24.3	24.5	24.3	24.0	24.8	25.3	25.7
		98/09	24.4	24.3	25.1	24.0	25.6	25.6	25.9
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Cansim 4680 Serie I56001	Gross Domestic	98/05	0.2	0.2	—	-0.2	0.5	-0.2	-0.1
	Product (at factor	98/06	0.3	0.1	0.0	-0.4	0.2	-0.1	0.1
	cost by industry)	98/07	0.2	0.1	0.1	-0.2	0.3	-0.3	-0.3
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	(au coût des facteurs	98/09	0.1	0.0	0.3	-0.2	0.5	0.1	0.2
	par industrie)	98/10	0.1	0.2	0.3	-0.2	0.6	0.2	0.2
	(S.A.) constant 1992 \$	98/11	0.1	0.1	0.1	-0.3	0.3	0.4	0.5
	% month/month)	98/12	0.2	0.2	0.2	-0.2	0.6	0.4	0.4
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MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT PRICE INDEX 3RD QUARTER 1999
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COMPOSITE INDEX October 1999
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In Canada October 1999, the composite leading indicator (1981=100) increased +0.5% to 218.3 over September 1999.

Eight of ten indexes were positive.

The TSE 300 stock price index (1975=1000) increased +1.0% to 7,058.

The money supply (M1 1981\$) increased +0.6% to \$41.8 billion.

The US composite leading indicator (1967=100) increased +0.2% to 230.5

The average workweek (manufacturing) increased +0.3% to 38.9 hours.

New orders, durables (1981\$) increased +0.9% to \$17.0 billion.

The shipments to inventories of finished goods ratio increased from 1.72 to 1.73.

Furniture and appliances sales (1981\$) increased +1.0% to \$1.5 billion.

Other durable goods sales (1981\$) increased +0.7% to \$4.8 billion

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The housing index (1981=100) declined -0.2% to 135.5.

Business and personal services employment declined -0.4% to 2.3 million.

WORK PATTERNS OF TRUCK DRIVERS 1998

In Canada 1998, employment in the trucking industry was 230,000, an increase of +13% since 1989.

About 20% of truck drivers were on the job 60+ hours per week (for-hire truckers - 31%; private truckers - 11%). Average earnings for 60+ hour drivers was \$854 per week, or \$44,400 per year.

EMPLOYMENT INSURANCE September 1999

In Canada September 1999, the number of beneficiaries receiving regular benefits (seasonally adjusted) increased +0.3% to 511,220 over August 1999, and declined -7.8% over September 1998.

In Nova Scotia September 1999, the number of beneficiaries receiving regular benefits increased +1.4% to 28,810 over August 1999, and declined -5.4% over September 1998.

SAVERS, INVESTORS AND INVESTMENT INCOME
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 17C0009, 17C0007, 17C0008

In Canada 1998, the number of investment income recipients declined -0.4% to 7.5 million, and total amount received from investments increased +0.1% to \$26.2 billion.

In Nova Scotia 1998, the number of investment income recipients was 192,360, and the amount received from investments was \$ 560 million.

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FARM CASH RECEIPTS AND NET FARM INCOME

January to September 1999

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 21-001-XIB

In Canada Jan-Sep 1999, farm cash receipts increased +0.7% to \$22.0 billion over Jan-Sep 1998.

In Nova Scotia Jan-Sep 1999, farm cash receipts increased +4.2% to \$274 million over Jan-Sep 1998.

In Canada 1998, net farm income increased +18.9% to \$2.9 billion, over 1997.

CHARITABLE DONORS 1998

In Canada 1998, the number of charitable donors increased +2.1% to 5.4 million over 1997. Donations (median \$170 per donor) increased +7.7% to \$4.6 billion.

In Nova Scotia 1998, the number of charitable donors increased +2.5% to 158,770 over 1997. Donations (median \$230 per donor) increased +6.1% to \$115.2 million.

VITAL STATISTICS 1996

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 84-214-XPE

*per 1,000 population

In Canada 1996, the crude marriage rate* (total= 156,691) declined to 5.2 from 6.7 in 1986 ; the divorce rate* (total= 71,528) declined to 2.4 from 3.0 in 1986; the birth rate* (total= 366,200) declined to 12.2 from 14.2 in '86; the fertility rate remained unchanged at 1.59; the death rate* increased to 7.1 from 7.0 in '86; and life expectancy for males was 75.7 years, and for females 81.4 years.

In Nova Scotia 1996, the crude marriage rate* (total= 5,392) declined to 5.7 from 7.2 in 1986 ; the divorce rate* (total= 2228) declined to 1.7 from 2.9 in 1986; the birth rate* (total= 10,573) declined to 11.2 from 13.8 in '86; the fertility rate declined to 1.49 from 1.58 in '86; the death rate* increased to 8.2 from 8.1 in '86; and life expectancy for males was 74.9 years, and for females 80.7 years.

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INDUSTRIAL PRODUCT PRICE INDEX October 1999
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In Canada October 1999, the industrial product price index (1992=100) increased +0.1% to 123.2 over September 1999, and increased +2.4% over October 1998.

RAW MATERIAL PRICE INDEX October 1999
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In Canada October 1999, the raw materials price index declined -1.1% to 124.7 over September 1999, and increased +15.8% over October 1998.

EMPLOYMENT, EARNINGS AND HOURS September 1999
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 72-002-XPB

In Canada September 1999, average weekly earnings (seasonally adjusted) increased +0.3% to \$613.92 over August 1999, and increased +1.5% over September 1998. Employment (seasonally adjusted) increased +0.4% to 11.8 million over August 1999.

In Nova Scotia September 1999, average weekly earnings (seasonally adjusted) remained unchanged at \$518.71 over August 1999, and increased +2.6% over September 1998. Employment (seasonally adjusted) increased +1.2% to 330,000 over August 1999.

DOMESTIC TRAVEL 2ND QUARTER 1999

In Canada 2nd quarter 1999, trips by Canadians within Canada increased +8.2% to 36.4 million trips over the 2nd quarter 1998. Travel expenditures increased +5.6% to \$4.7 billion, over 2nd quarter 1998.

