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This is the sixth in a series of research studies concerned with the analysis of selected economic, social or demographic aspects of the working population in Canada. Much of the statistical information on which this and other studies in the series is based is derived from supplementary questions attached to the monthly survey of the labour force conducted by the Special Surveys Division of the Dominion Bureau of Statistics. Further reports in the series will be presented as and when data become available.

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In the 21 years from the beginning of 1946 to the end of 1966 nearly two million seven hundred thousand immigrants came to Canada. By February 1967, 12.0 per cent of the total Canadian population of 14 years of age and over, ${ }^{1}$ and 14.3 per cent of the Canadian labour force were post-war immigrants.

While the immigrant inflow has affected the Canadian economy and Canadian society generally in a number of ways, ${ }^{2}$ this study is confined to the manpower aspects of immigration. In particular it will attempt to compare post-war immigrants and native-born Canadians, ${ }^{3}$ of 14 years of age and over, with respect to their labour force status and participation rates, "and their industrial and occupational distributions, while at the same time having regard to the different demographic and social characteristics of the two groups.

Since 1956, post-war immigrants have been identified twice a year in the DBS regular Labour Force Survey in the months of February and September. ${ }^{3}$ The information obtained from these surveys, supplemented by immigration statistics of the Department of Manpower and Immigration and data from the 1961 Census, form the basis for the comparisons made in this study.

Because, however, the Labour Force Survey data pertaining to immigrants are only available for

February and September it has not been possible to take account of seasonal fluctuations and, in this analysis, only the February data are used. When this study was begun it was intended that the analysis should be further confined to the four years 1956, 1959, 1962 and 1965 with a uniform three-year interval. This decision was influenced by the fact that in March 1965 the weights used in the survey. to produce the blown-up estimates, were changed in the light of new information available from the 1961 Census. Also, at the same time, the 1960 Industrial Classification was introduced, thus breaking the continuity in the data on workers classified by occupational and industrial groups. However, it was later felt that these changes did not so seriously affect the data for later years as to justify their exclusion from the general analysis contained in this report. Special note has, of course, been taken in the sections at the end of this study dealing specifically with a comparison of the industrial and occupational distributions of post-war immigrants and native-born Canadians.

While tabular material included in the body of this study has been limited to that which is essential to the point being made, more comprehensive and additional tables are included in the Appendix and these will be referred to where necessary.

## COMPARABILITY OF STATISTICS

While the major part of this study is hased on the results of the monthly Labour Force Survey with only occasional reference to the immigration statistics provided by the Department of Manpower and Immigration it is necessary to understand the essential difference between the two sets of data.

The Department of Manpower and Immigration statistics. which are obtained from records of "landed immigrants", measure the inflow of immigrants over time, while those of the Labour Force Survey and the Census provide a count of immigrants at a

[^0]point in time. Thus while from the former it is estimated that 2,140 thousandimmigrants of 14 years and over arrived in Canada between the beginning of 1946 and February 1967, the number of post-war immigrants, aged 14 years and over, actually living in Canada in February, 1967, estimated from the Labour Force Survey, was 1,643 thousand. The first point to note, however, is that the gap could have been in the opposite direction, i.e. there could have been more immigrants 14 years of age and over identified in the Labour Force Survey than that obtained from the cumulative immigration statistics hecause many of the 580 thousand post-war immigrant children, who were under 14 years of age at the time of their arrival in Canada, will have subsequently become 14 and, hence, included in the Labour Force Survey count. But, more than offsetting this "acquisition" of immigrants in the Labour Force Survey count has been the depletion in the number of immigrants for a variety of reasons.

It is estimated, ${ }^{6}$ for example, that 41 thousand post-war immigrants died between June 1951 and June 1961 and although no estimates are available for the later years the aging of the earlier post-war immigrants will have caused this figure to increase considerably in the six years to 1967.

[^1]Secondly, not all immigrants stay in Canada. ${ }^{7,8}$ Some return to their country of last permanent residence or to other countries in which they held citizenship, while others will have migrated further to other countries from Canada, especially to the United States. Moreover, some of these immigrants, having so left Canada, might have returned after a considerable gap of time and would, if they had lost Canadian domicile, have been enumerated as immigrants again.

Finally, Newfoundland entered the Confederation on April 1, 1949. Prior to this date persons born in Newfoundland were admitted to Canada, as it was then, as "landed immigrants". Thus, the post-wat '"landed immigrant'" figures from 1946 to March 31,

1949 include the number of persons having come from Newfoundland, whereas the Labour Force Survey defines an immigrant only as a "foreign-born" person (in the usual sense).

It can be seen therefore that, in the absence of full quantitive measures of these several relevant factors, a reconciliation is not possible between the two sets of figures. It is sufficient to note here that, in the intercensal decade 1951 to 1961 , net emigration of post-war immigrants (i.e., allowing for those who subsequently returned in the same decade) was estimated to be of the order of 380 thousand and, further, that only about 75 per cent of immigrants remain in Canada for more than six years. ${ }^{10}$

## DEMOGRAPHIC AND SOCIAL. CHARACTERISTICS OF POST-WAR IMMIGRANTS AND NATIVE-BORN CANADIAN

It is not the purpose of this paper to discuss in detail the demographic and social characteristics of post-war immigrants and native-born Canadians. However, participation in the labour force is influenced by many of these characteristics. Differential changes, for example, in the age and sex composition of two populations affect their overall participation rates because the degree of labour force attachment varies markedly among different age-sex groups. The level of a community's income has its effect on participation rates. The proportion of young people in the labour force is influenced. among other factors, by the level of educational development in a country at a given time and the values attached to education by a community. Retirement decisions of older workers are influenced by the economic assistance they expect from their younger relations and the institutional assistance provided, privately or publicly, in the form of pensions and the like. More married women may enter the labour force depending upon the availability of light and less arduous work as well as employment opportunities for part-time work and changing social attitudes to working mothers. These and similar factors determine the extent of labour force attachment of a given population at different points of time. Furthermore, the impact of these forces on different population groups at the same point in time are not necessarily the same.

Before a detailed analysis of labour force participation can be made, therefore, it is instructive briefly to review the trend in immigration over the post-war period and to examine those demographic and social characteristics, with respect to the two population groups compared in this study, which are known to influence the level of participation in the labour force and for which data are available.

[^2]Immigration over the post-war period has averaged 129 thousand a year. The inflow of these immigrants has been uneven both in terms of numbers (see Chart 1) and ethnic origin (Appendix Table D 1). This pattern has been shaped, in the main, by Canadian immigration policy and growth rates in the Canadian economy ; by Continental European economic recovery, especially during the last ten years or so, and the fluctuating economic fortunes in Britain; and by the general improvement in international mobility of professional, technical and skilled workers. ${ }^{11}$

But besides these influences on immigrant inflow an abnormal factor of some consequence in this respect must be stated. The Hungarian revolution and the Suez crisis resulted in swelling the numbers of immigrants to 282 thousand persons in the year 1957 alone; the highest figure for any year during the post-war period. And in total more than 300 thousand refugees have been admitted to the country since 1946 without regard to the normal conditions of entry applicable to immigrants.

This uneven inflow, combined with a fixed base period - 1946 - for defining the immigrant population, means that the composition of post-war immigrants is continually changing both in terms of average length of residence in Canada as well as in its age structure and ethnic composition.

[^3]CHART - I


Turning to a comparison of the size of the two populations - post-war immigrants and nativeborn Canadians - it is noticeable (see Table 1) but, at the same time, it was also to be expected that the number of immigrants has grown much faster than that of non-immigrants over the 11 years examined in this study. The number of post-war immigrants increased by almost 150 per cent, rising from 659 thousand in February 1956 to 1,431 thousand in February 1965 and to 1,643 thousand in February
1967. During the same period the estimated population of native-born Canadians increased by only a little over one-fifth from 9,976 thousand to 11,499 thousand in February 1965, and to 12,074 thousand in February 1967. The overall effect of the increasing number of immigrants has been that while they constituted 6.2 pet cent of the total Canadian non-institutional population of Canada, aged 14 years and over, in February 1956 theit proportion went up to 12.0 per cent in February 1967.

TABLE 1. Immigrants and Native-born Canadians: Civilian Non-institutional Population ${ }^{2,2}$ of 14 Years of Age and Over, February, 1956-67

| Population group and sex | 1956 | 1959 | 1962 | 1965 | 1967 | Increase <br> $1956-67$ |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |

[^4]Source: DBS Labour Force Survey.

## Age, Sex and Marital Status

In February 1956 only 17.1 per cent of post-war immigrants of both sexes were 45 years of age and over: by 1967 this proportion has risen to 24.5 per cent due to the aging of earlier post-war immigrants (Table 2). Over the same period the proportion of native-born Canadians, in the corresponding age group, increased by less than one percentage point to 38.4 per cent. At the lower end of the age distribution it is the proportion of immigrants aged between 14 and 24 that has remained virtually unchanged at around 22 to 23 per cent, while that of young nativeborn Canadians has increased from 22.8 per cent to
28.2 per cent; evidence not only of the generally increased birth rate which occurred in Canada in the middle 1940's but also that children born in Canada to early post-war immigrants are reported as "nativeborn Canadians" in the Labour Force Survey. It must follow from the above that, for both groups, the proportion of their populations falling in the age range 25-44, has been declining - albeit from vastly different levels and for the different reasons mentioned above. But while there has been a real shift, over time, which has tended to bring the age distributions of the two populations a little closer, the overall differences between them remains considerable.

TABLE 2. Immigrants and Native-born Canadians: Percentage Distribution of Population by Age groups, February, 1956-67

| Sex and age | Post-wat immigrants |  |  | Native-born Canadians |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1956 | 1962 | 1967 | 1956 | 1962 | 1967 |
| Male: |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 22.3 60.8 15.9 1.0 | 21.6 58.5 18.4 1.5 | $\begin{array}{r} 20.2 \\ 55.2 \\ 21.7 \\ 2.9 \end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 22.7 \\ & 38.8 \\ & 26.8 \\ & 11.8 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 25.0 \\ & 36.3 \\ & 27.3 \\ & 11.4 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 29.0 \\ & 33.1 \\ & 26.9 \\ & 11.0 \end{aligned}$ |
| Totals | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Female: |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 21.8 60.7 15.3 2.1 | 24.0 55.9 16.9 3.1 | 22.5 53.0 20.3 4.2 | 22.9 40.1 25.5 11.6 | 24.6 36.9 26.5 12.0 | $\begin{aligned} & 27.5 \\ & 33.5 \\ & 26.8 \\ & 12.2 \end{aligned}$ |
| Totals | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| 1 Hoth sexes: |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | $\begin{array}{r} 22.1 \\ 60.7 \\ 15.6 \\ 1.6 \end{array}$ | 22.8 57.2 17.7 2.3 | 21.4 54.1 21.0 3.5 | 22.8 39.4 26.1 11.7 | 24.8 36.6 26.9 11.7 | $\begin{aligned} & 28.2 \\ & 33.4 \\ & 26.8 \\ & 11.6 \end{aligned}$ |
| Totals | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100. 0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |

Source: DBS Labour Force Survey.

Also of importance, in the context of overall labour force participation rates, is the composition of a population as between males and females and, particularly for females, ${ }^{12}$ between those single and married. From Table 1 it can be seen that when the total number of male immigrants, as measured by the Labour Force Survey, in February 1956 was 342 thousand, the comparable figure for females was only 317 thousand. Native-born Canadian males, at the same point in time, numbered 4,951 thousand against 5,025 thousand females. This difference in the composition of the population in favour of males among immigrants and favourable to females among the native-born was maintained throughout the whole

[^5]of the period 1956-67. The gap hastended to narrow, largely as a result of the preponderance of females among immigrants in all the years 1958 to 1964 (see Appendix Table D 2), but in both 1965 and 1966 more males than females entered Canada and, if this trend continues, the disparity between the two ratios could widen appreciably again in the future.

Table 3 shows the marital status distributions of immigrant females compared with native-born Canadians for two years, 1959 and 1967. For both groups there has been a slight increase in the proportion of single females but, throughout the period for which information is available (see footnote ${ }^{1}$ Table 3), about three quarters of all the immigrant women were married compared with rather less than two thirds among the native-iorn. This difference may be, in part, due to the dissimilar age structures of the two populations. It has already
been pointed out that proportionately many more native-born Canadians are in the older age groups and, because of the greater longevity of females, relatively more native-born Canadian women are widnws. Moreover the number of married women at
any point in time is also particularly sensitive to the age distribution of the population in the 15-24 age range. Thus in the absence of full information on the joint age and marital status distributions of the two groups a detailed analysis is not possible.

TABLE. 3. Immigrants and Native-born Canadians: Female Population by Marital Status, February $1959^{1}$ and 1967

| Marital status | 1959 |  | 1967 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Post-war immigrants: | '000 | $\pi$ | , 000 | \% |
| Single | 85 | 16.7 | 154 | 18.9 |
| Married ............................................................. | 388 | 76.4 | 608 | 74.3 |
| Widowed or divorced ${ }^{2}$......................................... | 35 | 6.9 | 56 |  |
| Totals | 508 | 100. 0 | 818 | 100.0 |
| vative-born Canadians: |  |  |  |  |
| Single ................................................................ | 1,270 | 24.2 | 1.608 | 26.4 |
| Married .............................................................. | 3,394 | 64.7 | 3. 795 | 62.2 |
| Widowed or divorced ${ }^{2}$....................................... | 582 | 11.1 | 698 | 11.4 |
| Totals ................................................................ | 5, 246 | 100.0 | 6,101 | 100.0 |

2 Similar data for 1956 is not available.
${ }^{2}$ Including separated persons.
Source: Monthly Lahour Force Survey.

## Residence and Fducation

However, demographic characteristics are not the only considerations likely to affect the levels of labour force participation. While some of the social and economic factors referred to earlier cannot be quantified directiy, at least for the two groups examined in this study, attitudes to working
mothers, income and job availability etc. can be explained indirectly by considering such factors as place of residence and education.

Chart 2 provides a regional picture of immigrants' settlement vis-à-vis the native-born Canadian in 1967. By February, 1956, 57 per cent of immigrants

CHART-2

## REGIONAL DISTRIBUTION OF POPULATION 14 YEARS OF AGE AND OVER



POST-WAR
IMMIGRANTS


POPULATION FEBRUARY 1967 1. 6 MILLION

POPULATION FEBRUARY 1967
12.1 MILLION
had settled in Ontario, and this high proportion had been maintained right up to February, 1967 (see Appendix Table D5). On the other hand, only one third of native-born Canadians reside in this region. Similarly, British Columbia's share of immigrants is above that of the corresponding proportion of other Canadians. In the other three regions the relative concentration of the native-born is greater than that of immigrant Canadians - the disparity in that direction being most marked in the Atlantic Provinces. Yet, despite this regional disparity, immigrants who have come to Canada since 1946 have spread themselves more widely throughout the country than in any previous period of immigration history. ${ }^{13}$

Although the Monthly Labour Force Survey does not permit a finer breakdown of the residence characteristics within region, the 1961 Census does give some indication of the type of communities in which post-war immigrants have settled compared with native-born Canadians. ${ }^{\text {"4 }}$ Although this comparison is not restricted to those 14 years and over, it is unlikely that the overall picture would change greatly if the children were excluded.

