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THE AUGUST EMPIOYMENT SITUATION.

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- Gerieral Summary -

There was further improvement in industrial employment at the beginning of Auguat, according to statements tabulated by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics from 11,843 firms, whose payrolls aggregated $1,144,685$ persons, as compared th $1,127,863$ at July 1. The experience of the years, 1921-1938, shows that employment has usually, though not invariably, gained at the beginning of August, there being, on the average, a fractional increasc in the index. The advance at the latest date was therefore seasonal, hut, was considerably greater than the average gain recorded at midsummer in the last eighteen years. The crude index number, based on the 1926 average as 100 , rose from 115.8 in the preceding month to 117.5 at Aug. 1, 1939, when it was several points higher than that of 112.1 at the beginning of August of last sumer. While the latest figure was lower than the Aug. 1, 1937, index of 120.0, it was higher than at the same date in any other year since 1930.

Since the reported increase in employment exceeded the average at midsummer in preceding years of the record, the seasonally-adjusted index advanced, rising from 113.6 at july 1 , to 114.3 at the beginning of August, 1939.

Generally heightened activity was noted at the date under review in manufacturing, mining, communications, building and highway construction, hotels and restaurants and wholesale trade. On the other hand, retall trade, shipping and stevedoring and logging were slacker; the losses in trade and logging were seasonal, but exceeded the average contraction at midsummer in preceding years of the record. In mamufacturing, there was curtailment of a seasonal character in iron and steel, while improvement was indicated in the food. leather and many other groups.

An analysis by industries is given in greater detail beginning on page 5.
As already stated, the unadiusted employment index, calculated on the 1926 average as 100 , stood at 117.5 at the begining of August, 1939, compared with 115.8 at July 1, while at Aug. I in recent years, the crude index has been as follows:$1938,112.1 ; 1937,120.0 ; 1936,105.6 ; 1935,101.1 ; 1934,99.9 ; 1933,87.1 ; 1932,86.3$; 1931, 105.2; 1930, 118.8; 1929, 127.8: 1928, 119.3 and 1927, 110.5.

For Aug. 1, 1938, 10, 829 fims had reported an aggregate payroll of 1,073,302 persons, or 13,964 fewer than in the precuding month. The loss then had occurred mainly in manufacturing and logging.

## EMPLOYMENT IN BANKING AND INVESTNENT OPERATIONS.

For some months, statistics of their employment have been collected from banks, trust companies and stock markot operators. For Aug. 1. 413 firms and branches in these lines of business reported staffs aggregating 33,148 persons, compared with 33,107 in the preceding month。 The addition of these figures to the returns furnished in the manufacturing, logging, mining, transportation, communications, construction, service and trade industries brings the total number of employees included in the Aug. 1 survey of employment to $I, 177,833$ in 12,256 establishments, and slightly lowers the index of 117.5 in the indusiries above enumerated, to 117.2 ; when the statistics of the co-operating financial organizations are included in the general figures for July 1, the index ras inwered from 115, 8 to 115.6 . Comparable data for 1938 are not available.

Chart 2. - Employment in Canada es Reported by Employers in Industries other than Agricuiture, i929 and 1933 , and 1935 to 1939.


Tle curve is besed upon the number of employees at mork at the first der of the month as indicated by the firms reporting, in conperison with the average emploument they fforded during the calendar year 1926 as 100 . Curves are plotted for 1929 the year of maximum industrial activity; for 2033 , when emplcyment was et its minimum in the record since 7920 , and for the years since 1934.

## ESTIMATES OT TOMAL NUMBER OF WAGE-EARNERS IN RMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYED.

The Social Analysis Branch of the Dominion Bureau of Statistics prepares monthly estimates $1 /$ of the total number of wage-earners, of those in employment and those unemployed throughout the Dominion. The estimates are based upon the census definition of wage-earner as one who has or has had a job from an employer in any field of work, including the following and all other classes of industry;-agriculture, fishing, trapping, forestry, mining, manufacturing, construction, transportation, comunications, trade, finance and services - professional, public, domestic, personal, etc., etc. Also according to the definition given in the census volumes, the unemployed are those who have at one time had gainful employment but are no longer employed. This definftion automatically excludes young persons just leaving school and others who have never had a job; persons who have retired, and those reporting themselves at the census in the class, "No occupation" are also excluded.

It may be noted that the estimated number of wage-earners shows some variation from month to month, the figure expanding or contracting in response to seasonal, secular and cyclical influences. The variation is largely at the expense of the workers classed as "on their own account": it is, however, also true thet when employment is active, either generally or in a paricular industry, persons not nomally belonging to the wage-earning class (in the broad sense of the word), will take positions, later to retire therefrom without actively seeking work at other periods, and without experiencing the privations freauently associated with unemployment. An illustration of such cases may be found during the canning season, when work of this nature will call forth a considerable body of workers who do not ordinarily look for employment outside their homes in other parts of the year; another example is the employment of students and others in summer hotels during the active season, and in retail trade during the Christmas rush.

The following shows the estimated number of wage-earners, and of those employed and those unemployed, during the months of the present year for which the figures are now available:-

| Month | Total Estimated Number of Wage-earners <br> (in thousands) | Estimated Number of Wage-earners in employment <br> (in thousands) | Estimated Number of Wage-earners unemployed (in thousands) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Jan. 1939 | 2,678 | 2,193 | 485 |
| Feb. | 2,684 | 2,193 | 491 |
| Mar. | 2,655 | 2,161 | 494 |
| Apr. | 2,659 | 2,186 | 473 |
| May | 2,724 | 2,329 | 395 |
| June | 2,754 | 2,385 | 369 |

Since January, the estimated number of wage-earners, as defined above, has increased by some 76,000 , the estimated number in employment by 192,000 , while the estimated number of unemployed has faller by approximately 116,000. The estimated mumber of jobless declined by 26,000 from May, 1929, a falling-off which greatly exceeded that of 13,000 recorded between Nay and June, 1938.

The following shows the estimates for june in the years since 1927:-

| June | Total Estimated Number of Wageearners <br> (1n thousands) | Estimated INumber <br> of Wage-earners <br> in employment <br> (in thousands) | Estimated Number of Wage-earners unemployed $\qquad$ <br> (in thousands) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1939 | 2,754 | 2,385 | 369 |
| 1938 | 2,725 | 2,338 | 387 |
| 1937 | 2,747 | 2,453 | 294 |
| 1936 | 2,580 | 2,154 | 426 |
| 1935 | 2,538 | 2,048 | 490 |
| 1934 | 2,543 | 2,080 | 463 |
| 1933 | 2,432 | -,790 | 642 |
| 1932 | 2,487 | 1,863 | 624 |
| 1931 | 2,569 | 2,132 | 437 |
| 1930 | 2,823 | 2,442 | 381 |
| 1929 | 2,600 | 2,556 | 44 |
| 1228 | 2,453 | 2.409 | 44 |

1/ See Census Monograph No. 11, entitled "Unemployment".

The estimated number of koge-oarners sho wore available for mployment in Canada Was greater than in June of other yeais except 1930. The number at work was higher than in June, 1938, and was also higher then in June in the yeas: 1931-1936, but was lower than in the same munth of 1937, beines also lower than in iuns, 1928-1930. The wageearners unemployed showed a dectea fecm Jure of last year, and the estimated number without work was also smaller than in any June in the poriod; 1930-1936, but was greater than in June, $193 \%$ bcing aiso greater than in that montli in the years, 1928 and 1929.

## EMPTOMEMT BY GCONOMIC AREAS

Activity increased in Prince Ldward Island, New Brunswick, Quebec, Mandtoba, Saskatchewan, Albesta and British Columbia, while there were reductions in personnel in Nova Scotia and Chtario. The largest numbers wsre added to the payrolis in Saskatchowan, British Coiumbia and Quebec. The situaticn genarally was more favourable than at the same date of last sumero In Qucbec and the Prairio Provinces as a unit, the index number was also kigher than at Aug. 1. 1937; in British Columbia it was practically the same, while elsewheje employment was not so active, The volume of employment at the latest date ras generally greates than at midsumer in any of the five or six years immediately precedinc:

