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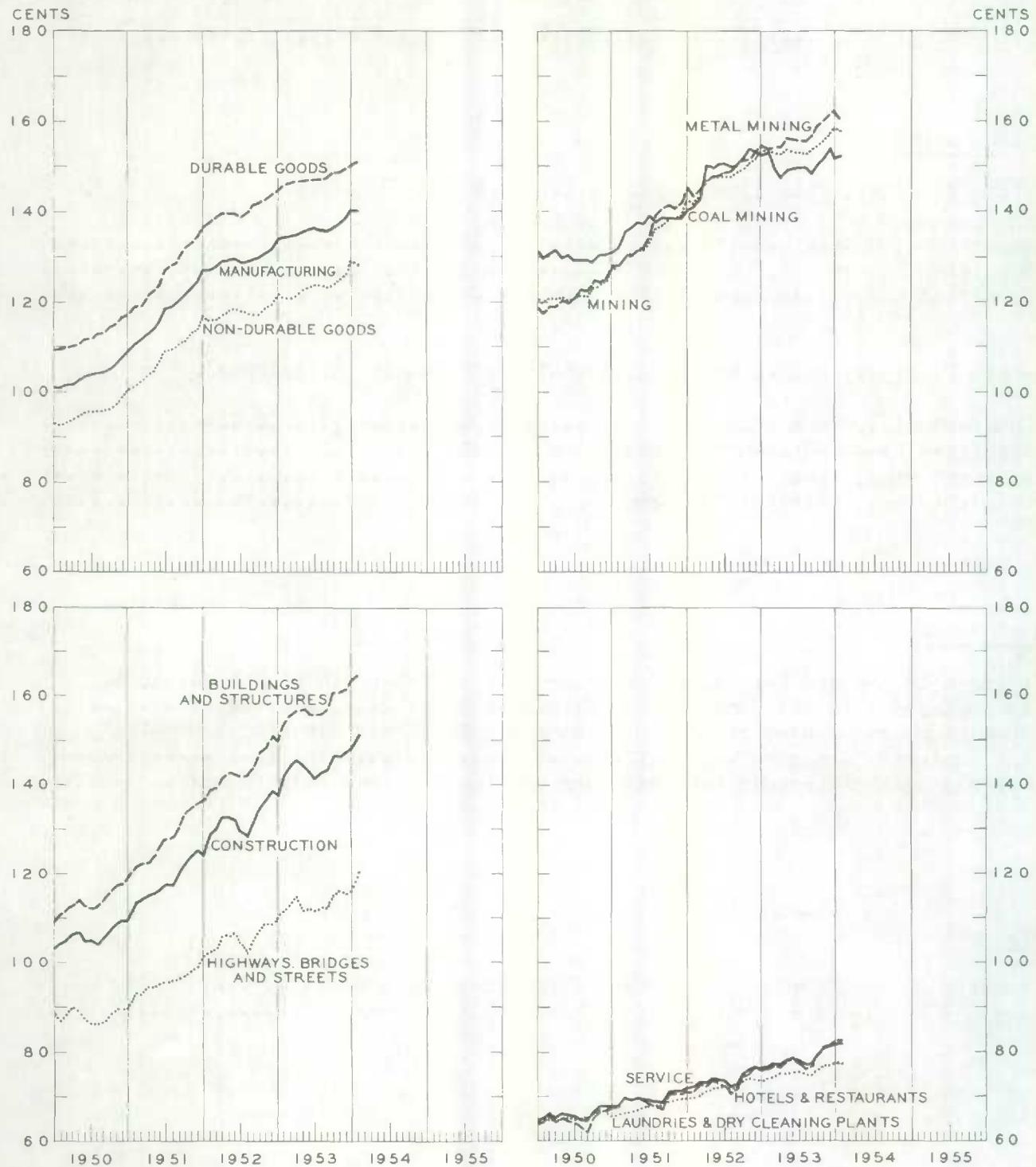
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AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS
IN SPECIFIED INDUSTRIES, CANADA



MAN-HOURS AND HOURLY EARNINGS, FEBRUARY, 1954.

Statistics for Canada

Manufacturing.- The average hourly earnings of factory wage-earners were unchanged at Feb. 1 as compared with Jan. 1. Their average hours rose in the month by 2.2 reflecting the resumption of more normal conditions disrupted by the year-end holidays. The latest average, however, was 1.2 hours lower than in the week of Feb. 1, 1953. The average weekly wages reached a new maximum of \$57.14, \$3.09 higher than at Jan. 1, and 12 cents above the previous maximum of \$57.02 reported at Dec. 1, 1953. The Feb. 1, 1953 figure was \$56.23. The aggregate hours worked in the period under review were 5.8 p.c. higher than in the week of Jan. 1.

In the durable goods division, hourly earnings rose by 1.3 cents in the month. The averages were higher in all major branches of the group except wood and non-ferrous metal products. In the former, increased activity, involving the employment of more lower-paid, unskilled labour in New Brunswick, was largely responsible for the decline; in the latter, premium overtime rates for work performed on the holidays had raised the Jan. 1 figure, and the latest average reflected a more usual level. Increases in wage rates were reported in the aircraft, iron and steel, electrical apparatus and some other industries. The average hours worked in plants producing durable goods were 1.7 hours longer than in the week of Jan. 1. The average weekly wages were \$3.08 higher.

In factories manufacturing non-durable goods, the average hourly earnings were 1.1 cents lower than at Jan. 1. The drop was largely due to changes in industrial distribution, the largest increases in aggregate hours being indicated in industries in which earnings tend to be below the general average. The latest average was 1.9 cents higher than at Dec. 1, 1953, and 7.2 cents above the Feb. 1, 1953, level. Wage-rate increases in printing and publishing, chemical products, pulp and paper mills, breweries, oil refineries and some other industries contributed to the advance at the date under review. The average weekly wages, at \$51.84, were the highest on record. The average hours worked were 2.7 hours longer than in the week of Jan. 1.

Non-Manufacturing Industries.- The average hourly earnings in mining were slightly lower at Feb. 1 than at Jan. 1, mainly due to changes in industrial distribution within the division. There was increased employment in gold mining following settlement of labour-management disputes in certain areas. The number of wage-earners reported in the extraction of oil and natural gas was rather lower.

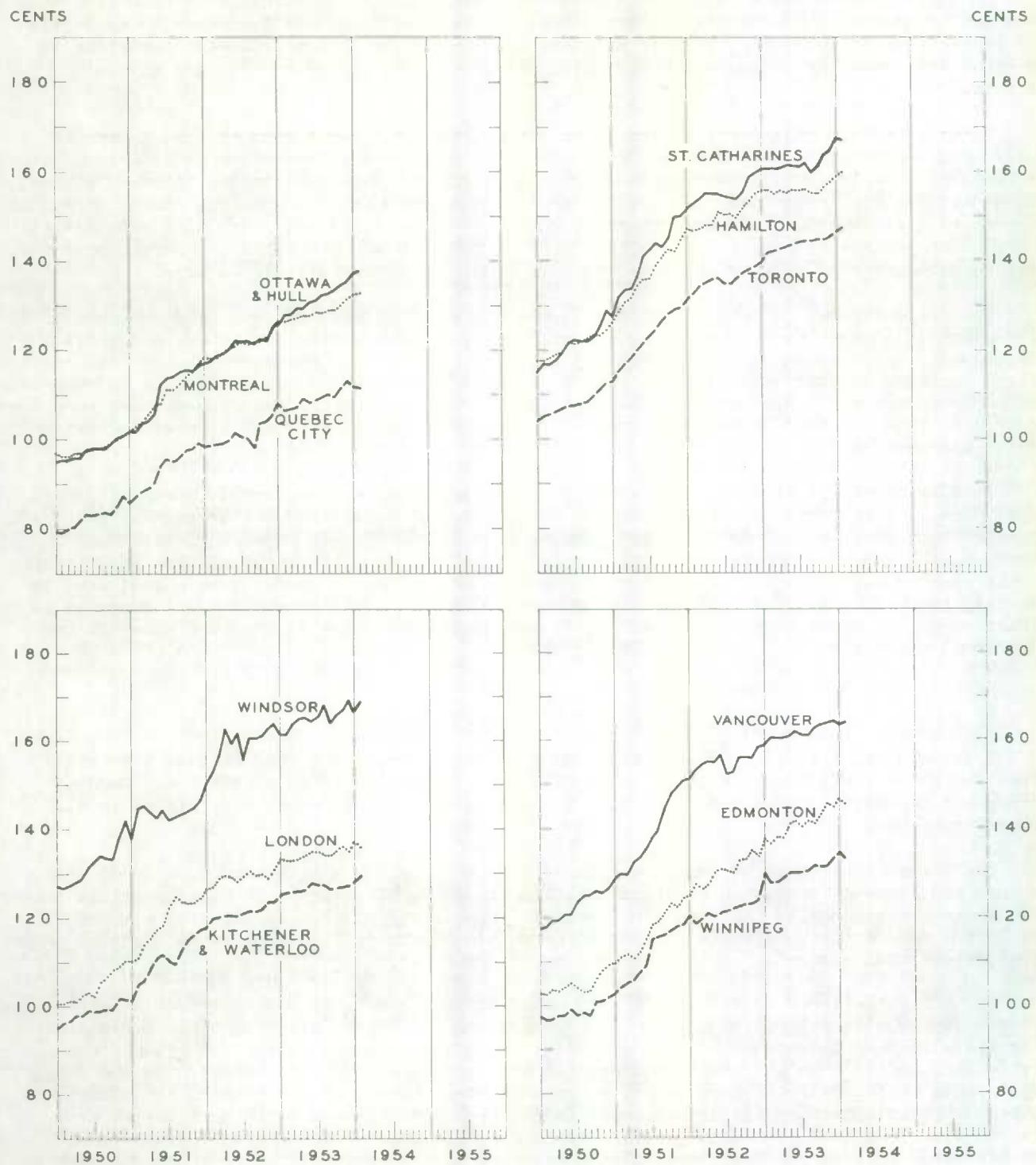
The average hourly earnings were higher in both branches of the construction industry, largely reflecting decreased employment of lower-paid workers. The average working week rose by 4.6 hours, and the weekly wages by \$8.13 as compared with the holiday week of Jan. 1. Hourly earnings were higher in electric and motor transportation, partly because of wage-rate adjustments in Quebec.

Statistics for the Provinces

The average hourly earnings in manufacturing generally were higher at Feb. 1 than at Jan. 1 in Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, Ontario, Saskatchewan and British Columbia. Small declines in other provinces mainly resulted from changes in industrial distribution associated with the resumption of more normal activities than in the holiday week of Jan. 1. In all provinces the average hours worked and average weekly wages were higher than in the preceding survey.

In Newfoundland, the average hourly earnings in manufacturing dropped by 2.2 cents between Jan. 1 and Feb. 1 because of changes in the industrial distribution, but the average was well above the Dec. 1, 1953, level and the average weekly wages, at \$61.15, were the highest on record. The increase of 0.6 cents in average hourly earnings in manufacturing in Nova Scotia was partly due to premium overtime payments in pulp and paper mills and to longer hours and higher earnings in shipyards.

AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS IN MANUFACTURING
IN SPECIFIED METROPOLITAN AREAS



Wage-rate increases, accompanied by a reduction in the standard work week in pulp and paper mills, contributed to a small rise in hourly earnings in manufacturing in New Brunswick. Substantially longer aggregate hours were also reported by textile mills, sawmills and transportation equipment manufacturing establishments, raising the average working time by 3 hours from the week of Jan. 1.

In Quebec, there was a small decline in the average of hourly earnings in manufacturing, mainly due to changes in industrial distribution. There were important increases in aggregate hours in the textile, clothing, leather products and some other classes. Upward revisions in wage-rates were reported in certain industries, notably printing plants, drug and aircraft factories.

Ontario factory wage-earners earned, on the average, 0.8 cents more at Feb. 1 than at Jan. 1. Changes in industrial distribution, wage-rate increases and overtime in some industries were factors. The largest percentage increases in aggregate hours were in the tobacco, rubber, clothing and textile industries. The gains were largely seasonal in character. Hours worked in transportation equipment, wood products and a number of other industries were also substantially higher. Higher wage-rates were reported by firms in printing and publishing, chemical products, furniture manufacturing, electrical apparatus and some other industries in Ontario.

The 1.4 cent drop in hourly earnings in manufacturing in Manitoba was mainly a result of longer hours in industries such as clothing, which employ large numbers of women, and a decline in employment in transportation equipment factories, where earnings are above the general average. A slight increase in hourly earnings in manufacturing in Saskatchewan was partly due to wage-rate adjustments in petroleum refineries. The reported aggregates of hours and wage-earners were lower than at Jan. 1 in the food products groups, reflecting seasonal curtailment in meat and dairy products and breweries.

In Alberta, the average hourly earnings in factories were fractionally lower at Feb. 1 than at Jan. 1, when overtime work during the holiday season had raised the average. The aggregate hours reported by manufacturers generally declined, largely because of lessened activity in the food and beverages group. Average hourly earnings in manufacturing in British Columbia rose by 0.7 cents during the month under review. Higher wage-rates were indicated in breweries, iron and steel products and some other industries. The aggregate hours reported in manufacturing as a whole were lower, reflecting seasonal curtailment in food and beverage and wood product plants.

Statistics for Metropolitan Areas

Average hourly earnings in manufacturing were higher at Feb. 1 than at Jan. 1 in all centres for which statistics are published in Table 3 except Quebec, St. Catharines, London, Winnipeg and Edmonton. The average hours worked and average weekly wages were higher in all metropolitan areas.

The largest increases in hourly earnings during the month under review were in Windsor, Kitchener and Toronto. Heightened activity in the automotive industries in Windsor and in rubber in Kitchener contributed to the upward movement in those centres. In Toronto, the rise of 1.3 cents in the manufacturing average at Feb. 1 was partly due to revised wage-rates in drug, paper product, electrical apparatus and non-ferrous metal factories.

