	SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C.				
SCHEDULE 13G					
	(Amendme	he Securities Exchange Act of 1934) nt No.1)* MERIAL CORP			
(Name of Issuer)					
	COMMON				
		(Title of Class of Securities)			
		147741102			
	(Cusip Number)				
	*The remainder of this cover page shall be filled out for a reporting person's initial filing of this form with respect to the subject class of securities, and for any subsequent amendment containing information which would alter the disclosures provided in a prior cover page.				
	The information required in the remainder of this cover page shall not be deemed to be "filed" for the purpose of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act") or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section of the Act, but shall be subject to all other provisions of the Act (however, see the Notes.)				
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1. Name of reporting person					
		S.S. or I.R.S. identification no. of above person			
	David L. Babson and Company Incorporated 04-1054788				
	2.				
	3.	-			
	4.	. Citizenship or place of organization Massachusetts			
5. Sole Voting Power					
	N. mlaan			257,400	
	Number of shares		6.	Shared Voting Power	
	benefic: owned by	-		0	
	each Reporti	าต	7.	Sole Dispositive Power	
	person with	-9		257, 400	
		Sharad Dispositive Power	r		
8. Shared Dispositive Power 0					
9. Aggregate amount beneficially owned by each reporting perso 257,400				wned by each reporting person	
	10.				
	11. Percent of class represented by amount in row 9				
	12.				

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ITEM 1(A): NAME OF ISSUER:

CASS COMMERIAL CORP

1(B): ADDRESS OF ISSUER'S PRINCIPAL EXECUTIVE OFFICES:

Cusip #:147741102

3636 South Geyer Rd. Sunset Hills, MO 63127

ITEM 2(A): NAME OF PERSON FILING:

David L. Babson and Company Incorporated ("DLB")

ITEM 2(B): ADDRESS OF PRINCIPAL BUSINESS OFFICE:

One Memorial Drive

Cambridge, Massachusetts 02142-1300

ITEM 2(C): CITIZENSHIP:

See Item 4 of Cover Page

ITEM 2(D): TITLE OF CLASS OF SECURITIES:

See Cover Page

ITEM 2(E): CUSIP NUMBER:

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ITEM 3: TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON:

See Item 12 of Cover Page

ITEM 4: OWNERSHIP:

- (a) AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED: DLB, in its capacity as investment adviser, may be deemed the beneficial owner of 257,400 shares of common stock of the Issuer which are owned by numerous investment counselling clients.
- (b) PERCENT OF CLASS: 6.66%
- (c) For information on voting and dispositive power with respect to the above listed shares, see Items 5 8 of Cover Page.

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ITEM 5: OWNERSHIP OF FIVE PERCENT OR LESS OF A CLASS: Not Applicable

ITEM 6: OWNERSHIP OF MORE THAN FIVE PERCENT ON BEHALF OF ANOTHER PERSON: Not Applicable

ITEM 7: IDENTIFICATION AND CLASSIFICATION OF THE SUBSIDIARY WHICH ACQUIRED THE SECURITY BEING REPORTED ON BY THE PARENT HOLDING COMPANY:

Not Applicable

ITEM 8: IDENTIFICATION AND CLASSIFICATION OF MEMBERS OF THE GROUP:

Not Applicable

ITEM 9: NOTICE OF DISSOLUTION OF GROUP:

Not Applicable

ITEM 10: CERTIFICATION:

By signing below I certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the securities referred to above were acquired in the ordinary course of business and were not acquired for the purpose of and do not have the effect of changing or influencing the control of the issuer of such securities and were not acquired in connection with or as a participant in any transaction having such purpose or

effect.

SIGNATURE:

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

Date: January 15, 1999

Signature: --//Leslie A. Meinhart//--Name/Title: LESLIE A. MEINHART

Compliance Manager