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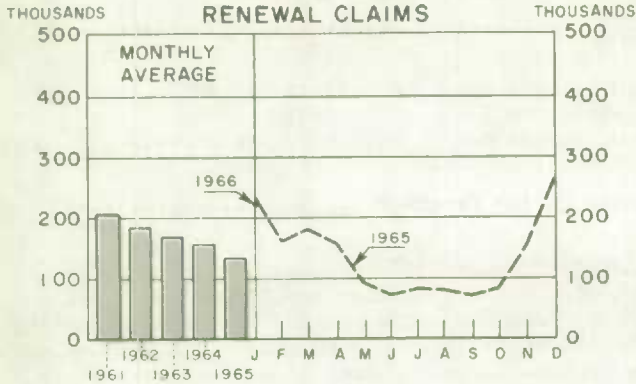
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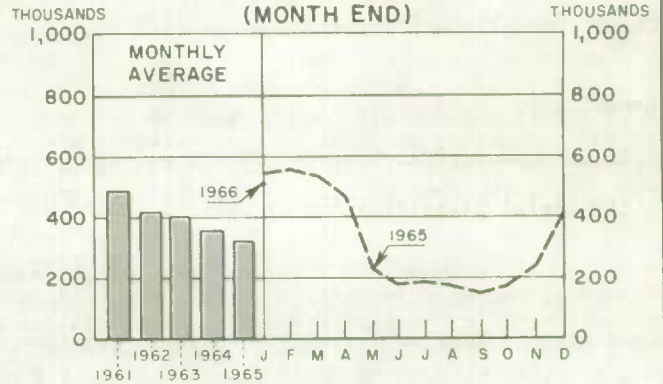
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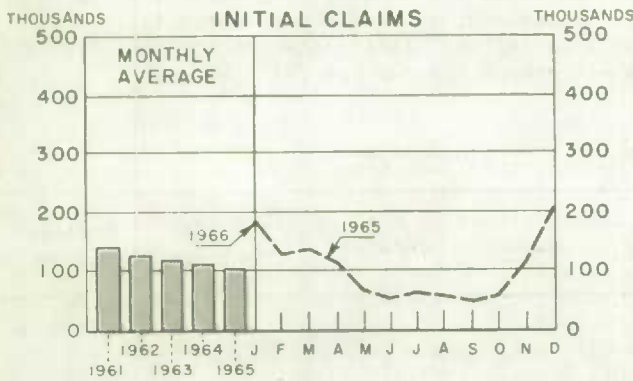
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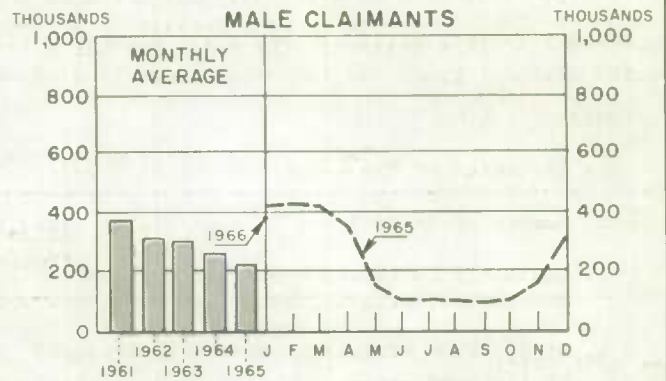
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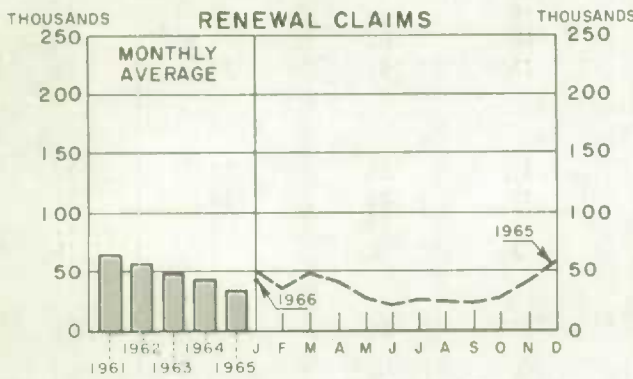
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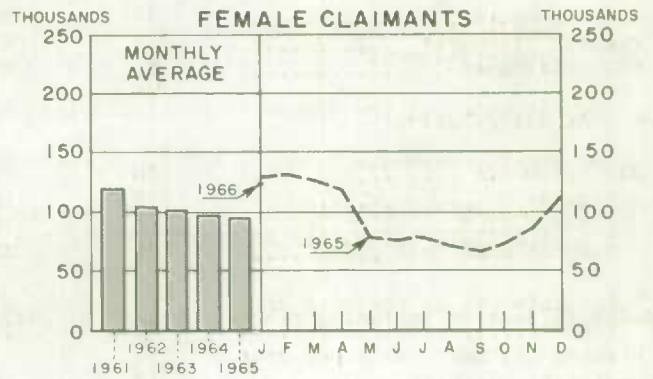
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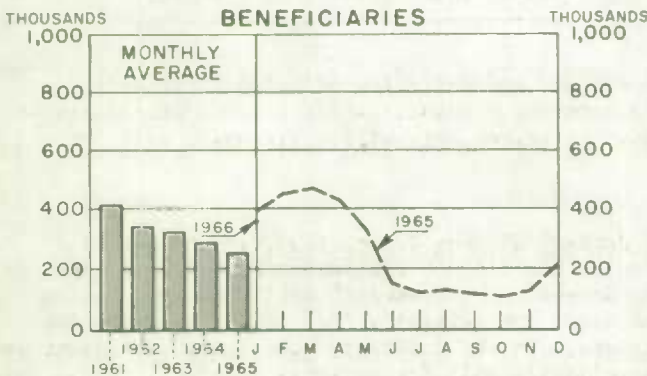
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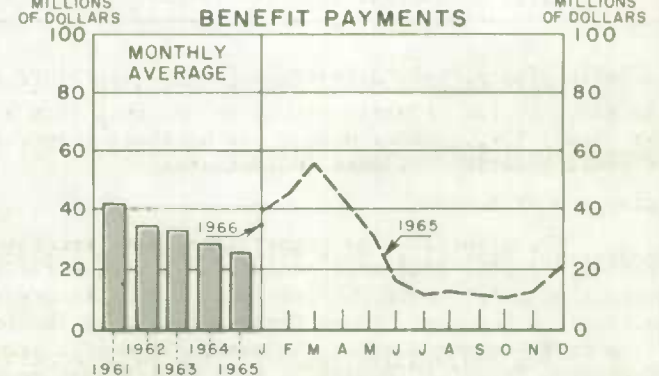
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CLAIMS AND BENEFIT PAYMENTS

JANUARY 1966

Claimants at Month-end

Claimants for unemployment insurance benefit numbered 511,800 on January 31, an increase of 20 per cent over the 418,000 recorded on December 31, 1965. On January 29, 1965, the total was 547,800. About 85 per cent of the increment during January was due to higher totals of male claimants. However, the current count of male claimants is approximately 10 per cent lower than on January 29, 1965, while the female total is virtually unchanged.

Seasonal benefit claimants numbered about 110,000 on January 31, in comparison with 66,800 at the end of December and 122,000 at the end of January 1965. Males accounted for 78 per cent of the seasonal benefit claimants in contrast with 75 per cent for regular. The heavier male representation among seasonal benefit claimants is associated with the situation in which the Atlantic provinces are more heavily represented among seasonal benefit claimants than among regular (38 per cent versus 16 per cent). This area traditionally has a higher proportion of male claimants, the participation of females in the labour force, in general, and in covered employment, in particular, being relatively less than in other regions. The following table illustrates regional differences in the sex composition of the claimant group and in the concentration of seasonal versus regular benefit claimants:

TABLE A. Composition of January 31, 1966 Claimant Group

	Canada	Atlantic Provinces	Quebec	Ontario	Prairie Provinces	Pacific Region
Per cent male:						
All claimants	76	86	78	66	76	74
Regular claimants	75	83	78	67	76	73
S.B. claimants	78	90	75	61	77	76
Per cent distribution:						
All claimants	100	21	30	26	12	11
Regular	100	16	31	28	13	11
S.B.	100	38	23	19	9	11
Fishing S.B. only	100	80	3	2	1	14
S.B. claimants as per cent of total	21	39	17	16	17	21
Fishing claimants as a per cent of S.B. claimants	22	48	3	2	2	30

These figures point up that not only is there a heavy concentration of seasonal benefit claimants in the Atlantic provinces but that they also comprise a significantly greater proportion of the total, i.e., almost double the national proportion. Fishermen account for virtually half the seasonal benefit claimants in that area.

The significantly higher percentage increase, January 31 over December 31, in the number of seasonal benefit claimants, compared with that for regular benefit, 65 per cent versus 15 per cent, is associated mainly with the fact that all claimants are deemed to be "regular" until the computation indicates otherwise. Where insufficient contributions cause ineligibility for regular benefit, the claim is re-computed under the seasonal benefit provisions. In the interval, however, the claimant was classed as "regular" though in fact he may have become eligible only for seasonal benefit.

