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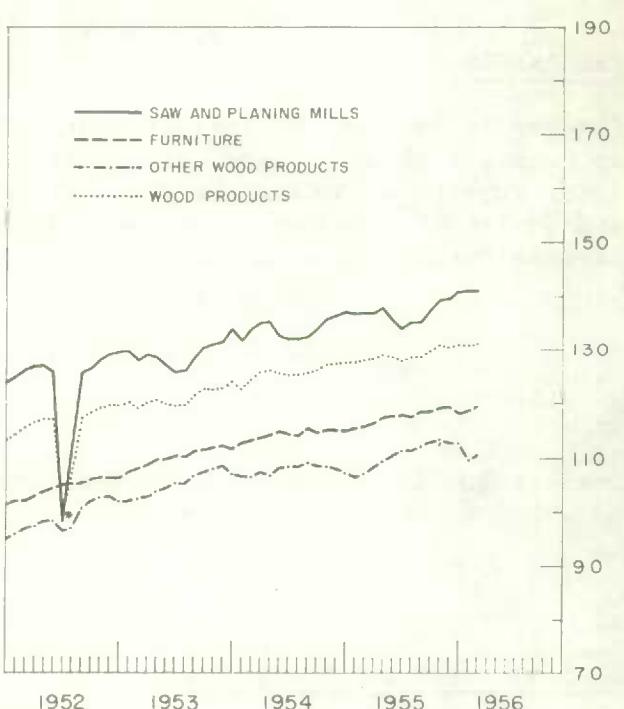
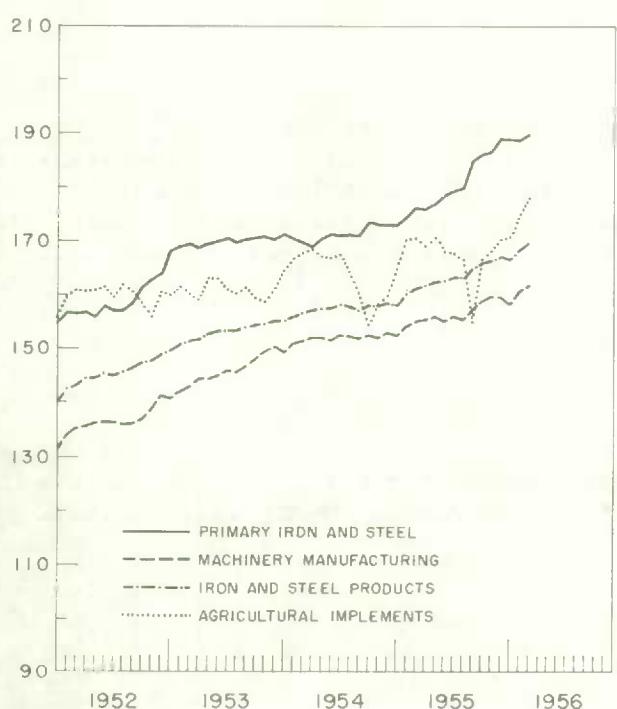
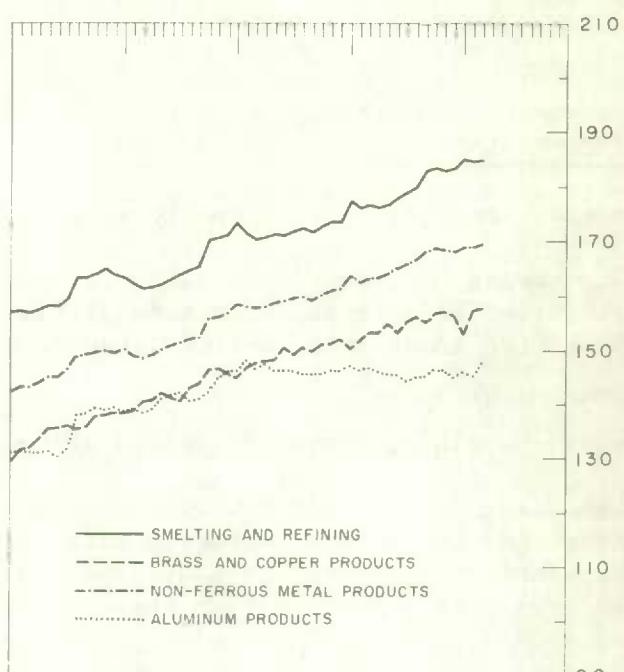
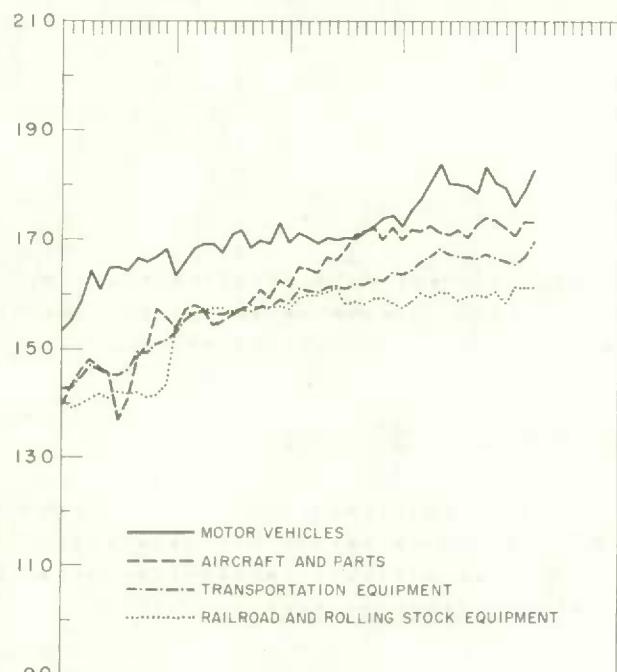
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AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS IN SPECIFIED INDUSTRIES
IN THE DURABLE MANUFACTURED GOODS DIVISION

(IN CENTS)



* INDUSTRIAL DISPUTE

MAN-HOURS AND HOURLY EARNINGS, MARCH, 1956.

Canada

Manufacturing.- Average hourly earnings in manufacturing rose by 1.2 cents to a new maximum of 148.5 at Mar. 1, 5 cents higher than the Mar. 1, 1955 figure. The average work week was slightly longer, at 41.3 hours, and the average weekly wages rose by 64 cents to \$61.33, the highest on record.

The settlement of labour-management disputes accounted for much of the increase in earnings in manufacturing, and contributed very substantially to a 1.5 cent gain in average hourly earnings in the durable goods division. The industries mainly affected were motor vehicles, motor vehicle parts and accessories, electrical apparatus and railroad rolling stock. Increased production in agricultural implements, structural steel fabrication and steel works was also a factor in the higher hourly average. The average work week was unchanged, and the weekly wages were 62 cents higher, at \$66.29.

Average hourly earnings in non-durable goods manufacturing rose by 0.3 cents to 135.2 cents at Mar. 1, and the weekly wages by 40 cents to \$55.84, a new peak. The hourly figure was exceeded only by that at Jan. 1. Upward adjustments in wage rates in oil refineries, chemicals, miscellaneous manufactured goods and a few other groups contributed to the gains, as did a lay-off of lower-paid seasonal workers in tobacco processing and fruit and vegetable canning. On the other hand, increases in employment and in hours worked by women in clothing and leather goods factories, generally at rates below the divisional average, tended to lower average earnings in the non-durable goods category. The average work week rose by 0.2 hours; most groups in the division reported slightly longer working time than at Feb. 1, the exceptions being tobacco products, rubber goods and textiles.

Non-Manufacturing.- Averages of hours and earnings in mining rose slightly during the period under review. Higher bonuses raised the earnings in the gold group. Longer working time in mines paying below the industry average resulted in a small decline in hourly earnings in the extraction of other metallic ores. However, because of a longer work week the average weekly wages were higher. Higher levels of employment in coal mines in areas paying below the general average in the industry lowered the Canada figure by 1.3 cents per hour.

Following the pattern of past years, building contractors recorded a drop in employment at Mar. 1, with a longer average work week and a moderate increase in average earnings. The work week rose by an hour in highway construction, largely owing to snow clearing, and the average earnings showed a slightly upward movement. There were moderate gains at Mar. 1 in hours and earnings in electric and motor transportation and in the service groups for which data are available.

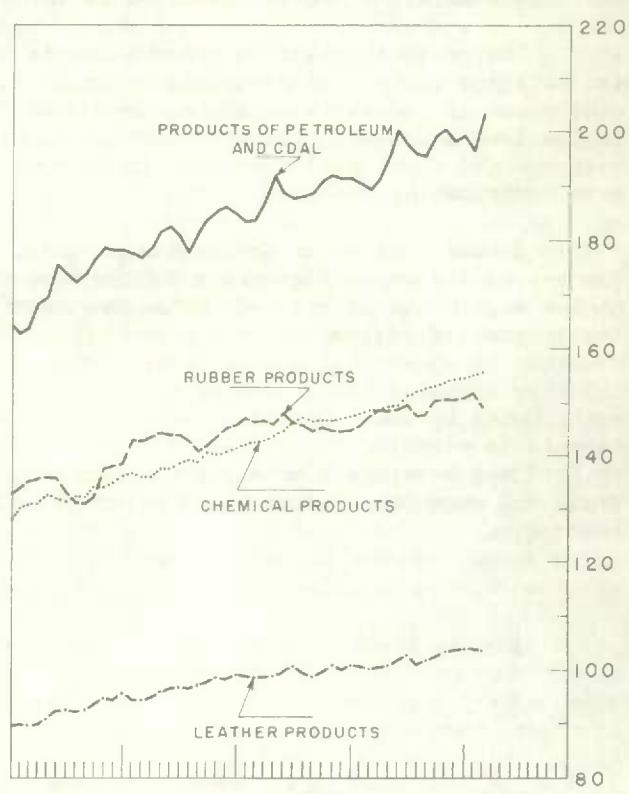
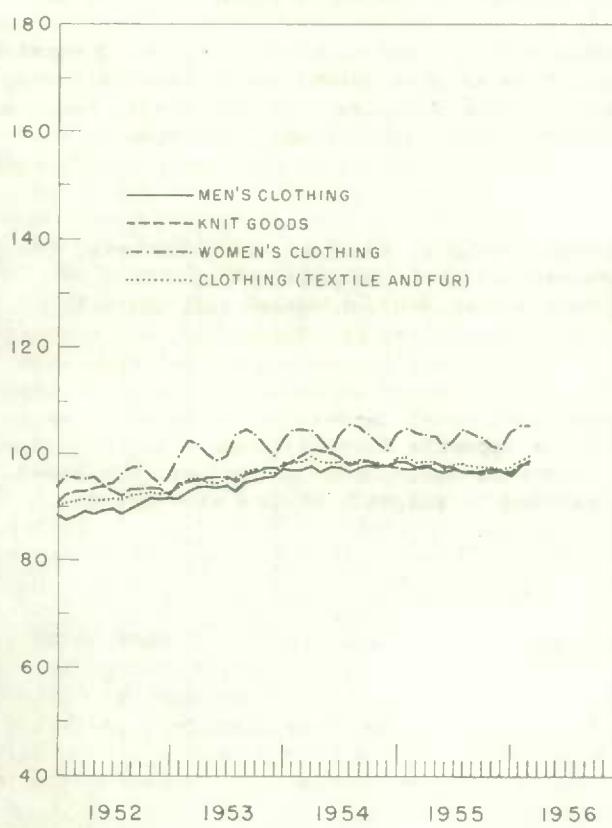
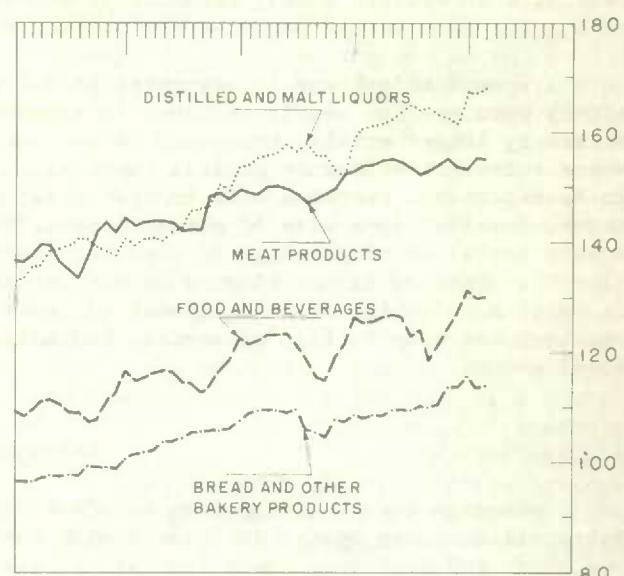
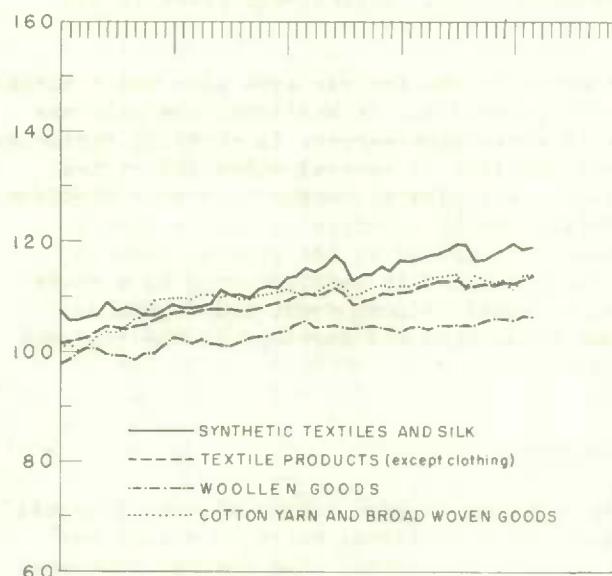
Provinces

