

- Employment losses are indicated in agriculture and manufacturing, in spite of the aggregate rise in employment. Informetrica attributes these losses not to declining manufacturing activity but, rather, to increased labour productivity.
- The exchange value of the Canadian dollar appreciates, and by 2115 it is running around 92 2/3 cents U.S.

Inforum model

- A free trade arrangement, requiring immediate removal of tariff barriers by Canada and the U.S.A. with no adjustment or phase-in, would result in some short-term economic damage to the country or economic hardships to some people. Under this trading arrangement, Canada would have a net job loss of around 131,000. New manpower or industrial adjustment programs would be necessary to buffer the impact of job changes in some industries or communities.
- There seems to be large potential, at least in our manufacturing sector, for reaping benefits from scale economies through expanding markets in the U.S.A. , and thus, for improving employment prospects in the country. However, these benefits will be realized over a longer period.

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Highlights

The review of Canadian studies on the effects of trade liberalization from the viewpoint of the consumer's interest revealed that estimates of net benefits range from between very little to about nine percent of G.N.P., but never negative. The