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Amount of Cheques charged against Bank Accounts at the Clearing House Centres. August 1927.

The dollar volume of business in Canada showed a moderate increase in August, the increase in bank debits over August 1926 being 6.5 p.c. while the increase over July last was about 4.p.c. when allowance is made for seasonal variation. The total in August, as reported to the Dominion Bureau of Statistics by the Canadian Bankers' Association was \$2,607,000,000, as compared with \$2,446,000,000 in August 1926 and \$2,687,000,000 in July last. Bank clearings in August were \$1,542,000,000 compared with \$1,404,000,000 in the same month of 1926, an increase of about 10 p.c.

Debits in First Hight Months

The total debits during the first eight menths of 1927 were \$\frac{1}{2}1,313,000,000 compared with \$\frac{1}{2}1,411,000,000 in the same period of 1926, an increase of \$\frac{1}{2}1,902,000,000 or nearly 10 p.c. The advance was chiefly in Quebec and Ontario, where gains of 17 p.c. and 12 p.c. respectively were shown, while an increase of 2 p.c. was attained in British Columbia. The decline in the Maritime provinces was 3 p.c. and a decrease of 2 p.c. was shown in the Prairie provinces.

Comparison with July after Seasonal Adjustment

Debits in Canada during August are normally not quite 7 p.c. less than in July, according to the calculation based on bank clearings over a period of twelve years. The actual decline in August was 3 p.c., while after seasonal adjustment an increase of 4 p.c. was indicated. Indexes of seasonal variation are also computed for the four large centres, each of which, with the exception of Montreal, showed increases in August after seasonal adjustment. The increase in Toronto was 13 p.c.; Vinnipog showed a gain of 20 p.c., while a gain of 11 p.c. was attained in Vancouver. The decline in Montreal was less than 2 p.c.

Comparison by Areas with August, 1926.

Maritime Provinces. - Increases were shown in Halifax and Moneton, the net result in the three provinces being an increase of 2.4 p.c.

Quobec. Declines were shown in Montreal and Sherbrooke, in contrast with an increase of 23 p.c. in Quebec City. The aggregate for the three centres of the province showed a decline of 1.5 p.c.

Ontario. - Nine contres in Ontario showed increases, the gains at Hamilton, Ottawa and Toronto being 5 p.c. and 9 p.c., respectively. The total debits in the province were \$1,035,000,000 involving an increase of 15 p.c.

Prairie Provinces. - Although Winnipeg showed a slight decline, the debits in the three provinces increased 5.6 p.c. in this comparison. The increase in Calgary was 11 p.c., while Edmonton and Regina showed gains of 19 p.c. and 35 p.c. respectively.

114-11-313120 British Columbia. - Each of the centres in British Columbia showed increases, the gain in Vancouver being 7 p.c., while the total debits in the province were \$169,500,000, an increase of 6.6 p.c.