Initial and Renewal Claims

A total of 225,000 initial and renewal claims for unemployment insurance benefit were filed in January, almost 40,000 fewer than in December but virtually unchanged from January 1965. The December-to-January decline is normal, since the claim volume usually reaches its peak in December and then declines. The number of cases of "emerging unemployment" due to seasonal reductions in employment is generally highest in December. This month also marks the opening of the seasonal benefit period during which claimants with relatively fewer contributions can qualify for benefit. The number of cases representing requests for re-establishment of credits (their rights having either exhausted or lapsed) totalled 30,000 in January, comprising between 15 and 20 per cent of the initial claims. In December this number was 20,000 or 10 per cent of initial claims. Such cases do not constitute "emerging unemployment" for the particular month in which they are recorded.

Beneficiaries and Benefit Payments

The average number of beneficiaries was estimated at 361,200 for January 1966, 216,500 for December 1965 and 398,100 one year ago. Benefit payments amounted to \$35.9 million in January 1966, \$21.2 million in December 1965 and \$39.8 million in January 1965. The average weekly payment was \$24.86 in January 1966, \$24.46 in December 1965 and \$25.02 in January 1965.

Provincial Data

Claimant totals on January 31 were substantially higher than on December 31 in all provinces, with the smallest percentage increases occurring in Quebec and British Columbia. In the two latter provinces, percentage increases at less than 20 per cent were lower than the national rate; elsewhere the reverse was true. Year-over-year declines amounted to less than 10 per cent except for the Prairie Provinces and British Columbia.

TABLE B. Percentage Changes in Month-end Claimant Count

	December 31, 1965 to January 31, 1966			January 29, 1965 to January 31, 1966			December 31, 1964 to January 29, 1965		
	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female
CANADA	+ 22	+ 27	+ 11	- 7	- 8	- 2	+ 15	+ 17	+ 8
Newfoundland	+ 30	+ 31	+ 18	+ 2	+ 2	-	+ 23	+ 24	+ 11
Prince Edward Island	+ 29	+ 30	+ 22	- 2	- 2	- 1	+ 26	+ 28	+ 19
Nova Scotia	+ 30	+ 31	+ 27	- 3	- 4	+ 4	+ 22	+ 23	+ 18
New Brunswick	+ 25	+ 28	+ 15	- 5	- 6	+ 1	+ 20	+ 19	+ 22
Quebec	+ 14	+ 20	- 2	- 8	- 10	+ 1	+ 14	+ 19	- 3
Ontario	+ 26	+ 33	+ 15	- 2	- 2	- 1	+ 8	+ 9	+ 7
Manitoba	+ 21	+ 29	-	- 22	- 20	- 28	+ 26	+ 26	+ 28
Saskatchewan	+ 38	+ 41	+ 30	- 10	- 14	+ 8	+ 23	+ 24	+ 19
Alberta	+ 34	+ 36	+ 26	- 16	- 18	- 7	+ 16	+ 15	+ 19
British Columbia	+ 18	+ 18	+ 18	- 11	- 12	- 6	+ 12	+ 10	+ 19

The Atlantic provinces experienced relatively heavier declines in the January claim load than did other areas, as illustrated in Table C, following. Some of the factors influencing lower claim volumes in January have already been discussed in the paragraph under "Initial and renewal claims". The substantial rise in Alberta claims is in sharp contrast with reverse movements for the other provinces. This suggests that the increase in the claim load coincident with reduced employment was somewhat belated in that province. Reference to the December issue in this series confirms this. The increment in the December claim load was less than 15 per cent for Alberta in strong contrast with 50 per cent or more elsewhere. Hence, the Alberta claims continued to rise through January, thus shifting the peak one month forward.

TABLE C. Percentage Changes in Claims Filed, by Province

	December 1965 to January 1966			January 1965 to January 1966			December 1964 to January 1965		
	Total	Initial	Renewal	Total	Initial	Renewal	Total	Initial	Renewal
CANADA	- 14	- 12	- 23	- 2	-	- 9	- 27	- 25	- 34
Newfoundland	- 51	- 52	- 35	+ 6	+ 6	-	- 53	- 55	- 36
Prince Edward Island	- 44	- 47	- 12	+ 7	+ 6	+ 17	- 54	- 55	- 39
Nova Scotia	- 22	- 20	- 30	- 1	-	- 6	- 25	- 21	- 40
New Brunswick	- 36	- 37	- 30	- 6	- 5	- 9	- 37	- 38	- 31
Quebec	- 19	- 16	- 28	- 8	- 6	- 12	- 26	- 24	- 31
Ontario	- 1	+ 5	- 18	+ 2	+ 4	- 6	- 25	- 20	- 39
Manitoba	- 9	- 6	- 20	- 3	- 1	- 11	- 25	- 22	- 37
Saskatchewan	- 5	- 2	- 22	+ 2	+ 4	- 6	- 31	- 27	- 46
Alberta	+ 24	+ 29	+ 4	- 2	+ 2	- 16	- 15	- 10	- 29
British Columbia	- 2	+ 2	- 16	- 1	+ 1	- 10	- 20	- 18	- 26

Disqualifications exceeded 40,000 during January accounting for two-thirds of the non-entitlements; the remaining 20,000(1) cases were classed as "failures", i.e., available contributions did not permit entitlement to either regular or seasonal benefit. Some 10,000 disqualifications were imposed because claimants' earnings in a particular week exceeded the level of allowable earnings. These disqualifications which are included in the category "other reasons", are concentrated mainly in Quebec (50 per cent) and Ontario (33 per cent).

Industrial Classification of Persons Separated from Employment and Filing Initial(2)
Claims for Unemployment Insurance Benefit during December 1965

During December some 140,500 persons separated from employment and filed initial claims. One year ago the total was 166,700.

At the national level, more than 50 per cent of the cases were from manufacturing and construction. Transportation and trade industries together accounted for another 20 per cent.

- (1) Experience indicates that this figure will be reduced by about a third as missing contribution records become available. In the main, this results from delays in producing books.
- (2) Initial claims taken on behalf of persons exhausting benefit and seeking re-establishment of credits are excluded. Excluded also are persons separating from employment and filing renewal claims.

TABLE 1. Percentage Distribution of Claims(1) by Industry and Province
December 1965 and 1964

Industry group		Canada	Nfld.	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.
Total new cases (000's)	1965	140.5	11.3	2.2	10.3	10.3	43.4	33.2	5.1	4.2	4.9	15.6
	1964	166.7	10.6	2.3	9.8	11.4	51.8	42.3	6.5	5.6	6.8	19.6
Per cent distribution												
Forestry (mainly logging)	1965	7	11	2	5	18	6	1	(2)	-	1	22
	1964	7	10	3	9	19	9	1	1	-	1	16
Fishing(3) and trapping	1965	5	14	12	37	6	1	(2)	1	-	-	6
	1964	5	20	14	25	6	1	1	1	-	-	6
Mining	1965	1	1	(2)	2	2	1	1	(2)	2	3	1
	1964	1	1	(2)	1	1	1	1	3	3	4	2
Manufacturing	1965	26	10	14	14	16	32	36	27	10	18	23
	1964	27	11	19	17	20	31	36	24	12	15	21
Construction	1965	25	26	20	16	14	25	28	28	37	36	20
	1964	26	23	15	18	16	26	27	32	37	41	24
Transportation, communication and other utilities	1965	10	15	14	11	8	11	8	13	11	10	8
	1964	10	14	12	12	8	11	11	11	11	10	5
Trade	1965	9	13	16	7	10	5	9	16	17	12	9
	1964	10	10	19	10	7	8	9	14	16	12	13
Service	1965	7	4	4	3	5	6	11	8	9	12	8
	1964	7	4	4	4	4	5	10	9	7	10	8
Public administration and defence	1965	7	5	11	2	18	10	3	6	12	6	2
	1964	6	7	9	2	17	7	2	5	11	6	2
Other	1965	3	1	6	3	3	3	3	2	2	2	3
	1964	2	1	5	2	2	2	3	3	3	2	3
All cases	1965	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
	1964	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100

(1) Initial claims taken on behalf of persons exhausting benefit and seeking re-establishment of credits are excluded. Excluded also are persons separating from employment and filing renewal claims.

(2) Less than 1/2 of 1 per cent.

(3) Persons whose reported occupation under covered employment was "fisherman" were coded to the fishing industry even though the nature of business of the most recent employer was other than fishing. This differs from the general coding practice of assigning a single code on the basis of the principal activity of the employer. However, fishermen report themselves usually as self-employed.

