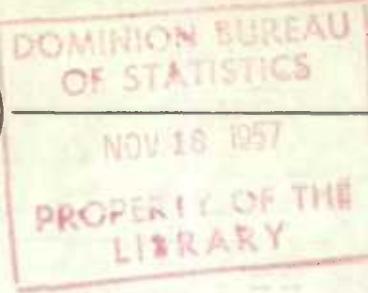


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UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF THE BANKRUPTCY AND WINDING UP ACTS

During the first quarter of 1957 the total number of business failures (revised basis) recorded under the provisions of the Bankruptcy and Winding Up Acts was 616, an increase of more than 25 per cent over the total of 491 insolvencies recorded for the first quarter of 1956. The estimated total of defaulted liabilities was \$20,109,000 for the first quarter, 6.6 per cent higher than the corresponding 1956 total of \$18,867,000. Average liability per failure thus fell off appreciably from \$38,400 in the first quarter of 1956 to \$32,600 in the same period of 1957. Of the increase of 125 failures in this comparison, 81 were businesses with liabilities of less than \$25,000.

Failures and Liabilities by Industries

As in the past, the greatest number of failures occurred in the trade sector during the first quarter of 1957. Bankruptcies of all trading establishments rose by nearly 25 per cent from 187 in the first months of 1956 to 233. Insolvencies of clothing establishments, furniture, appliances and radio stores and hardware and building materials businesses rose substantially while food store failures fell off. Insolvencies of construction establishments increased by more than 30 per cent, from 93 in the first quarter of 1956 to 123, with failures of both "general" and "special" contractors advancing.

Bankruptcies of manufacturers increased from 89 to 105, with failures of wood products establishments accounting for most of the advance. Insolvencies in the service sector showed no change in the three month comparison, while the number of defaulting transportation businesses rose from 23 to 31.

Estimated liabilities of failures in the manufacturing sector fell off by over 50 per cent, due largely to substantial declines in the durable industries group. Total liabilities of bankrupt "service" establishments also declined by more than 50 per cent. By contrast, value of liabilities in the trade, finance and construction industries showed marked gains in the first quarter comparison and accounted for most of the advance in the overall total of estimated liabilities.

Failures and Liabilities by Economic Areas

During the first quarter of 1957, the greatest number of failures occurred in Quebec, where 391 businesses were declared bankrupt, compared with 306 in the first quarter of the previous year. The estimated liabilities rose more moderately from \$8,774,000 to \$9,206,000, the average liability per failure therefore declining from \$28,700 to \$23,500. The number of failures in Ontario rose slightly from 145 to 154 in the three months comparison; total liabilities increased from \$6,847,000 to \$7,705,000, with average liability per failure rising from \$47,200 to \$50,000. Number of insolvencies in the Prairie Provinces advanced from 19 to 41; total liabilities for the area, however, dropped from \$2,766,000 to \$1,909,000 in this comparison. Number of failures in British Columbia for the first quarter of 1957 was 14, unchanged from last year; total liabilities, however, rose from \$277,000 to \$832,000.

Failures by Size of Liability

The data presented in Table 4 indicate that the greatest number of failures involves businesses with liabilities in the \$5,000 - \$25,000 range. In the period covered, more than half the total failures were in this category. In the province of Quebec, failures under \$5,000 constitute a larger share of the provincial total than is the case for Ontario, while proportionately more failures with greater liabilities occur in Ontario. This results in a consistently higher figure for average liability per failure in the latter province. While the average for Ontario is higher than the Canadian average, that for Quebec is lower. (Table 5)

Coverage

The statistics in this report are limited to bankruptcies made under federal legislation (the Bankruptcy Act and the Winding Up Act) but not failures, sales or seizures carried out apart from such federal legislation. Proposals from insolvent persons are not included with the bankruptcy data, but when proposals are rejected by the creditors or fail in their purpose, the proceedings may then come under the Bankruptcy Act. In Table 6 of this report, the number of proposals is shown so as to give a general impression of the trend.

