



Economic Indicators

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NOVA SCOTIA ECONOMIC INDICATORS

Date: 22/1/98

INDICATOR	MONTHLY/QUARTERLY/YEAR-TO-DATE STATISTICS					ANNUAL STATISTICS				
	Current	1 Year Ago	Current	% Change Reference Period		1995	1996	1997	Year-over-Year % Change	
	Reference			1 Year Ago/	Current/				1996/1995	1997/1996
Period	2 Years Ago	1 Year Ago	1995	1996	1997	1996/1995	1997/1996			
POPULATION	JULY 1/97	943,219	947,917	0.5	0.5	938,453 x	943,219 x	947,917 x	0.5	0.5
VITAL STATISTICS										
Births	APR-JUN/97	2,765	2,695	(2.2)	(2.5)	10,726	10,488	n/a	(2.2)	---
Deaths	APR-JUN/97	1,928	1,940	0.8	0.6	7,687	7,750	n/a	0.8	---
Marriages	APR-JUN/97	1,245	1,320	(3.0)	6.0	5,329	5,160	n/a	(3.2)	---
MIGRATION										
Total Net Migration	APR-JUN/97	423	759	---	---	2,342	1,905	n/a	---	---
Net Interprovincial	APR-JUN/97	66	254	---	---	(1,972)	(246)	n/a	---	---
Net International	APR-JUN/97	357	505	---	---	4,314	2,151	n/a	---	---
Immigration	APR-JUN/97	977	896	1.9	(8.3)	5,586	4,091	n/a	(26.8)	---
Emigration	APR-JUN/97	620	391	(2.2)	(36.9)	1,272	1,940	n/a	52.5	---
LABOUR FORCE										
- Seasonally Adjusted										
Total Labour Force ('000)	DEC/97	443.8	449.7	0.8	1.3	437.2	440.6	446.6	0.8	1.4
Employed ('000)	DEC/97	386.5	397.5	(1.6)	2.8	384.3	385.0	391.9	0.2	1.8
Unemployed ('000)	DEC/97	57.3	52.2	20.4	(8.9)	52.9	55.6	54.7	5.1	(1.6)
Unemp. Rate (%)	DEC/97	12.9	11.6	---	---	12.1	12.6	12.2	---	---
Participation Rate (%)	DEC/97	60.1	60.4	---	---	59.8	59.9	60.2	---	---
- Actual										
Employed ('000)	DEC/97	384.0	396.7	(1.5)	3.3	384.3	385.0	391.9	0.2	1.8
Unemp. Rate (%)	DEC/97	12.0	10.4	---	---	12.1	12.6	12.2	---	---
- Seasonally Adjusted (3-Month Moving Average)										
Goods Indus. ('000)	DEC/97	84.4	96.1	(1.7)	13.9	88.2	84.6	90.6	(4.1)	7.1
Service Indus. ('000)	DEC/97	300.2	299.7	(1.0)	(0.2)	296.1	300.4	300.0	1.5	(0.1)

x - Statistics Canada revised estimate at July 1.

e - Estimate

NOVA SCOTIA ECONOMIC INDICATORS

Date: 22/01/98

INDICATOR	MONTHLY/QUARTERLY/YEAR-TO-DATE STATISTICS					ANNUAL STATISTICS				
	Current Reference Period	1 Year Ago	Current	% Change Reference Period		1995	1996	1997	Year-over-Year % Change	
				1 Year Ago/ 2 years Ago	Current 1 Year Ago				1996/1995	1997/1996
U.I.C BENEFITS										
Total Benefits Paid (\$'000)	OCT/97	38,922	35,879	(12.4)	(7.8)	660,004	617,429	n/a	(6.5)	--
Total Beneficiaries (Number)	OCT/97	34,610	31,510	(8.7)	(9.0)	48,543 x	45,172 x	n/a	(6.9)	--
CONSUMER PRICE INDEX - Nova Scotia - (1986=100.0)										
All Items	DEC/97	134.6	135.5	3.8	0.7	130.2	132.5	135.3	1.8	2.1
Food	DEC/97	135.3	136.7	4.7	1.0	131.1	133.0	135.4	1.4	1.8
Shelter	DEC/97	127.3	127.8	3.4	0.4	122.9	125.5	127.5	2.1	1.6
INCOME										
Personal Income Per Capita (\$)	---	---	---	---	---	19,003	19,097	19,666	0.5	3.0
Total Wages & Salaries (\$ millions)	JAN-OCT/97	7,276.7	7,840.9	1.6	7.8	8,586.3	8,820.0	n/a	2.7	--
Average Weekly Wages & Salaries (\$)	OCT/97	503.74	504.86	3.5	0.2	489.15 x	494.47 x	n/a	1.1	--
RETAIL TRADE										
-\$ millions)										
All Retail Outlets-S.A.	JAN-OCT/97	5,667.8	5,934.0	6.9	4.7	6,349.0	6,851.0	n/a	7.9	--
Dept. Store Sales-Actual	JAN-NOV/97	389.8	419.7	2.9	7.7	456.3	469.7	n/a	2.9	--
New Motor Vehicle Sales-Actual	JAN-OCT/97	661.4	788.4	11.2	19.2	688.8	771.5	n/a	12.0	--

x - Annual Averages

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	Current	% Change Reference Period				Year-over-Year % Change				
	Reference Period	1 Year Ago	Current	1 Year Ago/ 2 Years Ago	Current/ 1 Year Ago	1995	1996	1997	1996/1995	1997/1996
COMMODITY SECTORS										
Farm Cash Receipts (\$ millions)	JAN-SEPT/97	283.9	269.6	17.8	(5.0)	329.9	382.2	n/a	15.9	--
Fish Landings (\$ millions)	JAN-SEPT/96	318.4	255.9	(7.2)	(19.6)	483.5	n/a	n/a	(100.0)	--
Pulp/Wood Residue (000m^3)	JAN-SEPT/97	4,024.7	3,788.0	8.2	(5.9)	4,995.7	4,827.3	n/a	(3.4)	--
Lumber Prod. (000m^3)	JAN-OCT/97	744.1	836.8	18.6	12.5	765.9	882.8	n/a	15.3	--
Coal Prod. ('000 tonnes)	JAN-OCT/97	2,583.7	2,281.9	25.6	(11.7)	2,483.0	3,171.8	n/a	27.7	--
Power Generated (GW.h)	JAN-OCT/97	8,214.1	8,498.5	5.6	3.5	9,571.1	9,984.8	n/a	4.3	--
Mfg. Shipments (\$ millions)	JAN-NOV/97	5,645.7	5,722.6	14.7	1.4	5,960.1	6,131.8	n/a	2.9	--
Foreign Exports (\$ millions)	JAN-JUNE/97	1,538.9	1,469.3	4.5	(4.5)	2,940.7	3,061.0	n/a	4.1	--
CONSTRUCTION										
Capital Construction										
Expenditures (\$ millions)	--	--	--	--	--	1,796.4	1,826.3	1,955.0	1.7	7.0
Building Permits (\$ millions)	JAN-OCT/97	574.3	549.9	3.7	(4.2)	619.6	689.0	n/a	11.2	--
Housing Starts (units)										
Centres 10,000+										
- Starts	JAN-DEC/97	2,806	2,732	4.1	(2.6)	2,695	2,806	2,732	4.1	(2.6)
- Completions	JAN-DEC/97	2,845	2,621	1.2	(7.9)	2,811	2,845	2,621	1.2	(7.9)
- Under Construction	DEC/97	1,159	1,214	(4.8)	4.7	1,218	1,159	1,214	(4.8)	4.7
All Areas										
- Starts	JAN-SEPT/97	3,002	2,973	(5.7)	(1.0)	4,168	4,059	n/a	(2.6)	--
- Completions	JAN-SEPT/97	2,737	2,628	(6.9)	(4.0)	4,170	4,062	n/a	(2.6)	--
- Under Construction	SEPT/97	2,225	2,226	(2.0)	0.0	1,980	1,944	n/a	(1.8)	--
GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT										
(\$ millions)										
- at Mkt.Prices, '86 prices	--	--	--	--	--	14,855	14,705	15,022 e	(1.0)	2.2
- at Factor Cost	--	--	--	--	--	16,321	16,309	17,172 e	(0.1)	5.3

p - Preliminary actual

e - Estimate

Sources: Statistics Canada, Conference Board

CANADA ECONOMIC INDICATORS

Date: 22/01/98

INDICATOR	MONTHLY/QUARTERLY/YEAR-TO-DATE STATISTICS					ANNUAL STATISTICS				
	Current Reference Period	1 Year Ago	Current	% Change Reference Period		1995	1996	1997	Year-over-Year % Change	
				1 Year Ago/2 Years Ago	Current/1 Year Ago				1996/1995	1997/1996
POPULATION	JULY 1/97	29,969,209	30,286,596	1.2	1.1	29,617,448 x	29,969,209 x	30,286,596	1.2	1.1
VITAL STATISTICS										
Births	APR-JUN/97	95,865	94,510	(3.5)	(1.4)	378,011	364,732	n/a	(3.5)	--
Deaths	APR-JUN/97	52,679	53,430	1.4	1.4	210,733	213,649	n/a	1.4	--
Marriages	APR-JUN/97	42,255	41,835	0.1	(1.0)	160,251	158,680	n/a	(1.0)	--
MIGRATION										
Total Net Migration	APR-JUN/97	57,166	49,147	113.2	(14.0)	230,038	158,679	n/a	(31.0)	--
Immigration	APR-JUN/97	67,334	62,171	11.5	(7.7)	305,827	253,812	n/a	(17.0)	--
Emigration	APR-JUN/97	10,168	13,024	(69.7)	28.1	75,789	95,133	n/a	25.5	--
LABOUR FORCE										
- Seasonally Adjusted										
Total Labour Force ('000)	DEC/97	15,239.1	15,438.1	1.7	1.3	14,927.6	15,145.4	15,354.0	1.5	1.4
Employed ('000)	DEC/97	13,753.7	14,116.9	1.4	2.6	13,505.5	13,676.2	13,940.6	1.3	1.9
Unemployed ('000)	DEC/97	1,485.4	1,321.2	4.3	(11.1)	1,422.1	1,469.2	1,413.5	3.3	(3.8)
Unemp. Rate (%)	DEC/97	9.7	8.6	--	--	9.5	9.7	9.2	--	--
Participation Rate (%)	DEC/97	64.8	64.8	--	--	64.8	64.9	64.8	--	--
- Actual										
Employed ('000)	DEC/97	13,609.1	13,979.3	1.4	2.7	13,505.5	13,676.2	13,940.6	1.3	1.9
Unemp. Rate (%)	DEC/97	9.4	8.1	--	--	9.5	9.7	9.2	--	--
- Seasonally Adjusted										
3-Month Moving Average										
Goods Indus. ('000)	DEC/97	3,723.2	3,830.0	2.9	2.9	3,653.1	3,681.3	3,766.7 e	0.8	2.3
Service Indus. ('000)	DEC/97	10,030.5	10,286.9	0.8	2.6	9,852.4	9,994.9	10,165.3 e	1.4	1.7

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CANADA ECONOMIC INDICATORS

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	Current	% Change Reference Period				Year-over-Year % Change					
	Reference	1 Year Ago		Current	1 Year Ago/	Current/	1995	1996	1997	1996/1995	1997/1996
	Period	1 Year Ago	Current	2 Years Ago	1 Year Ago	1995	1996	1997	1996/1995	1997/1996	
COMMODITY SECTORS											
Farm Cash Receipts (\$ millions)	JAN-SEPT/97	21,603.5	21,715.3	10.9	0.5	27,036.9	28,600.8	n/a	5.8	--	
Fish Landings (\$ millions)	JAN-SEPT/96	1,303.9 *	1,025.9 *	13.2	(21.3)	1,598.2 *	n/a	n/a	...	--	
Pulp/Wood Residue(000m^3)	JAN-SEPT/97	89,565.5	91,495.6	5.7	2.2	112,870.6	107,611.8	n/a	(4.7)	--	
Lumber Prod. (000m^3)	JAN-OCT/97	53,955.6	54,935.4	2.7	1.8	62,576.2	63,770.7	n/a	1.9	--	
Coal Prod. ('000 tonnes)	JAN-OCT/97	63,676.3	65,280.0	1.8	2.5	74,981.0	75,870.8	n/a	1.2	--	
Power Generated (GW.h)	JAN-OCT/97	452,456.5	450,144.9	3.2	(0.5)	543,470.1	551,580.9	n/a	1.5	--	
Mfg. Shipments (\$ millions)	JAN-OCT/97	338,851.0	361,917.0	2.0	6.8	396,903.0	406,568.0	n/a	2.4	--	
Foreign Exports (\$ millions)	JAN-OCT/97	215,772.2	230,231.0	4.6	6.7	248,440.8	258,418.4	n/a	4.0	--	
CONSTRUCTION											
Capital Construction											
Expenditures (\$millions)	--	--	--	--	--	76,437.0	76,076.6	84,279.7	(0.5)	10.8	
Building Permits (\$ millions)	JAN-OCT/97	22,632.4	26,547.3	5.5	17.3	24,605.8	26,145.4	n/a	6.3	(100.0)	
Housing Starts - Units											
Centres 10,000+											
- Starts	JAN-DEC/97	101,804	123,215	13.7	21.0	89,545	101,804	123,215	13.7	21.0	
- Completions	JAN-DEC/97	95,980	117,822	(3.1)	22.8	99,089	95,980	117,822	(3.1)	22.8	
- Under Construction	DEC/97	54,604	59,918	11.1	9.7	49,164	54,604	59,918	11.1	9.7	
All Areas											
- Starts	JAN-SEPT/97	92,267	110,136	11.5	19.4	110,933	126,940	n/a	14.4	--	
- Completions	JAN-SEPT/97	84,465	103,161	(5.5)	22.1	119,501	117,834	n/a	(1.4)	--	
- Under Construction	SEPT/97	69,493	77,470	8.1	11.5	62,038	70,670	n/a	13.9	--	
GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT											
(\$millions)											
- at Mkt. Prices, at '86 prices	--	--	--	--	--	608,835	617,795	636,794 e	1.5	3.1	
- at Factor Cost	--	--	--	--	--	681,186	699,309	733,327 e	2.7	4.9	

e - Estimate

p - Preliminary actual

* - Totals of Atlantic & Pacific coast only.

Sources: Statistics Canada, Conference Board



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NOVA SCOTIA ECONOMIC INDICATORS

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INDICATOR	MONTHLY/QUARTERLY/YEAR-TO-DATE STATISTICS					ANNUAL STATISTICS				
	Current Reference Period	1 Year Ago	Current	% Change Reference Period		1995	1996	1997	Year-over-Year % Change	
				1 Year Ago/	Current/				1996/1995	1997/1996
				2 Years Ago	1 Year Ago					
POPULATION	OCT 1/97	943,753	946,809	0.5	0.3	938,453 x	943,219 x	947,917 x	0.5	0.5
VITAL STATISTICS										
Births	JULY-SEPT/97	2,860	2,795	(2.2)	(2.3)	10,726	10,488	n/a	(2.2)	--
Deaths	JULY-SEPT/97	1,757	1,775	0.8	1.0	7,687	7,750	n/a	0.8	--
Marriages	JULY-SEPT/97	2,737	2,790	0.9	1.9	5,329	5,376	n/a	0.9	--
MIGRATION										
Total Net Migration	JULY-SEPT/97	1,052	(893)	(22.5)	(184.9)	1,252	2,580	n/a	106.1	--
Net Interprovincial	JULY-SEPT/97	(219)	(1,811)	--	--	(1,972)	(246)	n/a	--	--
Net International	JULY-SEPT/97	1,271	918	(17.6)	(27.8)	3,224	2,826	n/a	(12.3)	--
Immigration	JULY-SEPT/97	1,603	1,251	(13.5)	(22.0)	4,365	4,132	n/a	(5.3)	--
Emigration	JULY-SEPT/97	332	333	6.8	0.3	1,141	1,306	n/a	14.5	--
LABOUR FORCE										
- Seasonally Adjusted										
Total Labour Force ('000)	JAN/98	447.1	453.5	1.6	1.4	437.2	440.6	446.6	0.8	1.4
Employed ('000)	JAN/98	388.8	402.6	0.1	3.5	384.3	385.0	391.9	0.2	1.8
Unemployed ('000)	JAN/98	58.4	50.9	13.4	(12.8)	52.9	55.6	54.7	5.1	(1.6)
Unemp. Rate (%)	JAN/98	13.1	11.2	--	--	12.1	12.6	12.2	--	--
Participation Rate (%)	JAN/98	60.5	60.9	--	--	59.8	59.9	60.2	--	--
- Actual										
Employed ('000)	JAN/98	371.9	387.0	0.4	4.1	384.3	385.0	391.9	0.2	1.8
Unemp. Rate (%)	JAN/98	14.0	12.0	--	--	12.1	12.6	12.2	--	--
- Seasonally Adjusted (3-Month Moving Average)										
Goods Indus. ('000)	JAN/98	84.2	96.8	(1.2)	15.0	88.2	84.6	92.0	(4.1)	8.7
Service Indus. ('000)	JAN/98	300.8	301.6	(1.0)	0.3	296.1	300.4	299.9	1.5	(0.2)

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e - Estimate

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INDICATOR	MONTHLY/QUARTERLY/YEAR-TO-DATE STATISTICS					ANNUAL STATISTICS				
	Current Reference Period	1 Year Ago	Current	% Change Reference Period		1995	1996	1997	Year-over-Year % Change	
				1 Year Ago/ 2 years Ago	Current 1 Year Ago				1996/1995	1997/1996
U.I.C BENEFITS										
Total Benefits Paid (\$'000)	DEC/97	45,601	53,786	(14.2)	17.9	660,004	617,429	586,886	(6.5)	(4.9)
Total Beneficiaries (Number)	DEC/97	45,440	40,300	(8.1)	(11.3)	48,543 x	45,172 x	40,359	(6.9)	(10.7)
CONSUMER PRICE INDEX - Nova Scotia - (1992=100.0)										
All Items	JAN/98	107.1	108.7	3.1	1.5	103.8	105.6	107.8	1.7	2.1
Food	JAN/98	109.0	111.9	4.4	2.7	n/a	n/a	n/a	--	--
Shelter	JAN/98	105.5	105.9	2.6	0.4	n/a	n/a	n/a	--	--
INCOME										
Personal Income Per Capita (\$)	---	---	---	---	---	19,003	19,097	19,666	0.5	3.0
Total Wages & Salaries (\$ millions)	JAN-NOV/97	8,052.7	8,631.2	2.3	7.2	8,586.3	8,820.0	n/a	2.7	---
Average Weekly Wages & Salaries (\$)	NOV/97	500.35	500.30	2.5	(0.0)	489.15 x	494.47 x	n/a	1.1	---
RETAIL TRADE										
- (\$ millions)										
All Retail Outlets-S.A.	JAN-DEC/97	6,848.0	7,082.8	7.9	3.4	6,348.5	6,848.0	7,082.8	7.9	3.4
Dept. Store Sales-Actual	JAN-DEC/97	469.7	505.6	2.9	7.6	456.3	469.7	505.6	2.9	7.6
New Motor Vehicle Sales-Actual	JAN-DEC/97	771.5	937.1	12.0	21.5	688.8	771.5	937.1	12.0	21.5