In Quebec, the lower hourly earnings in manufacturing generally resulted from shorter hours and lower earnings in shipbuilding, and other changes in industrial distribution. The latter factor was also chiefly responsible for a decline in hourly earnings in St. Catharines, where activity declined in iron and steel products and electrical apparatus factories. On the other hand, textile mills, employing many women, reported a higher level of operations. In London and Winnipeg, the employment of additional women in the food products and clothing industries tended to lower the average hourly earnings in manufacturing as a whole, as compared with a month earlier. Reduced premium overtime payments were partly responsible for a lower figure in Edmonton.

TABLE 2. Average Hours and Average Earnings of Hourly-Rated Wage-Earners, Canada, by Industry

Industry	Average Hours			Average Hourly Earnings			Average Weekly Wages			Wage-Earners Reported at Feb. 1 1954
	Feb. 1 1954	Jan. 1 1954	Feb. 1 1955	Feb. 1 1954	Jan. 1 1954	Feb. 1 1953	Feb. 1 1954	Jan. 1 1954	Feb. 1 1953	
Mining	no.	no.	no.	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	no.
Metal mining	42.5	40.5	43.0	158.1	158.3	153.3	67.19	64.11	65.92	72,758
Gold (a)	44.5	42.1	44.6	180.5	162.3	155.7	71.42	68.33	68.55	40,586
Other metal (b)	46.1	45.1	46.6	133.2	134.1	131.8	61.41	57.80	61.42	14,529
Fuels	43.7	41.7	43.2	176.6	176.0	168.6	77.17	73.39	72.84	26,067
Coal	39.3	38.4	40.2	157.4	160.3	156.0	61.86	60.02	62.71	22,222
Oil and natural gas	37.7	36.9	39.0	152.6	151.7	153.3	57.53	55.98	59.79	17,603
Non-metal (c)	45.2	43.8	45.6	172.5	170.6	165.6	77.97	74.72	75.44	4,619
Manufacturing	41.6	38.8	42.4	148.7	146.7	144.7	61.86	56.92	61.35	9,950
	40.7	38.5	41.9	140.4	140.4	134.2	57.14	54.05	56.23	826,689
Food and beverages	40.8	38.7	41.4	121.7	122.7	114.7	49.65	47.48	47.49	75,980
Meat products	35.6	39.4	40.1	148.9	149.1	142.9	58.96	58.75	57.50	15,832
Canned and preserved fruits and vegetables	40.0	34.2	39.5	107.8	106.1	104.5	43.12	36.29	41.28	5,139
Grain mill products	41.4	38.3	41.6	134.4	131.6	123.5	55.64	51.72	51.50	4,819
Bread and other bakery products	42.7	43.0	43.6	108.7	107.8	101.5	46.41	46.35	44.26	8,530
Distilled and malt liquors	38.9	39.4	40.9	153.9	153.4	159.6	59.67	60.44	57.10	9,994
Tobacco and tobacco products	40.1	37.0	40.8	121.1	128.8	116.2	48.56	47.86	47.41	8,835
Rubber products	40.8	36.4	42.1	147.0	145.8	142.9	59.98	53.07	60.16	14,927
Leather products	40.4	35.9	42.4	98.6	99.0	94.4	39.83	36.54	40.03	20,011
Boots and shoes (except rubber)	40.1	34.4	42.3	94.3	94.9	90.7	37.61	32.65	38.37	13,558
Textile products (except clothing)	40.6	37.1	43.2	109.9	109.2	107.1	44.82	40.51	46.27	49,545
Cotton yarn and broad woven goods	37.6	33.4	41.0	110.6	111.1	109.8	41.59	37.11	45.02	17,911
Woolen goods	41.3	37.9	44.8	104.8	103.6	102.3	43.28	39.26	45.83	8,552
Synthetic textiles and silk	44.3	40.1	46.4	113.6	113.2	108.0	50.32	45.39	50.11	10,867
Clothing (textile and fur)	37.5	32.0	39.9	98.4	98.2	93.8	36.90	31.42	37.43	71,041
Men's clothing	37.6	31.7	39.7	96.9	97.1	91.7	36.43	30.78	36.40	24,694
Women's clothing	38.4	29.6	37.5	103.6	102.6	99.5	37.78	30.37	37.31	15,801
Knit goods	37.8	34.3	41.3	98.6	97.8	94.2	37.27	33.55	38.80	17,687
*Wood products	40.5	38.0	42.3	122.7	124.0	120.0	49.69	47.12	50.76	63,338
Saw and planing mills	35.0	36.9	41.4	151.4	134.1	129.8	51.26	49.48	53.74	37,909
Furniture	42.6	39.4	43.5	113.0	111.9	107.5	48.14	44.09	46.76	17,178
Other wood products (d)	42.9	40.2	43.9	106.3	106.9	102.1	45.60	42.57	44.62	8,251
Paper products	45.0	41.4	44.1	158.3	157.8	149.0	68.07	65.33	65.71	65,986
Pulp and paper mills	43.7	42.3	44.7	169.9	169.6	159.3	72.25	71.74	71.21	48,858
Other paper products (e)	41.2	38.8	42.4	123.3	121.4	117.7	50.60	47.10	49.90	17,128
Printing, publishing and allied industries	35.8	39.1	39.5	162.2	160.8	154.0	64.56	62.87	60.63	27,584
*Iron and steel products	40.4	38.9	41.9	156.2	155.3	150.8	63.10	60.41	63.19	124,590
Agricultural implements	39.1	38.3	39.3	166.7	164.5	161.4	65.18	63.00	65.43	9,256
Fabricated and structural steel	39.3	37.7	42.2	163.6	162.1	157.5	64.29	61.11	66.47	7,026
Hardware and tools	40.5	40.2	43.2	141.6	141.2	135.6	57.35	56.76	58.58	8,964
Heating and cooking appliances	39.2	37.4	42.3	136.6	135.8	130.8	53.63	50.63	55.33	5,461
Iron castings	40.3	37.8	43.0	155.4	153.9	148.1	62.63	60.17	63.68	14,642
Machinery manufacturing (f)	41.9	39.7	43.5	151.0	149.2	142.1	63.27	59.23	61.53	23,784
Primary iron and steel	39.4	39.9	40.6	170.6	171.2	169.1	67.22	68.31	68.65	27,995
Sheet metal products	40.2	37.8	41.1	146.8	144.8	140.0	59.06	54.73	57.54	12,272
*Transportation equipment	41.1	39.4	41.8	161.1	158.4	155.6	66.21	62.41	65.04	137,584
Aircraft and parts	44.0	41.1	45.4	165.1	161.7	157.4	72.64	66.46	71.46	30,265
Motor vehicles	41.5	38.6	41.6	171.4	169.5	165.8	71.13	65.43	68.97	28,679
Motor vehicle parts and accessories	39.4	37.7	41.6	161.7	159.1	154.9	63.71	59.98	64.44	17,028
Railroad and rolling stock equipment	35.1	38.7	39.0	159.5	157.4	156.9	62.36	60.91	61.19	37,103
Shipbuilding and repairing	41.1	40.2	42.2	147.5	145.6	143.5	60.62	58.53	60.47	22,253
*Non-ferrous metal products	41.0	40.1	41.5	158.4	158.5	149.0	64.94	63.56	61.84	37,751
Aluminum products	40.8	38.6	42.7	148.2	146.4	139.3	60.47	56.80	58.48	4,646
Brass and copper products	41.2	39.1	41.7	147.1	145.1	138.5	60.61	56.73	57.88	7,205
Smelting and refining	41.0	41.2	41.3	172.3	173.3	162.5	70.64	71.40	67.11	20,233
*Electrical apparatus and supplies	40.2	38.6	41.3	148.8	145.4	141.1	59.82	56.20	58.27	52,475
Heavy electrical machinery and equipment ¹	40.1	39.8	42.2	164.8	161.7	157.6	66.08	64.36	66.51	14,422
*Non-metallic mineral products (g)	43.2	40.7	44.1	139.8	138.7	133.0	60.39	56.45	58.65	21,413
Clay products	44.4	42.1	44.0	130.9	130.7	123.2	58.12	55.02	54.21	4,199
Glass and glass products	43.6	40.8	46.4	137.5	134.5	129.7	59.95	54.80	60.18	6,176
Products of petroleum and coal	41.2	41.0	40.6	183.5	185.0	177.6	75.60	75.86	72.11	7,518
Chemical products	41.6	41.2	42.0	141.8	141.1	136.4	58.99	58.13	57.29	50,829
Medicinal and pharmaceutical preparations	41.1	40.9	41.5	118.3	116.1	112.2	48.62	47.48	46.56	5,711
Acids, alkalis and salts	42.1	41.4	42.5	160.8	160.4	154.5	67.70	66.41	65.35	5,255
Miscellaneous manufacturing industries	41.0	39.6	41.4	115.2	115.4	108.1	47.23	45.70	44.75	17,080
*Durable goods	40.8	39.1	41.9	151.4	150.1	145.7	61.77	58.69	61.05	437,252
Non-durable goods	40.5	37.8	41.8	128.0	129.1	120.8	51.84	48.80	50.49	589,437
Construction	39.7	35.1	41.6R	161.5	148.2	142.5R	60.15	52.02	59.20R	128,305
Buildings and structures (h)	38.5	33.7	40.6	165.1	163.3	153.9	65.56	55.05	62.48	91,194
Highways, bridges and streets	41.2	37.2	42.5R	120.3	116.1	111.6R	49.56	43.19	47.21R	32,638
Electric and motor transportation (i)	46.0	44.4	45.6	139.0	138.0	132.5	63.94	61.27	60.42	28,532
Service (j)	41.0	40.8	42.4	82.0	82.0	76.5	53.62	53.29	52.44	35,129
Hotels and restaurants	41.7	41.5	43.4	82.4	82.2	76.1	54.56	54.11	53.03	23,108
Laundries and dry cleaning plants	40.4	39.6	41.3	77.0	77.2	73.9	51.11	50.57	50.62	10,561

For footnotes (a) to (j) see explanatory notes at end of report. *Durable manufactured goods industries. 1. Index numbers of average hourly earnings in the heavy electrical machinery and equipment industry are given in Table 9. R - Revised.

TABLE 3. Average Hours and Earnings of Hourly-Rated Wage-Earners in Specified Industries, Provinces

