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STATISTICS ON THE OPERATIONS OF THE UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE ACT

MONTHLY REPORT - AUGUST, 1943.

During August, 1,370 applications for benefit payments were registered at the local offices of the Unemployment Insurance Commission across Canada. This compares with 1,855 claims filed during August 1942 and 1,772 and 1,087 filed, respectively, in June and July 1943.

The number of applications for employment by insured persons during the period July 2 to July 29 was 163,810, and during the period July 30 to September 2 it was 195,363. On July 29th, 43,929 of these applicants were listed as unplaced, while on September 2nd, 45,918 were unplaced. Under present circumstances these figures must be interpreted with care, since many special factors enter into their composition. According to existing National Selective Service regulations each separation from employment (with few exceptions) is funneled through the employment offices. This is true even of transfers from one employer to another where no actual unemployment occurs, and is true also of persons transferred by the various "compulsory transfer orders". Each of these transfers is recorded as a registration for employment and as a placement.

Many of the employment applications result from registration of persons who remain at work pending a transfer to other employment. An applicant is listed as unplaced until his placement in a vacancy to which he has been referred has been verified, or until his application becomes "dead" through lapse of time and his failure to report (an application can lapse, of course, under present circumstances only in respect of a person to whom National Selective Service regulations do not apply). Thus, many of the "unplaced applicants" are persons who are presently employed.

During August, 1,104 persons were paid a total of \$28,393 benefit as compensation for 16,467 days. In July, 1,868 persons received a total of \$45,581 for 25,166 days of compensated unemployment. These may be compared with the 1,679 persons who were paid \$39,296 for 22,537 days during August 1942. It follows then that during August of this year the average duration of the unemployment compensated was 14.9 days, as compared with 13.5 days in July, and 13.4 days in August 1942.

The average amount paid per beneficiary was \$25.72 during August, and \$24.40 in July, while in August 1942 it was \$23.41.

During the same months the average amount paid per compensated day of unemployment was \$1.72 in August, as against \$1.81 in July, and \$1.74 in August 1942.



Tables A to F, following, present the pertinent data on claims lodged, their disposition, chief reasons for non-entitlement to benefit, employment applications by insured persons, insured applicants unplaced, persons receiving benefit, benefit days paid and amount of benefit paid, by provinces, during August, 1943, with comparative figures for August, 1942.

Table A. - Number of Claims Filed in the Local Offices in Each Province, By Type of Claim, August, 1943 and 1942.

Province	August 1943			August 1942		
	Claims Filed			Claims Filed		
	Total	Initial	Renewal	Total	Initial	Renewal
Prince Edward Island...	1	1	-	276 <sup>1</sup>	268	8
Nova Scotia.....	421	238	183	-	-	-
New Brunswick.....	20	14	6	-	-	-
Quebec.....	290	219	71	844	744	100
Ontario.....	337	302	35	388 <sup>2</sup>	351	37
Manitoba.....	128	100	28	197 <sup>2</sup>	168	29
Saskatchewan.....	40	31	9	31	28	3
Alberta.....	37	29	8	67	61	6
British Columbia.....	96	78	18	52	45	7
Total.....	1,370	1,012	358	1,855	1,665	190

Footnotes 1 and 2 will be found following Table E.

Table B. - Initial (I) and Renewal (R) Claims Received at Insurance Offices for adjudication and their Disposition, August 1943 and 1942.

Province	Claims Received			Disposition of Claims					
				Entitled to		Not Entitled		Pending	
				Benefit		to Benefit			
				Total	I	R	I	R	I
August, 1943									
Prince Edward Island...	3	3	-	4	1	-	-	9	-
Nova Scotia.....	386	210	176	120	159	16	2	90	17
New Brunswick.....	24	19	5	19	5	4	-	7	2
Quebec.....	272	209	63	111	78	101	2	59	28
Ontario.....	305	272	33	165	30	107	5	49	1
Manitoba.....	127	99	28	66	25	47	3	23	5
Saskatchewan.....	45	33	12	20	14	8	-	10	-
Alberta.....	36	27	9	21	8	6	1	7	1
British Columbia.....	93	76	17	65	13	10	6	14	1
Total.....	1,291	948	343	591	333	299	19	268	55
August, 1942									
Maritimes.....	470	467	3	693	3	88	-	25	5
Quebec.....	782	693	89	405	67	288	5	687	56
Ontario.....	391 <sup>2</sup>	365	26	230	25	141	3	120	1
Manitoba.....	173 <sup>2</sup>	150	23	96	28	67	3	39	-
Saskatchewan.....	34	31	3	30	3	9	1	17	-
Alberta.....	55	52	3	43	3	12	-	12	-
British Columbia.....	66	58	8	60	4	24	3	27	4
Total.....	1,971	1,816	155	1,557	133	629	15	927	66

Footnote 2 will be found following Table E.

Table C. - Number of Applications for Benefit Payments, and Number of Applications for Employment, by Insured Persons in each Province, by Sex, in July and August, 1943 and 1942.

Province	Claims	July			August		
		Applications <sup>3</sup>			Applications <sup>4</sup>		
		Total	Males	Females	Total	Males	Females

Footnotes 1 and 2 will be found following Table E.