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	Current Reference Period	1 Year Ago	Current	% Change Reference Period		1995	1996	1997	Year-over-Year % Change	
				1 Year Ago/ 2 Years Ago	Current/ 1 Year Ago				1996/1995	1997/1996
COMMODITY SECTORS										
Farm Cash Receipts (\$ millions)	JAN-DEC/97	382.2	381.4	15.9	(0.2)	329.9	382.2	381.4	15.9	(0.2)
Fish Landings (\$ millions)	JAN-SEPT/96	318.4	255.9	(7.2)	(19.6)	483.5	n/a	n/a	-- --	-- --
Pulp/Wood Residue (000m^3)	JAN-DEC/97	4,827.3	4,496.3	(3.4)	(6.9)	4,995.7	4,827.3	4,496.3	(3.4)	(6.9)
Lumber Prod. (000m^3)	JAN-DEC/97	882.8	1,005.1	15.3	13.9	765.9	882.8	1,005.1	15.3	13.9
Coal Prod. ('000 tonnes)	JAN-DEC/97	3,170.0	2,550.0	27.7	(19.6)	2,483.0	3,170.0	2,550.0	27.7	(19.6)
Power Generated (GW.h)	JAN-NOV/97	9,071.2	9,377.3	5.7	3.4	9,571.1	9,984.8	n/a	4.3	-- --
Mfg. Shipments (\$ millions)	JAN-DEC/97	6,131.8	6,235.8	2.9	1.7	5,960.1	6,131.8	6,235.8	2.9	1.7
Foreign Exports (\$ millions)	JAN-DEC/97	3,061.0	3,116.4	4.1	1.8	2,940.7	3,061.0	3,116.4	4.1	1.8
CONSTRUCTION										
Capital Construction Expenditures (\$millions)	-- --	-- --	-- --	-- --	-- --	1,813.4	1,746.2	1,940.9 pa	(3.7)	11.1
Building Permits (\$ millions)	JAN-DEC/97	689.0	630.7	11.2	(8.5)	619.6	689.0	630.7	11.2	(8.5)
Housing Starts (units)										
Centres 10,000+										
- Starts	JAN/98	332	77	295.2	(76.8)	2,695	2,806	2,732	4.1	(2.6)
- Completions	JAN/98	202	173	69.7	(14.4)	2,811	2,845	2,621	1.2	(7.9)
- Under Construction	JAN/98	1,282	1,118	8.4	(12.8)	1,218	1,159	1,214	(4.8)	4.7
All Areas										
- Starts	JAN-DEC/97	4,059	3,813	(2.6)	(6.1)	4,168	4,059	3,813	(2.6)	(6.1)
- Completions	JAN-DEC/97	4,062	3,756	(2.6)	(7.5)	4,170	4,062	3,756	(2.6)	(7.5)
- Under Construction	DEC/97	1,944	1,926	(1.8)	(0.9)	1,980	1,944	1,926	(1.8)	(0.9)
GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT (\$millions)										
- at Mkt.Prices, '86 prices	-- --	-- --	-- --	-- --	-- --	14,855	14,705	15,022 e	(1.0)	2.2
- at Factor Cost	-- --	-- --	-- --	-- --	-- --	16,321	16,309	17,172 e	(0.1)	5.3

p - Preliminary actual

e - Estimate

Sources: Statistics Canada, Conference Board

CANADA ECONOMIC INDICATORS

Date: 27/02/98

INDICATOR	MONTHLY/QUARTERLY/YEAR-TO-DATE STATISTICS					ANNUAL STATISTICS				
	Current Reference Period	1 Year Ago	Current	% Change Reference Period		1995	1996	1997	Year-over-Year % Change	
				1 Year Ago/	Current/				1996/1995	1997/1996
				2 Years Ago	1 Year Ago					
POPULATION	OCT 1/97	30,059,540	30,377,760	1.1	1.1	29,617,448 x	29,969,209 x	30,286,596	1.2	1.1
VITAL STATISTICS										
Births	JULY-SEPT/97	95,153	93,470	(3.5)	(1.8)	378,011	364,732	n/a	(3.5)	---
Deaths	JULY-SEPT/97	49,896	50,625	1.4	1.5	210,733	213,649	n/a	1.4	---
Marriages	JULY-SEPT/97	71,197	72,205	(2.4)	1.4	160,251	156,401	n/a	(2.4)	---
MIGRATION										
Total Net Migration	JULY-SEPT/97	54,825	42,790	(9.1)	(22.0)	175,500	156,663	n/a	(10.7)	---
Immigration	JULY-SEPT/97	73,572	61,828	(5.8)	(16.0)	240,557	235,340	n/a	(2.2)	---
Emigration	JULY-SEPT/97	18,747	19,038	5.7	1.6	65,057	78,677	n/a	20.9	---
LABOUR FORCE										
- Seasonally Adjusted										
Total Labour Force ('000)	JAN/98	15,240.1	15,490.2	1.2	1.6	14,927.6	15,145.4	15,354.0	1.5	1.4
Employed ('000)	JAN/98	13,764.1	14,114.5	1.0	2.5	13,505.5	13,676.2	13,940.6	1.3	1.9
Unemployed ('000)	JAN/98	1,476.1	1,375.7	2.3	(6.8)	1,422.1	1,469.2	1,413.5	3.3	(3.8)
Unemp. Rate (%)	JAN/98	9.7	8.9	---	---	9.5	9.7	9.2	---	---
Participation Rate (%)	JAN/98	64.7	64.9	---	---	64.8	64.9	64.8	---	---
- Actual										
Employed ('000)	JAN/98	13,341.6	13,684.9	1.1	2.6	13,505.5	13,676.2	13,940.6	1.3	1.9
Unemp. Rate (%)	JAN/98	10.6	9.7	---	---	9.5	9.7	9.2	---	---
- Seasonally Adjusted 3-Month Moving Average										
Goods Indus. ('000)	JAN/98	3,737.3	3,734.9	2.9	(0.1)	3,653.1	3,681.3	3,768.6	0.8	2.4
Service Indus. ('000)	JAN/98	10,026.8	10,279.6	0.4	2.5	9,852.4	9,994.9	10,171.9	1.4	1.8

e-Estimate

x-Statistics Canada revised estimate at July 1.

CANADA ECONOMIC INDICATORS

Date: 27/02/98

INDICATOR	MONTHLY/QUARTERLY/YEAR-TO-DATE STATISTICS					ANNUAL STATISTICS				
	Current Reference Period	1 Year Ago	Current	% Change Reference Period		1995	1996	1997	Year-over-Year % Change	
				1 Year Ago/ 2 years Ago	Current/ 1 Year Ago				1996/1995	1997/1996
U.I.C BENEFITS										
Total Benefits Paid (\$'000)	DEC/97	940,373	1,035,724	(16.2)	10.1	13,748,242	13,069,982	11,996,428	(4.9)	(8.2)
Total Beneficiaries (Number)	DEC/97	898,190	798,630	(11.2)	(11.1)	956,428 x	911,469 x	781,885	(4.7)	(14.2)
CONSUMER PRICE INDEX - CANADA - (1992=100.0)										
All Items	JAN/98	107.0	108.2	2.1	1.1	104.2	105.9	107.6	1.6	1.6
Food	JAN/98	107.2	109.7	2.2	2.3	n/a	n/a	n/a	--	--
Shelter	JAN/98	103.5	103.4	0.4	(0.1)	n/a	n/a	n/a	--	--
INCOME										
Personal Income Per Capita (\$)	---	---	---	---	---	22,507	22,681	23,209	0.8	2.3
Total Wages & Salaries (\$ millions)	JAN-NOV/97	343,134.4	358,419.4	2.9	4.5	364,103.9	375,006.3	n/a	3.0	---
Average Weekly Wages & Salaries (\$)	NOV/97	592.65	601.83	2.8	1.5	573.75 x	586.06 x	n/a	2.1	---
RETAIL TRADE										
- (\$ millions)										
All Retail Outlets-S.A.	JAN-DEC/97	217,011.7	232,737.3	2.6	7.2	211,600.4	217,011.7	232,737.3	2.6	7.2
Dept. Store Sales-Actual	JAN-DEC/97	14,446.8	15,929.3	4.4	10.3	13,839.6	14,446.8	15,929.3	4.4	10.3
New Motor Vehicle Sales-Actual	JAN-DEC/97	31,485.8	39,009.3	11.8	23.9	28,168.8	31,485.8	39,009.3	11.8	23.9

x - Annual Averages

CANADA ECONOMIC INDICATORS

Date: 27/02/98

INDICATOR	MONTHLY/QUARTERLY/YEAR-TO-DATE STATISTICS					ANNUAL STATISTICS				
	Current Reference Period	1 Year Ago	Current	% Change Reference Period		1995	1996	1997	Year-over-Year % Change	
				1 Year Ago/	Current/				1996/1995	1997/1996
				2 Years Ago	1 Year Ago					
COMMODITY SECTORS										
Farm Cash Receipts (\$ millions)	JAN-DEC/97	28,600.8	29,757.9	5.8	4.0	27,036.9	28,600.8	29,757.9	5.8	4.0
Fish Landings (\$ millions)	JAN-SEPT/96	1,303.9 *	1,025.9 *	13.2	(21.3)	1,598.2 *	n/a	n/a	-- --
Pulp/Wood Residue(000m^3)	JAN-DEC/97	107,719.2	110,143.7	(4.6)	2.3	112,870.6	107,719.2	110,143.7	(4.6)	2.3
Lumber Prod. (000m^3)	JAN-DEC/97	63,770.7	64,763.9	1.9	1.6	62,576.2	63,770.7	64,763.9	1.9	1.6
Coal Prod. ('000 tonnes)	JAN-DEC/97	75,860.0	78,470.0	1.2	3.4	74,981.0	75,860.0	78,470.0	1.2	3.4
Power Generated (GW.h)	JAN-NOV/97	497,276.8	499,820.4	2.6	0.5	543,470.1	551,580.9	550,592.9	1.5	(0.2)
Mfg. Shipments (\$ millions)	JAN-DEC/97	406,568.0	434,713.0	2.4	6.9	396,903.0	406,568.0	434,713.0	2.4	6.9
Foreign Exports (\$ millions)	JAN-DEC/97	259,265.0	278,869.1	4.4	7.6	248,440.8	280,566.0	301,326.0	12.9	7.4
CONSTRUCTION										
Capital Construction Expenditures (\$millions)	-- --	-- --	-- --	-- --	-- --	76,437.0	80,288.1	88,166.4 pa	5.0	9.8
Building Permits (\$ millions)	JAN-DEC/97	26,155.5	31,214.7	6.3	19.3	24,605.8	26,155.5	31,214.7	6.3	19.3
Housing Starts - Units										
Centres 10,000+										
- Starts	JAN/98	6,258	6,485	48.6	3.6	89,545	101,804	123,215	13.7	21.0
- Completions	JAN/98	6,977	8,334	9.4	19.4	99,089	95,980	117,822	(3.1)	22.8
- Under Construction	JAN/98	53,833	58,226	14.8	8.2	49,164	54,604	59,918	11.1	9.7
All Areas										
- Starts	JAN-DEC/97	126,940	147,040	14.4	15.8	110,933	126,940	147,040.0	14.4	15.8
- Completions	JAN-DEC/97	117,834	143,386	(1.4)	21.7	119,501	117,834	143,386.0	(1.4)	21.7
- Under Construction	DEC/97	70,670	73,984	13.9	4.7	62,038	70,670	73,984.0	13.9	4.7
GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT (\$millions)										
- at Mkt. Prices, at '86 prices	-- --	-- --	-- --	-- --	-- --	608,835	617,795	636,794 e	1.5	3.1
- at Factor Cost	-- --	-- --	-- --	-- --	-- --	692,558	710,379	743,156 e	2.6	4.6

e - Estimate

p - Preliminary actual

* - Totals of Atlantic & Pacific coast only.

Sources: Statistics Canada, Conference Board



Economic Indicators

March 1998



NOVA SCOTIA ECONOMIC INDICATORS

Date: 22/3/98

INDICATOR	MONTHLY/QUARTERLY/YEAR-TO-DATE STATISTICS					ANNUAL STATISTICS				
	Current Reference Period	1 Year Ago	Current	% Change Reference Period		1995	1996	1997	Year-over-Year % Change	
				1 Year Ago/	Current/				1996/1995	1997/1996
				2 Years Ago	1 Year Ago					
POPULATION	OCT 1/97	943,753	946,809	0.5	0.3	938,453 x	943,219 x	947,917 x	0.5	0.5
VITAL STATISTICS										
Births	JULY-SEPT/97	2,860	2,795	(2.2)	(2.3)	10,726	10,488	n/a	(2.2)	--
Deaths	JULY-SEPT/97	1,757	1,775	0.8	1.0	7,687	7,750	n/a	0.8	--
Marriages	JULY-SEPT/97	2,737	2,790	0.9	1.9	5,329	5,376	n/a	0.9	--
MIGRATION										
Total Net Migration	JULY-SEPT/97	1,052	(893)	(22.5)	(184.9)	1,252	2,580	n/a	106.1	--
Net Interprovincial	JULY-SEPT/97	(219)	(1,811)	--	--	(1,972)	(246)	n/a	--	--
Net International	JULY-SEPT/97	1,271	918	(17.6)	(27.8)	3,224	2,826	n/a	(12.3)	--
Immigration	JULY-SEPT/97	1,603	1,251	(13.5)	(22.0)	4,365	4,132	n/a	(5.3)	--
Emigration	JULY-SEPT/97	332	333	6.8	0.3	1,141	1,306	n/a	14.5	--
LABOUR FORCE										
- Seasonally Adjusted										
Total Labour Force ('000)	FEB/98	449.1	458.0	2.2	2.0	437.2	440.6	446.6	0.8	1.4
Employed ('000)	FEB/98	383.3	410.0	(1.1)	7.0	384.3	385.0	391.9	0.2	1.8
Unemployed ('000)	FEB/98	60.8	48.0	16.7	(21.1)	52.9	55.6	54.7	5.1	(1.6)
Unemp. Rate (%)	FEB/98	13.5	10.5	--	--	12.1	12.6	12.2	--	--
Participation Rate (%)	FEB/98	60.7	61.4	--	--	59.8	59.9	60.2	--	--
- Actual										
Employed ('000)	FEB/98	369.6	391.6	0.5	6.0	384.3	385.0	391.9	0.2	1.8
Unemp. Rate (%)	FEB/98	14.6	11.3	--	--	12.1	12.6	12.2	--	--
- Seasonally Adjusted (3-Month Moving Average)										
Goods Indus. ('000)	FEB/98	85.6	98.1	(0.1)	14.6	88.2	84.6	92.0	(4.1)	8.7
Service Indus. ('000)	FEB/98	301.9	305.2	(0.6)	1.1	296.1	300.4	299.9	1.5	(0.2)

x - Statistics Canada revised estimate at July 1.

e - Estimate

NOVA SCOTIA ECONOMIC INDICATORS

Date: 22/03/98

INDICATOR	MONTHLY/QUARTERLY/YEAR-TO-DATE STATISTICS					ANNUAL STATISTICS				
	Current Reference Period	1 Year Ago	Current	% Change Reference Period		1995	1996	1997	Year-over-Year % Change	
				1 Year Ago/ 2 years Ago	Current 1 Year Ago				1996/1995	1997/1996
U.I.C BENEFITS										
Total Benefits Paid (\$'000)	DEC/97	45,601	53,786	(14.2)	17.9	660,004	617,429	586,886	(6.5)	(4.9)
Total Beneficiaries (Number)	DEC/97	45,440	40,300	(8.1)	(11.3)	48,543 x	45,172 x	40,359	(6.9)	(10.7)
CONSUMER PRICE INDEX - Nova Scotia - (1992=100.0)										
All Items	FEB/98	107.3	108.5	3.2	1.1	103.8	105.6	107.8	1.7	2.1
Food	FEB/98	109.2	110.8	4.4	1.5	105.0	106.5	108.4	1.4	1.8
Shelter	FEB/98	105.1	105.3	2.6	0.2	101.9	104.1	105.7	2.2	1.5
INCOME										
Personal Income Per Capita (\$)	---	---	---	---	---	19,003	19,097	19,666	0.5	3.0
Total Wages & Salaries (\$ millions)	JAN-DEC/97	9,125.0	9,410.0	1.3	3.1	9,008.3	9,125.0	9,410.0	1.3	3.1
Average Weekly Wages & Salaries (\$)	DEC/97	498.98	503.77	1.3	1.0	489.15 x	494.47 x	n/a	1.1	---
RETAIL TRADE										
- (\$ millions)										
All Retail Outlets-S.A.	JAN/98	580.2	596.0	5.5	2.7	6,348.5	6,848.0	7,082.8	7.9	3.4
Dept. Store Sales-Actual	JAN/98	23.1	26.1	5.0	13.0	456.3	469.7	505.6	2.9	7.6
New Motor Vehicle Sales-Actual	JAN/98	48.9	50.2	1.5	2.7	688.8	771.5	937.5	12.0	21.5

x - Annual Averages

NOVA SCOTIA ECONOMIC INDICATORS

Date: 22/03/98

INDICATOR	MONTHLY/QUARTERLY/YEAR-TO-DATE STATISTICS					ANNUAL STATISTICS				
	Current Reference Period	1 Year Ago	Current	% Change Reference Period		1995	1996	1997	Year-over-Year % Change	
				1 Year Ago/ 2 Years Ago	Current/ 1 Year Ago				1996/1995	1997/1996
COMMODITY SECTORS										
Farm Cash Receipts (\$ millions)	JAN-DEC/97	382.2	381.4	15.9	(0.2)	329.9	382.2	381.4	15.9	(0.2)
Fish Landings (\$ millions)	JAN-SEPT/96	318.4	255.9	(7.2)	(19.6)	483.5	n/a	n/a	-- --	-- --
Pulp/Wood Residue (000m^3)	JAN/98	493.6	405.1	0.6	(17.9)	4,995.7	4,827.3	4,496.3	(3.4)	(6.9)
Lumber Prod. (000m^3)	JAN-DEC/97	882.8	1,005.1	15.3	13.9	765.9	882.8	1,005.1	15.3	13.9
Coal Prod. ('000 tonnes)	JAN-DEC/97	3,169.9	2,633.0	27.7	(16.9)	2,483.0	3,169.9	2,633.0	27.7	(16.9)
Power Generated (GW.h)	JAN-DEC/97	9,984.8	10,323.1	4.3	3.4	9,571.1	9,984.8	10,323.1	4.3	3.4
Mfg. Shipments (\$ millions)	JAN/98	481.8	472.3	(0.2)	(2.0)	5,960.1	6,131.8	6,235.8	2.9	1.7
Foreign Exports (\$ millions)	JAN-DEC/97	3,061.0	3,116.4	4.1	1.8	2,940.7	3,061.0	3,116.4	4.1	1.8
CONSTRUCTION										
Capital Construction Expenditures (\$millions)	-- --	-- --	-- --	-- --	-- --	1,813.4	1,746.2	1,940.9 p	(3.7)	11.1
Building Permits (\$ millions)	JAN/98	31.5	14.5	68.4	(54.0)	619.6	689.0	630.7	11.2	(8.5)
Housing Starts (units)										
Centres 10,000+										
- Starts	JAN/98	332	77	295.2	(76.8)	2,695	2,806	2,732	4.1	(2.6)
- Completions	JAN/98	202	173	69.7	(14.4)	2,811	2,845	2,621	1.2	(7.9)
- Under Construction	JAN/98	1,282	1,118	8.4	(12.8)	1,218	1,159	1,214	(4.8)	4.7
All Areas										
- Starts	JAN-DEC/97	4,059	3,813	(2.6)	(6.1)	4,168	4,059	3,813	(2.6)	(6.1)
- Completions	JAN-DEC/97	4,062	3,756	(2.6)	(7.5)	4,170	4,062	3,756	(2.6)	(7.5)
- Under Construction	DEC/97	1,944	1,926	(1.8)	(0.9)	1,980	1,944	1,926	(1.8)	(0.9)
GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT (\$millions)										
- at Mkt.Prices, '86 prices	-- --	-- --	-- --	-- --	-- --	14,855	14,705	15,022 e	(1.0)	2.2
- at Factor Cost	-- --	-- --	-- --	-- --	-- --	16,321	16,309	17,172 e	(0.1)	5.3