Comparison with Other Factors

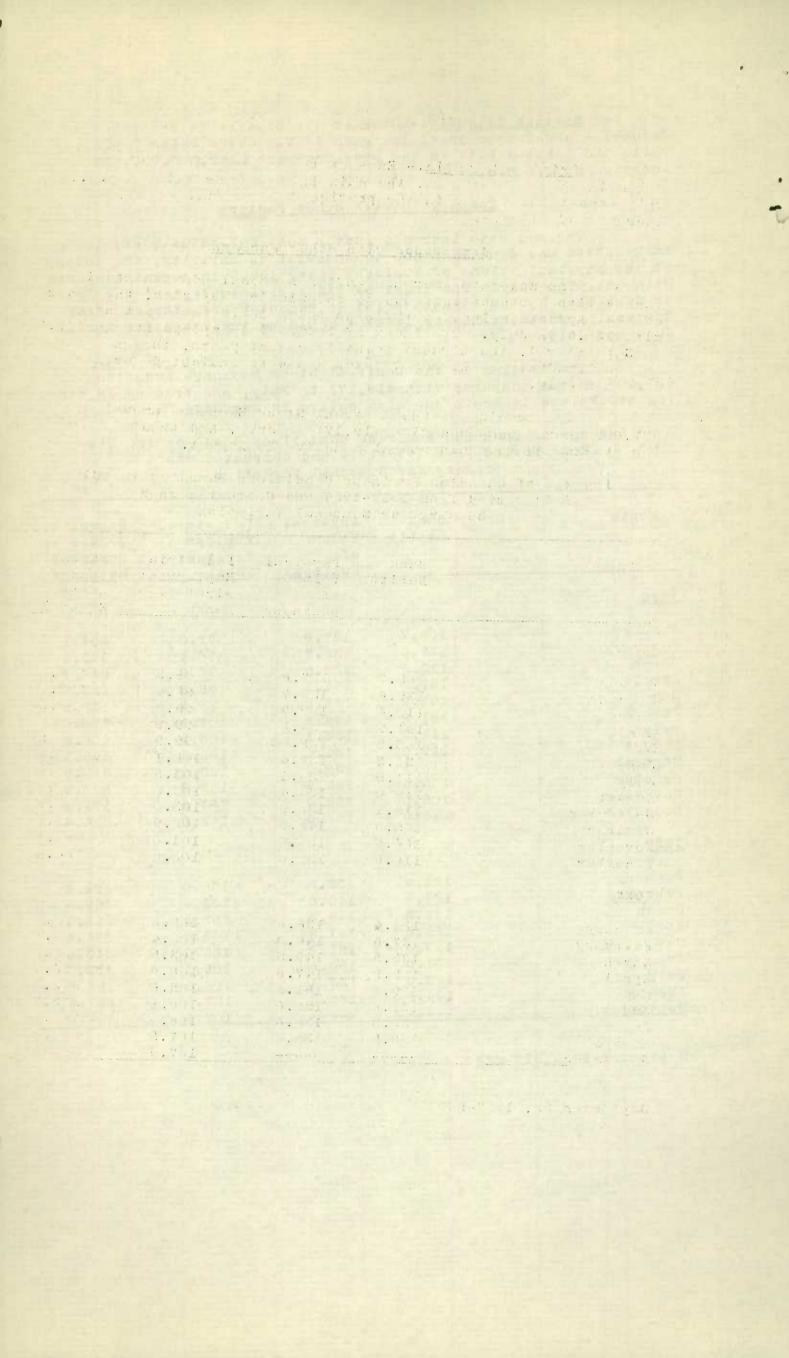
The moderate increase (after seasonal adjustment) in bank debits was doubtless due to speculative activity, the index of the physical volume of business being 138.0 in August compared with 138.6 in July. The index of industrial employment was 109.7 on September 1, the highest point in recent years, though after seasonal adjustment higher indexes would be indicated for April, June and July.

The trading on the Montreal Stock Exchange amounted to 627,009 shares compared with 419,177 in July, and trading in mining stocks and in grain was also active in August.

Indexes of Canadian Business Conditions Based on the Six Year Poriod from 1919-1924 and Corrected where necessary for Seasonal Variation