Maritime Provirices.- Statements wse tabulated from 839 firms in the Maritime Provinces employing 85,329 persions, 227 fewer than in the preceding month. The reduction took place in Neva Scutin the movement in Prince Edwaxd Islamd and Now Brunswick boing favourable, Mining: logerins and manufacturine showed curtailuent, while construction reported improvemert. Withn the memfacturing group, the largest decline occurred in the iron and steels lumber and fist-caning divisions: fruit and vegetable canneries, on the other hand, were busior, The genorel index, at 115,6 , was three prints higher than at the same date in 1938; when a mack sicater contraction had been indicatcd; the index for the Maritimes as a unit Tras lowes than at Aug. 1, 2937, but wes higher than at midsummer in any other yoar since 1930. The following table show: index numbers for each of the Maritime Provinces in recent ronths. together with the figures for Aug. 1, 1938, and 1937:-

|  | ve |  | Index | bers | (12926 |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Provinces | ight <br> Aug. 1: Aug. 1 <br> 1932: 1939 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { July }] \\ & 1939 . \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { June } 7 \\ 1939 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{array}{r} \text { May } 1 \\ -1939 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} \text { Apr. } 7 \\ 123.2 \end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Max. } \\ & 1939 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Fub. } 1: \text { Aug. } 1 \\ & 1939: 1938 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Aug. } 1 \\ & 1931 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ |
| P.E.Island | $2.5: 1110$ | 108:7 | 94.4 | 82.2 | 88,3 | 83.8 | 19.2: 99.2 | 82.5 |
| Nova Scotia | 57.5 1. 1.2 | 129.9 | 120.6 | 1.14 .4 | 2114.7 | 112.6 | 107.3: 118.3 | 131.5 |
| New Bruns: ick | $40.0 \cdot 105.4$ | 99.3 | 94.4 | 84.1 | 52.3 | 88.3 | 22.206 .6 | 140.8 |
| Maritimes | $100.0: 115.6$ | 1159 | 108.4 | 100.2 | 99.7 | 101. 2 | $100 \cdot 5^{\circ} 112.6$ | 134.3 |

The 786 employers in the Maritime Povinces whose returns were included in the employment survey for Aug. ?: 2938, had reported 82,39 workers, as compared with 85,362 in the proceding month

Quebece Burther marked improvenent Was report in quedrec, according to returns from 2,935 establishments with 360,469 employees, as against 353,549 at July 1. The level of industrial activity was higher than at Aug $i_{8} 7938$, when curtailment had been noted; the index then stood at 117.8 , as cmpared with 1264 at the latest date. Logging, shipping and stevedoring and. reteil twado recorded lowered employment at the beginning of Auglist. Or the other hanc, manufacturing generally gained, the advances in leather, food, tobaceo and electric light and power plants being most proncunced. Building and railway construction and mainterance, hotels and restarants and wholesale trade also afforded more mployment; tho increase in building mes largest.

For Aug. I of last year, $\mathbf{2}, 672$ employers had reported 331,407 worisers, as compared with 337,223 at July 1

Ontario.. Irdustriai employment in Ontario showed a slisht falling off at Aug. 1, when the 5,173 co-opesting fims had 453.709 employees. or 2,068 fower than at July 1. The ayurage clunge at hugs I in the jears stince 1.920 hass been a small decline, so that the shriniage at the latcit date is sessoinl, tho pereentoge reduction approximating the averege at midsummer. There was expansion in minirie. tronsportation and construction and majntinance at the beginnjng of fugusi, but the trend was downward in trade, logging am manurccurit. The only lange losses in the last-named vere in iron and steel, while reightened astivity was noted in leather, clay, elass ard stone, mineral produci anci sone other industrier. Employimaí et Aug. 1,1938 , had showr a much greater decline from the preceding ronth, and the index maber thor was three point is lower, standing at 111.2, as conpared witll 114,2 at the jatest dato. The ioturns tabulated for the beginning of diggust of last year numbered 4,720 , and reported staffs
had aggregated $434,305$.
Prairie Provinces. - The situation in the Prairie Provinces continued to improve; the 1,669 establishments furnishing data had 142,555 workers, as compared with 135,596 at the beginning of July. Saskatchewan recorded the greatest expansion. There were gains in services, mining, manufacturing and building and highway construction, those on roadwork being most extensive. Within the factory group, there was general recovery, that in iron and steel plants being most marked. On the other hand, railway operation and railway construction and maintenance released workers. The index of employment was several points higher than at Aug. I of last year, standing at 109.4, compared wi th 104.9 at the same date in 1938 , when a total of 1,523 firms had reported 133,557 persons in their employ, compared with 127,131 at July 1, 1938. The following table shows index numbers for each of the Prairic Provinces in recent months, together with the figures for Aug. 1, 1938 and 1937:-

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| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Weight Aug. 1 | 'Aug. 1 | July 1 | June 1 | May 1 | Apr. 1 | Mar. 1 | Feb. 1 | Aus. 1 | Aug. 1 |
| 1939 | 1932 | 1939 | 1939 | 1939 | 1939 | 1939 | 1932 : | 1938 | 1937 |
| 43.7 | : 99.4 | 93\% 5 | 95.6 | 90.7 | 88.9 | 89.6 | $89.2{ }^{\text {\% }}$ | 97.3 | 99.0 |
| 23.3 | $: 123.5$ | 107.5 | 105.1 | 98.2 | 91.9 | 96.9 | 96.0 | 116.1 | 118.8 |
| 33.0 | $: 115.6$ | 110.0 | 106.4 | 27.7 | 95.8 | 92.6 | 92.2 | 109. | 107.1 |
| 100.0 | :109.4 | 104.0 | 101.0 | 94.5 | 91.7 | 94.3 | 93.9 : | 104.9: | 105.6 |

British Columbia . The tendency in British Columbia at Aug. I was decidedly favourable, continuing the upward movement in evidence since February, Manufacturing, mining, transportation and construction showed heightened activity; logging operations were considerably curtailed, partly owing to the fire hazard, while the changes in other industries were slight. Within the manufacturing division, the greatest gains were those of a seasonal nature in fish and fruit and vegetable canneries. Lumber and other classes were also busier. Retums were compiled from 1,227 fims employing 102,623 men and women, 5,238 more than in the preceding month. A decline had been indicated at the beginning of August of last year, and the index then stood at 107.1, compared with 117.0 at the latest date. The 1,127 employers co-operating at Aug. 1, 1938, had reported 91,547 workers on their payrolls.

Index numbers by economic areas are given in Tables 1 and 5.

## EMPLOYNENT BY CITIES.

Employment increased in Winnipeg and Vancouver; in Quebec City there was little general change, while in Montreal, Toronto, Ottawa, Eamilton and Windsor curtailment was indicated. Except in Hamilton, the level of industrial activity in each of these contres was higher than at Aug. 1, 1938.

Montreal.- There was a decline in Montreal at the date under review, for which the 1,707 co-operating firms reported a combined payroll of 166,710 men and women, or 1,020 fewer than at July l. Transportation, street construction and maintenance work, services and trade showed contractions, while manufacturing and building mere brisker. Within the former, textile and iron and steel plants were seasonally dull, but improvement was recorded in leather, musical instrument, food, beverage, clay, glass and stone, electrical apparatus, electric light and power and some other plants. The index of employment was rather higher than at Aug. 1, 1938, when a much larger decrease had been indicated by the 1,545 establishments furnishing data, whose staffs aggregated 159,629.

Quebec.- A slight falling-off was reported in Quebec City, mainly in construction; services and manufacturing, however, afforded more employment. Statements were recalved from 213 concerns having 17, 795 workers on their payrolls, compared with 17,862 in the preceding month. A moderate increase had been made at Aug. I of a year ago, according to information which had been tabulated from 185 employers of 14,903 workers; the index was then several points lower than at the latest date.

Toronto.- There was a curtailment in Toronto, according to data from 1,756 firms employing 139,451 persons, or 1,141 fewer than at the beginning of July. The decline was largely seasoial, employment having been reduced at Aug. I in fourteen of the seventeen preceding years for which statistics for that city are available; the contraction this year was decidedly smaller than at the same date in 1938, but approximated the average loss at Aug。 I in the period, 1922-1938. The index was three points higher than at midsumer of 1938, and was also above the figure for the beginning of August in any other year since 1931. Manufacturing showed little change as compared with July 1, 1939, reductions in printing and publishing, electrical apparatus and some other factories being just about offset by gains in food, clay, glass and stone and other




classes. Trade was affected by midsumer dullness, and the services division also released help, while construction showed some improvement. For Aug. 1, 1938, 1,612 concerns had reported a combined working force of 132,292 men and women.

Ottawa.- Employment in Ottawa declined, 215 persons being released from the staffs of the 230 co-operating employers, who had 14,925 workers at Aug. 1. There were moderate gains in manufacturing, but trade, services and construction were quieter. Although there was an advance at the beginning of August, 1938, a generally lower level of employment had then been reflected in the information furnished by 201 establishments, whose payrolls had included 14,200 employees.

Hamilton.- Curtailment was shown in Hamilton, where 329 firms reported 33,243 men and women on their pay lists, as against 34,410 in their last return. Mamufacturing operations considerably decreased, mainly in the iron and steel division, while electrical apparatus works were somewhat busier. Bmployment was not so active as at the same date of last year, when a smaller loss had been recorded by the 298 co-operating employers, whose staffs had aggregated 34,677 .