[^6]Table 4 is self explanatory and it is sufficient to note here that the relative concentration of immigrants in urban communities exists in all regions. This is most marked in Quebec where, in 1961, 96 per cent of the then post-war immigrants had settled in urban areas, compared with only 73 per cent of non-immigrants. Furthermore, not only are immigrants concentrated in urban areas but within these urban areas they are further concentrated in the most densely populated communities, i.e., those of 100,000 persons or more. The relationship between this phenomenon and the propensity to participate in the labour force will be discussed later in the study.

Lastly, in this section concerned with characteristics which influence the ability and opportunity for participation in the labour force, a brief examination of the educational attainments of the two populations will be made. ${ }^{15}$

[^7]TABLE 4. Immigrants and Native-born Canadians: Distribution of Total ${ }^{2}$ Population within each Region by Urban, Rural Non-farm and Rural Farm Residence, June, 1961

| Region | Total | Urban |  | Rural |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | $\begin{aligned} & 100,000 \\ & \text { and over } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Leess than } \\ & 100,000 \end{aligned}$ | Non-farm | Farm |
| Atlantic: | per cent |  |  |  |  |
| Post-war immigrants | 100.0 | 25.1 | 39.3 | 28.3 | 7.3 |
| Native-born Canadians | 100.0 | 14.4 | 35.1 | 41.9 | 8.6 |
| Quebec: |  |  |  |  |  |
| Post-war immigrants ......................................... | 100.0 | 88.9 | 6. 6 | 3. 3 | 1.2 |
| Native-born Canarians ...................................... | 100.0 | 48.2 | 25.0 |  |  |
| Ontario: |  |  |  |  |  |
| Post-war immigrants ......................................... | 100.0 | 66.5 | 21.2 | 7.9 | 4.4 |
| Native-born Canadians | 100.0 | 44.5 | 31.2 | 15.6 | 8.7 |
| Prairie: |  |  |  |  |  |
| Post-war immigrants ......................................... | 100.0 | 64.7 | 17.4 | 9.8 | 8. 1 |
| Native-born Canadians ...................................... | 100.0 | 35.2 | 20.6 | 19.1 | 25.1 |
| British Columbia: |  |  |  |  |  |
| Post-war immigrants. | 100.2 | 60.3 | 17.7 | 17. 1 | 4.9 |
| Native-born Canadians | 100.0 | 52.4 | 19.5 | 23.4 | 4.7 |
| Canada: |  |  |  |  |  |
| Post-war immigrants .......................................... | 100.0 | 68.3 | 18.2 | 8.9 | 4.6 |
| Native-born Canadians ...................................... | 100.0 | 41.3 | 26.9 | 19.8 | 12.0 |

[^8] sus of Canada, Dominion Bureau of Statistics, Ottawa.

Source: 1961 Census.

From Table 5 (fuller tables, including a breakdown of education by broad age groups are included in Appendix Tables D6 and D7) it would appear that the native-born female population of Canada in 1967 is better educated than that of males when measured in terms of median years of education; but the reverse of this situation obtains in the case of post-war immigrants. ${ }^{16}$

The main difference, in education, between immigrants and non-immigrants, which is common to both sexes, is in the proportion who completed secondary school or better. The proportions in this group for both males and females is markedly higher
among immigrants, compared with native-born Canadians, and is balanced interms of the percentage distributions, by a lower proportion of immigrants who received only some high school education. However, the proportion of immigrants who had only elementary schooling or less is little different from that among the native-born. This phenomenon may be a reflection of the selectiveness of Canada's immigration policy in seeking professional and skilled workers from the technically advanced countries while at the same time admitting immigrants from countries where the general educational standards and opportunities are not as high as those in Canada. ${ }^{17}$

TABLE 5. Immigrants and Native-born Canadians: Distribution of Fducational Attainment and Median Years of Education, February, 1967

| Level of education | Post-war immigrants |  | Native-born Camadians |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Male | Female | Male | Female |
|  | per cent distribution |  |  |  |
| Completed elementary school or less | 36.7 | 38.4 | 38.9 | 34. 7 |
| Some high school education | 26.2 | 27. 1 | 36.5 | 37.7 |
| Completed high school or attended university ........ | 27.8 | 30.4 | 19.8 | 25.2 |
| University degree | 9.3 | 4.1 | 4.8 | 2.4 |
| Totals | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| Median ${ }^{1}$ years of education completed | 10.0 | 9.7 | 9.1 | 9.6 |

${ }^{1}$ For method of calculating medians see Appendix C.
Source: DBS Labour Force Survey.

## LABOUR FORCE

It has been shown in the previous section that the composition of the immigrant and non-immigrant populations differs significantly in respect to their age, sex, and marital status distributions; in their choice of region and the size of the community in which they live; and in their distributions of educational attainment. What follows in this section is an examination of the labour force characteristics of the two groups in an attempt to see how far these demographic and social differences help explain any observed disparities between immigrant and native-born Canadians in their propensity to participate in the labour force.

[^9]Table 6 shows that, during the 11 year period examined in the study, the proportion of the immigrant population in the labour force has been considerably higher than that of native-born Canadians. In February 1956, 65.2 per cent of immigrants were either working or looking for work compared with 51.1 per cent of non-immigrants. Over the years, particularly to 1965 , this disparity has tended to decrease, largely due to the gradual decline of the immigrants overall participation rate, but between 1965 and 1967 the downward trend in the proportion of post-war immigrants in the labour force was reversed, widening the differential between the respective participation rates of native-born Canadians and post-war immigrants to 12 percentage points - only 2 percentage points less than pleven years earlier.

[^10]TABLE 6. Immigrants and Native-born Canadians: Population and Labour Force

|  | 1956 | 1959 | 1962 | 1965 | 1967 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Post-war immigrants: |  |  |  |  |  |
| Population .................................................. 000 | 659 | 1054 | 1207 | 1431 | 1643 |
| Labour force | 430 65.2 | 685 65.0 | 767 63.5 | 892 62.3 | 1057 64.3 |
| Native-born Canadians: |  |  |  |  |  |
| Population ................................................ '000 | 9976 | 10.428 | 10.933 | 11,499 | 12.074 |
| Labour force .................................................... ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | 5094 | 5399 | 5656 | 5952 | 6319 |
| Participation rate ...................................... \% | 51.1 | 51.8 | 51.7 | 51.8 | 52.3 |

Source: DBS Labour Force Survey.

## Sex Ratios

Since the extent of females' participation in labour force activity is much lower than that of males (see Table 7), it seems plausible to suggest that the rising proportion of females among post-war immigrants, noted on page 10 and in Table 1. could be responsible for part of this decline in the immigrants overall participation rates.

The decline in the immigrants' overall participation rate was from 65.2 per cent in 1956 to 62.3 per cent in 1965 followed by the subsequent rise to 64.3 per cent in 1967. Table 7 shows that, if the ratio of males to females in 1956 had been that existing in 1967, the overall participation rate of immigrants would have been the same -64.3 per cent in both years, thus suggesting that the fall in the actual participation rate over the 11 years was due entirely to a shift in the sex ratio. However, this view does not hold over the shorter period of 9 years to 1965. It can be seen that even if a constant 1967 sex ratio had obtained in the two terminal points of this period there would have still been a fall in the overall participation - of two percentage points - instead of the near 3 point fall actually recorded. And it therefore follows from this, that the slight change in sex ratio which took place between 1965 and 1967 had no measurable effect on the overall participation rate of both sexes combined. It must be concluded, then, that about two thirds of the fall in the post-war immigrants' participation
rate, from 1956 to 1965 , and all the subsequent rise, was due to factors other than the changing sex ratio within this population group. A similar calculation made on native-born Canadians' participation rates shows that of the small increase in their overall participation rate between 1956 and 1967 none could really be attributed to changes in the sex ratio within the population. ${ }^{18}$

From the separate participation rates for males and females, also given in Table 7, the change over the eleven-year period in the case of immigrants is noticeably different from those for native-born persons. The proportion of immigrant males in the labour force declined over the period at a faster rate than that for non-immigrants. At the same time the rise in female participation rates was less marked for immigrants. The effect of these movements on the overall participation rate - for both sexes - is that they have been largely offsetting for the native-born but for immigrants the decline in the participation rate for males has more than cancelled the relative small rise in the proportion of women at work - consequently reducing the overali participation rate.

[^11]TABLE 7. Immigrants and Native-born Canadians, Participation Rates, Actual and Standardised ${ }^{8}$ for Sex Composition, February, 1956-67

|  | Post-war immigrants |  |  | Native-born Canadians |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1956 | 1965 | 1967 | 1956 | 1965 | 1967 |
| Actual: |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Male | 92.8 | 86.8 | 88.4 | 79.4 | 74.8 | 73.6 |
| Female | 35.6 | 37.7 | 40.2 | 23.1 | 29.1 | 31.5 |
| Both sexes | 65.2 | 62.3 | 64.3 | 51.1 | 51.8 | 52.3 |
| Standardised ${ }^{\mathbf{1}}$ on 1967 sex ratio: <br> Both sexes $\qquad$ | 64.3 | 62.3 | 64.3 | 51.0 | 51.7 | 52.3 |

${ }^{1}$ Obtained by applying the percentages of males and females in 1967 to the actual participation tates of each sex in 1956.

## Age Distributions

It was seen, however, from an earlier section in this study that the age distributions of immigrants and non-immigrants were not only different, but that they were also changing over time. It is also known that participation rates for specific age groups vary markedly, one with another (see Chart 3). Moreover. as can be seen from the Chart, the propensity for males to participate in the labour force as they move into successive age groups does not have the same pattern as that for females. And, similarly, age-
specific participation rates for immigrants and native-born Canadians are not alwass the same. What now follows, therefore, is an examination of the effect of the different age distributions of postwar immigrants and native-born persons on their respective participation rates for each sex and then, adopting the method of presentation used in the previous section, an exposition of the effect of changing age distributions, over the eleven years, on participation rates within each population group.

CHART - 3


Table 8 shows, for each of the years examined in this study, the actual participation rates of immigrants and non-immigrants, together with an "agestandardised' immigrant participation rate, i.e., one calculated on the basis of what it would have been if the age distribution of immigrants had been the same as that of native-born persons in that year. The difference between the actual and the "standardised" rate is then a measure of the difference between the two population groups after the effect of differing age distributions has been allowed for ${ }^{\text {t }}$ "

The level of detail for the age distributions used in this analysis has been the maximum that the Survey permits; seven age groups for the three years 1956, 1959 and 1962 and ten age groups for 1965 and 1967. However, to present a consistent
${ }^{15}$ See Appendix C for note on standardisation technique.
series over the eleven years the standardised participation rates for each year are shown based on 7 age groups with, for 1967 only, the rates based on a "10 age group" distribution shown in brackets. The difference between the two standardised rates for 1967 will be discussed below.

Table 8 shows that if post-war immigrant males had had, in any of the years for which the calculations has been made, the same age distribution as native-born persons, then the differences hetween the labour force participation rates of the two population groups would have been, on the average over the eleven-year period, only 3.8 percentage points compared with an actual difference of 13.0 points. ${ }^{20}$

[^12]At least 70 per cent of the difference between the labour force participation rates of post-war immigrants and native-born persons can therefore be explained by differences in the age distributions of the two population groups. Furthermore, the standardised rates obtained in 1967, usins 10 age groups
as the basis for standardisation, reduces the gap still further. Since a similar result was obtained for 1965 it seems reasonable to suggest that, if an age distribution based on single years had been available, then even some further narrowing of the difference misht have resulted.

## TABLE 8. Post-war Immigrants Actual and Age-standardised ${ }^{1}$ Participation Rates, February, 1956-67

|  | 1956 | 1959 | 1962 | 1965 | 1967 | $\begin{gathered} 1956 \\ \text { standardised } \\ \text { on } 1967 \text { age } \\ \text { distribution } \end{gathered}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Male |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Post-war immigrants. |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Actual | 92.8 | 91.2 | 88.9 | 86.8 | 88.4 | 90.5 |
| Standardised native-born persons age distribution ${ }^{2}$ | 82.9 | 82.0 | 80.6 | 77.6 | 79.0 (77.5) | - |
| Native-born Canadians: |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Actual | 79.4 | 78.6 | 76.8 | 74.8 | 73.6 | 77. 1 |
| Vemale |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Post-war immigrants |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Actual | 35.6 | 36.7 | 37.7 | 37.7 | 40.2 | 34.4 |
| Standardised on native-born persons age distribution ${ }^{2}$ | 31.9 | 33.1 | 33.9 | 34.5 | 36.1 (35.5) | - |
| Native-born Canadians: |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Actual | 23. 1 | 25.2 | 27.0 | 29.1 | 31.5 | 22.6 |

[^13]Source: DBS Lahour Force Survey.

In the case of females, for whom the average difference in labour force participation rates between the two population groups, over the eleven-rear period was 10.4 percentage points, standardation still leaves a gap of 6.7 points. ${ }^{21}$ So that whereas. in the case of males, the difference in the age distributions of the respective population groups accounted for at least 70 per cent of the difference in their participation rates, for females only about one third of the difference has been explained in the same way. ${ }^{22}$ It is evident therefore. that even after the effect of different age distributions has

[^14]been allowed for, a significantly higher proportion of female post-war innigrants are in the labour force compared with native-horn women.

So far only the effect of differing age distributions on the respective participation rates of the two population groups has been examined. However, as was seen in Table 2 on page 10, there has been a considerable change over the eleven years within the age distributions of both post-war immigrants and native-born Canadians. There changes were associated, among other things, with the aging of earlier post-war immigrants and the steep rise in the birth rate in Canada which began in the 1940's. The effect of these changes on the labour force participation rates of the two population groups, over the eleven-year period from 1956 to 1967, can be seen by referring to the last column of Table 8. This column shows the proportion of both males and females and for immigrants and native-born persons.
who would have been in the labour force in 1956 if their age distributions in that year had been the same as those existing in 1967.

In all four cases the labour force participation rates would have been lower, in 1956, than those actually recorded. This is due to the fact that over the period, for both immigrants and native-born Canadians, the proportions of theit populations falling at the extreme ends of the age range had increased, combined with the fact that it is in these age groups (see Table 9) that the labour force participation rates are lowest.

It follows therefore from the figures in Table 8 and summarised in Table 10 , that for males about half of the fall in participation rates in the case of

Immigrants and about 40 per cent of that for nativeborn persons can be explained by changes withtn theit respective age distribution. But it nust also follow from this that even allowing in the case of post-war immigrants, for the observed but unexplained fise in their overall participation rate between 1965 and 1967. there has been a tendency for the proportion of men who are either working, or looking for work, to decline over time. And it is further evident from Table 9 , and the expanded version of this data in Appendix Table D8 that this is due, in particular to the increase in the number of young persons deforring their entry into the lahour force by staying on at school or attending university. Also, among native-born males, there is clearly a reduction in the proportion of older members of the population staying on at work past the age of 65.

TABLE 9. Immigrants and Native-born Canadians: Labour Force Participation Rates by Broad Ige Groups, February, 1956 and 1967


- Participation rates based on labour force estimates of less than 10,000 .

Source: DBS Labour Force Survey.