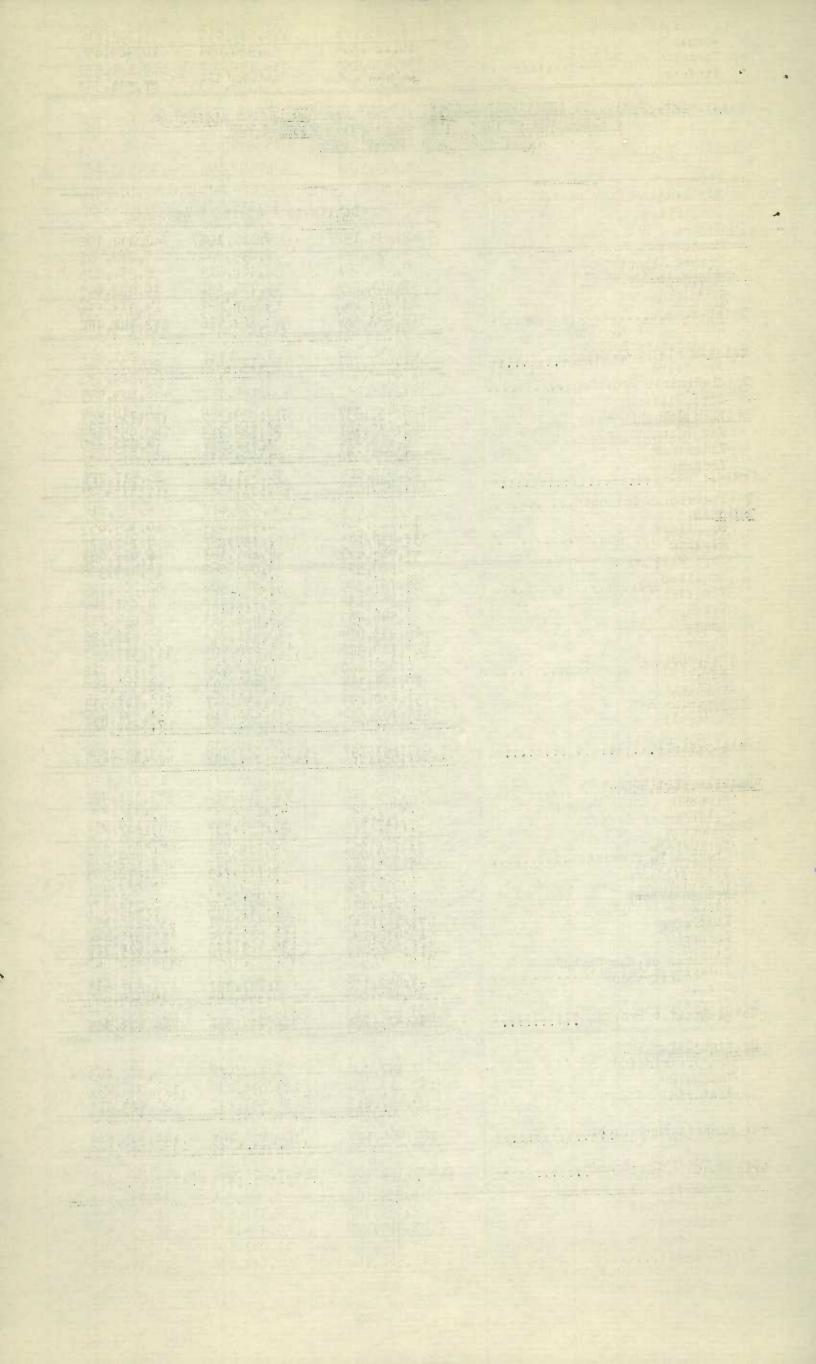
Month	Bank Debits	Physical Volume of Business	Industrial Employment First of Month	Shares Traded on Montreal Exchange
1926				
January February March April May June July August September October November December	105.7 129.6 112.6 121.9 103.9 121.2 111.5 119.0 113.1 105.0 106.0 110.0	127.8 135.7 129.9 134.3 135.0 138.4 134.1 134.4 132.9 142.9 138.6 132.0	99.3 98.4 98.2 99.9 99.9 102.1 103.5 102.5 103.4 102.9 101.0 102.0	204.1 323.0 229.3 127.7 132.5 113.0 106.8 385.1 310.9 290.5 191.1 256.4
1927				
January February March April May June July August	124.4 127.6 129.8 125.5 129.0 131.0 123.3 128.5	136.8 140.0 149.3 147.8 151.2 150.8 138.6 138.0	105.0 103.4 103.5 108.9 105.6 108.1 108.0 107.5	201.8 209.8 245.9 276.4 343.0 373.0 166.6 247.7
September		****	107.9	