TABLE II. Percentage Distribution of Claims, by Industry, Quarterly Intervals

	1965				1964
	December	September	June	March	December
Total new cases (000's)	140.5	30.8	32.8	72.4	166.7
Per cent distribution					
Forestry (mainly logging)	7	3	1	17	7
Fishing and trapping	5	1	(1)	1	5
Mining	1	3	1	1	1
Manufacturing	26	31	38	26	27
Construction	25	13	13	19	26
Transportation, communication and other utilities	10	7	6	6	10
Trade	9	17	17	11	10
Service	7	17	17	10	7
Public administration and defence	7	5	4	7	6
Other	3	5	4	2	2
All cases	100	100	100	100	100

(1) Less than 1/2 of 1 per cent.

.. Figures not available.

- Nil.

Summary Table

Activity	Jan. 1966	Dec. 1965	Jan. 1965	% change from		Cumulative data			
				Dec. 1965	Jan. 1965	January to January		12 months ending January	
						1966	1965	1966	1965
	thousands					thousands			
Insured population as at month-end	4,951	4,592	4,592*	..	4,409*
Initial and renewal claims filed:									
Total	225	262	230	- 14	- 2	225	230	1,623	1,832
Initial	181	205	181	- 12	-	181	181	1,208	1,315
Renewal	44	57	49	- 23	- 9	44	49	415	516
Claimants currently reporting to local offices	512	418	548	+ 22	- 7	512*	548*	319*	353*
Regular	402	351	426	+ 14	- 6				
S.B.	110	67	122	+ 65	- 10				
S.B. Fishing	25	15	26	+ 65	- 4				
Beneficiaries (weekly average)	361	217	398	+ 67	- 9	361*	398*	251*	278*
Weeks compensated	1,445	866	1,593	+ 67	- 9	1,445	1,593	12,570	13,758
Benefit paid \$	35,910	21,184	39,846	+ 70	- 10	35,910	39,846	308,174	337,824

Average weekly
benefit \$ 24.86 24.46 25.02 + 2 - 1 24.86 25.02 24.52 24.56

* Monthly average.

TABLE 1. Estimates of the Insured Population under the Unemployment Insurance Act

End of	Total	Employed	Claimants
1965 - December	4,951,000	4,533,000	418,000
November	4,754,000	4,509,400	244,600
October	4,680,000	4,509,600	170,400
September	4,678,000	4,520,700	157,300
August	4,696,000	4,523,500	172,500
July	4,650,000	4,465,600	184,400
June	4,601,000	4,420,300	180,700
May	4,514,000	4,284,500	229,500
April	4,594,000	4,131,100	462,900
March	4,626,000	4,087,000	539,000
February	4,605,000	4,045,800	559,200
January	4,592,000	4,044,200	547,800
1964 - December	4,582,000	4,103,800	478,200

TABLE 2. Number of Initial and Renewal Claims Filed in Local Offices in Each Province(1)

Province	1966 - January - 1965					
	Total	Initial	Renewal	Total	Initial	Renewal
CANADA	225,022	180,526	44,496	230,167	181,035	49,132
Newfoundland	10,006	8,795	1,211	9,475	8,261	1,214
Prince Edward Island	1,958	1,685	273	1,823	1,589	234
Nova Scotia	13,163	10,995	2,168	13,268	10,973	2,295
New Brunswick	11,031	9,198	1,833	11,727	9,706	2,021
Quebec	65,243	50,214	15,029	70,740	53,566	17,174
Ontario	65,042	51,803	13,239	63,924	49,777	14,147
Manitoba	9,037	7,443	1,594	9,318	7,537	1,781
Saskatchewan	7,507	6,385	1,122	7,338	6,148	1,190
Alberta	11,944	9,809	2,135	12,181	9,633	2,548
British Columbia	30,091	24,199	5,892	30,373	23,845	6,528

(1) In addition, revised claims received numbered 44,162

TABLE 3. Claimants Currently Reporting to Local Offices by Number of Weeks on Claim, Province and Sex
(Counted on last working day of the month)

Province and sex	Total claimants	Number of weeks on claim (based on 20 per cent sample)				Total claimants
		1-4	5-13	14-26	27 or more(1)	
	January 31, 1966					January 29, 1965
CANADA	511,768	255,687	195,116	40,589	20,376	547,842
Male	386,634	203,594	151,767	21,211	10,062	419,881
Female	125,134	52,093	43,349	19,378	10,314	127,961
Newfoundland	34,499	13,334	19,401	1,414	350	33,842
Male	32,476	12,588	18,615	1,048	225	31,812
Female	2,023	746	786	366	125	2,030
Prince Edward Island	6,601	2,686	3,691	182	42	6,740
Male	5,384	2,269	3,006	92	17	5,515
Female	1,217	417	685	90	25	1,225
Nova Scotia	32,887	16,611	12,678	2,166	1,432	33,831
Male	27,589	14,495	10,720	1,448	926	28,753
Female	5,298	2,116	1,958	718	506	5,078
New Brunswick	32,245	14,176	15,259	1,905	905	33,785
Male	25,743	11,832	12,343	976	592	27,322
Female	6,502	2,344	2,916	929	313	6,463
Quebec	151,625	77,571	54,571	13,366	6,117	164,245
Male	117,696	64,341	42,731	7,670	2,954	130,526
Female	33,929	13,230	11,840	5,696	3,163	33,719
Ontario	135,301	71,177	44,079	12,517	7,528	137,803
Male	88,916	51,087	28,662	5,592	3,575	91,106
Female	46,385	20,090	15,417	6,925	3,953	46,697
Manitoba	20,626	10,147	8,346	1,448	685	26,544
Male	15,722	7,710	6,875	727	410	19,771
Female	4,904	2,437	1,471	721	275	6,773
Saskatchewan	17,369	8,430	7,406	1,141	392	19,275
Male	13,425	6,763	6,057	456	149	15,619
Female	3,944	1,667	1,349	685	243	3,656
Alberta	23,172	12,043	8,771	1,589	769	27,506
Male	17,381	9,279	6,998	736	368	21,247
Female	5,791	2,764	1,773	853	401	6,259
British Columbia	57,443	29,512	20,914	4,861	2,156	64,271
Male	42,302	23,230	15,760	2,466	846	48,210
Female	15,141	6,282	5,154	2,395	1,310	16,061

(1) The bulk of the cases in this group were on claim from 27-39 weeks.

Note: Values less than 50 subject to relatively large sampling variability.

TABLE 4. Disposition of Initial and Renewal Claims and Claims Pending at the End of the Month, by Province(1)

Province	Adjudicated					Pending	
	Total	Entitled to benefit		Not entitled to benefit		Initial	Renéwal
		Initial	Renewal	Initial	Renewal		
	January 1966						
CANADA	253,471	156,107	45,658	43,751	7,955	61,078	12,448
Newfoundland	13,448	9,234	1,444	2,655	115	2,272	321
Prince Edward Island	2,586	1,899	260	391	36	374	63
Nova Scotia	16,602	11,872	2,460	2,071	199	2,411	497
New Brunswick	13,958	9,439	2,034	2,263	222	2,302	507
Quebec	77,579	43,677	15,723	14,994	3,185	18,842	4,407
Ontario	65,936	38,528	12,587	11,849	2,972	20,951	4,136
Manitoba	9,037	5,803	1,484	1,526	224	2,194	437
Saskatchewan	7,986	5,399	1,170	1,277	140	2,298	341
Alberta	11,922	7,653	2,111	1,932	226	2,842	513
British Columbia	34,417	22,603	6,385	4,793	636	6,592	1,226
	January 1965						
CANADA	280,230	175,138	53,652	43,721	7,719	63,832	14,187
Newfoundland	14,750	10,418	1,523	2,621	188	2,602	350
Prince Edward Island	2,549	1,935	278	304	32	434	62
Nova Scotia	16,511	11,875	2,590	1,812	234	2,883	614
New Brunswick	15,423	10,725	2,359	2,100	239	2,717	544
Quebec	85,456	49,713	18,530	14,124	3,089	22,860	5,315
Ontario	73,125	43,615	14,829	12,354	2,327	18,171	4,431
Manitoba	10,071	6,401	1,804	1,632	234	2,483	613
Saskatchewan	9,507	6,451	1,525	1,388	143	1,807	278
Alberta	14,092	8,719	2,820	2,209	344	3,077	682
British Columbia	38,746	25,286	7,394	5,177	889	6,798	1,298

(1) In addition 40,024 revised claims were disposed of. Of these, 3,967 were special requests not granted and 1,624 were appeals by claimants. There were 12,813 revised claims pending at the end of the month.