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Table 1 - Commercial Failures by  
First Quarter, 1957

	FIRST QUARTER 1956				
	Atlantic Provinces	Quebec	Ontario	Prairie Provinces	British Columbia
	- Number -				
AGRICULTURE .....	-	7	3	1	-
FORESTRY, FISHING & TRAPPING .....	-	1	1	-	1
MINING .....	-	-	-	1	-
MANUFACTURES -					
Foods and Beverages .....	-	8	1	-	-
Textiles .....	-	1	1	-	-
Clothing .....	-	10	3	-	-
Wood Products .....	1	6	4	-	1
Paper Products & Printing Trades .....	-	6	-	-	-
Iron & Steel & Transportation Equipment .....	1	19	8	-	1
Electrical Apparatus & Non-ferrous Metals .....	-	8	3	-	-
Chemical Products .....	-	-	-	-	-
Other Industries .....	-	4	3	-	-
Total Manufactures .....	2	62	23	-	2
CONSTRUCTION -					
General Contractors .....	1	26	16	1	1
Special Trade Contractors .....	-	22	22	1	3
Total Construction .....	1	48	38	2	4
TRANSPORTATION ST. & C. .....	-	13	9	-	1
TRADE -					
Food .....	1	34	10	1	-
General Merchandise .....	2	4	5	2	-
Automotive Products .....	-	5	3	1	-
Filling Stations .....	-	2	2	-	1
Clothing .....	-	17	11	1	-
Shoes .....	-	1	-	-	-
Hardware & Building Materials .....	-	5	5	1	1
Furniture, Appliances & Radios .....	1	12	12	2	1
Fuel .....	-	4	-	-	-
Drugs .....	-	-	1	-	-
Jewellery .....	-	2	2	1	-
Other Trades .....	-	22	8	3	1
Total Trade .....	4	108	59	12	4
FINANCE & PUBLIC UTILITIES .....	-	4	-	-	-
SERVICE -					
Community Service .....	-	3	-	-	-
Recreational Service .....	-	5	-	-	-
Business Service .....	-	7	1	-	-
Personal Service .....	-	44	9	1	-
Total Service .....	-	59	10	1	-
NOT CLASSIFIED .....	-	4	2	2	2
TOTAL .....	7	306	145	19	14

Economic Areas and Industries

with Comparisons

FIRST QUARTER 1956		FIRST QUARTER 1957						Total	
Number	Total Liabilities	Atlantic Provinces	Quebec	Ontario	Prairie Provinces	British Columbia	Number	Total Liabilities	
	\$'000			- Number -				\$'000	
11	221	1	15	1	-	1	18	276	
3	28	-	5	1	-	-	6	74	
1	20	-	1	1	-	-	2	58	
9	271	-	10	2	-	-	12	337	
2	57	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
13	459	-	9	3	-	-	12	740	
12	1,300	1	16	5	1	1	24	1,039	
6	326	-	9	1	-	-	10	156	
29	1,923	-	24	4	1	-	29	759	
11	2,486	1	2	3	-	-	6	162	
2	-	-	1	-	-	-	1	9	
7	678	-	9	1	-	1	11	374	
89	7,500	2	80	19	2	2	105	3,577	
45	1,243	-	30	23	3	4	60	3,588	
48	3,148	1	30	19	11	2	63	1,941	
93	4,390	1	60	42	14	6	123	5,529	
23	195	1	22	5	3	-	31	617	
46	881	2	28	9	1	-	40	563	
13	334	1	12	1	-	-	14	158	
9	394	-	4	5	1	-	10	479	
5	47	-	8	2	2	-	12	190	
29	364	3	18	11	4	1	37	661	
1	34	1	1	3	-	-	5	53	
12	328	1	13	4	-	-	18	659	
28	885	2	21	12	2	-	37	1,773	
4	45	-	2	-	-	-	2	96	
1	16	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
5	49	-	6	7	-	-	13	418	
34	686	-	27	13	3	2	45	2,371	
187	4,062	10	140	67	13	3	233	7,421	
4	184	-	1	3	3	-	7	1,230	
3	747	-	4	-	-	-	4	15	
5	70	-	1	2	1	-	4	99	
8	530	-	4	-	-	-	4	70	
54	675	-	48	7	3	-	58	788	
70	2,022	-	57	9	4	-	70	973	
10	245	1	10	6	2	2	21	354	
491	18,867	16	391	154	41	14	616	20,109	

Table 2 - Commercial Failures and Estimated Liabilities by Months  
and Industries with Cumulative data.