Domestic travel: any one way trip of 80+ kilometers taken by a Canadian resident having a Canadian destination.

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INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL ACCOUNT 3RD QUARTER 1999

In Canada 3rd quarter 1999, the international travel account deficit declined to -\$492 million from -\$526 million in the 2nd quarter. Total receipts were \$3.6 billion, and total payments were \$4.1 billion.

CHARACTERISTICS OF INTERNATIONAL TRAVELERS 2ND QUARTER 1999

In Canada 2nd quarter 1999, the number of overnight trips by international travelers increased +1.2% to about 5 billion trips over the 2nd quarter 1998.

There were 3.9 million trips by Americans, an increase of +0.9% over 2nd quarter 1998. Spending increased +3.3% to \$1.8 billion (\$462 per trip) over the same period of the previous year.

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FARMING OPERATING REVENUES AND EXPENSES 1998

In Canada 1998, average operating revenues declined -1.1% to \$144,663 over 1997. Average operating expenses declined -0.6% to \$122,414 over 1997. Operating margins declined to 15.4 cents compared with 15.8 cents in 1997.

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NATIONAL ECONOMIC AND FINANCIAL ACCOUNTS 3RD QUARTER 1999
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GDP (\$1992)

In Canada 3rd quarter 1999, GDP at 1992 prices increased +1.2% over the 2nd quarter 1999 and increased +4.2% over the 3rd quarter 1998. The annualized change was +4.7%.

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CANADA'S BALANCE OF INTERNATIONAL PAYMENTS
3RD QUARTER 1999
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In Canada 3rd quarter 1999, the current account surplus (seasonally adjusted) increased to -\$652 million from the \$1.8 billion deficit in 2nd quarter 1999, and increased from the \$3.8 billion deficit in 3rd quarter 1998.

GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT BY INDUSTRY AT FACTOR COST
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MACHINERY AND EQUIPMENT PRICE INDEX 3RD QUARTER 1999
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In Canada September 1999, natural gas sales declined -3.0% to 3.7 billion cubic metres over September 1998. Year-to-date sales increased +3.3% to 45.8 billion cubic metres over Jan-Sep 1998.

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Subject: Int'l Transactions in Securities Sep'99

CANADA'S INTERNATIONAL TRANSACTIONS IN SECURITIES September 1999
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 67-002-XIB

In Canada September 1999, net foreign investment in Canadian securities was an outflow of -\$2.4 billion. Year-to-date net foreign investment in Canadian securities was an inflow of +\$1.6 billion.

In Canada September 1999, net Canadian investment in foreign securities was an outflow of -\$1.7 billion. Year-to-date net Canadian investment in foreign securities was an outflow of -\$13.0 billion.

Note: Outflow indicates an outflow of money from Canada - either Canadians investing abroad, or foreigners withdrawing assets. Inflow indicates an inflow of money into Canada - either Canadians withdrawing assets from abroad or foreigners investing in Canada.

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Subject: Composite Index Oct'99; Truck Drivers '98; EI Sep'99; Savers, Investors '98

COMPOSITE INDEX October 1999
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 11-010-XPB

In Canada October 1999, the composite leading indicator (1981=100) increased +0.5% to 218.3 over September 1999.

Eight of ten indexes were positive.

The TSE 300 stock price index (1975=1000) increased +1.0% to 7,058.

The money supply (M1 1981\$) increased +0.6% to \$41.8 billion.

The US composite leading indicator (1967=100) increased +0.2% to 230.5

The average workweek (manufacturing) increased +0.3% to 38.9 hours.

New orders, durables (1981\$) increased +0.9% to \$17.0 billion.

The shipments to inventories of finished goods ratio increased from 1.72 to 1.73.

Furniture and appliances sales (1981\$) increased +1.0% to \$1.5 billion.

Other durable goods sales (1981\$) increased +0.7% to \$4.8 billion

Two of ten indexes were negative.

The housing index (1981=100) declined -0.2% to 135.5.

Business and personal services employment declined -0.4% to 2.3 million.

WORK PATTERNS OF TRUCK DRIVERS 1998

In Canada 1998, employment in the trucking industry was 230,000, an increase of +13% since 1989.

About 20% of truck drivers were on the job 60+ hours per week (for-hire truckers - 31%; private truckers - 11%). Average earnings for 60+ hour drivers was \$854 per week, or \$44,400 per year.

EMPLOYMENT INSURANCE September 1999

In Canada September 1999, the number of beneficiaries receiving regular benefits (seasonally adjusted) increased +0.3% to 511,220 over August 1999, and declined -7.8% over September 1998.

In Nova Scotia September 1999, the number of beneficiaries receiving regular benefits increased +1.4% to 28,810 over August 1999, and declined -5.4% over September 1998.

SAVERS, INVESTORS AND INVESTMENT INCOME
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 17C0009, 17C0007, 17C0008

In Canada 1998, the number of investment income recipients declined -0.4% to 7.5 million, and total amount received from investments increased +0.1% to \$26.2 billion.

In Nova Scotia 1998, the number of investment income recipients was 192,360, and the amount received from investments was \$ 560 million.

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Subject: Farm Cash Receipts Jan-Sep'99; Charitable Donations '98; Vital Stats '96

FARM CASH RECEIPTS AND NET FARM INCOME

January to September 1999

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 21-001-XIB

In Canada Jan-Sep 1999, farm cash receipts increased +0.7% to \$22.0 billion over Jan-Sep 1998.

In Nova Scotia Jan-Sep 1999, farm cash receipts increased +4.2% to \$274 million over Jan-Sep 1998.

In Canada 1998, net farm income increased +18.9% to \$2.9 billion, over 1997.

CHARITABLE DONORS 1998

In Canada 1998, the number of charitable donors increased +2.1% to 5.4 million over 1997. Donations (median \$170 per donor) increased +7.7% to \$4.6 billion.

In Nova Scotia 1998, the number of charitable donors increased +2.5% to 158,770 over 1997. Donations (median \$230 per donor) increased +6.1% to \$115.2 million.