TABLE 5. Number of Claimants Not Entitled to Benefit in Each Province during January 1966 and 1965
with Chief Reasons for Non-entitlement

Chief reasons for non-entitlement	Canada	Nfld.	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.
Benefit period not established 1966(1) 1965	20,820 21,319	1,819 1,490	242 174	1,296 1,039	1,348 1,284	6,340 6,616	4,999 5,565	629 752	617 670	928 1,029	2,602 2,700
Claimants disqualified 1966 1965	41,299 41,419	1,304 1,723	252 233	1,457 1,494	1,523 1,556	15,476 14,600	13,054 12,404	1,649 1,619	1,110 1,186	1,732 2,168	3,742 4,436
Not unemployed 1966 1965	1,599 1,926	47 44	23 25	44 67	55 47	520 786	528 432	125 134	89 173	64 110	104 108
Not capable of and not available for work 1966 1965	9,328 9,801	301 398	79 64	410 400	400 427	2,641 2,466	3,235 3,504	493 436	376 396	468 704	925 1,006
Loss of work due to a labour dispute 1966 1965	215 317	- 32	- -	36 -	- -	58 33	112 246	- -	- -	- 2	9 4
Refused offer of work and neglected opportunity to work 1966 1965	1,270 1,748	15 13	14 9	107 151	45 104	421 667	397 468	56 57	39 56	79 109	97 114
Discharged for misconduct 1966 1965	1,655 1,722	37 43	34 5	63 44	66 56	500 537	539 675	57 49	44 33	102 115	213 165
Voluntarily left employment without just cause 1966 1965	9,143 8,150	450 401	42 59	381 350	486 380	2,831 2,517	2,695 2,280	310 354	265 227	563 614	1,120 968
Other reasons 1966 1965	18,089 17,755	454 792	60 71	416 482	471 542	8,505 7,594	5,548 4,799	608 589	297 301	456 514	1,274 2,071

(1) Previously failed on initial claim but subsequently established on revised claim during January 1966

6,810 776 84 405 644 1,929 1,333 273 224 262 880

TABLE 6. Estimates of the Number of Beneficiaries, by Province

Province	Average per week	
	1966 - January - 1965	
	thousands	
CANADA	361.2	398.1
Newfoundland	31.3	23.9
Prince Edward Island	5.0	5.4
Nova Scotia	22.2	22.5
New Brunswick	21.8	24.0
Quebec	107.6	118.2
Ontario	84.7	105.5
Manitoba	19.0	16.9
Saskatchewan	11.6	13.9
Alberta	14.8	20.5
British Columbia	43.3	47.3

TABLE 7. Benefit Payments, by Province

Province	1966 - January - 1965			
	Weeks	Amount	Weeks	Amount
	number	dollars	number	dollars
CANADA	1,444,666	35,910,149	1,592,516	39,845,936
Newfoundland	125,055	3,095,658	95,787	2,367,516
Prince Edward Island	19,827	468,860	21,500	490,071
Nova Scotia	88,699	2,109,639	90,062	2,031,049
New Brunswick	87,257	2,040,656	96,022	2,197,059
Quebec	430,490	10,611,950	472,905	11,990,421
Ontario	338,920	8,357,903	422,038	10,364,457
Manitoba	75,824	1,902,831	67,474	1,738,756
Saskatchewan	46,418	1,162,274	55,719	1,447,461
Alberta	59,075	1,495,682	81,894	2,122,844
British Columbia	173,101	4,664,696	189,115	5,096,302

TABLE 5. Number of Weeks of Benefit, by Province

Province	Complete weeks	Partial weeks	
		Total	Due to excess earnings
January 1966			
CANADA	1,351,847	92,819	65,462
Newfoundland	119,255	5,800	3,873
Prince Edward Island	18,845	982	806
Nova Scotia	81,411	7,288	5,539
New Brunswick	82,265	4,992	3,586
Quebec	402,072	28,418	19,809
Ontario	316,667	22,253	15,366
Manitoba	71,571	4,253	3,071
Saskatchewan	43,979	2,439	1,771
Alberta	55,364	3,711	2,558
British Columbia	160,418	12,683	9,083
January 1965			
CANADA	1,485,059	107,457	75,902
Newfoundland	91,659	4,128	2,733
Prince Edward Island	20,376	1,124	855
Nova Scotia	81,604	8,458	6,759
New Brunswick	89,712	6,310	4,420
Quebec	437,434	35,471	23,748
Ontario	395,537	26,501	18,901
Manitoba	63,410	4,064	3,101
Saskatchewan	52,713	3,006	2,181
Alberta	76,641	5,253	4,069
British Columbia	175,973	13,142	9,135

Seasonal Benefit, 1965-66 period

Provisions governing the operation of seasonal benefit are unchanged from last year. Effective November 21, 1965 to mid-May 1966, claims failing the regular contribution requirements are considered for seasonal benefit. Benefit is not payable under these terms for unemployment occurring before December 5(1). Only one seasonal benefit period may be established by a claimant during this period. The minimum duration is for 12 weeks,(2) hence exhaustion of seasonal benefit will not occur before February 19.

In testing for seasonal benefit, claims failing the regular requirements are considered first under class A, for which the minimum requirement is 15 contribution weeks subsequent to the week containing March 31, 1965. Total entitlement for claimants qualifying in this class is based entirely on contributions since that date. The benefit formula provides 5 full weeks of benefit for every 6 weeks of contribution(2).

Cases failing the contribution requirement for class A are then examined for possible qualification under class B which represents an extension of benefit for those for whom a regular benefit period terminated during the interval since May 15, 1965. The authorization will be that shown on the preceding regular benefit period, or the number of weeks which remain in the seasonal benefit period, whichever is the lesser. The weekly rate(3) will be that of the preceding claim, adjusted, if necessary, for any change in dependency status. Claims established subsequent to April 2, 1966 are exclusively class B.

Claimants for seasonal benefit (except fishermen)(4) must comply with all the provisions of the Act and Regulations, except where mentioned above.

Fishing Claimants

Table 3b, Fishing Seasonal Benefit Claimants, includes those seasonal benefit claimants whose claim documents carry the identification F, for fishing. This indicates that the person is eligible for seasonal benefit by virtue of fishing contributions, i.e. his countable contributions for the 15 weeks included at least one week of fishing contributions (or his preceding regular benefit period was also designated as F).

- (1) A claimant eligible to have the waiting period waived could draw seasonal benefit for the week commencing November 28.
- (2) While the minimum entitlement on SBA claims is 13 weeks (SBB, 12 weeks), claims established subsequent to the week ending February 26, 1966 provide entitlement only for the number of weeks remaining between the date of establishment and the end of the seasonal benefit period.
- (3) Section 47 (2a) of the Act is not applicable to seasonal benefit claims. This section was added in September 1959 in order to minimize the impact of short-term employment on the weekly rate for subsequent regular claims filed within a two-year period.
- (4) During the seasonal benefit period, claimants classed as fishermen will be considered available and unemployed in respect to any activity in commercial fishing or in the repair of fishing gear, equipment or boat. However, income from fishing or any other activity during a week is taken into consideration in determining the amount of benefit payable.

TABLE 3a. Seasonal Benefit Claimants Currently Reporting to Local Offices on the Last Working Day of the Month, by Sex and Province

Province	1966 - January - 1965					
	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female
CANADA	109,922	85,766	24,156	121,964	96,156	25,808
Newfoundland	15,697	15,144	553	16,267	15,798	469
Prince Edward Island	3,158	2,674	484	3,221	2,694	527
Nova Scotia	11,124	9,901	1,223	11,821	10,371	1,450
New Brunswick	11,464	9,380	2,084	11,958	9,836	2,122
Quebec	25,297	18,970	6,327	28,617	22,304	6,313
Ontario	21,074	12,826	8,248	24,474	15,191	9,283
Manitoba	4,255	3,399	856	5,195	4,192	1,003
Saskatchewan	2,983	2,238	745	3,665	2,946	719
Alberta	3,011	2,252	759	4,190	3,366	824
British Columbia	11,859	8,982	2,877	12,556	9,458	3,098

TABLE 3b. Fishing Seasonal Benefit Claimants included in Table 3a

Province	1966 - January - 1965					
	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female
CANADA	24,655	24,514	141	25,598	25,476	122
Newfoundland	9,267	9,254	13	10,425	10,425	-
Prince Edward Island	1,758	1,708	50	1,675	1,641	34
Nova Scotia	5,458	5,448	10	5,296	5,288	8
New Brunswick	3,223	3,199	24	3,474	3,446	28
Quebec	685	677	8	757	734	23
Ontario	525	518	7	507	500	7
Manitoba	146	146	-	131	131	-
Saskatchewan	1	1	-	2	2	-
Alberta	33	31	2	27	27	-
British Columbia	3,559	3,532	27	3,304	3,282	22

Unemployment Insurance Activities
1965 and 1964

The insured population averaged 4,662,000 in 1965, an increase of 6 per cent over the 1964 average. The employed segment expanded by about 8 per cent, while the average level of claimants was almost 10 per cent below that for 1964. Parallel movements were observed in the paid worker and unemployed sectors of the total labour force; higher levels of employment were indicated in all major industrial divisions, with the largest percentage increases occurring in construction, service and trade.

Males accounted for virtually all of the claimant decline from 1964. This is undoubtedly associated with the relatively stronger demand for male workers characteristic of certain occupations, particularly during the past year.