In the Atlantic provinces and in Manitoba, the averages of hourly earnings in manufacturing were lower at Mar. 1 than at Feb. 1. Moderate gains were reported in other provinces. The average hours worked fell slightly in the Prairies; in Newfoundland, Quebec, Ontario and British Columbia, the work week was somewhat higher. In the remaining provinces the averages were unchanged between Feb. 1 and Mar. 1.

Newfoundland fish canneries operated for longer hours than at Feb. 1, contributing materially to the lengthened work week and a 2.7 cent drop in average hourly earnings in manufacturing as a whole. In Nova Scotia, somewhat lower earnings in transportation equipment and iron and steel products, together with an increase of lower-paid workers in fish canneries, accounted for much of a decline of 0.9 cents in average hourly earnings in manufacturing. Changes in New Brunswick were small, the most important being a shorter work week and lower earnings in fish-processing establishments.

AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS IN SPECIFIED INDUSTRIES
IN THE NON-DURABLE MANUFACTURED GOODS DIVISION

(IN CENTS)



1952 1953 1954 1955 1956

In Quebec, the general averages of hours and earnings in manufacturing were slightly higher than at Feb. 1. The effect of wage-rate increases in oil refineries and in the miscellaneous goods group was partly offset by greater employment of women workers in clothing factories, labour-management disputes in the machinery industry, and a shorter work week in aircraft plants.

The settlement of strikes affecting the motor vehicles and parts, railroad rolling stock, and electrical apparatus and equipment industries contributed substantially to a 1.9 cent gain in average hourly earnings in Ontario manufacturing. Higher wage rates in oil refineries also tended to raise the general average.

Upward adjustment in pay rates in oil refineries in the Prairie area also had a buoyant effect upon average hourly earnings in manufacturing generally. In Manitoba, the gain was offset by longer working hours and larger numbers of women wage-earners in clothing factories, where rates are below the general average, and less overtime in several other industries. In Saskatchewan, overtime work in meat-packing plants, with the wage-rate increases mentioned above, resulted in a rise of almost 4 cents in average hourly earnings in manufacturing. Upward revisions of earnings in chemical plants also contributed to the general gain in Alberta. Factors in the advance of 0.5 cents an hour recorded in manufacturing as a whole in British Columbia were the lay-off of lower-paid seasonal help in fruit and vegetable packing, overtime in fish canneries, and heightened employment and earnings in the iron and steel group.

Metropolitan Areas

Average hourly earnings in manufacturing were higher at Mar. 1 than at Feb. 1 in all metropolitan areas listed in Table 3 with the exception of Hamilton, where no change was recorded, and Winnipeg, where the general average fell by 0.2 cents. The average work week was longer in six centres, unchanged in three, and shorter in the other four.

The greatest gains in average hourly earnings were in London, Brantford, St. Catharines and Kitchener. In London and St. Catharines, resumption of more normal operations following settlement of industrial disputes accounted for much of the increase. In Brantford, overtime in the iron and steel group resulted in higher earnings, and in Kitchener, overtime in the beverage and electrical apparatus industries and wage-rate increases in machinery manufacturing were contributing factors.

In the four major population centres, Montreal, Toronto, Winnipeg and Vancouver, the changes in the general averages in manufacturing were small. In Montreal, the effect of higher wage rates in oil refineries was partly offset by reduced employment and hours in transportation equipment, labour-management disputes in machinery manufacturing, and reduced overtime in electrical apparatus factories. The end of strikes in the electrical apparatus industry affected the situation in Toronto. In Winnipeg, changes in industrial distribution contributed to small declines in hours and earnings, employment increasing among women wage-earners in clothing factories. A factor acting in the opposite direction was a pay adjustment in food and beverage plants and oil refineries. Increased employment in the iron and steel group and wage-rate increases in oil refineries resulted in slightly higher earnings in Vancouver.

TABLE 1. 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 Mar. 1 1956
	Mar. 1 1956	Feb. 1 1956	Mar. 1 1956	Mar. 1 1956	Feb. 1 1956	Mar. 1 1956	Mar. 1 1956	Feb. 1 1956	Mar. 1 1956	
	no.	no.	no.	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	no.
Mining	44.1	43.8	43.3	166.4	166.2	160.6	73.58	72.90	69.54	78,000
Metal mining	44.5	44.0	44.6	170.8	170.5	164.3	76.01	75.02	73.28	46,965
Gold (a)	46.1	45.9	46.5	142.3	140.3	140.7	65.50	64.26	65.43	14,882
Other metal (b)	43.8	43.1	43.6	184.7	185.6	178.4	80.90	79.99	77.78	32,083
Fuels	43.5	43.1	41.2	160.4	160.6	156.0	69.77	69.22	63.96	20,503
Coal	41.9	41.8	39.4	150.0	151.3	146.3	62.85	63.24	57.64	14,857
Oil and natural gas	47.5	46.2	46.2	184.6	181.6	176.9	87.59	83.90	81.27	5,846
Non-metal (c)	43.3	44.1	42.0	157.7	157.0	154.6	68.28	69.24	64.93	10,532
Manufacturing	41.3	41.2	41.2	148.5	147.3	143.5	61.35	60.59	59.12	847,150
Food and beverages	41.4	40.9	40.9	130.1	130.0	126.6	53.86	53.17	51.37	77,034
Meat products	39.5	40.0	39.8	155.2	155.5	153.8	61.30	62.20	61.21	16,431
Canned and preserved fruits and vegetables	39.7	40.7	39.8	121.2	118.3	113.0	48.12	48.16	44.97	5,183
Grain mill products	41.4	41.2	40.2	141.1	141.9	137.3	58.42	58.46	55.19	4,896
Bread and other bakery products	43.5	43.0	43.3	113.9	113.4	108.9	49.55	48.78	47.11	8,401
Distilled and malt liquors	40.4	39.8	39.4	168.0	167.1	160.9	87.87	86.51	83.39	9,971
Tobacco and tobacco products	40.0	40.7	40.0	125.9	124.4	125.7	50.36	50.83	50.28	8,949
Rubber products	41.1	41.8	42.5	149.4	151.9	147.5	61.40	63.49	62.69	14,993
Leather products	41.6	41.3	40.6	103.6	103.8	100.0	43.10	42.87	40.50	23,021
Boots and shoes (except rubber)	41.4	40.9	40.1	99.7	99.8	96.1	41.28	40.92	38.54	15,503
Textile products (except clothing)	43.2	43.3	43.1	113.3	112.9	111.6	48.95	48.89	48.10	62,498
Cotton yarn and broad woven goods	42.2	42.1	41.1	113.6	113.4	112.6	47.94	47.74	46.28	19,090
Woolen goods	43.8	43.8	43.7	106.2	106.4	104.3	46.52	46.60	45.58	9,314
Synthetic textiles and silk	45.2	45.6	46.0	118.7	118.3	116.7	53.65	53.94	53.68	11,534
Clothing (textile and fur)	39.7	39.4	38.8	99.5	98.6	98.7	38.42	38.35	38.30	73,059
Men's clothing	39.2	38.0	38.3	98.3	97.5	97.7	38.53	38.03	37.42	25,792
Women's clothing	38.2	37.7	37.6	105.1	105.1	104.0	40.16	39.62	39.10	15,412
Knit goods	41.2	41.1	38.9	97.9	97.7	97.4	40.33	40.15	38.86	17,338
*Wood products	41.9	41.5	42.0	131.3	131.0	127.9	55.01	54.37	53.72	70,642
Saw and planing mills	40.8	40.3	41.1	141.1	141.1	137.0	57.57	56.86	56.31	45,530
Furniture	43.5	43.2	43.2	119.5	118.8	116.0	61.98	61.32	60.11	18,248
Other wood products (d)	43.8	43.8	43.8	110.7	109.9	107.2	48.27	47.87	46.95	8,864
Paper products	42.3	42.2	42.3	171.8	171.2	163.8	72.69	72.26	69.20	69,946
Pulp and paper mills	42.6	42.5	42.8	183.5	183.5	174.5	78.17	77.99	74.38	62,067
Other paper products (e)	41.5	41.1	41.4	135.9	134.5	129.7	56.13	56.28	55.70	17,889
Printing, publishing and allied industries	40.0	39.6	39.8	178.4	177.4	170.3	71.36	70.26	67.78	28,299
*Iron and steel products	41.9	41.7	41.1	169.7	168.5	161.2	71.10	70.26	66.25	129,395
Agricultural implements	40.8	39.9	40.3	178.1	175.3	170.5	72.66	69.94	68.71	9,356
Fabricated and structural steel	42.2	41.9	41.3	186.7	186.9	187.5	71.19	69.51	69.18	7,040
Hardware and tools	42.1	41.9	41.5	155.0	152.5	146.7	56.26	63.90	60.88	8,892
Heating and cooking appliances	42.5	42.6	40.9	142.1	142.9	140.3	60.39	60.88	57.58	6,285
Iron castings	42.8	42.1	42.1	186.7	167.0	158.4	71.35	70.31	66.69	18,395
Machinery manufacturing (f)	43.0	43.0	41.7	161.9	160.9	155.0	69.62	69.19	64.64	23,918
Primary iron and steel	41.1	41.0	40.2	190.0	188.7	176.5	78.09	77.37	70.87	30,410
Sheet metal products	40.9	41.0	40.7	161.4	160.1	154.3	66.01	65.64	62.80	12,322
*Transportation equipment	40.4	40.3	41.1	169.7	167.1	166.1	68.56	67.34	68.27	124,512
Aircraft and parts	41.6	41.8	41.1	173.6	173.5	171.7	72.04	72.70	70.57	24,758
Motor vehicles	40.4	39.3	42.2	182.9	179.0	177.8	73.89	70.35	74.95	31,162
Motor vehicle parts and accessories	38.0	40.1	41.2	171.1	184.4	187.4	65.02	65.92	66.97	16,682
Railroad and rolling stock equipment	39.9	39.1	39.7	161.4	161.4	160.3	64.40	63.11	63.64	30,865
Shipbuilding and repairing	41.3	41.0	41.6	159.7	160.0	152.1	65.96	65.60	63.27	18,647
*Non-ferrous metal products	41.0	40.9	41.4	189.5	189.1	183.4	69.50	69.16	67.65	41,218
Aluminum products	40.8	40.4	40.8	147.8	146.5	146.9	60.30	68.78	59.94	4,684
Brass and copper products	42.5	42.5	41.6	157.9	157.7	153.5	67.11	67.02	63.86	7,635
Smelting and refining	40.6	40.6	41.5	184.8	184.7	176.8	75.03	74.99	73.55	23,474
*Electrical apparatus and supplies	40.9	41.5	40.4	154.1	153.2	149.6	63.03	63.58	60.44	52,469
Heavy electrical machinery and equipment ¹	41.1	40.5	40.1	169.3	167.4	164.4	69.58	67.80	65.92	12,940
*Non-metallic mineral products (g)	43.1	43.3	43.2	150.2	149.8	146.5	64.74	64.86	63.29	25,975
Clay products	44.1	44.0	44.7	139.9	139.5	137.4	61.70	61.38	61.42	5,069
Glass and glass products	42.9	43.6	42.3	148.6	149.3	145.3	63.75	65.09	61.46	6,706
Products of petroleum and coal	40.6	40.2	40.4	203.4	196.2	189.8	82.68	78.87	76.68	8,029
Chemical products	41.2	40.8	41.3	155.5	155.0	148.4	64.07	63.24	61.29	30,842
Medicinal and pharmaceutical preparations	41.8	41.6	41.2	128.1	127.6	123.5	53.66	53.04	50.88	3,856
Acids, alkalis and salts	41.7	41.7	42.2	177.0	176.7	170.4	73.61	73.68	71.91	5,624
Miscellaneous manufacturing industries	41.3	40.9	41.8	121.1	120.5	117.7	50.01	49.28	48.96	16,271
*Durable goods	41.3	41.8	41.3	160.5	159.0	155.0	66.29	65.67	64.02	444,209
Non-durable goods	41.3	41.1	41.0	155.2	154.9	151.2	55.84	56.44	53.79	402,941
Construction	40.8	40.2	40.0	163.2	161.9	153.5	66.59	65.08	61.40	158,456
Buildings and structures (h)	40.8	40.3	39.8	174.3	172.3	163.5	71.11	69.44	64.76	102,056
Highways, bridges and streets	41.0	40.0	40.7	132.9	132.6	129.8	54.49	53.04	52.83	37,400
Electric and motor transportation (i)	44.6	44.2	45.0	149.1	148.4	142.2	68.50	65.59	63.99	28,750
Service (j)	40.5	40.2	40.3	88.5	87.8	85.0	35.84	36.30	34.26	43,265
Hotels and restaurants	40.8	40.4	40.7	88.8	87.9	85.0	36.32	35.51	34.60	28,379
Laundries and dry cleaning plants	40.3	40.6	40.3	83.3	83.0	80.6	33.57	33.70	32.48	12,786