	Total		Agriculture		Manufactures			
	Number	Liab.	Number	Liab.	Total		Wood Products	
					Number	Liab.	Number	Liab.
		\$'000		\$'000		\$'000		\$'000
<u>1955</u>								
January .....	170	4,963	10	72	25	688	1	31
February .....	163	3,928	6	73	17	275	-	-
March .....	177	4,023	9	130	39	868	8	151
April .....	145	5,222	1	18	32	1,504	8	492
May .....	154	3,787	6	65	20	543	5	122
June .....	139	3,841	5	65	19	699	4	240
July .....	107	2,682	5	58	16	297	4	118
August .....	113	3,306	3	45	20	515	4	123
September .....	147	3,586	5	22	15	785	1	19
October .....	156	4,008	1	5	26	1,335	6	621
November .....	168	6,327	2	25	36	3,088	4	408
December .....	156	8,104	6	32	25	4,087	5	340
<u>1956</u>								
January .....	166	3,825	2	21	26	1,386	2	8
February .....	145	6,150	6	130	34	3,797	6	1,081
March .....	180	8,893	3	70	29	2,317	4	211
April .....	174	5,084	4	61	29	1,212	7	262
May .....	164	3,716	2	17	28	477	1	12
June .....	140	3,908	3	44	32	1,334	2	375
July .....	170	4,085	7	70	31	954	4	79
August .....	155	4,918	3	24	29	849	5	330
September .....	129	3,594	2	7	21	609	7	377
October .....	184	5,015	3	20	30	513	4	58
November .....	185	5,718	5	65	28	667	5	98
December .....	175	9,349	5	96	25	970	2	33
<u>1957</u>								
January .....	239	7,868	9	111	42	1,805	8	541
February .....	207	6,552	5	107	34	1,118	9	218
March .....	170	5,689	4	57	29	653	7	280
Three months 1955 ....	510	12,914	25	275	81	1,830	9	182
Three months 1956 ....	491	18,867	11	221	89	7,500	12	1,300
Three months 1957 ....	616	20,109	18	276	105	3,577	24	1,039
	Manufactures		Construction		Transportation St. & C.		Trade Total	
	Iron & Steel & Transportation Equipment		Number		Number		Number	
	Number		Liab.		Liab.		Liab.	
	\$'000		\$'000		\$'000		\$'000	
<u>1955</u>								
January .....	7	89	27	828	3	67	89	3,116
February .....	10	170	31	591	7	53	75	2,548
March .....	15	230	29	807	10	131	71	1,724
April .....	9	236	16	517	5	98	64	2,091
May .....	6	214	25	1,255	8	80	75	1,531
June .....	4	25	19	581	5	173	60	1,951
July .....	2	6	19	321	5	98	43	1,186
August .....	6	45	19	716	2	43	46	1,500
September .....	4	447	25	507	8	93	64	1,661
October .....	7	149	30	567	5	35	58	1,189
November .....	17	1,916	25	574	4	509	70	1,822
December .....	11	359	44	2,387	6	30	57	1,233

Table 2 - Commercial Failures and Estimated Liabilities by Months and Industries with Cumulative data. (Concluded)