The improved employment conditions were reflected in a claim volume, lower by about 230,000, from 1964. There were 35 claims per 100 insured persons in 1965, versus 42 in 1964. Benefit payments, at \$312 million, were \$32 million less than in 1964. The average weekly payment, at \$24.54 in 1965, was virtually unchanged from 1964. The lack of any increment in the average weekly payment is undoubtedly associated with the decline in the proportion of male claimants.

The charts shown below illustrate the generally improved conditions in 1965, compared with the 4 preceding years.

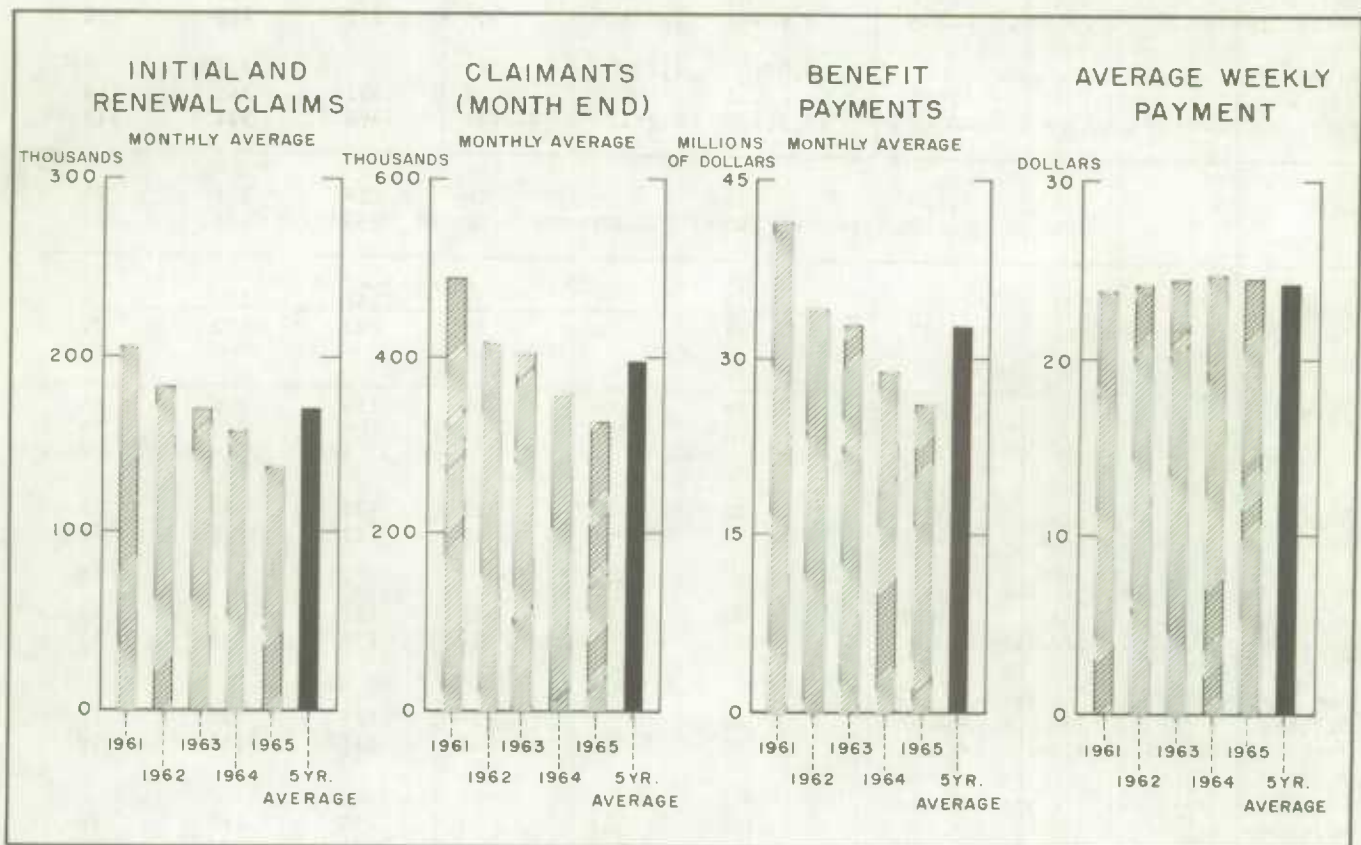


Table i. - Estimates of Insured Population, Number of Initial and Renewal Claims Filed, Count of Claimants at month-end, by month, 1965 and 1964.

Month and year		Estimate of insured population at month-end	Initial and renewal claims filed			Count of claimants at month-end		
			Total	Initial	Renewal	Total	Male	Female
		(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)
thousands								
Calendar year -	1965	4,662(1)	1,628	1,208	420	322(1)	227(1)	95(1)
	1964	4,388(1)	1,860	1,336	524	357(1)	260(1)	97(1)
January	1965	4,592	230	181	49	548	420	128
	1964	4,334	259	202	57	599	468	130
February	1965	4,605	160	123	37	559	429	130
	1964	4,339	172	129	42	607	474	133
March	1965	4,626	183	135	48	539	413	126
	1964	4,348	182	133	50	597	468	130
April	1965	4,594	151	111	40	463	345	118
	1964	4,280	175	127	48	498	381	117
May	1965	4,514	93	68	26	229	151	78
	1964	4,170	105	73	32	250	171	79
June	1965	4,601	72	51	21	181	106	75
	1964	4,373	87	58	29	202	127	75
July	1965	4,650	86	60	26	184	106	78
	1964	4,406	109	71	38	205	127	78
August	1965	4,696	84	59	25	172	103	70
	1964	4,463	79	50	29	182	111	71
September	1965	4,678	72	48	24	157	91	67
	1964	4,437	86	55	30	174	105	69
October	1965	4,680	83	57	26	170	98	72
	1964	4,432	121	75	46	215	139	76
November	1965	4,754	152	111	41	245	160	84
	1964	4,491	169	120	49	275	187	88
December	1965	4,951(2)	262	205	57	418	305	113
	1964	4,582	316	242	74	478	360	118

(1) Average of month-end data.

(2) Preliminary.

Table 11. - Number of Initial and Renewal Claims Filed in Local Offices in each Provinces, by Month, 1965. (1)

Province	Total 1964	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
thousands													
<u>Initial and renewal claims</u>													
Canada -	1,628	230	160	183	151	93	72	86	84	72	83	152	262
Nfld.	64	9	5	7	5	3	1	1	1	1	2	7	20
P.E.I.	12	2	1	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	4
N.S.	85	13	8	8	7	4	3	3	5	5	4	7	17
N.B.	79	12	7	9	9	4	2	3	2	2	3	8	17
Que.	541	71	56	67	51	36	25	27	24	24	30	50	80
Ont.	483	64	48	52	42	25	26	38	36	23	25	39	65
Man.	60	9	7	7	7	3	2	2	2	2	2	7	10
Sask.	41	7	4	5	4	2	1	1	1	1	1	5	8
Alta.	77	12	8	10	9	4	3	3	2	3	3	9	10
B.C.	187	30	16	17	16	12	8	8	10	10	12	19	31

<u>Initial claims</u>													
Canada -	1,208	181	123	135	111	68	51	60	59	48	57	111	205
Nfld.	55	8	4	5	4	3	1	1	1	1	2	6	18
P.E.I.	10	2	1	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	3
N.S.	64	11	6	6	5	3	2	3	4	2	2	5	14
N.B.	63	10	6	7	6	3	2	2	2	2	2	6	15
Que.	384	54	42	49	37	25	17	17	16	15	19	35	60
Ont.	358	50	37	38	31	18	19	27	27	16	18	29	49
Man.	47	8	5	6	5	2	2	2	1	1	2	5	8
Sask.	34	6	4	4	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	4	6
Alta.	58	10	7	7	7	3	2	2	2	2	2	6	8
B.C.	135	24	12	11	11	8	6	5	6	7	8	13	24

<u>Renewal claims</u>													
Canada -	420	49	37	48	40	26	21	26	25	24	26	41	57
Nfld.	9	1	1	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	2
P.E.I.	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
N.S.	21	2	2	2	2	1	1	1	1	3	1	2	3
N.B.	16	2	1	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	3
Que.	156	17	14	18	14	11	8	10	8	9	11	15	21
Ont.	124	14	11	14	11	7	7	11	10	7	7	10	16
Man.	13	2	1	2	1	1	-	-	-	-	1	2	2
Sask.	7	1	1	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1
Alta.	18	3	2	3	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	2
B.C.	53	7	4	6	5	3	2	3	4	3	4	5	7

(1) Comparable data for 1964 available in the January 1965 issue in this series.

Table 111. - Number of Claimants Reporting to Local Offices on the Last Working Day of the Month, by Province and Sex, during 1965(1).