The situation among females, is, in one respect, similar to that of males - as noted above they would also have had lower participation rates in 1956, for both immigrants and non-immigrants, if their age distributions in that year had been the same as those existing it 1967. And, similarly, this can be attributed to the relative increase in either, or both, the younger and older members of the population. But, whereas the decline in participation rates of the 14-24 age group among males was the significant factor in further reducing their overall participation rates, a similar even if smaller decline, in the proportion of $14-24$ year old females in the labour force was more than offset (see Tables 9 and 10) by
a rise in the proportion of women aged between 25 and 64 who wete either working or looking for work. Pethaps, because of the much higher absolute level of labour force participation among immigrants which obtained in 1956 , the subsequent rise over the 11 years for this population aroup was less than that among native-born females. It is nevertheless evident that the combination of demographic. social and economic forces which have in total contributed to the decline between 1956 and 1967 in the proportion of males in the labour force and, on balance, to the corresponding increase among females, have affected both immigrants and non-immigrants alike.

TABLE 10. Immigrants and Native-born Canadians: Contribution to Changes in Participation Rates, 1956-67


Source: Table 8.

Before leaving this section a brief comment would seem to be called for on the special developments in labout force participation rates between February 1965 and Fehruary 1967. Although these developments manifested theniselves most strikingly in the upturn in the proportion of post-war immigrant males in the labour force, other evidence of change in the operation of the labour market can also be found elsewhere in the statistics (see Appendix Table D8). These are summatised below.

1. The downward trend in the proportion of post-war immigrant males aged 14-24, in the labour force between 1956 and 1965 was reversed between 1965 and 1967.
2. Similarly, the decline in the labour force participation rates in the same age group of native-born males was halted.
3. The increase in the proportion of immigrant females in the labour force between 1965 and 1967 was greater than during the whole of the preceding 9 year period.
4. The absolute increase in the proportion of nativeborn females in the labour force in the two years 1965 to 1967 was greater than in any of the three preceding intervals of 3 years.

Unfortunately a full examination of these phenomena would require a detailed study of the Canadian economy during the 1960 's and this is well beyond the scope of this study. However, the following extract from a paragraph in the Fourth Annual Review of the Economic Council of Canada The Canadian Fconomy from the 1960 's to the 1970's-clearly indicates that the period to 1965
was one in which the slack in the economy was being taken up, and that subsequently the economy has been running close to capacity.
"In the prolonged 1961-66 expansion, there was an extended period of generally good performance on price and cost stability. Only when much of the earlier slack had been removed, and the economy approached close to potential output at the time of the exceptionally rapid expansion in final demand in the latter half of 1965 and early 1966, did increases in prices become persistent and pervasive. These, in turn, were followed by the development of persistent and pervasive increases in labour and other costs. ..."

This situation, undoubtedly, will have had its its effect on labour demand and supply but an examination of this will have to he left 10 another study in this series.

## Residence

It was seen earlier (see Appendix Table D5 and Chart 2) that immigrants have not spread themselves over Canada in the same way as nativeborn Canadians, Relatively more immigrants live in Ontario and British Columhia; relatively fewer elsewhere. Also the concentration of immigrants in urban communities is greater than that of non-immigrants. If the range of jobs available to workers and the total demand for workers is the same in all regions, then, apart from any strong social or religious forces affecting the decisions of persons within the regional population groups to be either working or looking for work, it would make little difference where an immigrant went to in Canada in terms of his or her propensity to be in the labour force. However, these
conditions do not hold. If the regional unemplovment rates are any measure (albeit an inverse one) of the demand for manpower then it is all too clear that the situation which has prevailed, in this respect, in the Atlantic provinces over the whole of the postwar period is very different from that for Ontario. And similar comparisons can be made between any two regions. Yet even where the aggregate demand for labour, relative to supply, has been similar Ontario and the Prairies for example - the industrial mix of these two regions has little in common. In the former the ratio of employment in manufacturing to that in the primary industries is near to four and a half to one while in the Prairies for every one worker in manufacturing there are two in primary activities.

It would be tempting at this stage to suggest that availability of jobs has been the main factor in influencing immigrants in their choice of province
or region. However, Chart 4, on which the indices of the regional concentration ${ }^{23}$ of post-wat immigrants in February 1967 are plotted against the average post-war unemployment levels ${ }^{24}$ in each of the regions, shows that although there is some relationship between these two variables, job availability is not the only factor. Climatic conditions, cultural or linguistic attachment to an existing community and type of skills required, as well as aggregate demand, will have all influenced immigrants in their choice of regions. Given, however, that the pattern of immigrant settlement vis-a-vis native-born Canadians is that shown in Chart 2 and in Appendix Table D5, this section will briefly examine whether the dissimilarity in the regional settlement of the two population groups accounts for any of the remaining difference in their participation rates after the effect of differing age distribution has been allowed for.

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Table 11 shows for 1967 the actual participation rates of immigrants and native-born Canadians in each region together with the immigrant participation rates standardised on the age distributions of nativeborn Canadians within each region. The age/region standardised rate for all Canada was then obtained by weighting the age standardised participation rates of immigrants for each region bs the regional distribution of the native-born Canadian population. Table 12 pulls together the relevant figures from

Table 8 and Table 11, together with the results of similar calculations for earlier years, with respect to age and age/region standardised participation rates.

[^15]TABLE 11. Immigrants and Native-born Canadians: Actual and Age-standardised Participation Rates hy Region, February, 1967

| Region | Male |  |  | Female |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Nativeborn actual | Post-war immigrants |  | Nativeborn actual | Post-war immigrants |  |
|  |  | Actual | Agestandardised ${ }^{2}$ |  | Actual | Agestandardised ${ }^{1}$ |
| Atlantic | 65.7 | * | * | 26.2 | * | * |
| Quebec .......................................... | 75.2 | 86.5 | 74.9 | 30.6 | 43.3 | 38.0 |
| Ontario... | 74.7 | 89.1 | 79.2 | 33.3 | 40.1 | 35. 0 |
| Prairie ........................................ | 73.5 | 88.1 | 75.9 | 32.7 | 39.4 | 35.7 |
| British Columbia ........................... | 74.0 | 89.0 | 76.2 | 31.7 | 38.3 | 32.9 |
| Canada........................................ | 73.6 | 88.4 | 75. $7^{2}$ | 31.5 | 40.2 | $34.9{ }^{2}$ |

${ }^{1}$ Standardised on the native-born age distribution using 10 age groups.
${ }^{2}$ Standardised on the native-born age and regional distribution.

* Based on estimates of less than 10,000 .

Source: DBS Labour Force Survey.

## TABLE 12. Immigrants and Native-born Canadians: Actual, Age-standardised and Age. region-standardised Participation Rates, February, 1956-67

| Male | 1956 | 1959 | 1962 | 1965 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |

[^16]The first point to note is that, for 1967, the actual participation rates of post-war immigrants were closer to the native-born participation rates in all the regions, with the exception of males in British Columbia and females in Quebec, than the corresponding figures for Canada as a whole. This.
therefore, supports the view that the differences between the regional distributions of the post-was immigrant and native-Dorn Canadian populations has contributed to the apparent difference in their overall participation rates. And furthermore, for males, the participation rates are widest apart in the two
regions - Ontario and British Columbia - which have the greatest concentration of immigrants. The same situation does not hold in the case of females for whom the highest post-war immigrant participation rate is found in Quebec; a region which not only has one of the lowest native-born female participation rates but which also has a low concentration of immigrants.

However, as noted earlier, before standardising the post-war immigrants participation rates on the native-born regional distribution, the effect of age differences between the two population groups within each region have been removed in order to obtain the additional effect of regional disparities.

The effect then of these regional differences in participation rates associated with the regional disparities in the concentration of immigrants relative to native-born persons, summarised in Table 12, is that for all years, except 1959 in the case of males, the age/region standardised participation rates for immigrants are lower than the rates obtained by standardising for age alone and hence are even closer to the native-born Canadians participation rates.

Unfortunately the depth of this analysis has already stretched the data to the point where further sub-classification, to examine the effect of such factors as differences in the urban concentration of the two population groups, and the differences in their marital status and educational distributions, while at the same time still controlling for age and region, will so reduce the reliability of the estimates used as to make the analysis statistically unsound. On the first of these factors, however, there is evidence ${ }^{25}$ to show that the propensity to participate in the labour for all suh-groups of the population is highest in urban communities. Insofar, then, that immigrants within each region are concentrated more heavily than native-born persons in the densely populated communities, (see page 12), it is not unreasonable to assume that this would account for some of the remaining unexplained differences in the participation rates of the two population groups. It is also conceivable that, for males, the small remaining differences might be entirely explained by compositional differences - age, residenceetc. which could not be examined because of data limitations. In any case, it must be concluded that male immigrants, although appearing on the surface to have had a much stronger labour force attachment over the whole of the 11-year period examined in this study, do not in fact behave very differently. age for age and region for region from native-born Canadian males.

So far, however, the analysis still suggest that. after the effect of age and regional differences have been removed, proportionately more post-war immigrant females are in the labour force compared to native born females.

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## Marital Status

An important fact, not examined sel but of some significance in its effect on the total level of female participation in the labour force, is the relative proportions of married and single persons in the population. In February, 1967. for example, 46.5 per cent of all single females in Canada were either working or looking for work compared with only 27.5 per cent among married females. And for noth marital status groups the percentage of immigrants in the labour force is larger than the corresponding proportions among native-horn persons. However, in the absence of a full breakdown of marital status by age too much significance cannot be attached to these figures because the propensity to participate in the labour force for a given marital status group is heavily affected by the age distribution within that group. This is particularly so far married women for whom the presence of young children in the family is a strong factor limiting their freedom to go out to work even if they wished to do so. ${ }^{26}$

The significance of this in the context of this study is evident, for as has already been shown. proportionately more immigrants then native-hom persons are in the age groups $20-34$ (see Appendix Table D4) and this is the age group of marrifed females who are most likely to have young children in the family. Yet, on the other hand, for economic and social reasons, it would be surprising if the fanily composition of post-war immigrants was identical to that among the native-born, even allowing for their age differences. Post-war immigrants, for example, have on balance tended to come from countries where the ratio of young children to the number of women aged $15-49$ is renerally lower than that in Canada. ${ }^{27}$ Also the need for the family to establish themselves financially in a new country will strongly influence theirdecisions to either defer having children, when none exists, or, where children are already present to limit the size of their family.

Given these qualifications, however, some points of interest may he noted. It was seen in Table 3 that, throughout thie period of this study. the proportion of single persons among the immistant female population was significantly lower than that among native-born females. And since single women have a generally higher labour force participation rate the combination of these factors is not favourable to a higher overall participation rate among immigrant females. But Tahle 13 , which gives the participation rates of single and married females by region, (see Appendix Table D9 for more detailed data, including figures for males) shows that this demographic effect is mitigated somewhat by the fact that the total participation rate of single immigrant women is higher in comparison with the nativeborn

[^18]TABLE 13. Immigrants and Native-born Canadian Females; Labour Force Participation Rates by Region and Marital Status, February, 1967

|  | Single |  | Married |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Post-war immigrants | Native-born Canadians | Post-war immigrants | Native-born Canadians |
| Atlantic |  | 38.8 | * | 21.0 |
| Quebec | 62. 9 | 50.8 | 38. 8 | 20.2 |
| Ontario | 48.3 | 42.5 | 38.2 | 30.4 |
| Prairie | 48.5 | 45.0 | 38.1 | 28.8 |
| British Columbia | 61.7 | 46.5 | 33.0 | 27.1 |
| Canada | 52.7 | 45.9 | 37.4 | 25.9 |

* Based on estimates of less than 10,000 .

Source: DBS Labour Force Survey.

A more interesting feature of this table is the observed difference in the participation rates of the two marital status groups between and within regions. And this comparison is particularly significant in the case of Quebec. Compared with other regions this province has the lowest participation rate -20 per cent - for married native-born women. Yet at the same time proportionately more married female immigrants, more single female immigrants and more single native-born females were either working or looking for work in this province than in any other region in Canada. These differences ate obriously a reflection of something more than the operations of the local labour market. It is known, for example, ${ }^{28}$ that the average age of marriage in Quebec is later than in the rest of Canada. Also at the time of the 1961 Census, which also happens to be the midpoint of the period used in this study, the average number of children per family in Qucbec was larger than in any other region. The implication of the first of these facts is that relatively more single women in Quebec are 20 years of age and over and are more likely to he in the labour force. While from the latter it can be concluded that the effect of young children in the family, on labour force status, will have had a stronger intluence among married women in Quebec than elsewhere in Canada, quite apart from any other differences in social characteristics, or attitudes to working mothers, which may also be present. ${ }^{29}$ Insofar, however, that immigrants will not have adopted, or are slow to adopt, the social characteristics of the region in which they reside, it seems plausible to suggest that the higher participation rates of post-war immigrant fenales in Quebec, both married and single, is in part a reflection of the operations of the labour market making up for deficiencies in labour supply caused by the lower participation rates of nativeborn married females in that province. Unfortunately. it would require a close analysis of much more detailed data to fully substantiate this hypothesis.

[^19]The foregoing, then, whilst illustrating and highlighting certain of the differences in labour force participation rates between the two marital status groups among the female population and between immigrants and non-immigrants still does not explain the higher labour force propensity of immigrant females, compared with native-born women, after different age and residence characteristics have been taken into account.

## Education

Lastly in this section dealing with the total labour force and its determinants will be a brief comparison of post-war immigrants and native-born Canadians with respect to their educational attainment and labour force attachment. It was seen earlier (see page 13 and Table 5) that the distributions of educational attainment, within the two population groups, shows certain disparities, one with another. Proportionately more immigrants have university degrees and similarly more of them have also completed high school or have at least attended university. Yet, at the same time, about the same proportion in each population group had only elementary schooling or less. However, given that the higher a person's education the more likely it is that he or she will be in the labour force, these differences are such that it would be surprising if they did not give rise to sone of the observed disparities between the overall participation rates of post-war immigrants and native-born Canadians.

Table 14 provides the relevant data, in this respect for February 1967. It can be clearly seen that, particularly forfemales, the differential between the participation rates at the two extremes in the educational spread is most marked: rising in the case of immigrants from 35 per cent for those with elementary schooling or less to 64 per cent for those holding degrees. The corresponding increase for native-born Canadian females was from 20 to 61 per cent. The main reason for this wider differential among the native-born is that immigrants with only elementary schooling have a much higher propensity to be in the labour force than does the corresponding educational group among the native-born.

TABLE 14. Immigrants and Native-born Canadians: Population, Labour Force and Labour Force Participation Rates by Sex and Level of Educational Attainment, February, 196

| Level of education | Post-war immigrants |  |  | Native-horn Canadians |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Population | Labour force | Labaur force participation rates | Population | Labour force | Labour torce Datticipation rates |
|  | '000 |  |  | ${ }^{\circ} 000$ |  |  |
| Completed elementary school or less | 302 | 279 | 92.4 | 2.324 | 1,652 | 71.1 |
| Same high school education | 216 | 170 | 78.8 | 2. 179 | 1. 529 | 70.2 |
| Completed high school or attended university .. | 229 | 206 | 89.9 | 1. 181 | 956 | 81.0 |
| University degree | 77 | 73 | 94.6 | 289 | 261 | 90.3 |
| Totals | 824 | 728 | 88.4 | 5,973 | 4,398 | 73.6 |
| Female |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Completed elementary school or less | 314 | 109 | 34.8 | 2,119 | 429 | 20.2 |
| Some high school education | 222 | 78 | 35.0 | 2. 295 | 685 | 29.9 |
| Completed high schaol or attended university | 249 | 120 | 48.2 | 1,538 | 716 | 46.5 |
| University degree | 34 | 22 | 64.1 | 149 | 91 | 61.0 |
| Totals | 818 | 329 | 40.2 | 6,101 | 1,921 | 31.5 |

Source: DBS Labour Force Survey.