Windsor. - The trend of employment in Windsor was seasonally downward; statistics were received from 197 firms employing 15,500 workers, or 353 fewer than at July $l$. Automobile and other iron and steel works afforded less employment, while construction showed rather greater activity. A large decline had been indicated at Aug. 1, 1938, from the preceding month, and the index then was several points lower than at the date under review. A combined payroll of 14,367 men and women was reported by the 188 employers furnishing information for Aug. 1 of last year.

Winnipeg. - Further improvement was recorded in Winnipeg, according to 524 firms who had 42,078 employees, as compared with 41,123 at the beginning of July. An upward movement was noted in manufacturing, (matnly in the iron and steel division), and transportation and construction were also somewhat busier. No general change had been indicated at the same date of last year, when 496 establishments had reported 40,923 workers. Employment was then at a slightly lower level than at the date under review.

Wancouver. - In Vancouver, manufacturing, transportation and construction afforded more employment, while retail trade was rather quieter. Returns were compiled from 520 employers with 38,403 persons on their staffs, as comparad with 37,603 in the preceding month. A much smaller gain had been indicated at Aug. 1, 1938, by the 469 co-operating firms, whose payrolls aggregated 36,544 ; the index number then, at 112.2, was slightiy below that of 115.1 at the latest date.

Index numbers of employnent by cities are given in Tables 2 and 6, while Chart 3 shows the course of employment in certain centres since 1935, the curves being plotted from the indexes given in Table 2.

## EMPLOYNENT BY INDUSTRIES.

Manufacturing. - Heightcned activity was indicated in manufaciuring establishments, 6,460 of which reported 577,746 operatives on their payrolls, as compared with 570,430 at July 1. The crude index of employment stood at 112.8 at Aug. 1, compared with 111.3 In the preceding month, and with 110.0 at Aug. 1, 1938; while the latest figure was lower than at the same date in 1937. (118.1), it was higher than at midsummer in other years since 1929.

On the average, employment in manufacturing at Aug. I In the last eighteen years has shown a small fractional decrease. After correction for seasonal movement, the index therefore advanced, rising from 109.0 at July 1, 1939, to 110.3 at the beginning of August.

The following shows the unadjusted index mmbers at Aug. 1 in recent years:1939, 112.8; 1938, 110.0; 1957. 118.1; 1936, 104.9; 1935. 99.8; 1934, 94.2; 1933. 85.2; 1932, 82.6; 1931, 94.7; 1930, 110.2; 1929, 121.6; 1928, 115.2 and 1927, 107.0.

Increased activity was indicated at the date under review in the leather, lumber, animal and vegetable fond, textile, beverage, clay, glass and stone, electric light and power, mineral product and other industries. Tho seasonal gains in food canning were most extensive. On the other hand, a considerable contraction took place in iron and steel plants, notably in autcruobile factories; the decline in the group as a whole was seasonal in character, approximating the average loss recorded at Aug. 1 in the years since 1920. There was, in addition, a small reduction in rubber manufacturing.

For Aug. 1, 1938, returns had been compiled from 6,194 manufacturers with 560,564 employees; in the preceding month, they had reported 569,630 persons on thpir payrolls.


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Logging. - Scasonal dulness generally affected employment in logging, while the fiso hazard in British Columbia aiso caüsce some comps to close. As a rosuit, the general reductions in staff moce larger than usual at the time of year, although they were considerably smaller than those pocorded at Aug. 1, 1938. Statements for the date under revien were taiulatod froa 359 firms tiwoughout the Dominion, employing 21,519 men, or 6,381 fower taan in the receding month. The index stood at 73.5 , compared with 59.6 at the beginning of August of less year.

Mining.- Modorato increases were indicased in the extraction of metallic orss, and of coal and other non-meivitic minerats; an aggrogate working force of 76,844 persons was employed by the 452 reportin, operaiors, who had 76,147 employees at July 1 . A contraction had been neiod in mining operutions at Aug. 1, 1938. The index, then standing at 153.6 , was Iowor than the ius: 1,1939 , figure of 165.6 .

Communications. - The re was further improvemont in communications at Aug. 1, when the companies and brainches those stitistics were received had 23,361 workers in their omploy, as against 22,985 ir the pieceding month. Both telegraphs and telephones showed soins. The number ongagad in this group pas rathor smaller than at the same aite of last year, although a smallor incroase had thein been indicated.

Transportationo.. Enployment declined in the steam railway and shipping divisions, but street and eiectric roilmay, cartage and storage shower heightened activity, Roturns were tabuiated from 506 employers in the transportation division, whosa payrolls ware reduced from 106,15 ] Iler sad wowew at July 1. to 106,079 at the beainning of Augrstio This small loss was cuntra-seasonal in charactec. The index was slightiy highor than at Aue: 1 , 1938, despite the fact that the general trend in transportation had then boer favourablo。

Construction and Maintenanco. Further fuportant expansion was registered in this group, building and higinty construction and matntenance showing substantial improvonens, while there was a slightly upuard novemomt in such work on tho railroads. The general gain in construction considsrab?y excaedsd the average advance recorded at midsumer in the last eightern years, bewng alsc much largor than that noted at Aug. I, 193E. A combined working force of 176,556 perscns was roported at Aug. 1,1939 , by the 1,319 contractors furnishing ciata. Who had 160,582 emplejees in their last roport. Employmens in this group as a wiole was in ereater volume whan at the beginning of August in is3.8, ard immediately precaing yars since 1931.

Services. - The steffs of hotels and restaurants were enlarged as the tourist season progressed, but laundries and dry-cleaning works wore rather slacker; 59 firms in the service classification employod $33,0.8$ men and women, or 484 more than at the begimning of July. The index was above its level at Aug. I of last year, when a decline had been indicated.

Trade. - Employment in wholesale houses increased, but there was a seasonal fallingoff in retail trade; the 2,067 trading establishments reporting had 129,502 woikers on their staffs, as conpared with $131, .134$ in the preceding month. A seasonal decrease had also been recorded in the trade grouy at the boginning of August of last year, but the index then about three points belor that of 135.5 at the latest date.

Index numbers by industiles ano given in tablos 3 and 40

> FMPLOYMET IN GRFAT BRTTAIN.

According to Eno Miutstey of Labour Gazette, employment at June 12 showed further marked improvewent; aiong the workers insured under the generai scheme of unemployment insurance, the percentage unemployed in Great Britain and Northern Ireland was 907 at June 12, 1939, as compared with 10.6 at May 15, 1979, and 13.2 at June 13, 1938. The numbor of insured workers in employment in. Great 3ritair was provisionally estrueted at approximately 12, 810,000 at iume 12, 1939; this vas 143,000 more than at May 15, 1939, and, on a comparable basis, about 600,000 more than at June 12, 1938. Recent press despatchea state that in Great Britain the unemployed numbered 1, 256, 424 a : July 10 , the Iowest total in ten years; the fi $\quad$ are was 93,135 less than in the preceaing morth, ani $516,69 ?$ lower than at the saune dite in 1938.

## EMPLOMMNT IN THE UNITED STATES.

(These notes are besed upon the latost official reports received.)
According to the Uuited States Departnent of Labor, employment in mon-agrioul turai industries regisiored a furthez gain of approximately ! $+00,000$ in June。 Some 162,000 of this increase was due to the settlemoni of a dispute in the bitumfnous coal incuastry but with this elininated, the current gein of 234.000 worlers was umsualiy large for the time of year. Over 1,200,000 aore workers were eliployed in private noneegricultural activities this June than a rear ago.

Increases from May to June were reportod in virtually all ines of private industrial and business activity. The ghins in nsmufacturiag and srade, while not pronounced, were particulariy signeficant in that they kura contea-scasonal. The advences in manufactiring were quita general., 51 of the 87 minufacturing industries covered reporting more workers in Jime than in MEy and 57 sbowing largor payrolis. The Juno employment index for all manufacturing indusir"es combined ( $90.7 \mathrm{p}, \mathrm{c}$. of the 1923-25 average! was 11.2 p.c, above the level in the came month of 1938 . The indexes in the durable and non durable goods industries were 84.1 anü 96.9 , respectively, compared with 72.4 and 90.3 , respect... ively, in June 2938.

