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Week ended September 19, 1964

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Total employment decreased by 203,000 to 6,754,000 between August and September. The decline was above average for the month, as a record intake of students into summer employment was followed by a sharp decrease in employment with the reopening of schools in September. Unemployment dropped by 29,000 during the month to 218,000.

Between August and September, the decrease in employment of persons 14-24 years of age amounted to 272,000. This decline was partly offset by a gain of 69,000 among persons 25 years of age and over; most of the increase was among women.

Employment was up 189,000 compared with a year earlier, and unemployment was down 32,000. The labour force at 6,972,000 was 157,000, or 2.3 per cent, higher than in September 1963.

Employment

The employment decline between August and September was mainly in the non-farm sector. Much of the decline during the month occurred in the service-producing industries which had provided many of the summer jobs for students. Farm employment decreased seasonally, accounting for about one-fifth of the over-all reduction.

Total employment remained well ahead of a year earlier. The September estimate of 6,754,000 represented an increase of 189,000, or 2.9 per cent, over September 1963. In non-agricultural industries, the increase was 221,000, or 3.8 per cent. The largest advance was in manufacturing, employment being up over the year by approximately 100,000. Other industries which showed large increases were service and trade.

Employment was higher than a year ago in all regions. The gains were relatively largest in British Columbia and Ontario, the increases being 4.7 per cent and 3.2 per cent respectively.

Unemployment

Unemployment decreased by 29,000 to 218,000 between August and September.

The statistics in the Joint Press Release come from The Labour Force, a monthly publication by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics. The analysis is by the Department of Labour.



The decline - mainly among teenagers - was largely associated with the reopening of schools.

Compared with a year earlier, unemployment was down 32,000. The decline was almost entirely among men.

Of the 218,000 unemployed in September, some 153,000, or 70 per cent of the total, had been unemployed for three months or less. An estimated 27,000 had been seeking work from four to six months and 38,000 for seven months or more.

Unemployment in September represented 3.1 per cent of the labour force, the lowest rate for the month since 1956. Seasonally adjusted, the unemployment rate was 4.5 per cent.

Summary Labour Force Statistics, Canada

	September 19 1964	August 22 1964	September 21 1963
	(estimates in thousands)		
Population 14 years of age and over(1) ..	12,812	12,788	12,526
Labour Force .....	6,972	7,204	6,815
Employed .....	6,754	6,957	6,565
Men .....	4,822	5,028	4,699
Women .....	1,932	1,929	1,866
Agriculture .....	674	714	706
Non-agriculture .....	6,080	6,243	5,859
Unemployed .....	218	247	250
Men .....	162	186	192
Married .....	77	84	96
Women .....	56	61	58
Married .....	19	20	17
14-19 years of age .....	53	73	62
20-64 years of age .....	158	167	183
65 years and over .....	*	*	*
Under 1 month unemployed(2) .....	88	92	100
1-3 months .....	65	89	79
4-6 months .....	27	25	27
7 months and over .....	38	41	44

(1) Excludes inmates of institutions, members of the armed services, Indians living on reserves and residents of the Yukon and Northwest Territories.

(2) Includes persons on temporary layoff, estimated at 10,000 in September 1964.

\* Less than 10,000.

Note: Unemployment rates, both actual and seasonally adjusted, for the period September 1963 to September 1964 are shown on page 3.



Summary Labour Force Statistics, by Region

	September 19 1964	August 22 1964	September 21 1963
	(estimates in thousands)		
<u>Population 14 years of age and over</u>			
Atlantic .....	1,289	1,287	1,267
Quebec .....	3,693	3,685	3,605
Ontario .....	4,472	4,463	4,366
Prairies .....	2,165	2,163	2,129
British Columbia .....	1,193	1,190	1,159
<u>Labour Force</u>			
Atlantic .....	628	656	618
Quebec .....	1,938	2,006	1,911
Ontario .....	2,544	2,646	2,469
Prairies .....	1,218	1,224	1,198
British Columbia .....	644	672	619
<u>Employed</u>			
Atlantic .....	594	626	584
Quebec .....	1,854	1,906	1,803
Ontario .....	2,489	2,578	2,412
Prairies .....	1,198	1,201	1,175
British Columbia .....	619	646	591
<u>Unemployed</u>			
Atlantic .....	34	30	34
Quebec .....	84	100	108
Ontario .....	55	68	57
Prairies .....	20	23	23
British Columbia .....	25	26	28
<u>Unemployment rates</u>			
Atlantic .....	5.4	4.6	5.5
Quebec .....	4.3	5.0	5.7
Ontario .....	2.2	2.6	2.3
Prairies .....	1.6	1.9	1.9
British Columbia .....	3.9	3.9	4.5

Unemployment Rates, Actual and Seasonally Adjusted, Canada,  
September 1963 to September 1964

	<u>Week ended:</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Seasonally adjusted(1)</u>
1963	September 21	3.7	5.3
	October 19	3.9	5.3
	November 16	4.5	5.1
	December 14	5.1	4.9
1964	January 18	7.0	4.9
	February 22	7.0	4.7
	March 21	6.8	4.6
	April 18	6.0	4.7
	May 23	4.2	4.7
	June 20	4.0	5.2
	July 18	3.7	5.0
	August 22	3.4	4.8
	September 19	3.1	4.5

(1) The seasonally adjusted series is subject to periodic revisions when more up-to-date estimates of change in seasonal patterns become available.

Note: Unemployment rates are expressed as percentages of the labour force.  
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