The participation rates of males are not influenced to anything like the same extent as females by the level of educational attainment. However, after the sharp drop from the high participation rate of male immigrants with elementary schooling or less -92 per cent - to 79 per cent for thase with some high school education there is then a pick-up to the near 95 per cent level of labourforce participation among those with degrees. Among the nativeborn males there is little difference between the participation rates of those withelementary schooling or less and some secondary education, but thereafter the rise is similar to that among immigrants.

To assess the impact of these factors - the different distributions of educational attainment and disparities in the levels of labour force participation on the overall participation rates of the two groups at least one additional factor has to be considered. As with marital status, educational attainment is highly correlated with age and, as has been already noted, there are marked disparities in the age distributions of immigrants and native-born Canadians. Another Study in this Series ${ }^{30}$ has shown, for example, that the average level of education is reduced in successive age cohorts in the population. And it was seen in an earlier section in this Study that proportionately more native-born persons are in the older age groups.

[^20]Table 15 illustrates the results of an attempt to see if education had an independent effect on overall participation rates in February 1967, once the effects of the disparity in the age distributions of the two population groups had been allowed for. The first point to note is that, forgetting age for the moment, standardising post-war immigrants parlicipation rates on the distribution of educational attainment among native-born persons, only reduced their actual rates by 1.5 and 1.3 percentage points for males and females respectively. On the other hand, the effect of the disparities in the age distributions, noted earlier, was 9.4 and 4.1 percentage points. Yet it is obvious that these two effects are not additive, i.e. the educational effect is not independent of age, for from the fourth row of Table 15, it is seen that the age/education standardised rates are no different from the rates obtained by standardising for age alone.

It must therefore be concluded that the apparent additional effect on the disparity between the overall participation rates of the two population groups, due to the differing educational composition of their populations is more illusory than real because it would appear to be entirely explained by disparities in their respective age distributions. And, since this has already been fully taken into account in an earlier section of this study, the educational effect cannot be used to explain any of the remaining, even if small differences in the overall participation rates of post-war immigrants and native-born Canadians.

TABLE 15. Post-war Immigrants: Actual Participation Rates and Rates Standardised for Educational Attainment and Age and Educational Attainment, February, 1967

|  | Male | Female |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Post-war immigrants participation rates: |  |  |
| Actual | 88.4 | 40.2 |
| Education-standardised ${ }^{1}$ | 86.9 | 38.9 |
| Age-standardised ${ }^{1}$ | 79.0 | 36.1 |
| Age education-standardised ${ }^{1}$ | 79.0 | 36.0 |
| Native-born persons participation rates: |  |  |
| Actual | 73.6 | 31.5 |

[^21]Source: DBS Labour Force Survey.

This then concludes the section of this study dealing with the disparities between the labour force participation rates of post-w ar immigrants and native-born Canadians. Because of its length a review of the main findings would appear to be called for but this will be left to the end of the study where a brief summary of the whole of this study will be made.

In the final two sections that follow a short analysis will be made of the two components of the labour force, namely the employed and the unemployed. The first, on the employed, will be largely expository and will describe the differences between immigrants and native-born Canadians with respect to their industrial and occupational characteristics

THE EMPLOYED

Before looking at the relevant employment figures it is necessary to review certain developments in the collection of the statistics during the middle 1960's. It was mentioned at the beginning of this study that a revised weighting pattern was introduced in March 1965 based on the 1961 Census resuits. In addition, for the period October 1962 to January 1966. coding in the Labour Force Survey by industry and by occupation was reduced to one third of the total records each month. For this reason. employment estimates for industry and occupation were compiled during this period on a three month noving average basis, and since data relating to immigrants was only collected in February of each yeat (discounting the autumn survey) no reliahle employment statistics by industry and occupation, are arailable for this population subgroup for February 1965. Furthermore at the same time as new weights were adopted in March 1965, the industrial and occupational groupings were changed to conform to the 1960 Standard Industrial Classification. The combined effect of these several changes in the survey design means that, in addition to having no information for 1965, data on immigrants for February 1966 and 1967 are not strictly comparable with figures for earlier years. (The main historical series of employment statistics were revised in the light of these changes.) However, as was indicated earlier, it is only with regard to the industrial and occupational characteristics of the two population
groups examined in this study that special note has to be taken of this fact.

## Industry

From Table 16 it is possible to compare the industrial distributions of post-war immigrants and native-born Canadians, by the three main industry groups. More detailed figures for 1967, based on the 1960 Standard Industrial Classification, are found in Appendix Table D 10 but because loss of comparability between 1967 and earlier years increases as the level of disaggregation rises, and also because for earlier years some industrial categories are too small for valid inference. comment in this section will be confined to these three broad groups of inriustries.

It is first of all important to note that the estimated number of native-born Canadians employed in the primary industries declined from 903 thousand in February 1956 to 604 thousand in 1967 - a contraction of close to one third in the eleven-year period which has reduced the primary industry share of employment among non-immigrants from aboul 19 per cent to 10 per cent. A similar rate of contraction in terms of the proportion of immigrant workers in the primary industries was also evident-from $8 \frac{1}{2}$ to 4 per cent-although the actual number of immigrants in these industries appears to have risen slightly.

TMBLE 16. Immigrants and Native-born Canadians: Employed by Main Industry Groups ${ }^{1}$ February, 1956-67

| Industry category ${ }^{2}$ | Post-war immigrants |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1956 |  | 1959 |  | 1962 |  | 1967 |  |
|  | '000 | \% | '000 | \% | ${ }^{\prime} 000$ | \% | ${ }^{\circ} 000$ | \% |
| Primary industries | 34 | 8.5 | 30 | 4.9 | 32 | 4.6 | 41 | 4.1 |
| Secondary industries ......................... | 202 | 50.2 | 295 | 48.1 | 311 | 44.8 | 451 | 44.9 |
| Tertiats industries ........................... | 166 | 41.3 | 288 | 47.0 | 352 | 50.6 | 511 | 51.0 |
| All industries | 402 | 100.0 | 613 | 100, 0 | 695 | 100.0 | 1,003 | 1000 |
|  | Native -born Canadians |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 1956 |  | 1959 |  | 1962 |  | 1967 |  |
|  | $\bigcirc 000$ | \% | '000 | \% | '000 | $\%$ | 000 | \% |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  | $604$ |  |
| Secondary industries $\qquad$ Tertiary industries | $\begin{aligned} & 1,460 \\ & 2,420 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 30.5 \\ & 50.6 \end{aligned}$ | 1,511 2,634 | $\begin{aligned} & 30.8 \\ & 53.8 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 1,490 \\ & 2,948 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 29.0 \\ & 57.3 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 1,712 \\ & 3,661 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 28.6 \\ & 61.3 \end{aligned}$ |
| thl industries .............................. | 4,783 | 100.0 | +,900 | 100.0 | 5,145 | 100.0 | 5,977 | 100. 0 |

${ }^{1}$ Primary industries include agriculture, torestry. fishing and trapping, mining and quarrying: secondary industries comprise manufacturing and construction, and tertiary industries include transportation, public uthlities, trade, finance and insurance, and services. Figures for 1967 are not strictly comparable with thuse for earlier years: See footnote ${ }^{2}$.
i Estimates for 1956, 1959 and 1962 based on 1948 Standard Industrial Classification; those for 1967 are based on the 1960 Standard Industrial Classification.

Source: DBS Labour Force Survey.

The proportion of native-born Canadians working in the secondary industries, manufacturing and construction, has scarcely changed in eleven years, falling from 30.5 per cent in 1956 to 28.6 per cent in 1967; but, for immigrants the corresponding proportion in these industries has fallen from over 50 per cent, to 45 per cent. For both population groups, therefore, the relative growth in employment has been in the tertiary industries. By the early 1960's this group of industries employed more than half of all immigrant workers compared with only a little over two fifths in 1956. Among the native-born workers, over half of whom were already employed in this sector by 1956 , the increase has been just as rapid and today 6 out of every 10 native-born workers are employed in the tertiary industries.

Some notion of the disparities between immigrants and native-horn Canadians can be seen in more detail from Table 17 which refers on the position as at February 1967. This table shows the concentration indices of post-war inmigrants (for definition see footnote attached to the table). Indices of over 100 indicate that the proportion of immigrants in a given industry is greater than that of the proportion of all workers in that same industry, the reverse situation holds for values less than 100 . In the former group are construction, manufacturing and the service industries, in that order, while in all other industries immigrants are under-represented. most markedly so in agriculture, followed closely by the other primary industries.

TABLE 17. Post-war Immigrants' Industrial Concentration Indices. February, 1967

| Industry category <br> (1960 Indust rial Classification) | Total Canadian employment | Post-war immigrants Concentration Indices ${ }^{\text {a }}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | '000 |  |
| Agriculture | 437 | 40.6 |
| Other primary | 208 | 44.0 |
| Manufacturing | 1.748 | 141.0 |
| Construction.. | 415 | 161.9 |
| Transportation and communication | 629 | 56.8 |
| Wholesale and retail trade | 1.168 | 79.6 |
| Finance.... | 298 | 97.4 |
| Services... | 1,655 | 105.7 |
| Public administration | 422 | 55.2 |
| Totals | 6.980 | 100.0 |

: Concentration indices are obtained by dividing the proportion of all immigrants in a given industrs by the proportion of all Canadians in that same industry and multiplying by 100 .

Source: DBS Labour Force Survey.

## Occupation

Occupational selection has been a principle of Canadian immigration policy throughout the post-war period. For instance "in the immediate post-war years, the only immigrants who were admissible to Canada, by and large, other than the preferred classes, were agricultural and farm workers. Many people who were not farmers at all undertook to come to Canada as farmers, because this was the only circumstance under which they were admissible". ${ }^{31}$ In the mid "fifties" the policy was oriented to accupational selection of unsponsored immigrants, except from United Kingdom, France and United States, in the light of the domestic narket conditions. The success of the policy, by which special encouragement was given to stilled and professional workers, can be iudged from the fact that whercas professional workers among immigrants, "destined to the labour force", were only about 4 per cent of the total in 1950, this proportion had risen to nearly one quarter by 1966. The pattern of "intended occupation" of immigrants over the post-war period is shown in Appendix Table D 11.

It cannot be inferred from the table, however, that immigrants' occupational attachment today is a good reflection of the distribution of their intended

[^22]occupations at the time of their arrival in Canada. Many of the earlier "farmers" will have left farming as soon as their qualifying period of work in that industry had been completed; the occupational mix of immigrants who subsequently left Canada will not necessarily have been the same as those who remained; and the immigrant children who were under the age of 14 at the time of their arrival in Canada and who have subsequently entered the labour force will again not necessarily have the same occupational distribution as immigrants who were adults on arrival into the country. In addition the operations of the labour market will have given rise to some occupational mobility among both immigrants and native-born Canadians.

For these several reasons, therefore, a study of changes in the occupational distribution of post-war immigrants, and the associated comparison with that of native-born persons has to be made on the basis of questions added to the DBS Monthly Labour Force Surveys. But for reasons already mentioned this has been frustrated by changes made in the industrial and occupational classification in 1965. And, whereas the revisions to the industrial coding were largely within the broad industrial groups, those for occupation were sufficient to require some adjustment to be made to earlier figures to provide data comparable with the most recent statistics.

This adjustment was made to data only for February 1956. Table 18 then provides a comparison between immigrants and native-born Canadians with

TABLE 18. Immigrants and Native-born Canadians: Employed by Broad Occupational Groups ${ }^{1}$ February 1956 and 1967

| Occupation category <br> (1961 classification) | Post-war immigrants |  |  |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |

[^23]respect to their occupational distributions for the two years 1956 and 1967. Because of the close correspondence between the propartions of workers in primary industries and those with primary occupations the figures in this table are similar to those in Table 16 for this same sector of the economy. The most significant occupational developments relating to immigrants during the eleven-year period were the decline in the blue-collar occupation's share from 47.0 per cent to 42.0 per cent, and the marked rise in the proportion of white-collar workers among immigrants, from 42.3 to 52.4 per cent. Among nativeborn Canadians 56.1 per cent of all workers were in white-collar occupations in February 1967 nearly 10 percentage points above the proportion in 1956, but there has been no decline in the proportion in bluecollar occupations, in terms of percentage distributions white collar occupations have gained almost entirely at the expense of primary occupations.

Despite these shifts, however, it is clear that the occupational distribution of post-war immigrants remains significantly different from that of nativeborn Canadians, even when comparing data for these very broad occupational groupings.

A finer occupational breakdown is given in Table 19 relating to the position as at February 1967. The concentration ratios have been calculated, and should be interpreted in the same way as those for industry given in Table 17.32 Thus it can be seen that immigrants are more concentrated compared with native-born Canadians, among craftsmen, professional workers and in the service occupations, and least concentrated in the primary, transport and communication occupations.

[^24]TABLE 19. Post-war Immigrants' Occupational Concentration Indices, February, 1967

| Occupation category <br> (196I classification) | Total <br> Canadian <br> employment | Post-war immigrants <br> concentration <br> indices |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |

${ }^{1}$ For method of calculation see footnote Table 17.
Source: DBS Labour Force Survey.

## THE UNEMPLOYED

An examination of the unemployment statistics pertaining to the two groups can give an insight into their relative position in this respect. It should again be noted, however, that seasonal adjustments of the data could not be made because immigrants are indentified in the survey in only two months, viz. February and September, and in this study, for reasons already mentioned, only the February figures have been used. From this it should not be inferred that seasonal unemployment does not enter into unemployment estimates for February or that such seasonal unemployment will affect both population groups alike.

The unemployment situation among immigrants, compared with native-horn Canadians over the period of this study is given in Table 20. Because estimates for female immigrants are too small for valid inferences to be drawn, those for males only are shown in the table. It is significant that from 1956 to 1962 proportionately more immigrants than native-horn were out of a job but by 1965 the situation had been reversed and although the gap had nearly closed again, relatively more native-born males were looking for jobs in February 1967.

TABLE 20. Immigrants and Native-born Canadian Males: Unemployment Rates, February, 1956-67

|  | Immigrants |  |  |  |  | Native-born Canadians |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
|  | 1956 | 1959 | 1962 | 1965 | 1961 | 1956 | 1959 | 1962 | 1965 | 1967 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

Source: DBS Labour Force Survey.

These figures art obviously affected by the industrial and regional distributions of the two population groups. The first of these factors could be examined by considering unemployment rates calculated from the number unemployed classified by industry of last employment and the number currently employed in that industry. This information is not available for immigrants and native-born Canadians separately, so instead standardised unemployment rates were obtained for the two population groups by applying the national "industrial" unemployment rates to the two industrial distributions of workers. The result of this exercise, which was done using first quarter, 1967. unemployment rates applied to the distribution of workers in February 1967 shows that immigrants have an unfavourable industrial mix in terms of their propensity to be unemployed, and that this is largely due to the higher concentration of immigrants in the construction industry.