TABLE I,- INDTX IUMBEES OF BMETOMENT BY EOONOMIC AREAS, (AVERAGE CATHNLAR YEAR $1.926=100$ ).

|  | Canada | Maritime <br> Provinces | Qu:ober. | Cntario | Prairie Provinces | British Columbia |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Aug. 1, 1927 | 110.5 | 113.2 | 109.8 | 109 c ? | 114.0 | 110.0 |
| Aug. 1, 1928 | 119.3 | 217.0 | 114.1 | 128.9 | 132.5 | 116.4 |
| Aug. 1, 1929 | 127.8 | 127.5 | 121.3 | 128.0 | 144.8 | 122.7 |
| Aug. 1, 1930 | 118.8 | 140.9 | 214.7 | 115.7 | 126.2 | 115.8 |
| Aug. 1, 1931 | 105.2 | 206.8 | 102.4 | 100.7 | 129.1 | 98.0 |
| Aug. 1, 1932 | 86.3 | 90.1 | 84.4 | 86.9 | 90.1 | 81.4 |
| Aug. 1, 1933 | 87.1 | 930 | 84.8 | 86.6 | 90.5 | 87.3 |
| Aug. 1, 1934 | 99.9 | 1.01 .3 | 94.9 | 1.06,0 | 93.0 | 97.6 |
| Aug. 1, 1935 | 101.1 | 206.7 | 97.2 | 3.024 | 93.7 | 106.8 |
| Jan. 1, 1936 | 99.1 | 108.1 | 95.5 | 302.7 | 95.1 | 92.4 |
| Feb. 1 | 98.4 | 202.2 | 95.2 | 102.4 | 93.7 | 94.1 |
| Mar. 1 | 98.9 | 102.7 | 95.1 | 3.03 .8 | 95.1 | 92.4 |
| Apr. 1 | 97.4 | 1.01.8 | 91.4 | 103.4 | 90.5 | 95.9 |
| May 1 | 99.5 | 103.4 | 96.4 | 3.03 .4 | 92.7 | 99.0 |
| June 1 | 102.0 | 103.4 | 99.8 | 1.04 .7 | 97.7 | 102.2 |
| July 1 | 104.6 | 111.7 | 101.6 | 1.06.2 | 101.9 | 104.8 |
| Aug. 1 | 105.6 | 1139 | 101.3 | 107.1 | 103.9 | 107.9 |
| Sept. 1 | 107.1 | 114.4 | 1.03 .0 | 108.1 | 107.4 | 109.3 |
| Oct. 1 | 110.1 | 117.9 | 106.0 | 112.6 | 108.6 | 108.1 |
| Nov. 1 | 111.0 | 1194 | 11.03 | 1.12 .8 | 106.0 | 105.4 |
| Dec. 1 | 110.1 | 115.3 | 11.206 | 112.9 | 98.6 | 101.5 |
| Jan. 1, 1937 | 103.8 | 109.5 | 104.0 | 107.5 | 94.2 | 95.4 |
| Feb. 1 | 104.1 | 107.5 | 106.7 | 108.4 | 91.4 | 91.3 |
| Mar. 1 | 102.8 | 106.6 | 102.5 | 108. 9 | 91.3 | 89.2 |
| Apr. 1 | 103.0 | 105.4 | 102.2. | 108.8 | 89.4 | 97.5 |
| May 1 | 105.3 | 12.0 .7 | 105.2 | 111.2 | 93.2 | 103.4 |
| June 1 | 114.3 | J.22.0 | 11.3.6 | 118.8 | 99.3 | 112.2 |
| July 1 | 219.1 | 135.8 | 118.0 | 122.2 | 104.0 | 117.1 |
| Aug. 1 | 120.0 | I. 34.3 | 120.8 | 122.2 | 105.6 | 116.9 |
| Sept. 1 | 123.2 | 135.4 | [24.5 | 125.0 | 109.4 | 121.2 |
| Oct. 1 | 125.7 | 134.9 | 127.3 | 130.4 | 107.6 | 117.9 |
| Nov. 1 | 125.2 | 127.3 | 230.5 | 130.4 | 106.2 | 111.5 |
| Dec. 1 | 121,6 | 122.5 | 1.29 .6 | \$25.8 | 100. 5 | 107.5 |
| Jan. 1, 1938 | 113.4 | 115.8 | 119.7 | 317.5 | 96.2 | 97.8 |
| Feb . 1 | 110.4 | 112.3 | 114.5 | 116.2 | 91.7 | 96.4 |
| Mar. 1 | 107.8 | 1083 | 110.1 | 113.7 | 92.2 | 96.2 |
| Apr. 1 | 105.0 | 103.6 | 107.4 | 109.6 | 89.4 | 100.2 |
| May 1 | 107.4 | 10\%. 3 | 112,6 | 109.9 | 91.5 | 102.8 |
| June 1 | 111.9 | 110.9 | 120.4 | ?12.5 | 97.0 | 105.1 |
| July 1 | 113.5 | 116.7 | 119.9 | 114.0 | 99.8 | 108.0 |
| Aug. 1 | 112.7 | 112.6 | 117.8 | 111.2 | 104.9 | 107.1 |
| Sept. 1 | 115.1 | 11.32 | 118. 1 | 115.0 | 112.2 | 112.0 |
| Oct. 1 | 116.7 | 14.5 | 121.6 | 115.8 | 113.2 | 111.3 |
| Nov. 1 | 114.6 | 112.6 | i.1.9.? | 115.0 | 108.1 | 107.5 |
| Dec. 1 | 114.0 | 109. 8 | 121.7 | 11.4 | 105.5 | 105.8 |
| Jan. 1, 1939 | 108,1 | 109.2 | 114.9 | 108.5 | 97.1 | 98.0 |
| Feb. 1 | 106.5 | 100.5 | 113.0 | 109.2 | 93.9 | 96.2 |
| Mar. 1 | 106.5 | 108.2 | 112.8 | 109.1 | 94.3 | 96.7 |
| Apr. 1 | 104.9 | c9. 7 | 109,4 | 108.0 | 91.7 | 100.5 |
| May 1 | 105.2 | 200. | 113. 5 | 107.9 | 94.5 | 103.3 |
| June 1 | 113.1 | 109: 4 | 123.0 | 123.6 | 101.0 | 106.6 |
| July 1 | 115.8 | 115.9 | 1240 | 12ito 7 | 104. 0 | 111.0 |
| Aug. 1 | 117.5 | 115.6 | 1264 | 114.2 | 109.4 | 117.0 |

Relative Waight of Employment by Economic Areas as at Aug. 1, 1939.

| 100.0 | 7.5 | 31.5 | 39.6 | 12.4 | 9.0 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |

Note:- The "Relative Weight", as givon juat \&jove, sivis the proportion of crapioyees in the indicated area, to the on number of all employees reported in Canada by the firms naking veturns at the dato undar reviow.

TABLT 2.-INDEX NUMBESS OF EMPIOYMENT BY PRINCIPAL CITIES, (AVERAGE CALENDAR YEAR 1926=100).