For footnotes (a) to (j) see explanatory notes at the end of this 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.

TABLE 2. 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 Mar. 1 1956
	Mar. 1 1956	Feb. 1 1956	Mar. 1 1955	Mar. 1 1956	Feb. 1 1956	Mar. 1 1955	Mar. 1 1956	Feb. 1 1956	Mar. 1 1955	
	No.	No.	No.	C	C	C	\$	\$	\$	No.
Newfoundland										
Mining	40.4	40.6	41.3	152.3	161.1	146.8	61.53	65.41	60.63	3,071
Manufacturing	43.2	41.1	42.3	134.9	137.6	134.8	58.28	56.55	57.02	7,260
Food and beverages	44.2	40.3	42.7	86.6	86.7	87.1	37.84	34.94	37.19	2,392
Canned and cured fish	43.1	38.0	41.6	78.6	79.7	82.2	33.88	30.29	34.20	1,814
Pulp and paper mills	45.7	42.0	42.4	187.9	189.4	180.0	82.11	79.55	76.32	2,934
Buildings and structures (h)	46.1	44.5	46.5	135.8	133.7	151.7	61.68	59.50	61.24	2,475
Nova Scotia										
Coal mining	43.4	42.7	42.8	141.8	140.8	139.1	61.54	60.12	59.53	9,958
Manufacturing	41.3	41.3	41.4	131.9	132.8	125.2	54.47	54.85	51.83	21,294
Canned and cured fish	42.2	42.9	41.1	96.2	99.2	94.1	40.60	42.56	38.68	1,973
Wood products	44.6	42.9	44.0	80.3	79.7	73.2	36.81	34.19	32.87	1,625
Iron and steel products	39.6	40.0	59.5	166.5	167.7	156.5	66.93	67.08	61.34	5,113
Primary iron and steel	39.1	39.4	39.2	177.6	178.4	163.1	69.44	70.29	63.94	3,983
Transportation equipment	40.8	40.8	41.8	147.2	149.2	144.6	60.06	60.87	60.44	6,963
Shipbuilding and repairing	41.2	40.9	42.2	145.7	147.0	145.7	60.05	60.12	61.49	5,049
Buildings and structures (h)	34.5	38.0	38.7	125.5	127.2	122.9	43.30	48.34	47.56	2,675
Highways, bridges and street construction	31.2	25.3	32.8	106.7	109.3	103.3	33.29	27.65	33.88	2,366
New Brunswick										
Manufacturing	42.3	42.3	42.5	135.0	133.1	126.7	56.26	56.30	53.85	14,062
Food and beverages	42.4	42.7	43.9	105.0	106.6	101.1	44.52	45.09	44.38	2,901
Saw and planing mills	48.0	45.7	46.2	87.6	87.6	82.8	42.06	40.03	38.30	1,861
Pulp and paper mills	40.7	41.4	41.6	185.2	185.3	174.0	75.38	76.71	72.38	3,579
Transportation equipment	40.8	41.0	40.8	158.5	159.3	149.2	64.67	65.31	60.87	2,267
Buildings and structures (h)	43.7	42.3	40.0	128.7	125.2	129.0	54.06	52.11	51.80	3,019
Highways, bridges and street construction	41.0	41.6	40.3	106.2	106.2	109.6	43.13	43.66	44.17	2,089
Quebec										
Metal mining	49.0	47.1	49.2	151.6	150.4	144.1	74.28	70.84	70.90	10,981
Non-metal mining (c)	43.5	44.0	41.6	168.2	168.4	165.9	72.83	74.10	69.01	6,473
Manufacturing	42.8	42.7	42.4	132.3	132.1	128.4	56.62	56.41	54.44	272,221
Tobacco	39.7	39.8	40.3	147.7	147.6	150.9	58.64	58.74	60.81	5,819
Leather products	40.8	40.8	40.1	95.6	95.5	92.4	39.00	38.96	37.06	11,506
Boots and shoes (except rubber)	40.7	40.6	40.0	96.5	96.4	93.2	39.28	39.14	37.28	9,051
Textile products (except clothing)	44.6	44.5	44.5	106.4	106.1	105.4	47.45	47.21	46.90	29,074
Cotton yarn and broad woven goods	43.3	43.0	42.0	111.8	111.5	110.7	48.41	47.95	46.49	12,322
Woollen goods	46.5	45.7	46.3	101.8	103.4	100.6	47.34	47.25	46.58	3,002
Synthetic textiles and silk	46.7	47.3	47.8	101.5	101.0	101.3	47.40	47.77	46.42	7,452
Clothing (textile and fur)	39.7	39.4	39.1	96.7	96.0	96.2	38.39	37.82	37.61	43,809
Men's clothing	39.1	39.1	39.0	96.4	95.5	96.5	37.69	37.34	37.64	16,689
Women's clothing	37.5	37.1	37.1	104.7	104.9	102.4	39.26	38.92	37.99	10,580
Knit goods	42.5	42.4	41.1	94.9	94.2	94.0	40.14	39.94	38.63	7,895
Wood products	47.5	47.2	46.9	99.8	99.2	96.1	47.41	46.82	45.07	14,870
Saw and planing mills	48.9	48.7	48.1	96.3	94.7	92.4	46.60	46.12	44.44	6,340
Paper products	43.7	43.4	45.4	165.4	164.7	157.4	72.28	71.48	68.31	27,738
Pulp and paper mills	43.9	43.9	43.7	174.7	174.3	166.7	76.69	76.52	72.85	23,064
Printing, publishing and allied industries	40.7	40.1	40.6	171.7	171.9	166.5	69.88	68.93	67.60	7,469
Iron and steel products	44.8	44.5	43.5	151.8	151.3	145.7	68.05	67.33	63.38	26,977
Machinery manufacturing (f)	47.7	47.2	45.1	148.1	146.7	140.7	70.84	69.24	63.46	6,490
Transportation equipment	42.4	41.9	42.2	157.3	157.8	154.0	66.70	66.12	64.99	27,069
Aircraft and parts	43.8	44.3	42.6	163.3	164.0	158.3	71.53	72.65	67.44	8,625
Railroad and rolling stock equipment	39.6	38.6	40.0	161.4	162.2	163.1	64.24	62.51	65.24	11,728
Non-ferrous metal products	42.4	42.4	43.0	161.4	160.6	157.6	68.43	68.09	67.73	12,914
Smelting and refining	41.4	41.3	42.8	175.5	174.7	171.2	72.66	72.15	73.27	8,221
Electrical apparatus and supplies	42.9	43.5	41.7	148.0	149.7	143.5	63.49	65.12	59.76	14,671
Chemical products	41.5	41.6	41.6	144.2	144.3	135.8	59.84	60.03	56.49	12,369
Buildings and structures (h)	43.1	42.2	40.9	161.4	158.9	160.0	69.56	67.06	61.35	29,729
Highways, bridges and street construction	45.3	44.4	42.6	121.3	121.6	120.1	54.95	53.99	51.04	8,502
Electric and motor transportation (i)	46.6	46.2	47.7	138.1	137.1	130.3	64.22	63.34	62.15	8,376
Service (j)	42.7	42.8	42.8	79.7	78.9	77.2	34.08	33.85	33.12	9,490
Ontario										
Metal mining	43.1	43.0	43.2	174.3	173.2	168.3	75.12	74.48	72.71	23,791
Manufacturing	40.9	40.8	40.8	157.3	155.4	151.5	64.34	63.40	61.81	415,257
Food and beverages	41.2	40.9	40.8	132.7	132.8	127.5	54.67	54.32	52.02	32,343
Meat products	40.1	40.7	41.1	162.3	152.6	149.8	61.07	62.11	61.57	6,249
Canned and preserved fruits and vegetables	40.6	40.7	39.6	128.8	127.4	120.0	52.16	51.85	47.52	3,648
Bread and other bakery products	42.7	42.3	42.7	112.4	112.6	106.4	47.99	47.63	45.01	4,062
Rubber products	40.0	41.0	42.0	163.9	166.3	162.2	65.56	68.18	68.12	9,911
Leather products	42.6	41.9	41.2	113.1	113.4	109.1	48.18	47.51	44.95	10,202
Boots and shoes (except rubber)	42.4	41.3	40.3	104.4	104.9	100.7	44.27	43.32	40.58	5,731
Textile products (except clothing)	41.6	41.8	41.4	123.7	123.7	120.5	51.46	51.71	49.89	20,988
Cotton yarn and broad woven goods	40.1	40.4	39.4	117.8	117.8	117.2	47.24	47.59	46.18	6,298
Woollen goods	42.5	42.8	42.6	109.7	109.3	107.1	46.73	46.78	45.52	5,712
Synthetic textiles and silk	42.7	42.5	42.5	157.2	158.2	150.9	67.12	67.24	64.13	3,516
Clothing (textile and fur)	39.5	39.1	38.3	107.5	107.2	106.4	42.46	41.92	40.75	21,469
Knit goods	40.0	40.0	38.9	102.9	103.3	102.5	41.16	41.32	39.87	8,130