Province and Industry	Average Hours			Average Hourly Earnings			Average Weekly Wages			Wage-Earners Reported at Feb. 1 1954 no.
	Feb. 1 1954	Jan. 1 1954	Feb. 1 1953	Feb. 1 1954	Jan. 1 1954	Feb. 1 1953	Feb. 1 1954	Jan. 1 1954	Feb. 1 1953	
Newfoundland				no.	no.	no.	\$	\$	\$	
Mining	48.5	45.3	45.2	149.0	148.8	142.8	72.27	67.41	64.55	3,006
Manufacturing	43.0	40.1	40.6	142.2	144.4	151.7	61.15	57.90	58.47	6,489
Food and beverages	36.7	30.6	37.3	81.3	81.6	80.4	29.84	24.97	24.99	1,769
Canned and cured fish	32.1	23.3	33.3	73.7	72.6	79.0	23.66	16.92	26.31	1,165
Pulp and paper mills	47.2	46.5	41.9	179.4	180.4	175.3	84.68	83.89	75.45	3,066
Buildings and structures (h)	45.8	35.7	46.5	134.1	137.2	128.6	61.42	48.98	59.60	3,107
Nova Scotia										
Coal mining	39.2	40.0	42.6	140.2	140.3	142.9	54.96	56.12	60.88	10,625
Manufacturing	40.2	38.9	41.2	126.2	125.6	118.3	50.73	48.86	48.74	21,511
Canned and cured fish	39.4	35.3	40.0	94.4	93.2	91.9	37.19	32.90	36.76	1,752
Wood products	42.5	41.6	44.0	71.9	73.2	73.6	30.56	30.45	32.38	1,524
Iron and steel products	38.7	39.2	39.6	154.2	153.6	146.1	59.68	60.21	57.86	5,995
Primary iron and steel	38.5	39.4	39.1	160.1	159.8	154.7	61.64	62.96	60.49	4,681
Transportation equipment	41.0	39.9	41.4	142.2	139.6	129.5	58.30	55.82	53.61	6,562
Shipbuilding and repairing	42.2	39.8	43.3	142.7	139.2	131.9	60.22	55.40	57.11	4,783
Buildings and structures (h)	39.1	35.0	39.3	125.0	126.4	119.4	48.88	43.89	46.92	3,199
Highways, bridges and street construction	34.3	31.4	36.5	101.8	96.6	99.6	34.92	30.35	36.35	1,411
New Brunswick										
Manufacturing	41.5	38.5	42.7	126.5	125.9	118.3	52.60	48.47	50.51	14,349
Food and beverages	44.3	45.8	42.3	99.9	100.6	92.3	44.26	46.07	38.04	2,556
Saw and planing mills	46.1	37.7	46.6	81.9	82.1	80.2	37.76	30.95	37.37	2,022
Pulp and paper mills	41.7	37.9	43.4	173.5	166.3	161.5	72.35	63.05	70.09	3,271
Transportation equipment	39.0	35.5	40.3	152.2	151.7	150.0	59.36	53.85	60.45	2,979
Buildings and structures (h)	37.0	31.2	40.4	120.1	115.8	113.8	44.44	36.13	45.98	1,545
Highways, bridges and street construction	42.1	35.0	37.4	98.6	96.0	98.9	41.51	33.60	36.99	1,670
Quebec										
Metal mining	48.6	46.0	47.7	130.5	129.3	130.1	63.42	59.48	62.06	6,999
Non-metal mining (c)	41.6	39.5	42.0	158.8	157.0	157.2	66.06	62.02	66.02	6,130
Manufacturing	42.1	39.2	43.6	126.6	127.0	119.9	53.30	49.78	52.28	269,089
Tobacco	39.6	38.1	39.7	138.4	140.2	132.5	54.81	53.42	52.60	6,053
Leather products	40.2	33.7	42.4	91.0	91.9	86.1	36.58	30.97	36.51	10,087
Boots and shoes (except rubber)	40.0	33.0	42.5	91.1	92.4	86.7	36.44	30.49	36.85	8,381
Textile products (except clothing)	42.2	38.7	44.3	103.6	105.2	102.6	43.72	39.94	46.41	27,396
Cotton yarn and broad woven goods	39.5	36.3	41.2	108.3	109.1	107.7	42.78	39.60	44.37	11,374
Woollen goods	44.0	38.7	47.0	99.2	98.1	97.1	43.65	37.96	45.64	2,759
Synthetic textiles and silk	45.7	41.6	48.0	100.6	99.9	100.0	45.97	41.56	48.00	7,493
Clothing (textile and fur)	38.0	31.4	40.2	96.5	96.3	90.7	36.67	30.24	36.46	41,307
Men's clothing	38.0	31.3	40.4	97.4	97.3	91.1	37.01	30.45	36.80	15,196
Women's clothing	35.3	28.7	36.9	102.6	101.1	96.0	36.22	29.02	35.42	10,686
Knit goods	41.3	34.6	45.1	96.3	94.7	90.8	39.77	32.77	39.13	7,293
Wood products	45.6	42.0	47.0	94.4	94.2	91.4	43.05	39.56	42.96	12,877
Saw and planing mills	45.3	41.4	48.3	91.0	91.0	89.2	41.22	37.67	43.08	5,650
Paper products	44.7	43.3	46.7	150.1	151.0	140.2	67.09	65.38	65.47	25,602
Pulp and paper mills	45.3	44.3	47.5	159.3	160.2	148.7	72.16	70.97	70.63	20,946
Printing, publishing and allied industries	40.2	39.4	40.3	161.3	157.9	152.6	64.84	62.21	61.50	6,765
Iron and steel products	42.7	39.8	44.9	142.3	140.7	136.4	60.76	56.00	61.24	27,329
Machinery manufacturing (f)	45.0	41.4	46.2	137.9	134.4	131.7	62.06	55.64	60.85	6,803
Transportation equipment	43.1	41.9	43.7	151.3	148.0	145.3	65.21	62.01	63.50	36,314
Aircraft and parts	48.7	42.6	48.9	157.2	149.1	145.8	76.56	63.52	71.30	10,815
Railroad and rolling stock equipment	38.9	39.0	39.3	159.2	157.7	156.5	61.93	61.50	61.50	15,762
Non-ferrous metal products	42.7	41.4	43.4	151.7	152.3	137.4	64.78	63.05	59.63	12,618
Smelting and refining	42.1	42.9	43.1	164.6	164.3	148.2	69.30	70.48	63.87	8,146
Electrical apparatus and supplies	42.0	39.7	42.8	137.2	135.4	131.4	57.62	53.75	56.24	12,808
Chemical products	42.2	42.0	43.2	127.8	125.5	124.2	53.93	53.55	53.65	13,232
Buildings and structures (h)	39.1	32.7	40.2	146.2	145.2	139.5	57.16	47.48	56.08	20,767
Highways, bridges and street construction	47.6	40.2	48.0R	98.1	92.7	93.8R	46.70	37.27	45.02R	8,432
Electric and motor transportation (i)	48.8	47.8	49.6	126.3	124.1	123.8	61.63	59.32	61.40	8,403
Service (j)	43.7	42.6	44.4	75.2	74.8	71.3	32.86	31.86	31.66	8,161
Ontario										
Metal mining	42.7	40.7	43.3	164.9	170.6	156.5	70.41	69.43	67.76	22,289
Manufacturing	40.3	38.4	41.4	148.0	147.2	142.1	59.64	56.52	58.83	411,289
Food and beverages	41.0	39.0	41.3	122.9	124.5	117.8	50.39	48.56	48.65	31,746
Meat products	40.8	40.5	41.0	145.9	145.5	140.8	50.53	59.33	57.73	5,810
Canned and preserved fruits and vegetables	40.8	33.9	39.5	114.8	113.2	112.1	46.84	38.37	44.28	3,602
Bread and other bakery products	43.1	42.9	43.6	103.8	102.1	99.8	44.74	43.80	43.51	3,939
Rubber products	40.4	34.8	40.8	157.5	158.7	156.4	63.65	55.23	63.81	10,842
Leather products	40.5	38.2	42.6	107.6	106.5	103.9	45.58	40.68	44.26	8,971
Boots and shoes (except rubber)	39.6	36.5	42.3	99.9	99.1	97.5	39.56	36.17	41.24	4,611
Textile products (except clothing)	38.9	35.2	42.1	119.0	117.6	114.6	46.29	41.40	48.25	19,499
Cotton yarn and broad woven goods	35.1	28.1	41.1	115.8	116.6	114.4	40.65	32.76	47.02	5,614
Woollen goods	40.0	37.7	44.0	108.9	107.2	105.7	43.86	40.41	46.51	5,406
Synthetic textiles and silk	41.5	38.1	41.9	146.3	142.8	137.4	60.71	54.41	57.57	2,782
Clothing (textile and fur)	38.1	32.6	39.2	105.1	104.3	101.3	37.94	34.00	39.71	22,666
Knit goods	35.0	33.9	40.1	102.8	102.2	98.5	35.98	34.65	39.50	9,137

Footnotes (a) to (j) appear in explanatory notes at end of report.

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TABLE 3. Average Hours and Earnings of Hourly-Rated Wage-Earners in Specified Industries, Provinces

Province and Industry	Average Hours			Average Hourly Earnings			Average Weekly Wages			Wage-Earners Reported at Feb. 1, 1954
	Feb. 1 1954	Jan. 1 1954	Feb. 1 1953	Feb. 1 1954	Jan. 1 1954	Feb. 1 1953	Feb. 1 1954	Jan. 1 1954	Feb. 1 1953	
	no.	no.	no.	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	
Ontario — concluded										
Wood products.....	42.7	39.2	43.5	113.2	112.6	108.1	48.34	44.14	47.02	20,041
Saw and planing mills.....	43.1	39.4	43.6	109.2	109.3	105.0	47.07	43.06	45.78	6,129
Furniture.....	42.4	39.2	43.2	117.1	115.6	111.1	49.65	45.32	48.00	9,932
Paper products.....	41.6	39.6	43.0	157.2	155.9	149.2	65.40	61.74	64.16	25,268
Pulp and paper mills.....	41.8	40.1	43.3	174.6	174.2	164.0	72.98	69.85	71.01	15,583
Other paper products (e).....	41.4	38.9	42.5	130.0	126.9	124.9	53.82	49.36	55.08	9,885
Printing, publishing and allied industries.....	39.7	39.0	39.1	165.5	164.1	157.9	65.70	64.00	61.74	15,558
Iron and steel products.....	39.8	38.8	41.2	161.6	160.9	156.8	64.32	62.43	64.60	80,800
Agricultural implements.....	38.9	38.3	39.1	171.3	169.3	164.3	66.64	64.84	64.24	8,579
Iron castings.....	39.1	36.8	42.2	160.9	160.4	154.4	62.91	59.03	65.16	9,253
Machinery manufacturing (f).....	41.0	39.4	42.2	156.9	155.5	147.9	64.33	61.27	62.41	14,439
Primary iron and steel.....	39.3	39.9	40.3	176.7	177.6	177.2	69.44	70.86	71.41	19,153
Sheet metal products.....	40.2	37.4	40.8	146.2	144.6	140.0	58.77	54.08	57.12	7,283
Transportation equipment.....	40.8	38.8	41.9	168.1	165.4	162.7	68.58	64.18	58.17	73,564
Aircraft and parts.....	41.2	40.4	44.1	174.1	172.9	171.1	71.73	69.35	75.46	16,816
Motor vehicles.....	41.4	38.4	41.6	172.6	170.6	167.4	71.46	65.51	69.64	27,746
Motor vehicle parts and accessories.....	35.3	37.6	41.5	162.3	160.1	156.0	53.98	60.20	64.74	16,561
Railroad and rolling stock equipment.....	40.6	38.4	39.7	164.7	159.0	161.6	68.87	60.61	64.16	7,381
Non-ferrous metal products.....	40.2	39.1	40.5	159.9	160.1	162.7	64.28	62.60	61.84	21,166
Brass and copper products.....	39.8	39.1	40.7	152.1	150.6	143.4	60.54	58.88	58.36	3,911
Smelting and refining.....	40.1	39.2	39.7	176.5	180.5	172.4	70.82	70.76	68.44	9,923
Electrical apparatus and supplies.....	39.6	38.3	40.9	153.4	149.4	144.8	60.75	57.22	59.22	36,721
Non-metallic mineral products (g).....	43.1	40.8	43.9	147.1	145.3	138.9	63.40	59.28	60.98	11,092
Chemical products.....	41.3	40.6	41.2	152.1	150.8	144.5	62.82	61.22	59.55	15,029
Buildings and structures (h).....	38.9	33.2	40.7	169.0	166.9	157.3	55.74	56.41	64.02	39,497
Highways, bridges and street construction.....	39.3	36.5	42.9	126.5	124.9	118.1	49.71	48.39	50.66	9,861
Electric and motor transportation (i).....	46.0	44.5	44.9	144.7	143.6	138.9	66.56	63.90	62.37	12,546
Service (j).....	40.7	40.3	42.2	81.3	80.8	75.3	33.09	32.56	31.78	11,640
Hotels and restaurants.....	41.8	41.5	43.9	80.5	79.6	74.1	33.65	33.03	32.55	7,847
Manitoba										
Manufacturing.....	40.5	38.0	40.6	134.7	136.1	129.2	54.55	51.72	52.46	28,778
Food and beverages.....	40.6	37.2	40.5	138.8	138.0	130.4	58.35	51.34	52.81	4,704
Meat products.....	39.2	38.0	39.4	158.7	159.5	152.5	62.21	60.61	60.09	2,197
Clothing (textile and fur).....	40.2	32.4	40.9	90.6	90.7	89.9	56.42	29.39	36.77	4,216
Iron and steel products.....	42.4	39.7	42.8	144.0	143.1	135.6	61.06	56.81	58.94	3,432
Transportation equipment.....	39.2	38.9	38.6	154.5	152.2	151.7	60.56	59.59	58.56	8,597
Buildings and structures (h).....	35.5	34.6	38.9	147.0	143.6	140.3	52.19	49.69	54.58	2,834
Highways, bridges and street construction.....	34.7	26.4	29.3	117.1	110.1	104.7	40.63	29.07	30.68	1,202
Service (j).....	40.6	40.3	41.0	81.0	80.4	78.2	32.89	32.40	32.06	3,334
Saskatchewan										
Manufacturing.....	40.5	40.0	41.1	142.2	141.7	132.9	57.59	56.68	54.62	4,416
Meat products.....	37.1	37.8	41.3	153.5	152.5	145.9	56.25	57.65	60.26	715
Buildings and structures (h).....	35.6	36.7	39.4	154.7	149.3	156.7	55.07	54.79	61.74	2,365
Highways, bridges and street construction.....	36.5	36.1	38.5	119.8	116.9	109.0	43.73	42.20	41.97	915
Service (j).....	41.4	41.6	42.8	84.7	84.0	78.6	35.07	34.94	33.64	1,821
Alberta										
Coal mining.....	34.8	30.8	31.9	182.0	182.5	181.7	63.34	56.21	57.96	4,975
Oil and natural gas production.....	46.1	44.0	46.3	174.6	173.5	167.7	80.49	76.34	77.65	4,015
Manufacturing.....	39.4	38.4	39.8	143.5	143.8	136.6	56.54	56.22	54.37	16,921
Food and beverages.....	38.8	38.0	39.1	142.8	142.2	134.7	55.41	54.04	52.67	5,306
Meat products.....	37.7	38.9	38.2	156.4	156.1	150.0	58.96	60.72	57.30	2,627
Transportation equipment.....	40.2	38.0	38.7	152.0	151.3	148.9	61.10	57.49	57.62	3,510
Buildings and structures (h).....	35.8	32.7	39.0	169.1	165.0	166.5	60.54	53.96	64.94	5,985
Electric and motor transportation (i).....	41.7	40.4	40.9	147.8	148.4	136.3	61.63	59.95	55.75	1,991
Service (j).....	39.8	39.6	42.5	93.5	93.9	85.4	37.21	37.18	36.30	3,421
British Columbia										
Forestry (logging).....	27.1	28.2	30.9	201.7	206.8	192.0	54.66	58.88	50.33	4,524
Metal mining.....	42.5	38.4	43.1	180.0	177.5	177.8	76.50	68.16	76.63	4,974
Manufacturing.....	36.4	36.0	38.4	169.4	168.7	164.6	61.66	60.73	53.21	53,412
Food and beverages.....	35.3	35.2	36.6	147.1	145.9	139.3	51.93	51.36	50.98	5,433
Canned and cured fish.....	26.7	26.7	28.5	130.6	131.4	131.9	37.48	35.98	37.59	837
Canned and preserved fruits and vegetables.....	32.0	30.0	34.8	112.3	109.0	108.5	35.04	32.70	37.76	657
Wood products.....	34.9	34.5	38.1	165.6	166.0	162.6	57.79	57.27	61.95	22,503
Saw and planing mills.....	34.8	34.4	38.1	167.2	167.8	164.6	58.19	57.72	62.71	20,698
Pulp and paper mills.....	42.0	41.8	40.6	197.3	195.7	185.3	82.87	81.80	75.23	4,909
Iron and steel products.....	35.9	33.9	38.2	178.6	177.4	176.1	64.12	60.14	67.27	3,923
Steel shipbuilding and repairing.....	36.1	33.5	37.9	185.6	184.5	185.5	66.97	61.81	70.30	4,263
Non-ferrous metal products.....	39.1	41.4	40.8	180.7	175.8	172.9	70.65	72.78	70.54	2,757
Buildings and structures (h).....	37.0	36.1	40.4	219.7	214.5	198.2	81.29	77.43	80.07	11,756
Highways, bridges and street construction.....	39.6	37.4	39.2	152.5	147.5	143.0	60.39	55.17	56.06	5,552
Electric and motor transportation (i).....	42.6	39.4	40.2	157.1	157.4	146.4	66.92	62.02	58.85	3,023
Service (j).....	36.9	37.4	38.5	95.1	96.5	90.6	35.09	36.09	34.88	5,096