So far, then, this brief analysis suggests that the lower unemployment rates of post-war immigrants, in recent years, have been obtained in spite of an unfavourable industrial mix. While this may be so it ignores the effect of regional disparities among the two populations.

Unfortunately this second effect cannot be examined independently of the industrial mix. What follows, therefore, is an examination of the regional effect alone whilst remembering that this will include the effect of industrial mix noted above. Yet here again limitations in the data do not permit a full analysis. Even taking the combined male and female
unemployment rates, only the estimate of immigrants unemployment in Ontario is statistically sound. For this region the immigrant unemployment rate is 5.1 per cent compared with only 3.3 per cent for nativeborn Canadians. However, since labour force estimates of immigrants, by region, are reliable, as are the unemployment estimates of native-born persons, the native-born unemployment rate has been standardised on the regional labour force distribution of post-war immigrants. The result of this calculation is that, compared with an actual rate of 5.4 per cent in February 1967, native-born Canadians would have had only 4.4 per cent unemployed in that month if they had had the same regional distribution as postwat immigrants.

It must therefore be concluded that, at least in February 1967, the lower unemployment rate of post-war immigrants was due to a very favourable regional distribution, only partially offset by an unfavourable industrial mix, and that if it were not for this, proportionately more immigrants that nativeborn Canadians would have been looking for work.

One special factor affecting the immigrants position in terms of employment appears to be a lack of familiarity, soon after their arrival, with the Canadian labour market and employment conditions, It is, therefore, worthwhile to see if there is any association between the dates of arrival, or "period of immigration', and the level of unemplovment for the immigrants of a particular period at certain successive points of time. Data in this respect are presented in Table 21.

TABLE 21. Unemployment Rates of Total Canada and of Immigrants by Period of Immigration, February, 1961-67

|  | Post-war immigrants by period of immigration |  |  | Total Canada |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1946-58 | $\begin{gathered} 1959 \\ \text { and later } \end{gathered}$ | Total post-war period |  |
|  |  | per ce |  |  |
| 1961 | 11.7 | $16.7{ }^{1}$ | 12. $2^{\text {a }}$ | 11.3 |
| 1962 | 8.6 | $13.9{ }^{1}$ | $9.4{ }^{1}$ | 9.1 |
| 1963 | 7.8 | $9.2{ }^{\text {a }}$ | 8. $0^{1}$ | 8.4 |
| 1964 | 5.2 | $8.6{ }^{1}$ | $5.8{ }^{\text {2 }}$ | 7.0 |
| 1965 | 4.4 | $4.8{ }^{1}$ | 4. $5^{1}$ | 5.8 |
| 1966 | 3.7 | $3.9{ }^{1}$ | $3.8{ }^{1}$ | 5.0 |
| 1967 | 4.1 | 7.2 | 5.1 | 5.4 |

[^25]Source; DBS Labour force Survey.

In Table 21 the unemployment position of immigrants who came into Canada in the periods 1946 -58 and 1959-67 are compared during the present decade starting from February 1961. Also presented are the overall unemployment rates of these immigrants and of the total Canadian labour force. It is seen that the unemployment rates of earlier immigrants fell in each year from 11.7 per cent in February 1961 to 3.7 per cent in 1966, followed by an increase to 4.1 per cent in 1967. This pattern follows closely that of total unemployment in Canada over the 7 years, particularly to 1963. However, in later years the earlier post-war immigrants have fared somewhat better as regards unemployment than the rest of the Canadian labour force. In 1961 and 1962 unemployment rates of the most recent group of immigrants were noticeably higher than those of both earlier immigrants and the national rate. Subsequently, the situation among this group of immigrant improved at a faster rate than did that of earlier immigrants, and by 1966 the disparity had virtually disappeared. But in February 1967, by which time the economic climate had worsened, and when unemployment was rising, the most recent immigrants appear to have been hardest hit. In the twelve months from February

1966 to February 1967 the proportion of the 1958-67 immigrants labour force out of work had risen from 3.9 to 7.2 per cent, compared with a national increase from 5.0 to 5.4 per cent and for earlier postwar immigrants from 3.7 to 4.1 per cent.

It can, however, be concluded that the unemployment situation among post-war immigrants in total has been generally in line with that for the country as a whole during the 1960's. Immigrants who have been in the country for only a few years have obviously had greater difficulty in finding and keoping jobs as evidenced by the significantly higher unemployment rates of the 1958-67 immigrants in 1961 and 1962. An iniprovement in economic conditions over the middle years of the period was reflected in the immigrants' economic position in the job market. But it is further evident that, by February 1967 new immigrants were finding the labour market situation very different from that of only a year or two earlier. Over one in ten of all immigrants who arrived in Canada between January 1965 and February 1967, and who wanted to work were without a job at the end of that period.

## SUMMARY

In the 21 years from the beginning of 1946 to the end of 1966 nearly two million seven hundred thousand immigrants came to Canada. In 1967 over two hundred thousand more arrived and at the time of publication the grand total of all post-war immigrants will likely have passed the three million mark

But not all new arrivals stay in Canada. Only about 75 per cent of immigrants remain in the country for more than six years. Further, some of the earlier post-war immigrants will have died so that the present immigrant population is somewhat lower than the cumulative tatal of immigrant arrivals.

Yet, by February 1967, it is estimated, from the DBS Monthly Labour Force Survey, that 12 per cent of the Canadian population, aged 14 years and over. and over 14 per cent of the Canadian labour force were post-war immigrants.

The study shows that post-war immigrants differ from native-born persons (including earlier immigrants) with respect to their sex, age and marital status distributions, their standard of education and where they live. Thus there are more immigrant males than females while the reverse of this situation holds among native-born persons. There are proportionately fewer immigrants in the older age groups, and while relatively more immigrant males are single, relatively more immigrant females are married.

On average immigrants are better educated, they are most highly concentrated in Ontario (57 per cent of them live in this province compared with only 30 per cent of the native-born) and tend, more so than the native-born, to live in the densely populated communities. British Columbia has also attracted proportionately more immigrants than native-born

Canadians but in all other regions post-war immigrants are under-represented - most noticeably so in the Atlantic Provinces. Between only one and two per cent of immigrants reside in these provinces compared with nearly 11 per cent of other Canadians.

These differences, in the demographic and socio-economic characteristics of the two populations account for much of the observed disparity in the propensity of post-war immigrants to be in the labour force compared with native-born Canadians. Thus, although over 88 per cent of immigrant males, aged 14 years and over, were in the labour force, in February 1967, compared with less than 74 per cent of native-born males, about three quarters of this difference is due to disparities in the age distributions of the two population groups, and at least another 10 per cent to the "favourable" regional mix of immigrant settlement vis-a-vis that of the native-born. It was seen, therefore considering that immigrants are also favourably located in terms of employment opportunity, due to their greater concentration in urban centres, that age for age and region for region the proportion of pust-war immigrant males in the labour force is much the same as that for native-born persons.

The situation among females is not so clear. No more than about 60 per cent of the difference between the participation rates of immigrant and non-immigrant females is due to age and regional factors. So that even allowing for some additional residence effect and considering the marital status differences between the two population groups it must be concluded that immigrant females do have a higher propensity to be in the labour force. This perhaps could be explained in terms of the greater
need for immigrant families to establish themselves financially in a new country but in the absence of such datathis hypothesis has had to be left untested.

Considering the trend in labour force participation rates over the period of this study, 1956 to 1967, all the evidence suggests that those social and economic factors such as the trend towards earlier retirement, deferment of entry into the labour force to obtain more schoolirg and increasing participation of married women, which have led to a decline in the proportion of males in the labour force on the one hand, and to the corresponding rise in the proportion of females on the other, have affected both immigrants and non-immigrants alike.

The last two sections in this study looked at the employed and the unemployed - the two components of the labour force. It was seen here that the industrial and occupational trix of immigrant workers differs significantly from that of native-born persons. Although, in February 1967, over half of all workers in both population groups are found in the tertiary industries (transportation, public utilities, trade, finance, etc.) only 51 per cent of immigrants are enployed in these industries, compared with 61 per cent of the native-born. Immigrants are also less concentrated in the primary industries. This underrepresentation of immigrants in theprimary and tertiary sectors of the economy is made up for by their relatively greater concentration in manufacturing and construction - industries in which 45 per cent of all immigrants work compared with 29 per cent of nonimmigrants.

As would be expected an associated pattern is evident between the two occupational distributions. Relatively more immigrants are in blue-collar johs; relatively fewer in white-collar and primary occupations. But for both immigrants and non-immigrants over half of all workers in February 1967 held whitecollar positions -52 and 56 per cent respectively and in each case this was about 10 percentage points higher than 11 years earlier in February 1956.

On the whole, over the eleven-year period examined in this study. immigrants do not appear to have fared very much worse than native-born Canadians in ternis of their likelihood of being employed. There is some evidence to show that, in the first few years after their arrival in Canada, immigrants experience greater difficulty in finding and holding jobs. Neither is the industrial mix of immigrants favourable to job security. But because immigrants are highly concentrated in Ontario, where unemployment rates are among the lowest in Canada, this has cancelled out some of the adverse factors affecting immigrants in respect to their unemployment situation. However, the recent easing in the demand for workers which has given rise to an increase in unemployment rates in 1966 and 1967 has had a deterious effect on the ability of the most recent immigrants to find jobs. In February 1967 over 10 per cent of all immigrants who had arrived in Canada in the preceding two years, and who wanted to work, were looking for jobs, compared with an "all Canadian" rate of 5.4 per cent.

## APPENDICES

## IPPENDIX

## A. EXPIANITORY NOTE ANI IDEFINITIONS

The data in this report, other than that obtained from the Department of Manpower and Immigration and from the 1961 Census, were collected by means of supplementary questions added to the Monthly Labour Force Survey in February of each year. The supplementary questions leading to the provision of data on post-war immigrants were "In what country were you born?" and "In what year did you migrate to Canada?". In addition, the February 1967 and some earlier schedules of the labour force survey contained the question "How far did this person go in school?" and this yielded data on the educational attainments of the two groups.

Thus while the Labour Force Survey data provided the main body of intormation for this study, the annual reports and statistics published, as well as those expecially compiled for this study, by the Department of Manpower and Immigration have also been used.

With definitional and other changes, the Labour Force Survey data for total Canada were revised in 1958 and again in March 1965. Similar revisions were not made in the immigrants' statistics. Hence, the data relating to immigrants as well as nativeborn Canadians used in this study are from the original monthly issues of the Labour Force Survey and its unpublished figures pertaining to immigrants. Care has been taken to adjust the data in terms of conceptual, classification and weight changes, ${ }^{33}$ wherever necessary.

## Scope of Monthly Labour Force Survey

In the Monthly Labour Force Survey, interviews are carried out in approximately 35,000 households chosen by area sampling methods across the country ${ }^{34}$ The sample used in this survey has been designed to represent all persons in the population, 14 years

[^26]of age and over residing in Canada with the exception of: residents of the Yukon and Northwest Territories, Indians living on reserves, inmates of institutions, and members of the arned forces. These excluded categories amount to about three per cent of the total population 14 years of age and over. Estimates derived from a sample survey are subject to sampling and other kinds of error. This aspect is discussed further under the heading "Reliability of Estimates" ${ }^{\prime \prime}$.

## Definitions

The following are definitions of terms used in this study other than those for post-war immigrants and native-born Canadians which were defined at the beginning of the study

Labour force. - The civilain labour force is composed of that portion of the civilian non institutional population 14 years of age and over who, during the reforence week were employed or unemployed.

Employed. - The employed includes all persons who, during the reference week
(a) did any work for pay or profit;
(b) did any work which contributed to the running of a farm or business operated by a related member of the household, or
(c) had a job, but were not at work, because of bad weather, illness, industrial dispute, or vacation, or because they were taking time off for other reasons.

Persons who had jobs but did not work during the reference week and who also looked for work are included in the unemployed as persons without work and seeking work.

Inemployed. - The unemployed includes all persons who, through the reference week:
(a) were without work and seeking work, i.e., did no work during the reference week and were looking for work: or would have been looking for work except that they were temporarily ill, were on indefinite or prolonged layoft or believed no suitable work was available in the community; or
(b) were temporarily laid off for the full week, i.e. were waiting to be called back to a job from which they had heen laid off for less than 30 days.

Not in the labour force. - Those not in the labour force include all civilitns 14 years of age and over (exclusive of institutional population) who are not classified as employed or unemployed. This category includes those; going to school; keeping house: too old or otherwise unable to work; and voluntarily idle or retired. Housewives, students and others who worked part-time are classified as employed. If they looked for work they are classified as unemploved.

## Levels of Education Used in the Report

some primary school education or less. - This category includes persons with no schooling or reporting a few months only, and persons who started school but did not complete elementary education, which is Grade 8 for all provinces except Quebec where there are 7 years in the primary division. In a few cities where there are junior high schools, grades up to Grade 8. except in Quebec, were considered elementary.

Completed primary school education. - This category includes persons who completed Grade 8 (or Grade 7 in Quebec).

Some high school education... This category includes persons who started but did not complete high school. High schools include all technical high
schools and commercial high schools and the first four years of the classical colleges in Quebec and the primary, complementary and superior divisions, which are also in Quebec.

Completed high school education. - This category includes persons who completed high school. In Quebec the completion of superior division would be necessary to complete high school.

Some university education. - This category includes persons who attended any courses in regular universities and colleges at the university level but did not obtain a university degree.

University degree. - This category includes persons who obtained a university degree such as B. A., B.Sc., M.A., D.D., etc.

## B. RELIABILITY OF ESTIMATES

## Sampling Error

The estimates in this report are based on a sample of households. Somewhat different figures might have been ohtained if a complete census had been taken using the same questionnaires, enumerators, supervisors, processing, etc. This difference is called the sampling ertor of the estimates. In the design and processing of the Labour Force Survey extensive efforts have been made to minimize the sampling error. The sampling error (expressed as a per cent of the estimate it refers to) is not the sane for all estimates; of two estimates the larger one will likely have a smaller per cent sampling error, and of two estimates of the same size the one referring to a characteristic more evenly distributed across the country will tend to have a smallerper cent sampling variability. Also, estimates relating to age and sex are usually more reliable than other estimates of comparable size.

## Non-sampling Errors

Errors, which are not related to sampling, may occur at almost every phase of a survey operation. Enumerators may misunderstand instructions, respondents may make errors in answering questions, the answers may be incorrectly entered on the questionnaires and errors may be introduced in the processing and tahulations of the data. All these errors are called non-sampling errors. Some of the non-sampling errors will usually balance out over a large number of observations but systematically occurring errors will contribute to hiases. Nonsampling errors can be reduced hy a careful design of questionnaires, intensive training and supervision of enumerators and a thorough control of the processing operation. In general, the more personal and more subjective inquiries are subject to larger errors. Also, data referring to persons with less stable labour force status will have relatively large nonsampling errors.

## C. METHODOLOGY

## Standardisation

Throughout this study a statistical technique known as standardisation has been used when conparing the labour force participation rates of immigrants and non-immigrants or the participation rates of the same population group at two points in time. It is not the purpose of this note to give a full description of the technique but rather to outline the use of it in the particular context of this study and to mention some of the problems encountered. To do this one example will be used: the problem of removing the effect of differing age distributions when comparing the lahour force participation rates of the two populations.