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

TABLE 2. 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 Mar. 1 1956
	Mar. 1 1956	Feb. 1 1956	Mar. 1 1955	Mar. 1 1956	Feb. 1 1956	Mar. 1 1956	Mar. 1 1956	Feb. 1 1956	Mar. 1 1955	
	no.	no.	no.	¢	¢	¢	\$	\$	\$	no.
Ontario — concluded										
Wood products.....	43.1	42.9	42.8	119.9	118.4	115.9	51.68	51.22	49.61	20,406
Saw and planing mills.....	43.2	43.2	42.3	115.3	115.2	110.3	49.81	49.77	46.66	6,282
Furniture.....	43.3	43.2	43.1	124.0	123.2	120.4	53.69	53.22	51.89	9,926
Paper products.....	41.7	41.3	41.6	169.0	168.7	162.2	70.47	69.67	67.48	26,051
Pulp and paper mills.....	41.7	41.4	41.7	187.0	187.1	177.8	77.98	77.46	74.14	15,804
Other paper products (e).....	41.6	41.2	41.4	141.0	140.3	136.4	58.56	57.80	56.47	10,247
Printing, publishing and allied industries.....	39.8	39.6	39.7	183.8	182.1	173.6	73.16	72.11	68.92	16,764
Iron and steel products.....	41.3	41.0	40.5	176.4	175.0	166.6	72.85	71.75	67.47	84,852
Agricultural implements.....	40.6	39.7	40.3	181.9	178.7	173.9	73.86	70.94	70.08	8,741
Iron castings.....	42.4	41.5	41.3	174.7	174.9	165.7	74.07	72.58	68.43	9,929
Machinery manufacturing (f).....	41.6	41.5	40.5	167.9	167.0	160.7	69.85	69.31	65.08	14,452
Primary iron and steel.....	41.1	40.9	39.9	197.4	195.4	182.3	81.13	78.92	72.74	21,821
Sheet metal products.....	40.7	40.8	40.5	159.2	158.6	151.3	64.79	64.71	61.28	7,305
Transportation equipment.....	39.9	39.7	41.2	178.5	176.9	174.1	71.22	69.44	71.73	70,297
Aircraft and parts.....	39.8	40.3	40.3	185.9	186.7	182.5	73.99	74.84	73.55	13,535
Motor vehicles.....	40.2	39.0	42.1	184.5	181.3	178.7	74.17	70.71	75.23	30,187
Motor vehicle parts and accessories.....	37.8	39.9	41.1	172.7	166.1	168.6	65.28	66.27	69.29	15,995
Railroad and rolling stock equipment.....	41.9	39.3	39.9	167.6	163.5	160.9	70.22	64.26	64.20	6,600
Non-ferrous metal products.....	40.3	40.2	40.1	170.4	169.9	164.1	68.67	68.30	65.80	21,610
Brass and copper products.....	41.3	41.2	41.4	162.6	162.1	158.9	67.15	66.79	65.78	4,289
Smelting and refining.....	39.7	39.9	39.7	191.4	191.1	180.3	75.99	76.25	71.58	9,540
Electrical apparatus and supplies.....	40.2	40.6	39.9	157.4	155.4	152.4	63.27	63.09	60.81	36,701
Non-metallic mineral products (g).....	42.4	42.8	42.6	157.1	156.7	151.6	66.61	66.64	64.58	13,403
Chemical products.....	40.9	40.1	41.0	162.8	162.0	157.8	66.59	64.96	64.70	15,270
Buildings and structures (h).....	40.7	40.2	40.3	180.8	179.2	174.3	73.59	72.04	70.24	37,769
Highways, bridges and street construction.....	41.7	40.5	42.8	134.1	134.1	128.8	55.92	54.31	55.13	11,418
Electric and motor transportation (i).....	45.0	44.2	44.9	153.9	153.3	149.5	69.26	67.76	67.15	12,799
Service (j).....	40.2	40.0	40.1	86.1	85.7	83.1	34.61	34.28	33.32	15,636
Hotels and restaurants.....	40.8	40.4	40.6	84.4	83.9	81.5	34.44	33.90	33.09	9,936
Manitoba										
Manufacturing.....	40.6	40.7	40.2	139.0	139.1	136.1	56.43	56.61	54.71	28,453
Food and beverages.....	39.7	39.7	39.3	147.8	148.9	144.6	58.68	59.11	56.83	4,561
Meat products.....	38.2	38.7	38.4	167.9	168.1	165.6	64.14	65.06	63.59	2,118
Clothing (textile and fur).....	41.3	40.3	39.7	94.0	92.3	93.2	38.82	37.20	37.00	4,507
Iron and steel products.....	42.0	41.9	42.6	152.4	151.2	147.1	64.01	63.35	62.66	3,686
Transportation equipment.....	39.5	39.7	39.6	154.1	155.5	153.8	60.87	61.73	60.90	7,541
Buildings and structures (h).....	37.1	35.2	37.7	154.2	154.1	153.9	57.21	54.24	58.02	3,833
Highways, bridges and street construction.....	38.0	32.4	33.0	126.8	124.9	121.5	41.84	40.47	40.10	1,632
Service (j).....	39.0	38.1	38.1	90.0	89.8	88.0	35.10	34.21	33.53	3,716
Saskatchewan										
Manufacturing.....	39.7	39.8	40.2	155.8	151.9	148.1	61.85	60.46	59.54	4,200
Meat products.....	38.0	39.1	38.0	166.4	162.3	161.5	63.23	63.46	61.37	607
Buildings and structures (h).....	34.9	34.6	36.4	153.5	157.7	157.6	53.57	54.56	57.37	1,803
Highways, bridges and street construction.....	42.6	40.3	38.4	132.3	132.4	129.4	56.23	53.36	49.69	1,138
Service (j).....	40.6	40.3	40.5	91.4	89.4	88.1	37.11	36.03	35.68	1,688
Alberta*										
Coal mining.....	37.4	38.9	29.8	184.0	185.2	179.0	68.82	72.04	53.34	2,893
Oil and natural gas production.....	48.0	47.1	46.9	187.3	183.6	177.9	89.90	86.48	83.44	4,787
Manufacturing.....	39.8	40.1	40.0	164.3	153.5	150.0	61.41	61.55	60.00	19,074
Food and beverages.....	39.1	38.6	39.2	150.3	151.7	146.9	58.77	58.56	57.58	5,306
Meat products.....	38.7	39.0	38.2	163.6	165.0	161.7	63.27	64.35	61.77	2,757
Transportation equipment.....	39.6	40.8	40.4	155.7	153.6	153.2	61.50	62.67	61.89	3,711
Buildings and structures (h).....	40.0	40.0	36.1	185.7	181.1	170.0	74.28	72.44	61.57	7,976
Electric and motor transportation (i).....	39.4	41.9	40.8	157.3	155.1	152.5	61.98	64.99	62.22	2,006
Service (j).....	40.5	40.0	39.7	94.3	93.6	92.0	38.19	37.44	36.52	4,223
British Columbia *										
Forestry (logging).....	33.2	29.5	35.1	216.1	212.7	211.8	71.75	62.75	74.34	7,254
Metal mining.....	41.9	42.1	41.4	192.5	191.2	184.6	80.66	80.50	76.42	5,019
Manufacturing.....	38.3	38.2	38.7	177.9	177.4	172.0	68.14	67.77	66.56	64,868
Food and beverages.....	38.0	36.9	37.0	159.1	155.2	152.4	50.46	57.27	56.59	5,641
Canned and cured fish.....	38.7	29.8	30.8	161.0	149.5	152.5	62.31	44.66	46.67	1,120
Canned and preserved fruits and vegetables.....	35.9	38.3	36.8	123.5	118.2	117.0	41.87	45.27	43.06	796
Wood products.....	37.5	37.1	38.4	172.3	172.0	167.3	64.61	63.81	64.24	27,554
Saw and planing mills.....	37.5	37.0	38.4	173.8	173.6	168.6	65.18	64.23	64.74	26,724
Pulp and paper mills.....	39.9	41.3	41.2	212.4	212.0	202.5	84.75	87.58	83.43	5,280
Iron and steel products.....	38.7	39.2	38.7	187.6	186.4	184.1	72.60	73.07	71.25	5,521
Steel shipbuilding and repairing.....	38.2	37.9	36.6	190.9	190.7	183.9	72.92	72.28	67.31	5,204
Non-ferrous metal products.....	40.7	40.3	42.5	186.7	186.8	182.0	75.99	75.28	77.35	5,088
Buildings and structures (h).....	37.6	37.5	36.7	223.1	219.5	199.2	83.89	82.31	73.11	12,658
Highways, bridges and street construction.....	38.2	38.3	37.8	162.3	160.9	169.1	62.00	61.62	60.14	6,190
Electric and motor transportation (i).....	41.8	40.2	40.7	169.0	169.0	164.6	70.84	67.94	66.99	2,953
Service (j).....	37.0	37.2	37.4	110.7	109.4	102.4	40.96	40.70	38.30	6,651

Footnotes (a) to (j) appear in explanatory notes at the end of this report. *See footnotes (1) and (2) to Table 6, page 14.