| Mont real |  | Quebec | Toronto | Ottama | Hamilton | Windsor | Winnipeg | Vanc ouver |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Aug. 1, 1927 | 106.2 | 116.7 | 107.8 | 117.7 | 102.1 | 85.8 | 106.0 | 104.6 |
| Aug. 1, 1928 | 112.1 | 130.2 | 113.6 | 126.1 | 111.8 | 165.0 | 111.2 | 111.7 |
| Aug. 1, 1929 | 122.4 | 135.8 | 122.9 | 128.3 | 135.8 | 142.0 | 117.3 | 114.1 |
| Aug. 1, 1930 | 114.5 | 138.2 | 115.4 | 131.8 | 112.6 | 120.8 | 110.3 | 111.7 |
| Aug. 1, 1931 | 102.5 | 122.0 | 106.3 | 122.8 | 97.6 | 75.1 | 98.1 | 106.0 |
| Aug. 1, 1932 | 85.5 | 101.0 | 92.3 | 97.6 | 80.6 | 80.0 | 86.0 | 87.9 |
| Aug. 1, 1933 | 82.4 | 99.5 | 86.9 | 92.7 | 77.5 | 80.9 | 81.7 | 85.2 |
| Aug. 1, 1934 | 86.4 | 99.4 | 82.9 | 203.4 | 87.8 | 100.7 | 84.0 | 91.5 |
| Aug. 1, 1935 | 87.2 | 100.9 | 97.2 | 104.3 | 95.4 | 106.6 | 90.6 | 101.7 |
| Jan. 1, 1936 | 86.4 | 93.5 | 100.6 | 103.2 | 9.7 | 116.4 | 91.9 | 97.2 |
| Feb. 1 | 87.6 | 92.0 | 96.4 | 99.5 | 06.8 | 120.0 | 91.2 | 97.8 |
| Mar. 1 | 87.5 | 93.3 | 97.8 | 101.4 | 97.1 | 117.7 | 94.1 | 96.9 |
| Apr. 1 | 88.3 | 91.7 | 98.7 | 103.1 | 96.8 | 131.2 | 88.1 | 100.1 |
| May 1 | 92.7 | 95.8 | 100.2 | 107.7 | 98.1 | 136.1 | 87.3 | 101.9 |
| June 1 | 93.7 | 96.8 | 101. 1 | 108.2 | 97.6 | 123.2 | 90.9 | 103.8 |
| July 1 | 93.5 | 04.5 | 101.4 | 110.0 | 99.4 | 113.0 | 92.7 | 106.0 |
| Aug. 1 | 92.2 | 96.5 | 1013 | 107.4 | 93.8 | 115.1 | 93.8 | 109.2 |
| Sept. 1 | 94.3 | 97.9 | 103.4 | 111.2 | 97.7 | 106.9 | 92.9 | 110.0 |
| Oct. 1 | 95.6 | 98.1 | 1.05 .5 | 110.9 | 98.0 | 120.3 | 95.3 | 109.1 |
| Nov. 1 | 94.6 | 97.1 | 105.9 | 103. ${ }^{\text {c }}$ | 100.4 | 126.1 | 94.9 | 107.0 |
| Dec. 1 | 98.3 | 95.2 | 105.7 | 104.3 | 10?.7 | 129.4 | 94.7 | 106.0 |
| Jan. 1, 1937 | 90.4 | 92.0 | 103.4 | 102.8 | 99.0 | 137.1 | 92.4 | 105.3 |
| Feb. 1 | 91.8 | 91.7 | 101.9. | 98.8 | 101.7 | 145.2 | 89.4 | 104.7 |
| Mar. 1 | 92.6 | 92.7 | 103.2 | 99,8 | 103.7 | 146.8 | 90.8 | 103.8 |
| Apr. 1 | 96.8 | 93.3 | 105.8 | 101.9 | 108.2 | 151.4 | 91.6 | 104.4 |
| May 1 | 101.1 | 97.6 | 107.4 | 105.5 | 111.9 | 152.9 | 93.5 | 105.6 |
| June 1 | 105.2 | 101.6 | 109.7 | 111.8 | 114.2 | 153.1 | 96.5 | 110.8 |
| July 1 | 105.5 | 106.4 | 109.5 | 114.9 | 116.3 | 149.8 | 99.2 | 114.8 |
| Aug. 1 | 105.2 | 108.6 | 107.8 | 112.7 | 117.7 | 135.0 | 97.6 | 117.3 |
| Sept. 1 | 107.6 | 110.0 | 11.0 .0 | 113.7 | 119.4 | 132.2 | 98.8 | 119.6 |
| Oct. 1 | 107.4 | 107.2 | 112. 6 | 214.4 | 117.3 | 146.2 | 97.6 | 117.9 |
| Nov. 1 | 106.4 | 103.8 | 112.7 | 111.7 | 119.4 | 154.1 | 98.0 | 115.0 |
| Dec. 1 | 104.3 | 99.3 | 111.9 | 205.2 | 116.2 | 153.1 | 95.4 | 109.5 |
| Jan. 1, 1938 | 99.0 | 100.0 | 108. 4 | 104.9 | 109.8 | 147.8 | 92.0 | 108.4 |
| Feb. 1 | 97.5 | 97.9 | 106.1 | 101.4 | 107.9 | 154.3 | 89.3 | 105.3 |
| Mar. 1 | 98.5 | 99.7 | 105.6 | 99.7 | 106.1 | 153.1 | 89.6 | 104.2 |
| Apr. 1 | 100.6 | 100.4 | 106.0 | 101.7 | 106.4 | 148.9 | 89.6 | 104.6 |
| Nay 1 | 104.5 | 103.8 | 106.3 | 103.0 | 107.2 | 148.9 | 91.6 | 105.9 |
| June 1 | 107.3 | 103.8 | 106.7 | 106.3 | 106.6 | 146.0 | 92.8 | 106.4 |
| July 1 | 106.4 | 109.1 | 107.4 | 106.8 | 109.9 | 128.8 | 95.2 | 111.0 |
| Aug. 1 | 104.7 | 109.6 | 105.6 | 107.7 | 108.3 | 105.2 | 95.2 | 112.2 |
| Sept. 1 | 106.6 | 110.2 | 108.1 | 109.0 | 109.2 | 121.1 | 96.5 | 114.9 |
| Oct. 1 | 108.2 | 117.1 | 109. 4 | 108.3 | 104.1 | 126.7 | 96.3 | 114.7 |
| Nov. 1 | 107.1 | 119.1 | 109.6 | 106.1 | 103.8 | 130.6 | 94.7 | 110.4 |
| Dec. 1 | 106.2 | 119.2 | 108.8 | 105.6 | 102.4 | 148.2 | 94.6 | 110.6 |
| Jan. 1. 1939 | 100.4 | 119.7 |  |  |  |  | 90.6 | 106.8 |
| 7eb. 1 | 102.6 | 117.0 | 105.7 | 103.1 | 96.9 | 140.5 | 89.1 | 106.7 |
| Mar. 1 | 101.4 | 117.9 | 105.3 | 105.3 | 97.4 | 139.1 | 88.5 | 106.4 |
| Apr. 1 | 102.2 | 118.1 | 106. 1 | 107.3 | 99.1 | 139.1 | 88.3 | 107.4 |
| May 1 | 104.5 | 122.8 | 107.6 | 106.4 | 102.3 | 140.8 | 90.0 | 110.3 |
| June 1 | 108.7 | 124.2 | 109.2 | 109.8 | 104.6 | 136.4 | 92.4 | 109.9 |
| July 1 | 108.3 | 127.4 | 109.4 | 111.8 | 105.7 | 114.7 | 94.3 | 112.6 |
| Aug. 1 | 107.6 | 126.9 | 108.6 | 110.2 | 102.1 | 112.1 | 96.5 | 115.1 |

Relative Neight of Maployment by Cities as at Aug. 1, 1939 . $\begin{array}{llllllll}14.6 & 1.6 & 12.2 & 1.3 & 2.9 & 1.4 & 3.7 & 3.4\end{array}$

Note:- The "Relative Weight", as given just above, shows the proportion of employees in indicated city, to the total number of all employees reported in canada by the firms malding returis at the date under review.

TABIE 3.-INDEX NUMBERS OF MMPLOYMENT BY INDUSTRIES,
All
(AVERAGE CALENDAR YEAR 1926=100).