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CANADA ECONOMIC INDICATORS

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VITAL STATISTICS										
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Deaths	JULY-SEPT/97	49,896	50,625	1.4	1.5	210,733	213,649	n/a	1.4	---
Marriages	JULY-SEPT/97	71,197	72,205	(2.4)	1.4	160,251	156,401	n/a	(2.4)	---
MIGRATION										
Total Net Migration	JULY-SEPT/97	54,825	42,790	(9.1)	(22.0)	175,500	156,663	n/a	(10.7)	---
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Emigration	JULY-SEPT/97	18,747	19,038	5.7	1.6	65,057	78,677	n/a	20.9	---
LABOUR FORCE										
- Seasonally Adjusted										
Total Labour Force ('000)	FEB/98	15,219.2	15,534.2	0.7	2.1	14,927.6	15,145.4	15,354.0	1.5	1.4
Employed ('000)	FEB/98	13,748.5	14,196.2	0.6	3.3	13,505.5	13,676.2	13,940.6	1.3	1.9
Unemployed ('000)	FEB/98	1,470.7	1,338.0	1.7	(9.0)	1,422.1	1,469.2	1,413.5	3.3	(3.8)
Unemp. Rate (%)	FEB/98	9.7	8.6	---	---	9.5	9.7	9.2	---	---
Participation Rate (%)	FEB/98	64.6	65.0	---	---	64.8	64.9	64.8	---	---
- Actual										
Employed ('000)	FEB/98	13,375.8	13,822.9	0.6	3.3	13,505.5	13,676.2	13,940.6	1.3	1.9
Unemp. Rate (%)	FEB/98	10.5	9.3	---	---	9.5	9.7	9.2	---	---
- Seasonally Adjusted 3-Month Moving Average										
Goods Indus. ('000)	FEB/98	3,719.6	3,866.2	1.9	3.9	3,653.1	3,681.3	3,768.6	0.8	2.4
Service Indus. ('000)	FEB/98	10,028.9	10,330.0	0.1	3.0	9,852.4	9,994.9	10,171.9	1.4	1.8

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CANADA ECONOMIC INDICATORS

Date: 22/03/98

INDICATOR	MONTHLY/QUARTERLY/YEAR-TO-DATE STATISTICS					ANNUAL STATISTICS				
	Current Reference Period	1 Year Ago	Current	% Change Reference Period		1995	1996	1997	Year-over-Year % Change	
				1 Year Ago/ 2 years Ago	Current/ 1 Year Ago				1996/1995	1997/1996
U.I.C BENEFITS										
Total Benefits Paid (\$'000)	DEC/97	940,373	1,035,724	(16.2)	10.1	13,748,242	13,069,982	11,996,428	(4.9)	(8.2)
Total Beneficiaries (Number)	DEC/97	898,190	798,630	(11.2)	(11.1)	956,428 x	911,469 x	781,885	(4.7)	(14.2)
CONSUMER PRICE INDEX - CANADA - (1992=100.0)										
All Items	FEB/98	107.2	108.3	2.2	1.0	104.2	105.9	107.6	1.6	1.6
Food	FEB/98	107.5	108.9	2.2	1.3	104.5	105.9	107.6	1.3	1.6
Shelter	FEB/98	103.5	103.2	0.4	(0.3)	102.9	103.1	103.3	0.2	0.2
INCOME										
Personal Income Per Capita (\$)	---	---	---	---	---	22,507	22,681	23,209	0.8	2.3
Total Wages & Salaries (\$ millions)	JAN-DEC/97	376,790.5	391,332.8	2.7	3.9	366,870.5	376,790.5	391,332.8	2.7	3.9
Average Weekly Wages & Salaries (\$)	DEC/97	594.85	601.62	3.1	1.1	573.75 x	586.06 x	n/a	2.1	---
RETAIL TRADE										
- (\$ millions)										
All Retail Outlets-S.A.	JAN/98	18,874.3	19,843.0	6.7	5.1	211,600.4	217,011.7	231,141.2	2.6	6.5
Dept. Store Sales-Actual	JAN/98	822.8	922.0	7.9	12.1	13,839.6	14,446.8	15,929.3	4.4	10.3
New Motor Vehicle Sales-Actual	JAN/98	2,151.6	2,181.2	13.4	1.4	28,168.8	31,485.8	38,986.2	11.8	23.8

x - Annual Averages

CANADA ECONOMIC INDICATORS

Date: 22/03/98

INDICATOR	MONTHLY/QUARTERLY/YEAR-TO-DATE STATISTICS					ANNUAL STATISTICS				
	Current Reference Period	1 Year Ago	Current	% Change Reference Period		1995	1996	1997	Year-over-Year % Change	
				1 Year Ago/	Current/				1996/1995	1997/1996
				2 Years Ago	1 Year Ago					
COMMODITY SECTORS										
Farm Cash Receipts (\$ millions)	JAN-DEC/97	28,600.8	29,757.9	5.8	4.0	27,036.9	28,600.8	29,757.9	5.8	4.0
Fish Landings (\$ millions)	JAN-SEPT/96	1,303.9 *	1,025.9 *	13.2	(21.3)	1,598.2 *	n/a	n/a	--	--
Pulp/Wood Residue(000m^3)	JAN/98	10,143.5	9,712.1	(0.6)	(4.3)	112,870.6	107,719.2	110,143.7	(4.6)	2.3
Lumber Prod. (000m^3)	JAN-DEC/97	63,770.7	64,763.9	1.9	1.6	62,576.2	63,770.7	64,763.9	1.9	1.6
Coal Prod. ('000 tonnes)	JAN-DEC/97	75,860.0	78,470.0	1.2	3.4	74,981.0	75,860.0	78,470.0	1.2	3.4
Power Generated (GW.h)	JAN-DEC/97	551,208.9	550,008.3	1.4	(0.2)	543,470.1	551,208.9	550,008.3	1.4	(0.2)
Mfg. Shipments (\$ millions)	JAN-DEC/97	406,568.0	434,713.0	2.4	6.9	396,903.0	406,568.0	434,713.0	2.4	6.9
Foreign Exports (\$ millions)	JAN-DEC/97	259,265.0	278,869.1	4.4	7.6	248,440.8	280,566.0	301,326.0	12.9	7.4
CONSTRUCTION										
Capital Construction Expenditures (\$millions)	--	--	--	--	--	76,437.0	80,288.1	88,166.4 p	5.0	9.8
Building Permits (\$ millions)	JAN/98	1,429.6	1,558.5	19.4	9.0	24,605.8	26,155.5	31,214.7	6.3	19.3
Housing Starts - Units										
Centres 10,000+										
- Starts	JAN/98	6,258	6,485	48.6	3.6	89,545	101,804	123,215	13.7	21.0
- Completions	JAN/98	6,977	8,334	9.4	19.4	99,089	95,980	117,822	(3.1)	22.8
- Under Construction	JAN/98	53,833	58,226	14.8	8.2	49,164	54,604	59,918	11.1	9.7
All Areas										
- Starts	JAN-DEC/97	126,940	147,040	14.4	15.8	110,933	126,940	147,040.0	14.4	15.8
- Completions	JAN-DEC/97	117,834	143,386	(1.4)	21.7	119,501	117,834	143,386.0	(1.4)	21.7
- Under Construction	DEC/97	70,670	73,984	13.9	4.7	62,038	70,670	73,984.0	13.9	4.7
GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT (\$millions)										
- at Mkt. Prices, at '86 prices	--	--	--	--	--	608,835	617,795	636,794 e	1.5	3.1
- at Factor Cost	--	--	--	--	--	692,558	710,379	743,156 e	2.6	4.6

e - Estimate

p - Preliminary actual

* - Totals of Atlantic & Pacific coast only.

Sources: Statistics Canada, Conference Board



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July 1998



NOVA SCOTIA ECONOMIC INDICATORS

Date: 19/08/98

INDICATOR	MONTHLY/QUARTERLY/YEAR-TO-DATE STATISTICS					ANNUAL STATISTICS				
	Current Reference Period	1 Year Ago	Current	% Change Reference Period		1995	1996	1997	Year-over-Year % Change	
				1 Year Ago/	Current/				1996/1995	1997/1996
				2 Years Ago	1 Year Ago					
POPULATION	APR 1/98	945,030	946,196	0.5	0.1	936,603 x	941,598 x	946,824 x	0.5	0.6
VITAL STATISTICS										
Births	JAN-MAR/98	2,455	2,360	(0.6)	(3.9)	10,726	10,488	10,325	(2.2)	(1.6)
Deaths	JAN-MAR/98	2,175	2,255	3.4	3.7	7,687	7,751	7,830	0.8	1.0
Marriages	JAN-MAR/98	370	398	(1.9)	7.6	5,329	5,376	5,525	0.9	2.8
MIGRATION										
Total Net Migration	JAN-MAR/98	65	(769)	(56.4)	--	1,252	2,580	(320)	106.1	(112.4)
Net Interprovincial	JAN-MAR/98	(527)	(1,212)	--	--	(1,972)	(246)	(2,668)	--	--
Net International	JAN-MAR/98	592	443	0.2	(25.2)	3,224	2,826	2,348	(12.3)	(16.9)
Immigration	JAN-MAR/98	760	618	(2.7)	(18.7)	4,365	4,132	3,643	(5.3)	(11.8)
Emigration	JAN-MAR/98	168	175	(11.6)	4.2	1,141	1,306	1,295	14.5	(0.8)
LABOUR FORCE										
- Seasonally Adjusted										
Total Labour Force ('000)	JULY/98	443.2	448.7	1.3	1.2	437.2	440.6	446.6	0.8	1.4
Employed ('000)	JULY/98	392.2	401.3	2.5	2.3	384.3	385.0	391.9	0.2	1.8
Unemployed ('000)	JULY/98	51.0	47.5	(7.3)	(6.9)	52.9	55.6	54.7	5.1	(1.6)
Unemp. Rate (%)	JULY/98	11.5	10.6	--	--	12.1	12.6	12.2	--	--
Participation Rate (%)	JULY/98	59.7	60.1	--	--	59.8	59.9	60.2	--	--
- Actual										
Employed ('000)	JULY/98	412.8	421.3	2.3	2.1	384.3	385.0	391.9	0.2	1.8
Unemp. Rate (%)	JULY/98	11.4	10.5	--	--	12.1	12.6	12.2	--	--
- Seasonally Adjusted (3-Month Moving Average)										
Goods Indus. ('000)	JULY/98	92.3	96.5	8.6	4.6	88.2	84.6	92.0	(4.1)	8.7
Service Indus. ('000)	JULY/98	298.3	307.5	(0.8)	3.1	296.1	300.4	299.9	1.5	(0.2)

x - Statistics Canada revised estimate at July 1.

e - Estimate

NOVA SCOTIA ECONOMIC INDICATORS

Date: 19/08/98

INDICATOR	MONTHLY/QUARTERLY/YEAR-TO-DATE STATISTICS					ANNUAL STATISTICS				
	Current Reference Period	1 Year Ago	Current	% Change Reference Period		1995	1996	1997	Year-over-Year % Change	
				1 Year Ago/ 2 years Ago	Current 1 Year Ago				1996/1995	1997/1996
U.I.C BENEFITS										
Total Benefits Paid (\$'000)	MAY/98	46,429	42,608	(5.8)	(8.2)	660,004	617,429	586,886	(6.5)	(4.9)
Total Beneficiaries (Number)	MAY/98	39,910	35,500	(5.4)	(11.0)	48,543 x	45,172 x	40,359	(6.9)	(10.7)
CONSUMER PRICE INDEX - Nova Scotia - (1992=100.0)										
All Items	JULY/98	107.7	108.5	2.2	0.7	103.8	105.6	107.8	1.7	2.1
Food	JULY/98	108.2	110.0	1.0	1.7	105.0	106.5	108.4	1.4	1.8
Shelter	JULY/98	105.9	105.1	1.8	(0.8)	101.9	104.1	105.7	2.2	1.5
INCOME										
Personal Income Per Capita (\$)	---	---	---	---	---	19,122	19,237	19,487	0.6	1.3
Total Wages & Salaries (\$ millions)	JAN-MAY/98	3,767.4	3,900.5	2.8	3.5	9,008.3	9,125.0	9,401.3	1.3	3.0
Average Weekly Wages & Salaries (\$)	MAY/98	501.94	515.28	0.6	2.7	489.15 x	494.47 x	501.47 x	1.1	1.4
RETAIL TRADE										
- (\$ millions)										
All Retail Outlets-S.A.	JAN-MAY/98	2,974.7	3,127.7	3.3	5.1	6,483.2	7,033.8	7,293.8	8.5	3.7
Dept. Store Sales-Actual	JAN-JUNE/98	190.0	208.3	6.9	9.6	456.3	469.7	505.6	2.9	7.6
New Motor Vehicle Sales-Actual	JAN-JUNE/98	492.9	551.3	17.4	11.8	688.8	771.5	937.5	12.0	21.5

x - Annual Averages

NOVA SCOTIA ECONOMIC INDICATORS

Date: 19/08/98

INDICATOR	MONTHLY/QUARTERLY/YEAR-TO-DATE STATISTICS					ANNUAL STATISTICS				
	Current Reference Period	1 Year Ago	Current	% Change Reference Period		1995	1996	1997	Year-over-Year % Change	
				1 Year Ago/ 2 Years Ago	Current/ 1 Year Ago				1996/1995	1997/1996
COMMODITY SECTORS										
Farm Cash Receipts (\$ millions)	JAN-MAR/98	84.3	87.1	0.4	3.3	329.9	381.7	374.2	15.7	(2.0)
Fish Landings (\$ millions)	JAN-DEC/96	483.5	446.5	1.2	(7.7)	483.5	446.5	n/a	(7.7)	--
Pulp/Wood Residue (000m^3)	JAN-MAY/98	1,816.6	1,283.7	(3.2)	(29.3)	4,995.7	4,827.3	4,496.3	(3.4)	(6.9)
Lumber Prod. (000m^3)	JAN-MAY/98	391.3	523.9	10.5	33.9	765.9	882.8	1,005.1	15.3	13.9
Coal Prod. ('000 tonnes)	JAN-MAY/98	979.1	801.8	(31.9)	(18.1)	2,483.0	3,169.9	2,633.0	27.7	(16.9)
Power Generated (GW.h)	JAN-MAY/98	4,648.9	4,568.7	3.1	(1.7)	9,571.1	10,175.4	10,323.1	6.3	1.5
Mfg. Shipments (\$ millions)	JAN-MAY/98	2,482.2	2,543.2	0.3	2.5	5,960.1	6,131.8	6,229.0	2.9	1.6
Foreign Exports (\$ millions)	JAN-JUNE/98	1,488.1	1,601.2	(3.3)	7.6	2,940.7	3,061.0	3,116.4	4.1	1.8
CONSTRUCTION										
Capital Construction Expenditures (\$millions)	--	--	--	--	--	1,813.4	1,746.2	1,940.9 pa	(3.7)	11.1
Building Permits (\$ millions)	JAN-JUNE/98	295.6	253.2	0.7	(14.3)	619.6	689.0	630.7	11.2	(8.5)
Housing Starts (units)										
Centres 10,000+										
- Starts	JAN-JULY/98	1,628	871	12.9	(46.5)	2,695	2,806	2,732	4.1	(2.6)
- Completions	JAN-JULY/98	1,247	1,059	(14.9)	(15.1)	2,811	2,845	2,621	1.2	(7.9)
- Under Construction	JULY/98	1,479	1,008	25.6	(31.8)	1,218	1,159	1,214	(4.8)	4.7
All Areas										
- Starts	JAN-JUNE/98	1,828	884	9.5	(51.6)	4,168	4,059	3,813	(2.6)	(6.1)
- Completions	JAN-JUNE/98	1,639	1,263	(3.4)	(22.9)	4,170	4,062	3,756	(2.6)	(7.5)
- Under Construction	JUNE/98	2,073	1,550	7.2	(25.2)	1,980	1,944	1,926	(1.8)	(0.9)
GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT (\$millions)										
- at Mkt.Prices, '92 prices	--	--	--	--	--	18,689	18,810	19,151	0.6	1.8
- at Factor Cost	--	--	--	--	--	16,902	16,990	17,540	0.5	3.2