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 Mar. 1, 1966 no.
	Mar. 1 1966	Feb. 1 1966	Mar. 1 1955	Mar. 1 1966	Feb. 1 1966	Mar. 1 1955	Mar. 1 1966	Feb. 1 1966	Mar. 1 1955	
	no.	no.	no.	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	
Quebec City - Manufacturing	41.1	41.6	40.6	120.7	120.3	116.3	49.61	50.04	47.22	14,022
Leather products	37.3	38.0	37.7	87.8	87.7	87.4	52.76	53.53	52.95	1,966
Clothing (textile and fur)	40.0	41.1	37.0	79.5	77.8	76.2	51.80	51.98	28.19	1,960
Buildings and structures (h)	40.9	39.2	41.5	140.8	143.9	132.8	57.59	56.41	56.11	2,627
Montreal - Manufacturing	41.8	41.7	41.4	138.3	138.2	134.1	57.81	57.63	55.52	145,958
Food and beverages	43.0	42.6	42.0	129.1	128.2	123.2	56.51	54.61	51.74	14,800
Tobacco and tobacco products	39.5	39.7	40.2	154.2	155.1	156.7	61.19	61.57	62.29	4,144
Leather products	40.7	40.7	40.0	102.4	102.4	98.3	41.68	41.68	39.32	6,484
Textile products (except clothing)	42.5	42.3	42.5	110.3	109.4	108.7	46.88	46.28	46.20	6,128
Clothing (textile and fur)	38.6	38.3	38.4	106.2	106.5	104.9	40.99	40.41	40.28	27,887
Printing, publishing and allied industries	40.6	40.0	40.4	180.8	181.0	176.7	73.40	72.40	70.98	6,113
Iron and steel products	43.8	43.8	42.7	161.2	159.8	154.8	70.81	69.99	66.10	18,184
Transportation equipment	42.0	41.5	41.7	160.8	161.4	158.2	67.54	66.98	65.97	22,903
Electrical apparatus and supplies	42.3	43.2	41.3	156.8	156.1	149.4	56.48	57.44	61.70	12,224
Buildings and structures (h)	39.4	40.0	37.9	163.1	162.5	159.2	64.26	65.00	60.34	15,577
Electric and motor transportation (i)	45.0	45.0	46.5	146.3	145.2	136.9	65.84	65.34	63.80	6,829
Service (j)	42.2	42.3	42.5	79.6	78.8	77.4	33.59	33.33	32.90	7,292
Ottawa-Hull - Manufacturing	41.6	41.3	41.4	151.1	149.7	142.6	52.86	51.83	59.04	11,811
Pulp and paper mills	41.7	41.1	40.3	184.2	183.1	173.0	76.81	75.26	69.72	4,146
Buildings and structures (h)	38.7	38.5	38.9	158.4	155.7	153.2	51.30	50.94	50.59	2,163
St. Catherines - Manufacturing	39.6	40.9	40.6	179.8	177.3	171.5	71.20	72.52	69.63	22,325
Pulp and paper mills	41.1	41.4	40.9	185.1	185.4	175.6	76.08	76.76	71.78	2,728
Iron and steel products	42.2	41.2	40.5	190.4	188.5	177.2	80.35	77.66	71.41	6,726
Transportation equipment	34.7	39.2	41.4	185.7	180.7	178.7	54.44	70.83	73.98	6,599
Toronto - Manufacturing	40.6	40.5	40.4	155.2	155.0	151.7	63.01	62.78	61.29	128,778
Food and beverages	40.6	39.7	40.3	135.6	136.8	130.2	55.06	54.31	52.47	14,111
Rubber products	40.3	40.6	41.2	174.0	175.4	189.1	70.12	71.21	68.67	3,066
Clothing (textile and fur)	39.2	38.3	38.1	114.9	115.0	113.4	45.04	44.06	43.21	9,877
Paper products	41.6	41.3	41.2	142.7	141.3	139.0	58.36	58.56	57.27	6,290
Printing, publishing and allied industries	39.3	39.3	39.0	197.4	195.7	187.1	77.58	76.91	72.97	10,172
Iron and steel products	41.2	41.2	40.9	171.7	170.7	165.8	70.74	70.38	67.81	21,042
Transportation equipment	40.4	40.6	40.5	180.5	180.1	178.0	72.92	73.12	72.09	16,244
Non-ferrous metal products	41.5	41.3	40.7	154.8	155.2	150.8	64.24	63.27	61.38	5,524
Electrical apparatus and supplies	39.7	40.8	40.5	153.5	151.3	150.8	60.94	61.73	61.07	16,190
Chemical products	38.8	39.4	40.1	151.7	151.6	149.4	50.58	59.73	59.51	5,856
Buildings and structures (h)	39.2	39.3	38.5	189.8	188.9	186.0	74.60	75.88	71.88	12,406
Electric and motor transportation (i)	44.0	43.1	45.7	159.9	159.8	154.0	70.56	68.87	67.30	7,138
Service (j)	39.9	39.6	39.6	91.3	91.0	87.6	36.43	36.04	34.89	8,062
Hamilton - Manufacturing	40.6	40.8	40.1	168.7	168.7	161.4	68.49	68.49	64.72	42,079
Clothing (textile and fur)	37.5	37.3	36.3	109.9	109.7	109.0	41.21	40.92	39.57	2,445
Iron and steel products	41.1	41.2	40.4	189.5	188.7	180.3	77.80	77.74	72.84	19,833
Electrical apparatus and supplies	38.9	39.7	39.2	178.4	176.7	172.4	71.18	70.16	67.58	6,202
Buildings and structures (h)	40.4	37.9	41.3	165.7	160.4	154.0	54.94	60.79	63.60	2,079
Brantford - Manufacturing	40.9	39.9	40.7	152.2	148.6	144.1	62.25	59.29	58.65	8,661
Textile products (except clothing)	41.2	42.5	42.7	128.8	129.9	122.3	53.07	53.51	52.22	1,200
Iron and steel products	41.0	39.0	39.5	178.4	174.4	169.4	73.13	68.02	66.91	4,062
Kitchener-Waterloo - Manufacturing	41.8	41.8	41.6	138.4	135.9	135.6	57.85	56.81	56.41	12,655
Food and beverages	40.7	40.5	40.0	146.2	141.5	139.0	59.50	57.31	56.60	2,396
Rubber products	39.7	40.0	42.2	180.9	159.0	163.9	63.88	63.60	69.17	3,190
Wood products	43.8	44.2	43.6	128.0	126.9	123.8	56.06	56.66	53.98	1,870
London - Manufacturing	41.1	40.0	38.8	148.0	141.9	140.9	60.83	56.76	54.67	12,187
Food and beverages	40.6	40.8	39.4	132.5	151.1	132.4	53.80	53.49	52.17	2,492
Iron and steel products	40.9	40.3	40.4	162.4	159.9	157.2	66.42	64.44	63.51	2,179
Windsor - Manufacturing	40.3	40.3	41.4	178.7	177.3	174.4	72.02	71.46	72.20	27,708
Iron and steel products	40.9	40.3	40.9	179.5	178.0	174.6	73.42	71.73	71.41	4,503
Transportation equipment	40.2	40.2	41.7	182.4	181.0	178.6	73.32	72.76	74.48	15,421
Buildings and structures (h)	38.2	34.9	38.9	202.4	198.9	197.8	71.24	69.42	76.94	803
Winnipeg - Manufacturing	40.3	40.4	40.0	136.1	136.3	134.2	54.86	55.07	53.68	25,344
Food and beverages	38.8	39.6	39.4	145.8	150.0	145.6	59.22	59.40	57.37	4,323
Meat products	38.3	38.7	38.7	169.5	169.8	167.3	64.92	66.71	64.76	1,959
Clothing (textile and fur)	41.2	40.2	39.9	95.2	93.6	93.8	39.22	37.63	37.43	4,337
Transportation equipment	38.5	38.7	39.6	154.2	155.6	153.9	60.91	61.77	60.94	7,526
Buildings and structures (h)	37.1	37.5	37.2	156.4	155.1	153.8	57.65	68.16	57.21	3,336
Service (j)	39.0	38.2	38.1	90.8	90.6	88.3	35.41	34.61	33.64	3,483
Edmonton - Manufacturing	39.9	40.8	39.8	153.2	152.3	151.8	61.13	62.14	60.42	8,463
Food and beverages	38.8	39.0	39.2	153.8	154.4	150.1	59.60	60.22	58.84	2,543
Buildings and structures (h)	38.9	39.3	35.9	176.9	173.8	181.5	68.81	68.22	65.16	3,282
Vancouver - Manufacturing	38.1	37.9	37.8	173.5	173.1	167.8	66.10	66.60	63.43	25,695
Wood products	37.5	36.7	38.1	172.9	172.4	167.5	64.84	65.27	63.82	8,515
Iron and steel products	38.7	39.2	38.8	188.2	187.0	184.5	72.83	75.30	71.61	5,070
Transportation equipment	39.0	39.1	35.0	189.3	189.0	178.2	73.85	75.90	62.37	2,621
Buildings and structures (h)	34.6	35.2	36.2	209.6	209.0	208.5	72.52	73.57	75.40	5,246
Electric and motor transportation (i)	42.1	40.4	40.8	168.3	168.6	166.5	70.85	68.11	67.62	2,151
Service (j)	38.2	38.4	37.2	108.0	107.1	104.0	39.10	38.98	38.69	3,943

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	30.74	44.7	76.7	34.29	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	103.6	43.82	42.5	112.0	47.50	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
1954 - Average	40.6	140.8	57.16	40.9	151.6	62.00	40.3	129.4	52.15
1955 - Average	41.0	144.5	59.25	41.2	155.7	64.15	40.8	132.7	54.14
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	50.53
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	50.84
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	55.94	41.3	147.3	60.92	40.8	123.0	50.18
Oct. 1	41.5	136.6	56.69	41.9	148.5	62.32	41.1	123.7	50.84
Nov. 1	41.4	137.4	56.88	41.7	148.8	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	58.69	37.3	129.1	48.80
Feb. 1	40.7	140.4	57.14	40.8	151.4	61.77	40.6	127.9	51.93
Mar. 1	41.1	140.6	57.79	41.3	151.6	62.61	40.8	128.2	52.31
Apr. 1	40.9	141.0	57.67	41.0	151.7	62.20	40.7	129.0	52.50
May 1	40.6	141.8	57.57	40.9	152.3	62.29	40.3	129.9	52.35
June 1	39.8	142.2	56.60	40.0	152.1	60.84	39.6	131.4	52.03
July 1	40.5	141.6	57.35	40.9	151.6	62.00	40.1	130.8	52.45
Aug. 1	40.7	140.9	57.35	40.9	151.5	61.96	40.4	129.9	52.48
Sept. 1	40.9	139.5	57.06	41.0	150.9	61.87	40.8	128.4	52.39
Oct. 1	41.3	139.7	57.70	41.5	151.5	62.87	41.0	128.1	52.52
Nov. 1	41.3	140.5	58.03	41.6	151.6	63.07	41.0	129.6	53.14
Dec. 1	41.2	141.2	58.17	41.5	152.5	63.29	41.0	130.0	53.30
1955 - *Jan. 1	39.3	142.8	56.12	39.6	153.0	60.59	39.0	132.3	51.60
Feb. 1	41.0	142.7	59.51	41.1	153.8	63.21	40.8	131.2	53.53
Mar. 1	41.2	143.5	59.12	41.3	155.0	64.02	41.0	131.2	53.79
Apr. 1	41.1	144.3	59.31	41.3	155.8	64.35	40.9	131.8	53.91
May 1	41.2	145.4	59.90	41.5	156.7	65.06	41.0	132.9	54.49
June 1	41.0	145.5	59.66	41.3	156.2	64.51	40.7	133.8	54.45
July 1	40.9	145.0	59.31	41.0	155.7	63.84	40.7	133.5	54.58
Aug. 1	40.8	145.1	59.20	40.9	155.6	63.64	40.7	133.8	54.46
Sept. 1	41.2	143.8	59.25	41.2	155.9	64.23	41.2	131.6	54.22
Oct. 1	41.5	144.8	60.09	41.9	156.7	65.66	41.2	132.6	54.59
Nov. 1	41.7	145.4	60.63	41.8	157.0	65.63	41.5	133.5	55.40
Dec. 1	41.6	146.1	60.78	41.7	157.4	65.64	41.4	134.2	55.56
1956 - *Jan. 1	39.0	147.5	57.53	39.1	157.6	61.62	39.0	136.5	53.24
Feb. 1	41.2	147.3	60.69	41.3	159.0	65.67	41.1	134.9	55.44
Mar. 1	41.3	148.5	61.33	41.3	160.5	66.29	41.3	135.2	55.84
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*The averages at these dates were affected by loss of working time at the year-end holidays.