Province	Monthly Ave.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
thousands													
<u>Total</u>													
Canada -	322	548	559	539	463	229	181	184	172	157	170	245	418
Nfld.	16	34	36	32	24	9	5	4	4	4	5	10	27
P.E.I.	3	7	7	6	5	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	5
N.S.	19	34	35	34	27	12	9	8	8	10	8	13	25
N.B.	18	34	35	34	30	12	7	7	7	6	7	12	26
Que.	104	164	174	179	155	79	61	59	52	49	58	82	133
Ont.	90	138	143	134	119	62	58	70	69	56	54	69	107
Man.	14	27	25	27	22	10	7	7	6	5	6	9	17
Sask.	10	19	20	19	15	6	4	3	3	3	3	7	13
Alta.	16	27	28	27	25	13	9	7	7	7	7	12	17
B.C.	34	64	56	47	42	25	20	18	17	17	21	30	49
<u>Male</u>													
Canada -	227	420	429	413	345	151	106	106	103	91	98	160	305
Nfld.	14	32	34	30	22	8	4	3	2	2	3	8	25
P.E.I.	2	6	6	5	4	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	4
N.S.	15	29	29	28	22	9	6	6	5	7	6	9	21
N.B.	14	27	29	28	25	9	5	5	4	4	5	9	20
Que.	78	131	141	146	124	58	40	37	33	31	37	57	98
Ont.	54	91	94	88	75	33	28	37	40	29	27	38	67
Man.	10	20	19	21	16	6	4	3	3	3	3	6	12
Sask.	7	16	16	15	11	3	2	1	1	1	1	4	10
Alta.	11	21	22	20	19	9	5	4	3	3	3	8	13
B.C.	22	48	39	32	27	15	11	10	10	10	12	20	36
<u>Female</u>													
Canada -	95	128	130	126	118	78	75	78	70	67	72	84	113
Nfld.	2	2	2	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2
P.E.I.	1	1	1	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1
N.S.	4	5	6	6	5	3	3	3	2	2	3	3	4
N.B.	4	6	6	6	5	3	2	2	2	2	3	4	6
Que.	26	34	33	32	31	21	20	22	19	18	21	25	35
Ont.	36	47	48	46	45	29	30	33	29	27	27	31	40
Man.	4	7	6	6	6	4	3	3	3	3	3	3	5
Sask.	3	4	4	4	4	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	3
Alta.	5	6	7	7	6	4	4	4	3	3	4	4	5
B.C.	11	16	17	16	14	10	9	8	8	8	9	10	13

(1) Comparable data for 1964 available in January 1965 issue in this series.

Table iv. - Benefit Payments by Province and Month, 1965 and 1964.

Province	Total 12 months	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
thousands of dollars													
Canada - 1965	312,110	39,846	45,333	55,589	43,309	31,660	16,229	11,829	12,791	11,501	10,223	12,615	21,184
1964	344,390	46,412	50,127	53,551	52,583	33,117	16,538	14,086	13,199	12,792	12,841	14,647	24,498
Nfld. 1965	18,019	2,368	3,279	4,508	2,422	2,101	821	264	246	204	246	366	1,194
1964	17,911	2,488	3,753	3,788	3,085	1,994	611	354	284	282	302	355	615
P.E.I. 1965	3,096	490	552	796	422	307	80	47	47	45	38	49	225
1964	3,013	522	599	653	579	245	56	50	47	44	35	47	138
N.S. 1965	16,517	2,031	2,592	3,550	2,035	1,723	820	535	554	549	516	594	1,017
1964	18,225	2,314	3,153	3,110	3,157	1,672	742	665	570	634	602	658	947
N.B. 1965	16,570	2,197	2,524	3,528	2,291	1,989	759	446	401	391	358	541	1,145
1964	16,732	2,036	2,602	2,883	3,197	1,891	659	558	498	493	444	560	912
Que. 1965	101,593	11,990	13,983	17,474	15,422	10,904	5,586	3,923	4,221	3,643	3,330	4,150	6,965
1964	110,480	14,552	15,175	17,134	17,205	10,871	5,569	4,513	4,176	4,280	4,136	4,824	8,044
Ont. 1965	86,234	10,364	11,527	13,747	11,317	7,884	4,634	3,996	4,942	4,401	3,493	4,196	5,731
1964	99,506	13,375	13,338	14,147	13,783	8,423	4,974	4,740	4,970	4,497	4,631	5,093	7,535
Man. 1965	13,243	1,739	2,031	2,391	2,058	1,366	662	428	441	375	351	468	934
1964	14,951	1,983	2,304	2,265	2,672	1,602	637	411	507	441	435	506	1,189
Sask. 1965	9,487	1,447	1,641	1,870	1,541	862	366	223	236	203	196	253	649
1964	10,046	1,614	1,691	1,819	1,694	848	331	250	232	228	240	299	798
Alta. 1965	15,033	2,123	2,192	2,491	2,249	1,583	893	574	512	464	421	526	1,004
1964	18,839	2,527	2,652	2,799	3,023	2,021	963	805	612	603	637	685	1,512
B.C. 1965	32,317	5,096	5,013	5,235	3,551	2,940	1,607	1,392	1,191	1,226	1,274	1,471	2,320
1964	34,686	5,000	4,860	4,952	4,188	3,548	1,995	1,741	1,304	1,289	1,380	1,620	2,808

Table v. - Average Weekly Benefit Rate(1), by Province and Month, 1965 and 1964.

Province	12 month average	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
dollars													
Canada -	1965	24.54	25.02	24.92	24.86	24.87	24.40	24.14	23.83	23.39	23.55	23.77	24.46
	1964	24.57	25.07	24.89	24.90	24.66	24.33	24.17	23.67	23.66	23.75	24.03	24.62
Nfld.	1965	24.42	24.72	23.36	24.82	25.39	25.19	24.64	24.42	21.10	21.87	21.98	24.31
	1964	24.42	24.30	24.39	24.43	24.92	25.17	26.11	22.44	21.78	22.30	21.99	24.51
P.E.I.	1965	22.61	22.79	22.87	22.88	22.93	22.19	21.15	20.53	21.15	20.58	20.90	22.96
	1964	22.32	22.26	22.63	22.56	22.48	21.75	20.81	20.87	20.86	20.83	20.73	23.65
N.S.	1965	22.63	22.55	22.60	23.25	22.62	22.16	22.40	22.61	21.97	22.24	22.96	22.54
	1964	22.67	22.83	23.22	22.96	22.55	21.95	22.08	22.21	22.17	22.79	22.78	22.30
N.B.	1965	23.22	22.88	23.31	23.52	23.57	23.54	23.62	22.76	22.22	21.90	22.33	23.23
	1964	22.71	22.42	22.73	22.60	23.25	23.19	22.95	22.65	21.89	21.78	21.52	22.75
Que.	1965	24.98	25.35	25.65	25.70	25.54	25.20	24.95	24.27	23.21	23.29	23.41	24.10
	1964	24.88	25.37	25.37	25.35	25.09	24.65	24.43	23.87	23.64	24.03	24.03	24.79
Ont.	1965	24.28	24.56	24.72	24.47	24.46	23.79	23.62	23.98	23.87	24.20	24.09	24.18
	1964	24.57	25.09	24.86	25.22	24.54	24.15	23.75	23.52	24.06	23.88	24.62	24.31
Man.	1965	24.95	25.77	25.42	25.99	25.05	24.29	23.18	22.79	22.97	22.96	23.81	25.79
	1964	24.64	25.36	24.98	24.81	25.34	24.16	22.99	22.13	22.98	23.16	23.51	25.68
Sask.	1965	24.66	25.98	25.33	24.87	24.80	24.16	22.92	21.26	22.92	21.95	22.21	25.69
	1964	24.71	25.67	25.30	25.07	25.02	24.02	23.08	22.51	22.66	22.54	22.54	25.06
Alta.	1965	24.98	25.92	25.46	24.38	25.33	25.09	24.97	23.74	23.42	23.36	23.67	26.14
	1964	25.44	26.06	25.60	25.58	25.47	25.53	25.18	24.98	24.87	24.44	24.34	25.54
B.C.	1965	25.56	26.95	26.43	25.44	25.27	24.77	24.34	23.94	24.14	24.26	24.89	26.79
	1964	25.46	26.48	26.13	25.57	25.25	24.94	25.55	24.93	24.16	24.29	24.41	25.62

(1) Including partial weeks.