p - Preliminary actual

e - Estimate

Sources: Statistics Canada, Conference Board

CANADA ECONOMIC INDICATORS

Date: 19/08/98

INDICATOR	MONTHLY/QUARTERLY/YEAR-TO-DATE STATISTICS					ANNUAL STATISTICS				
	Current Reference Period	1 Year Ago	Current	% Change Reference Period		1995	1996	1997	Year-over-Year % Change	
				1 Year Ago/	Current/				1996/1995	1997/1996
				2 Years Ago	1 Year Ago					
POPULATION	APR 1/98	30,189,489	30,488,906	1.1	1.0	29,616,453 x	29,959,458 x	30,285,756	1.2	1.1
VITAL STATISTICS										
Births	JAN-MAR/98	90,595	85,820	1.6	(5.3)	378,011	364,732	361,785	(3.5)	(0.8)
Deaths	JAN-MAR/98	59,200	59,845	3.7	1.1	210,733	212,881	216,970	1.0	1.9
Marriages	JAN-MAR/98	16,350	16,139	3.6	(1.3)	160,251	156,401	159,350	(2.4)	1.9
MIGRATION										
Total Net Migration	JAN-MAR/98	47,392	37,627	28.8	(20.6)	175,500	156,663	169,787	(10.7)	8.4
Immigration	JAN-MAR/98	57,085	47,149	11.5	(17.4)	240,557	235,340	242,665	(2.2)	3.1
Emigration	JAN-MAR/98	9,693	9,522	(32.5)	(1.8)	65,057	78,677	72,878	20.9	(7.4)
LABOUR FORCE										
- Seasonally Adjusted										
Total Labour Force ('000)	JULY/98	15,350.9	15,580.0	1.3	1.5	14,927.6	15,145.4	15,354.0	1.5	1.4
Employed ('000)	JULY/98	13,969.7	14,269.6	2.4	2.1	13,505.5	13,676.2	13,940.6	1.3	1.9
Unemployed ('000)	JULY/98	1,381.1	1,310.5	(8.0)	(5.1)	1,422.1	1,469.2	1,413.5	3.3	(3.8)
Unemp. Rate (%)	JULY/98	9.0	8.4	---	---	9.5	9.7	9.2	---	---
Participation Rate (%)	JULY/98	64.8	64.9	---	---	64.8	64.9	64.8	---	---
- Actual										
Employed ('000)	JULY/98	14,418.5	14,725.0	2.3	2.1	13,505.5	13,676.2	13,940.6	1.3	1.9
Unemp. Rate (%)	JULY/98	9.0	8.5	---	---	9.5	9.7	9.2	---	---
- Seasonally Adjusted 3-Month Moving Average										
Goods Indus. ('000)	JULY/98	3,762.5	3,872.7	2.3	2.9	3,653.1	3,681.3	3,768.6	0.8	2.4
Service Indus. ('000)	JULY/98	10,207.3	10,396.9	2.4	1.9	9,852.4	9,994.9	10,171.9	1.4	1.8

e-Estimate

x-Statistics Canada revised estimate at July 1.

CANADA ECONOMIC INDICATORS

Date: 19/08/98

INDICATOR	MONTHLY/QUARTERLY/YEAR-TO-DATE STATISTICS					ANNUAL STATISTICS				
	Current Reference Period	1 Year Ago	Current	% Change Reference Period		1995	1996	1997	Year-over-Year % Change	
				1 Year Ago/ 2 years Ago	Current/ 1 Year Ago				1996/1995	1997/1996
U.I.C BENEFITS										
Total Benefits Paid (\$'000)	MAY/98	935,781	936,979	(16.9)	0.1	13,748,242	13,069,982	11,996,428	(4.9)	(8.2)
Total Beneficiaries (Number)	MAY/98	748,980	686,620	(15.7)	(8.3)	956,428 x	911,469 x	781,885	(4.7)	(14.2)
CONSUMER PRICE INDEX - CANADA - (1992=100.0)										
All Items	JULY/98	107.7	108.8	1.7	1.0	104.2	105.9	107.6	1.6	1.6
Food	JULY/98	108.4	109.9	2.1	1.4	104.5	105.9	107.6	1.3	1.6
Shelter	JULY/98	103.3	103.6	0.3	0.3	102.9	103.1	103.3	0.2	0.2
INCOME										
Personal Income Per Capita (\$)	---	---	---	---	---	22,470	22,711	22,982	1.1	1.2
Total Wages & Salaries (\$ millions)	JAN-MAY/98	158,142.3	164,287.5	3.9	3.9	366,870.5	376,810.6	391,218.4	2.7	3.8
Average Weekly Wages & Salaries (\$)	MAY/98	600.90	605.71	2.9	0.8	573.75 x	586.06 x	598.26 x	2.1	2.1
RETAIL TRADE										
- (\$ millions)										
All Retail Outlets-S.A.	JAN-MAY/98	97,089.3	102,633.0	7.5	5.7	213,773.9	220,431.0	237,277.8	3.1	7.6
Dept. Store Sales-Actual	JAN-JUNE/98	6,433.8	7,010.2	9.0	9.0	13,839.6	14,446.8	15,929.3	4.4	10.3
New Motor Vehicle Sales-Actual	JAN-JUNE/98	19,202.6	20,661.1	21.2	7.6	28,168.8	31,485.8	38,986.2	11.8	23.8

x - Annual Averages

CANADA ECONOMIC INDICATORS

Date: 19/08/98

INDICATOR	MONTHLY/QUARTERLY/YEAR-TO-DATE STATISTICS					ANNUAL STATISTICS				
	Current Reference Period	1 Year Ago	Current	% Change Reference Period		1995	1996	1997	Year-over-Year % Change	
				1 Year Ago/	Current/				1996/1995	1997/1996
				2 Years Ago	1 Year Ago					
COMMODITY SECTORS										
Farm Cash Receipts (\$ millions)	JAN-MAR/98	7,818.6	7,836.1	1.4	0.2	27,025.2	28,640.2	29,513.9	6.0	3.1
Fish Landings (\$ millions)	JAN-DEC/96	1,598.2 *	1,444.2 *	12.9	(9.6)	1,598.2 *	1,444.2	n/a	(9.6)	--
Pulp/Wood Residue(000m^3)	JAN-MAY/98	46,667.8	42,643.2	6.3	(8.6)	112,870.6	107,719.2	110,143.7	(4.6)	2.3
Lumber Prod. (000m^3)	JAN-MAY/98	27,878.4	27,429.7	3.5	(1.6)	62,576.2	63,770.7	64,763.9	1.9	1.6
Coal Prod. ('000 tonnes)	JAN-MAY/98	31,676.5	32,033.3	(1.7)	1.1	74,981.0	75,851.4	78,678.1	1.2	3.7
Power Generated (GW.h)	JAN-MAY/98	237,881.0	230,281.9	0.1	(3.2)	543,470.5	555,680.9	551,927.4	2.2	(0.7)
Mfg. Shipments (\$ millions)	JAN-MAY/98	176,932.0	183,660.0	6.6	3.8	396,903.0	406,568.0	434,746.0	2.4	6.9
Foreign Exports (\$ millions)	JAN-MAY/98	116,394.0	120,192.0	8.4	3.3	248,440.8	280,566.0	301,326.0	12.9	7.4
CONSTRUCTION										
Capital Construction Expenditures (\$millions)	-- --	-- --	-- --	-- --	-- --	76,437.0	80,288.1	88,166.4 pa	5.0	9.8
Building Permits (\$ millions)	JAN-JUNE/98	14,760.4	16,328.9	16.2	10.6	24,605.8	26,155.5	31,214.7	6.3	19.3
Housing Starts - Units										
Centres 10,000+										
- Starts	JAN-JULY/98	69,442	66,684	24.9	(4.0)	89,545	101,804	123,215	13.7	21.0
- Completions	JAN-JULY/98	62,275	64,016	27.1	2.8	99,089	95,980	117,822	(3.1)	22.8
- Under Construction	JULY/98	61,575	63,027	10.8	2.4	49,164	54,604	59,918	11.1	9.7
All Areas										
- Starts	JAN-JUNE/98	67,277	65,671	22.2	(2.4)	110,933	124,713	147,040.0	12.4	17.9
- Completions	JAN-JUNE/98	60,334	60,393	27.3	0.1	119,501	117,834	143,386.0	(1.4)	21.7
- Under Construction	JUNE/98	77,340	77,196	11.2	(0.2)	62,038	70,670	73,984.0	13.9	4.7
GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT (\$millions)										
- at Mkt. Prices, at '92 prices	-- --	-- --	-- --	-- --	-- --	760,309	769,730	799,142	1.2	3.8
- at Factor Cost	-- --	-- --	-- --	-- --	-- --	692,558	710,379	741,420	2.6	4.4

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Economic Indicators

August 1998



NOVA SCOTIA ECONOMIC INDICATORS

INDICATOR	MONTHLY/QUARTERLY/YEAR-TO-DATE STATISTICS					ANNUAL STATISTICS					
	Current	% Change Reference Period				Year-over-Year % Change					
	Reference	1 Year Ago		Current	1 Year Ago/	Current/	1995	1996	1997	1996/1995	1997/1996
	Period				2 Years Ago	1 Year Ago					
POPULATION	APR 1/98	945,030	946,196	0.5	0.1	936,603 x	941,598 x	946,824 x	0.5	0.6	
VITAL STATISTICS											
Births	JAN-MAR/98	2,455	2,360	(0.6)	(3.9)	10,726	10,488	10,325	(2.2)	(1.6)	
Deaths	JAN-MAR/98	2,175	2,255	3.4	3.7	7,687	7,751	7,830	0.8	1.0	
Marriages	JAN-MAR/98	370	398	(1.9)	7.6	5,329	5,376	5,525	0.9	2.8	
MIGRATION											
Total Net Migration	JAN-MAR/98	65	(769)	(56.4)	--	1,252	2,580	(320)	106.1	(112.4)	
Net Interprovincial	JAN-MAR/98	(527)	(1,212)	--	--	(1,972)	(246)	(2,668)	--	--	
Net International	JAN-MAR/98	592	443	0.2	(25.2)	3,224	2,826	2,348	(12.3)	(16.9)	
Immigration	JAN-MAR/98	760	618	(2.7)	(18.7)	4,365	4,132	3,643	(5.3)	(11.8)	
Emigration	JAN-MAR/98	168	175	(11.6)	4.2	1,141	1,306	1,295	14.5	(0.8)	
LABOUR FORCE											
- Seasonally Adjusted											
Total Labour Force ('000)	AUG/98	443.9	449.9	0.3	1.4	437.2	440.6	446.6	0.8	1.4	
Employed ('000)	AUG/98	392.4	402.1	1.7	2.5	384.3	385.0	391.9	0.2	1.8	
Unemployed ('000)	AUG/98	51.5	47.8	(9.5)	(7.2)	52.9	55.6	54.7	5.1	(1.6)	
Unemp. Rate (%)	AUG/98	11.6	10.6	--	--	12.1	12.6	12.2	--	--	
Participation Rate (%)	AUG/98	59.8	60.3	--	--	59.8	59.9	60.2	--	--	
- Actual											
Employed ('000)	AUG/98	413.2	423.1	1.5	2.4	384.3	385.0	391.9	0.2	1.8	
Unemp. Rate (%)	AUG/98	11.1	10.2	--	--	12.1	12.6	12.2	--	--	
- Seasonally Adjusted (3-Month Moving Average)											
Goods Indus. ('000)	AUG/98	92.6	94.8	8.4	2.4	88.2	84.6	92.0	(4.1)	8.7	
Service Indus. ('000)	AUG/98	299.3	307.4	(0.2)	2.7	296.1	300.4	299.9	1.5	(0.2)	

x - Statistics Canada revised estimate at July 1.

e - Estimate

NOVA SCOTIA ECONOMIC INDICATORS

INDICATOR	MONTHLY/QUARTERLY/YEAR-TO-DATE STATISTICS					ANNUAL STATISTICS				
	Current Reference Period	1 Year Ago	Current	% Change Reference Period		1995	1996	1997	Year-over-Year % Change	
				1 Year Ago/ 2 years Ago	Current 1 Year Ago				1996/1995	1997/1996
U.I.C BENEFITS										
Total Benefits Paid (\$'000)	JUNE/98	38,846	40,368	6.2	3.9	660,004	617,429	586,886	(6.5)	(4.9)
Total Beneficiaries (Number)	JUNE/98	31,720	32,330	(11.1)	1.9	48,543 x	45,172 x	40,359	(6.9)	(10.7)
CONSUMER PRICE INDEX - Nova Scotia - (1992=100.0)										
All Items	AUG/98	108.2	108.6	2.4	0.4	103.8	105.6	107.8	1.7	2.1
Food	AUG/98	108.6	110.6	1.2	1.8	105.0	106.5	108.4	1.4	1.8
Shelter	AUG/98	105.8	104.7	1.7	(1.0)	101.9	104.1	105.7	2.2	1.5
INCOME										
Personal Income Per Capita (\$)	---	---	---	---	---	19,122	19,237	19,487	0.6	1.3
Total Wages & Salaries (\$ millions)	JAN-JUNE/98	4,584.3	4,742.3	3.0	3.4	9,008.3	9,125.0	9,401.3	1.3	3.0
Average Weekly Wages & Salaries (\$)	JUNE/98	509.20	517.30	1.7	1.6	489.15 x	494.47 x	501.47 x	1.1	1.4
RETAIL TRADE										
- (\$ millions)										
All Retail Outlets-S.A.	JAN-JUNE/98	3,582.9	3,749.7	3.7	4.7	6,483.2	7,033.8	7,293.8	8.5	3.7
Dept. Store Sales-Actual	JAN-JULY/98	226.1	246.1	8.0	8.8	456.3	469.7	505.6	2.9	7.6
New Motor Vehicle Sales-Actual	JAN-JULY/98	575.8	642.7	17.9	11.6	688.8	771.5	937.5	12.0	21.5

x - Annual Averages

NOVA SCOTIA ECONOMIC INDICATORS

INDICATOR	MONTHLY/QUARTERLY/YEAR-TO-DATE STATISTICS					ANNUAL STATISTICS				
	Current Reference Period			% Change Reference Period					Year-over-Year % Change	
		1 Year Ago	Current	1 Year Ago/ 2 Years Ago	Current/ 1 Year Ago	1995	1996	1997	1996/1995	1997/1996
COMMODITY SECTORS										
Farm Cash Receipts (\$ millions)	JAN-JUNE/98	177.4	174.5	10.4	(1.6)	329.9	381.7	374.2	15.7	(2.0)
Fish Landings (\$ millions)	JAN-DEC/97	459.4	479.3	(10.3)	4.3	512.2	459.4	479.3	(10.3)	4.3
Pulp/Wood Residue (000m^3)	JAN-JUNE/98	2,236.0	1,436.8	(3.0)	(35.7)	4,995.7	4,827.3	4,496.3	(3.4)	(6.9)
Lumber Prod. (000m^3)	JAN-JUNE/98	467.5	643.7	8.4	37.7	765.9	882.8	1,005.1	15.3	13.9
Coal Prod. ('000 tonnes)	JAN-JUNE/98	1,272.2	1,013.0	(21.7)	(20.4)	2,483.0	3,169.9	2,633.0	27.7	(16.9)
Power Generated (GW.h)	JAN-JUNE/98	5,417.2	5,385.8	3.7	(0.6)	9,571.1	10,175.4	10,323.1	6.3	1.5
Mfg. Shipments (\$ millions)	JAN-JUNE/98	3,002.9	3,106.1	0.3	3.4	5,960.1	6,131.8	6,229.0	2.9	1.6
Foreign Exports (\$ millions)	JAN-JUNE/98	1,488.1	1,601.2	(3.3)	7.6	2,940.7	3,061.0	3,116.4	4.1	1.8
CONSTRUCTION										
Capital Construction Expenditures (\$millions)	---	---	---	---	---	1,813.4	1,746.2	1,940.9 p	(3.7)	11.1
Building Permits (\$ millions)	JAN-JULY/98	387.7	338.5	(0.7)	(12.7)	619.6	689.0	630.7	11.2	(8.5)
Housing Starts (units)										
Centres 10,000+										
- Starts	JAN-JULY/98	1,628	871	12.9	(46.5)	2,695	2,806	2,732	4.1	(2.6)
- Completions	JAN-JULY/98	1,247	1,059	(14.9)	(15.1)	2,811	2,845	2,621	1.2	(7.9)
- Under Construction	JULY/98	1,479	1,008	25.6	(31.8)	1,218	1,159	1,214	(4.8)	4.7
All Areas										
- Starts	JAN-JUNE/98	1,828	884	9.5	(51.6)	4,168	4,059	3,813	(2.6)	(6.1)
- Completions	JAN-JUNE/98	1,639	1,263	(3.4)	(22.9)	4,170	4,062	3,756	(2.6)	(7.5)
- Under Construction	JUNE/98	2,073	1,550	7.2	(25.2)	1,980	1,944	1,926	(1.8)	(0.9)
GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT (\$millions)										
- at Mkt.Prices, '92 prices	---	---	---	---	---	18,689	18,810	19,151	0.6	1.8
- at Factor Cost	---	---	---	---	---	16,902	16,990	17,540	0.5	3.2

p - Preliminary actual

e - Estimate

Sources: Statistics Canada, Conference Board

CANADA ECONOMIC INDICATORS

INDICATOR	MONTHLY/QUARTERLY/YEAR-TO-DATE STATISTICS					ANNUAL STATISTICS				
	Current Reference Period	1 Year Ago	Current	% Change Reference Period		1995	1996	1997	Year-over-Year % Change	
				1 Year Ago/ 2 Years Ago	Current/ 1 Year Ago				1996/1995	1997/1996
POPULATION	APR 1/98	30,189,489	30,488,906	1.1	1.0	29,616,453 x	29,959,458 x	30,285,756	1.2	1.1
VITAL STATISTICS										
Births	JAN-MAR/98	90,595	85,820	1.6	(5.3)	378,011	364,732	361,785	(3.5)	(0.8)
Deaths	JAN-MAR/98	59,200	59,845	3.7	1.1	210,733	212,881	216,970	1.0	1.9
Marriages	JAN-MAR/98	16,350	16,139	3.6	(1.3)	160,251	156,401	159,350	(2.4)	1.9
MIGRATION										
Total Net Migration	JAN-MAR/98	47,392	37,627	28.8	(20.6)	175,500	156,663	169,787	(10.7)	8.4
Immigration	JAN-MAR/98	57,085	47,149	11.5	(17.4)	240,557	235,340	242,665	(2.2)	3.1
Emigration	JAN-MAR/98	9,693	9,522	(32.5)	(1.8)	65,057	78,677	72,878	20.9	(7.4)
LABOUR FORCE										
- Seasonally Adjusted										
Total Labour Force ('000)	AUG/98	15,410.1	15,605.0	1.7	1.3	14,927.6	15,145.4	15,354.0	1.5	1.4
Employed ('000)	AUG/98	14,023.3	14,306.4	2.2	2.0	13,505.5	13,676.2	13,940.6	1.3	1.9
Unemployed ('000)	AUG/98	1,386.8	1,298.7	(3.8)	(6.4)	1,422.1	1,469.2	1,413.5	3.3	(3.8)
Unemp. Rate (%)	AUG/98	9.0	8.3	---	---	9.5	9.7	9.2	---	---
Participation Rate (%)	AUG/98	65.0	64.9	---	---	64.8	64.9	64.8	---	---
- Actual										
Employed ('000)	AUG/98	14,458.2	14,766.3	2.2	2.1	13,505.5	13,676.2	13,940.6	1.3	1.9
Unemp. Rate (%)	AUG/98	8.8	8.1	---	---	9.5	9.7	9.2	---	---
- Seasonally Adjusted 3-Month Moving Average										
Goods Indus. ('000)	AUG/98	3,791.5	3,863.6	1.7	1.9	3,653.1	3,681.3	3,768.6	0.8	2.4
Service Indus. ('000)	AUG/98	10,231.8	10,442.8	2.5	2.1	9,852.4	9,994.9	10,171.9	1.4	1.8

e-Estimate

x-Statistics Canada revised estimate at July 1.