VITAL STATISTICS 1996

Statistics Canada Cat. No. 84-214-XPE

*per 1,000 population

In Canada 1996, the crude marriage rate* (total= 156,691) declined to 5.2 from 6.7 in 1986 ; the divorce rate* (total= 71,528) declined to 2.4 from 3.0 in 1986; the birth rate* (total= 366,200) declined to 12.2 from 14.2 in '86; the fertility rate remained unchanged at 1.59; the death rate* increased to 7.1 from 7.0 in '86; and life expectancy for males was 75.7 years, and for females 81.4 years.

In Nova Scotia 1996, the crude marriage rate* (total= 5,392) declined to 5.7 from 7.2 in 1986 ; the divorce rate* (total= 2228) declined to 1.7 from 2.9 in 1986; the birth rate* (total= 10,573) declined to 11.2 from 13.8 in '86; the fertility rate declined to 1.49 from 1.58 in '86; the death rate* increased to 8.2 from 8.1 in '86; and life expectancy for males was 74.9 years, and for females 80.7 years.

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INDUSTRIAL PRODUCT PRICE INDEX October 1999
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 62-011-XPB

In Canada October 1999, the industrial product price index (1992=100) increased +0.1% to 123.2 over September 1999, and increased +2.4% over October 1998.

RAW MATERIAL PRICE INDEX October 1999
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 62-011-XPB

In Canada October 1999, the raw materials price index declined -1.1% to 124.7 over September 1999, and increased +15.8% over October 1998.

EMPLOYMENT, EARNINGS AND HOURS September 1999
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 72-002-XPB

In Canada September 1999, average weekly earnings (seasonally adjusted) increased +0.3% to \$613.92 over August 1999, and increased +1.5% over September 1998. Employment (seasonally adjusted) increased +0.4% to 11.8 million over August 1999.

In Nova Scotia September 1999, average weekly earnings (seasonally adjusted) remained unchanged at \$518.71 over August 1999, and increased +2.6% over September 1998. Employment (seasonally adjusted) increased +1.2% to 330,000 over August 1999.

DOMESTIC TRAVEL 2ND QUARTER 1999

In Canada 2nd quarter 1999, trips by Canadians within Canada increased +8.2% to 36.4 million trips over the 2nd quarter 1998. Travel expenditures increased +5.6% to \$4.7 billion, over 2nd quarter 1998.

Domestic travel: any one way trip of 80+ kilometers taken by a Canadian resident having a Canadian destination.

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INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL ACCOUNT 3RD QUARTER 1999

In Canada 3rd quarter 1999, the international travel account deficit declined to -\$492 million from -\$526 million in the 2nd quarter. Total receipts were \$3.6 billion, and total payments were \$4.1 billion.

CHARACTERISTICS OF INTERNATIONAL TRAVELERS 2ND QUARTER 1999

In Canada 2nd quarter 1999, the number of overnight trips by international travelers increased +1.2% to about 5 billion trips over the 2nd quarter 1998.

There were 3.9 million trips by Americans, an increase of +0.9% over 2nd quarter 1998. Spending increased +3.3% to \$1.8 billion (\$462 per trip) over the same period of the previous year.

There were 1.1 million trips by other international travelers, an increase of +2.2% over 2nd quarter 1998. Spending increased +5.3% to \$1.3 billion over the same period of the previous year.

FARMING OPERATING REVENUES AND EXPENSES 1998

In Canada 1998, average operating revenues declined -1.1% to \$144,663 over 1997. Average operating expenses declined -0.6% to \$122,414 over 1997. Operating margins declined to 15.4 cents compared with 15.8 cents in 1997.

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NATIONAL ECONOMIC AND FINANCIAL ACCOUNTS 3RD QUARTER 1999
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 13-001-XPB

GDP (\$1992)

In Canada 3rd quarter 1999, GDP at 1992 prices increased +1.2% over the 2nd quarter 1999 and increased +4.2% over the 3rd quarter 1998. The annualized change was +4.7%.

Note: annualized change is the growth rate compounded annually. The year-over-year change is the growth rate of a given quarter compared with the same quarter in the previous year.

GDP expenditure based (current\$)

In Canada 3rd quarter 1999, gross domestic product at market prices increased +2.0% to \$952.7 billion (seasonally adjusted at annual rates) over the 2nd quarter 1999.

GDP expenditure based (\$1992)

In Canada 3rd quarter 1999, gross domestic product at market prices increased +1.2% to \$874.0 billion (seasonally adjusted at annual rates) over the 2nd quarter 1999.

CANADA'S BALANCE OF INTERNATIONAL PAYMENTS
3RD QUARTER 1999
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 67-001-XPB

In Canada 3rd quarter 1999, the current account surplus (seasonally adjusted) increased to -\$652 million from the \$1.8 billion deficit in 2nd quarter 1999, and increased from the \$3.8 billion deficit in 3rd quarter 1998.

GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT BY INDUSTRY AT FACTOR COST
September 1999
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 15-001-XPB

In Canada September 1999, GDP at factor cost (\$1992) seasonally adjusted increased +0.2% to \$755.1billion (annualized) over August 1999, and increased +4.4% over September 1998.

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SHORT TERM EXPECTATIONS

Every month Statistics Canada canvasses a group of economic analysts for forecasts of key economic indicators. Results attached.

The forecast for January;

Consumer Price Index percentage increase (yr/yr) is	+2.2%
Unemployment rate seasonally adjusted	7.3%
Labour force participation seasonally adjusted	65.5%

The forecast for December 1999

Exports (\$billions)	\$30.9
Imports (\$billions)	\$27.9

The forecast for November 1999

GDP at FC \$1992 (mth/mth) percent increase	+0.4%
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In October the survey results forecast CPI to increase +1.9% while the actual was +2.3%; the unemployment rate was forecast to be 7.7%, and the actual was 7.2%; labour force participation rate was forecast to be 65.7%, while the actual was 65.5%.

In September the survey results forecast exports to be \$29.6 billion, while the actual was \$30.3 billion; imports were forecast to be \$27.1 billion, while the actual was \$27.8 billion; GDP to increase +0.3%, while the actual was +0.2%.