Table vi. - Initial and Renewal Claims for Unemployment Insurance Benefit by Month, February 1942 - December 1965

Year	Total 12 months	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
thousands													
1942	26.9	-	4.8		2.9	2.8	4.6	2.7	1.9	1.1	1.1	1.7	3.3
1943	36.7	4.6	4.8	5.0	4.0	2.0	1.8	1.1	1.4	1.0	1.5	2.9	6.6
1944	90.9	11.8	12.3	10.7	6.5	4.7	3.2	3.1	3.2	3.7	6.2	11.8	13.8
1945	296.4	20.4	15.0	13.3	8.4	8.9	10.9	10.9	20.6	40.5	36.7	53.3	57.6
1946	488.7	71.9	59.1	50.7	35.8	34.8	30.6	27.6	25.1	28.6	34.9	37.1	52.5
1947	442.9	63.7	47.1	43.7	35.9	27.6	21.4	20.0	17.3	20.9	29.4	42.4	73.6
1948	649.1	100.3	76.7	63.9	49.0	33.6	31.5	30.5	25.0	28.1	38.1	66.4	105.9
1949	933.9	126.6	93.5	88.8	58.1	52.7	44.8	43.5	50.3	51.9	69.3	114.9	139.4
1950	1,150.2	182.1	109.3	211.4	80.4	71.6	51.3	43.9	61.5	49.2	62.2	93.0	134.2
1951	1,144.1	172.6	110.5	111.1	75.2	56.4	58.2	59.0	57.9	62.5	82.9	122.6	175.0
1952	1,391.3	212.7	141.3	155.5	101.0	83.8	68.8	75.3	61.0	64.7	88.0	123.4	215.9
1953	1,679.7	223.7	172.6	181.5	117.9	71.5	72.8	75.9	74.1	85.6	123.2	188.9	292.3
1954	2,102.2	293.2	216.1	250.8	159.5	113.4	114.8	106.3	112.7	109.5	127.6	187.7	310.6
1955	1,929.8	311.0	238.7	247.1	155.9	97.6	90.4	81.6	88.6	87.6	94.7	159.8	276.7
1956	1,625.4	263.8	188.6	176.5	139.1	84.1	55.2	73.5	75.0	65.0	87.9	151.4	265.2
1957	2,373.2	361.1	192.7	195.2	163.5	104.3	86.4	114.1	115.3	124.9	167.4	249.1	499.2
1958	2,780.5	367.4	243.9	253.3	217.5	165.1	155.7	167.4	139.7	157.6	191.2	246.6	475.2
1959	2,428.3	317.5	220.9	230.1	206.9	134.4	107.1	122.3	102.4	115.1	151.2	278.6	441.6
1960	2,700.4	306.6	240.3	283.5	214.6	165.6	128.5	140.4	149.6	140.3	178.2	304.4	448.3
1961	2,460.5	344.2	234.6	259.4	209.6	162.1	112.8	126.2	121.2	122.0	158.1	252.6	357.9
1962	2,192.2	320.2	205.6	225.8	181.3	138.4	93.5	112.4	98.8	98.3	150.4	243.6	323.8
1963	2,038.0	319.4	188.5	195.9	175.6	122.9	82.8	112.9	86.2	92.9	126.2	189.4	345.3
1964	1,859.9	258.6	171.6	182.3	175.4	105.2	86.8	108.9	79.0	85.8	120.9	169.0	316.4
1965	1,628.2	230.2	160.0	183.2	151.0	93.3	72.0	86.1	83.9	71.8	83.1	151.5	262.2

Table vii. - Claimants Reporting to Local Offices on the Last Working Day of each Month, September 30, 1943 to December 31, 1965

Year	12 month average	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
thousands													
1943	-									1	1	2	6
1944	10	12	16	16	12	7	5	4	5	6	8	13	19
1945	41	27	30	27	19	17	17	19	29	48	62	85	113
1946	98	146	162	155	124	99	82	69	62	58	63	67	87
1947	71	106	112	107	86	63	50	43	39	39	45	62	102
1948	95	145	153	142	112	77	62	53	47	47	60	88	151
1949	149	203	216	198	150	115	95	94	94	95	115	172	243
1950 total	188	313	304	368	230	166	127	106	111	89	102	139	202
% S.B.				23									3
1951 total	167	256	253	236	149	101	101	100	101	109	128	187	288
% S.B.		11	14	18									3
1952 total	219	358	351	352	249	182	149	144	125	109	128	182	304
% S.B.		9	11	13									4
1953 total	253	376	389	379	240	165	142	134	134	143	185	283	452
% S.B.		11	14	17									4
1954 total	357	556	559	561	379	293	245	228	223	214	236	307	479
% S.B.		10	14	18									7
1955 total	319	587	620	605	354	241	186	168	153	145	163	220	388
% S.B.		14	21	26									12
1956 total	272	477	511	511	292	189	136	138	132	128	139	215	398
% S.B.		23	28	29									7
1957 total	380	546	572	559	374	250	205	206	209	227	268	403	744
% S.B.		13	18	19									12
1958 total	552	835	869	860	722	551	445	301	295	283	324	419	715
% S.B.		20	24	27	31	33	30						18
1959 total	454	785	796	767	611	279	221	226	210	202	251	418	686
% S.B.		26	31	34	37								17
1960 total	518	783	814	823	715	364	296	294	280	280	330	485	754
% S.B.		23	27	30	32								18
1961 total	487	847	873	838	713	341	267	255	229	229	269	386	601
% S.B.		24	29	32	35								18
1962 total	414	699	719	687	564	264	214	212	199	198	244	374	592
% S.B.		25	29	32	34								16
1963 total	402	704	720	685	566	271	220	219	193	186	219	303	532
% S.B.		23	27	30	33								15
1964 total	357	599	607	597	498	250	202	205	182	174	215	275	478
% S.B.		23	27	30	32								15
1965 total	322	548	559	539	463	229	181	184	172	157	170	245	418
% S.B.		22	26	30	31								16

Table viii. - Amount of Benefit Paid(1), by Month, 1942 to 1965.

Year	12 month total	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
millions of dollars													
1942	0.37	-	(2)	0.03	0.04	0.05	0.04	0.04	0.04	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.04
1943	0.94	0.07	0.13	0.20	0.14	0.13	0.07	0.05	0.03	0.02	0.02	0.03	0.05
1944	3.29	0.13	0.30	0.76	0.36	0.47	0.25	0.14	0.11	0.12	0.13	0.18	0.34
1945	14.57	0.55	0.82	1.52	0.59	0.67	0.58	0.60	0.69	0.88	1.71	2.51	3.45
1946	51.08	4.49	5.90	7.21	7.01	5.22	4.47	3.30	2.86	3.40	2.46	2.24	2.51
1947	32.04	4.01	3.92	4.48	3.78	3.07	2.15	1.96	1.52	1.51	1.54	1.56	2.54
1948	40.27	3.92	5.02	6.63	5.18	3.67	2.60	2.08	1.84	1.69	1.76	2.28	3.59
1949	69.35	6.73	8.16	10.40	7.61	5.51	4.11	3.37	3.72	3.67	3.85	5.05	7.18
1950	98.98	11.78	13.61	16.64	13.71	10.50	6.66	4.76	4.41	3.84	3.57	4.18	5.31
1951	76.66	9.83	10.68	12.14	8.35	5.66	3.51	3.43	3.67	3.46	3.90	5.11	6.92
1952	118.83	13.98	15.57	16.89	13.95	10.39	6.73	6.29	6.24	5.71	5.71	6.44	10.93
1953	157.97	18.43	20.60	24.00	19.19	12.39	8.41	7.15	6.41	6.74	7.60	10.17	16.88
1954	241.11	25.15	29.68	37.19	29.84	21.13	15.72	12.72	12.06	12.40	11.78	14.02	19.43
1955	229.12	28.37	34.90	45.44	33.78	20.02	12.64	8.94	8.73	8.18	7.54	8.66	11.94
1956	210.33	24.63	32.19	38.17	33.20	19.16	9.93	7.93	8.17	7.09	8.07	9.28	12.53
1957	305.08	33.44	38.60	44.13	40.39	26.27	14.36	13.80	13.03	13.81	16.33	18.99	31.93
1958	492.90	60.76	63.31	72.38	66.68	51.65	36.99	26.82	19.49	19.85	20.27	21.14	33.56
1959	406.10	58.65	58.08	65.87	59.97	40.45	18.16	14.53	13.12	13.37	13.77	17.48	32.66
1960	481.84	54.35	62.59	74.85	61.77	52.21	26.84	19.70	21.36	21.19	20.65	26.58	39.77
1961	493.97	67.66	70.99	85.19	64.54	58.70	25.89	18.55	18.86	16.08	17.12	20.94	29.45
1962	409.21	57.80	57.99	68.83	51.65	45.41	18.71	14.51	15.88	12.66	15.75	18.93	31.09
1963	394.16	58.56	58.74	61.29	57.58	41.15	15.99	15.51	14.01	12.53	13.99	15.47	29.36
1964	344.39	46.41	50.13	53.55	52.58	33.12	16.54	14.09	13.20	12.79	12.84	14.65	24.50
1965	312.11	39.85	45.33	55.59	43.31	31.66	16.23	11.83	12.79	11.50	10.22	12.61	21.18

(1) Benefit paid under the seasonal benefit provisions is included. The dates during which these provisions were operative, maximum weeks payable each period and amount of benefit paid are as follows:

February 28 to April 15, 1950 - 6 weeks - \$4.5 million.

January 1 to March 31, 1951 - 13 weeks - \$3.9 million.

January 1 to March 31, 1952 - 13 weeks - \$4.6 million.

January 1 to April 15, 1953 - 15 weeks - \$9.2 million.