CANADA ECONOMIC INDICATORS

INDICATOR	MONTHLY/QUARTERLY/YEAR-TO-DATE STATISTICS					ANNUAL STATISTICS				
	Current			% Change Reference Period					Year-over-Year % Change	
	Reference Period	1 Year Ago	Current	1 Year Ago/ 2 years Ago	Current/ 1 Year Ago	1995	1996	1997	1996/1995	1997/1996
U.I.C BENEFITS										
Total Benefits Paid (\$'000)	JUNE/98	863,632	824,890	0.3	(4.5)	13,748,242	13,069,982	11,996,428	(4.9)	(8.2)
Total Beneficiaries (Number)	JUNE/98	644,250	614,270	(17.3)	(4.7)	956,428 x	911,469 x	781,885	(4.7)	(14.2)
CONSUMER PRICE INDEX - CANADA - (1992=100.0)										
All Items	AUG/98	107.9	108.8	1.9	0.8	104.2	105.9	107.6	1.6	1.6
Food	AUG/98	107.7	109.2	1.7	1.4	104.5	105.9	107.6	1.3	1.6
Shelter	AUG/98	103.1	103.7	0.3	0.6	102.9	103.1	103.3	0.2	0.2
INCOME										
Personal Income Per Capita (\$)	---	---	---	---	---	22,470	22,711	22,982	1.1	1.2
Total Wages & Salaries (\$ millions)	JAN-JUNE/98	191,964.9	199,242.6	3.9	3.8	366,870.5	376,810.6	391,218.4	2.7	3.8
Average Weekly Wages & Salaries (\$)	JUNE/98	600.78	605.61	1.4	0.8	573.75 x	586.06 x	598.26 x	2.1	2.1
RETAIL TRADE										
- (\$ millions)										
All Retail Outlets-S.A.	JAN-JUNE/98	116,731.0	122,910.0	7.4	5.3	213,773.9	220,431.0	237,277.8	3.1	7.6
Dept. Store Sales-Actual	JAN-JULY/98	7,580.1	8,243.7	9.5	8.8	13,839.6	14,446.8	15,929.3	4.4	10.3
New Motor Vehicle Sales-Actual	JAN-JULY/98	22,464.0	23,976.3	21.8	6.7	28,168.8	31,485.8	38,986.2	11.8	23.8

x - Annual Averages

CANADA ECONOMIC INDICATORS

INDICATOR	MONTHLY/QUARTERLY/YEAR-TO-DATE STATISTICS					ANNUAL STATISTICS				
	Current	% Change Reference Period				Year-over-Year % Change				
	Reference	1 Year Ago	Current	1 Year Ago/	Current/	1995	1996	1997	1996/1995	1997/1996
	Period			2 Years Ago	1 Year Ago					
COMMODITY SECTORS										
Farm Cash Receipts (\$ millions)	JAN-JUNE/98	14,866.3	14,107.8	2.0	(5.1)	27,025.2	28,640.2	29,513.9	6.0	3.1
Fish Landings (\$ millions)	JAN-DEC/97	1,539.2	n/a	(13.1)	-- --	1,771.2 *	1,539.2	n/a	(13.1)	-- --
Pulp/Wood Residue(000m^3)	JAN-JUNE/98	55,104.3	50,746.4	6.4	(7.9)	112,870.6	107,719.2	110,143.7	(4.6)	2.3
Lumber Prod. (000m^3)	JAN-JUNE/98	33,469.0	33,179.1	3.3	(0.9)	62,576.2	63,770.7	64,763.9	1.9	1.6
Coal Prod. ('000 tonnes)	JAN-JUNE/98	37,836.1	38,204.2	(0.6)	1.0	74,981.0	75,851.4	78,678.1	1.2	3.7
Power Generated (GW.h)	JAN-JUNE/98	279,279.5	271,913.4	0.4	(2.6)	543,470.5	555,680.9	551,879.8	2.2	(0.7)
Mfg. Shipments (\$ millions)	JAN-JUNE/98	209,230.0	221,470.0	4.1	5.9	396,903.0	406,568.0	434,746.0	2.4	6.9
Foreign Exports (\$ millions)	JAN-JUNE/98	139,577.9	144,857.5	7.7	3.8	248,440.8	280,566.0	301,326.0	12.9	7.4
CONSTRUCTION										
Capital Construction Expenditures (\$millions)	-- --	-- --	-- --	-- --	-- --	76,437.0	80,288.1	88,166.4 pe	5.0	9.8
Building Permits (\$ millions)	JAN-JULY/98	17,908.9	19,666.1	14.9	9.8	24,605.8	26,155.5	31,214.7	6.3	19.3
Housing Starts - Units										
Centres 10,000+										
- Starts	JAN-JULY/98	69,442	66,684	24.9	(4.0)	89,545	101,804	123,215	13.7	21.0
- Completions	JAN-JULY/98	62,275	64,016	27.1	2.8	99,089	95,980	117,822	(3.1)	22.8
- Under Construction	JULY/98	61,575	63,027	10.8	2.4	49,164	54,604	59,918	11.1	9.7
All Areas										
- Starts	JAN-JUNE/98	67,277	65,671	22.2	(2.4)	110,933	124,713	147,040.0	12.4	17.9
- Completions	JAN-JUNE/98	60,334	60,393	27.3	0.1	119,501	117,834	143,386.0	(1.4)	21.7
- Under Construction	JUNE/98	77,340	77,196	11.2	(0.2)	62,038	70,670	73,984.0	13.9	4.7
GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT (\$millions)										
- at Mkt. Prices, at '92 prices	-- --	-- --	-- --	-- --	-- --	760,309	769,730	799,142	1.2	3.8
- at Factor Cost	-- --	-- --	-- --	-- --	-- --	692,558	710,379	741,420	2.6	4.4

e - Estimate

p - Preliminary actual

Sources: Statistics Canada, Conference Board



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NOVA SCOTIA ECONOMIC INDICATORS

INDICATOR	MONTHLY/QUARTERLY/YEAR-TO-DATE STATISTICS					ANNUAL STATISTICS					
	Current	% Change Reference Period				Year-over-Year % Change					
	Reference	1 Year Ago		Current	1 Year Ago/ 2 Years Ago	Current/ 1 Year Ago	1995	1996	1997	1996/1995	1997/1996
	Period										
POPULATION	JULY 1/98	936,286	936,092	0.9	(0.0)	927,710 x	936,286 x	936,092 x	0.9	(0.0)	
VITAL STATISTICS											
Births	APR-JUNE/98	2,695	2,755	(5.5)	2.2	10,726	10,562	10,325	(1.5)	(2.2)	
Deaths	APR-JUNE/98	1,940	1,945	4.2	0.3	7,687	7,751	7,830	0.8	1.0	
Marriages	APR-JUNE/98	1,320		2.0	--	5,329	5,376	5,525	0.9	2.8	
MIGRATION											
Total Net Migration	APR-JUNE/98	1,020	(872)	25.5	--	1,252	2,580	(320)	106.1	(112.4)	
Net Interprovincial	APR-JUNE/98	254	(1,433)	284.8	--	(1,972)	(246)	(2,668)	--	--	
Net International	APR-JUNE/98	766	561	2.5	(26.8)	3,224	2,826	2,348	(12.3)	(16.9)	
Immigration	APR-JUNE/98	980	767	4.0	(21.7)	4,365	4,132	3,643	(5.3)	(11.8)	
Emigration	APR-JUNE/98	214	206	9.7	(3.7)	1,141	1,306	1,295	14.5	(0.8)	
LABOUR FORCE											
- Seasonally Adjusted											
Total Labour Force ('000)	SEPT/98	446.9	451.7	0.5	1.1	437.2	440.6	446.6	0.8	1.4	
Employed ('000)	SEPT/98	394.0	400.3	2.5	1.6	384.3	385.0	391.9	0.2	1.8	
Unemployed ('000)	SEPT/98	52.9	51.3	(12.3)	(3.0)	52.9	55.6	54.7	5.1	(1.6)	
Unemp. Rate (%)	SEPT/98	11.8	11.4	--	--	12.1	12.6	12.2	--	--	
Participation Rate (%)	SEPT/98	60.1	60.5	--	--	59.8	59.9	60.2	--	--	
- Actual											
Employed ('000)	SEPT/98	402.6	408.0	2.5	1.3	384.3	385.0	391.9	0.2	1.8	
Unemp. Rate (%)	SEPT/98	10.1	9.8	--	--	12.1	12.6	12.2	--	--	
- Seasonally Adjusted (3-Month Moving Average)											
Goods Indus. ('000)	SEPT/98	93.0	93.2	10.5	0.2	88.2	84.6	92.0	(4.1)	8.7	
Service Indus. ('000)	SEPT/98	299.9	308.0	(0.1)	2.7	296.1	300.4	299.9	1.5	(0.2)	

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e - Estimate

NOVA SCOTIA ECONOMIC INDICATORS

INDICATOR	MONTHLY/QUARTERLY/YEAR-TO-DATE STATISTICS					ANNUAL STATISTICS				
	Current Reference Period	1 Year Ago	Current	% Change Reference Period		1995	1996	1997	Year-over-Year % Change	
				1 Year Ago/ 2 years Ago	Current 1 Year Ago				1996/1995	1997/1996
U.I.C BENEFITS										
Total Benefits Paid (\$'000)	JULY/98	37,446	39,321	(16.1)	5.0	660,004	617,429	586,886	(6.5)	(4.9)
Total Beneficiaries (Number)	JULY/98	32,300	32,270	(15.3)	(0.1)	48,543 x	45,172 x	40,359	(6.9)	(10.7)
CONSUMER PRICE INDEX - Nova Scotia - (1992=100.0)										
All Items	SEPT/98	108.2	107.4	2.1	(0.7)	103.8	105.6	107.8	1.7	2.1
Food	SEPT/98	107.9	109.6	1.0	1.6	105.0	106.5	108.4	1.4	1.8
Shelter	SEPT/98	105.7	101.1	1.3	(4.4)	101.9	104.1	105.7	2.2	1.5
INCOME										
Personal Income Per Capita (\$)	---	---	---	---	---	19,122	19,237	19,487	0.6	1.3
Total Wages & Salaries (\$ millions)	JAN-JUNE/98	4,584.3	4,742.3	3.0	3.4	9,008.3	9,125.0	9,401.3	1.3	3.0
Average Weekly Wages & Salaries (\$)	JULY/98	509.32	522.96	2.2	2.7	489.15 x	494.47 x	501.47 x	1.1	1.4
RETAIL TRADE										
- (\$ millions)										
All Retail Outlets-S.A.	JAN-JULY/98	4,225.2	4,391.7	4.7	3.9	6,483.2	7,033.8	7,293.8	8.5	3.7
Dept. Store Sales-Actual	JAN-AUG/98	268.7	288.5	8.1	7.4	456.3	469.7	505.6	2.9	7.6
New Motor Vehicle Sales-Actual	JAN-AUG/98	647.0	722.2	19.0	11.6	688.8	771.5	937.5	12.0	21.5

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NOVA SCOTIA ECONOMIC INDICATORS

INDICATOR	MONTHLY/QUARTERLY/YEAR-TO-DATE STATISTICS					ANNUAL STATISTICS				
	Current Reference Period	1 Year Ago	Current	% Change Reference Period		1995	1996	1997	Year-over-Year % Change	
				1 Year Ago/ 2 Years Ago	Current/ 1 Year Ago				1996/1995	1997/1996
COMMODITY SECTORS										
Farm Cash Receipts (\$ millions)	JAN-JUNE/98	177.4	174.5	2.6	(1.6)	329.9	381.7	374.2	15.7	(2.0)
Fish Landings (\$ millions)	JAN-DEC/97	459.4	479.3	(10.3)	4.3	512.2	459.4	479.3	(10.3)	4.3
Pulp/Wood Residue (000m^3)	JAN-JUNE/98	2,236.0	1,436.8	(3.0)	(35.7)	4,995.7	4,827.3	4,496.3	(3.4)	(6.9)
Lumber Prod. (000m^3)	JAN-JULY/98	559.1	689.7	8.5	23.4	765.9	911.9	989.8	19.1	8.5
Coal Prod. ('000 tonnes)	JAN-JULY/98	1,495.7	1,222.4	(16.9)	(18.3)	2,483.0	3,169.9	2,633.0	27.7	(16.9)
Power Generated (GW.h)	JAN-JULY/98	6,185.2	6,211.1	4.2	0.4	9,571.1	10,175.4	10,323.1	6.3	1.5
Mfg. Shipments (\$ millions)	JAN-AUG/98	4,045.5	4,258.2	0.8	5.3	5,960.1	6,131.8	6,229.0	2.9	1.6
Foreign Exports (\$ millions)	JAN-JUNE/98	1,488.1	1,601.2	(3.3)	7.6	2,940.7	3,061.0	3,116.4	4.1	1.8
CONSTRUCTION										
Capital Construction Expenditures (\$millions)	---	---	---	---	---	1,813.4	1,746.2	1,940.9 p	(3.7)	11.1
Building Permits (\$ millions)	JAN-AUG/98	428.0	409.0	(5.8)	(4.4)	619.6	689.0	630.7	11.2	(8.5)
Housing Starts (units)										
Centres 10,000+										
- Starts	JAN-AUG/98	1,945	1,271	10.6	(34.7)	2,695	2,806	2,732	4.1	(2.6)
- Completions	JAN-AUG/98	356	---	64.1	---	2,811	2,845	2,621	1.2	(7.9)
- Under Construction	AUG/98	1,442	1,044	5.6	(27.6)	1,218	1,159	1,214	(4.8)	4.7
All Areas										
- Starts	JAN-JUNE/98	1,828	884	9.5	(51.6)	4,168	4,059	3,813	(2.6)	(6.1)
- Completions	JAN-JUNE/98	1,639	1,263	(3.4)	(22.9)	4,170	4,062	3,756	(2.6)	(7.5)
- Under Construction	JUNE/98	2,073	1,550	7.2	(25.2)	1,980	1,944	1,926	(1.8)	(0.9)
GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT (\$millions)										
- at Mkt.Prices, '92 prices	---	---	---	---	---	18,689	18,810	19,151	0.6	1.8
- at Factor Cost	---	---	---	---	---	16,902	16,990	17,540	0.5	3.2

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CANADA ECONOMIC INDICATORS

INDICATOR	MONTHLY/QUARTERLY/YEAR-TO-DATE STATISTICS					ANNUAL STATISTICS				
	Current Reference Period	1 Year Ago	Current	% Change Reference Period		1995	1996	1997	Year-over-Year % Change	
				1 Year Ago/ 2 Years Ago	Current/ 1 Year Ago				1996/1995	1997/1996
POPULATION	JULY 1/98	30,003,955	30,300,422	2.2	1.0	29,353,854 x	30,003,955 x	30,300,422	2.2	1.0
VITAL STATISTICS										
Births	APR-JUNE/98	94,510	92,790	(1.8)	(1.8)	378,011	366,189	361,785	(3.1)	(1.2)
Deaths	APR-JUNE/98	53,430	53,675	4.0	0.5	210,733	212,859	216,970	1.0	1.9
Marriages	APR-JUNE/98	41,835		1.6	--	160,251	156,401	159,350	(2.4)	1.9
MIGRATION										
Total Net Migration	APR-JUNE/98	57,250	45,690	(2.5)	(20.2)	175,500	156,663	169,787	(10.7)	8.4
Immigration	APR-JUNE/98	67,842	56,147	(1.1)	(17.2)	240,557	235,340	242,665	(2.2)	3.1
Emigration	APR-JUNE/98	10,592	10,457	7.5	(1.3)	65,057	78,677	72,878	20.9	(7.4)
LABOUR FORCE										
- Seasonally Adjusted										
Total Labour Force ('000)	SEPT/98	15,414.5	15,680.5	1.5	1.7	14,927.6	15,145.4	15,354.0	1.5	1.4
Employed ('000)	SEPT/98	14,029.9	14,379.2	2.7	2.5	13,505.5	13,676.2	13,940.6	1.3	1.9
Unemployed ('000)	SEPT/98	1,384.6	1,301.2	(9.0)	(6.0)	1,422.1	1,469.2	1,413.5	3.3	(3.8)
Unemp. Rate (%)	SEPT/98	9.0	8.3	---	---	9.5	9.7	9.2	---	---
Participation Rate (%)	SEPT/98	64.9	65.2	---	---	64.8	64.9	64.8	---	---
- Actual										
Employed ('000)	SEPT/98	14,174.2	14,520.3	2.7	2.4	13,505.5	13,676.2	13,940.6	1.3	1.9
Unemp. Rate (%)	SEPT/98	8.2	7.5	---	---	9.5	9.7	9.2	---	---
- Seasonally Adjusted										
Goods Indus. ('000)	SEPT/98	3,799.6	3,810.7	2.1	0.3	3,653.1	3,681.3	3,768.6	0.8	2.4
Service Indus. ('000)	SEPT/98	10,230.2	10,568.5	2.9	3.3	9,852.4	9,994.9	10,171.9	1.4	1.8

e-Estimate

x-Statistics Canada revised estimate at July 1.