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	85.0	37.23	40.2	93.8	37.71	45.8	85.0	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	42.5	117.2	49.93	37.4	128.3	47.98	45.3	116.9	52.50	..	..	..
1950 - Average	43.0	121.4	52.20	38.1	130.1	49.57	45.1	121.1	54.52	..	..	..
1951 - Average	43.1	133.4	57.50	39.6	136.7	54.00	44.1	134.8	59.45	45.9	116.3	55.38
1952 - Average	42.7	147.1	62.81	38.2	148.5	56.77	44.4	148.2	65.80	42.9	134.0	57.49
1953 - Average	42.7	153.9	65.87	37.9	150.4	57.00	44.4	156.5	69.49	42.8	142.8	61.12
1954 - Average	42.6	157.3	67.01	38.3	148.4	56.84	44.1	161.4	71.18	42.7	146.6	62.80
1955 - Average	43.2	161.1	69.60	39.5	148.1	58.50	44.1	165.4	72.94	43.2	152.4	66.84
1953 -*Jan. 1	40.6	153.4	62.28	37.3	152.3	56.81	42.2	154.6	65.24	39.0	143.5	55.97
Feb. 1	43.0	153.3	65.92	39.0	153.3	59.79	44.6	153.7	68.55	42.4	144.7	61.35
Mar. 1	42.1	152.9	64.37	35.7	149.2	53.26	44.5	154.3	68.56	42.5	146.2	62.14
Apr. 1	41.9	152.6	63.79	33.7	147.3	49.44	44.8	154.2	69.06	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	56.69	45.3	155.9	70.52	43.1	141.6	61.05
July 1	42.9	153.0	65.84	37.8	149.9	56.36	44.8	155.6	69.40	43.6	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	69.56	43.6	141.4	61.65
Oct. 1	43.2	154.8	66.87	39.1	150.3	58.77	44.8	159.1	70.96	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	69.06	41.6	153.8	63.98	45.1	161.2	72.70	43.5	143.5	62.34
1954 -*Jan. 1	40.5	158.3	64.11	36.9	151.7	56.98	42.1	162.3	68.33	38.8	146.7	56.92
Feb. 1	42.8	158.3	67.44	37.7	152.6	57.53	44.8	160.9	71.76	41.6	148.8	61.90
Mar. 1	42.4	157.5	66.78	38.3	149.4	57.22	43.8	160.9	70.15	42.7	148.0	63.20
Apr. 1	41.6	157.3	65.44	34.4	147.1	50.80	44.0	160.7	70.71	42.0	148.2	62.24
May 1	42.1	158.0	66.52	37.8	147.5	55.76	43.7	162.2	70.88	41.9	146.9	61.65
June 1	42.7	157.0	67.04	38.1	146.5	55.82	44.4	161.7	71.79	42.7	145.1	61.96
July 1	42.8	156.1	66.31	39.4	146.3	57.64	44.1	160.8	70.91	42.9	144.8	62.12
Aug. 1	42.8	156.8	66.88	38.7	146.5	56.70	44.0	160.0	70.40	43.7	144.8	63.28
Sept. 1	42.6	155.9	66.37	38.0	146.1	55.52	44.1	160.4	70.74	44.0	144.6	63.62
Oct. 1	43.3	157.0	67.98	40.4	148.7	60.07	44.4	161.3	71.62	44.0	146.0	64.24
Nov. 1	43.8	158.4	69.38	40.1	148.4	59.51	45.0	162.8	73.26	44.5	147.9	65.82
Dec. 1	43.8	158.6	69.47	40.3	149.7	60.33	44.9	162.7	73.05	44.1	147.9	65.22
1955 -*Jan. 1	41.3	160.6	66.33	38.8	149.3	57.93	42.1	164.4	69.21	40.9	152.8	62.60
Feb. 1	43.5	160.3	69.73	39.2	147.9	57.98	44.8	163.8	73.29	42.5	153.6	65.28
Mar. 1	43.3	160.6	69.54	39.4	146.3	57.64	44.8	164.3	73.28	42.0	154.6	64.93
Apr. 1	42.3	160.4	67.85	37.8	147.4	55.72	43.4	163.6	71.00	42.3	154.1	65.18
May 1	42.3	160.3	67.81	37.7	146.7	55.31	43.7	165.3	72.24	43.4	151.3	65.66
June 1	42.7	160.0	68.32	39.6	147.6	58.45	43.7	164.5	71.89	43.4	151.1	65.58
July 1	43.4	159.9	69.40	39.5	147.0	58.21	44.4	164.6	73.08	43.5	149.7	64.82
Aug. 1	43.5	160.5	69.82	38.3	147.6	56.53	44.4	164.5	73.04	44.5	151.5	67.42
Sept. 1	43.2	160.5	69.34	39.2	147.5	57.82	44.1	164.9	72.72	43.5	150.4	65.42
Oct. 1	43.6	161.9	70.59	40.3	148.5	59.85	44.4	166.6	73.97	44.5	152.0	67.64
Nov. 1	44.5	163.4	72.71	42.1	150.4	63.32	45.0	168.2	75.69	44.5	162.9	68.04
Dec. 1	44.2	165.2	73.02	42.2	150.9	65.68	44.8	170.4	76.34	43.9	154.7	67.91
1956 -*Jan. 1	42.0	166.1	69.34	40.7	151.5	61.66	42.2	169.4	71.49	41.9	166.7	66.66
Feb. 1	43.8	166.2	72.80	41.8	151.3	63.24	44.0	170.5	75.02	44.1	167.0	69.24
Mar. 1	44.1	166.4	73.38	41.9	150.0	62.85	44.6	170.8	76.01	43.3	167.7	68.28
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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		
	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	79.5	29.74
1949 - Average	..	..	..	40.1	107.9	43.27	38.8	85.6	33.21
1950 - Average	..	..	..	38.6	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	106.0	44.00
1953 - Average	45.0	135.1	60.80	40.7	156.8	63.82	41.4	112.8	46.70
1954 - Average	45.1	140.2	63.23	39.8	160.6	63.92	41.1	120.5	49.53
1955 - Average	44.9	144.4	64.84	39.5	162.5	64.19	40.9	126.1	51.57
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	60.66	40.2	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	48.80
Dec. 1	45.0	136.2	61.29	40.8	161.3	65.81	40.8	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	41.3	120.1	49.80
Mar. 1	45.7	139.8	63.89	40.1	166.0	66.57	43.6	118.1	51.49
Apr. 1	45.4	139.0	63.11	39.9	164.0	65.44	41.6	121.8	50.67
May 1	45.2	139.3	62.96	39.6	163.3	64.67	39.3	119.8	47.08
June 1	44.9	139.0	62.41	38.1	161.5	61.53	39.9	120.1	47.92
July 1	45.0	140.7	63.32	40.8	159.3	64.99	41.4	121.8	50.43
Aug. 1	44.5	142.3	63.32	42.0	156.9	65.90	42.1	121.4	51.11
Sept. 1	44.7	141.2	63.12	41.5	155.5	64.53	42.4	121.2	51.39
Oct. 1	45.4	141.7	64.33	41.6	156.1	64.94	42.1	121.2	51.03
Nov. 1	45.0	141.3	63.59	41.6	157.1	65.35	41.7	122.4	51.04
Dec. 1	44.8	141.1	63.21	40.5	159.5	64.60	40.7	122.3	49.78
1955 -*Jan. 1	44.9	142.4	63.94	34.3	162.0	55.57	36.9	123.3	45.50
Feb. 1	45.0	141.5	63.68	39.3	163.4	64.22	40.6	128.3	52.09
Mar. 1	45.0	142.2	63.99	39.6	163.5	64.75	40.7	129.8	52.83
Apr. 1	45.0	142.7	64.22	38.8	162.5	63.05	40.9	130.1	53.21
May 1	44.7	144.1	64.41	39.0	161.6	63.02	38.3	127.3	48.76
June 1	44.8	144.2	64.60	39.1	159.4	62.33	40.3	124.4	50.13
July 1	45.1	145.3	65.53	39.8	159.5	63.48	42.2	124.4	52.50
Aug. 1	44.9	145.2	65.19	41.0	160.9	66.97	42.5	124.0	52.70
Sept. 1	44.7	146.2	65.35	41.2	162.8	67.07	43.1	124.5	53.66
Oct. 1	45.1	146.7	66.16	40.9	162.9	66.63	42.5	125.3	53.25
Nov. 1	44.7	145.9	65.22	40.9	164.8	67.40	42.6	125.6	53.51
Dec. 1	44.7	146.9	65.66	40.1	167.2	67.05	40.1	126.7	50.81
1956 -*Jan. 1	44.2	149.0	65.86	33.8	170.1	57.49	38.7	129.1	49.96
Feb. 1	44.2	148.4	65.59	40.3	172.3	69.44	40.0	132.8	53.04
Mar. 1	44.6	149.1	66.50	40.8	174.3	71.11	41.0	132.9	54.49
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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	46.9	19.32
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	59.3	24.19
1949 - Average	42.2	63.6	26.84	43.0	62.6	26.92	40.9	62.8	25.89
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	31.55	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
1954 - Average	40.9	83.0	33.95	41.5	82.7	34.32	40.7	79.3	32.28
1955 - Average	40.4	85.6	34.58	40.8	85.2	34.76	40.5	81.8	33.13
1953 --*Jan. 1	41.4	76.3	31.59	42.7	75.9	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	76.0	31.35
June 1	42.3	78.6	33.25	42.6	78.4	33.40	42.5	75.2	31.96
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	32.34	42.8	76.1	32.57	41.3	74.8	30.89
Sept. 1	41.8	77.3	32.31	42.4	76.7	32.52	41.2	74.7	30.75
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	41.6	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	40.8	82.1	33.50	41.5	82.6	34.28	40.2	77.0	30.95
Mar. 1	41.0	83.2	34.11	41.6	83.6	34.74	40.9	78.1	31.94
Apr. 1	41.0	82.4	33.78	41.4	82.3	34.07	41.3	78.5	32.42
May 1	41.2	83.4	34.36	41.4	83.2	34.44	41.7	79.7	33.23
June 1	40.6	83.1	33.74	41.0	82.3	33.74	40.5	80.1	32.44
July 1	41.2	81.9	33.74	41.8	80.5	33.65	41.0	80.6	33.05
Aug. 1	41.2	81.2	33.45	42.2	79.9	33.72	40.0	79.1	31.64
Sept. 1	40.9	81.7	33.42	41.6	80.4	33.45	40.2	80.0	32.15
Oct. 1	40.8	84.7	34.56	41.1	84.8	34.86	40.8	80.2	32.72
Nov. 1	40.7	84.9	34.55	41.0	85.1	34.99	40.9	80.5	32.92
Dec. 1	41.0	84.3	34.77	41.4	84.9	35.15	41.0	80.4	32.96
1955 --*Jan. 1	39.9	85.0	33.92	40.8	85.0	34.68	38.8	80.2	31.12
Feb. 1	40.2	85.2	34.25	40.6	84.9	34.47	40.1	81.4	32.84
Mar. 1	40.3	85.0	34.26	40.7	85.0	34.60	40.3	80.6	32.48
Apr. 1	40.5	84.9	34.38	40.8	84.6	34.52	40.7	81.4	33.13
May 1	40.6	85.9	34.88	40.6	85.7	34.79	41.6	82.0	34.11
June 1	40.4	86.0	34.74	40.8	85.8	35.01	40.6	82.2	33.37
July 1	40.6	85.0	34.51	41.1	84.0	34.52	40.4	82.5	33.33
Aug. 1	40.3	84.7	34.13	40.6	83.9	34.06	40.2	81.6	32.80
Sept. 1	40.6	84.2	34.19	41.1	83.1	34.15	40.2	81.8	32.88
Oct. 1	40.5	86.1	34.87	40.3	85.8	35.01	40.7	82.5	33.58
Nov. 1	40.4	87.3	35.27	40.5	87.5	35.44	41.2	82.8	34.11
Dec. 1	40.8	87.5	35.62	41.1	87.6	36.00	40.9	82.3	33.66
1956 --*Jan. 1	39.8	88.1	35.06	40.3	88.3	35.58	39.6	82.9	32.83
Feb. 1	40.2	87.8	35.30	40.4	87.9	35.61	40.6	83.0	33.70
Mar. 1	40.5	88.5	35.84	40.9	88.8	36.32	40.3	83.5	33.57
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Table 6.- Average Hours and Earnings of Hourly-Rated Wage-Earners, Manufacturing, Province.