	Manufactures		Construction		Transportation St. & C.		Trade Total	
	Iron & Steel & Transportation Equipment		Number	Liab.	Number	Liab.	Number	Liab.
	Number	Liab.						
		\$'000		\$'000		\$'000		\$'000
<u>1956</u>								
January .....	7	68	29	528	6	34	65	1,231
February .....	10	1,685	26	733	8	41	52	1,213
March .....	12	170	38	3,129	9	119	70	1,619
April .....	12	162	32	1,341	5	46	79	2,117
May .....	10	143	32	835	7	46	72	2,077
June .....	12	419	15	296	9	182	59	1,687
July .....	7	29	33	1,006	5	69	67	1,248
August .....	9	144	30	961	9	79	54	2,489
September .....	5	101	28	955	1	2	53	1,518
October .....	9	150	46	1,877	6	47	68	1,891
November .....	11	318	35	2,800	10	115	72	1,626
December .....	7	103	31	2,327	8	254	71	1,725
<u>1957</u>								
January .....	15	564	48	2,239	12	88	95	2,244
February .....	9	129	45	1,882	13	393	76	2,508
March .....	5	66	30	1,409	6	135	62	2,669
Three months 1955 .....	32	490	87	2,226	20	251	235	7,388
Three months 1956 .....	29	1,923	93	4,390	23	195	187	4,062
Three months 1957 .....	29	759	123	5,529	31	617	233	7,421
	T r a d e						Service	
	Food		Clothing		Furniture Appliances and Radios		Number	
	Number	Liab.	Number	Liab.	Number	Liab.	Number	
		\$'000		\$'000		\$'000		\$'000
<u>1955</u>								
January .....	14	126	15	536	9	484	12	154
February .....	13	499	10	127	14	713	22	350
March .....	24	662	6	82	8	269	15	314
April .....	11	172	9	156	12	362	22	949
May .....	14	260	8	294	10	222	16	249
June .....	17	632	12	408	9	190	29	359
July .....	7	82	7	340	3	74	17	348
August .....	14	603	5	115	6	83	21	468
September .....	18	357	9	135	8	149	26	434
October .....	14	214	8	164	5	134	31	620
November .....	18	463	11	228	6	261	24	228
December .....	11	104	6	86	3	40	15	170
<u>1956</u>								
January .....	16	163	8	141	11	246	32	414
February .....	8	141	10	85	11	450	14	149
March .....	22	577	11	138	6	189	24	1,459
April .....	19	309	4	124	13	595	22	245
May .....	13	287	5	40	19	1,008	15	109
June .....	7	154	4	38	10	555	16	163
July .....	19	259	10	168	7	176	23	697
August .....	8	143	7	159	9	412	21	366
September .....	12	98	4	76	3	337	14	352
October .....	9	84	8	79	18	883	18	368
November .....	23	583	11	172	7	295	23	367
December .....	18	258	12	168	11	357	24	265
<u>1957</u>								
January .....	14	153	17	169	13	835	25	197
February .....	15	288	13	313	13	589	21	286
March .....	11	122	7	179	11	349	24	490
Three months 1955 .....	51	1,287	31	745	31	1,466	49	817
Three months 1956 .....	46	881	29	364	28	885	70	2,022
Three months 1957 .....	40	563	37	661	37	1,773	70	973

Table 3 - Commercial Failures and Estimated Liabilities by Months,  
Provinces and Selected Cities, with Cumulative Data.

	Canada		Atlantic Provinces		Province of Quebec		Montreal		Ontario	
	Number	Liab.	Number	Liab.	Number	Liab.	Number	Liab.	Number	Liab.
	\$'000		\$'000		\$'000		\$'000		\$'000	
<u>1955</u> - January .....	170	4,963	5	404	108	2,039	42	937	41	1,591
February .....	163	3,928	2	38	117	2,685	46	1,158	29	692
March .....	177	4,023	2	89	112	2,417	46	1,161	46	1,073
April .....	145	5,222	6	309	86	2,783	40	1,897	37	1,593
May .....	154	3,787	2	326	100	1,899	41	885	34	1,212
June .....	139	3,841	3	129	81	1,776	37	867	39	1,414
July .....	107	2,682	4	218	69	1,278	36	686	23	587
August .....	113	3,306	3	466	74	1,467	35	783	22	906
September .....	147	3,586	1	150	101	1,889	45	1,071	31	1,170
October .....	156	4,008	1	12	110	2,873	45	1,656	35	823
November .....	168	6,327	3	64	110	3,981	52	2,797	38	1,086
December .....	156	8,104	4	43	112	3,659	39	1,337	31	4,152
<u>1956</u> - January .....	166	3,825	-	-	110	2,409	55	727	45	1,293
February .....	145	6,150	4	162	81	2,020	43	1,169	48	3,587
March .....	180	8,893	3	41	115	4,345	54	2,999	52	1,967
April .....	174	5,084	3	248	106	1,796	45	535	47	2,342
May .....	164	3,716	1	11	117	2,510	38	1,012	28	832
June .....	140	3,908	3	60	77	1,980	36	1,051	41	677
July .....	170	4,085	3	82	126	2,246	61	1,013	33	1,431
August .....	155	4,918	5	368	108	3,435	43	2,269	32	689
September .....	129	3,594	5	523	85	1,825	33	590	29	901
October .....	184	5,015	3	124	116	2,269	57	1,466	54	2,388
November .....	185	5,718	2	82	113	2,337	45	1,132	53	2,557
December .....	175	9,349	5	348	111	5,531	49	4,587	45	3,177
<u>1957</u> - January .....	239	7,868	5	97	157	3,665	64	1,312	54	2,631
February .....	207	6,552	6	294	137	3,425	61	1,566	50	2,435
March .....	170	5,689	5	68	97	2,116	35	1,014	50	2,640
Three months 1955 .....	510	12,914	9	531	337	7,140	134	3,255	116	3,357
Three months 1956 .....	491	18,867	7	203	306	8,774	152	4,895	145	6,847
Three months 1957 .....	616	20,109	16	458	391	9,206	160	3,892	154	7,705