|  | Industries | Manf. | $\underline{L O g .}$ | Min. | Comm. | Trans. | Constr. | Serv. | Mrade |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Aug. 1, 1927 | 110.5 | 107.0 | 68.6 | 109.4 | 106.6 | 105.0 | 150.2 | 115.8 | 107.3 |
| Aug. 1, 1928 | 119.3 | 115.2 | 68.6 | 114.9 | 111.2 | 110.8 | 167.7 | 132.8 | 116.3 |
| Aus. 1, 1929 | 127.8 | 121.6 | 74.0 | 122.1 | 126.0 | 117.2 | 186.8 | 146.6 | 126. |
| Aug. 1, 1930 | 118.8 | 110.2 | 61.5 | 115.5 | 121.0 | 108.9 | 179.8 | 142.4 | 126. |
| Aug. 1, 1931 | 105.2 | 94.7 | 28.8 | 104. 5 | 105.9 | 97.8 | 162.8 | 133.0 | 120.9 |
| Aug. 1, 1932 | 86.3 | 82.6 | 29.1 | 94.8 | 93.5 | 85.3 | 90.0 | 117.0 | 113.8 |
| Aug. 1, 1933 | 87.1 | 85.2 | 48.9 | 97.4 | 83.6 | 81.2 | 88.4 | 111.8 | 110.5 |
| Aug. 1, 1934 | 99.9 | 94.2 | 84.5 | 110.3 | 81.2 | 83.6 | 129.0 | 123.0 | 116.5 |
| Aug. 1, 1935 | 101.1 | 99.8 | 79.0 | 125.2 | 81.6 | 85.4 | 104.7 | 127.9 | 120.7 |
| Jan. 1, 1936 | 99.1 | 96.8 | 183.4 | 129.9 | 79.3 | 77.9 | 74.8 | 118.0 | 135.9 |
| Feb. 1 | 98.4 | 98.5 | 173.1 | 129.4 | 77.2 | 78.2 | 74.4 | 116.4 | 121.6 |
| Mar. 1 | 98.9 | 99.5 | 147.0 | 129.1 | 77.7 | 78.9 | 78.2 | 117.5 | 123.1 |
| Apr. 1 | 97.4 | 101.1 | 102.6 | 128.2 | 77.7 | 78.5 | 71.8 | 118.5 | 121.0 |
| May 1 | 99.5 | 102.7 | 88.6 | 127.4 | 78.4 | 82.8 | 79.4 | 120.4 | 123.3 |
| June 1 | 102.0 | 103.4 | 94.1 | 132.1 | 80.0 | 85.4 | 87.0 | 123.0 | 127.1 |
| July 1 | 104.6 | 104.7 | 93.4 | 134.1 | 82.4 | 87.1 | 97.4 | 131.7 | 127.3 |
| Aug. 1 | 105.6 | 104.9 | 85.0 | 137.9 | 84.1 | 88.7 | 102.9 | 135.8 | 126.3 |
| Sept. 1 | 107.1 | 105.9 | 82.7 | 140.2 | 86.0 | 89.4 | 109.0 | 137.5 | 126.3 |
| Oct. 1 | 110.1 | 109.0 | 141.7 | 147.9 | 84.6 | 88.3 | 103.9 | 127.4 | 129.6 |
| Nov. 1 | 111.0 | 107.7 | 206.9 | 151.8 | 83.1 | 87.1 | 99.6 | 124.9 | 132.0 |
| Dec. 1 | 110.1 | 107.0 | 265.7 | 150.3 | 81.7 | 86.5 | 80.1 | 122.4 | 136.0 |
| Јan. 1, 1937 | 103.8 | 102.4 | 242.1 | 145.6 | 80.7 | 81.4 | 61.2 | 124.8 | 136.9 |
| Feb. 1 | 104.1 | 105.3 | 244.4 | 147.6 | 79.8 | 80.7 | 57.2 | 119.1 | 128.4 |
| Mar. 1 | 102.8 | 107.6 | 193.3 | 145.8 | 80.8 | 79.6 | 52.8 | 118.9 | 126.1 |
| Apr. 1 | 103.0 | 110.8 | 132.5 | 146.0 | 81.4 | 79.5 | 53.7 | 122.7 | 127.5 |
| May 1 | 106.3 | 113.8 | 86.7 | 147.4 | 82.9 | 85.1 | 71.4 | 125.2 | 128.4 |
| June 1 | 114.3 | 117.9 | 109.1 | 151.9 | 85.6 | 86.7 | 105.2 | 129.0 | 131.5 |
| July 1 | 119.1 | 119.0 | 125.0 | 153.6 | 88.0 | 89.4 | 128.5 | 137.5 | 133.4 |
| Aug. 1 | 120.0 | 118.1 | 124.7 | 153.7 | 89.9 | 89.1 | 139.8 | 141.7 | 132.2 |
| Sept. 1 | 123.2 | 121.2 | 143.4 | 159.1 | 90.9 | 89.7 | 144.5 | 146.6 | 130.9 |
| Oct. 1 | 125.7 | 121.7 | 208.5 | 163.9 | 90.5 | 90.4 | 144.3 | 135.4 | 133.4 |
| Nov. 1 | 125.2 | 119.0 | 306.3 | 161.1 | 88.9 | 87.2 | 131.7 | 131.0 | 137.0 |
| Dec. 1 | 121.6 | 116.3 | 355.4 | 162.3 | 85.9 | 84.1 | 104.2 | 130.6 | 139.6 |
| Jan. 1, 1938 | 113.4 | 108.6 | 323.6 | 155.2 | 85.1 82.9 | 82.0 79.6 | 81.9 71.6 | 132.5 128.4 | 141.7 127.9 |
| Feb. 1 | 110.4 | 110.3 | 290.7 | 154.3 | 82.9 | 19.6 | 71.6 | 128.4 | 126.0 |
| Mar. 1 | 107.8 | 110.5 | 212.7 | 153.9 | 82.2 | 79.0 | 71.4 | 127.1 | 126.0 |
| Apr. 1 | 105.0 | 110.8 | 115.0 | 151.3 | 82.5 | 78.5 | 71.6 | 129.8 | 127.1 |
| May 1 | 107.4 | 110.6 | 97.5 | 149.7 | 82.5 | 83.9 | 88.2 | 131.9 | 131.3 |
| June 1 | 111.9 | 112.3 | 93.6 | 153.3 | 84.7 | 84.9 | 114.5 | 135.3 | 131.5 |
| July 1 | 113.5 | 111.8 | 86.1 | 154.5 | 87.2 | 86.3 | 124.9 | 146.1 | 133.3 |
| Aug. 1 | 112.1 | 110.0 | 59.6 | 153.6 | 88.2 | 86.9 | 128.0 | 143.5 | 132.1 |
| Sept. 1 | 115.1 | 113.8 | 58.6 | 157.4 | 88.3 | 88.7 | 133.8 | 146.7 | 131.0 |
| Oct. 1 | 116.7 | 112.5 | 78.8 | 160.8 | 87.2 | 90.1 | 143.5 | 136.1 | 134.5 |
| Nov. 1 | 114.6 | 110.9 | 130.8 | 163.4 | 85.5 | 87.9 | 122.5 | 132.8 | 135.6 |
| Dec. 1 | 114.0 | 110.1 | 166.4 | 163.3 | 84.0 | 85.0 | 112.8 | 131.7 | 139.7 |
| Jan. 1. 1939 | 108.1 | 104.3 | 150.6 | 160.4 | 83.3 | 79.9 | 96.4 | 131.7 | 144.8 |
| Feb. 1 | 106.5 | 106.0 | 143.0 | 160.5 | 81.2 | 79.4 | 89.4 | 129.5 | 131.0 |
| Mar. 1 | 106.5 | 107.0 | 108.8 | 160.9 | 80.8 | 80.3 | 94.3 | 128.5 | 128.9 |
| Apr. 1 | 104.9 | 107.1 | 64.0 | 157.4 | 81.2 | 79.3 | 91.6 | 131.4 | 131.1 |
| May 1 | 106.2 | 108.4 | 51.0 | 155.8 | 82.0 | 81.4 | 94.2 | 133.2 | 135.1 |
| June 1 | 113.1 | 111.4 | 97.1 | 160.5 | 83.8 | 86.5 | 115.3 | 141.8 | 136.6 |
| July 1 | 115.8 | 111.3 | 95.3 | 164.1 | 86.0 | 87.6 | 133.1 | 147.6 | 137.4 |
| Aug. 1 | 117.5 | 112.8 | 73.5 | 165.6 | 87.5 | 87.5 | 146.3 | 149.8 | 135.5 |

Relative Weight of Employment by Industries as at Aug. 1, 1939. $\begin{array}{llllllllllllll}100.0 & 50.5 & 1.9 & 6.7 & 2.0 & 9.3 & 15.4 & 2.9 & 11.3\end{array}$


1/ For explanation of term "Relative Weight", see footnote to Table 3.