January 1 to April 15, 1954 - 15 weeks - \$14.1 million.

January 1 to April 15, 1955 - 15 weeks - \$28.9 million.

January 1 to April 21, 1956 - 16 weeks - \$38.1 million.

January 1 to April 20, 1957 - 16 weeks - \$29.6 million.

December 1, 1957 to June 28, 1958 - 30 weeks - \$109.8 million.

December 1, 1958 to May 16, 1959 - 24 weeks - \$98.4 million.

November 30, 1959 to May 21, 1960 - 25 weeks - \$99.1 million.

November 28, 1960 to May 20, 1961 - 25 weeks - \$112.1 million.

November 27, 1961 to May 19, 1962 - 25 weeks - \$88.9 million.

November 19, 1962 to May 18, 1963 - 25 weeks - \$86.9 million.

November 25, 1963 to May 16, 1964 - 25 weeks - \$75.1 million.

November 29, 1964 to May 15, 1965 - 25 weeks - \$65.1 million (preliminary).

(2) Less than \$10,000.

Glossary of Terms

Insured population: For purposes of this report, the insured population is defined as the number of persons estimated as currently in contact with the Unemployment Insurance Commission either as contributors or as claimants. The estimates are revised once a year when data from the book renewal are available.

Employed population: The number of persons estimated as currently contributing under the scheme. Estimates are based on a 10 per cent sample and hence are subject to sampling variability.

Claimant population: The count of persons currently reporting to the local offices as at the end of the month. An exception occurs in the month which serves as a benchmark, i.e., May or June, when the claimant count represents the number of persons reporting to local offices as claimants during the first two weeks of book renewal.

Initial claim: An application for benefit from a person for whom there is no benefit period in existence. This category includes both regular and seasonal claims, since it is impossible to determine, at the time of filing a claim, the type of benefit for which the claimant will subsequently qualify. On an initial claim the contribution history for the two years preceding the claim is examined. This is required in order to test attachment to insured employment and thus determine the type of benefit for which the claimant is eligible, if at all. In cases of eligibility, the record of the qualifying period is used to calculate the weekly rate of benefit and maximum entitlement for the benefit period. Only one initial claim is required for each benefit period.

Benefit period: A period commencing with the week in which the initial claim is made, provided the qualifying conditions are fulfilled. The maximum length of the benefit period is 52 weeks, in the case of claimants qualifying under the regular terms of the Act. Seasonal benefit periods may be established only from December 1 to mid-May, with a maximum length of 24 weeks. In either case, however, the benefit period terminates with exhaustion of benefit.

Renewal claim: An application for benefit from an insured person during the currency of a benefit period. As in the case of initial claims, this category includes renewal claims from all classes of claimants, i.e., regular, seasonal and fishing.

Initial and renewal claims filed: An approximation of the number of new cases of recorded unemployment among insured persons during a period. However, an initial claim representing a request for re-establishment of a benefit period with no actual interruption in the period on claim would not constitute a new case of unemployment. To the extent that such claims are filed in any month, the total overstates the number of new cases.

Revised claims: Those, other than initial or renewal, which must be considered by an insurance officer, e.g., involving dependency, extension of qualifying period, etc. A revised claim is thus an administrative device to initiate action for reconsideration of an existing initial or renewal claim.

Claimants currently reporting to local offices: All persons currently reporting to local offices to claim unemployment insurance benefit, either regular, seasonal or fishing. Under the Unemployment Insurance Act a person may claim benefit for any week during which he did not work a full working week.

Number of weeks on claim: The cumulative number of weeks during which a claimant has reported to prove unemployment during the current period on claim. The count commences with the week in which the initial (or renewal) claim is filed and continues unbroken so long as the claimant continues to report as directed. Cases occur in which a spell of unemployment extends beyond the termination of a benefit period and a new benefit period is immediately established with no actual interruption of the period on claim. In such cases the cumulative number of weeks is transferred from the previous claim document to that covering the subsequent benefit period and the count continued. This procedure applies also for contiguous periods on regular and seasonal benefit. Excluded from the count are any weeks for which a claimant reported "non-availability" during a complete week.

Entitled to benefit: For purposes of this report, this category comprises those adjudications arising from initial claims on which a benefit period (regular, seasonal or fishing) is shown as established and no disqualification imposed and adjudications indicating "approval" on renewal claims, either regular, seasonal or fishing.

Not entitled to benefit: Claimants disqualified on initial and renewal claims, and those for whom the adjudication on an initial claim was to the effect that the claimant was ineligible to establish either a regular, seasonal or fishing benefit period.

Benefit period not established: The minimum contribution requirements for any type of benefit have not been met. This figure thus represents the net total of persons with insufficient contributions to establish a benefit period under either the regular, seasonal or fishing benefit provisions, based on decisions arising from initial claims only. Subsequent decisions arising from a revised claim and constituting a reversal of the initial adjudication are not taken into account, but such decisions would reduce the number of benefit periods not established.

Disqualification: A disqualification is imposed because of circumstances surrounding the claim which render the claimant ineligible for the receipt of benefit either for a stated period or so long as the condition causing the disqualification continues.



Where it is established that loss of employment was voluntary and without just cause on the part of the claimant, i.e., he left employment of his own volition or was dismissed because of misconduct, the maximum disqualification is six weeks; claimants participating in a labour dispute in which they are directly interested are disqualified for the duration of the work stoppage. In assessing the number of cases of disqualification, no distinction is made as to the type of claim, hence disqualifications arising from revised claims are included. The cases mentioned here serve as examples only and do not constitute a complete summary of conditions under which a disqualification may be imposed. Sections 59-66 of the Act contain a description of these conditions.

Weeks compensated: Calendar weeks in respect of which some benefit, either regular, seasonal or fishing, was paid. A compensated week is counted in the month in which the copy of the payment voucher is received in the District Treasury Office, which is not necessarily the month in which the week of unemployment occurred.

Amount of benefit: The sum of all benefit payments made during the month. This comprises regular, seasonal or fishing benefit.

Complete week: A week in respect of which a claimant received the full weekly rate of benefit authorized on that benefit period.

Partial week: A week for which a claimant received less than the full weekly rate authorized. A partial week may be due to excess earnings resulting in a reduced payment in direct proportion to the amount of such earnings. If a claimant was "not available for work" on any day or days during a week, a reduction will be made in the weekly rate proportionate to the number of days of "non-availability". A reduction will occur also if a portion of a week was designated as part of the prescribed waiting period.

Excess earnings: Earnings during a week in excess of the allowable earnings for a claimant's weekly benefit rate. As an example, a claimant whose weekly rate is \$30.00 may earn up to \$15.00 in a week without suffering a reduction in benefit; however, in a week where he earns \$17.00 his benefit will be reduced to \$28.00.

Beneficiaries: Persons who received one or more benefit payments. The estimate, based on the total number of payment documents for the month, represents the average weekly number of beneficiaries.

Seasonal benefit: Benefit payable during the period commencing with the Sunday prior to December 1 and ending with the Saturday after May 15, to

certain classes of claimants unable to fulfil the requirements under the regular benefit provisions of the Act. Claimants in Class A must prove 15 contributions since the Saturday preceding the 31st day of March immediately prior to the date of claim, while qualification under class B is contingent upon a regular benefit period having terminated since the Saturday following the 15th day of May immediately prior to the claim.

Fishermen: For purposes of regular benefit, a fisherman is a claimant showing five or more fishing contribution weeks during the last 52 weeks. For purposes of seasonal benefit, however, any claimant whose qualifying contributions include even one fishing contribution week is classed as a fishing claimant.

Fishing contribution week: Any week for which a fishing contribution is recorded, whether or not a contribution was also made in respect of other insured employment. Specially designed stamps are used to record insured employment in fishing and employers using the bulk pay method must report employee's fishing contributions separately from those relating to other insurable employment.

Industrial Classification of persons filing new claims for Unemployment Insurance: This information is based on a sample of documents in respect of initial claims filed in local offices during a month. To ensure that all such claims have an equal chance of being included in the study, the documents are accumulated until the end of the third week following the month in which the claim was filed.

The sampling ratio varies from one hundred per cent in the Atlantic provinces (during the period of low claim) to five per cent in Ontario. The sample embraces all new initial claims without regard to benefit status, i.e. failures as well as disqualifications are included. However, it excludes initial claims classed as transitional, i.e., those taken on behalf of persons terminating one benefit period and seeking re-establishment of credits, since such claims are not new cases of separation from employment.

At the present time only the new separations requiring an **initial** claim are included in this study, as these are the only documents forwarded to the Bureau for analysis. The ratio of initial to renewal claims fluctuates with the claim load, so that during the months of heavy claim, it is approximately 3:1.

Geographical classification: The provinces as defined in this bulletin are administrative entities. Hence, Ontario excludes Sioux Lookout for which data are included with Manitoba; British Columbia includes Whitehorse; Quebec excludes Magdalen Islands for which data are included in New Brunswick.