CANADA ECONOMIC INDICATORS

INDICATOR	MONTHLY/QUARTERLY/YEAR-TO-DATE STATISTICS					ANNUAL STATISTICS				
	Current			% Change Reference Period					Year-over-Year % Change	
	Reference Period	1 Year Ago	Current	1 Year Ago/ 2 years Ago	Current/ 1 Year Ago	1995	1996	1997	1996/1995	1997/1996
U.I.C BENEFITS										
Total Benefits Paid (\$'000)	JULY/98	814,407	774,780	(13.9)	(4.9)	13,748,242	13,069,982	11,996,428	(4.9)	(8.2)
Total Beneficiaries (Number)	JULY/98	706,500	673,350	(15.9)	(4.7)	956,428 x	911,469 x	781,885	(4.7)	(14.2)
CONSUMER PRICE INDEX - CANADA - (1992=100.0)										
All Items	SEPT/98	107.8	108.6	1.6	0.7	104.2	105.9	107.6	1.6	1.6
Food	SEPT/98	106.9	108.3	1.3	1.3	104.5	105.9	107.6	1.3	1.6
Shelter	SEPT/98	103.1	103.6	0.1	0.5	102.9	103.1	103.3	0.2	0.2
INCOME										
Personal Income Per Capita (\$)	---	---	---	---	---	22,470	22,711	22,982	1.1	1.2
Total Wages & Salaries (\$ millions)	JAN-JUNE/98	191,964.9	199,242.6	3.9	3.8	366,870.5	376,810.6	391,218.4	2.7	3.8
Average Weekly Wages & Salaries (\$)	JULY/98	600.78	610.76	1.9	1.7	573.75 x	586.06 x	598.26 x	2.1	2.1
RETAIL TRADE										
- (\$ millions)										
All Retail Outlets-S.A.	JAN-JULY/98	136,609.0	143,594.0	7.6	5.1	213,773.9	220,431.0	237,277.8	3.1	7.6
Dept. Store Sales-Actual	JAN-AUG/98	8,916.4	9,590.4	9.8	7.6	13,839.6	14,446.8	15,929.3	4.4	10.3
New Motor Vehicle Sales-Actual	JAN-AUG/98	25,458.8	27,033.0	22.2	6.2	28,168.8	31,485.8	38,986.2	11.8	23.8

x - Annual Averages

CANADA ECONOMIC INDICATORS

INDICATOR	MONTHLY/QUARTERLY/YEAR-TO-DATE STATISTICS					ANNUAL STATISTICS				
	Current	% Change Reference Period				Year-over-Year % Change				
	Reference	1 Year Ago	Current	1 Year Ago/	Current/	1995	1996	1997	1996/1995	1997/1996
	Period			2 Years Ago	1 Year Ago					
COMMODITY SECTORS										
Farm Cash Receipts (\$ millions)	JAN-JUNE/98	14,866.3	14,107.8	2.0	(5.1)	27,025.2	28,640.2	29,513.9	6.0	3.1
Fish Landings (\$ millions)	JAN-DEC/97	1,539.2	n/a	(13.1)	-- --	1,771.2 *	1,539.2	n/a	(13.1)	-- --
Pulp/Wood Residue(000m^3)	JAN-JUNE/98	55,104.3	50,746.4	6.4	(7.9)	112,870.6	107,719.2	110,143.7	(4.6)	2.3
Lumber Prod. (000m^3)	JAN-JULY/98	38,606.6	37,748.0	5.3	(2.2)	62,576.2	64,781.1	64,763.9	3.5	(0.0)
Coal Prod. ('000 tonnes)	JAN-JULY/98	44,564.1	44,083.2	1.0	(1.1)	74,981.0	75,851.4	78,678.1	1.2	3.7
Power Generated (GW.h)	JAN-JULY/98	324,374.4	316,120.5	1.2	(2.5)	543,470.5	555,680.9	552,097.6	2.2	(0.6)
Mfg. Shipments (\$ millions)	JAN-JULY/98	243,456.0	254,044.0	4.7	4.3	396,903.0	406,568.0	434,746.0	2.4	6.9
Foreign Exports (\$ millions)	JAN-JULY/98	160,738.9	165,611.9	7.7	3.0	248,440.8	280,566.0	301,326.0	12.9	7.4
CONSTRUCTION										
Capital Construction										
Expenditures (\$millions)	-- --	-- --	-- --	-- --	-- --	76,437.0	80,288.1	88,166.4 pe	5.0	9.8
Building Permits (\$ millions)	JAN-AUG/98	20,570.8	22,717.8	14.5	10.4	24,605.8	26,155.5	31,214.7	6.3	19.3
Housing Starts - Units										
Centres 10,000+										
- Starts	JAN-JULY/98	69,442	66,684	24.9	(4.0)	89,545	101,804	123,215	13.7	21.0
- Completions	JAN-JULY/98	62,275	64,016	27.1	2.8	99,089	95,980	117,822	(3.1)	22.8
- Under Construction	JULY/98	61,575	63,027	10.8	2.4	49,164	54,604	59,918	11.1	9.7
All Areas										
- Starts	JAN-JUNE/98	67,277	65,671	22.2	(2.4)	110,933	124,713	147,040.0	12.4	17.9
- Completions	JAN-JUNE/98	60,334	60,393	27.3	0.1	119,501	117,834	143,386.0	(1.4)	21.7
- Under Construction	JUNE/98	77,340	77,196	11.2	(0.2)	62,038	70,670	73,984.0	13.9	4.7
GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT (\$millions)										
- at Mkt. Prices, at '92 prices	-- --	-- --	-- --	-- --	-- --	760,309	769,730	799,142	1.2	3.8
- at Factor Cost	-- --	-- --	-- --	-- --	-- --	692,558	710,379	741,420	2.6	4.4

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p - Preliminary actual

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NOVA SCOTIA ECONOMIC INDICATORS

INDICATOR	MONTHLY/QUARTERLY/YEAR-TO-DATE STATISTICS					ANNUAL STATISTICS				
	Current Reference Period	1 Year Ago	Current	% Change Reference Period		1995	1996	1997	Year-over-Year % Change	
				1 Year Ago/	Current/				1996/1995	1997/1996
				2 Years Ago	1 Year Ago					
POPULATION	JULY 1/98	936,286	936,092	0.9	(0.0)	927,710 x	936,286 x	936,092 x	0.9	(0.0)
VITAL STATISTICS										
Births	APR-JUNE/98	2,695	2,755	(5.5)	2.2	10,726	10,562	10,325	(1.5)	(2.2)
Deaths	APR-JUNE/98	1,940	1,945	4.2	0.3	7,687	7,751	7,830	0.8	1.0
Marriages	APR-JUNE/98	1,320	1,310	2.0	(0.8)	5,329	5,376	5,525	0.9	2.8
MIGRATION										
Total Net Migration	APR-JUNE/98	1,020	(872)	25.5	--	1,252	2,580	(320)	106.1	(112.4)
Net Interprovincial	APR-JUNE/98	254	(1,433)	284.8	--	(1,972)	(246)	(2,668)	--	--
Net International	APR-JUNE/98	766	561	2.5	(26.8)	3,224	2,826	2,348	(12.3)	(16.9)
Immigration	APR-JUNE/98	980	767	4.0	(21.7)	4,365	4,132	3,643	(5.3)	(11.8)
Emigration	APR-JUNE/98	214	206	9.7	(3.7)	1,141	1,306	1,295	14.5	(0.8)
LABOUR FORCE										
- Seasonally Adjusted										
Total Labour Force ('000)	OCT/98	447.1	452.3	1.0	1.2	437.2	440.6	446.6	0.8	1.4
Employed ('000)	OCT/98	395.5	404.0	2.9	2.1	384.3	385.0	391.9	0.2	1.8
Unemployed ('000)	OCT/98	51.6	48.4	(11.5)	(6.2)	52.9	55.6	54.7	5.1	(1.6)
Unemp. Rate (%)	OCT/98	11.5	10.7	---	---	12.1	12.6	12.2	---	---
Participation Rate (%)	OCT/98	60.1	60.5	---	---	59.8	59.9	60.2	---	---
- Actual										
Employed ('000)	OCT/98	400.7	408.5	2.8	1.9	384.3	385.0	391.9	0.2	1.8
Unemp. Rate (%)	OCT/98	10.2	9.4	---	---	12.1	12.6	12.2	---	---
- Seasonally Adjusted (3-Month Moving Average)										
Goods Indus. ('000)	OCT/98	94.3	91.2	11.3	(3.3)	88.2	84.6	92.0	(4.1)	8.7
Service Indus. ('000)	OCT/98	299.7	311.0	(0.2)	3.8	296.1	300.4	299.9	1.5	(0.2)

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e - Estimate

NOVA SCOTIA ECONOMIC INDICATORS

INDICATOR	MONTHLY/QUARTERLY/YEAR-TO-DATE STATISTICS					ANNUAL STATISTICS				
	Current Reference Period	1 Year Ago	Current	% Change Reference Period		1995	1996	1997	Year-over-Year % Change	
				1 Year Ago/ 2 years Ago	Current 1 Year Ago				1996/1995	1997/1996
U.I.C BENEFITS										
Total Benefits Paid (\$'000)	AUG/98	34,632	41,676	(12.8)	20.3	660,004	617,429	586,886	(6.5)	(4.9)
Total Beneficiaries (Number)	AUG/98	32,740	32,880	(11.1)	0.4	48,543 x	45,172 x	40,359	(6.9)	(10.7)
CONSUMER PRICE INDEX - Nova Scotia - (1992=100.0)										
All Items	OCT/98	108.3	108.7	1.6	0.4	103.8	105.6	107.8	1.7	2.1
Food	OCT/98	107.7	110.0	(0.1)	2.1	105.0	106.5	108.4	1.4	1.8
Shelter	OCT/98	106.1	104.6	1.0	(1.4)	101.9	104.1	105.7	2.2	1.5
INCOME										
Personal Income Per Capita (\$)	---	---	---	---	---	19,122	19,237	19,487	0.6	1.3
Total Wages & Salaries (\$ millions)	JAN-JUNE/98	4,584.3	4,742.3	3.0	3.4	9,008.3	9,125.0	9,401.3	1.3	3.0
Average Weekly Wages & Salaries (\$)	AUG/98	498.72	513.53	1.3	3.0	489.15 x	494.47 x	501.47 x	1.1	1.4
RETAIL TRADE										
- (\$ millions)										
All Retail Outlets-S.A.	JAN-AUG/98	4,837.0	5,026.7	4.6	3.9	6,483.2	7,033.8	7,293.8	8.5	3.7
Dept. Store Sales-Actual	JAN-AUG/98	268.7	288.5	8.1	7.4	456.3	469.7	505.6	2.9	7.6
New Motor Vehicle Sales-Actual	JAN-SEPT/98	715.8	802.1	19.4	12.1	688.8	771.5	937.5	12.0	21.5

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NOVA SCOTIA ECONOMIC INDICATORS

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	Current Reference Period	1 Year Ago	Current	% Change Reference Period		1995	1996	1997	Year-over-Year % Change	
				1 Year Ago/ 2 Years Ago	Current/ 1 Year Ago				1996/1995	1997/1996
COMMODITY SECTORS										
Farm Cash Receipts (\$ millions)	JAN-JUNE/98	177.4	174.5	2.6	(1.6)	329.9	381.7	374.2	15.7	(2.0)
Fish Landings (\$ millions)	JAN-DEC/97	459.4	479.3	(10.3)	4.3	512.2	459.4	479.3	(10.3)	4.3
Pulp/Wood Residue (000m^3)	JAN-JULY/98	2,611.6	2,118.9	(5.2)	(18.9)	4,995.7	4,827.3	4,496.3	(3.4)	(6.9)
Lumber Prod. (000m^3)	JAN-AUG/98	641.2	812.6	6.3	26.7	765.9	911.9	989.8	19.1	8.5
Coal Prod. ('000 tonnes)	JAN-AUG/98	1,708.0	1,407.1	(16.4)	(17.6)	2,483.0	3,169.9	2,633.0	27.7	(16.9)
Power Generated (GW.h)	JAN-AUG/98	6,948.4	7,008.6	4.4	0.9	9,571.1	10,175.4	10,323.1	6.3	1.5
Mfg. Shipments (\$ millions)	JAN-SEPT/98	4,603.5	4,843.9	0.9	5.2	5,960.1	6,131.8	6,229.0	2.9	1.6
Foreign Exports (\$ millions)	JAN-JUNE/98	1,488.1	1,601.2	(3.3)	7.6	2,940.7	3,061.0	3,116.4	4.1	1.8
CONSTRUCTION										
Capital Construction Expenditures (\$millions)	---	---	---	---	---	1,813.4	1,746.2	1,940.9 p	(3.7)	11.1
Building Permits (\$ millions)	JAN-SEPT/98	492.4	455.4	(3.4)	(7.5)	619.6	689.0	630.7	11.2	(8.5)
Housing Starts (units)										
Centres 10,000+										
- Starts	JAN-OCT/98	2,298	1,940	2.5	(15.6)	2,695	2,806	2,732	4.1	(2.6)
- Completions	JAN-OCT/98	2,102	1,942	(0.8)	---	2,811	2,845	2,621	1.2	(7.9)
- Under Construction	OCT/98	1,295	1,206	(2.2)	(6.9)	1,218	1,159	1,214	(4.8)	4.7
All Areas										
- Starts	JAN-SEPT/98	2,973	2,317	(1.0)	(22.1)	4,168	4,059	3,813	(2.6)	(6.1)
- Completions	JAN-SEPT/98	2,628	2,359	(4.0)	(10.2)	4,170	4,062	3,756	(2.6)	(7.5)
- Under Construction	SEPT/98	2,226	1,871	0.0	(15.9)	1,980	1,944	1,926	(1.8)	(0.9)
GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT (\$millions)										
- at Mkt.Prices, '92 prices	---	---	---	---	---	18,689	18,810	19,151	0.6	1.8
- at Factor Cost	---	---	---	---	---	16,902	16,990	17,540	0.5	3.2

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VITAL STATISTICS										
Births	APR-JUNE/98	94,510	92,790	(1.8)	(1.8)	378,011	366,189	361,785	(3.1)	(1.2)
Deaths	APR-JUNE/98	53,430	53,675	4.0	0.5	210,733	212,859	216,970	1.0	1.9
Marriages	APR-JUNE/98	41,835	43,495	1.6	4.0	160,251	156,401	159,350	(2.4)	1.9
MIGRATION										
Total Net Migration	APR-JUNE/98	57,250	45,690	(2.5)	(20.2)	175,500	156,663	169,787	(10.7)	8.4
Immigration	APR-JUNE/98	67,842	56,147	(1.1)	(17.2)	240,557	235,340	242,665	(2.2)	3.1
Emigration	APR-JUNE/98	10,592	10,457	7.5	(1.3)	65,057	78,677	72,878	20.9	(7.4)
LABOUR FORCE										
- Seasonally Adjusted										
Total Labour Force ('000)	OCT/98	15,432.3	15,701.5	1.4	1.7	14,927.6	15,145.4	15,354.0	1.5	1.4
Employed ('000)	OCT/98	14,029.5	14,436.4	2.3	2.9	13,505.5	13,676.2	13,940.6	1.3	1.9
Unemployed ('000)	OCT/98	1,402.8	1,265.0	(7.3)	(9.8)	1,422.1	1,469.2	1,413.5	3.3	(3.8)
Unemp. Rate (%)	OCT/98	9.1	8.1	---	---	9.5	9.7	9.2	---	---
Participation Rate (%)	OCT/98	64.9	65.2	---	---	64.8	64.9	64.8	---	---
- Actual										
Employed ('000)	OCT/98	14,105.6	14,526.1	2.3	3.0	13,505.5	13,676.2	13,940.6	1.3	1.9
Unemp. Rate (%)	OCT/98	8.4	7.4	---	---	9.5	9.7	9.2	---	---
- Seasonally Adjusted										
Goods Indus. ('000)	OCT/98	3,802.9	3,748.6	1.7	(1.4)	3,653.1	3,681.3	3,768.6	0.8	2.4
Service Indus. ('000)	OCT/98	10,226.7	10,587.9	2.5	3.5	9,852.4	9,994.9	10,171.9	1.4	1.8

e-Estimate

x-Statistics Canada revised estimate at July 1.