| Areas and | Industries $\quad 1 / \mathrm{Re}$ | Relative Melent | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Aug. } 1 \\ & -1939 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { July } 1 \\ -1939 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{array}{r} \text { Aug. } \\ -1938 \end{array}$ | $1937$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Aug. } 1 \\ & 1936 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{array}{r} \text { Au. } 1 \\ -1235 \end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Aug. } 1 \\ & -1934 \end{aligned}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Maritime - A | All Manufacturing | 35.2 | 111.5 | 112.6 | 103.7 | 121.1 | 102.0 | 101.0 | 99.1 |
| Provinces | Lumber products | 4.9 | 92.8 | 97.1 | 88.3 | 112.9 | 97.7 | 103.4 | 97.5 |
|  | Pulp and paper | 5.2 | 159.9 | 160.5 | 162.5 | 185.2 | 155.0 | 140.8 | 151.3 |
|  | Textile products | 3.6 | 84.2 | 86.2 | 78.3 | 93.6 | 77.1 | 80.1 | 83.6 |
|  | Iron and steel | 11.2 | 115.9 | 117.3 | 98.2 | 125.1 | 102.8 | 99.9 | 95.8 |
|  | Other manufactures | 10.3 | 113.5 | 111.9 | 110.5 | 112.8 | 97.3 | 97.3 | 93.2 |
|  | Logging | 1.7 | 66.3 | 111.7 | 57.9 | 176.5 | 74.0 | 69.4 | 124.8 |
|  | Mining | 19.6 | 112.3 | 113.1 | 111. 7 | 111.0 | 109.6 | 105.9 | 98.5 |
|  | Communications | 2.4 | 94.2 | 90.4 | 101.0 | 101.2 | 94.1 | 89.8 | 87.8 |
|  | Pransportation | 8.3 | 61.6 | 61.5 | 62.1 | 63.0 | 64.1 | 62.9 | 61.3 |
|  | Construction | 21.0 | 193,6 | 182.3 | 196.9 | 292.4 | 219.0 | 180.1 | 147.8 |
|  | Services | 2.3 | 225.9 | 215.5 | 220.9 | 227.6 | 213.9 | 204.0 | 193.8 |
|  | Trado | 9.5 | 136.3 | 136.9 | 133.1 | 130.0 | 122.9 | 115.2 | 111.9 |
| MaritimesQuebec | All Industries | 100.0 | 115.6 | 115.9 | 112.6 | 154.3 | 113.9 | 106.7 | 101.3 |
|  | All Manufacturing | 52.6 | 115.0 | 112.6 | 114.8 | 120.3 | 104.4 | 99.8 | 96.0 |
|  | Lumber products | 3.1 | 100.2 | 99.5 | 104.1 | 111.5 | 94.9 | 92.4 | 91.7 |
|  | Pulp and paper | 7.0 | 105.9 | 105.5 | 106.4 | 112.2 | 100.3 | 94.6 | 92.9 |
|  | Textile products | 14.4 | 129.5 | 129.1 | 127.1 | 135.5 | 120.4 | 115.8 | 112.4 |
|  | Iron and steel | 7.4 | 81.0 | 81.2 | 86.6 | 100.7 | 81.4 | 72.0 | 68.2 |
|  | Other manufactures | 20.7 | 131.0 | $121+c 8$ | 128.0 | 126.2 | 110.4 | 108. 5 | 103.3 |
|  | Logging | 2.2 | 80.9 | 100,0 | 87.2 | 202.6 | 119.4 | 106.6 | 129.1 |
|  | Mining | 3.6 | 286.8 | 287.4 | 253.1 | 263.3 | 193.0 | 165.8 | 134.9 |
|  | Commanications | 1.5 | 77.9 | 76.9 | 77.2 | 78.8 | 72.5 | 72.3 | 72.5 |
|  | Tranaportation | 8.0 | 86.8 | 87.8 | 88.9 | 89.0 | 87.6 | 85.9 | 85.4 |
|  | Construction | 21.7 | 197.1 | 186.0 | 140.8 | 114.8 | 74.0 | 75.4 | 75.0 |
|  | Services | 2.4 | 129.6 | 128.0 | 128.4 | 126.0 | 118.3 | 114.9 | 105.5 |
|  | Trade | 8.0 | 142.5 | 143.8 | 140.8 | 138.0 | 132.7 | 125.8 | 126.8 |
| Quebec | All Industries | 100.0 | 126. $\frac{1}{6}$ | $121+0$ | 117.8 | 120.8 | 101.3 | 97.2 | 94.9 |
| Ontario | All Manufacturing | 60.1 | 109.8 | 110.9 | 107.5 | 117.5 | 104.3 | 98.5 | 92.4 |
|  | Lumber products | 3.9 | 80.8 | 81.0 | 80.1 | 88.3 | 79.5 | 73.4 | 69.0 |
|  | Pulp and paper | 6.6 | 109.9 | 110.3 | 106.2 | 109.3 | 102.8 | 97.9 | 93.9 |
|  | Textile products | 9.2 | 104.2 | 104.0 | 102.5 | 114.0 | 110.0 | 106.6 | 101.6 |
|  | Ironand steel | 15.1 | 97.6 | 101.8 | 95.5 | 112.8 | 87.3 | 84.6 | 74.7 |
|  | Other mamufactures | 25.3 | 129.0 | 123.6 | 126.3 | 132.4 | 121.6 | 113.2 | 108.5 |
|  | Logeing | 1.0 | 49.2 | 81.2 | 49.9 | 76.7 | 76.5 | 68.7 | 55.6 |
|  | Mining | 6.2 | 290.6 | 288.6 | 251.9 | 254.8 | 224.1 | 192.3 | 159.5 |
|  | Comminications | 1.9 | 80.2 | 79.4 | 80.8 | 84.7 | 77.1 | 76,6 | 76.9 |
|  | Transportation | 6.9 | 81.5 | 54, 2 | 83.7 | 88,6 | 86.7 | 83.2 | 82.6 |
|  | Construction | 9.6 | 116.5 | 104. 5 | 118.4 | 152.6 | 100.6 | 109.2 | 205.7 |
|  | Services | 2.8 | 164.3 | 165.3 | 263.0 | 156.0 | 152.3 | 145.4 | 144.7 |
|  | Trade | 11.5 | 140,9 | 144. 4 | 135.2 | 238.0 | 131.5 | 127.5 | 123.1 |
| Ontarion | All Industries | 100.0 | 114.2 | 124.7 | 111.2 | 122.2 | 107.1 | 102.4 | 106.0 |
| Praifio | All Manufacturing | 29.0 | 109.7 | 105.5 | 105.5 | 109.7 | 104.6 | 96.9 | 90.0 |
| Provinces | Lumber products | 2.2 | 108.0 | 105.5 | 108.2 | 110.1 | 94.5 | 94.3 | 88.3 |
|  | Pulp and paper | 2.8 | 10+61 | 102.8 | 98.2 | 96.7 | 93.5 | 87.8 | 82.0 |
|  | Textile products | 2.3. | 131.7 | 127.1 | 130.3 | 133.7 | 126.7 | 115.2 | 110.5 |
|  | Iron and steel | 9.0 | 80.8 | 74.5 | 76.6 | 79.9 | 79.3 | 75.6 | 71.4 |
|  | Other manufactures | - 12.9 | 143.5 | 140.9 | 138.7 | 146.5 | 138.0 | 123.3 | 112.9 |
|  | Logging | 04 | 32.8 | 33.0 | 12.3 | 6.0 | 6.8 | 40.3 | 33.3 |
|  | Mining | 6.3 | 102.7 | 98.9 | 97.7 | 92.1 | 97.4 | 91.0 | 84.9 |
|  | Communications | 2.7 | 99.0 | 97.0 | 101.9 | 99.7 | 100.2 | 90.7 | 91.0 |
|  | Transportation | 18.3 | 959 | 96.6 | 93.9 | 93.5 | 95.4 | 91.5 | 87.7 |
|  | Construction | 19.2 | 126.6 | 95.8 | 109.0 | 109.8 | 107.9 | 106.1 | 100.7 |
|  | Services | 3.9 | 148.5 | 141.8 | 133.8 | 132.6 | 130.4 | 115.2 | 109.2 |
|  | Trade | 20.2 | 120.8 | 120.7 | 118.5 | 117.8 | 114.1 | 108.7 | 101.6 |
| Pratries | All Industries | 100,0 | 109.4 | 104.0 | 104.9 | 105.6 | 103.9 | 98.7 | 93.0 |
| Britiah | All Manufacturing | 42.9 | 128.1 | 114.0 | 115.7 | 118.4 | 114.8 | 111.3 | 99.6 |
| Columbia | Lumber products | 14.0 | 107.0 | 103.5 | 94.5 | 97.8 | 89.4 | 80.9 | 61.5 |
|  | Pulp and paper | 4.9 | 114.2 | 112.9 | 94.2 | 122.5 | 114.8 | 104.2 | 100.6 |
|  | Textile products | 1.0 | 117.4 | 111.8 | 126.3 | 124.6 | 112.8 | 105.5 | 103.3 |
|  | Iron and steel | 3.1 | 82.7 | 82.5 | 93.7 | 86.7 | 77.4 | 75.2 | 66.2 |
|  | Other manufactures | -19.9 | 172.9 | 136.8 | 153.6 | 149.4 | 155.6 | 160.2 | 152.8 |
|  | Logging | 6.9 | 97.2 | 117.5 | 49.6 | 102.0 | 74.4 | 71.4 | 68.3 |
|  | Mining, | 9.7 | 116.7 | 113.0 | 113.4 | 113.4 | 97.7 | 92.9 | 85.6 |
|  | Communications | 3.2 | 119.0 | 110.7 | 116.1 | 115.9 | 110.4 | 105.3 | 100.3 |
|  | Transportation | 12.1 | 104.0 | 101.8 | 99.9 | 106.4 | 106.5 | 100.1 | 94.3 |
|  | Construction | $3: 0$ | 138.5 | 78.0 13 4 | 117.6 | 121.9 | 104.3 | 127.3 | 112.6 |
|  | Trade | 12.7 | 136.4 | 137.0 | 130.6 | 136.4 | 126.3 | 117.6 | 211.1 |
|  | All Industries | 100. | 112.0 | 111.0 | 101.1 | 116.2 | 107.2 | 106.8 | 27.6 |


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TABLE 6.-INDEX NUMBERS OF ENPLOMENF BY CITIES AND PRINCIPAL INDUS IRTES (Average 1926=100). Cities and Industries $\begin{array}{lllllllll}\text { Welght } & 1939 & 1939 & 1938 & 1937 & 1936 & 1935 & 1934\end{array}$

Montreal - Manufacturing
Plant products - edible
Pulp and paper (chiefly printing) Textiles
Tobacco and beverages
Iron and steel
Other manufactures
Communications
Transportation
Construction
Trade
Montreal - All Industries
Quebec - Manufacturing
Leather products
Other manufacturea
Transportation
Construction
Quebec - All Industries
Toronto - Matufacturing
Plant products - edible
Printing and publishing
Textiles
Ironand steel
Other manufactures
Communications
Transportation
Construction
Trade
Toronto - All Industries
Ottawa - Manufacturing
Lumber products
Pulp and paper
Other manufactures
Construction
Trade
Ottawa - All Industries
Eamilton - Manufacturing Textiles
Electrical apparatus
Iron and steel
Other manufactures
Construction
Trade
Hamilton - All Industries
Windsor - Manufacturing
Iron and steel
Other manufactures
Construction
Windsor - All Industries
Winnipeg - Manufacturing
Animal products - edible
Printing and publishing
Textiles
Iron and steel
Other mamufactures
Transportation
Construction
Trade
Winnipeg - All Industries
Vancouver - Manufacturing
Lumber products
Other mamfactures
Communications
Transportation
Construction
Services
Trade
Vancouver = AII Industries

| 60.9 | 106.1 | 105.3 | 104.9 | 109.3 | 94.8 | 89.4 | 86.8 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | $4.51130 .5 \quad 128.0 \quad 124.6 \quad 114.8106 .5108 .3109 .6$

