

Employment by Cities.—Separate tabulations are made for eight leading industrial cities—Montreal, Quebec, Toronto, Ottawa, Hamilton, Windsor and the Border Cities, Winnipeg and Vancouver, in all of which, except Ottawa, considerable improvement was shown during 1926 as compared with the preceding year. In Ottawa, the situation was practically unchanged. Manufacturing, employing a large share of the workers reported in these cities, was much more active, as was trade, while construction generally showed marked gains. Table 20 is a record of employment in these cities by months since 1924.

20.—Index Numbers of Employment as reported by Employers, by Leading Cities, as at the first of each month, January, 1924 to December, 1926, with yearly averages since 1922.

NOTE.—Number of employees of the reporting firms in January, 1920, is taken as 100 in every case. The relative weight shows the proportion of employees reported in the indicated city to the total reported by all employers making returns in Canada on Dec. 1, 1926.

Years and Months.	Montreal.	Quebec.	Toronto.	Ottawa.	Hamilton.	Windsor. ¹	Winnipeg.	Vancouver.
1922.								
Average.....	84.9	-	87.0	-	-	-	91.8	94.2
1923.								
Average.....	91.5	-	88.5	100.6	89.8	-	88.5	95.3
1924.								
Jan. 1.....	86.3	-	85.6	91.0	79.0	-	85.3	91.1
Feb. 1.....	87.1	-	84.7	89.7	84.3	-	84.7	91.1
Mar. 1.....	87.7	-	84.5	89.3	83.2	-	83.8	94.2
April 1.....	90.1	-	84.8	90.9	85.2	-	82.3	99.8
May 1.....	92.3	-	85.6	98.3	86.4	-	83.0	102.2
June 1.....	96.2	-	85.2	101.6	83.1	-	83.6	99.7
July 1.....	94.8	-	83.9	102.3	91.7	-	85.6	99.0
Aug. 1.....	95.1	96.9	83.9	101.6	80.9	-	85.5	102.3
Sept. 1.....	92.9	96.4	85.3	100.6	79.4	-	86.4	104.0
Oct. 1.....	93.7	98.8	86.4	100.8	80.4	-	86.1	104.0
Nov. 1.....	92.4	100.3	87.0	94.5	79.6	-	84.2	103.4
Dec. 1.....	93.1	98.5	87.4	92.3	77.3	-	83.5	104.0
Average.....	91.8	98.2	85.4	96.1	81.7	-	84.5	99.6
1925.								
Jan. 1.....	82.5	93.1	82.2	87.1	77.0	-	81.4	98.3
Feb. 1.....	85.3	101.3	83.0	86.1	77.3	-	84.2	97.4
Mar. 1.....	86.7	93.2	81.8	86.6	80.1	-	82.7	101.8
April 1.....	88.5	98.4	85.1	87.5	80.3	-	83.7	102.5
May 1.....	91.7	91.9	86.9	91.8	82.4	-	85.4	104.0
June 1.....	95.6	95.7	86.7	100.1	83.9	85.2	85.5	103.1
July 1.....	95.7	98.9	87.6	100.5	86.0	87.1	85.6	106.5
Aug. 1.....	97.0	98.8	87.7	100.2	84.8	59.0	87.7	111.4
Sept. 1.....	97.3	97.4	88.5	98.5	86.9	85.6	88.0	113.9
Oct. 1.....	99.4	100.3	89.8	101.8	88.3	94.8	89.4	113.9
Nov. 1.....	99.3	99.4	89.7	96.8	87.7	92.9	92.5	112.0
Dec. 1.....	97.0	94.4	90.9	90.4	88.7	93.3	91.5	110.7
Average.....	93.0	96.9	86.7	94.0	83.6	85.4	86.5	106.3
1926.								
Jan. 1.....	88.2	89.9	86.1	87.7	85.0	57.1	89.3	105.8
Feb. 1.....	88.3	90.6	86.5	87.0	86.9	96.1	89.8	109.4
Mar. 1.....	89.6	92.3	87.1	85.3	88.5	100.5	90.8	107.6
April 1.....	93.1	94.9	87.7	86.5	90.3	102.8	90.7	112.6
May 1.....	96.0	100.4	89.8	91.5	94.0	108.5	92.7	116.8
June 1.....	103.1	89.3	90.2	99.4	96.0	111.5	96.9	115.2
July 1.....	104.5	101.6	90.7	101.2	97.6	110.3	98.3	115.3
Aug. 1.....	104.8	104.2	91.1	99.3	98.8	107.7	98.7	123.8
Sept. 1.....	104.6	103.5	92.3	98.6	100.3	109.2	101.6	124.2
Oct. 1.....	104.3	105.1	93.1	99.5	99.7	103.7	104.9	119.7
Nov. 1.....	103.3	103.2	93.6	97.3	98.4	97.2	103.7	117.4
Dec. 1.....	100.7	101.2	93.9	93.8	96.6	99.1	105.4	117.1
Average.....	98.3	98.0	90.2	93.9	94.3	99.9	98.9	115.4
Relative weight of employment by cities as at Dec. 1, 1926 ²	13.7	1.1	12.1	1.1	3.5	1.3	3.4	3.1

¹ Includes other "Border Cities". ² Percentages of Dominion total.