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.	\$	\$
1945 - Average	..	..	..	46.0	71.0	32.66	45.6	62.5	28.50
1946 - Average	..	..	..	43.4	68.7	29.82	45.3	64.3	29.13
1947 - Average	..	..	..	43.8	75.1	32.89	45.1	73.1	32.97
1948 - Average	..	..	..	43.8	82.8	36.27	44.8	82.2	36.83
1949 - Average	..	..	..	43.4	89.0	38.63	44.5	88.2	39.25
1950 - Average	44.4	101.1	44.89	43.1	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	103.2	45.45
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
1954 - Average	42.3	137.4	58.12	40.8	123.2	50.27	41.6	124.7	51.88
1955 - Average	41.6	136.8	56.77	40.9	126.4	51.70	41.9	128.3	53.76
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	41.5	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	126.9	48.47
Feb. 1	44.0	140.5	51.82	40.0	125.9	50.76	41.3	126.5	52.24
Mar. 1	43.6	136.1	59.34	40.9	125.6	51.37	42.5	125.0	53.13
Apr. 1	41.2	141.0	58.09	40.5	125.8	50.95	41.5	125.8	52.21
May 1	41.9	134.6	56.40	41.6	125.4	52.17	41.1	126.9	52.16
June 1	40.9	138.4	56.61	40.3	123.2	49.85	40.8	126.2	51.08
July 1	42.8	131.5	56.28	41.0	123.3	50.55	42.9	122.4	52.51
Aug. 1	42.1	133.3	56.12	41.4	120.5	49.89	42.6	122.3	52.10
Sept. 1	42.4	134.2	56.90	41.0	119.5	49.00	42.0	122.1	51.28
Oct. 1	42.3	134.1	56.72	41.5	120.6	50.06	42.2	122.5	51.70
Nov. 1	41.8	139.2	58.19	40.8	121.1	49.41	42.3	125.1	52.92
Dec. 1	44.8	140.9	63.12	42.0	120.9	50.78	41.6	126.4	52.58
1955 --*Jan. 1	39.3	142.9	56.16	38.0	125.2	47.58	40.1	128.4	51.49
Feb. 1	40.1	139.0	55.74	40.7	123.4	50.22	42.4	126.2	53.51
Mar. 1	42.5	134.8	57.02	41.4	125.2	51.83	42.5	126.7	53.85
Apr. 1	42.9	136.4	58.52	41.5	126.4	52.45	41.9	126.7	53.09
May 1	44.3	138.0	61.13	41.8	126.4	52.84	41.8	129.3	54.06
June 1	41.0	135.6	55.60	40.9	128.0	52.35	41.7	127.9	53.33
July 1	43.6	132.9	57.94	41.5	126.6	52.54	42.4	127.1	53.89
Aug. 1	42.7	133.1	56.83	42.1	124.7	52.50	42.1	127.9	53.85
Sept. 1	41.4	130.6	54.07	40.9	126.3	51.86	41.8	129.1	53.96
Oct. 1	40.3	134.7	54.28	40.7	127.6	51.93	42.2	129.3	54.56
Nov. 1	40.4	138.6	55.99	41.0	127.9	52.44	42.3	129.9	54.95
Dec. 1	39.4	144.7	57.01	40.8	129.1	52.57	41.9	130.6	54.72
1956 --*Jan. 1	38.1	150.0	57.15	37.9	133.0	50.41	40.9	135.1	55.26
Feb. 1	41.1	137.6	55.55	41.3	132.8	54.85	42.3	133.1	56.30
Mar. 1	43.2	134.9	58.28	41.3	131.9	54.47	42.3	133.0	56.28
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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	96.5	40.30
1950 - Average	44.0	92.9	40.88	41.9	109.4	45.84	41.8	99.4	41.65
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	49.67	40.9	137.0	56.03	40.8	122.9	50.14
1953 - Average	42.7	121.9	52.05	40.9	143.4	58.65	40.3	131.4	52.95
1954 - Average	41.7	127.4	53.13	40.3	148.0	59.64	40.2	136.1	54.31
1955 - Average	42.2	130.0	54.86	40.8	152.1	62.06	40.2	137.4	56.23
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	40.6	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	120.6	52.58	41.7	143.0	59.63	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	63.00
July 1	42.2	122.4	51.85	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	52.88
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	40.6	132.9	53.96
Nov. 1	42.8	124.1	53.11	41.0	144.5	69.25	40.1	132.9	53.29
Dec. 1	42.6	125.6	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	147.9	59.60	40.5	134.8	54.59
Mar. 1	42.5	126.7	53.86	40.5	148.2	60.02	40.7	134.6	54.78
Apr. 1	42.3	126.9	53.88	40.3	148.9	60.01	40.5	134.0	54.27
May 1	41.7	127.9	53.53	40.2	149.6	60.14	39.8	135.2	53.81
June 1	40.4	129.3	52.24	39.8	149.3	59.12	39.9	135.9	54.22
July 1	41.0	129.1	52.93	40.4	148.3	59.91	40.2	134.8	54.19
Aug. 1	41.7	127.7	53.25	40.3	148.5	59.85	40.3	135.4	54.57
Sept. 1	42.2	126.5	53.38	40.4	146.6	59.23	40.4	134.8	54.48
Oct. 1	42.3	127.1	53.76	41.0	146.1	59.90	40.5	135.1	54.72
Nov. 1	42.3	126.6	53.55	41.0	147.5	60.48	41.1	134.8	55.32
Dec. 1	42.3	127.4	53.89	40.8	148.1	60.42	40.4	135.9	54.90
1955 -- Jan. 1	39.9	128.8	51.39	39.5	149.6	59.09	38.6	136.1	52.53
Feb. 1	42.1	128.1	53.93	40.8	150.4	61.06	40.9	136.3	54.52
Mar. 1	42.4	128.4	54.44	40.8	151.5	61.81	40.2	136.1	54.71
Apr. 1	42.0	129.1	54.22	41.0	152.5	62.53	40.2	137.1	55.11
May 1	42.1	129.8	54.65	41.1	153.6	63.13	40.1	137.4	56.10
June 1	41.9	130.3	54.60	40.9	153.7	62.96	39.9	138.1	55.10
July 1	41.6	131.0	54.50	40.7	152.2	61.96	40.4	137.7	55.63
Aug. 1	42.1	130.3	54.86	40.2	152.9	61.47	40.3	138.3	55.73
Sept. 1	42.7	130.4	55.68	40.9	150.8	61.60	40.2	137.4	55.23
Oct. 1	42.9	130.8	56.11	41.5	151.7	62.96	40.4	138.4	56.91
Nov. 1	43.2	131.3	56.72	41.3	152.6	63.02	40.9	138.4	56.61
Dec. 1	43.0	131.6	56.59	41.3	153.8	63.44	40.9	138.0	56.44
1956 -- Jan. 1	40.2	132.3	53.18	38.7	154.8	69.91	38.4	140.8	54.07
Feb. 1	42.7	132.1	56.41	40.8	155.4	63.40	40.7	139.1	56.61
Mar. 1	42.8	132.3	56.62	40.9	157.3	64.34	40.6	139.9	56.43
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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 ^{2/}		
	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	29.38	42.1	72.2	30.40	40.5	84.3	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	136.5	55.56	40.2	139.7	56.16	38.0	164.0	62.32
1954 - Average	40.4	144.7	58.46	40.0	146.0	58.40	38.0	169.0	64.22
1955 - Average	40.4	150.4	60.76	40.1	150.8	60.47	38.3	173.1	66.30
1953 -*Jan. 1	39.9	134.1	53.51	38.4	137.7	52.88	34.9	164.0	57.24
Feb. 1	41.1	132.9	54.82	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	62.56
Apr. 1	41.3	135.0	55.76	40.4	137.5	56.55	38.1	163.9	62.45
May 1	40.8	134.3	54.79	40.5	139.5	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	135.8	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	161.3	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	62.81
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	56.22	36.0	168.7	60.73
Feb. 1	40.5	141.6	57.35	39.4	143.9	56.70	36.5	169.1	61.72
Mar. 1	40.9	143.2	58.57	40.2	145.6	58.53	38.1	169.8	64.62
Apr. 1	40.8	143.6	58.59	39.8	145.6	57.95	38.4	168.8	64.82
May 1	39.7	145.4	57.72	39.8	146.4	58.27	38.5	169.3	65.18
June 1	40.3	145.7	58.72	39.8	146.6	58.35	37.6	169.9	63.88
July 1	40.8	144.9	59.12	40.1	145.9	58.51	38.1	169.7	64.66
Aug. 1	40.5	145.1	58.77	39.9	144.5	57.86	38.2	167.8	64.10
Sept. 1	40.2	145.7	58.57	39.8	146.4	58.27	38.3	166.0	63.58
Oct. 1	39.8	146.5	58.01	40.3	146.8	59.16	38.5	167.7	64.56
Nov. 1	40.8	147.2	60.06	41.3	147.4	60.88	38.8	169.7	65.84
Dec. 1	40.6	145.8	59.11	41.1	148.6	61.07	38.7	171.1	66.22
1955 -*Jan. 1	39.2	148.3	58.13	39.0	148.9	58.07	36.8	171.7	63.19
Feb. 1	40.0	148.0	59.20	40.6	150.3	61.02	38.8	171.0	66.35
Mar. 1	40.2	148.1	59.54	40.0	150.0	60.00	38.7	172.0	66.56
Apr. 1	39.8	148.1	58.94	40.3	149.9	60.41	38.2	171.6	65.55
May 1	40.8	150.8	61.14	39.9	152.0	60.65	38.4	172.7	66.32
June 1	41.0	151.5	62.12	40.2	152.7	61.39	38.2	172.5	65.93
July 1	41.3	150.5	62.16	40.7	152.5	62.07	38.4	172.5	66.24
Aug. 1	41.5	151.5	62.87	39.8	150.3	59.82	38.5	173.6	66.84
Sept. 1	39.9	152.0	60.65	40.3	148.6	59.89	38.2	172.5	65.90
Oct. 1	39.5	153.0	60.44	39.0	150.7	58.77	38.3	174.7	66.91
Nov. 1	40.9	153.0	62.58	41.1	151.8	62.39	38.5	175.8	67.58
Dec. 1	40.7	150.3	61.17	40.2	152.0	61.10	38.2	176.7	67.50
1956 -*Jan. 1	39.8	151.5	60.30	38.4	153.4	58.91	36.8	178.4	65.65
Feb. 1	39.8	151.9	60.46	40.1	153.5	61.65	38.2	177.4	67.77
Mar. 1	39.7	155.8	61.86	39.8	154.3	61.41	38.3	177.9	68.14
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*See footnote on page 8. 1/Includes Northwest Territories. 2/Includes Yukon Territory.