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Table 3.- Average Hours and Earnings of Hourly-Rated Wage-Earners in Specified Industries, Metropolitan Areas

Metropolitan Area and Industry	Average Hours			Average Hourly Earnings			Average Weekly Wages			Wage-Earners Reported at Feb. 1, 1954
	Feb. 1 1954	Jan. 1 1954	Feb. 1 1955	Feb. 1 1954	Jan. 1 1954	Feb. 1 1955	Feb. 1 1954	Jan. 1 1954	Feb. 1 1955	
	no.	no.	no.	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	no.
Quebec City - Manufacturing	41.5	40.3	43.2	111.5	111.9	106.4	46.27	45.10	45.96	15,917
Leather products	38.7	30.6	42.5	82.4	81.8	78.4	31.89	25.38	33.32	2,189
Clothing (textile and fur)	37.9	36.8	40.7	71.2	71.0	64.5	26.98	26.13	26.25	1,782
Buildings and structures (h)	40.3	32.8	41.3	131.1	130.8	125.3	52.83	42.90	51.75	1,903
Montreal - Manufacturing	41.1	37.9	42.3	132.9	132.5	126.4	54.32	50.22	53.47	149,568
Food and beverages	41.9	38.5	43.5	119.5	120.5	109.2	50.07	46.51	47.50	15,585
Tobacco and tobacco products	38.9	38.1	59.2	148.5	151.0	141.8	58.16	57.68	55.59	4,080
Leather products	40.2	34.8	42.0	97.8	98.7	92.4	39.32	34.35	38.81	5,566
Textile products (except clothing)	40.0	37.5	42.0	106.3	106.4	103.5	42.52	39.53	43.39	6,461
Clothing (textile and fur)	36.8	30.6	38.8	104.9	104.8	99.7	38.60	32.07	38.68	27,065
Printing, publishing and allied industries	39.9	30.0	40.1	171.3	167.3	162.2	68.35	65.26	65.04	5,493
Iron and steel products	42.2	38.8	44.6	149.8	148.1	143.9	63.22	57.46	64.18	18,605
Transportation equipment	42.7	41.1	45.1	156.4	152.1	149.7	66.78	62.51	64.52	30,171
Electrical apparatus and supplies	41.4	39.2	41.8	143.7	141.5	137.2	58.49	55.47	57.49	10,822
Buildings and structures (h)	37.6	32.2	38.5	154.3	153.5	148.5	58.02	49.43	57.10	12,586
Electric and motor transportation (i)	47.8	46.8	48.8	132.9	130.8	130.7	63.53	61.21	63.78	6,559
Service (j)	43.5	42.5	44.0	74.5	74.3	71.5	32.41	31.58	31.46	6,513
Ottawa-Hull - Manufacturing	41.0	39.5	43.3	138.1	137.8	128.2	56.82	54.35	55.51	11,097
Pulp and paper mills	41.0	40.5	45.6	167.6	167.3	154.9	68.72	67.76	70.63	3,833
Buildings and structures (h)	37.4	33.3	39.2	146.0	142.3	132.2	54.60	47.39	51.82	2,146
St.Catharines - Manufacturing	39.5	38.4	41.2	106.9	108.1	106.8	65.95	64.65	66.25	21,908
Pulp and paper mills	41.2	39.0	42.2	173.6	173.6	163.9	71.52	67.70	69.17	2,710
Iron and steel products	37.9	37.8	40.9	172.3	172.8	170.8	65.30	65.32	69.86	5,206
Transportation equipment	39.8	38.0	42.1	170.2	168.1	161.6	67.74	64.09	68.03	6,352
Toronto - Manufacturing	40.0	38.6	41.0	147.4	146.1	141.8	58.96	56.39	58.14	131,851
Food and beverages	40.4	39.9	40.7	127.0	127.8	121.2	51.31	50.99	49.33	13,467
Rubber products	40.6	37.2	40.5	168.4	169.6	165.4	68.37	61.69	66.49	3,954
Clothing (textile and fur)	36.2	32.3	30.1	111.9	110.5	109.0	40.51	36.02	41.53	10,529
Paper products	41.8	38.8	41.7	131.9	128.3	126.1	55.27	49.70	52.58	5,980
Printing, publishing and allied industries	39.0	38.6	38.5	177.6	176.4	170.6	68.26	68.00	65.68	10,071
Iron and steel products	39.8	38.6	41.3	160.1	159.0	154.5	63.72	61.37	63.81	20,881
Transportation equipment	40.3	39.8	43.2	170.2	169.4	168.0	69.59	67.42	72.58	19,004
Non-ferrous metal products	40.6	39.4	40.8	148.1	146.0	140.9	60.13	57.52	57.49	5,257
Electrical apparatus and supplies	40.1	38.6	40.7	151.5	145.7	141.0	60.75	56.24	57.59	17,249
Chemical products	40.7	40.2	40.7	143.1	141.9	136.8	58.24	57.14	55.68	5,924
Buildings and structures (h)	36.5	32.7	38.3	179.0	177.9	169.6	65.34	58.17	64.96	13,272
Electric and motor transportation (i)	45.3	46.6	44.5	148.6	147.1	143.9	67.32	54.14	64.04	7,110
Service (j)	39.9	40.2	41.7	85.3	84.7	78.4	34.03	32.69	32.69	6,310
Hamilton - Manufacturing	39.4	37.2	40.1	158.0	158.0	156.1	63.00	59.15	62.60	43,557
Clothing (textile and fur)	34.1	32.4	38.0	108.6	111.2	106.5	37.57	36.26	40.47	2,831
Iron and steel products	39.7	39.5	40.2	173.8	173.5	172.3	69.00	68.53	69.26	10,656
Electrical apparatus and supplies	38.7	36.1	38.9	170.2	168.4	164.7	65.87	60.79	64.07	7,764
Buildings and structures (h)	36.4	32.7	40.5	152.5	149.9	149.9	58.56	49.02	60.71	2,532
Kitchener-Waterloo - Manufacturing	40.5	36.6	42.1	129.9	128.1	125.6	52.61	45.66	52.68	12,862
Food and beverages	59.4	38.7	42.5	130.1	134.9	124.4	51.26	52.21	52.87	2,142
Rubber products	58.8	28.5	39.9	146.5	154.2	148.0	56.84	43.95	59.06	3,755
Wood products	41.6	38.7	43.7	127.8	123.1	118.6	53.42	47.64	51.63	2,016
London - Manufacturing	39.1	36.9	40.0	136.6	137.5	132.8	52.08	50.74	54.32	12,620
Food and beverages	41.0	35.8	41.5	121.0	132.0	121.4	49.51	47.26	50.38	2,802
Iron and steel products	40.2	38.2	42.1	152.1	151.2	148.6	61.14	57.76	62.56	2,221
Windsor - Manufacturing	40.3	37.1	40.0	168.1	166.9	161.3	68.1E	61.92	65.97	27,362
Iron and steel products	58.4	35.2	41.6	172.7	170.7	165.4	66.32	60.09	69.14	4,306
Transportation equipment	40.9	37.5	40.7	173.3	170.9	165.8	70.68	64.09	67.48	10,763
Buildings and structures (h)	31.3	29.3	37.0	187.9	189.0	176.2	50.51	55.30	65.19	1,020
Winnipeg - Manufacturing	40.2	37.7	40.5	133.2	134.5	127.8	53.55	50.71	51.75	26,103
Food and beverages	40.7	37.3	40.5	139.4	138.5	130.8	56.74	51.66	52.87	4,506
Meat products	59.3	36.2	39.5	160.3	161.1	153.9	63.00	61.54	60.79	2,065
Clothing (textile and fur)	40.2	32.3	41.2	92.4	92.9	91.8	37.14	30.01	37.62	4,009
Transportation equipment	39.2	38.9	38.6	154.6	153.5	151.8	60.60	59.03	58.89	8,586
Buildings and structures (h)	37.1	31.6	38.5	151.2	151.6	145.2	56.10	47.01	55.13	1,886
Service (j)	40.4	39.9	40.9	81.4	80.2	78.6	32.89	32.28	32.15	3,188
Edmonton - Manufacturing	39.4	38.3	39.4	145.3	146.4	136.5	57.25	56.07	53.78	7,409
Food and beverages	58.6	38.8	38.9	145.7	145.0	137.0	56.24	56.26	53.29	2,480
Buildings and structures (h)	36.9	32.1	42.1	104.5	103.0	175.8	60.70	54.25	74.01	2,805
Vancouver - Manufacturing	36.3	35.3	37.9	164.2	163.4	160.4	69.80	57.00	60.79	21,608
Food products	36.3	34.0	38.3	184.3	164.5	162.4	59.64	55.63	62.20	7,064
Iron and steel products	35.2	33.9	38.4	179.0	176.3	176.4	64.00	60.44	67.74	3,808
Transportation equipment	36.2	34.8	36.5	182.1	177.8	177.3	65.92	61.87	64.71	2,494
Buildings and structures (h)	29.6	31.8	35.0	199.7	201.0	194.3	59.11	63.92	69.56	4,094
Electric and motor transportation (i)	43.4	35.2	40.8	157.8	157.7	147.0	68.49	61.82	59.98	2,222
Service (j)	36.5	37.3	38.0	98.0	98.6	92.3	35.04	36.78	35.07	3,182

Footnotes (a) to (j) appear in explanatory notes at the end of this report.

Table 4.- Average Hours and Earnings of Hourly-Rated Wage-Earners, Manufacturing, Canada.

Year and Month	All Manufactures			Durable Goods			Non-Durable Goods		
	Average Hours	Average Hourly Earnings	Average Weekly Wages	Average Hours	Average Hourly Earnings	Average Weekly Wages	Average Hours	Average Hourly Earnings	Average Weekly Wages
	No.	\$	£	No.	\$	£	No.	\$	£
1945 - Average	44.3	69.4	50.74	44.7	76.7	54.28	43.7	60.7	26.53
1946 - Average	42.7	70.0	29.87	42.8	76.4	32.70	42.6	63.8	27.18
1947 - Average	42.5	80.3	34.13	42.7	87.2	37.23	42.3	73.4	31.05
1948 - Average	42.2	91.3	38.53	42.3	98.4	41.62	42.0	84.0	35.28
1949 - Average	42.3	98.6	41.71	42.5	106.5	45.26	42.0	90.6	38.05
1950 - Average	42.3	103.5	43.82	42.5	112.0	47.60	42.2	95.2	40.17
1951 - Average	41.8	116.8	48.82	42.0	125.8	52.84	41.7	107.2	44.70
1952 - Average	41.5	129.2	53.62	41.6	139.8	58.16	41.3	117.4	48.49
1953 - Average	41.3	135.8	56.09	41.6	147.1	61.19	40.9	122.9	50.27
1951 --*Jan. 1	40.1	109.0	43.71	40.2	117.1	47.07	39.9	100.6	40.10
Feb. 1	42.9	110.4	47.36	43.1	119.0	51.29	42.6	101.2	43.11
Mar. 1	42.3	111.4	47.12	42.5	119.9	50.96	42.2	102.3	43.17
*Apr. 1	42.2	112.8	47.60	42.3	121.6	51.44	42.1	103.4	43.53
May 1	42.5	114.1	48.49	42.6	122.9	52.36	42.5	104.6	44.46
June 1	41.9	115.9	48.56	42.1	123.8	52.12	41.6	107.2	44.60
July 1	41.7	118.4	49.37	42.0	127.0	55.34	41.4	109.1	45.17
Aug. 1	41.4	119.1	49.31	41.4	128.2	53.07	41.3	109.4	45.18
Sept. 1	41.5	120.6	50.05	41.7	130.0	54.21	41.4	110.6	45.79
Oct. 1	41.9	121.9	51.08	42.0	132.1	55.48	41.8	111.2	46.48
Nov. 1	41.8	123.5	51.62	42.1	133.3	56.12	41.5	113.0	46.90
Dec. 1	41.9	124.5	52.17	42.2	134.6	56.80	41.6	113.5	47.22
1952 --*Jan. 1	38.1	127.1	48.43	38.3	136.4	52.24	37.9	116.8	44.27
Feb. 1	41.6	127.1	52.67	41.9	137.5	57.61	41.2	115.7	47.67
Mar. 1	41.7	127.6	53.29	41.8	138.4	57.85	41.5	116.0	48.14
Apr. 1	42.1	129.0	54.31	42.3	139.6	59.05	41.6	116.9	48.86
May 1	41.9	129.4	54.22	42.1	139.5	58.73	41.6	117.8	49.00
June 1	41.3	129.7	53.57	41.4	139.6	57.79	41.3	118.4	48.90
July 1	41.3	128.6	53.11	41.4	138.3	57.26	41.2	117.9	48.57
Aug. 1	41.1	128.9	52.98	41.1	139.4	57.29	41.1	117.5	48.29
Sept. 1	41.6	129.5	53.87	41.8	141.2	59.02	41.4	116.8	48.36
Oct. 1	42.1	129.9	54.69	42.2	141.8	59.84	42.0	117.0	49.14
Nov. 1	42.1	131.0	55.15	42.1	142.6	60.03	42.1	118.4	49.86
Dec. 1	42.5	132.1	56.14	42.6	143.6	61.17	42.2	119.3	50.34
1953 --*Jan. 1	38.3	134.0	51.32	38.5	144.5	55.63	38.2	121.8	46.53
Feb. 1	41.9	134.2	56.23	41.9	145.7	61.05	41.8	120.8	50.49
Mar. 1	42.1	134.4	56.58	42.4	146.3	62.03	41.7	120.7	50.33
Apr. 1	42.1	134.9	56.79	42.3	146.7	62.05	41.8	121.3	50.70
May 1	41.8	135.5	56.64	42.2	146.8	61.95	41.5	122.4	50.80
June 1	41.7	135.9	56.67	42.1	146.8	61.80	41.3	123.1	50.24
July 1	41.3	136.2	56.25	41.9	147.0	61.59	40.8	123.5	50.39
Aug. 1	41.0	136.0	55.76	41.4	147.1	60.90	40.6	123.4	50.10
Sept. 1	41.0	135.7	55.64	41.3	147.3	60.83	40.6	123.0	50.18
Oct. 1	41.5	136.6	56.69	41.9	148.5	62.22	41.1	123.7	50.64
Nov. 1	41.4	137.4	56.88	41.7	148.6	62.05	41.0	124.8	51.17
Dec. 1	41.2	138.4	57.02	41.7	149.5	62.34	40.7	126.1	51.32
1954 --*Jan. 1	38.5	140.4	54.05	39.1	150.1	68.69	37.8	129.1	48.80
Feb. 1	40.7	140.4	57.14	40.8	151.4	61.77	40.5	128.0	51.84
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*The averages at these dates were affected by loss of working time at the year-end holidays in the case of Jan. 1, and by the Easter holidays in the case of Apr. 1, 1951.