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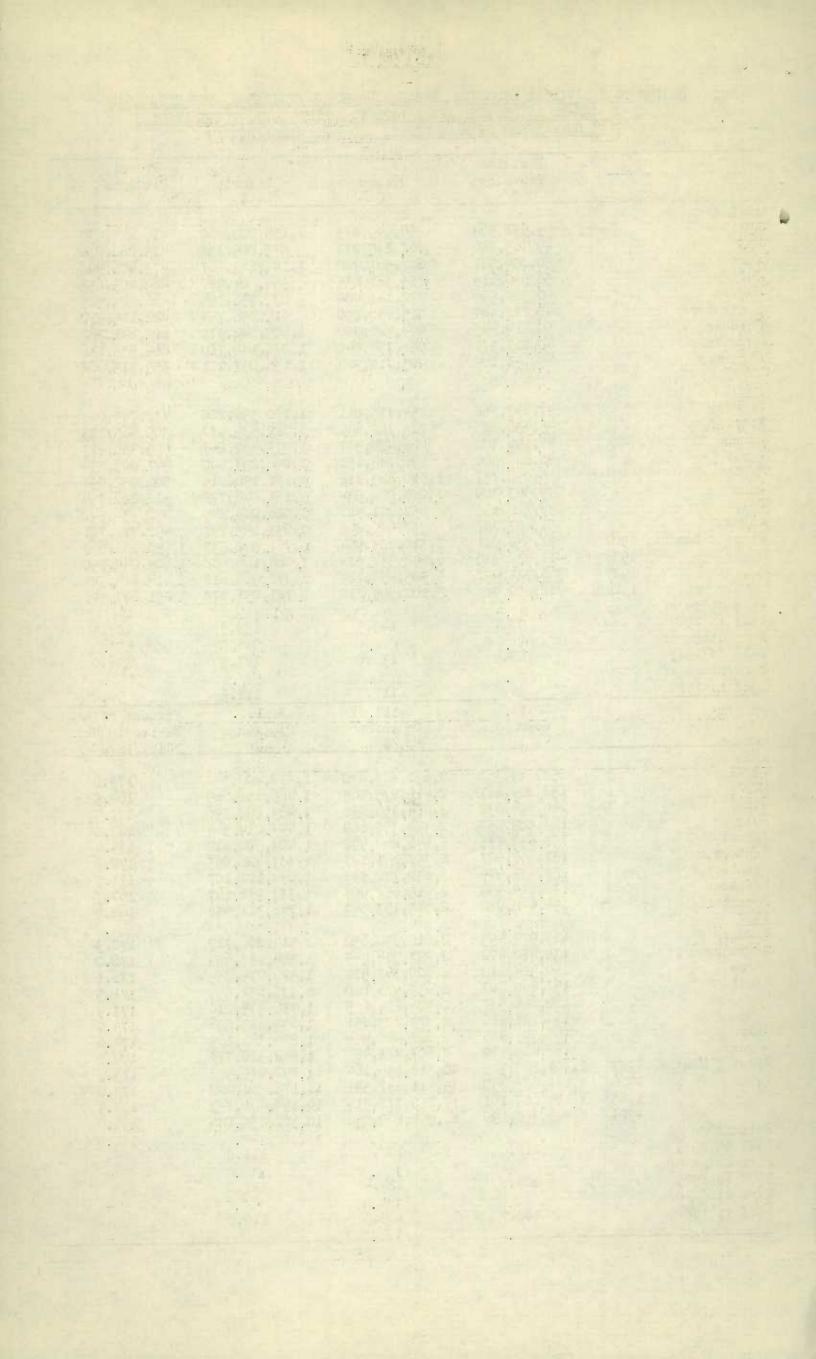
1. BANK DEBITS TO INDIVIDUAL ACCOUNTS AT THE CLEARING HOUSE CENTRES OF CANADA, AUGUST 1927, WITH COMPARATIVE FIGURES FOR JULY 1927, AND AUGUST, 1926.