It will be remembered that male immigrants in 1967 had an overall participation rate (the total labour force divided by the total population 14 years of age and over) some 14 percentage points higher than that of non-immigrants -88 per cent against 74
per cent. But together with other characteristics of a population it is known that the likelihood of a person being at work or looking for work is related in some way to the age of that person. Thus, young people in their late teens are more likely to still be pursuing some course of formal education with the result that it is less likely that they are in the lahour force. Similarly, after a certain age workers retire from the labour force and while the age at which an individual retires completely from working, in the labour force sense, is very much a personal decision based on health and financial circumstances, the statistics show that it is after the age of 55 or so that there is a noticeable fall off in the age specific participation rates.

From the foregoing it is easy to see that, even if age for age there is no difference in the participation rates of two populations, hut one population has a relatively high proportion of its members in the younger and older age groups, then its overall
participation rate (defined above) will be the lower of the two. This is essentially the situation which obtains in the case of post-war immigrant and nativeborn Canadian males. The technique of standardisation then is one which simply says that if labour force participation is associated with age (or any other social or demographic characteristic) then compare the participation rates of the two populations by relating their age specific participation rates to some standard age distribution. The resultant aggregate difference is then one which can only be ascribed to either behavioural differences or to other compositional differences (including more detailed age) not specifically accounted for in analysis.

However, a new question has now to be asked which is "what standard age distribution should be used?". In the problems encountered in the study the participation rates of post-war immigrants and native-born persons could have been standardised on either the age distribution of post-war immigrants or native-born persons. Indeed, there is no reason why the basis of standardisation should not have been on "all Canada" age distribution, i.e. one obtained by combining the age distributions of the two population groups. In certain circumstances it might even be desirable to standardise on a distri-
bution completely unrelated to the two or more populations under comparison. However, it is important to note that, whatever the basis of standardisation, this determines the interpretation to be placed on the results - and the different results will not always lead to the same conclusion.

Thus if the participation rates of post-war immigrants and native-born Canadians are standardised on the age distribution of native-born persons this is effectively asking the question "What would the participation rate of post-war immigrants be if they had the same age distribution as native-born persons?''. The answer to this question would then be compared with the actual overall participation rate of native-born Canadians. If, on the other hand, the basis of standardisation is the age distribution of post-war immigrants this would arise if the question asked, and the resultant comparison, were of the same form as those above but with the position of the two populations reversed.

To see why these two approaches will not necessarily lead to the same conclusion being drawn the following simple example is given using two hypothetical distributions, denoted as (A) and (B), for which data is assumed to be availahle for three age groups.


The overall participation rate of population (B) is seen to be 12 percentage points above that of population (A), but since both the age distributions and the age specific participation rates of the two populations differ it is not immediately possible to see how much of the difference is due to each of these two factors.

Consider first of all the outcome of an exercise which standardised the participation rates of both populations on the age distribution of population (A). The overall participation rate of population (A), of course, remains the same at 64 per cent, but applying the participation rates of population ( $B$ ) - Column 5 - to the age distribution of population ( A ) - Column 2 -reduces the overall participation rate of population (B) from 76 per cent to the standardised rate of 64 per cent, i.e. the same as the actual rate of population (A). It could, therefore, be concluded that the original difference in the overall participation rates was entirely due to differences in the age distributions.

However, when the basis of standardisation is changed to the age distribution of population ( B ) the standardised participation rate of population (A), obtained by applying the figures in Column 3 to those in Column 4, becomes 78 per cent compared to the actual overall rate of population (3) of 76 per cent. It could, therefore, be concluded, from this analysis, that instead of being 12 percentage points lower, the overall participation rate of population (A) is in fact some 2 percentage points higher than that of population (B).

It is, of course, for the analyst to decide, in the context of the study being undertaken, whether a conclusion that either no difference exists, or one of only 2 percentage points, is really worth worrying about - particularly since it is clear, from the above example that, in both instances, all of the apparent difference of 12 percentage points can be explained by the disparity in the age distributions of the two populations.

The reason for the discrepancy between the two approaches to standardisation can be described as the effect of "interaction" between the differences in the age distributions and differences between participation rates. To see why this is so the following figures have been obtained from the preceding table.

| Age group | Difference between age distributions (col. 4-col. 2) | Difference between participation rates (col. 5-col. 3) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | 0.0 | + 5.0 |
| 2 | $+20.0$ | -5.0 |
| 3 | -20.0 | +5.0 |

By multiplying these differences for each age group, adding and then dividing by 100 it is seen that the interaction effect to equal to minus 2 percentage points which is the difference between the two results obtained earlier.

In many applications this interaction effect is small relative to the original difference under investigation, and this was generally the case in the study (see footnotes ${ }^{27}$ and ${ }^{18}$ ), but it is nevertheless desirable that both standardisations should be carried out to see if this is so. Furthermore, it will be obvious from the above that, where a multiplicity of factors are being examined at the same time, the number of possible interaction effects will also multiply.

Throughout this study the age, regional and educational distributions used to obtain the standardised rates were those of native-born Canadians. This was desirable for a number of reasons. Firstly because the sampling error of the estimates for this population group were lower than for post-war immigrants, and also because the native-born distributions were more typical of Canada as a whole. In any case the object of the study was to see if immigrants were different from native-born Canadians and not the other way round.

## Median Years of School Completed

The median year of school completed is that year which divides the population group in half with one half having completed more schooling and one half having completed less schooling than the median. To calculate the median years of schooling com-
pleted it is necessary to make some judgements in the selection of the class limits because the number of years required to complete certain levels of education are not uniform throughout Canadian provinces. In the first study in this series - "Education Attainment of the Canadian Population and Labour Force: 1960-1965' - by Frank J. Whittingham, certain class limits were used to calculate median years of schooling which gave a range of years to both the completed elementary school education and completed high school education classes. This was felt necessary at the time because "completed elementary school", for example, could refer to 7 years of schooling in Quebec and 8 years in other provinces. While "completed secondary school" may be a correct answer even when it refers to either 11 , 12 , or 13 years depending on the province, even though it follows from this that there is a necessary difference in the actual level of educational attainment achieved.

However, it is now felt, because most medians will be found in the range of educational attainment that falls between these two classes (i.e. some secondary schooling), that it is preferable to concentrate on defining this group. The medians for this study therefore have been calculated on the assumption that the terms "completed elementary schooling" and "completed secondary schooling" refer to a fixed number of years cobtained by an approximate weighting of the relevant levels for each province). The result of this exercise is that the term "some secondary schooling" in this study has a range of 7.75 to 12.25 years compared with 8.5 to 11.5 years in the earlier study. It is felt that the merit of the new approach is that a student who, if the actual years of education were available, was at the top end of the "some secondary schooling" class, would be from a province where 13 years of schooling was necessary to complete secondary schooling and he or she would therefore have obtained 12 or a little over 12 years of education. Similarly a person whose education was terminated at the bottom end of this class would most likely have come from Quebec and may not have even completed their eighth year of schooling.

It therefore provides a more sensitive measure of educational attainment in what is the critical class ranges when calculating medians.

TARLE D 1. Immigrants by Ethnic Origin, 1946-66

| No. | Ethnic origin | 1946-50 |  |  | 1951-55 |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | From overseas | From <br> U.S.A. | Total | From overseas | From <br> U.S. A. | Total |
| 1 | A. Western and Northem Europeans ....u....................... No. | 234,412 | 37,010 | 271.422 | 491,036 | 38,781 | 529.817 |
| 2 |  | 60.6 | 84.4 | 63.1 | 65.9 | 82.7 | 66.9 |
| 3 | (i) British ${ }^{2}$...................................................... No, | 171.840 | 24,688 | 196, 528 | 195, 865 | 24.771 | 220.636 |
| 4 |  | 44.4 | 56.3 | 45.7 | 26.3 | 52.8 | 27.9 |
| 5 | (11) Other Western ${ }^{2}$............................................. $\mathrm{No}$. | 56,892 | 10,460 | 67.352 | 267.941 | 11.687 | 279,628 |
| 6 |  | 14. 7 | 23.9 | 15.6 | 36. 0 | 24. 9 | 35. 3 |
| 7 | (iii) Northern Europeans ${ }^{3}$..................................... No. | 5.680 | 1.862 | 7.542 | 27. 230 | 2. 323 | 29,553 |
| 8 | \% | 1.5 | 4.2 | 1.8 | 3.6 | 5.0 | 3. 7 |
| 9 | B. Southem Europeans ${ }^{\text {a }}$...................................-.......... ${ }^{\text {No. }}$ | 25,685 | 1.298 | 26,983 | 137. 186 | 1.688 | 138,874 |
| 10 |  | 6.6 | 3.0 | 6. 3 | 18.4 | 3.6 | 17.5 |
| 11 | C. Eastern Europeans ................................................. ${ }^{\text {No. }}$ No, | 102,802 | 2. 074 | 104.876 | 83,509 | 2. 535 | 86,044 |
| 12 |  | 26.6 | 4.8 | 24.4 | 11.2 | 5.4 | 10.9 |
| 13 | (i) Russians and Ukranians ............................ No. | 25.791 | 456 | 26. 247 | 16. 257 | 435 | 16,692 |
| 14 |  | 6.7 | 1.0 | 6.1 | 2. 2 | 0.9 | 2.1 |
| 15 | (ii) Other East Europeans ${ }^{\text {s }}$ | 77.011 | 1,618 | 78.629 | 67. 252 | 2.100 | 69.352 |
| 16 |  | 19.9 | 3.7 | 18.3 | 9. 0 | 4. 5 | 8.8 |
| 17 | D. Latin Americans ${ }^{\text {b }}$ | 11 | 9 | 20 | 34 | 24 | 58 |
| 18 |  | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0. 0 |
| 19 | E. Arabs ${ }^{7}$.................................................................... No. ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | 284 | 99 | 383 | 1. 366 | 142 | 1,508 |
| 20 |  | 0.1 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0. 2 | 0.3 | 0. 2 |
| 21 | F. Armenians. Tutks and Iranians ................................ No. | 103 | 14 | 117 | 593 | 48 | 641 |
| 22 |  | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0. 1 |
| 23 | G. Jews .................................................................... ${ }^{\text {No. }}$ | 19,697 | 2.772 | 22.469 | 17. 777 | 3. 068 | 20.845 |
| 24 |  | 5. I | 6.3 | 5. 2 | 2.4 | 6. 5 | 2.6 |
| 25 | H. East Indians and Allied Groups* ............................. ${ }^{\text {No. }}$ | 315 | 41 | 356 | 824 | 13 | 837 |
| 26 |  | 0. 1 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.1 |
| 27 | I. Chinese ................................................................. No. | 2.640 | 14 | 2,654 | 11. 464 | 60 | 11.524 |
| 28 |  | 0.7 | 0.0 | 0.6 | 1. 6 | 0. 1 | 1.5 |
| 29 | J. Japanese ................................-....--........................... No. | 28 | 9 | 37 | 223 | 11 | 234 |
| 30 |  | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 31 | K. Negroes ............................................................... ${ }^{\text {No. }}$ | 566 | 381 | 947 | 840 | 420 | 1. 260 |
| 32 |  | 0.2 | 0.9 | 0.2 | 0.1 | 0.9 | 0.2 |
| 33 | L. Others ${ }^{9}$................................................................ ${ }^{\text {a }}$ No. | 13 | 112 | 125 | 159 | 129 | 288 |
| 34 |  | 0.0 | 0.3 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.3 | 0.0 |
| 35 |  | 386,556 | 43.833 | 430,389 | 745, 011 | 46,919 | 791,930 |
| 36 |  | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |

[^27]TABLE D 1. Immigrants by Ethnic Origin, 1946-66

| 1956-60 |  |  | 1961-65 |  |  | 1966 |  |  | 1946-66 |  |  | No. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| From overseas | $\begin{aligned} & \text { From } \\ & \text { U.S.A. } \end{aligned}$ | Total | From overseas | From <br> U.S.A. | Total | From overseas | $\underset{\text { U. }}{\substack{\text { Fiom } \\ \text { U. } \\ \hline}}$ | Total | From overseas | $\begin{aligned} & \text { From } \\ & \text { U.S. A. } \end{aligned}$ | Total |  |
| 425,276 | 44.783 | 470,059 | 193.735 | 51.066 | 244.801 | 86.041 | 14. 205 | 100.246 | 1.430,500 | 185,845 | 1,616,345 | 1 |
| 58.4 | 82.6 | 60. 0 | 44. 4 | 81.6 | 49.1 | 48.5 | 81.1 | 51.5 | 57.8 | 82.6 | 59.9 | 2 |
| 230.983 | 28.021 | 259.004 | 124.637 | 31,115 | 155.752 | 63.124 | 8.381 | 71.505 | 786.449 | 116.976 | 903.425 | 3 |
| 31.7 | 51.7 | 33.1 | 28.6 | 49.7 | 31.2 | 35.6 | 47.9 | 36.7 | 31.8 | 52.0 | 33.5 | 4 |
| 166.073 | 13.969 | 180.042 | 61.582 | 16,636 | 76. 218 | 20,241 | 4.839 | 25,080 | 572,729 | 57,591 | 630, 320 | 5 |
| 22.8 | 25.8 | 23.0 | 14. 1 | 26.6 | 15. 7 | 11.4 | 27. 6 | 12.9 | 23.2 | 25.6 | 23.4 | 6 |
| 26. 220 | 2.793 | 31.013 | 7,516 | 3,315 | 10,831 | 2.676 | 985 | 3.661 | 71.322 | 11.278 | 82.600 | 7 |
| 3.9 | 5. 1 | 4.0 | 1.7 | 5. 3 | 22 | 1.5 | 5.6 | 1.9 | 2. 9 | 5. 0 | 3.1 | 8 |
| 186, 760 | 2. 400 | 189. 160 | 154.143 | 3.158 | 157.301 | 55.425 | 826 | 56.251 | 559. 199 | 9.370 | 568. 569 | 9 |
| 25.6 | 4. 4 | 24. 2 | 35. 3 | 5. 0 | 31.5 | 31.3 | 4.7 | 28.9 | 22.6 | 4. 2 | 21.1 | 10 |
| 80, 305 | 2,850 | 83,155 | 32. 931 | 3. 334 | 36. 265 | 9. 294 | 986 | 10. 280 | 308,841 | 11,779 | 320,620 | 11 |
| 11.0 | 5.3 | 10.6 | 7.6 | 5.3 | 7.3 | 5. 2 | 5. 6 | 5. 3 | 12.5 | 5.2 | 11.9 | 12 |
| 3.081 | 543 | 3,624 | 1.433 | 647 | 2,080 | 385 | 184 | 589 | 46.947 | 2. 265 | 49. 212 | 13 |
| 0. 4 | 1.0 | 0. 5 | D. 3 | 1.0 | 0.4 | 0.2 | 1.1 | 0.3 | 1.9 | 1.0 | 1.8 | 14 |
| 77.224 | 2. 307 | 79,531 | 31,498 | 2.687 | 34. 185 | 8,909 | 802 | 9.711 | 261.894 | 9.514 | 271,408 | 15 |
| 10.6 | 4. 3 | 10.1 | 7.2 | 4. 3 | 6.9 | 5.0 | 4.6 | 5.0 | 10. 6 | 4. 2 | 10.1 | 16 |
| 126 | 23 | 149 | 114 | 45 | 159 | 41 | 18 | 59 | 326 | 119 | 445 | 17 |
| 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 18 |
| 2,228 | 142 | 2,370 | 5,042 | 192 | 5. 234 | 2,391 | 61 | 2. 452 | 11.311 | 636 | 11.947 | 19 |
| 0. 3 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 1. 2 | 0. 3 | 1.0 | 1. 3 | 0. 3 | 1.3 | 0.5 | 0.3 | 0.4 | 20 |
| 1.526 | 98 | 1,624 | 5, 205 | 235 | 5,440 | 1,881 | 28 | 1.909 | 9. 308 | 423 | 9.731 | 21 |
| 0. 2 | D. 2 | 0.2 | 1.2 | 0.4 | 1.1 | 1.1 | 0. 2 | 1.0 | 0.4 | 0.2 | 0.4 | 22 |
| 14,465 | 3. 016 | 17,481 | 9,461 | 2. 531 | 11.992 | 2, 308 | 709 | 3.017 | 63, 708 | 12.096 | 75,804 | 23 |
| 20 | 5. 5 | 2. 2 | 2.2 | 4.0 | 24 | 1.3 | 4.0 | 1.5 | 2.6 | 5.4 | 2.8 | 24 |
| 2,494 | 63 | 2.557 | 8.810 | 256 | 9,066 | 4.587 | 60 | 4,647 | 17,030 | 433 | 17.463 | 25 |
| 0.3 | 0. 1 | 0.3 | 2.0 | 0.4 | 1.8 | 2.6 | 0.3 | 2.4 | 0.7 | 0. 2 | 0.6 | 26 |
| 10,301 | 106 | 10.407 | 11,547 | 238 | 11.785 | 5,109 | 69 | 5,178 | 41.061 | 487 | 41,548 | 27 |
| 1.4 | 0.2 | 1. 3 | 2.6 | 0.4 | 2.4 | 2. 9 | 0.4 | 2.7 | 1. 7 | 0.2 | 1. 5 | 28 |
| 836 | 32 | 868 | 764 | 97 | 861 | 502 | 33 | 535 | 2.353 | 182 | 2,535 | 29 |
| 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 0.2 | 0.3 | 0.2 | 0.3 | 0.1 | 0. 1 | 0.1 | 30 |
| 3, 921 | 494 | 4. 415 | 10.990 | 845 | 11.835 | 5,602 | 268 | 5.870 | 21.919 | 2. 408 | 24,327 | 31 |
| 0.6 | 0.9 | 0.6 | 2.5 | 1.3 | 2.4 | 3. 2 | 1.5 | 3.0 | 0. 9 | 1.1 | 0.9 | 32 |
| 457 | 207 | 666 | 3,445 | 606 | 4.051 | 4.048 | 251 | 4. 299 | 8. 122 | 1. 307 | 9,429 | 33 |
| 0.1 | 0.4 | 0.1 | 0.8 | 1.0 | 0.8 | 2.3 | 1.4 | 2.2 | D. 3 | 0.6 | 0. 3 | 34 |
| 728,695 | 54,218 | 782,911 | 436,187 | 62,603 | 498, 790 | 177. 229 | 17.514 | 194, 743 | 2,473,678 | 225, 083 | 2.698, 763 | 35 |
| 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100, 0 | 100.0 | 100,0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 36 |