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STATISTICS ON RESULTS OF THE SHORT TERM EXPECTATIONS SURVEY
 STATISTIQUES SUR LES RÉSULTATS DE L'ENQUÊTE SUR LES ANTICIPATIONS À COURT TERME

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INDICATORS INDICATEURS	YEAR / MONTH ANNÉE / MOIS	MEAN / MOYENNE			MIN.	MAX.	ACTUAL DATA CHIFFRE RÉEL
		original version	1st revision	2nd revision			
Cansim 9940 Serie P100000 Consumer Price Index Indices des prix à la consommation % year/year	98/09	1.2	1.1	0.9	0.6	1.0	0.7
	98/10	1.1	1.0	0.8	0.6	1.0	1.0
	98/11	1.1	0.9	1.1	0.8	1.3	1.2
	98/12	1.0	1.2	1.3	1.1	1.5	1.0
	99/01	1.1	1.2	1.0	0.6	1.1	0.6
	99/02	1.2	1.1	0.7	0.5	1.0	0.7
	99/03	1.1	0.8	0.7	0.3	0.9	1.0
	99/04	0.9	0.8	1.1	0.5	1.2	1.7
	99/05	0.8	0.9	1.5	1.2	1.8	1.6
	99/06	1.0	1.5	1.5	1.3	1.6	1.6
	99/07	1.5	1.5	1.7	1.4	2.0	1.8
	99/08	1.6	1.7	1.8	1.6	2.1	2.1
	99/09	1.9	1.9	2.1	1.7	2.5	2.6
	99/10	1.9	2.0	2.5	2.3	2.5	2.3
99/11	2.1	2.4	2.3	2.1	2.6		
99/12	2.4	2.3		2.1	3.0		
00/01	2.2			2.0	3.0		
Cansim 3451 Serie D980745 Unemployment Chômage % (S.A.)	98/09	8.4	8.4	8.4	8.3	8.5	8.3
	98/10	8.5	8.4	8.4	8.3	9.1	8.0
	98/11	8.5	8.5	8.2	8.0	8.5	8.0
	98/12	8.5	8.2	8.0	7.8	8.5	8.0
	99/01	8.3	8.3	8.1	7.9	8.2	7.8
	99/02	8.3	8.1	7.7	6.4	8.0	7.8
	99/03	8.1	7.9	7.8	7.7	7.9	7.8
	99/04	7.9	7.8	7.8	7.7	8.0	8.3
	99/05	7.8	7.8	8.1	8.0	8.3	8.1
	99/06	7.7	8.0	8.1	8.0	8.3	7.6
	99/07	8.0	8.1	7.7	7.5	8.0	7.7
	99/08	8.1	7.8	7.7	7.6	7.8	7.8
	99/09	7.8	7.7	7.8	7.6	7.9	7.5
	99/10	7.7	7.7	7.5	7.5	7.6	7.2
99/11	7.7	7.5	7.3	7.2	7.4		
99/12	7.5	7.3		7.1	7.5		
00/01	7.3			7.0	7.6		
Cansim 3451 Serie D980778 Labour Force participation rate Taux de participation - population active % (S.A.)	98/09	65.0	65.0	64.9	64.8	65.0	65.2
	98/10	64.9	64.9	65.1	64.6	65.4	65.3
	98/11	64.9	65.1	65.2	65.0	65.6	65.5
	98/12	65.0	65.2	65.5	65.0	65.8	65.6
	99/01	65.1	65.4	65.6	65.4	65.7	65.8
	99/02	65.3	65.6	65.7	65.0	66.0	65.8
	99/03	65.5	65.7	65.8	65.8	65.9	65.6
	99/04	65.7	65.9	65.7	65.6	65.9	66.0
	99/05	65.9	65.8	65.9	65.5	66.1	65.7
	99/06	65.8	65.9	65.9	65.7	66.0	65.3
	99/07	65.9	66.0	65.5	65.3	65.7	65.4
	99/08	66.0	65.6	65.5	65.4	65.7	65.4
	99/09	65.6	65.6	65.5	65.3	65.6	65.4
	99/10	65.7	65.5	65.4	65.4	65.5	65.5
99/11	65.6	65.5	65.5	65.3	65.7		
99/12	65.6	65.6		65.2	65.8		
00/01	65.5			65.1	65.8		