$4.6113 .3115 .2 \quad 107.6 \quad 109.2101 .8102 .7100 .2$
$13.7110 .1113 .1110 .7111 .6 \quad 98.1 \quad 90.9 \quad 91.1$
$4.8124 .0 \quad 119.5120 .2112 .8107 .0107 .1107 .4$

| 12.2 | 80.7 | 82.5 | 84.9 | 96.6 | 79.0 | 68.3 | 65.0 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |

21.1 $114.5 \quad 110.3 \quad 110.1116 .5 \quad 99.7 \quad 95.290 .8$
$\begin{array}{llllllll}2.3 & 65.3 & 64.9 & 65.1 & 66.4 & 62.6 & 62.8 & 64.6\end{array}$
$\begin{array}{llllllll}8.6 & 95.0 & 96.1 & 93.4 & 98.6 & 96.6 & 98.5 & 92.3\end{array}$
$\begin{array}{llllllllll}10.5 & 109.3 & 117.8 & 96.9 & 75.1 & 48.2 & 38.3 & 54.5\end{array}$
$13.9 \mid 136.6 \quad 137.9132 .5 \quad 130.7 \quad 126.1 \quad 120.4119 .1$
$\begin{array}{llllllll}100.0 & 107.6 & 108.3 & 104.7 & 105.2 & 92.2 & 87.2 & 86.4\end{array}$
$\begin{array}{lllllllll}49.8 & 109.6 & 107.2 & 109.7 & 108.2 & 98.7 & 97.6 & 98.0\end{array}$
$14.1 \mid 100.0 \quad 95.1 \quad 103.6 \quad 101.0 \quad 105.7105 .3104 .0$
$35.7114 .0 \quad 112.7112 .5111 .4 \quad 95.5 \quad 94.1 \quad 95.2$

| 10.2 | 99.9 | 97.6 | 102.6 | 4.1 |  | 93.5 | 98.6 | 101.7 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |

$19.0 \quad 294.2329 .6 \quad 93.0$ 111.2 $\quad 70.0139 .7107 .7$ $100.0126 .9127 .4109 .6108 .6 \quad 96.5100 .9 \quad 99.4$
$62.5107 .4107 .5 \quad 104.6 \quad 106.3 \quad 99.2 \quad 94.0 \quad 89.0$
$5.7(118.0 \quad 116.2 \quad 113.011 ? 2109.5104 .3105 .2$
$9.2127 .6 \quad 129.9 \quad 124.5121+.6118 .9114 .3108 .3$
$\begin{array}{llllllll}9.9 & 85.2 & 85.6 & 87.0 & 90.9 & 86.0 & 82.5 & 82.4\end{array}$
$\begin{array}{lllllllll}10.5 & 98.3 & 98.2 & 92.8 & 95.5 & 79.6 & 73.7 & 65.9\end{array}$
$27.2114 .2 \quad 113.8 \quad 110.8 \quad 111.9106 .1101 .2 \quad 94.1$
$\begin{array}{llllllll}2.6 & 68.5 & 68.2 & 68.4 & 69.0 & 64.8 & 65.7 & 68.0\end{array}$
$\begin{array}{llllllll}5.8 & 100.3 & 100.1 & 98.9 & 99.6 & 97.5 & 94.5 & 93.0\end{array}$
$\begin{array}{lllllllll}2.7 & 62.1 & 60.2 & 65.3 & 76.1 & 64.5 & 69.1 & 61.4\end{array}$
$21.8127 .3 \quad 131.7123 .1 \quad 127.7123 .3118 .9116 .7$
100.0 $108.6 \quad 109.4105 .6 \quad 107.8101 .3 \quad 97.2192 .9$
$46.21101 .8 \quad 100.7 \quad 99.4 \quad 102.8 \quad 98.7 \quad 93.5 \quad 90.7$
$\begin{array}{lllllllll}5.9 & 74.7 & 71.3 & 73.9 & 69.4 & 63.1 & 61.9 & 70.0\end{array}$
$\begin{array}{llllllll}15.5 & 95.7 & 94.6 & 89.9 & 91.4 & 94.7 & 92.4 & 87.1\end{array}$
$24.8 \quad 116.6 \quad 116.2 \quad 115.6 \quad 123.1 \quad 114.4106 .0 \quad 100.9$
$13.2130 .6 \quad 142.6 \quad 127.2 \quad 147.3136 .4147 .8154 .3$
$22.2139 .3140 .8 \quad 136.912 \xi .6123 .5115 .3108 .2$
100.0110 .2 111.8 107.7112 .7107 .4104 .3103 .4
$80.7100 .9 \quad 105.6 \quad 109.2 \quad 120.3 \quad 98.7 \quad 93.5 \quad 85.2$
$15.9 \quad 82.5 \quad 85.3 \quad 88.2 \quad 93.2 \quad 90.4 \quad 88.0 \quad 86.5$

$29.4 \quad 96.3 \quad 109.8 \quad 112.7 \quad 928.0 \quad 89.7 \quad 54.3 \quad 69.4$
$25.1 \mid 120.0 \quad 117.9 \quad 121.4$ 1e.5.5 116.2109 .1107 .0
$\begin{array}{lllllllll}3.0 & 62.2 & 58.0 & 56.8 & 53.4 & 44.7 & 53.5 & 61.5\end{array}$
$10.6132 .4 \quad 134.3136 .9131 .8 \quad 130.3123 .5116 .1$
$100.0102 .1105 .7108 .3 \quad 117.7 \quad 99.8 \quad 95.4 \quad 87.8$
82.3117 .7121 .2108 .3140 .0121 .0113 .6105 .7
$57.2106 .2110 .0 \quad 91.5 \quad 128.5 \quad 110.5 \quad 111.9 \quad 96.6$
$25.1 \mid 156.4158 .6164 .4152 .6159 .4120 .1139 .5$
$\begin{array}{lllllllll}2.7 & 46.3 & 40.8 & 49.1 & 89.8 & 35.6 & 22.1 & 30.4\end{array}$
100.0112 .1114 .7105 .2135 .0115 .1106 .6100 .7
$48.8 \quad 102.5 \quad 98.6 \quad 98.8 \quad 104.2 \quad 98.9 \quad 93.7 \quad 87.3$
$5.6130 .6 \quad 136.5131 .8149 .8132 .7129 .8121 .0$
$5.8109 .7106 .3102 .0102 .1 \quad 96.7 \quad 91.8 \quad 87.5$
$5.81134 .3128 .9136 .8 \quad 137.6140 .4122 .3115 .3$
$\begin{array}{lllllllll}17.1 & 78.5 & 71.8 & 73.7 & 79.8 & 77.9 & 74.2 & 69.5\end{array}$
$14.5121 .3119 .5 \quad 117.9122 .1 \quad 111.8 \quad 107.5 \quad 99.0$
$\begin{array}{llllllll}9.7 & 81.0 & 79.0 & 84.5 & 89.7 & 80.6 & 80.6 & 76.0\end{array}$
2.7 $40.5 \quad 39.0 \quad 56.2 \quad 37.9 \quad 45.4 \quad 65.3 \quad 49.0$
$\begin{array}{lllllllll}30.6 & 102.8 & 102.6 & 98.8 & 100.7 & 98.6 & 94.9 & 87.8\end{array}$
$\begin{array}{llllllll}100.0 & 96.5 & 94.3 & 95.2 & 97.6 & 93.8 & 90.6 & 84.0\end{array}$

| 39.8 | 122.6 | 119.0 | 120.9 | 116.7 | 110.5 | 102.2 | 90.4 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |

$9.8 \quad 94.2 \quad 90.7 \quad 88.9 \quad 85.8 \quad 77.0 \quad 78.5 \quad 52.6$
$30.0135 .9 \quad 132.2 \quad 135.4130 .8 \quad 125.7113 .1107 .8$
$7.2117 .3 \quad 115.3113 .0 \quad 111.8108 .9104 .5 \quad 99.8$
$16.5107 .0 \quad 105.0 \quad 105.2 \quad 11.6 .8113 .1105 .7101 .1$
$\begin{array}{llllllllll}4.8 & 47.6 & 43.1 & 65.0 & 93.8 & 67.0 & 60.1 & 38.3\end{array}$
$7.5137 .5 \quad 135.8 \quad 112.1 \quad 119.5 \quad 107.5102 .4 \quad 99.2$
$24.2140 .0 \quad 140.4131 .5 \quad 140.2 \quad 131.4122 .6113 .6$
 employees reported in that city by the fims making returns at the date under review.


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