	Debits to Individual Accounts		
	August, 1927	July, 1927	August, 1926
	\$	\$	\$
Maritime Provinces - Helifax	25,470,260	30,185,561	24,326,351
Moncton	7,197,520	7,734,659	6.333,039
Saint John	19,020,007	13,203,415	19,349,176
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Total-Maritime Provinces	51,637,737	56,128,635	50,503,566
Quebec -			
Montreal	756,457,037	378,829,366	510,744,553
Quobec	62,630,101	70,126,219	50,953,235
Sherbrooke	9,552,864	9,725,881	10,433,564
Total-Quebec	656,640,002	958,681,466	572,141,402
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Ontario -	BELL F. BUS		
Brantford	11,449,991	9,514,722	9,919,538
Chatham	7,664,943	5,166,147	6,659,593
Fort William	5,500,945	9,045,060	10,419,936
Hamilton	54,737,339	57,315,506	52,201,799
Xingston	6,268,132	6,771,517	4,831,840
Kitchener	9,546,050	9,662,933	8,014,282
London	25,933,074	30,421,253	26,617,726
Ottawa	123,720,922	126,270,603	117,377,048
Peterborough	6,025,230	6,992,613	5,733,812
Sarnia	10,124,384	3,996,694	10,329,655
Toronto	737,430,103	714,130,857	619,141,573
Windsor	33,702,534	38,500,829	27,321,552
Total-Ontario	1,035,153,797	1,026,083,849	e9e ,5 9e,704
Prairie Provinces -			
Brandon	4,469,392	4,226,034	4,331,192
Calgary	54,716,177	59,605,400	49,150,031
Edmonton	34,976,532	39,235,561	29,404,193
Lethbridge	5,139,002	4,412,896	5,859,605
Medicine Hat	2,953,393	3,111,719	2,292,905
Moose Jaw	9,094,342	8,855,884	8,023,761
Prince Albert	2,591,467	2,491,632	2,234,087
Regina	47,519,111	39,486,307	35,210,350
Saskatoon	15,672,100	13,007,179	13,073,434
Winnipeg	311,560,411	302,814,572	313,311,871
Branches of the Weyburn	721,700,121	702,02,171	J-J1J101-
Security Bank	3,632,756	3,687,357	3,207,063
Mary Sons			
Total-Prairie Provinces	492,374,721	450,934,541	466,103,585
British Columbia -			
New Westminster	7,157,862	6,942,971	6,282,263
Vancouver	132,619,504	123,099,234	124,036,659
Victoria	29,407,513	35,553,190	20,523,613
Matal Deitiel Columbia	360 1165 270	165 FOT 1157	150 200 375
Total-British Columbia	169,465,179	165,595,453	158,392,735
Grand Total for Canada	2,607,321,406	2,607,420,944	2,446,244,992
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2. DEBITS TO INDIVIDUAL ACCOUNTS AT CLEARING HOUSE CENTRES IN THE ECONOMIC AREAS OF CAMADA BY MONTHS, APRIL 1925 TO AUGUST 1927, TOGETHER WITH A COMPARISON OF BANK DEBITS AND BANK CLEARINGS.

		Maritimo Provinces \$	Quebec \$	Ontario \$	Prairic Provin c es \$
1926 April May June July August September October November December		49,952,564 49,763,406 50,054,567 58,570,615 50,503,566 45,718,444 50,119,445 46,117,971 49,751,102	350,949,479 762,235,074 807,567,722 783,367,635 872,141,402 815,750,190 934,740,930 952,754,140 903,711,926	1,155,035,030 975,205,752 1,183,223,667 954,801,928 898,598,704 910,956,754 1,009,842,978 1,073,140,710 1,135,237,121	416,644,930 475,262,076 477,406,988 464,405,653 466,103,535 427,115,212 628,641,368 664,535,136 559,513,662
1927 January February March April May June July August First 3 Months,	1927 1926 1925 1924	47,297,852 45,436,824 47,796,336 48,266,560 50,990,737 49,943,300 56,128,635 51,687,787 397,548,081 411,032,710 366,734,937 402,620,925	\$54,175,011 783,162,631 865,484,547 890,745,151 1,010,369,112 1,089,266,034 958,681,466 858,640,902 7,310,523,954 6,252,534,573 5,303,458,129 5,102,509,712	1,120,590,208 1,019,539,377 1,073,432,247 1,096,294,308 1,235,136,019 1,154,146,732 1,026,083,849 1,035,153,797 8,763,382,537 7,864,166,088 6,872,565,612 6,721,051,179	432,795,066 309,465,139 453,330,273 447,003,734 506,052,834 413,226,359 480,934,541 492,374,721 3,540,182,667 3,605,840,690 3,414,414,535 3,251,697,546
Percentage of 1927 to 1924 Percentage of 1927 to 1925 Percentage of		90.7 100.4	143.3 135.0	130.5 127.5	107.9
1927 to 1926		96.5 British Columbia	117.0 Total of Dominion	Bank Clearings	96.2 Percent of Bk. Debits to Bk. Clearings
1926 April May June July August September October November December 1927 January February March April May June July August First 5 Months,	1927 1926 1925 1924	155,849,357 152,809,281 160,904,032 163,209,335 153,892,735 157,660,527 157,437,979 172,110,950 194,940,032 163,972,493 135,472,472 160,324,113 157,560,327 130,636,957 165,121,426 165,595,453 169,465,179 1,301,298,925 1,277,633,330 1,193,605,101 1,116,350,490	2,631,437,440 2,415,275,539 2,634,156,996 2,424,355,669 2,446,244,992 2,357,131,127 2,330,732,750 2,915,658,907 2,343,153,343 2,613,330,630 2,293,076,943 2,600,367,571 2,639,971,030 2,936,235,659 2,379,703,351 2,637,423,944 2,607,321,436 21,436 21,436 21,312,936,164 19,411,257,391 17,150,778,314 16,594,229,552	1,472,405,345 1,465,171,669 1,469,252,796 1,444,014,544 1,403,506,915 1,353,625,097 1,645,177,107 1,737,742,667 1,746,311,436 1,514,206,719 1,304,673,659 1,476,275,555 1,535,651,555 1,716,975,010 1,654,615,026 1,544,361,169 1,542,320,379 12,292,079,372 11,175,565,605 10,154,461,743 10,507,132,256	79.0 164.9 152.9 163.0 174.4 170.5 171.9 167.7 162.9 172.9 176.0 176.1 171.5 173.9 174.0 174.0 169.0 173.5 173.8 163.9 153.0
Percentage of 1927 to 1924 Percentage of 1927 to 1925		112.0	125.6	117.0	
Percentage of 1927 to 1926		102.0	109.9	110.0	