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		original version	1st revision	2nd revision			1st release	Latest revision
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Cansim 3685 Serie D399449 Exports Exportations billions \$	98/09	26.7	25.7	27.1	26.0	28.0	27.2	27.7
	98/10	25.7	27.0	27.1	26.5	27.6	28.5	28.4
	98/11	26.9	27.2	28.2	27.0	29.0	28.4	28.4
	98/12	27.1	28.2	28.0	26.0	28.9	28.3	28.3
	99/01	28.0	27.9	28.2	27.8	28.6	28.9	28.8
	99/02	27.9	28.2	28.8	28.1	29.2	28.7	28.6
	99/03	28.2	28.8	28.8	28.4	29.1	29.0	28.8
	99/04	29.0	28.8	28.5	25.8	29.2	28.7	28.7
	99/05	28.8	28.9	29.0	28.7	29.1	28.9	29.0
	99/06	29.0	28.9	28.9	28.5	29.3	29.4	29.5
	99/07	28.9	29.0	29.3	28.5	30.0	30.0	30.3
	99/08	29.0	29.4	30.1	29.8	30.6	31.2	31.3
	99/09	29.6	30.3	31.3	31.0	32.0	30.3	30.3
	99/10	30.5	31.5	30.8	30.5	31.3		
99/11	31.6	30.8		30.5	31.2			
99/12	30.9			30.5	31.2			
Cansim 3651 Serie D397990 Imports Importations billions \$	98/09	24.4	24.3	25.1	24.0	25.6	25.6	25.9
	98/10	24.3	25.1	25.4	24.9	25.9	26.5	26.7
	98/11	25.0	25.4	26.3	25.0	27.1	26.5	26.6
	98/12	25.5	26.4	26.2	25.0	27.0	26.8	26.8
	99/01	26.3	26.2	26.6	26.0	27.0	26.2	26.1
	99/02	26.2	26.6	26.3	25.0	26.6	26.1	26.4
	99/03	26.5	26.4	26.2	26.0	26.6	26.4	26.4
	99/04	26.5	26.3	26.5	26.2	26.9	26.3	26.5
	99/05	26.2	26.5	26.4	26.3	26.5	26.5	26.6
	99/06	26.6	26.4	26.4	26.0	26.6	26.6	26.8
	99/07	26.7	26.4	26.7	26.5	27.1	26.9	27.0
	99/08	26.5	26.7	27.0	26.8	27.3	27.6	27.7
	99/09	27.1	27.1	27.6	27.0	27.9	27.8	27.8
	99/10	27.3	27.8	27.8	27.1	28.0		
99/11	27.8	27.8		27.3	28.1			
99/12	27.9			27.5	28.2			
Cansim 4680 Serie I56001 Gross Domestic Product (at factor cost by industry) Produit intérieur brut (au coût des facteurs par industrie) (S.A.) constant 1992 \$ % month/month)	98/08	0.5	0.2	0.1	-0.1	0.6	0.7	0.8
	98/09	0.1	0.0	0.3	-0.2	0.5	0.1	0.1
	98/10	0.1	0.2	0.3	-0.2	0.6	0.2	0.4
	98/11	0.1	0.1	0.1	-0.3	0.3	0.4	0.5
	98/12	0.2	0.2	0.2	-0.2	0.6	0.4	0.5
	99/01	0.1	0.2	0.4	0.2	0.6	0.2	0.4
	99/02	0.1	0.3	0.2	0.0	0.3	0.1	0.2
	99/03	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.1	0.5	0.3	0.3
	99/04	0.3	0.2	0.2	-0.1	0.4	0.3	0.2
	99/05	0.2	0.2	0.2	-0.1	0.4	0.3	0.3
	99/06	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.1	0.6	0.3	0.4
	99/07	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.6	0.4	0.5
	99/08	0.2	0.3	0.4	0.3	0.6	0.5	0.4
99/09	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.2	0.5	0.2	0.2	
99/10	0.3	0.3		0.2	0.4			
99/11	0.4			0.1	0.5			

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HELP-WANTED INDEX November 1999

In Canada November 1999 the help-wanted index (1996=100) remained unchanged at 162 over October 1999, and increased +11.0% over November 1998.

In Nova Scotia November 1999, the help-wanted index (1996=100) declined -1.8% to 167 over October 1999, and increased +9.2% over November 1998.

INNOVATION, TRAINING AND SUCCESS Statistics Canada Cat. No. 11F0019MIE99137

While some 52% of firms have either a formal or informal training program to improve the skills of their employees (human resource strategy), only 10% of firms report employment in an R&D unit (innovation strategy) or investment expenditures devoted to R&D. This study finds that where success is measured by firm growth, profitability or productivity, firms that follow an innovation strategy grow faster.

WORKING TOGETHER: SELF-EMPLOYED COUPLES 1998 Statistics Canada Cat. No. 75-001-XPE

In Canada 1998, the number of dual-earner couples with at least one spouse self-employed increased to 1.2 million couples (33% of all dual-earner couples) from 0.4 million couples (21% of all dual-earner couples) in 1976.

Where both spouses were self-employed (334,000) the majority, 68% were running a business together. In 1997, combined median earnings of this latter group were \$38,800, compared to \$64,000 for employed couples.

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LABOUR FORCE SURVEY October 1999
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<http://www.gov.ns.ca/fina/publish/pub19.htm>
<http://www.gov.ns.ca/fina/stats.div/brief/employ.htm>
<http://www.gov.ns.ca/fina/statisti/emp/empl1.htm>

Finance IntraNet users see

<http://iweb.gov.ns.ca/fina/statisti/library.htm>

Seasonally Adjusted
(month over month)

In Canada November 1999 labour force increased +0.1% to 16.0 million, employment increased +0.4% to 14.9 million, unemployment declined -3.5% to 1.1 million, and the unemployment rate declined -0.3 percentage points to 6.9% over October 1999.

In Nova Scotia November 1999 labour force increased +0.3% to 461,200, employment increased +0.6% to 416,800, unemployment declined -3.1% to 44,300 and the unemployment rate declined -0.3 percentage points to 9.6% over October 1999.

Unadjusted
(year over year)

In Canada November 1999 labour force increased +1.2% to 15.9 million, employment increased +2.5% to 14.9 million, unemployment declined -13.9% to 1.0 million, and the unemployment rate declined -1.1 percentage points to 6.6% over November 1998.

In Nova Scotia November 1999 labour force increased +1.6% to 456,200, employment increased +2.9% to 414,100, unemployment declined -9.9% to 42,100 and the unemployment rate declined -1.2 percentage points to 9.2% over November 1998.

SPECIAL NOTE

Important news regarding the Labour Force Survey

This is to inform you about some important changes that will affect Labour Force Survey data at the beginning of year 2000. First, all estimates produced by the Labour Force Survey will be adjusted to reflect population counts based on the 1996 Census. Secondly, composite estimation will be adopted. This new method of estimation has the advantage of reducing the volatility of month-to-month changes for a number of variables.

As a result of these two changes, all Labour Force Survey estimates will be revised back to January 1976. Revised historical data will be available on CANSIM on January 26, 2000. At that time, an article explaining the impact of the changes on the data will be available on the Statistics Canada Web site

under "Concepts, definitions and methods, then Documents on data quality and methodology and Documents on methodology.

With the adoption of composite estimation, seasonally adjusted data at the provincial level will be published on the basis of monthly estimates rather than three-month moving averages. As a result, starting at the end of January, the ten matrices now containing seasonally adjusted three-month moving averages will instead contain monthly seasonally adjusted data, each D number remaining the same. This has the advantage of reducing the impact on users' retrieval procedures. The ten matrices currently containing monthly seasonally adjusted key labour force characteristics for the provinces will be deleted.

Also, beginning with the January 2000 data release, monthly seasonally adjusted data on the key labour force characteristics for Montreal, Toronto and Vancouver will be published. These estimates will be in matrix 3503, a new matrix that will be added to CANSIM on January 26, 2000. Data for the other CMAs will continue to be published on a three-month moving average basis under the same D numbers, and three-month moving averages will still be included for Montreal, Toronto and Vancouver to support inter-CMA comparisons.