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	72.6	30.31	43.6	73.4	32.00
1946 - Average	42.7	69.1	29.51	40.6	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	96.5	38.49	41.5	101.4	42.08
1949 - Average	42.2	94.5	35.88	40.7	102.1	41.55	41.9	111.5	46.72
1950 - Average	42.3	97.9	41.41	40.9	107.8	44.02	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	155.9	61.89
1954 - Average	40.6	133.2	54.08	40.2	149.2	59.98	39.4	159.3	62.76
1955 - Average	41.1	135.6	55.73	40.4	151.9	61.37	40.3	163.1	65.73
1953 - *Jan. 1	38.7	126.7	49.03	37.6	139.8	52.56	36.9	155.9	67.53
Feb. 1	42.3	126.4	53.47	41.0	141.8	58.14	40.1	156.1	62.60
Mar. 1	42.6	126.9	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	156.8	63.57
May 1	42.3	127.8	54.06	41.0	143.2	58.71	40.4	156.3	62.74
June 1	42.0	127.8	53.68	41.0	143.7	58.82	40.2	156.9	62.67
July 1	41.3	128.7	53.15	40.9	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	62.68
Dec. 1	41.8	131.5	54.97	41.0	145.3	59.57	39.9	158.1	63.08
1954 - *Jan. 1	37.9	132.6	50.22	38.6	146.1	56.39	37.2	159.0	59.18
Feb. 1	41.1	132.9	54.62	40.0	147.5	59.00	39.4	159.9	63.00
Mar. 1	41.7	132.9	55.42	40.5	148.4	60.10	39.1	159.5	62.36
Apr. 1	41.5	132.8	55.11	40.3	148.9	60.01	39.6	160.7	63.64
May 1	40.7	134.0	54.54	40.1	149.9	60.11	39.7	160.8	63.84
June 1	39.5	136.1	53.36	39.5	150.2	59.33	39.1	161.1	62.99
July 1	39.8	135.0	53.73	40.3	150.3	60.57	39.8	159.0	63.28
Aug. 1	40.3	133.9	53.96	40.3	150.9	60.81	39.6	158.5	62.61
Sept. 1	40.9	132.1	54.03	40.5	150.2	60.83	39.6	157.1	62.21
Oct. 1	41.0	132.8	54.45	40.8	149.7	61.23	40.0	159.0	63.60
Nov. 1	41.2	131.7	54.26	40.8	149.0	60.79	40.4	158.4	64.00
Dec. 1	41.2	132.6	54.63	40.7	149.7	60.93	39.7	158.6	62.96
1955 - *Jan. 1	38.3	133.8	51.25	38.9	150.7	58.62	39.0	159.5	62.21
Feb. 1	40.9	133.4	54.56	40.2	151.5	60.90	39.5	159.7	63.08
Mar. 1	41.4	134.1	55.62	40.4	151.7	61.29	40.1	161.4	64.72
Apr. 1	41.0	135.0	55.36	40.3	152.2	61.34	40.1	162.1	65.00
May 1	41.2	135.9	55.99	40.5	152.6	61.80	40.3	163.1	65.73
June 1	40.7	136.1	55.39	40.2	152.8	61.43	40.3	163.0	65.89
July 1	40.8	136.9	55.86	40.5	152.6	61.80	40.6	162.2	66.85
Aug. 1	40.9	136.0	55.62	40.1	151.9	60.91	40.1	162.8	65.28
Sept. 1	41.5	136.1	56.48	40.7	151.1	61.50	40.5	164.2	66.50
Oct. 1	41.8	136.4	57.02	41.0	151.5	62.12	40.8	165.7	67.61
Nov. 1	42.3	136.8	57.87	41.2	152.0	62.62	41.3	166.3	68.68
Dec. 1	42.2	137.1	57.86	41.1	152.5	62.68	40.9	166.8	68.22
1956 - *Jan. 1	38.6	137.8	53.19	38.6	163.4	59.21	39.3	168.2	66.10
Feb. 1	41.7	138.2	57.63	40.5	155.0	62.78	40.8	168.7	68.49
Mar. 1	41.8	138.3	57.81	40.6	155.2	63.01	40.6	168.7	68.49
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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	89.27	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	63.9	33.14
1947 - Average	40.0	106.7	42.68	41.6	78.8	32.78	38.5	96.3	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	130.1	52.17	37.7	161.6	60.92
1954 - Average	39.5	168.2	66.44	39.9	133.5	53.27	37.7	166.6	62.81
1955 - Average	40.4	175.6	70.94	39.9	135.2	53.94	38.0	169.9	64.56
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	180.3	60.11
Apr. 1	43.7	165.1	72.15	40.6	128.8	52.29	37.7	160.4	60.47
May 1	43.0	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	164.3	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	40.4	169.2	68.36	40.2	133.2	53.55	36.3	164.1	59.57
Mar. 1	40.1	168.6	67.61	40.5	133.1	53.91	37.6	166.1	62.45
Apr. 1	40.3	167.8	67.62	40.1	132.7	53.21	37.9	166.2	62.99
May 1	40.6	169.4	68.78	39.5	133.6	52.77	38.1	166.7	63.51
June 1	36.6	168.8	61.78	39.6	134.4	53.22	37.5	168.0	63.00
July 1	39.6	168.1	66.57	39.9	133.5	53.27	38.2	169.9	64.52
Aug. 1	39.3	168.0	66.02	39.9	133.9	53.43	38.0	167.3	63.57
Sept. 1	39.5	166.2	65.65	40.1	133.1	53.37	37.8	165.6	62.80
Oct. 1	39.8	166.1	66.11	40.2	133.2	53.55	38.3	167.4	64.11
Nov. 1	40.3	169.4	68.27	40.9	132.9	54.36	38.5	167.8	64.60
Dec. 1	40.4	169.6	68.52	40.2	134.3	53.99	38.3	168.0	64.34
1955 --*Jan. 1	40.6	168.2	68.29	38.5	134.1	51.63	36.7	167.3	61.40
Feb. 1	40.6	170.8	69.34	39.6	134.3	53.18	38.2	168.9	63.76
Mar. 1	41.4	174.4	72.20	40.0	134.2	53.68	37.8	167.8	63.43
Apr. 1	42.3	177.4	75.04	40.0	135.2	54.08	38.0	168.1	63.88
May 1	44.5	181.7	80.88	39.9	135.6	54.10	38.3	169.4	64.88
June 1	42.5	178.0	75.65	39.5	136.1	53.76	38.0	170.0	64.60
July 1	35.9	173.8	62.39	40.1	135.6	54.38	38.2	170.5	65.13
Aug. 1	35.9	178.0	63.90	40.0	136.0	54.40	38.2	170.5	65.13
Sept. 1	41.1	175.5	72.13	39.9	135.3	53.98	37.7	170.9	64.43
Oct. 1	41.0	177.4	72.73	40.1	135.3	54.26	38.3	171.4	65.65
Nov. 1	38.2	176.2	67.31	40.5	135.8	55.00	38.4	172.8	66.56
Dec. 1	40.5	176.3	71.40	40.5	135.1	54.72	38.7	173.0	66.95
1956 --*Jan. 1	31.1	173.9	54.08	38.2	138.1	52.76	36.6	173.5	65.50
Feb. 1	40.5	177.3	71.45	40.4	136.3	55.07	37.9	173.1	65.60
Mar. 1	40.3	178.7	72.02	40.3	136.1	54.85	38.1	173.5	66.10
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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, Mar. 1, 1956 over			Change in Average Weekly Wages, Mar. 1, 1956 over		
	Mar. 1 1955	Mar. 1 1954	Mar. 1 1953	Mar. 1 1955	Mar. 1 1954	Mar. 1 1953
	p.c.	p.c.	p.c.	p.c.	p.c.	p.c.
(a) Canada						
Manufacturing	3.5	5.6	10.5	3.7	7.3	8.4
Mining	3.6	5.7	8.8	5.5	9.9	14.0
Buildings and structures (h)	6.6	5.0	11.8	9.8	6.8	10.7
Highways, bridges and street construction	2.4	12.5	17.5	3.1	5.8	12.1
Electric and motor transportation (i)	4.9	6.7	12.1	3.9	4.1	10.1
Service (j)	4.1	6.4	14.5	4.6	5.1	9.1
(b) Manufacturing, Provinces						
Newfoundland	0.1	-0.9	1.5	2.2	-1.8	7.0
Nova Scotia	5.4	5.0	10.0	5.1	6.0	10.0
New Brunswick	5.0	6.4	12.1	4.5	5.9	11.1
Quebec	3.0	4.4	10.2	4.0	5.1	8.1
Ontario	3.8	6.1	10.4	4.1	7.2	8.3
Manitoba	2.1	3.3	7.6	3.1	3.0	6.5
Saskatchewan	5.2	8.8	17.7	3.9	5.6	14.5
Alberta	2.9	6.0	12.0	2.4	4.9	10.0
British Columbia	3.4	4.9	8.7	2.4	5.4	8.7
(c) Manufacturing, Metropolitan Areas						
Montreal	3.1	4.1	9.0	4.1	4.3	6.9
Toronto	2.3	4.6	9.1	2.8	4.8	7.5
Hamilton	4.5	5.8	8.8	5.8	9.8	9.1
Windsor	2.5	6.0	9.0	-0.2	6.5	3.3
Winnipeg	1.4	2.3	6.4	2.2	1.7	5.1
Vancouver	3.4	4.5	8.2	4.2	5.8	10.0

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	1955	1956
Jan. 1	109.2	127.5	135.9	139.5	142.2	145.5
Feb. 1	111.9	128.4	136.0	142.1	141.8	144.4
Mar. 1	112.9	128.1	136.4	141.8	141.8	146.1
Apr. 1	112.8	128.8	136.3	142.9	142.0	
May 1	115.2	129.9	134.9	143.0	144.1	
June 1	120.4	133.9	135.1	144.3	143.5	
July 1	121.2	133.5	136.9	144.9	143.7	
Aug. 1	122.7	134.1	135.8	144.3	141.2	
Sept. 1	124.3	134.3	136.1	143.4	141.6	
Oct. 1	126.5	135.5	137.1	143.4	142.0	
Nov. 1	128.5	136.5	138.6	143.1	144.1	
Dec. 1	127.4	136.5	138.7	143.2	145.2	

Table 10.- Average Weekly Wages in Manufacturing and the Consumer Price Index, 1945 - 1956.

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	34.15	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	48.03	128.6	110.4	116.5
1953 - Average	56.09	48.56	134.5	116.4	115.5
1954 - Average	57.16	49.19	137.0	117.9	116.2
1955 - Average	59.25	50.90	142.1	122.0	116.4
1955 - Jan. 1	56.12	48.21	134.5	115.6	116.4
Feb. 1	58.51	50.31	140.3	120.6	116.3
Mar. 1	59.12	50.97	141.7	122.2	116.0
Apr. 1	59.31	51.09	142.2	122.5	116.1
May 1	59.90	51.46	143.6	123.4	116.4
June 1	59.66	51.48	143.0	123.4	115.9
July 1	59.31	51.13	142.2	122.6	116.0
Aug. 1	59.20	50.86	141.9	121.9	116.4
Sept. 1	59.25	50.73	142.1	121.6	116.8
Oct. 1	60.09	51.40	144.1	123.2	116.9
Nov. 1	60.63	51.86	145.4	124.3	116.9
Dec. 1	60.78	51.99	145.7	124.6	116.9
1956 - Jan. 1	57.53	49.26	137.9	118.1	116.8
Feb. 1	60.69	52.14	145.5	125.0	116.4
Mar. 1	61.33	52.69	147.0	126.3	116.4
Apr. 1					
May 1					
June 1					
July 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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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 74 p.c. of all employees on the staffs of the firms co-operating in the monthly surveys of employment and payrolls; in 1951, the wage-earners for whom information on man-hours was obtained formed over 81 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 78 p.c. and 72 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 over-time 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, and recreational services.

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