Table 5.- Average Hours and Earnings of Hourly-Rated Wage-Earners, Specified Industries, Canada.

Year and Month	Mining-All Branches			Coal Mining			Metal Mining			Non-Metal Mining		
	Average Hours	Average Hourly Earnings	Average Weekly Wages	Average Hours	Average Hourly Earnings	Average Weekly Wages	Average Hours	Average Hourly Earnings	Average Weekly Wages	Average Hours	Average Hourly Earnings	Average Weekly Wages
	No.	\$	\$	No.	\$	\$	No.	\$	\$	No.	\$	\$
1945 - Average	43.8	86.0	37.23	40.2	95.8	37.71	45.8	86.0	38.93	..	..	..
1946 - Average	43.2	87.3	37.71	40.2	95.9	38.55	45.1	87.4	39.42	..	..	..
1947 - Average	42.2	98.0	41.36	36.9	110.4	40.74	44.4	99.4	44.13	..	..	..
1948 - Average	42.6	111.1	47.33	38.2	123.5	47.18	44.7	110.2	49.26	..	..	..
1949 - Average	42.6	117.2	49.03	37.4	128.3	47.98	45.3	115.8	52.50	..	..	..
1950 - Average	43.0	121.4	52.20	38.1	130.1	49.57	45.1	121.1	54.62	..	..	..
1951 - Average	43.1	133.4	57.50	39.5	136.7	54.00	44.1	134.8	59.45	45.9	116.3	53.38
1952 - Average	42.7	147.1	62.81	38.2	148.8	56.77	44.4	148.2	65.80	42.9	134.0	57.49
1953 - Average	42.6	153.8	65.52	37.9	150.4	57.00	44.4	156.6	69.49	42.8	142.8	61.12
1951 --*Jan. 1	40.5	127.1	51.48	34.0	131.0	45.72	42.6	127.9	54.49	41.5	107.4	44.57
Feb. 1	44.1	127.7	56.32	40.6	131.8	53.51	45.4	128.1	58.16	45.8	111.3	50.98
Mar. 1	43.7	130.1	56.85	39.5	135.5	53.52	44.9	130.0	58.37	45.9	114.8	52.69
*Apr. 1	42.5	130.5	55.46	36.4	136.3	49.81	44.4	130.2	57.81	45.8	115.5	52.87
May 1	43.4	131.5	57.07	39.5	137.6	54.35	44.6	131.6	58.69	46.8	116.4	54.24
June 1	43.0	131.6	58.59	38.0	137.3	52.17	44.3	132.0	58.48	47.0	116.7	54.85
July 1	43.3	133.3	57.72	40.5	139.0	56.30	43.0	134.5	58.96	45.1	116.8	52.23
Aug. 1	43.0	136.1	68.52	41.2	137.4	56.61	43.3	139.3	60.32	45.3	118.0	53.45
Sept. 1	42.2	137.1	57.86	39.1	138.7	54.23	42.5	140.4	59.67	46.8	117.8	55.13
Oct. 1	43.9	138.2	60.87	41.2	138.5	57.06	44.2	141.2	62.41	47.6	120.2	57.22
Nov. 1	43.5	138.3	60.16	41.2	138.7	57.14	43.7	140.4	61.35	47.1	120.9	56.94
Dec. 1	44.2	139.3	61.57	41.6	138.7	57.70	44.8	141.8	65.53	46.5	121.3	56.40
1952 --*Jan. 1	40.2	142.8	67.33	32.7	140.3	45.88	42.5	145.1	61.87	42.3	124.5	52.66
Feb. 1	43.0	141.4	60.80	37.9	140.8	53.36	44.5	143.2	53.72	45.3	125.8	56.99
Mar. 1	42.6	143.9	61.30	36.3	142.5	51.73	44.8	145.0	64.96	45.4	132.7	57.59
Apr. 1	43.1	146.9	63.31	38.3	150.2	57.53	45.1	146.2	65.94	42.4	136.6	57.92
May 1	42.4	147.3	62.46	37.7	149.7	56.44	44.2	147.7	65.28	42.7	136.5	57.86
June 1	42.3	147.4	62.35	38.8	150.5	58.43	43.7	147.8	64.59	42.0	134.0	56.28
July 1	42.7	147.6	63.03	39.8	150.6	59.94	44.1	148.5	65.49	42.2	135.7	56.42
Aug. 1	42.5	147.5	62.69	38.4	149.9	57.56	44.4	148.9	66.11	41.5	135.7	55.49
Sept. 1	42.7	148.7	63.49	38.6	150.0	57.90	44.2	150.0	66.50	42.9	136.8	58.69
Oct. 1	43.3	149.8	64.86	39.7	151.8	60.28	44.8	151.4	67.52	43.9	137.3	60.27
Nov. 1	43.5	150.4	65.42	39.8	153.8	60.90	45.0	151.4	68.13	43.4	137.0	59.46
Dec. 1	44.1	151.8	66.94	40.6	153.1	62.16	45.5	153.0	69.62	43.3	140.1	60.66
1953 --*Jan. 1	40.6	153.4	62.28	37.3	152.3	56.81	42.2	154.5	65.24	39.0	143.6	56.97
Feb. 1	43.0	153.3	65.92	39.0	153.3	59.79	44.6	153.7	68.55	42.4	144.7	61.36
Mar. 1	42.1	152.9	64.37	35.7	149.2	53.26	44.5	154.3	68.86	42.5	146.2	62.14
Apr. 1	41.8	152.6	63.79	33.7	147.3	49.84	44.8	154.2	69.08	42.1	145.5	61.28
May 1	42.4	153.7	65.17	37.0	149.3	55.24	44.5	156.3	69.55	42.9	143.3	61.48
June 1	43.1	153.1	65.99	37.3	149.3	55.60	45.3	155.9	70.82	43.1	141.6	61.03
July 1	42.9	153.0	65.64	37.6	149.9	56.36	44.6	155.6	68.40	43.8	141.5	61.98
Aug. 1	42.8	152.7	65.36	38.5	149.8	57.67	44.1	155.5	68.58	43.5	140.3	61.03
Sept. 1	43.0	153.4	65.96	38.1	148.2	56.46	44.4	156.9	69.66	45.6	141.4	61.65
Oct. 1	43.2	154.8	66.87	39.1	150.3	58.77	44.6	159.1	70.98	43.9	140.8	61.81
Nov. 1	43.0	155.9	67.04	39.9	151.8	60.57	44.0	160.2	70.49	43.6	141.9	61.87
Dec. 1	43.9	157.3	69.05	41.6	153.8	63.86	45.1	161.2	72.70	43.5	143.3	62.34
1954 --*Jan. 1	40.5	158.3	64.11	36.0	151.7	55.98	42.1	162.3	68.33	38.6	146.7	56.92
Feb. 1	42.5	158.1	67.19	37.7	152.6	57.55	44.5	160.6	71.42	41.6	148.7	61.66
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Table 5.- Average Hours and Earnings of Hourly-Rated Wage-Earners, Specified Industries, Canada. (Continued)

Year and Month	Electric and Motor Transportation			Buildings and Structures			Highways, Bridges and Street Construction - R		
	Average Hours	Average Hourly Earnings	Average Weekly Wages	Average Hours	Average Hourly Earnings	Average Weekly Wages	Average Hours	Average Hourly Earnings	Average Weekly Wages
	No.	/	\$	No.	/	\$	No.	/	\$
1945 - Average	..	..	..	40.4	80.9	32.68	36.7	63.2	23.19
1946 - Average	..	..	..	38.7	83.4	32.28	37.7	65.7	24.77
1947 - Average	..	..	..	39.2	91.0	35.67	39.3	70.7	27.79
1948 - Average	..	..	..	39.9	100.9	40.26	37.5	79.3	29.74
1949 - Average	..	..	..	40.1	107.9	43.27	38.8	85.6	33.21
1950 - Average	..	..	..	39.6	113.3	44.87	40.8	88.1	35.94
1951 - Average	45.1	116.7	52.63	39.5	127.1	50.20	41.9	95.1	39.85
1952 - Average	45.4	128.3	58.25	40.9	142.8	58.41	41.9	105.0	44.00
1953 - Average	45.0	135.1	60.80	40.7	156.8	63.82	41.4	112.8	46.70
1951 - *Jan. 1	44.7	111.0	49.62	33.7	118.7	40.00	38.3	89.8	34.39
Feb. 1	45.0	110.7	49.82	39.2	121.2	47.51	42.5	93.1	39.57
Mar. 1	45.3	112.4	50.92	39.4	122.1	48.11	44.2	92.8	41.02
*Apr. 1	44.6	116.2	51.83	37.9	122.5	46.43	42.3	94.6	40.02
May 1	45.0	115.5	52.02	39.7	124.0	49.23	39.5	94.3	37.25
June 1	44.4	116.5	51.73	38.7	125.9	48.72	41.2	95.4	39.30
July 1	45.4	117.9	53.53	40.0	127.7	51.08	41.8	95.5	39.92
Aug. 1	44.5	119.2	53.04	40.7	127.9	52.06	42.7	95.8	40.91
Sept. 1	45.5	119.2	54.24	40.9	131.0	53.58	43.0	96.4	41.45
Oct. 1	45.9	119.7	54.94	41.6	133.8	55.66	43.6	97.0	42.29
Nov. 1	45.4	120.5	54.71	40.7	134.9	54.90	42.7	98.1	41.89
Dec. 1	45.2	121.2	54.78	41.3	135.7	56.04	41.3	98.9	40.85
1952 - *Jan. 1	44.9	123.4	56.41	32.3	136.2	43.99	42.4	101.0	42.82
Feb. 1	45.6	123.0	56.09	40.8	138.8	56.63	43.5	102.4	44.54
Mar. 1	45.5	124.1	56.47	41.6	139.6	58.07	45.0	102.9	46.31
Apr. 1	45.8	125.1	57.30	42.0	141.1	59.26	42.1	106.1	44.67
May 1	45.3	127.7	57.85	41.9	142.4	59.67	39.6	105.9	41.94
June 1	44.7	129.3	57.80	41.2	142.0	58.50	41.1	106.5	43.77
July 1	46.0	130.1	59.85	40.8	141.8	57.85	41.5	103.8	43.08
Aug. 1	44.8	131.0	58.69	42.3	141.9	60.02	39.3	101.7	39.97
Sept. 1	46.0	131.3	60.40	42.0	143.6	60.31	42.4	105.0	44.52
Oct. 1	45.5	131.5	59.83	42.5	147.3	62.50	42.1	107.4	45.22
Nov. 1	45.5	131.7	59.92	42.0	148.2	62.24	42.8	108.9	46.61
Dec. 1	45.7	131.4	60.05	41.7	150.6	62.80	40.9	108.6	44.42
1953 - *Jan. 1	44.2	133.5	59.01	33.0	150.0	49.50	37.8	109.9	41.54
Feb. 1	45.6	132.5	60.42	40.6	153.9	62.48	42.3	111.6	47.21
Mar. 1	45.4	133.0	60.38	41.2	155.9	64.23	43.0	113.1	48.63
Apr. 1	45.2	132.8	60.03	40.4	156.8	63.35	41.8	114.5	47.86
May 1	45.1	134.5	60.56	40.8	157.0	64.06	39.0	111.5	43.49
June 1	45.2	135.5	61.25	41.7	156.1	65.09	41.1	111.9	45.99
July 1	45.4	135.8	61.65	41.5	155.7	64.62	41.9	111.6	46.76
Aug. 1	43.6	136.5	59.51	41.9	156.0	65.36	42.3	112.1	47.42
Sept. 1	44.3	137.0	60.69	42.2	157.5	66.47	42.9	111.9	48.01
Oct. 1	45.5	137.3	62.47	42.6	160.7	68.46	42.2	114.7	48.40
Nov. 1	45.4	136.2	61.83	41.4	160.7	66.53	41.9	116.0	48.60
Dec. 1	45.0	136.2	61.29	40.8	161.3	65.81	40.6	115.3	46.81
1954 - *Jan. 1	44.4	138.0	61.27	33.7	163.3	55.03	37.2	116.1	43.19
Feb. 1	46.0	139.0	63.94	38.5	165.1	63.56	41.2	120.3	49.56
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Table 5.- Average Hours and Earnings of Hourly-Rated Wage-Earners, Specified Industries, Canada. (Concluded)