	Toronto		Manitoba		Saskatchewan		Alberta		British Columbia	
	Number	Liab.	Number	Liab.	Number	Liab.	Number	Liab.	Number	Liab.
	\$'000		\$'000		\$'000		\$'000		\$'000	
<u>1955</u> - January .....	15	1,065	2	257	3	334	5	68	6	272
February .....	9	124	4	243	3	108	3	56	5	106
March .....	14	413	6	205	2	42	3	40	6	156
April .....	8	476	3	48	4	237	3	130	6	123
May .....	9	559	2	35	3	91	6	119	7	106
June .....	13	594	-	-	4	95	5	62	7	366
July .....	4	57	1	23	2	452	3	49	5	75
August .....	6	201	-	-	4	259	-	-	10	208
September .....	4	480	3	48	3	37	4	249	4	42
October .....	9	244	1	33	2	72	3	31	4	163
November .....	11	305	3	136	5	131	5	83	4	846
December .....	8	329	2	115	2	26	2	25	3	85
<u>1956</u> - January .....	12	589	2	37	2	30	3	22	4	34
February .....	15	1,350	-	-	4	145	1	48	7	187
March .....	14	1,312	2	2,329	2	120	3	35	3	56
April .....	10	847	4	102	2	47	5	297	7	252
May .....	7	178	2	36	4	33	3	43	9	251
June .....	16	374	2	101	4	165	6	413	7	512
July .....	5	107	1	16	3	261	2	21	2	28
August .....	6	121	3	52	2	30	2	46	3	296
September .....	8	275	1	18	1	2	5	97	3	226
October .....	13	742	3	100	2	8	3	56	3	69
November .....	18	1,482	2	92	4	99	2	81	9	470
December .....	10	2,031	1	60	4	60	6	118	3	55
<u>1957</u> - January .....	27	1,962	2	54	8	127	10	661	3	633
February .....	17	996	2	39	2	87	4	145	6	128
March .....	19	612	4	61	3	173	6	562	5	71
Three months 1955 .....	38	1,602	12	705	8	484	11	164	17	534
Three months 1956 .....	41	3,252	4	2,365	8	295	7	106	14	277
Three months 1957 .....	63	3,570	8	154	13	387	20	1,368	14	832

Table 4 - Commercial Failures by Major Industries, and Provinces, according to Size of Liabilities.