- Includes East Indian, Pakistani and Ceylonese.
- Includes Egyptian and Luxemberger prior to 1955.

Note: The broad ethnic groups made for the purposes of this table as a practical measure would appear to be in conformity with the general international understanding about them.

Source: Department of Citizenship and Immigration, Immigration Stakistics, op. cih, for the consecutive years from 1962 to 1966.

TABLED2. Arrival of Immigrants by Age and sex. 1946-f6


Source: Flgures for 1956-66 from the annual Immigratlon Statistics for these years; and figures for 1946-55 from Canada Year Book for various years supplemented by figures especially supplled by the Department of Manpower and Immigration for the age groups $40-44$ and $45-49$ for 1951-55.

TABI.E: D 3. Arrival of Immigrants by Labour Force and Family Status, 1946-66


Source: "Immigration Statistics" for the consecutive year from 1956 to 1966, and "Immigration to Canada by intended Occupation and by Province of Intended Destination", Department of Citizenship and Immigration, Ottawa, 1956, figures derived from unnumbered pages 5-11, 13, 15 and 17.

TABLED 4. Immigrants and Native-born Canadians: Population by Sex and Age, 1956-67

| Sex and age | 1956 |  | 1959 |  | 1962 |  | 1965 |  | 1967 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | '000 | \% | '000 | \% | '000 | \% | '000 | \% | '000 | \% |
| 14-19 | 29 | 8.6 | 51 | 9.4 | 68 | 11.2 | 92 | 12.8 | 87 | 10.6 |
| 20-24 | 47 | 13.7 | 67 | 12.3 | 63 | 10.3 | 59 | 8.2 | 79 | 9.6 |
| 25-34 | 126 | 36.7 | 187 | 34.3 | 194 | 31.9 | 198 | 27.6 | 210 | 25.5 |
| 35-44 | 83 | 24,1 | 138 | 25.3 | 163 | 26.8 | 201 | 28.0 | 245 | 29.7 |
| 45-54 | 42 | 12. 1 | 71 | 13.0 | 85 | 14.0 | 107 | 14.9 | 119 | 14.4 |
| 55-64 | 13 | 3.8 | 23 | 4.2 | 27 | 4.4 | 46 | 6.4 | 60 | 7.3 |
| 65 and over | - | * | * | - | * | - | 15 | 2.1 | 24 | 2.9 |
| Totals | 343 | 100.0 | 546 | 100.0 | 609 | 100.0 | 718 | 100.0 | 824 | 100.0 |
| Native-bom Canadians: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 14-19 | 656 | 13.3 | 734 | 14.2 | 837 | 15.4 | 961 | 16.9 | 1.066 | 17.8 |
| 20-24 | 467 | 9.4 | 486 | 9.4 | 522 | 9.6 | 608 | 10.7 | 663 | 11.1 |
| 25-34 | 980 | 19.8 | 1,004 | 19.4 | 991 | 18.3 | 964 | 16.9 | 984 | 16.5 |
| 35-44 | 939 | 19.0 | 962 | 18.6 | 980 | 18.1 | 988 | 17.3 | 994 | 16.6 |
| 45-54 | 765 | 15.4 | 812 | 15.7 | 861 | 15.8 | 890 | 15.6 | 915 | 15.3 |
| 55-64 | 561 | 11.3 | 579 | 11.2 | 620 | 11.4 | 657 | 11.5 | 691 | 11.6 |
| 65 and ove? | 584 | 11.8 | 606 | 11.7 | 619 | 11.4 | 631 | 11.1 | 660 | 11.1 |
| Totals | 4,950 | 100.0 | 5,183 | 100.0 | 5,430 | 100.0 | 5,700 | 100.0 | 5,973 | 100.0 |
| Post-war immigrants: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 14-19 | 29 | 9.3 | 49 | 9.6 | 72 | 12.0 | 92 | 12.9 | 92 | 11.2 |
| 20-24 | 40 | 12.6 | 66 | 13.0 | 72 | 12.0 | 71 | 9.9 | 93 | 11.3 |
| 25-34 | 126 | 39.9 | 174 | 34.2 | 180 | 30.1 | 192 | 26.9 | 218 | 26.6 |
| 35-44 | 66 | 20.8 | 121 | 23.8 | 154 | 25.8 | 193 | 27.0 | 216 | 26.4 |
| 45. 54 | 35 | 11.1 | 57 | 11.2 | 71 | 11.9 | 90 | 12.7 | 105 | 12.8 |
| 55-64 | 13 | 4.2 | 27 | 5.3 | 30 | 5.0 | 48 | 6.7 | 61 | 7.5 |
| 65 and over | - | - | 15 | 2.9 | 19 | 3.2 | 28 | 3.9 | 34 | 4.2 |
| Totals | 317 | 100.0 | 508 | 100.0 | 597 | 100.0 | 713 | 100.0 | 818 | 100.0 |
| Native-born Canadians: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 14-19. | 649 | 12.9 | 727 | 13.9 | 811 | 14.7 | 928 | 16.0 | 1.026 | 16.8 |
| 20-24 | 501 | 10.0 | 516 | 9.8 | 543 | 9.9 | 612 | 10.5 | 653 | 10.7 |
| 25-34 | 1,044 | 20.8 | 1,035 | 19.7 | 1,006 | 18.3 | 978 | 16.9 | 1.000 | 16.4 |
| 35-44 | 970 | 19.3 | 1.000 | 19.1 | 1,024 | 18.6 | 1,026 | 17.7 | 1.045 | 17.1 |
| 45-54 | 729 | 14.5 | 780 | 14.9 | 848 | 15.4 | 903 | 15.6 | 946 | 15.5 |
| 55-64 | 550 | 10.9 | 564 | 10.8 | 609 | 11.1 | 652 | 11.2 | 688 | 11.3 |
| 65 and over | 563 | 11.6 | 624 | 11.9 | 663 | 12.0 | 702 | 12.1 | 743 | 12.2 |
| Totals | 5,025 | 100.0 | 5,246 | 100.0 | 5,503 | 100.0 | 5,800 | 100.0 | 6.101 | 100.0 |

- Estimates, or based on estimates of less than 10,000 .

Note: Percentages have been calculated from unrounded estlmates.
Source: DBS Labour Force Survey.

TABLE D 5. Immigrants and Native-born Canadians: Population by Sex and Region, 1956-67


- Estimates, or based on estlmates of less than $\mathbf{1 0 . 0 0 0}$.

Source: DBS Labour Force Survey.

TABLE D6. Immigrants and Native-bom Canadians: Number and Distribution by Level of Educational Attainment. February, 1967

| Levei of education | Post-wat immigrants |  |  |  | Native-bom Conadians |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Male |  | Female |  | Male |  | Female |  |
|  | '000 | \% | ${ }^{\prime} 000$ | \% | ${ }^{\circ} 000$ | \% | '000 | \% |
| No schooling ................................................. | * | - | 18 | 2. 2 | 69 | 1.2 | 52 | 0.9 |
| Some elementary ............................................ | 117 | 14.3 | 122 | 14.9 | 1,164 | 19.5 | 1,002 | 16.4 |
| Completed elementary .................................... | 177 | 21.5 | 174 | 21.3 | 1,090 | 18.3 | 1,065 | 17.5 |
| Some secondary ............................................. | 216 | 26.2 | 222 | 27.1 | 2,179 | 36.5 | 2, 295 | 37.6 |
| Completed secondary | 166 | 20.1 | 203 | 24.8 | 832 | 13.9 | 1.251 | 20. 5 |
| Some university ............................................... | 64 | 7.8 | 46 | 5.6 | 348 | 5.8 | 287 | 4.7 |
| University degree ........................................... | 77 | 9.3 | 34 | 4.1 | 289 | 4.8 | 149 | 2.4 |
| Totals ......................................................... | 824 | 100.0 | 818 | 100.0 | 5,973 | 100.0 | 6,101 | 100.0 |

[^28]TABLE D 7. Immigrants and Native-born Canadians: Population by Broad Age and Educational Attainment Groups. February, 1967

| Age and education | Male |  |  |  | Female |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Post-war immigrants |  | Native-bom Canadians |  | Post-war 1 mmigrants |  | Native-bom Canadians |  |
|  | '000 | \% | '000 | \% | ${ }^{\prime} 000$ | \% | '000 | \% |
| 14-24 years: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Completed elementary schaol or less.......... | 35 | 21.3 | 347 | 20.0 | 39 | 21.0 | 272 | 16.2 |
| Some high school education ${ }^{\text {²........................ }}$ | 79 | 47.5 | 971 | 56.1 | 83 | 45.0 | 928 | 55.3 |
| Compieted high school or attended university | 47 | 28.0 | 389 | 22.5 | 58 | 31.6 | 455 | 27.1 |
| University degree ...................................... | - | * | 23 | 1.3 | - | - | 24 | 1.4 |
| Totals .................................................... | 167 | 100.0 | 1. 729 | 100.0 | 185 | 100.0 | 1.679 | 100.0 |
| Median years of education ${ }^{3}$........................ |  |  |  |  | 10 |  |  |  |
| 25-44 years: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Completed elementary school or less........... | 170 | 37.4 | 686 | 34.7 | 168 | 38.8 | 609 | 29.8 |
| Some high school education ........................ | 102 | 22.4 | 692 | 35.0 | 104 | 23.9 | 768 | 37.6 |
| Completed high school or attended university | 130 | 28.6 | 445 | 22.5 | 138 | 31.9 | 599 | 29.3 |
| University degree | 53 | 11.6 | 155 | 7.8 | 24 | 5.4 | 69 | 3.4 |
| Totals ....................................................... | 455 | 100.0 | 1.978 | 100.0 | 434 | 100.0 | 2,045 | 100.0 |
| Median years of education ${ }^{1}$........................ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 45 years and over: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Completed elementary school or less .......... | 97 | 47.8 | 1,292 | 57.0 | 107 | 53.3 | 1. 238 | 52.1 |
| Some high school education | 35 | 17.2 | 517 | 22.8 | 35 | 17.5 | 599 | 25.2 |
| Completed high school or attended university | 53 | 25.9 | 346 | 15.3 | 52 | 26.2 | 484 | 20.4 |
| University degree ........................................ | 18 | 9.1 | 111 | 4.9 | - | * | 56 | 2.4 |
| Totals .................................................... | 208 | 100.0 | 2,266 | 100.0 | 200 | 100.0 | 2.377 | 100.0 |
| Median years of education ${ }^{1}$......................... |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

[^29] years of age and over, the median class was "Completed elementary schooling", which had been assigned a value of 7.75 years.

- Estimates, or based on estimate, of less than 10,000.

Source: DBS Labour Force Survey,

TABLE D8. Immigrants and Native-born Canadians: Labour Force and Labour Force Participation Rates, ${ }^{1}$
by Sex and Age, 1956-67


[^30]TABLE D9. Immigrants and Native-born Canadians: Population, Labour Force and Labour Force Participation Rates, ${ }^{3}$ by Sex, Region and Marital Status, February, 1967

${ }^{1}$ Participation rates have been calculated from unrounded data.

- Estimates, or based on estimates of less than 10,000 .

Source: DBS Labour Force Survey.

TABLE D 10. Immigrants and Native-born Canadians: Industrial Distribution of the Employed, February, 1967

| Industry | Post-war immigrants |  | Native-born Canadians |  | Total |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | '000 | \% | '000 | \% | '000 | \% |
| Agriculture | 28 | 2.8 | 409 | 6.8 | 437 | 6.3 |
| Other primary ....................................................... | 13 | 1.3 | 195 | 3.3 | 208 | 3.0 |
| Manufacturing ....................................................... | 354 | 35.3 | 1.394 | 23.3 | 1.748 | 25.0 |
| Construction ....................................................... | 97 | 9.6 | 318 | 5.3 | 415 | 6.0 |
| Transportation and utilities ..................................- | 51 | 5. 1 | . 578 | 9.7 | . 629 | 9.0 |
| Retail and wholesale trade .................................. | 133 | 13.3 | 1.035 | 17.3 | 1.168 | 16.7 |
| Finance .............................................................. | 42 | 4.2 | 256 | 4.3 | 298 | 4.3 |
| Service industries ............................................... | 251 | 25.0 | 1.404 | 23.5 | 1.655 | 23.7 |
| Public administration ............................................ | 34 | 3.3 | 388 | 6.5 | 422 | 6.0 |
| Totals | 1,003 | 100.0 | 3,977 | 100.0 | 6,980 | 100.0 |

Source: DBS Labour Force Survey.