If you have any questions regarding these changes, please do not hesitate to contact Marc Lévesque at (613) 951-2793.

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BUILDING PERMITS October 1999
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 64-001-XIB

In Canada October 1999, the value of building permits (seasonally adjusted) increased +6.1% to \$3.1 billion over September 1999, and increased +18.2% over October 1998.

In Nova Scotia October 1999, the value of building permits (seasonally adjusted) increased +88.3% to \$93.5 million over September 1999, and increased +65.5% over October 1998.

FINANCIAL STATISTICS FOR ENTERPRISES 3RD QUARTER 1999

In Canada 3rd quarter 1999, the operating profits (seasonally adjusted) for enterprises increased +7.6% to \$39.8 billion over 2nd quarter 1999, and increased +30.5% over 3rd quarter 1998.

In the electronic and computer equipment manufacturing industry, operating profits increased +46.1% to \$1.3 billion.

DEPARTMENT STORE SALES INCLUDING CONCESSIONS October 1999

In Canada 1999, department store sales (unadjusted) including concessions increased +8.7% to \$1.6 billion over October 1998. Year-to-date sales increased +8.1% to \$13.4 billion over Jan-Oct 1998.

In Nova Scotia October 1999, department store sales (unadjusted) including concessions increased +6.0% to \$51.3 million over October 1998. Year-to-date sales increased +8.1% to \$407.4 million, over Jan-Oct 1998.

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Subject: Industrial Capacity 3Q99

INDUSTRIAL CAPACITY RATES 3RD QUARTER 1999

In Canada 3rd quarter 1999, the industrial capacity utilization rate increased +1.8 percentage points to 86.0% over the 2nd quarter 1999, and +3.6 percentage points over the 3rd quarter 1998.

Logging and forestry	86.8%
Mining	74.1%
Manufacturing	87.6% (25 year high)
Construction	89.0%
Electric power	86.5%

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Subject: Refined Petroleum Oct'99; Pipeline Transport Sep'99

DOMESTIC SALES OF REFINED PETROLEUM PRODUCTS October 1999
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 45-004-XPB

In Canada October 1999, the sale of refined petroleum products declined -0.7% to 8.1 million cubic metres over October 1998. Year-to-date sales increased +1.0% to 77.8 million cubic metres over Jan-Oct 1998.

PIPELINE TRANSPORT OF CRUDE OIL AND REFINED PETROLEUM PRODUCTS September 1999
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 55-001-XIB

In Canada September 1999, the pipeline transport of crude oil and other refined petroleum products declined -3.2% to 12.4 million cubic metres over September 1998. Year-to-date transport declined -4.9% to 110.4 million cubic metres over Jan-Sep 1998.

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NEW HOUSING PRICE INDEX October 1999
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 62-007-XPB

In Canada October 1999, the new housing price index (1992=100) increased +0.2% to 101.5 over September 1999, and increased +1.3% over October 1998.

In Halifax October 1999, the new housing price index (1992=100) increased +0.5% to 113.0 over September 1999, and increased +4.2% over October 1998.

SURVEY OF COMPLEX ENTERPRISES 1997

In Canada 1997, there were 7,979 complex, non-financial enterprises (0.7% of all non-financial enterprises). They accounted for 63% of all non-financial enterprise assets (\$952 billion), 57% of total the operating revenues non-financial enterprises (\$854 billion) and 66% of total non-financial enterprise net profits (\$29 billion).

Definition: Complex enterprises are those that operate in more than one province or industry or that consist of more than one legal entity.

FEDERAL GOVERNMENT FINANCE: ASSETS AND LIABILITIES
March 31, 1999

As of March 31, 1999, the federal government net debt stood at \$578.3 billion, a decline from \$581.9 billion in 1998. Net debt (as a percentage of GDP) declined to 62.8% of GDP from 65.3% in 1998, and net debt per capita declined to \$18,971 from \$19,259 a year earlier.

FINANCES OF PROVINCIAL AND TERRITORIAL GOVERNMENT ENTERPRISES, December 31, 1997.

In 1997, provincial and territorial business enterprise after-tax profits declined -57.4% to \$2.3 billion over 1996. Remitted profits increased +3.3% to \$7.4 billion over 1996.

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LOW-INCOME CUT-OFFS 1998
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 13-551-XIB

In Canada 1998, the low-income cut-offs (1992 base) amount for a family of 3 persons, living in an urban area of 30,000 to 100,000, increased to \$23,264 from \$23,050 in 1997. In a rural area the low-income cut-off amount for the same family increased to \$18,877, from \$18,703 in 1997.

The incidence of low income (1992 base) among families declined to 14.0 from 14.5 in 1997.

See
<http://www.statcan.ca/english/freepub/13-551-XIB/13-551-99.pdf>

Note: Statistics Canada has clearly and consistently emphasized, since their publication began over 25 years ago, that the LICOs are quite different from measures of poverty and that this agency does not endorse their use as such.

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HOUSEHOLD SPENDING, DWELLING CHARACTERISTICS AND FACILITIES 1998
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 62F0031XDB, 62F0041XDB, 62-202-XIB

In Canada 1998, average household expenditure increased +2.8% to \$51,360 over 1997. The distribution of 70% of average household expenditure was: personal taxes = 21%; shelter = 20%; transportation = 12%; food = 11%; recreation = 6%.

In Nova Scotia 1998, average household expenditures increased +2.2% to \$43,410 over 1997.

In Halifax 1998, average household expenditures increased +0.2% to \$50,010 over 1997.

In Canada 1998, household ownership of home computers increased to 45% from 40% in 1997. Internet use from the home increased to 25% from 17% in 1997.

JUSTICE SPENDING 1996/97
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 85-002-XIE Vol 19 No. 12

In Canada 1996/97, justice services spending declined -1.3% to \$10.0 billion (\$337 per capita) over 1995/96

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Subject: Motor Vehicle Oct'99

NEW MOTOR VEHICLE SALES October 1999
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In Canada October 1999, new motor vehicle unit sales (seasonally adjusted) declined -4.3% to 128,311 units over September 1999, and increased +12.7% over October 1998.

