From the beginning of 1924, a monthly return of personnel and salaries has been made by each Department to the Dominion Bureau of Statistics, according to a plan that ensures comparability between Departments and continuity in point of time. The institution of this system was preceded by an investigation back to 1912, the summary results of which are presented in Table 40.

During the war years, as will be seen from Table 40, the number of employees increased very rapidly, as a result of the enlargement of the functions of government, the imposition of new taxes necessitating additional officials as collectors. Such new services as the Department of Soldiers' Civil Re-establishment and the Soldier Settlement Board were also created. The maximum was reached in January, 1920, when 47,133 persons were employed, a number which had been reduced to 38,883 in April, 1925. It may be added that, out of the latter number, 1,047 in the Income Tax Branch and 2,391 in the Department of Soldiers' Civil Re-establishment, or 3,438 in all, were engaged in services of outstanding importance which had no existence before the war. Further, an additional 10,254 persons were, in April, 1925, employed in the Post Office Department, performing services of an industrial rather than of a governmental type, and receiving their salaries out of the payments of the public for services immediately rendered, rather than out of taxation. This postal service alone accounted for \$2,222,121 of the \$5,828,784 paid in salaries and bonuses in April, 1925, or over 38 p.c. of the total.

'The statistics of numbers of employees and of salaries, now being secured monthly, are more comprehensive than those previously published, as a result of the inclusion of various classes of employees, largely "part-time," "seasonal" and "fees of office" employees, who were not included in the report published in 1925. These employees were largely in the Departments of Marine and Fisheries and Public Works. There remain, however, many persons in the "non-enumerated classes", whose numbers cannot be supplied monthly by the departmental officials, but whose compensation is included in the monthly figures of expenditure on personnel, as supplied in Table 41.

 Summary of Civil Service Employees (permanent and temporary) of the Government of Canada, together with total salaries, in January in the years 1912-1926, inclusive.

Years.	Employees.	Salaries.	Bonus.	Salaries and Bonus.
1912 1913 1914 1915 1916 1917 1918 1919 1920 1921 1922 1923	22, 621 25, 107 28, 010 29, 219 32, 435 38, 365 41, 825 47, 133 41, 957 41, 957 41, 957	\$ 1,519,778 1,780,703 1,960,238 2,268,700 2,400,068 2,673,767 3,147,461 3,552,686 4,423,157 4,414,669 4,369,509 4,268,357 4,297,467	\$ 16,413 22,569 27,971 32,167 31,431 29,1321 557,882 965,538 861,973 616,105 463,470 448,228	\$ 1,536,190 1,893,272 1,988,200 2,300,867 2,431,490 2,702,934 1,110,566 5,388,696 5,276,642 4,985,614 4,731,827 4,746,695

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Figures for Jan., 1925 and 1926, are not comparable with those for preceding Januaries, because monthly records now being published include various classes of employees not included in the historical record for the 13 years 1912-1924. In Table 41 will be found comparable figures of employees in the various Departments in March, 1925, and March, 1926.

Table 41, which gives statistics by Departments, with a further classification by principal branches where such are recorded, is inserted to give comparable figures for the latest months. In the month of March, 1926, the total number of employees