3 July, 1943, figures are for the period July 2 to July 29.

4 August " " " " " July 30 to Sept. 2.

Table D. - Number of Insured Applicants Unplaced on the Last Day of July and August, 1943 and 1942, Classified by Province and Sex.

Province	July			August		
	Total	Males	Females	Total	Males	Females
1943						
Prince Edward Island....	152	102	50	169	96	73
Nova Scotia.....	1,546	917	629	1,686	847	839
New Brunswick.....	1,045	653	392	1,214	738	476
Quebec.....	16,501	10,656	5,845	14,680	8,959	5,721
Ontario.....	14,557	8,606	5,951	18,567	10,603	7,959
Manitoba.....	1,252	693	559	1,316	818	498
Saskatchewan.....	967	569	398	798	446	352
Alberta.....	2,117	1,437	680	1,732	1,024	708
British Columbia.....	5,792	3,048	2,744	5,761	2,972	2,789
Total.....	43,929	26,681	17,248	45,918	26,503	19,415
1942						
Prince Edward Island....	19	9	10	43	19	24
Nova Scotia.....	3,288	2,172	116	1,827	1,668	159
New Brunswick.....	481	402	79	424	293	131
Quebec.....	7,903	6,692	1,211	8,240	7,011	1,229
Ontario.....	6,641	5,359	1,282	7,270	5,382	1,888
Manitoba.....	2,534	2,183	351	2,618	2,034	584
Saskatchewan.....	711	579	132	513	397	116
Alberta.....	277	161	116	213	89	124
British Columbia.....	3,547	2,900	647	3,856	3,024	832
Total.....	25,401	21,457	3,944	28,004	19,917	5,087



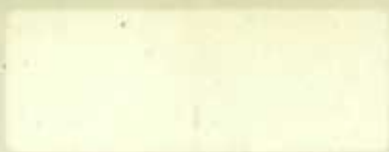
Table E. Claimants Not Entitled to Benefit in each Province, with the Chief Reason for Non-Entitlement, August, 1942 and 1942

Reason for Non-Entitlement		CAN-ADA	Prince Edward Island	Nova Scotia	New Brunswick	Quebec	Ontario	Manitoba	Saskatchewan	Alberta	Br. Columbia
Insufficient contributions and not in insurable employment	Aug. 1942	68	-	5	-	30	18	6	3	1	5
	Aug. 1942	274	81	-	-	114	45	21	-	6	7
Not capable of and not available for work	Aug. 1942	16	-	-	-	6	8	1	-	-	1
	Aug. 1942	13	1	-	-	2	6	2	1	-	1
Loss of work due to a labour dispute	Aug. 1942	17	-	6	-	10	-	-	-	-	1
	Aug. 1942	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Refused offer of work and neglected opportunity to work	Aug. 1942	9	-	1	2	3	2	-	-	1	-
	Aug. 1942	15	1	-	-	7	-	2	-	-	5
Discharged for misconduct	Aug. 1942	13	-	1	-	3	4	5	1	1	1
	Aug. 1942	37	2	-	-	17	8	6	1	2	1
Voluntarily left employment without just cause	Aug. 1942	178	-	3	2	48	73	38	3	4	7
	Aug. 1942	279	2	-	-	137	80	35	8	4	13
Other reasons	Aug. 1942	14	-	2	-	3	7	-	1	-	1
	Aug. 1942	26	1	-	-	16	5	4	-	-	-
TOTAL	Aug. 1942	318	-	18	4	103	112	50	8	7	16
	Aug. 1942	644	88	-	-	293	144	70	10	12	27

1. August, 1942, figures are a total for the Maritimes - breakdown by provinces was not available.
2. For August, 1942, the Manitoba area includes that part of Ontario served by the local offices of Kenora, Fort Frances, Port Arthur, and Fort William.

Table F. - Number of Persons Receiving Benefit; Number Commencing the Receipt of Benefit on Initial and Renewal Claims; Number of Days' Benefit Paid; and Amount of Benefit Paid, by Provinces, August, 1942 and 1942.

Province	Number Receiving Benefit	Number Commencing Benefit		No. of Days' Benefit Paid	Amount of Benefit Paid (in dollars)
		Total Persons	On Ini- tial Claims		
<u>August 1943</u>					
Prince Edward Island.	12	7	7	248	364
Nova Scotia.....	62	28	20	745	1,236
New Brunswick.....	32	27	24	539	1,009
Quebec .....	426	180	142	6,971	11,697
Ontario .....	199	116	95	2,796	4,923
Manitoba.....	130	63	46	1,678	2,888
Saskatchewan.....	61	33	24	1,019	1,597
Alberta .....	68	32	20	1,005	2,019
British Columbia.....	114	62	50	1,436	2,560
Total.....	1,104	543	428	16,467	28,293
<u>August 1942</u>					
Prince Edward Island.	12	11	11	205	237
Nova Scotia.....	55	50	50	482	936
New Brunswick.....	62	38	33	717	1,409
Quebec .....	546	404	357	8,664	14,487
Ontario .....	585	268	251	5,374	10,039
Manitoba.....	215	115	94	3,634	6,438
Saskatchewan.....	38	30	26	893	1,357
Alberta .....	80	58	55	1,281	2,311
British Columbia.....	86	64	59	1,257	2,082
Total .....	1,679	1,038	936	22,537	39,296



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