Year and Month	Service			Hotels and Restaurants			Laundries and Dry Cleaning Plants		
	Average Hours	Average Hourly Earnings	Average Weekly Wages	Average Hours	Average Hourly Earnings	Average Weekly Wages	Average Hours	Average Hourly Earnings	Average Weekly Wages
	No.	\$	\$	No.	\$	\$	No.	\$	\$
1945 - Average	43.8	43.0	18.83	45.1	41.3	18.63	41.2	46.0	19.52
1946 - Average	43.2	46.0	19.87	44.4	44.8	19.89	40.9	48.4	19.80
1947 - Average	42.5	52.9	22.48	43.4	52.2	22.65	40.8	54.4	22.20
1948 - Average	42.3	58.4	24.70	43.2	57.5	24.84	40.8	59.5	24.18
1949 - Average	42.2	63.6	26.84	43.0	62.6	26.92	40.9	62.8	26.69
1950 - Average	42.5	65.8	27.97	43.5	64.5	28.06	40.9	65.1	26.63
1951 - Average	42.5	69.3	29.45	43.5	68.8	29.93	40.9	67.3	27.53
1952 - Average	42.6	73.6	31.35	43.7	72.8	31.81	40.9	71.7	29.33
1953 - Average	42.0	78.2	32.84	42.7	77.8	33.22	41.3	75.1	31.02
1951 --*Jan. 1	42.0	67.5	28.35	43.4	67.2	29.16	39.1	65.3	25.53
Feb. 1	42.9	67.7	29.04	43.9	67.3	29.54	41.3	65.9	27.22
Mar. 1	42.4	69.6	29.51	43.2	69.9	30.20	41.1	66.0	27.13
*Apr. 1	42.5	69.0	29.33	43.3	68.9	29.83	41.0	66.3	27.18
May 1	42.6	69.8	29.73	43.3	69.8	30.22	41.6	66.8	27.79
June 1	42.5	69.3	29.45	43.4	68.8	29.86	41.1	67.3	27.66
July 1	42.8	68.9	29.49	43.7	68.2	29.80	41.4	67.4	27.80
Aug. 1	42.5	68.4	29.07	43.7	67.3	29.41	40.2	67.7	27.22
Sept. 1	42.7	68.3	29.16	44.0	66.9	29.44	40.6	67.7	27.42
Oct. 1	42.5	71.0	30.18	43.5	70.4	30.62	41.0	68.6	28.13
Nov. 1	42.4	71.2	30.19	43.3	70.7	30.61	41.0	69.1	28.53
Dec. 1	42.6	71.3	30.37	43.6	70.7	30.83	41.1	69.3	28.48
1952 --*Jan. 1	41.4	71.8	29.73	43.6	71.1	31.00	37.0	69.6	25.75
Feb. 1	42.6	72.0	30.67	43.6	71.2	31.04	41.2	69.5	28.63
Mar. 1	42.7	73.2	31.26	44.0	72.8	32.03	40.7	70.2	28.57
Apr. 1	42.7	73.0	31.17	43.7	72.1	31.51	41.3	71.0	29.32
May 1	42.8	74.2	31.76	43.5	73.6	32.02	42.2	71.6	30.22
June 1	42.9	73.7	31.62	43.8	72.7	31.92	41.5	71.9	28.84
July 1	42.6	73.5	31.31	43.7	72.2	31.55	41.0	72.2	29.60
Aug. 1	42.9	72.1	30.93	44.2	70.4	31.12	40.9	71.5	29.24
Sept. 1	42.9	72.7	31.19	43.9	71.4	31.34	41.2	71.8	29.58
Oct. 1	42.7	75.2	32.11	43.6	74.3	32.39	41.3	73.4	30.31
Nov. 1	42.4	75.8	32.14	43.1	75.1	32.37	41.6	73.7	30.86
Dec. 1	42.3	76.5	32.86	43.1	76.2	32.84	41.3	73.7	30.44
1953 --*Jan. 1	41.4	76.3	31.59	42.7	75.8	32.41	39.0	73.2	28.55
Feb. 1	42.4	76.5	32.44	43.4	76.1	33.03	41.3	73.9	30.52
Mar. 1	42.5	77.3	32.85	43.6	76.9	33.53	41.1	74.3	30.54
Apr. 1	42.4	77.2	32.73	43.0	76.5	32.90	42.0	75.1	31.54
May 1	42.2	78.1	32.96	42.9	77.7	33.33	41.8	75.0	31.35
June 1	42.3	78.8	33.25	42.6	78.4	33.40	42.5	75.2	31.98
July 1	42.2	77.7	32.79	42.9	77.1	33.08	41.3	75.4	31.14
Aug. 1	42.0	77.0	32.54	42.8	76.1	32.57	41.3	74.8	30.68
Sept. 1	41.8	77.3	32.31	42.4	76.7	32.52	41.2	74.7	30.78
Oct. 1	41.5	79.7	33.08	42.0	79.7	33.47	41.2	75.9	31.27
Nov. 1	41.3	81.1	33.49	41.8	81.2	33.78	41.5	76.9	31.91
Dec. 1	41.6	81.4	33.86	42.2	81.6	34.44	41.2	76.9	31.68
1954 --*Jan. 1	40.6	82.0	33.29	41.5	82.2	34.11	39.6	77.2	30.57
Feb. 1	41.0	82.0	33.62	41.7	82.4	34.36	40.4	77.0	31.11
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Table 6.- Average Hours and Earnings of Hourly-Rated Wage-Earners, Manufacturing, Provinces.

Year and Month	Newfoundland			Nova Scotia			New Brunswick		
	Average Hours	Average Hourly Earnings	Average Weekly Wages	Average Hours	Average Hourly Earnings	Average Weekly Wages	Average Hours	Average Hourly Earnings	Average Weekly Wages
	No.	No.	\$	No.	No.	\$	No.	No.	\$
1945 - Average	..	..	..	46.0	71.0	32.66	45.6	62.5	28.50
1946 - Average	..	..	..	45.4	68.7	29.62	45.3	64.3	29.13
1947 - Average	..	..	..	43.8	75.1	32.89	45.1	73.1	32.97
1948 - Average	..	..	..	45.8	82.8	36.27	44.8	82.2	36.83
1949 - Average	..	..	..	45.4	89.0	38.63	44.5	88.2	39.25
1950 - Average	44.4	101.1	44.89	45.1	91.9	39.61	44.5	91.2	40.58
1951 - Average	44.0	112.8	49.63	42.2	100.9	42.58	43.8	103.8	45.46
1952 - Average	43.2	124.7	53.87	41.5	114.5	47.52	43.0	112.7	48.46
1953 - Average	41.6	132.8	55.24	41.2	120.5	49.65	42.1	119.0	50.10
1951 -*Jan. 1	40.9	103.7	42.41	38.4	96.2	36.94	42.1	97.5	41.05
Feb. 1	41.7	106.0	44.20	42.6	95.3	40.60	45.7	97.8	44.69
Mar. 1	45.2	102.5	46.24	41.5	97.4	40.42	44.8	98.6	44.17
*Apr. 1	45.5	104.5	45.46	42.7	99.8	42.61	44.2	98.4	43.49
May 1	43.7	107.8	47.11	45.7	97.8	42.74	45.7	100.2	43.79
June 1	45.7	107.2	48.99	45.2	100.2	43.29	43.5	101.5	44.16
July 1	44.8	119.1	53.36	43.9	100.4	44.08	44.1	104.4	46.04
Aug. 1	45.2	121.4	54.87	42.6	103.3	44.01	43.2	107.3	46.35
Sept. 1	44.1	120.3	53.06	41.6	102.6	42.68	43.4	107.8	46.79
Oct. 1	44.2	118.5	52.29	41.6	104.9	43.64	44.6	110.2	49.15
Nov. 1	44.3	121.6	53.87	42.5	105.6	44.88	43.7	110.5	48.29
Dec. 1	44.9	121.2	54.42	42.4	106.8	45.28	42.8	111.4	47.68
1952 -*Jan. 1	39.3	127.9	50.86	37.5	114.6	42.98	39.6	114.2	45.22
Feb. 1	42.0	126.4	53.09	41.2	113.8	46.89	44.0	112.6	49.54
Mar. 1	43.1	125.5	54.09	41.6	114.5	47.63	42.3	113.5	48.01
Apr. 1	42.2	126.6	53.43	43.6	115.8	50.49	43.8	112.4	49.23
May 1	43.0	124.6	53.58	42.6	115.4	49.16	43.7	114.3	49.95
June 1	44.7	125.2	55.96	41.4	115.0	47.61	42.8	111.6	47.54
July 1	45.1	124.3	56.06	42.2	114.6	48.36	43.9	110.2	48.38
Aug. 1	44.3	122.7	54.36	41.2	115.2	47.46	43.6	110.9	48.35
Sept. 1	43.4	121.2	52.60	42.4	115.9	48.29	43.1	111.1	47.88
Oct. 1	44.6	122.8	54.77	41.3	113.1	46.71	43.3	113.2	49.02
Nov. 1	42.8	123.0	52.64	41.1	113.4	46.61	43.0	113.7	48.89
Dec. 1	43.9	126.5	55.53	42.2	115.1	48.57	43.5	114.7	49.89
1953 -*Jan. 1	41.0	134.2	55.02	38.5	120.0	46.20	39.2	118.6	46.49
Feb. 1	40.6	131.7	53.47	41.2	118.3	48.74	42.7	118.3	50.51
Mar. 1	41.0	132.9	54.49	41.3	119.9	49.52	42.7	118.6	50.64
Apr. 1	42.2	130.2	54.94	41.7	121.1	50.50	42.3	119.4	50.51
May 1	42.2	133.2	56.21	42.0	121.4	50.99	42.5	120.6	51.26
June 1	41.5	137.3	56.98	41.0	120.7	49.49	42.1	118.2	49.76
July 1	43.2	131.6	56.85	41.4	121.1	50.14	42.2	117.2	49.46
Aug. 1	40.9	129.6	53.01	41.2	119.8	49.36	42.8	116.3	49.78
Sept. 1	41.7	129.7	54.08	42.1	119.5	50.31	42.5	117.3	49.85
Oct. 1	41.9	136.1	57.03	41.3	122.4	50.55	42.8	120.1	51.40
Nov. 1	42.3	135.1	57.15	41.2	120.2	49.52	41.4	121.5	50.30
Dec. 1	41.2	132.5	54.59	41.3	121.6	50.22	41.9	122.4	51.29
1954 -*Jan. 1	40.1	144.4	57.90	38.9	125.6	48.86	38.5	125.9	48.47
Feb. 1	43.0	142.2	61.15	40.2	126.2	50.73	41.5	126.5	52.50
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Table 6.- Average Hours and Earnings of Hourly-Rated Wage-Earners, Manufacturing, Provinces. (Continued)

Year and Month	Quebec			Ontario			Manitoba		
	Average Hours	Average Hourly Earnings	Average Weekly Wages	Average Hours	Average Hourly Earnings	Average Weekly Wages	Average Hours	Average Hourly Earnings	Average Weekly Wages
	No.	\$	\$	No.	\$	\$	No.	\$	\$
1945 - Average	46.0	64.1	29.49	43.5	71.3	31.02	43.2	68.1	29.42
1946 - Average	44.6	64.4	28.72	41.6	72.2	30.04	42.3	70.9	29.99
1947 - Average	44.2	72.7	32.13	41.8	84.2	35.20	42.0	79.2	33.26
1948 - Average	43.7	82.8	36.18	41.5	95.8	39.76	42.3	88.7	37.52
1949 - Average	43.7	89.5	39.11	41.8	103.3	43.18	42.2	95.5	40.30
1950 - Average	44.0	92.9	40.88	41.9	109.4	45.84	41.8	99.4	41.55
1951 - Average	43.5	104.5	45.46	41.3	123.7	51.09	41.4	112.5	46.58
1952 - Average	43.0	115.5	49.87	40.9	137.9	56.03	40.8	122.9	50.14
1953 - Average	42.7	121.9	52.05	40.9	143.4	58.55	40.5	131.4	52.95
1951 -*Jan. 1	41.3	97.4	40.23	39.8	115.3	45.89	40.4	105.5	41.81
Feb. 1	44.7	98.1	43.85	42.4	117.5	49.82	42.3	105.1	44.46
Mar. 1	44.4	99.1	44.00	41.5	118.7	49.26	42.7	106.1	45.30
*Apr. 1	43.7	100.2	43.79	41.8	120.1	50.20	42.2	106.7	45.03
May 1	44.3	101.5	45.01	42.0	121.5	51.03	41.7	106.8	45.37
June 1	43.5	103.4	45.08	41.2	123.6	50.92	41.8	110.3	46.23
July 1	42.5	106.4	45.33	41.5	124.9	51.83	40.9	116.4	47.81
Aug. 1	42.9	106.6	45.73	40.8	125.9	51.37	40.8	117.0	47.74
Sept. 1	43.5	108.2	47.07	40.8	127.5	52.02	40.3	117.2	47.93
Oct. 1	43.6	109.6	47.79	41.5	128.3	53.24	40.8	118.5	48.39
Nov. 1	43.5	111.1	48.11	41.3	130.4	53.86	41.4	119.4	49.43
Dec. 1	43.6	112.2	48.92	41.3	131.2	54.19	41.2	120.0	49.44
1952 -*Jan. 1	39.4	114.1	44.96	37.7	134.0	50.52	38.7	121.9	47.18
Feb. 1	43.1	113.7	49.00	41.1	134.6	55.32	40.7	120.2	48.92
Mar. 1	43.5	113.8	49.50	41.0	135.7	55.84	41.2	121.3	49.98
Apr. 1	43.7	114.6	50.08	41.4	137.2	56.80	41.4	122.0	50.51
May 1	43.5	115.2	50.11	41.2	137.6	56.89	40.9	121.6	49.73
June 1	42.8	116.0	49.65	40.6	137.5	55.85	41.0	122.8	50.35
July 1	42.3	116.4	49.24	40.8	136.5	55.73	41.2	122.9	50.63
Aug. 1	42.5	115.9	49.26	40.7	137.2	55.84	40.9	123.3	50.43
Sept. 1	43.2	115.9	50.07	41.0	137.0	56.17	41.0	123.9	50.80
Oct. 1	43.9	116.0	50.92	41.7	137.6	57.38	40.8	124.6	50.59
Nov. 1	44.1	116.9	51.55	41.5	139.2	57.77	41.1	124.8	51.29
Dec. 1	44.2	118.0	52.16	41.8	140.2	58.60	41.3	125.5	51.83
1953 -*Jan. 1	40.0	120.6	48.24	37.6	141.1	53.05	38.3	131.1	50.21
Feb. 1	43.6	119.9	52.28	41.4	142.1	58.83	40.8	129.2	52.46
Mar. 1	43.6	120.1	52.36	41.7	142.5	59.42	41.0	129.2	52.97
Apr. 1	43.6	120.5	52.58	41.7	143.0	59.83	40.9	130.1	53.21
May 1	43.3	121.1	52.44	41.4	143.5	59.41	40.9	131.1	53.62
June 1	43.0	121.2	52.12	41.5	143.9	59.72	40.4	131.2	53.00
July 1	42.2	122.4	51.65	41.3	143.8	59.39	40.6	131.5	53.39
Aug. 1	42.3	121.9	51.56	40.6	144.2	58.55	40.0	131.7	52.68
Sept. 1	42.6	122.4	52.14	40.4	143.2	57.85	40.3	131.7	53.08
Oct. 1	43.0	123.2	52.98	41.1	143.6	59.02	40.8	132.9	53.96
Nov. 1	42.8	124.1	53.11	41.0	144.5	59.25	40.1	132.9	53.29
Dec. 1	42.6	125.5	53.46	40.8	145.4	59.32	40.1	134.4	53.89
1954 -*Jan. 1	39.2	127.0	49.78	38.4	147.2	56.52	38.0	136.1	51.72
Feb. 1	42.1	126.6	53.30	40.3	148.0	59.64	40.5	134.7	54.56
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Table 6.- Average Hours and Earnings of Hourly-Rated Wage-Earners, Manufacturing, Provinces. (Concluded)