TABLE D 11. Intended Occupations of Post-war Immigrants, by Periods of Arrival

| Occupation | 1946-55 | 1956-65 | 1966 | 1946-66 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Managerial and professional | 48.739 | 111.398 | 25,929 | 186, 066 |
| Clerical .......... | 46,788 | 77.551 | 13.235 | 137. 574 |
| Transportation and communication | 15,332 | 14.646 | 1,809 | 31.787 |
| Sales | 25, 731 | 25. 480 | 3,306 | 54,517 |
| Service trades. | 69.447 | 93, 894 | 8. 681 | 172.022 |
| Farmers | 138.195 | 44.953 | 3. 153 | 186.301 |
| Construction trades | 52.516 | 59.501 | 9. 535 | 121.552 |
| Other primary | 22,957 | 7. 026 | 594 | 30, 577 |
| Manufacluring trades | 148.095 58.743 | 141.777 81.298 | 24.512 | 314.384 |
| Others | 58.745 9.255 | 81.298 3.036 | -863 | 13.154 |
| Totals | 635, 798 | 660, 560 | 99, 210 | 1.395. 568 |

Source: Immigration Statistics 1966. Department of Manpower and Immigration.

TABLE: D12. Immigranis and Native-born Canadians: Occupational Distribution of the Employed. February, 1967

| Occupation | Post-was immigrants |  | Natlve-bornCanadians |  | Total |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | -000 | \% | '000 | \% | '000 | \% |
| Managerial | 80 | 8.0 | 601 | 10.0 | 681 | 9. 8 |
| Professional ......................................................... | 151 | 15.0 | 762 | 12.7 | 913 | 13.1 |
| Clerical ............................................................. | 118 | 11.7 | 894 | 15.0 | 1.012 | 14.5 |
| Sales ... | 47 | 4.7 | 425 | 7.1 | 472 | 6.8 |
| Service ............................................................... | 129 | 12.9 | 680 | 11.4 | 809 | 11.6 |
| Transpartation and communication ........................ | 24 | 2.3 | 379 | 6.4 | 403 | 5. 8 |
| Primafy ............................................................... | 33 | 3. 3 | 523 | 8.8 | 556 | 8. 0 |
| Craftsmen .............................................................. | 369 | 36.8 | 1.483 | 24.8 | 1,852 | 26.5 |
| Other.. | 52 | 5.2 | 230 | 3.8 | 282 | 4.0 |
| Totals | 1,003 | 100.0 | 5,977 | 100.0 | 6.980 | 100.0 |

Source: DBS Labour Force Survey.

TABLE D13. Immigrants and Native-born Canadians: Class of Worker Distribution' of the Employed, February, 1956 - 67

| Class of worker | Post-war immigrants |  |  |  |  | Native-born Canadians |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1956 | 1959 | 1962 | 1965 | 1967 | 1956 | 1959 | 1962 | 1965 | 1967 |
|  | thousands |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Employer ................................................................ No. | 11 2.7 | 21 3.4 | 27 3.9 | 38 4.5 | 4.1 | $\begin{aligned} & 260 \\ & 5.4 \end{aligned}$ | 279 5.7 | 297 5.8 | 285 5.1 | 255 4.3 |
| Paid worker ............................................................ No. | $\begin{array}{r} 363 \\ 90.3 \end{array}$ | 559 91.2 | 624 89.8 | $\begin{array}{r} 760 \\ 89.2 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 900 \\ 89.7 \end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 3.709 \end{aligned}$ | 3,903 79.6 | 4.146 80.6 | 4,657 83.2 | $\begin{array}{r} 5,126 \\ 85,8 \end{array}$ |
| Own account worker and unpaid tamily worker ${ }^{\text {² }}$........ No. | $\begin{array}{r} 28 \\ 7.0 \end{array}$ | 33 5.4 | 44 6.3 | 54 6.3 | 6.1 | 814 17.0 | 718 14.7 | $\begin{array}{r} 702 \\ 13.6 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 652 \\ 11.7 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 597 \\ 10.0 \end{array}$ |
| Totals................................................................. No. | 402 | 613 | 695 | 852 | 1,003 | 4,783 | 4,900 | S. 145 | 5,594 | 5.977 |
| \% | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |

[^31] combined.

Source: DBS Labour Force Survey.



[^32]
[^0]:    ${ }^{5}$ Throughout this study, unless otherwise stated, where the term population is referred to directly, or by implication in the context of the sentence, it is to be read as meaning the civilian, non institutional population of persons 14 years of age and over.
    ${ }^{2}$ For reference, see Canadian Immigration Policy (The Government's recent White Paper on the subject), October 1966; Immigration and Emigration of Professional and Skilled Wanpower Tiuring the Post-liar Period by Louis Parai (Special Study No. 1 prepared for the Economic Council of Canada) June 1965: Dominion Bureau of Statistics, Canada Year Book, 1957-58; and Skilled and Professional Manpower in Canada, 1945-65 (prepared by the Economics and Research Branch, Department of Labour, Ottawa, for the Royal Commission on Canada's Economic Prospects). July 1957.
    ${ }^{3}$ Throughout this study earlier (pre-war) immigrants are included with native-born Canadians.

    - The labour force as a percentage of the population.
    ${ }^{5}$ In the years 1961 and 1965, the corresponding half-yearly data were collected in the months of October and November respectively.

[^1]:    - See Report SR-2, The Basic 196] Census Ilata on Immigration and Citizenship, Economic and Social Research Division, Department of Cilizenship and Immigration, Ottawa. September 1963.

[^2]:    ${ }^{7}$ Ibid. page 3.

    - See Anthony H. Richmond, Post-Wiar Immigrants in Canada, University of Toronto Press, 1967.

[^3]:    - Report sR-2. The Basic 1961 Census Data on Inmigration and Citizenship, op. cilt, page 7.
    ${ }^{10} \mathrm{Mid}$., pages 2. 33.
    ${ }^{11}$ For a fuller description of various factors affecting immigration and emigration during the post-war period, see (i) Canada Year Book, 195 - 58 (pp. 154-176, (ii) Carada Year Book, 1959 (pp. 174-178), (iii) Canada Year Book, 1966 (pp. 222-226), (iv) skilled and Professional Manpozeer in Conalu, op, cit., (pp. 53-63 and 74-85), and Immigration and Fimigration of Professional and shilled Vanpower During The 首ost-llarPeriod, op. cit., (pp. 85-90). A few salient features of the Canadian immigration policy having its bearings on occupational distribution of immigrants are given in the opening paragraph of the section on occupation in this report.

[^4]:    ${ }^{2}$ Excludes inmates of institutions, members of the armed forces, Indians living on reserves and residents of the Yukon and Northwest Territories, who put together account for about 3 per cent of the total population of 14 years of age and over.
    ${ }^{2}$ In all later tables, unless otherwise stated, where the term population is used, or implied, it is to be read as meaning the civilian non-institutional population of 14 years of the age and over as defined above.

[^5]:    ${ }^{12}$ See John D. Allingham, Special Labour Force Study No. 5, Tomen Who llorh: 'Part I The Relative Importance of Age, Fducation and Warital Status for Participation in the labour Force Dominion Bureau of Statistics, Ottawa, 1967.

[^6]:    ${ }^{13}$ Canadian Immigration Policy, 1966, op. cit.
    ${ }^{14}$ Report SR - 2. The Basic 1961 C.ensus llata on Immigration and ritizenship. op. cit.

[^7]:    ${ }^{13}$ Though every attempt is made in the course of the Labour Force Survey to ensure that figures conform to a standard definition this is particularly difficult in the case of education. The majority of post-war immigrants will have completed their education in countries in which the educational system andstandards may be vastly different from those in Canada. Even within Canada the term "completed high school" may refer to Grades 11, 12 or 13 depending on the province. Moreover educational standards have improved considerably over time. For these reasons figures in this section should be thought of as giving only a general indication of relative educational standaras of immigrant and native-born Canadians.

[^8]:    ${ }^{3}$ The de luxc population of Canada to defined in "Introductory Report is Volume 1(Part 1)", 1961 Population Cen-

[^9]:    ${ }^{16}$ A further qualification here is necessary. The educational attainment questions asked in the Labour Force Surveys refer to education in regular academic institutions and exclude vocational schools and on-job training, both technical and professional. The results as shown, therefore, may be "biased" in favour of females for whom a high school education provides a more complete training for the non-graduate female occupations open to school leavers. It is noticeable, for example, that although more females then males completed their secondary school education, more males went on to obtain a university degree.

[^10]:    ${ }^{17}$ For a more complete analysis of educational attainment in the population and also its effect on labour force participation see Frank J. Whittingham's report: Educational lttainment of the Canadian Population and Labour Force: 1960-65; Dominion Bureau of Statistics. Special Labour Force Study No. 1, Ottawa, October 1966.

[^11]:    ${ }^{18}$ Using the same analytical approach, the effect of differing sex ratios between the two population groups was examined but was also found to be small, being at its highest no more than 1.2 percentage points in 1956 and only 0.3 percentage points in both 1965 and 1967 compared with actual differences of $14.1,10.5$ and 12.0 percontage points in the three years respectively.

[^12]:    ${ }^{2 n}$ The reverse standardisation, based on the age distribution of post-war immigrants, would have narrowed the gap still further to an average of only 2.8 percentage points. There is therefore some evidence of a slight interaction effect. (See Appendix C.)

[^13]:    ${ }^{1}$ Obtained by multiplying the labour force participation rates foreach age group of the post-war immigrant population to the proportion of the native-born persons population in the corresponding age groups and summing over all age groups.

    Note: The age distributions used in obtaining standardised participation rates were based on the 7 age groups; $15-19,20-24,25-34,35 \cdot 44,45-54,55-64$, and 65 and over. For 1967 only the figures in brackets were obtained using 10 age groups; the 15-19 age groups was broken down into 14, 15-16 and 17-19, and the 65 and over age group into $65 \cdot 69$ and 70 and over.

[^14]:    ${ }^{21}$ The reverse standardisation this time widens the difference to 7.9 percentage points. The interaction effect, referred to in Appendix C is again present, but still not large.
    ${ }^{22} \mathrm{As}$ in the case of males, using ten age groups as the basis for standardisation also narrowed the gap in the respective female participation rates in both 1965 and 1967.

[^15]:    ${ }^{23}$ Obtained by dividing the proportion of post-war immigrants in a region by the proportion of all Canadlans in that region.
    ${ }^{24}$ Unwelghted averages of the unemployment rates for all years 1946 to 1966 inclusive.

[^16]:    ${ }^{1}$ See Table 8 for basis of standardisation. For 1967 the figures in brackets are standardised rates based on 10 age groups.

    Source: DBS Labour Force Survey.

[^17]:    ${ }^{25}$ See Sylvia Ostry, Provincial Differences in Labour Force Participation, one of a series of Labour Force Studies in the 1961 Census Monograph Programme, Ottawa, 1968.

[^18]:    20 See Sylvia Ostry, The Fernale Whather in Cuntara, one of a series of Labour Force Studies in the 1961 Census Monograph Programme, Ottawa 1968.
    ${ }^{27}$ See United Nations, Nemographic Year Book 1965, Table 8, page 230 , Statistical Office of the United Nations, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, New York.

[^19]:    ${ }^{28}$ See Trends and Facturs of Fertility in Canada, by Jacques Henripin, 1961 Census Monograph, Dominion Bureall of Statistics, Ottawa, 1968.
    ${ }^{20}$ See Department of Labour, Homen al Work in Canada, Ottawa, 1958.

[^20]:    ${ }^{30}$ See Educational Altainment of the Canadian Population and Labour Force: 1960-65, op. cit.

[^21]:    ${ }^{1}$ Post-wat immigrants participation rates standardised on the distributions of educational attainment and age of native-born persons using 7 age groups and 5 educational attainment groups.

[^22]:    ${ }^{31}$ Department (official) testimony on November 29, 1966 before the Special Joint Committee of the Senate and House of Commons on Immigration, page 57. Queen's Printer, Ottawa, 1966.

[^23]:    ${ }^{1}$ White-collar occupations include managerial, professional and technical, clerical, sales, service and recreation; blue-collar occupations comprise craftsman, production process and related workers and labourers and unskilled workers (other than in the primary sector); primary occupations include farmers and farm workers, loggers and related workers, fishermen, trappers and hunters, miners, quarrymen and related workers.

[^24]:    ${ }^{32}$ See Appendix Table D 12 for figures used to obtain the concentration indices.

[^25]:    ${ }^{2}$ It may be noted that these figures for specific years account for some fractions of the immigrants of the period who were in the labour market by February of that year.

[^26]:    ${ }^{33}$ For instance, prior to September 1960, temporarily laid off persons were counted among "persons with jobs" composed of two segments - "at work" and "not at work". But since then the lemporarily latd off persons were excluded from this category and included in the category of "unemployed". The relevant data have been adjusted by tranferring the figures of temporarily laid off persons from the category "persons with jobs" to the category "persons without jobs and seeking work" for the earlier two points of time, i.e., February 1956 and the same month of 1959. This has made the figures uniform in terms of the "unemployed" as defined in the next section.

    Similarly, with regard to the February 1966 occupational data, it may be stated that since March '65, the Labour Force Survey est imates have been freshly weighted taking account of the 1961 Census count of population, and the occupational classification has been converted from the same month of March in terms of the 1961 Census classification of occupations. Using the February 1962 data which were available on the unrevised as well as revised basis, suitable adjustments have been made in the occupational data for February 1956.
    ${ }^{34}$ For a comprehensive description of the design of the Monthly Lahour Force Survey see Dominion Bureau of Statistics, Canmdian Labour Force survey - Methodology Catalogue No. 71-504, Ottawa, 1965.

[^27]:    Includes English, Irish. Scottish and Welsh.
    ${ }^{2}$ Includes Belgian, French, German, Luxemberger, Netheriander. Austrian and Swiss,
    ' Includes Islandic, Danish, Noruegian. Swedish and Finnish
    Includes Greek, Italian, Maitese, Spanish and Portuguese.
    5 Includes Albanian, Bulgarian. Czech and Slovak, Estonian, Hungarian, Latvian, Lithuanian, Polish, Roumanian and Yugoslavic.
    Comprises Mexicans only.
    Includes Arab, Egyptian, Lebanese and Syrian.

[^28]:    - Estimates or based on estimates of less than 10,000.

    Source: DBS Labour Force Survey.

[^29]:    ${ }^{2}$ For method of calculating median years of education see Appendix C. For native-born males and post-war immigrant and native-born females 45

[^30]:    ${ }^{1}$ Labour force participation rates have been calculated from unrounded data. For population data see Table D 4.

    - Estimates, or based on estimates of less than 10,000 .

    Source: DBS Labour Force Survey.

[^31]:    ${ }^{1}$ As the separate figures relating to immigrants for "own account worker' and "unpaid tamily worker" categories were small, these have been

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