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MONTHLY SURVEY OF MANUFACTURING October 1999
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 31-001-XPB

In Canada October 1999, manufacturers shipments (seasonally adjusted) declined -0.7% to \$42.0 billion over September 1999, and increased +8.9% over October 1998.

Inventories increased +1.3% to \$54.9 billion over September 1999, and increased +6.9% over October 1998.

Unfilled orders increased +1.8% to \$54.5 billion over September 1999, and increased +5.8% over October 1998.

New orders declined -0.8% to \$43.0 billion over September 1999, and increased +6.8% over October 1998.

The inventories to shipments ratio increased to 1.31 from 1.28 in September 1999, and declined from 1.33 in October 1998.

PUBLIC SECTOR EMPLOYMENT 3RD QUARTER 1999

In Canada 3rd quarter 1999, public sector employment declined -0.1% to 2.7 million workers over the 3rd quarter 1998.

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CANADIAN INTERNATIONAL MERCHANDISE TRADE October 1999
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 65-001-XPB

In Canada October 1999, international merchandise export trade (seasonally adjusted) increased +1.2% to \$30.7 billion over September 1999, and increased +7.9% over October 1998. Year-to-date export trade increased +11.5% to \$296.3 billion over Jan-Oct 1998.

In Canada October 1999, international merchandise import trade (seasonally adjusted) increased +0.7% to \$28.0 billion over September 1999, and increased +4.8% over October 1998. Year-to-date imports increased +7.7% to \$269.4 billion over Jan-Oct 1998.

In Canada October 1999, the international merchandise balance of trade was a surplus of \$2.7 billion for the month, and \$26.9 billion year-to-date.

In Nova Scotia September 1999, international merchandise export trade declined -11.1% to \$311.0 million over August 1999, and increased +5.9% over September 1998. Year-to-date export trade increased +14.9% to \$2.9 billion over Jan-Sep'99.

In Nova Scotia September 1999, international merchandise import trade declined -3.7% to \$449.3 million over August 1999, and increased +29.0% over September 1998. Year-to-date import trade declined -15.9% to \$3.3 billion over Jan-Sep'99.

COMPOSITE INDEX November 1999
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 11-010-XPB

In Canada November 1999, the composite leading indicator (1981=100) increased +0.5% to 219.0 over October 1999.

Seven of ten indexes were positive.

The TSE 300 stock price index (1975=1000) increased +1.5% to 7,161.

The money supply (M1 1981\$) increased +0.6% to \$42.0 billion.

The US composite leading indicator (1967=100) increased +0.1% to 230.7

New orders, durables (1981\$) increased +1.4% to \$17.2 billion.

The shipments to inventories of finished goods ratio increased from 1.73 to 1.74.

Furniture and appliances sales (1981\$) increased +0.6% to \$1.5 billion.

Other durable goods sales (1981\$) increased +1.1% to \$4.9 billion

Three of ten indexes were negative.

The housing index (1981=100) declined -0.2% to 135.0.

Business and personal services employment declined -0.1% to 2.3 million.

The average workweek (manufacturing) declined -0.3% to 38.7 hours.

FINANCES OF FEDERAL GOVERNMENT ENTERPRISES
December 31, 1998

In Canada 1998, the after-tax profit of federal government enterprises increased +14.7% to \$3.9 billion over the previous year. Total assets increased +13.6% to \$125.0 billion, while liabilities increased +15.7% to \$119.3 billion. Total net worth declined by \$1.2 billion to \$5.7 billion.

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CONSUMER PRICE INDEX November 1999
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 62-001-XPB

In Canada November 1999, the consumer price index all-items, not seasonally adjusted (1992=100), declined -0.1% to 111.4 over October 1999, and increased +2.2% over November 1998.

In Nova Scotia November 1999, the consumer price index, all items, not seasonally adjusted (1992=100) increased +0.3% to 112.0 over October 1999, and increased +3.0% over November 1998.

also: <http://www.gov.ns.ca/fina/stats/div/brief/prices.htm>
<http://www.gov.ns.ca/fina/statisti/cpi/cpi1.htm>
<http://www.gov.ns.ca/fina/statisti/publish/pub20.htm>

WHOLESALE TRADE October 1999
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 63-008-XIB

In Canada October 1999, wholesale merchants' sales (seasonally adjusted) increased +1.8% to \$30.9 billion over September 1999, and increased +8.8% over October 1998. Inventories increased +0.2% to \$41.7 billion over September 1999, and increased +2.8% over October 1998.

In Nova Scotia October 1999, wholesale merchants' sales (seasonally adjusted) increased +0.1% to \$565 million over September 1999, and increased +13.7% over October 1998.

TRAVEL BETWEEN CANADA AND OTHER COUNTRIES October 1999
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 66-001-PPB

In Canada October 1999, the number of Canadians who travelled abroad (seasonally adjusted) declined -2.3% to 3.9 million trips over September 1999, and increased +9.3% over October 1998. The number of foreigners travelling to Canada declined -0.2% to 4.1 million trips over September 1999, and declined -0.2% over October 1998.

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THE WAGE GAP BETWEEN MEN AND WOMEN 1997
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 75F0002MIE

In Canada 1997, women earned on average 80 cents for every \$1 earned by men. Single never-married women earned 96 cents for every \$1 earned by single never-married men. Married women earned 77 cents for every dollar earned by married men.

EMPLOYMENT INSURANCE October 1999

In Canada October 1999, the number of beneficiaries receiving regular benefits declined -1.7% to 515,410 over September 1999, and declined -7.5% over October 1998.

In Nova Scotia October 1999, the number of beneficiaries receiving regular benefits increased +0.3% to 29,770 over September 1999, and declined -3.3% over October 1998.

NATURAL GAS SALES October 1999
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 55-002-XPB

In Canada October 1999, natural gas sales increased +0.2% to 4.7 billion cubic metres over October 1998. Year-to-date sales increased +3.0% to 52.0 billion cubic metres over Jan-Oct 1998.