	1955					1956					1957	
	1st Quarter	2nd Quarter	3rd Quarter	4th Quarter	Total	1st Quarter	2nd Quarter	3rd Quarter	4th Quarter	Total	1st Quarter	
<u>Manufacturing</u>												
Under \$5,000 .....	16	12	15	16	59	15	15	15	9	54	16	
\$ 5,000 - \$ 25,000 ..	45	29	25	35	134	38	43	48	51	180	56	
\$25,000 - \$ 50,000 ..	10	10	3	13	36	16	13	10	15	54	20	
\$50,000 - \$100,000 ..	8	12	5	12	37	9	15	3	6	33	5	
Over \$100,000 .....	2	8	3	11	24	11	3	5	2	21	8	
Total .....	81	71	51	87	290	89	89	81	83	342	105	
<u>Construction</u>												
Under \$5,000 .....	19	8	12	18	57	15	7	13	14	49	13	
\$ 5,000 - \$ 25,000 ..	49	30	35	53	167	50	40	43	49	182	60	
\$25,000 - \$ 50,000 ..	7	12	12	14	45	17	20	16	18	71	24	
\$50,000 - \$100,000 ..	10	4	-	10	24	8	9	12	14	43	15	
Over \$100,000 .....	2	6	4	4	16	3	3	7	17	30	11	
Total .....	87	60	63	99	309	93	79	91	112	375	123	
<u>Trade</u>												
Under \$5,000 .....	41	33	19	29	122	28	35	23	31	117	34	
\$ 5,000 - \$ 25,000 ..	129	117	98	106	450	113	108	116	119	456	132	
\$25,000 - \$ 50,000 ..	30	21	16	33	100	26	36	21	38	121	29	
\$50,000 - \$100,000 ..	18	18	10	12	58	17	22	9	15	63	23	
Over \$100,000 .....	17	10	10	5	42	3	9	5	8	25	15	
Total .....	235	199	153	185	772	187	210	174	211	782	233	
<u>Service</u>												
Under \$5,000 .....	19	22	15	25	81	18	21	19	17	75	19	
\$ 5,000 - \$ 25,000 ..	15	30	31	30	106	38	27	25	36	126	41	
\$25,000 - \$ 50,000 ..	12	8	13	11	44	9	4	8	7	28	5	
\$50,000 - \$100,000 ..	3	5	4	4	16	1	-	3	5	9	5	
Over \$100,000 .....	-	2	1	-	3	4	1	3	-	8	-	
Total .....	49	67	64	70	250	70	53	58	65	246	70	
<u>Total Canada</u>												
Under \$5,000 .....	121	87	74	98	380	91	83	88	90	352	97	
\$ 5,000 - \$ 25,000 ..	262	228	205	249	944	265	252	256	295	1,068	340	
\$25,000 - \$ 50,000 ..	65	56	50	70	241	75	79	61	88	303	89	
\$50,000 - \$100,000 ..	40	40	19	40	139	37	47	29	41	154	54	
Over \$100,000 .....	22	27	19	23	91	23	17	20	30	90	36	
Total .....	510	438	367	480	1,795	491	478	454	544	1,967	616	
<u>Quebec</u>												
Under \$5,000 .....	96	70	68	84	318	68	58	81	79	286	80	
\$ 5,000 - \$ 25,000 ..	165	139	130	170	604	168	160	174	197	699	225	
\$25,000 - \$ 50,000 ..	39	24	28	43	134	38	51	39	36	164	46	
\$50,000 - \$100,000 ..	26	23	8	18	75	19	25	14	18	76	25	
Over \$100,000 .....	11	11	10	17	49	13	6	11	10	40	15	
Total .....	337	267	244	332	1,180	306	300	319	340	1,265	391	
<u>Ontario</u>												
Under \$5,000 .....	20	14	1	10	45	16	20	6	9	51	14	
\$ 5,000 - \$ 25,000 ..	62	56	47	57	222	76	61	52	75	264	73	
\$25,000 - \$ 50,000 ..	19	19	16	20	74	30	15	21	33	99	30	
\$50,000 - \$100,000 ..	10	9	9	13	41	16	15	11	17	59	23	
Over \$100,000 .....	5	12	3	4	24	7	5	4	18	34	14	
Total .....	116	110	76	104	406	145	116	94	152	507	154	



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Table 5 - Average Estimated Liability per Failure by Months, Economic Areas and Selected Industry Groups.