Year and Month	Saskatchewan			Alberta			British Columbia		
	Average Hours	Average Hourly Earnings	Average Weekly Wages	Average Hours	Average Hourly Earnings	Average Weekly Wages	Average Hours	Average Hourly Earnings	Average Weekly Wages
	No.	\$	\$	No.	\$	\$	No.	\$	\$
1945 - Average	42.8	67.6	28.93	43.2	71.6	30.93	41.7	82.9	34.69
1946 - Average	42.0	69.9	29.56	42.1	72.2	30.40	40.5	84.5	34.14
1947 - Average	41.8	80.5	33.65	42.1	79.6	33.51	38.9	96.4	37.50
1948 - Average	41.4	92.2	38.17	42.2	91.4	38.57	37.9	109.0	41.31
1949 - Average	41.6	100.0	41.60	42.1	100.1	42.14	37.7	118.7	44.75
1950 - Average	41.4	105.1	43.51	41.7	103.9	43.33	37.8	124.4	47.02
1951 - Average	41.0	117.4	48.13	41.0	116.6	47.81	37.8	140.7	53.18
1952 - Average	41.2	129.6	53.40	40.5	130.0	52.65	38.0	157.7	59.93
1953 - Average	40.7	136.6	55.56	40.2	139.7	56.16	38.0	164.0	62.32
1951 --*Jan. 1	41.0	111.3	45.63	40.5	109.1	44.19	35.5	131.5	46.68
Feb. 1	40.9	110.7	45.28	41.6	110.2	45.84	38.1	132.5	50.48
Mar. 1	40.5	113.0	45.77	41.5	111.6	46.31	38.4	133.0	51.07
*Apr. 1	40.8	113.9	46.47	40.7	111.9	45.54	37.8	136.7	51.67
May 1	41.0	115.4	47.31	41.4	112.8	46.70	38.4	137.1	52.85
June 1	41.7	117.1	48.83	41.7	114.9	47.91	37.4	138.0	51.61
July 1	41.0	116.9	47.93	40.7	119.3	48.56	38.3	140.4	53.77
Aug. 1	40.7	117.4	47.78	40.5	119.2	48.28	37.8	140.8	53.22
Sept. 1	40.3	121.0	48.76	40.6	120.8	49.04	37.6	145.2	54.60
Oct. 1	40.9	125.0	50.31	40.2	122.1	49.08	37.6	149.0	56.02
Nov. 1	41.1	125.4	51.54	41.3	123.2	50.88	38.2	150.5	57.49
Dec. 1	41.9	123.3	51.66	41.0	124.4	51.00	38.7	153.4	59.57
1952 --*Jan. 1	39.7	126.0	50.02	39.0	125.9	49.10	34.0	156.5	53.21
Feb. 1	40.3	126.5	50.98	40.0	127.5	51.00	37.9	156.9	59.47
Mar. 1	40.8	127.7	52.10	40.6	127.6	52.06	38.0	158.1	60.08
Apr. 1	41.8	129.4	54.09	41.4	128.6	53.24	38.7	158.6	61.38
May 1	41.1	129.2	53.10	40.4	130.3	52.64	38.6	157.8	60.91
June 1	42.0	128.7	54.05	40.7	130.9	53.28	39.0	158.3	61.74
July 1	42.0	128.3	53.89	40.6	130.4	52.94	38.7	153.5	59.40
Aug. 1	40.8	128.5	52.43	40.2	129.5	52.06	35.6	154.3	54.78
Sept. 1	41.0	131.5	53.92	40.6	130.9	53.15	38.7	157.3	60.88
Oct. 1	41.1	133.4	54.83	39.6	131.9	52.23	38.8	158.3	61.42
Nov. 1	41.1	132.9	54.02	40.9	133.0	54.40	38.5	159.8	61.52
Dec. 1	42.1	132.8	55.91	41.5	133.2	55.28	39.0	163.1	63.61
1953 --*Jan. 1	39.9	134.1	53.51	38.4	137.7	52.88	34.0	164.0	57.24
Feb. 1	41.1	132.9	54.62	39.8	136.6	54.37	38.4	164.6	63.21
Mar. 1	40.8	132.4	54.02	40.5	137.8	55.81	38.3	163.6	62.66
Apr. 1	41.3	135.0	55.76	40.4	137.5	55.55	38.1	163.9	62.45
May 1	40.8	134.3	54.79	40.5	139.6	56.54	38.5	164.6	63.37
June 1	40.9	135.3	55.34	40.5	140.7	56.98	38.5	164.7	63.41
July 1	40.9	136.8	55.54	40.2	139.8	56.20	37.7	162.4	61.22
Aug. 1	40.3	136.8	55.13	40.3	140.1	56.46	38.3	161.5	61.78
Sept. 1	40.3	137.8	55.53	40.3	139.6	56.26	38.3	162.4	62.20
Oct. 1	40.7	141.5	57.59	39.4	141.4	55.71	38.3	164.0	52.81
Nov. 1	40.5	141.3	57.23	40.9	142.4	58.24	38.4	165.5	63.55
Dec. 1	41.1	140.9	57.91	41.1	142.9	58.73	38.1	167.3	63.74
1954 --*Jan. 1	40.0	141.7	56.68	38.4	143.8	55.22	36.0	168.7	60.73
Feb. 1	40.5	142.2	57.59	39.4	143.5	56.54	36.4	169.4	61.66
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Table 7.- Average Hours and Earnings of Hourly-Rated Wage-Earners, Manufacturing, Metropolitan Areas.

Year and Month	Montreal			Toronto			Hamilton		
	Average Hours	Average Hourly Earnings	Average Weekly Wages	Average Hours	Average Hourly Earnings	Average Weekly Wages	Average Hours	Average Hourly Earnings	Average Weekly Wages
	No.	\$	\$	No.	\$	\$	No.	\$	\$
1945 - Average	44.5	69.5	30.93	41.8	72.5	30.31	43.6	73.4	32.00
1946 - Average	42.7	69.1	29.51	40.5	72.6	29.40	41.5	73.7	30.59
1947 - Average	42.0	77.1	32.38	40.4	83.9	33.90	41.8	87.1	36.41
1948 - Average	42.0	87.1	36.58	40.3	95.5	38.49	41.5	101.4	42.08
1949 - Average	42.2	94.5	39.88	40.7	102.1	41.65	41.9	111.5	46.72
1950 - Average	42.3	97.9	41.41	40.9	107.8	44.09	40.7	121.1	49.29
1951 - Average	42.0	109.2	45.86	40.6	122.3	49.65	40.2	136.2	54.75
1952 - Average	41.9	120.9	50.66	40.5	135.7	54.96	39.7	150.0	59.55
1953 - Average	41.7	128.3	53.50	40.7	143.4	58.36	39.7	156.9	61.89
1951 -*Jan. 1	39.5	101.9	40.25	38.5	113.0	43.51	39.2	126.4	49.55
Feb. 1	43.1	102.9	44.35	41.3	115.2	47.58	40.7	128.8	52.42
Mar. 1	43.0	104.1	44.76	40.2	116.9	46.99	39.9	131.0	52.27
*Apr. 1	42.1	105.6	44.46	41.0	118.3	48.50	40.5	131.8	53.38
May 1	42.7	107.4	45.86	41.4	120.1	49.72	40.8	134.7	54.96
June 1	41.6	108.1	44.97	40.2	122.0	49.04	40.8	136.1	56.53
July 1	40.8	111.2	45.37	40.8	123.5	50.14	40.9	136.3	55.75
Aug. 1	41.1	111.1	45.66	40.5	124.7	50.50	40.3	139.1	56.06
Sept. 1	42.5	112.4	47.77	40.5	126.8	51.35	39.4	140.5	55.40
Oct. 1	42.2	114.1	48.15	41.0	128.4	52.64	39.5	142.6	56.33
Nov. 1	42.3	115.1	48.69	40.9	129.3	52.88	39.5	142.0	56.09
Dec. 1	42.5	116.8	49.64	41.0	129.7	53.18	40.4	144.7	58.46
1952 -*Jan. 1	37.0	118.6	44.35	36.8	131.6	48.43	36.7	147.4	54.10
Feb. 1	42.0	118.3	49.69	40.4	133.1	53.77	39.8	146.8	58.43
Mar. 1	42.5	118.5	50.36	40.6	134.3	54.35	39.4	147.2	58.00
Apr. 1	42.8	119.7	51.23	40.8	135.5	55.28	40.0	148.1	59.24
May 1	42.7	120.5	51.45	40.7	136.1	55.39	39.8	148.2	58.98
June 1	41.9	121.1	50.74	40.8	136.3	55.81	40.1	151.2	60.63
July 1	41.1	121.7	50.02	40.1	134.9	54.09	39.9	150.4	60.01
Aug. 1	41.1	121.3	49.85	40.0	135.2	54.08	39.9	150.5	60.05
Sept. 1	42.0	122.0	51.24	40.5	136.3	55.20	40.0	149.7	59.88
Oct. 1	42.6	121.9	51.93	41.3	137.5	56.79	40.3	151.3	61.18
Nov. 1	42.7	123.0	52.52	41.6	138.2	57.49	40.3	153.7	61.94
Dec. 1	43.0	124.1	53.36	41.8	138.7	57.98	40.7	155.2	63.17
1953 -*Jan. 1	38.7	126.7	49.03	37.6	139.8	52.56	36.9	156.9	57.53
Feb. 1	42.3	126.4	53.47	41.0	141.8	58.14	40.1	156.1	62.60
Mar. 1	42.6	125.9	54.06	41.2	142.3	58.63	40.5	156.0	62.78
Apr. 1	42.6	127.4	54.27	41.1	142.7	58.65	40.8	155.8	63.57
May 1	42.3	127.8	54.06	41.0	143.2	58.71	40.4	155.3	62.74
June 1	42.0	127.8	53.88	41.0	143.7	58.92	40.2	155.9	62.67
July 1	41.3	128.7	53.15	40.8	144.1	58.94	39.9	156.8	62.16
Aug. 1	41.1	128.6	52.85	40.4	144.4	58.34	39.5	156.2	61.70
Sept. 1	41.5	129.0	53.54	40.5	144.4	58.48	38.7	156.2	60.06
Oct. 1	42.2	129.1	54.48	41.1	144.8	59.51	39.7	156.3	61.65
Nov. 1	42.0	130.0	54.60	41.1	144.7	59.47	40.0	156.7	62.66
Dec. 1	41.8	131.5	54.97	41.0	145.3	59.57	39.9	158.1	63.06
1954 -*Jan. 1	37.9	132.5	50.22	38.6	140.1	56.39	37.2	169.0	59.15
Feb. 1	41.1	132.9	54.62	40.0	147.4	58.98	39.4	159.9	63.00
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Table 7.- Average Hours and Earnings of Hourly-Rated Wage-Earners, Manufacturing, Metropolitan Areas. (Concluded)