POLICE RESOURCES 1999
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 85-225-XIE, 85F0019XPE, 85-223-XPE

In Canada June 1999, the number of police officers increased +1% to 55,300 officers (181 per 100,000 population) over the previous year.

In Nova Scotia June 1999, the number of police officers was reported as 1,582 or 168 per 100,000 population.

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RETAIL TRADE October 1999
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 63-005-XPB

In Canada October 1999, retail trade sales (seasonally adjusted) declined -1.4% to \$21.9 billion over September 1999, and increased +6.5% over October 1999.

In Nova Scotia October 1999, retail trade sales (seasonally adjusted) declined -0.1% to \$680 million over September 1999, and increased +6.0% over October 1999.

QUARTERLY POPULATION ESTIMATE
October 1, 1999

The population estimate for Canada, as of October 1, 1999 is 30,572,544.
The estimate for Nova Scotia as of October 1, 1999 is 942,652.

YOUTH VIOLENT CRIME 1998
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 85-002-XPE, Vol 19 No. 13

In Canada 1998, the rate of youth violent crime declined -1.0% to 90 charges laid per 10,000 youths aged 12 to 17. Total charges laid = 106,984.

In Nova Scotia 1998, the rate of youth violent crime was 80 charges laid per 10,000 youths aged 12 to 17. Total charges laid = 602.

In Halifax 1998, the rate of youth violent crime was 59 charges laid per 10,000 youths aged 12 to 17.

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CANADA'S INTERNATIONAL TRANSACTIONS IN SECURITIES October 1999
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 67-002-XIB

In Canada October 1999, net foreign investment in Canadian securities was an inflow of +\$3.4 billion. Year-to-date net foreign investment in Canadian securities was an inflow of +\$4.7 billion.

In Canada October 1999, net Canadian investment in foreign securities was an inflow of +\$1.3 billion. Year-to-date net Canadian investment in foreign securities was an outflow of -\$11.6 billion.

Note: Outflow indicates an outflow of money from Canada - either Canadians investing abroad, or foreigners withdrawing assets. Inflow indicates an inflow of money into Canada - either Canadians withdrawing assets from abroad or foreigners investing in Canada.

SURVEY OF LARGE RETAILERS October 1999

In Canada October 1999, large retailer sales (unadjusted) declined -3.6% to \$2.1 billion over October 1998.

BUSINESS ENTRIES AND EXITS 1ST QUARTER 1999

In Canada 1st quarter 1999, the business establishment turnover rate for small urban areas (business establishment population of 5,000 to 10,000 establishments, e.g. Halifax) is about 4% (5096 entries, 4555 exits, net increase 541).

HOME REPAIRS AND RENOVATIONS 1998
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 62-201-XIB

In Canada 1998, average spending on home repair and renovations remained unchanged at \$1,670 (materials \$600, contractors \$1,070) compared with the previous year. Total spending was \$12.8 billion.

PENSION COVERAGE AMONG YOUNG AND PRIME-AGED WORKERS 1984 to 1994
<http://www.statcan.ca/english/research/11F0019MIE/99138.pdf>

In Canada 1994, the percentage of men employed full time in the private sector and having a pension plan increased +0.5 percentage points to 53.4% compared to 1984. The percentage of women employed full time in the private sector and having a pension plan increased +3.7 percentage points to 39.3% compared to 1984.

MULTI FACTOR PRODUCTIVITY 1998

In Canada 1998, multi factor productivity growth (output growth minus input growth) was +0.5%. (GDP = 3.3%, combined labour and capital growth = 2.9%). In 1997 multi factor productivity growth was 2.9%.

The average multi factor productivity growth for 1988-1998 is 0.6%.

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YOUTHS AND THE LABOUR MARKET 1998-99
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 71-005-XPB

In Canada 1998, the unemployment rate for youths 15 to 24 years of age declined -1.5 percentage points to 15.2% (annual average) over 1997. The unemployment rate for the population aged 15+ declined -0.9% to 8.3% (annual average) in the same period.

In Canada November 1999, the unemployment rate for youths aged 15 to 24 years of age declined -2.6 percentage points to 13.2% over 1998.

In Canada 1998, full-time students (aged 15-24) worked an average of 14 hours per week and earned an average of \$7.74 per hour. Employment of full-time students increased +3.0 percentage points to 35%, compared to 1997.

NATIONAL TOURISM INDICATORS 3RD QUARTER 1999
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 13-009-XPB

In Canada 3rd quarter 1999, Canadian and foreign tourist spending increased +6.0% to \$18.3 billion over the same period last year. Employment generated by tourist activity increased +0.6% to 543,600 over July-September 1998.

EMPLOYMENT, EARNINGS AND HOURS October 1999
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 72-002-XPB

In Canada October 1999, average weekly earnings remained unchanged at \$613.00 over September 1999, and increased +0.9% over October 1998. Employment increased +0.4% to 11.9 million over September 1999.

In Nova Scotia October 1999, average weekly earnings increased +0.3% to \$517.02 over September 1999, and increased +1.4% over October 1998. Employment increased +0.3% to 331,000 over September 1999.

DEPARTMENT STORE SALES AND STOCKS November 1999

In Canada November 1999, department store sales including concessions (unadjusted) increased +0.6% to \$1.8 billion over November 1998. Year-to-date sales increased +7.2% to \$15.3 billion over Jan-Nov 1998.

In Nova Scotia November 1999, department store sales including concessions (unadjusted) increased +4.7% to \$68.0 million over November 1998. Year-to-date sales increased +7.6% to \$475.4 million over Jan-Nov 1998.

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GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT October 1999
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 15-001-XPB

In Canada October 1999, gross domestic product at factor cost (seasonally adjusted) increased +0.1% to \$756.2 billion (annualized) over September 1999, and increased +4.2% over October 1998.

TELECOMMUNICATIONS 2ND QUARTER 1999
Statistics Canada Cat. No. 56-002-XIB

In Canada 2nd quarter 1999, in the telecommunications industry (5133) operating revenues increased to \$7.2 billion from \$6.8 billion in the 1st quarter, operating expenses increased to \$6.0 billion from \$5.9 billion in the previous quarter. Employment declined -0.5% to 85,910 workers.

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