

The chart on page 688 depicts the course of employment since 1921. This shows that the depression of 1921 was followed by the gradual recovery of 1922 and the more pronounced revival of 1923. In the early months of 1924 the curve was above the level of the same period of 1923, but employment increased in succeeding months at a slower rate than it had done in the preceding year, and the improvement was not extensive enough to keep the curve above the 1923 level.

Spring and summer expansion in employment was recorded in 1924 only from April 1 to July 1, when the peak index of 95.9 was reached; this was followed by declines in the next two months. At the beginning of October a brief and partial recovery was indicated, but seasonal contractions in the outdoor industries soon caused a resumption of the unfavourable movement.

Table 17 gives the index numbers of employment by industrial groups since 1921. Manufacturing, mining, transportation and construction did not show as favourable a situation in 1924 as in 1923, while in logging, communication and services, employment was on a higher level and in trade was practically the same.

17.—Index Numbers of Employment as reported by Employers, by Industries, as at the first of each month, January, 1921, to December, 1924.

Years and Months.	Manu- facturing.	Logging.	Mining.	Communi- cation.	Transpor- tation.	Construc- tion and Main- tenance.	Services.	Trade.	All Indus- tries.
1921.									
Jan. 1.	78.4	88.6	100.3	105.4	103.0	102.9	94.5	100.4	87.7
Feb. 1.	84.8	94.3	95.8	104.6	101.3	100.1	94.2	92.5	90.1
Mar. 1.	84.6	81.8	92.8	104.1	95.8	89.2	96.3	92.0	88.0
April 1.	80.7	44.5	88.0	101.8	95.5	86.7	97.8	92.5	84.1
May 1.	80.2	49.9	86.9	103.1	94.0	92.7	98.3	94.2	84.1
June 1.	81.1	47.3	88.7	106.1	98.1	111.9	103.8	92.5	86.6
July 1.	80.9	35.4	92.2	107.4	99.6	126.7	108.0	92.7	87.5
Aug. 1.	81.3	32.3	91.0	107.1	102.7	144.6	107.7	91.4	88.9
Sept. 1.	79.3	41.9	96.0	106.8	106.6	141.6	107.3	92.1	88.7
Oct. 1.	81.3	48.1	96.4	105.1	109.6	142.5	104.5	92.4	90.2
Nov. 1.	81.1	59.7	98.1	104.5	110.5	139.3	96.0	93.0	90.2
Dec. 1.	79.3	61.2	98.0	103.8	106.9	113.2	93.4	96.3	87.2
1922.									
Jan. 1.	68.7	59.5	93.0	101.1	99.2	92.4	92.9	96.9	77.9
Feb. 1.	73.0	61.5	89.7	95.7	97.0	79.8	91.7	90.3	78.9
Mar. 1.	78.1	54.8	90.3	97.5	97.1	83.7	93.0	88.2	81.9
April 1.	78.0	27.2	88.9	98.2	96.8	81.4	94.6	88.6	80.6
May 1.	79.0	37.0	90.2	100.4	98.7	101.1	95.6	90.1	83.3
June 1.	84.2	37.5	92.6	100.6	106.2	129.5	100.3	90.0	89.2
July 1.	84.2	31.4	94.4	100.6	109.2	157.4	104.4	90.7	91.1
Aug. 1.	85.8	27.9	96.2	103.1	111.6	169.4	104.7	90.1	93.1
Sept. 1.	86.5	36.5	97.1	103.4	111.9	164.3	105.0	90.8	93.7
Oct. 1.	86.7	42.1	101.1	102.8	114.0	166.2	102.0	91.9	94.6
Nov. 1.	87.7	66.0	104.5	102.2	114.7	153.2	96.6	93.8	95.8
Dec. 1.	87.7	84.7	102.8	101.5	115.3	122.6	95.8	97.0	95.1