Year and Month	Windsor			Winnipeg			Vancouver		
	Average Hours	Average Hourly Earnings	Average Weekly Wages	Average Hours	Average Hourly Earnings	Average Weekly Wages	Average Hours	Average Hourly Earnings	Average Weekly Wages
	No.	\$	\$	No.	\$	\$	No.	\$	\$
1945 - Average	42.5	92.4	39.27	43.0	68.1	29.28	41.2	84.7	34.90
1946 - Average	37.8	94.3	35.65	42.0	70.8	29.74	39.5	83.9	33.14
1947 - Average	40.0	106.7	42.68	41.6	78.8	32.78	38.5	95.3	36.69
1948 - Average	38.9	118.6	46.14	42.0	88.3	37.09	37.5	107.0	40.13
1949 - Average	39.7	125.3	49.74	42.0	94.9	39.86	37.3	116.4	43.42
1950 - Average	41.2	132.0	54.38	41.5	98.7	40.96	37.2	122.3	45.50
1951 - Average	39.7	143.7	57.05	41.0	111.4	45.67	37.3	138.4	51.62
1952 - Average	39.3	159.1	62.53	40.5	121.3	49.13	37.5	154.8	58.05
1953 - Average	40.5	165.2	66.91	40.1	130.0	52.13	37.7	161.6	60.92
1951 --Jan. 1	39.3	137.9	54.19	40.1	102.7	41.18	34.6	128.9	44.60
Feb. 1	44.2	144.9	64.05	42.0	104.2	43.76	37.6	129.8	48.80
Mar. 1	43.8	145.4	65.69	42.3	105.4	44.58	37.6	128.8	48.80
*Apr. 1	40.6	144.1	58.50	41.8	106.0	44.31	37.4	132.7	49.63
May 1	38.9	142.6	55.43	41.2	107.8	44.41	38.0	133.6	50.77
June 1	39.8	144.4	57.47	41.4	109.1	45.17	36.8	135.3	49.79
July 1	38.3	142.1	54.42	40.5	115.3	46.70	38.3	138.0	52.85
Aug. 1	35.5	142.9	50.73	40.4	115.7	46.74	37.5	139.5	52.31
Sept. 1	38.5	143.4	55.21	40.8	116.2	47.18	37.0	144.6	53.50
Oct. 1	38.2	144.2	55.08	40.3	117.2	47.23	37.3	148.2	55.28
Nov. 1	39.3	145.8	57.30	40.9	118.2	48.34	37.7	149.4	56.32
Dec. 1	40.0	146.7	58.88	40.6	118.6	48.15	38.1	150.7	57.42
1952 --Jan. 1	38.2	150.2	57.38	38.3	120.3	46.07	32.9	151.2	49.74
Feb. 1	41.1	153.1	62.92	40.3	118.6	47.80	37.3	153.0	57.07
Mar. 1	39.8	157.1	62.53	40.7	119.9	48.80	38.7	154.4	56.66
Apr. 1	43.0	162.7	69.96	41.0	120.8	49.53	38.2	155.2	59.29
May 1	42.2	159.5	67.22	40.6	120.1	48.76	38.0	154.9	58.86
June 1	31.7	161.6	51.23	40.7	121.0	49.25	38.7	156.7	60.64
July 1	38.3	155.7	59.63	40.9	121.5	49.69	38.6	152.3	58.79
Aug. 1	39.0	160.5	62.60	40.4	121.8	49.21	36.5	152.8	55.77
Sept. 1	40.1	160.5	64.36	40.4	122.4	49.45	38.1	156.2	59.51
Oct. 1	39.1	161.1	62.99	40.4	122.8	49.61	38.3	156.3	60.86
Nov. 1	37.1	162.8	60.40	40.8	123.0	50.18	38.0	156.1	59.32
Dec. 1	41.7	164.0	68.39	40.9	123.9	50.68	38.5	158.6	61.06
1953 --Jan. 1	33.2	161.5	53.62	38.1	129.9	49.49	34.2	158.9	54.34
Feb. 1	40.9	161.3	65.97	40.5	127.8	51.76	37.9	160.4	60.79
Mar. 1	42.5	164.0	69.70	40.8	127.9	52.18	37.5	160.3	60.11
Apr. 1	43.7	165.1	72.15	40.6	128.8	52.29	37.7	160.4	60.47
May 1	45.0	165.3	71.08	40.6	129.9	52.74	38.4	160.8	61.75
June 1	42.1	164.5	69.25	40.1	130.0	52.13	38.4	162.1	62.25
July 1	41.4	165.6	68.56	40.3	130.1	52.43	37.8	161.2	60.93
Aug. 1	39.7	168.5	66.89	39.6	130.3	51.60	37.8	161.1	60.90
Sept. 1	39.0	164.1	64.00	40.0	130.5	52.20	38.2	162.7	62.15
Oct. 1	39.7	165.9	65.86	40.5	131.5	53.26	38.4	163.5	62.78
Nov. 1	39.9	167.0	66.63	39.9	131.4	52.43	38.1	163.9	62.45
Dec. 1	41.1	169.4	69.62	39.7	132.5	52.60	37.7	164.5	61.94
1954 --Jan. 1	37.1	166.9	61.92	37.7	134.5	50.71	35.3	163.4	57.68
Feb. 1	40.3	169.1	68.15	40.2	133.2	53.55	38.3	164.2	59.60
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Table 8.- Changes in Average Earnings of Hourly-Rated Wage-Earners, by Area and Industry.
(Decrease indicated by the minus sign)

Industry and Area	Change in Average Hourly Earnings, Feb. 1, 1954 over			Change in Average Weekly Wages, Feb. 1, 1954 over		
	Feb. 1 1953	Feb. 1 1952	Feb. 1 1951	Feb. 1 1953	Feb. 1 1952	Feb. 1 1951
	p.c.	p.c.	p.c.	p.c.	p.c.	p.c.
(a) Canada						
Manufacturing	4.6	10.5	27.2	1.6	8.1	20.7
Mining	3.1	11.8	23.8	1.9	10.5	19.3
Buildings and structures (h)	7.3	18.9	36.2	1.7	12.2	33.8
Highways, bridges and street construction	7.8	17.5	29.2	5.0	11.3	25.2
Electric and motor transportation (i)	4.9	13.0	25.6	5.8	14.0	28.3
Service (j)	7.2	15.9	21.1	3.6	9.6	15.8
(b) Manufacturing, Provinces						
Newfoundland	8.0	12.5	34.2	14.4	15.2	38.3
Nova Scotia	6.7	10.9	32.4	4.1	8.2	25.0
New Brunswick	6.9	12.3	29.3	3.9	6.0	17.5
Quebec	5.6	11.3	29.1	2.0	8.8	21.6
Ontario	4.2	10.0	26.0	1.4	7.8	19.7
Manitoba	4.3	12.1	28.2	4.0	11.5	22.7
Saskatchewan	7.0	12.4	28.5	5.4	13.0	27.2
Alberta	5.1	12.5	30.2	4.0	10.9	23.3
British Columbia	2.9	8.0	27.8	-2.5	3.7	22.1
(c) Manufacturing, Metropolitan Areas						
Montreal	5.1	12.3	29.2	2.2	9.9	23.2
Toronto	3.9	10.7	28.0	1.4	9.7	23.9
Hamilton	2.4	8.9	24.1	0.6	7.8	20.2
Windsor	4.8	10.5	16.7	3.3	8.3	6.4
Winnipeg	4.2	12.3	27.8	3.5	12.0	22.4
Vancouver	2.4	7.3	26.5	-2.0	4.4	22.1

Footnotes (a) to (j) appear in explanatory notes at the end of this report.

Table 9.- Index Numbers of Average Hourly Earnings in the Heavy Electrical Machinery and Equipment Industry. (1949=100)

Week Preceding	1951	1952	1953	1954
Jan. 1	109.2	127.5	135.9	139.5
Feb. 1	111.9	128.4	136.0	142.2
Mar. 1	112.9	128.1	136.4	
Apr. 1	112.8	128.8	136.3	
May 1	115.2	129.9	134.9	
June 1	120.4	133.9	135.1	
July 1	121.2	133.5	136.9	
Aug. 1	122.7	134.1	135.8	
Sept. 1	124.3	134.3	136.1	
Oct. 1	125.5	135.5	137.1	
Nov. 1	128.5	136.5	138.6	
Dec. 1	127.4	136.5	138.7	

Table 10.- Average Weekly Wages in Manufacturing and the Consumer Price Index, 1945 - 1953.

Year and Month	Actual Weekly Wages in Dollars	Weekly Wages in 1949 Dollars	Index Numbers of		The Consumer Price Index* 1949=100
			Actual Weekly Wages (1949=100)	Weekly Wages in 1949 Dollars	
	Col. 1	Col. 2	Col. 3	Col. 4	Col. 5
1945 - Average	30.74	40.99	73.7	98.3	75.0
1946 - Average	29.87	38.54	71.6	92.4	77.5
1947 - Average	34.13	40.25	81.8	96.5	84.8
1948 - Average	38.53	39.72	92.4	95.2	97.0
1949 - Average	41.71	41.71	100.0	100.0	100.0
1950 - Average	43.82	42.59	105.1	102.1	102.9
1951 - Average	48.82	42.94	117.0	102.9	113.7
1952 - Average	53.62	46.03	128.6	110.4	116.5
1953 - Average	56.09	48.56	134.5	116.4	115.5
1953 - Jan. 1	51.32	44.36	123.0	106.4	115.7
Feb. 1	56.23	48.68	134.8	116.7	115.5
Mar. 1	56.58	49.29	135.7	118.2	114.8
Apr. 1	56.79	49.55	136.2	118.8	114.6
May 1	56.64	49.51	135.8	118.7	114.4
June 1	56.67	49.32	135.9	118.2	114.9
July 1	56.25	48.74	134.9	116.9	115.4
Aug. 1	55.76	48.19	133.7	115.5	115.7
Sept. 1	55.64	47.88	133.4	114.8	116.2
Oct. 1	56.69	48.58	135.9	116.5	116.7
Nov. 1	56.88	48.95	136.4	117.4	116.2
Dec. 1	57.02	49.24	136.7	118.1	115.8
1954 - Jan. 1	54.05	46.72	129.6	112.0	115.7
Feb. 1	57.14	49.39	137.0	118.4	115.7
Mar. 1					
Apr. 1					
May 1					
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Note:- An explanation of the method used in computing the statistics of real wages as shown in Columns 2 and 4 appeared in the 1952 Annual Review of Man-Hours and Hourly Earnings.

Although calculations of real wages may reflect the experience of groups of workers fairly well, it should be noted that their dependability, particularly as they apply to individual wage-earners, rests upon certain important qualifications. Substantial variations within the group, such as marked changes in the proportions of men and women, or important shifts of employment between higher or lower paid areas, industries and occupations which may affect the wage averages, will in turn influence the real earnings series. Further, should important changes in spending habits occur in the interval, the estimates of change in real earnings are likely to be less reliable. The latter qualification is of particular importance over long periods of time.

It should also be kept in mind that measures of change in real earnings calculated from averages of gross earnings may differ from changes in the purchasing power of "take-home" pay, due to such factors as changes in personal income tax, and pay deductions for such things as social insurance and pension plans. Thus index numbers of real wages should not be interpreted as measuring fluctuations in the level of consumption of wage-earners or wage-earners' families; they are intended to show only the trend in purchasing power of wages over the items covered by the price index, and in addition to the factors already mentioned, do not take into account other family income or changes in the savings position of families.

*For construction methods and component details see monthly publication "Prices and Price Indexes."



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EXPLANATORY NOTES.

General.- The monthly statistics of average hours, average hourly earnings and average weekly wages, like those of employment, payrolls and average weekly wages and salaries, are based on data from establishments usually employing 15 persons and over. Statistics for the latest month are subject to revision.

Coverage.- Firms are asked to furnish information for the male and female wage-earners for whom they keep records of hours worked, so that the statistics relate, in the main, to hourly-rated wage-earners, or production workers, employed full time and part time. Casual workers are also included. Data for salaried personnel are purposely excluded. In many cases, information is not available for certain classes of wage-earners, whose earnings, like those of most salaried employees, are not directly dependent on the number of hours worked; examples of wage-earners frequently excluded are route-drivers, piece-workers in many but not all establishments, truck men, etc. Numerous employers do not keep record of man-hours for any classes of employees. The number of workers for whom information is given in the present report is therefore smaller than the total number of workers (wage-earners and salaried employees) for whom statistics of employment, payrolls, average earnings, sex distribution, etc., are given in the monthly bulletins on employment and payrolls. These contain a fuller explanation of the monthly data on employment, payrolls and man-hours.

In manufacturing, largely represented in the statistics of this report, the data relate to over 75 p.c. of all employees on the staffs of the firms co-operating in the monthly surveys of employment and payrolls; in 1948, the wage-earners for whom information on man-hours was obtained formed over 80 p.c. of the total number of wage-earners reported by practically all manufacturing establishments to the Annual Census of Manufactures, including hourly-rated and other wage-earners. In mining and construction, data on man-hours and hourly earnings are provided for approximately 84 p.c. and 71 p.c. of the total employees of firms co-operating in the monthly surveys of employment and payrolls in those industries, respectively; in 1948, the monthly statistics were based on approximately 89 p.c. and 54 p.c. of the total number of wage-earners reported to the Census of Mining and Census of Construction, respectively.

Man-Hours.- The statistics of man-hours include hours worked by full-time and part-time wage-earners, including overtime hours actually worked; premium or penalty hours credited for purposes of computing overtime payment are not included. Hours credited to wage-earners absent on leave with pay in the reported pay periods are included in the statistics as though the hours had been worked. The averages are obtained by dividing the aggregate hours reported for the week by the number of full-time and part-time wage-earners working such hours.

Wages.- The questionnaire calls for a statement of gross wages earned by the full-time and part-time wage-earners whose hours are reported, before deductions are made for taxes, unemployment insurance contributions, etc. Payments for overtime work, incentive or production, and cost-of-living bonuses paid at regular intervals, and amounts credited to wage-earners on leave with pay in the reported pay periods are included. The value of board and lodging which in some cases is part of the remuneration of workers is not included. Retroactive pay not earned during the reported pay period, and bonuses paid at infrequent intervals are also excluded.

Pay Periods.- Statistics of man-hours and wages reported for periods exceeding one week in duration are reduced by the appropriate proportions to calculate the number of hours and the wages in one week in the stated pay period. Such data are combined with weekly figures furnished by employers whose records are maintained on a weekly basis, so that, in all cases, the tabulated statistics represent the situation in one week in each month.

Footnotes.

The following footnotes explain the content of various industrial classes listed in the detailed tables in this bulletin. In some industries, the group breakdown is less extensive than in the Standard Industrial Classification; in these cases, figures for certain categories not shown are contained in the group totals.

- (a) Alluvial gold and auriferous quartz mining.
 - (b) Copper-gold-silver; iron; nickel-copper; silver-cobalt; silver-lead-zinc and miscellaneous metal mining.
 - (c) Non-metal mining and quarrying; clay and sand pits.
 - (d) Miscellaneous wood products.
 - (e) Paper boxes and bags; roofing papers; miscellaneous paper products.
 - (f) Household, office and store machinery; machine tools; machinery, n.e.s.
 - (g) Abrasives; asbestos; hydraulic cement; clay; glass; lime and gypsum; stone; concrete and miscellaneous non-metallic mineral products.
 - (h) Buildings and structures; other construction; special trade contractors.
 - (i) Interurban bus and coach and urban and suburban transportation systems; taxi-cab and truck transportation; services incidental to transportation; other transportation.
 - (j) Hotels and restaurants; laundries, dyeing, cleaning and pressing plants; business and recreational services.
- (..) figures not available.