	Canada	Atlantic Provinces	Quebec	Ontario	Prairie Provinces	British Columbia	Manufactures	Construction	Trade	Service
	- Thousand dollars -									
<u>1955</u> - January .....	29.2	80.8	18.9	38.8	65.9	45.3	27.5	30.7	35.0	12.8
February .....	24.1	19.0	22.9	23.9	40.7	21.2	16.2	19.1	34.0	15.9
March .....	22.7	44.5	21.6	23.3	26.0	26.0	22.3	27.8	24.3	20.9
April .....	36.0	51.5	32.4	43.0	41.5	20.5	47.0	32.3	32.7	43.1
May .....	24.6	163.0	18.9	35.6	22.2	15.1	27.2	50.2	20.4	15.6
June .....	27.6	42.9	21.9	36.3	17.4	52.3	36.8	30.6	32.5	12.4
July .....	25.1	54.5	18.5	25.5	87.3	15.0	18.6	16.9	27.6	20.5
August .....	29.2	155.3	19.8	41.2	64.7	20.8	25.8	37.7	32.6	22.3
September .....	24.4	75.0	18.7	37.7	33.4	10.5	52.3	20.3	26.0	16.7
October .....	25.7	12.0	26.1	23.5	22.6	40.8	51.3	18.9	20.5	20.0
November .....	37.7	21.3	36.2	28.6	26.9	211.5	85.8	23.0	26.0	9.5
December .....	51.9	10.7	32.7	133.9	27.6	28.3	163.5	54.3	21.6	11.3
<u>1956</u> - January .....	23.0	-	21.9	28.7	12.7	8.5	53.3	18.2	18.9	12.9
February .....	42.4	40.5	24.9	74.7	38.6	26.7	111.7	28.2	23.3	10.6
March .....	49.4	13.7	37.8	37.8	354.8	18.7	79.9	82.3	22.7	60.8
April .....	29.2	82.7	16.9	49.8	40.5	36.0	41.8	41.9	26.8	11.1
May .....	22.2	11.0	21.5	29.7	12.4	27.9	17.0	24.0	28.8	7.3
June .....	27.9	20.0	25.7	16.5	56.5	73.1	41.7	19.7	28.3	10.2
July .....	24.0	27.3	17.8	43.4	49.6	14.0	30.8	30.5	18.6	30.7
August .....	31.7	73.6	31.8	21.5	18.2	98.7	29.3	32.0	46.1	17.4
September .....	27.9	104.6	21.5	31.1	16.7	75.3	29.0	34.1	28.6	25.1
October .....	27.3	41.4	19.6	44.2	12.1	21.3	17.1	40.8	27.8	20.4
November .....	30.9	40.9	20.7	48.2	34.0	52.2	23.8	80.0	22.6	10.3
December .....	53.4	69.6	49.8	70.6	21.6	18.3	38.8	75.1	24.3	11.0
<u>1957</u> - January .....	32.9	19.4	23.3	48.7	42.1	211.0	43.0	46.6	23.6	7.9
February .....	31.7	49.0	25.0	48.7	33.9	21.3	32.9	41.8	33.0	13.6
March .....	33.5	13.6	21.8	52.8	61.2	14.2	22.5	47.0	43.0	20.4
Three months 1955 ....	25.3	59.0	21.2	28.9	43.6	31.4	22.6	25.6	31.4	16.7
Three months 1956 ....	38.4	29.0	28.7	47.2	145.6	19.8	84.3	47.2	21.7	28.9
Three months 1957 ....	32.6	28.6	23.5	50.0	46.5	59.4	34.1	45.0	31.8	13.9

Table 6 - Wage-Earner Failures and Proposals, by Months and Economic Areas.

	Wage-Earner Failures						Proposals			
	Canada	Atlantic Provinces	Quebec	Ontario	Prairie Provinces	British Columbia	Canada	Quebec	Ontario	Other Provinces
<u>1955</u> - January .....	51	-	50	-	1	-	47	37	7	3
February .....	41	-	38	2	1	-	44	36	4	4
March .....	59	-	58	-	-	1	40	34	5	1
April .....	57	-	57	-	-	-	44	42	2	-
May .....	43	-	41	2	-	-	39	33	5	1
June .....	64	-	62	1	-	1	28	25	2	1
July .....	54	-	52	1	-	1	40	36	4	-
August .....	64	-	62	2	-	-	52	49	2	1
September ....	51	1	48	1	-	1	34	33	1	-
October .....	61	1	54	6	-	-	52	51	1	-
November .....	54	-	54	-	-	-	50	49	-	1
December .....	58	-	57	1	-	-	48	41	3	4
<u>1956</u> - January .....	59	-	57	2	-	-	59	56	-	3
February .....	83	-	80	3	-	-	67	60	4	3
March .....	86	-	84	1	1	-	64	56	4	4
April .....	68	-	68	-	-	-	63	54	6	3
May .....	65	-	63	2	-	-	74	70	4	-
June .....	83	-	76	6	-	1	65	59	6	-
July .....	69	-	68	1	-	-	62	60	2	-
August .....	84	1	83	-	-	-	47	44	2	1
September ....	81	-	81	-	-	-	50	49	1	-
October .....	116	-	116	-	-	-	101	90	8	3
November .....	109	-	107	2	-	-	81	66	8	7
December .....	70	-	67	3	-	-	79	74	4	1
<u>1957</u> - January .....	119	-	112	3	2	2	100	95	3	2
February .....	107	-	102	4	-	1	50	47	6	2
March .....	123	-	118	5	-	-	48	39	9	-
Three months 1955 ....	151	-	146	2	2	1	131	107	16	8
Three months 1956 ....	228	-	221	6	1	-	190	172	8	10
Three months 1957 ....	349	-	332	12	2	3	198	176	18	4