3. BANK DEBITS IN MILLIONS OF DOLLARS IN ECONOMIC AREAS AND PRINCIPAL CLEARING CENTRES OF CANADA IN AUGUST, 1924 to 1927.

	1924	1925	of August 1926 of Dollars	1927	Per- centage of 1927 to 1925	Per- centage of 1927 to 1926
Maritime Provinces Quebec Montreal Ontario Toronto Prairie Provinces Winnipeg British Columbia Vancouver Canada	54.1 609.9 557.6 752.7 525.9 371.1 256.9 139.3 116.2	46.8 666.4 604.5 312.4 506.4 405.7 265.9 158.8 128.6 2,090.2	50.5 872.1 810.7 898.6 619.1 466.1 313.3 158.9 124.1 2,446.2	51.7 858.6 786.5 1,035.2 737.4 492.4 311.6 169.5 132.8 2,607.3	110.5 123.8 130.0 127.5 145.0 121.5 117.3 106.7 103.2 124.6	102.4 98.5 87.1 115.5 119.0 105.6 99.4 106.0 107.0 106.5

4. BANK DEPOSITS AND BANK DEBITS AND RATIO OF DEBITS TO DEPOSITS, JANUARY 1925 TO AUGUST 1927.

	Demand and		
	Notice Deposits		Percentage of
	in Canada as at	Bank Debits	Bank Debits to
	last day of pre-	201111111111111111111111111111111111111	Deposits in
	ceding month		Canada
	(000's omitted)	(000's omitted)	B
1925	(000 s onlected)	(OOO S OFITTO COOL)	/*
January	1 972 076	2,230,036	121.6
	1,832,936	1,915,042	109.2
February March	1,752,412		
	1,743,706	2,005,027	115.0
April	1,757,678	2,229,175	126.9
May	1,777,186	2,281,818	128.3
June	1,732,604	2,151,207	124.2
July	1,749,192	2,248,362	125.5
August	1,735,823	2,090,152	120.5
September	1,755,936	2,195,917	125.0
October	1,335,500	2,572,036	154.6
November	1,876,250	2,786,635	148.4
December	1,953,068	3,120,645	159.5
Average	1,793,774	2,343,636	130.6
1926			
January	1,916,325	2,368,210	123.5
February	1,340,297	3,132,220	116.0
March	1,542,302	2,309,312	125.2
April	1,597,262	2,631,481	135.9
May	1,877,713	2,415,276	123.6
June	1,540,297	2,684,157	145.7
July	1,850,723	2,424,356	128.9
August	1,363,987	2,446,245	131.0
September	1,875,592	2,357,181	127.0
October	1,894,311	2,830,783	149.5
November	1,923,494	2,915,659	151.5
December	1,970,178	2,843,154	144.4
Average	1,885,623	2,529,836	134.0
1927			
January	1,951,653	2,613,831	132.0
February	1,941,218	2,293,077	115.1
March	1,926,134	2,600,368	135.0
April	1,947,947	2,639,971	135.5
May	1,970,055	2,936,236	151.5
Juno	1,973,122	2,379,704	145.9
July	1,975,750	2,637,429	136.0
August	1,930,142	2,607,321	135.0