CANADA ECONOMIC INDICATORS

INDICATOR	MONTHLY/QUARTERLY/YEAR-TO-DATE STATISTICS					ANNUAL STATISTICS				
	Current Reference Period	1 Year Ago	Current	% Change Reference Period		1995	1996	1997	Year-over-Year % Change	
				1 Year Ago/ 2 years Ago	Current/ 1 Year Ago				1996/1995	1997/1996
U.I.C BENEFITS										
Total Benefits Paid (\$'000)	AUG/98	802,569	916,856	(14.6)	14.2	13,748,242	13,069,982	11,996,428	(4.9)	(8.2)
Total Beneficiaries (Number)	AUG/98	688,950	663,270	(14.8)	(3.7)	956,428 x	911,469 x	781,885	(4.7)	(14.2)
CONSUMER PRICE INDEX - CANADA - (1992=100.0)										
All Items	OCT/98	107.9	109.0	1.5	1.0	104.2	105.9	107.6	1.6	1.6
Food	OCT/98	107.0	108.5	0.8	1.4	104.5	105.9	107.6	1.3	1.6
Shelter	OCT/98	103.2	104.2	(0.3)	1.0	102.9	103.1	103.3	0.2	0.2
INCOME										
Personal Income Per Capita (\$)	---	---	---	---	---	22,470	22,711	22,982	1.1	1.2
Total Wages & Salaries (\$ millions)	JAN-JUNE/98	191,964.9	199,242.6	3.9	3.8	366,870.5	376,810.6	391,218.4	2.7	3.8
Average Weekly Wages & Salaries (\$)	AUG/98	598.71	606.91	1.5	1.4	573.75 x	586.06 x	598.26 x	2.1	2.1
RETAIL TRADE										
- (\$ millions)										
All Retail Outlets-S.A.	JAN-AUG/98	156,511.7	164,348.9	7.7	5.0	213,773.9	220,431.0	237,277.8	3.1	7.6
Dept. Store Sales-Actual	JAN-AUG/98	8,916.4	9,590.4	9.8	7.6	13,839.6	14,446.8	15,929.3	4.4	10.3
New Motor Vehicle Sales-Actual	JAN-SEPT/98	28,573.1	30,602.0	22.6	7.1	28,168.8	31,485.8	38,986.2	11.8	23.8

x - Annual Averages

CANADA ECONOMIC INDICATORS

INDICATOR	MONTHLY/QUARTERLY/YEAR-TO-DATE STATISTICS					ANNUAL STATISTICS				
	Current	% Change Reference Period				Year-over-Year % Change				
	Reference	1 Year Ago	Current	1 Year Ago/	Current/	1995	1996	1997	1996/1995	1997/1996
	Period			2 Years Ago	1 Year Ago					
COMMODITY SECTORS										
Farm Cash Receipts (\$ millions)	JAN-JUNE/98	14,866.3	14,107.8	2.0	(5.1)	27,025.2	28,640.2	29,513.9	6.0	3.1
Fish Landings (\$ millions)	JAN-DEC/97	1,539.2	n/a	(13.1)	--	1,771.2 *	1,539.2	n/a	(13.1)	--
Pulp/Wood Residue(000m^3)	JAN-JULY/98	63,993.5	61,540.3	5.4	(3.8)	112,870.6	107,719.2	110,143.7	(4.6)	2.3
Lumber Prod. (000m^3)	JAN-AUG/98	43,470.6	42,741.7	0.8	(1.7)	62,576.2	64,781.1	64,763.9	3.5	(0.0)
Coal Prod. ('000 tonnes)	JAN-AUG/98	51,353.6	50,419.3	1.6	(1.8)	74,981.0	75,851.4	78,678.1	1.2	3.7
Power Generated (GW.h)	JAN-AUG/98	368,333.2	362,310.0	(5.3)	(1.6)	543,470.5	555,680.9	552,097.6	2.2	(0.6)
Mfg. Shipments (\$ millions)	JAN-AUG/98	279,452.0	291,032.0	4.6	4.1	396,903.0	406,568.0	434,746.0	2.4	6.9
Foreign Exports (\$ millions)	JAN-AUG/98	183,662.1	189,640.7	7.4	3.3	248,440.8	280,566.0	301,326.0	12.9	7.4
CONSTRUCTION										
Capital Construction										
Expenditures (\$millions)	-- --	-- --	-- --	-- --	-- --	76,437.0	80,288.1	88,166.4 pe	5.0	9.8
Building Permits (\$ millions)	JAN-SEPT/98	23,531.8	25,718.2	16.3	9.3	24,605.8	26,155.5	31,214.7	6.3	19.3
Housing Starts - Units										
Centres 10,000+										
- Starts	JAN-SEPT/98	91,876	87,823	22.3	(4.4)	89,545	101,804	123,215	13.7	21.0
- Completions	JAN-SEPT/98	84,900	84,152	23.6	(0.9)	99,089	95,980	117,822	(3.1)	22.8
- Under Construction	SEPT/98	61,493	64,032	11.1	4.1	49,164	54,604	59,918	11.1	9.7
All Areas										
- Starts	JAN-SEPT/98	110,136	103,066	19.4	(6.4)	110,933	124,713	147,040.0	12.4	17.9
- Completions	JAN-SEPT/98	103,161	98,771	22.1	(4.3)	119,501	117,834	143,386.0	(1.4)	21.7
- Under Construction	SEPT/98	77,470	78,081	11.5	0.8	62,038	70,670	73,984.0	13.9	4.7
GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT (\$millions)										
- at Mkt. Prices, at '92 prices	-- --	-- --	-- --	-- --	-- --	760,309	769,730	799,142	1.2	3.8
- at Factor Cost	-- --	-- --	-- --	-- --	-- --	692,558	710,379	741,420	2.6	4.4

e - Estimate

p - Preliminary actual

Sources: Statistics Canada, Conference Board



Economic Indicators

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NOVA SCOTIA ECONOMIC INDICATORS

INDICATOR	MONTHLY/QUARTERLY/YEAR-TO-DATE STATISTICS					ANNUAL STATISTICS				
	Current Reference Period	1 Year Ago	Current	% Change Reference Period		1995	1996	1997	Year-over-Year % Change	
				1 Year Ago/	Current/				1996/1995	1997/1996
				2 Years Ago	1 Year Ago					
POPULATION	JULY 1/98	936,286	936,092	0.9	(0.0)	927,710 x	936,286 x	936,092 x	0.9	(0.0)
VITAL STATISTICS										
Births	APR-JUNE/98	2,695	2,755	(5.5)	2.2	10,726	10,562	10,325	(1.5)	(2.2)
Deaths	APR-JUNE/98	1,940	1,945	4.2	0.3	7,687	7,751	7,830	0.8	1.0
Marriages	APR-JUNE/98	1,320	1,310	2.0	(0.8)	5,329	5,376	5,525	0.9	2.8
MIGRATION										
Total Net Migration	APR-JUNE/98	1,020	(872)	25.5	--	1,252	2,580	(320)	106.1	(112.4)
Net Interprovincial	APR-JUNE/98	254	(1,433)	284.8	--	(1,972)	(246)	(2,668)	--	--
Net International	APR-JUNE/98	766	561	2.5	(26.8)	3,224	2,826	2,348	(12.3)	(16.9)
Immigration	APR-JUNE/98	980	767	4.0	(21.7)	4,365	4,132	3,643	(5.3)	(11.8)
Emigration	APR-JUNE/98	214	206	9.7	(3.7)	1,141	1,306	1,295	14.5	(0.8)
LABOUR FORCE										
- Seasonally Adjusted										
Total Labour Force ('000)	NOV/98	446.6	453.7	1.2	1.6	437.2	440.6	446.6	0.8	1.4
Employed ('000)	NOV/98	395.2	403.7	3.0	2.2	384.3	385.0	391.9	0.2	1.8
Unemployed ('000)	NOV/98	51.4	49.9	(10.5)	(2.9)	52.9	55.6	54.7	5.1	(1.6)
Unemp. Rate (%)	NOV/98	11.5	11.0	---	---	12.1	12.6	12.2	---	---
Participation Rate (%)	NOV/98	60.0	60.7	---	---	59.8	59.9	60.2	---	---
- Actual										
Employed ('000)	NOV/98	395.7	402.4	2.9	1.7	384.3	385.0	391.9	0.2	1.8
Unemp. Rate (%)	NOV/98	10.6	10.4	---	---	12.1	12.6	12.2	---	---
- Seasonally Adjusted (3-Month Moving Average)										
Goods Indus. ('000)	NOV/98	95.5	90.3	13.4	(5.4)	88.2	84.6	92.0	(4.1)	8.7
Service Indus. ('000)	NOV/98	299.4	312.3	(0.2)	4.3	296.1	300.4	299.9	1.5	(0.2)

x - Statistics Canada revised estimate at July 1.

e - Estimate

NOVA SCOTIA ECONOMIC INDICATORS

INDICATOR	MONTHLY/QUARTERLY/YEAR-TO-DATE STATISTICS					ANNUAL STATISTICS				
	Current Reference Period	1 Year Ago	Current	% Change Reference Period		1995	1996	1997	Year-over-Year % Change	
				1 Year Ago/ 2 years Ago	Current 1 Year Ago				1996/1995	1997/1996
U.I.C BENEFITS										
Total Benefits Paid (\$'000)	SEPT/98	38,613	37,418	(2.9)	(3.1)	660,004	617,429	586,886	(6.5)	(4.9)
Total Beneficiaries (Number)	SEPT/98	26,680	28,500	(20.2)	6.8	48,543 x	45,172 x	40,359	(6.9)	(10.7)
CONSUMER PRICE INDEX - Nova Scotia - (1992=100.0)										
All Items	NOV/98	108.1	108.7	1.0	0.6	103.8	105.6	107.8	1.7	2.1
Food	NOV/98	109.0	110.2	1.5	1.1	105.0	106.5	108.4	1.4	1.8
Shelter	NOV/98	105.9	104.6	0.6	(1.2)	101.9	104.1	105.7	2.2	1.5
INCOME										
Personal Income Per Capita (\$)	---	---	---	---	---	19,122	19,237	19,487	0.6	1.3
Total Wages & Salaries (\$ millions)	JAN-SEPT/98	7,027.3	7,201.2	3.3	2.5	9,008.3	9,125.0	9,389.0	1.3	2.9
Average Weekly Wages & Salaries (\$)	SEPT/98	497.91	507.02	1.1	1.8	489.15 x	494.47 x	501.47 x	1.1	1.4
RETAIL TRADE										
- (\$ millions)										
All Retail Outlets-S.A.	JAN-SEPT/98	5,456.9	5,657.0	4.8	3.7	6,483.2	7,033.8	7,293.8	8.5	3.7
Dept. Store Sales-Actual	JAN-OCT/98	355.4	376.9	8.7	6.0	456.3	469.7	505.6	2.9	7.6
New Motor Vehicle Sales-Actual	JAN-OCT/98	788.8	873.1	19.3	10.7	688.8	771.5	937.5	12.0	21.5

x - Annual Averages

NOVA SCOTIA ECONOMIC INDICATORS

INDICATOR	MONTHLY/QUARTERLY/YEAR-TO-DATE STATISTICS					ANNUAL STATISTICS				
	Current Reference Period			% Change Reference Period					Year-over-Year % Change	
		1 Year Ago	Current	1 Year Ago/ 2 Years Ago	Current/ 1 Year Ago	1995	1996	1997	1996/1995	1997/1996
COMMODITY SECTORS										
Farm Cash Receipts (\$ millions)	JAN-SEPT/98	269.0	277.1	(4.9)	3.0	329.9	381.7	374.2	15.7	(2.0)
Fish Landings (\$ millions)	JAN-DEC/97	459.4	479.3	(10.3)	4.3	512.2	459.4	479.3	(10.3)	4.3
Pulp/Wood Residue (000m^3)	JAN-SEPT/98	3,354.4	2,605.7	(6.0)	(22.3)	4,995.7	4,827.3	4,496.3	(3.4)	(6.9)
Lumber Prod. (000m^3)	JAN-SEPT/98	729.2	947.4	6.9	29.9	765.9	911.9	989.8	19.1	8.5
Coal Prod. ('000 tonnes)	JAN-SEPT/98	1,963.7	1,504.3	(12.8)	(23.4)	2,483.0	3,169.9	2,680.0	27.7	(15.5)
Power Generated (GW.h)	JAN-SEPT/98	7,685.1	7,799.6	3.7	1.5	9,571.1	10,175.4	10,323.1	6.3	1.5
Mfg. Shipments (\$ millions)	JAN-OCT/98	5,184.9	5,434.2	1.2	4.8	5,960.1	6,131.8	6,229.0	2.9	1.6
Foreign Exports (\$ millions)	JAN-SEPT/98	2,272.9	2,458.7	(0.8)	8.2	2,940.7	3,061.0	3,116.4	4.1	1.8
CONSTRUCTION										
Capital Construction										
Expenditures (\$millions)	---	---	---	---	---	1,813.4	1,746.2	1,940.9 p	(3.7)	11.1
Building Permits (\$ millions)	JAN-OCT/98	551.0	531.8	(4.1)	(3.5)	619.6	689.0	630.7	11.2	(8.5)
Housing Starts (units)										
Centres 10,000+										
- Starts	JAN-NOV/98	2,497	2,088	(1.5)	(16.4)	2,695	2,806	2,732	4.1	(2.6)
- Completions	JAN-NOV/98	2,411	2,131	1.5	(11.6)	2,811	2,845	2,621	1.2	(7.9)
- Under Construction	NOV/98	1,182	1,165	(13.2)	(1.4)	1,218	1,159	1,214	(4.8)	4.7
All Areas										
- Starts	JAN-SEPT/98	2,973	2,317	(1.0)	(22.1)	4,168	4,059	3,813	(2.6)	(6.1)
- Completions	JAN-SEPT/98	2,628	2,359	(4.0)	(10.2)	4,170	4,062	3,756	(2.6)	(7.5)
- Under Construction	SEPT/98	2,226	1,871	0.0	(15.9)	1,980	1,944	1,926	(1.8)	(0.9)
GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT (\$millions)										
- at '92 prices	---	---	---	---	---	18,689	18,810	19,151	0.6	1.8
- at Factor Cost	---	---	---	---	---	16,902	16,990	17,540	0.5	3.2

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e - Estimate

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CANADA ECONOMIC INDICATORS

INDICATOR	MONTHLY/QUARTERLY/YEAR-TO-DATE STATISTICS					ANNUAL STATISTICS				
	Current Reference Period	1 Year Ago	Current	% Change Reference Period		1995	1996	1997	Year-over-Year % Change	
				1 Year Ago/ 2 Years Ago	Current/ 1 Year Ago				1996/1995	1997/1996
POPULATION	JULY 1/98	30,003,955	30,300,422	2.2	1.0	29,353,854 x	30,003,955 x	30,300,422	2.2	1.0
VITAL STATISTICS										
Births	APR-JUNE/98	94,510	92,790	(1.8)	(1.8)	378,011	366,189	361,785	(3.1)	(1.2)
Deaths	APR-JUNE/98	53,430	53,675	4.0	0.5	210,733	212,859	216,970	1.0	1.9
Marriages	APR-JUNE/98	41,835	43,495	1.6	4.0	160,251	156,401	159,350	(2.4)	1.9
MIGRATION										
Total Net Migration	APR-JUNE/98	57,250	45,690	(2.5)	(20.2)	175,500	156,663	169,787	(10.7)	8.4
Immigration	APR-JUNE/98	67,842	56,147	(1.1)	(17.2)	240,557	235,340	242,665	(2.2)	3.1
Emigration	APR-JUNE/98	10,592	10,457	7.5	(1.3)	65,057	78,677	72,878	20.9	(7.4)
LABOUR FORCE										
- Seasonally Adjusted										
Total Labour Force ('000)	NOV/98	15,449.7	15,807.6	1.3	2.3	14,927.6	15,145.4	15,354.0	1.5	1.4
Employed ('000)	NOV/98	14,066.4	14,539.8	2.5	3.4	13,505.5	13,676.2	13,940.6	1.3	1.9
Unemployed ('000)	NOV/98	1,383.4	1,267.8	(8.9)	(8.4)	1,422.1	1,469.2	1,413.5	3.3	(3.8)
Unemp. Rate (%)	NOV/98	9.0	8.0	---	---	9.5	9.7	9.2	---	---
Participation Rate (%)	NOV/98	64.9	65.6	---	---	64.8	64.9	64.8	---	---
- Actual										
Employed ('000)	NOV/98	14,010.3	14,493.4	2.4	3.4	13,505.5	13,676.2	13,940.6	1.3	1.9
Unemp. Rate (%)	NOV/98	8.6	7.7	---	---	9.5	9.7	9.2	---	---
- Seasonally Adjusted										
Goods Indus. ('000)	NOV/98	3,809.7	3,897.0	2.3	2.3	3,653.1	3,681.3	3,768.6	0.8	2.4
Service Indus. ('000)	NOV/98	10,256.7	10,642.8	2.5	3.8	9,852.4	9,994.9	10,171.9	1.4	1.8

e-Estimate

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CANADA ECONOMIC INDICATORS

INDICATOR	MONTHLY/QUARTERLY/YEAR-TO-DATE STATISTICS					ANNUAL STATISTICS				
	Current Reference Period	1 Year Ago	Current	% Change Reference Period		1995	1996	1997	Year-over-Year % Change	
				1 Year Ago/ 2 years Ago	Current/ 1 Year Ago				1996/1995	1997/1996
U.I.C BENEFITS										
Total Benefits Paid (\$'000)	SEPT/98	859,800	760,868	3.2	(11.5)	13,748,242	13,069,982	11,996,428	(4.9)	(8.2)
Total Beneficiaries (Number)	SEPT/98	586,600	559,610	(15.5)	(4.6)	956,428 x	911,469 x	781,885	(4.7)	(14.2)
CONSUMER PRICE INDEX - CANADA - (1992=100.0)										
All Items	NOV/98	107.7	109.0	0.8	1.2	104.2	105.9	107.6	1.6	1.6
Food	NOV/98	108.0	109.7	0.9	1.6	104.5	105.9	107.6	1.3	1.6
Shelter	NOV/98	103.2	104.2	0.1	1.0	102.9	103.1	103.3	0.2	0.2
INCOME										
Personal Income Per Capita (\$)	---	---	---	---	---	22,470	22,711	22,982	1.1	1.2
Total Wages & Salaries (\$ millions)	JAN-SEPT/98	292,229.1	304,924.0	4.0	4.3	366,870.5	376,810.6	391,980.5	2.7	4.0
Average Weekly Wages & Salaries (\$)	SEPT/98	598.48	603.24	1.5	0.8	573.75 x	586.06 x	598.26 x	2.1	2.1
RETAIL TRADE										
- (\$ millions)										
All Retail Outlets-S.A.	JAN-SEPT/98	176,487.0	185,395.0	7.8	5.0	213,773.9	220,431.0	237,277.8	3.1	7.6
Dept. Store Sales-Actual	JAN-OCT/98	11,611.5	12,425.3	10.4	7.0	13,839.6	14,446.8	15,929.3	4.4	10.3
New Motor Vehicle Sales-Actual	JAN-OCT/98	31,945.0	33,823.3	21.9	5.9	28,168.8	31,485.8	38,986.2	11.8	23.8

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CANADA ECONOMIC INDICATORS

INDICATOR	MONTHLY/QUARTERLY/YEAR-TO-DATE STATISTICS					ANNUAL STATISTICS				
	Current	% Change Reference Period				Year-over-Year % Change				
	Reference	1 Year Ago	Current	1 Year Ago/	Current/	1995	1996	1997	1996/1995	1997/1996
	Period			2 Years Ago	1 Year Ago					
COMMODITY SECTORS										
Farm Cash Receipts (\$ millions)	JAN-SEPT/98	22,203.3	21,620.6	2.8	(2.6)	27,025.2	28,640.2	29,513.9	6.0	3.1
Fish Landings (\$ millions)	JAN-DEC/97	1,539.2	n/a	(13.1)	--	1,771.2 *	1,539.2	n/a	(13.1)	--
Pulp/Wood Residue(000m^3)	JAN-SEPT/98	81,593.6	79,289.1	2.9	(2.8)	112,870.6	107,719.2	110,143.7	(4.6)	2.3
Lumber Prod. (000m^3)	JAN-SEPT/98	49,923.3	48,665.3	3.9	(2.5)	62,576.2	64,781.1	64,763.9	3.5	(0.0)
Coal Prod. ('000 tonnes)	JAN-SEPT/98	58,320.4	56,486.9	2.2	(3.1)	74,981.0	75,851.4	78,651.4	1.2	3.7
Power Generated (GW.h)	JAN-SEPT/98	409,898.4	404,679.6	1.3	(1.3)	543,470.5	555,680.9	553,855.0	2.2	(0.3)
Mfg. Shipments (\$ millions)	JAN-SEPT/98	317,824.0	330,518.0	4.9	4.0	396,903.0	406,568.0	434,746.0	2.4	6.9
Foreign Exports (\$ millions)	JAN-SEPT/98	207,705.6	215,899.8	7.3	3.9	248,440.8	280,566.0	301,326.0	12.9	7.4
CONSTRUCTION										
Capital Construction										
Expenditures (\$millions)	-- --	-- --	-- --	-- --	-- --	76,437.0	80,288.1	88,166.4 pe	5.0	9.8
Building Permits (\$ millions)	JAN-OCT/98	26,553.3	28,512.7	17.3	7.4	24,605.8	26,155.5	31,214.7	6.3	19.3
Housing Starts - Units										
Centres 10,000+										
- Starts	JAN-NOV/98	113,575	107,596	21.7	(5.3)	89,545	101,804	123,215	13.7	21.0
- Completions	JAN-NOV/98	107,161	102,293	22.5	(4.5)	99,089	95,980	117,822	(3.1)	22.8
- Under Construction	NOV/98	60,969	65,513	11.6	7.5	49,164	54,604	59,918	11.1	9.7
All Areas										
- Starts	JAN-SEPT/98	110,136	103,066	19.4	(6.4)	110,933	124,713	147,040.0	12.4	17.9
- Completions	JAN-SEPT/98	103,161	98,771	22.1	(4.3)	119,501	117,834	143,386.0	(1.4)	21.7
- Under Construction	SEPT/98	77,470	78,081	11.5	0.8	62,038	70,670	73,984.0	13.9	4.7
GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT (\$millions)										
- at '92 prices	-- --	-- --	-- --	-- --	-- --	760,309	769,730	799,142	1.2	3.8
- at Factor Cost	-- --	-- --	-- --	-- --	-- --	692,558	710,379	741,420	2.6	4.4

e - Estimate

p - Preliminary actual

Sources: Statistics Canada, Conference Board



Economic Indicators

December 1998



NOVA SCOTIA ECONOMIC INDICATORS

INDICATOR	MONTHLY/QUARTERLY/YEAR-TO-DATE STATISTICS					ANNUAL STATISTICS				
	Current	% Change Reference Period				Year-over-Year % Change				
	Reference	1 Year Ago	Current	1 Year Ago/ 2 Years Ago	Current/ 1 Year Ago	1996	1997	1998	1997/1996	1998/1997
	Period									
POPULATION	JULY 1/98	936,286	936,092	0.5	(0.0)	931,235 x	936,286 x	936,092 x	0.5	(0.0)
VITAL STATISTICS										
Births	APR-JUNE/98	2,695	2,755	(5.5)	2.2	10,562	10,325	n/a	(2.2)	---
Deaths	APR-JUNE/98	1,940	1,945	4.2	0.3	7,751	7,830	n/a	1.0	---
Marriages	APR-JUNE/98	1,320	1,310	2.0	(0.8)	5,376	5,525	n/a	2.8	---
MIGRATION										
Total Net Migration	APR-JUNE/98	1,020	(872)	25.5	---	2,580	(320)	n/a	(112.4)	---
Net Interprovincial	APR-JUNE/98	254	(1,433)	284.8	---	(246)	(2,668)	n/a	---	---
Net International	APR-JUNE/98	766	561	2.5	(26.8)	2,826	2,348	n/a	(16.9)	---
Immigration	APR-JUNE/98	980	767	4.0	(21.7)	4,132	3,643	n/a	(11.8)	---
Emigration	APR-JUNE/98	214	206	9.7	(3.7)	1,306	1,295	n/a	(0.8)	---
LABOUR FORCE										
- Seasonally Adjusted										
Total Labour Force ('000)	DEC/98	449.7	449.4	1.4	(0.1)	440.6	446.6	452.1	1.4	1.2
Employed ('000)	DEC/98	397.5	401.8	3.1	1.1	385.0	391.9	403.7	1.8	3.0
Unemployed ('000)	DEC/98	52.2	47.6	(10.3)	(8.8)	55.6	54.7	48.4	(1.6)	(11.5)
Unemp. Rate (%)	DEC/98	11.6	10.6	---	---	12.6	12.2	10.7	---	---
Participation Rate (%)	DEC/98	60.4	60.1	---	---	59.9	60.2	60.6	---	---
- Actual										
Employed ('000)	DEC/98	396.7	400.0	3.3	0.8	385.0	391.9	403.7	1.8	3.0
Unemp. Rate (%)	DEC/98	10.4	9.6	---	---	12.6	12.2	10.7	---	---
- Seasonally Adjusted (3-Month Moving Average)										
Goods Indus. ('000)	DEC/98	96.4	92.4	13.9	(4.1)	84.6	92.0	95.4 e	8.7	3.7
Service Indus. ('000)	DEC/98	299.7	310.8	(0.1)	3.7	300.4	299.9	308.1 e	(0.2)	2.7

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e - estimate

NOVA SCOTIA ECONOMIC INDICATORS

INDICATOR	MONTHLY/QUARTERLY/YEAR-TO-DATE STATISTICS					ANNUAL STATISTICS				
	Current Reference Period	1 Year Ago	Current	<u>% Change Reference Period</u>		1996	1997	1998	<u>Year-over-Year % Change</u>	
				1 Year Ago/ 2 years Ago	Current 1 Year Ago				1997/1996	1998/1997
U.I.C BENEFITS										
Total Benefits Paid (\$'000)	OCT/98	35,879	35,760	(7.8)	(0.3)	617,429	586,886	n/a	(4.9)	---
Total Beneficiaries (Number)	OCT/98	31,340	31,950	(9.4)	1.9	45,172 x	40,359 x	n/a	(10.7)	---
CONSUMER PRICE INDEX - Nova Scotia - (1992=100.0)										
All Items	DEC/98	108.0	108.4	0.7	0.4	105.6	107.8	108.5 e	2.1	0.6
Food	DEC/98	109.4	109.8	1.0	0.4	106.5	108.4	110.5 e	1.8	1.9
Shelter	DEC/98	106.0	104.6	0.4	(1.3)	104.1	105.7	104.7 e	1.5	(0.9)
INCOME										
Personal Income Per Capita (\$)	---	---	---	---	---	19,237	19,487	20,135 e	1.3	3.3
Total Wages & Salaries (\$ millions)	JAN-OCT/98	7,831.3	8,024.7	3.3	2.5	9,125.0	9,389.0	n/a	2.9	---
Average Weekly Wages & Salaries (\$)	OCT/98	503.52	513.84	(0.0)	2.0	494.47 x	501.47 x	n/a	1.4	---
RETAIL TRADE										
- (\$ millions)										
All Retail Outlets-S.A.	JAN-OCT/98	6,067.2	6,296.7	4.2	3.8	7,033.8	7,293.8	n/a	3.7	---
Dept. Store Sales-Actual	JAN-NOV/98	418.6	442.0	7.4	5.6	469.7	505.6	n/a	7.6	---
New Motor Vehicle Sales-Actual	JAN-NOV/98	856.8	940.5	19.3	9.8	771.5	937.5	n/a	21.5	---

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NOVA SCOTIA ECONOMIC INDICATORS

INDICATOR	MONTHLY/QUARTERLY/YEAR-TO-DATE STATISTICS					ANNUAL STATISTICS				
	Current Reference Period	<u>% Change Reference Period</u>				<u>Year-over-Year % Change</u>				
	1 Year Ago	Current	1 Year Ago/ 2 Years Ago	Current/ 1 Year Ago	1996	1997	1998	1997/1996	1998/1997	
COMMODITY SECTORS										
Farm Cash Receipts (\$ millions)	JAN-SEPT/98	269.0	277.1	(4.9)	3.0	381.7	374.2	n/a	(2.0)	--
Fish Landings (\$ millions)	JAN-DEC/97	459.4	479.3	(10.3)	4.3	459.4	479.3	n/a	4.3	--
Pulp/Wood Residue (000m^3)	JAN-OCT/98	3,788.0	2,857.5	(5.9)	(24.6)	4,827.3	4,496.3	n/a	(6.9)	--
Lumber Prod. (000m^3)	JAN-OCT/98	826.2	1,079.9	7.6	30.7	911.9	989.8	n/a	8.5	--
Coal Prod. ('000 tonnes)	JAN-OCT/98	2,297.5	1,557.7	(11.1)	(32.2)	3,169.9	2,680.0	n/a	(15.5)	--
Power Generated (GW.h)	JAN-OCT/98	8,506.1	8,666.5	3.6	1.9	10,175.4	10,323.1	n/a	1.5	--
Mfg. Shipments (\$ millions)	JAN-OCT/98	5,184.9	5,434.2	1.2	4.8	6,131.8	6,229.0	n/a	1.6	--
Foreign Exports (\$ millions)	JAN-SEPT/98	2,272.9	2,458.7	(0.8)	8.2	3,061.0	3,116.4	n/a	1.8	--
CONSTRUCTION										
Capital Construction										
Expenditures (\$millions)	--	--	--	--	--	1,746.2	1,940.9 p ^e	2,917.3 r ⁱ	11.1	50.3
Building Permits (\$ millions)	JAN-NOV/98	608.1	598.8	(3.9)	(1.5)	689.0	630.7	n/a	(8.5)	--
Housing Starts (units)										
Centres 10,000+										
- Starts	JAN-DEC/98	2,732	2,171	(2.6)	(20.5)	2,806	2,732	2,171	(2.6)	(20.5)
- Completions	JAN-DEC/98	2,614	2,384	(8.1)	(8.8)	2,845	2,614	2,384	(8.1)	(8.8)
- Under Construction	DEC/98	1,214	999	4.7	(17.7)	1,159	1,214	999	4.7	(17.7)
All Areas										
- Starts	JAN-DEC/98	3,813	3,137	(6.1)	(17.7)	4,059	3,813	3,137	(6.1)	(17.7)
- Completions	JAN-DEC/98	3,756	3,416	(7.5)	(9.1)	4,062	3,756	3,416	(7.5)	(9.1)
- Under Construction	DEC/98	1,926	1,503	(0.9)	(22.0)	1,944	1,926	1,503	(0.9)	(22.0)
GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT (\$millions)										
- at '92 prices	--	--	--	--	--	18,810	19,151		1.8	(100.0)
- at Factor Cost	--	--	--	--	--	16,990	17,540		3.2	(100.0)

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CANADA ECONOMIC INDICATORS

INDICATOR	MONTHLY/QUARTERLY/YEAR-TO-DATE STATISTICS					ANNUAL STATISTICS				
	Current	% Change Reference Period				Year-over-Year % Change				
	Reference Period	1 Year Ago	Current	1 Year Ago/ 2 Years Ago	Current/ 1 Year Ago	1996	1997	1998	1997/1996	1998/1997
POPULATION	JULY 1/98	30,003,955	30,300,422	1.1	1.0	29,671,892 x	30,003,955 x	30,300,422	1.1	1.0
VITAL STATISTICS										
Births	APR-JUNE/98	94,510	92,790	(1.8)	(1.8)	366,189	361,785	n/a	(1.2)	---
Deaths	APR-JUNE/98	53,430	53,675	4.0	0.5	212,859	216,970	n/a	1.9	---
Marriages	APR-JUNE/98	41,835	43,495	1.6	4.0	156,401	159,350	n/a	1.9	---
MIGRATION										
Total Net Migration	APR-JUNE/98	57,250	45,690	(2.5)	(20.2)	156,663	169,787	n/a	8.4	---
Immigration	APR-JUNE/98	67,842	56,147	(1.1)	(17.2)	235,340	242,665	n/a	3.1	---
Emigration	APR-JUNE/98	10,592	10,457	7.5	(1.3)	78,677	72,878	n/a	(7.4)	---
LABOUR FORCE										
- Seasonally Adjusted										
Total Labour Force ('000)	DEC/98	15,436.1	15,837.0	1.3	2.6	15,145.4	15,354.0	15,631.5	1.4	1.8
Employed ('000)	DEC/98	14,114.8	14,564.2	2.7	3.2	13,676.2	13,940.6	14,326.4	1.9	2.8
Unemployed ('000)	DEC/98	1,321.3	1,272.8	(11.5)	(3.7)	1,469.2	1,413.5	1,305.1	(3.8)	(7.7)
Unemp. Rate (%)	DEC/98	8.6	8.0	---	---	9.7	9.2	8.3	---	---
Participation Rate (%)	DEC/98	64.8	65.6	---	---	64.9	64.8	65.1	---	---
- Actual										
Employed ('000)	DEC/98	13,979.3	14,430.3	2.7	3.2	13,676.2	13,940.6	14,326.4	1.9	2.8
Unemp. Rate (%)	DEC/98	8.1	7.7	---	---	9.7	9.2	8.3	---	---
- Seasonally Adjusted										
Goods Indus. ('000)	DEC/98	3,829.2	3,904.4	3.0	2.0	3,681.3	3,768.6	3,878.0 e	2.4	2.9
Service Indus. ('000)	DEC/98	10,285.6	10,659.8	2.6	3.6	9,994.9	10,171.9	10,441.1 e	1.8	2.6

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e - estimate

CANADA ECONOMIC INDICATORS

INDICATOR	MONTHLY/QUARTERLY/YEAR-TO-DATE STATISTICS					ANNUAL STATISTICS				
	Current Reference Period	1 Year Ago	Current	% Change Reference Period		1996	1997	1998	Year-over-Year % Change	
				1 Year Ago/ 2 years Ago	Current/ 1 Year Ago				1997/1996	1998/1997
U.I.C BENEFITS										
Total Benefits Paid (\$'000)	OCT/98	739,641	708,694	(13.1)	(4.2)	13,069,982	11,996,428	n/a	(8.2)	--
Total Beneficiaries (Number)	OCT/98	630,040	602,630	(11.6)	(4.4)	911,469 x	781,885 x	n/a	(14.2)	--
CONSUMER PRICE INDEX - CANADA - (1992=100.0)										
All Items	DEC/98	107.6	108.7	0.7	1.0	105.9	107.6	108.6 e	1.6	0.9
Food	DEC/98	107.9	109.7	1.1	1.7	105.9	107.6	109.3 e	1.6	1.6
Shelter	DEC/98	103.3	104.4	0.0	1.1	103.1	103.3	103.7 e	0.2	0.4
INCOME										
Personal Income Per Capita (\$)	---	---	---	---	---	22,711	22,982	23,891 e	1.2	4.0
Total Wages & Salaries (\$ millions)	JAN-OCT/98	325,736.8	339,671.0	4.1	4.3	376,810.6	391,980.5	n/a	4.0	--
Average Weekly Wages & Salaries (\$)	OCT/98	597.18	608.83	0.3	2.0	586.06 x	598.26 x	n/a	2.1	--
RETAIL TRADE										
- (\$ millions)										
All Retail Outlets-S.A.	JAN-OCT/98	196,573.0	205,894.4	7.7	4.7	220,431.0	237,277.8	n/a	7.6	--
Dept. Store Sales-Actual	JAN-NOV/98	13,400.0	14,229.3	10.0	6.2	14,446.8	15,929.3	n/a	10.3	--
New Motor Vehicle Sales-Actual	JAN-NOV/98	35,146.7	36,976.6	21.9	5.2	31,485.8	38,986.2	n/a	23.8	--

x - Annual Averages

CANADA ECONOMIC INDICATORS

INDICATOR	MONTHLY/QUARTERLY/YEAR-TO-DATE STATISTICS					ANNUAL STATISTICS				
	Current Reference Period	1 Year Ago	Current	% Change Reference Period		1996	1997	1998	Year-over-Year % Change	
				1 Year Ago/	Current/				1997/1996	1998/1997
				2 Years Ago	1 Year Ago					
COMMODITY SECTORS										
Farm Cash Receipts (\$ millions)	JAN-SEPT/98	22,203.3	21,620.6	2.8	(2.6)	28,640.2	29,513.9	n/a	3.1	---
Fish Landings (\$ millions)	JAN-DEC/97	1,539.2	n/a	(13.1)	---	1,539.2	n/a	n/a	(100.0)	---
Pulp/Wood Residue(000m^3)	JAN-OCT/98	91,487.2	88,719.9	2.1	(3.0)	107,719.2	110,143.7	n/a	2.3	---
Lumber Prod. (000m^3)	JAN-OCT/98	55,862.7	54,635.3	2.0	(2.2)	64,781.1	64,763.9	n/a	(0.0)	---
Coal Prod. ('000 tonnes)	JAN-OCT/98	65,296.9	62,906.8	2.5	(3.7)	75,851.4	78,651.4	n/a	3.7	---
Power Generated (GW.h)	JAN-OCT/98	454,098.1	446,984.0	0.4	(1.6)	555,680.9	553,855.0	n/a	(0.3)	---
Mfg. Shipments (\$ millions)	JAN-OCT/98	357,088.0	370,932.0	5.4	3.9	406,568.0	434,746.0	n/a	6.9	---
Foreign Exports (\$ millions)	JAN-OCT/98	232,498.6	243,713.0	7.8	4.8	280,566.0	301,326.0	n/a	7.4	---
CONSTRUCTION										
Capital Construction Expenditures (\$millions)	---	---	---	---	---	80,288.1	88,336.6 p ^e	95,950.9 r ⁱ	10.0	8.6
Building Permits (\$ millions)	JAN-NOV/98	29,178.5	31,158.0	18.4	6.8	26,155.5	31,214.7	n/a	19.3	---
Housing Starts - Units										
Centres 10,000+										
- Starts	JAN-DEC/98	123,220	116,843	21.0	(5.2)	101,804	123,215	116,843	21.0	(5.2)
- Completions	JAN-DEC/98	117,821	113,729	22.8	(3.5)	95,980	117,822	113,729	22.8	(3.5)
- Under Construction	DEC/98	59,918	63,298	9.7	5.6	54,604	59,918	63,298	9.7	5.6
All Areas										
- Starts	JAN-DEC/98	147,040	137,439	17.9	(6.5)	124,713	147,040.0	137,439	17.9	(6.5)
- Completions	JAN-DEC/98	143,386	133,941	21.7	(6.6)	117,834	143,386.0	133,941	21.7	(6.6)
- Under Construction	DEC/98	73,984	74,932	4.7	1.3	70,670	73,984.0	74,932	4.7	1.3
GROSS DOMESTIC PRODUCT (\$millions)										
- at '92 prices	---	---	---	---	---	769,730	799,142		3.8	(100.0)
- at Factor Cost	---	---	---	---	---	710,379	741,420		4.4	(100.0)

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