

17.—Applications for Employment, Positions offered and Placements effected by the Employment Service of Canada, by Provinces, 1925-1927¹, and for Canada, 1920-1927.

Provinces.	Years.	Applications registered.		Vacancies notified.		Placements effected.	
		Men.	Women.	Men.	Women.	Men.	Women.
Nova Scotia.....	1925.....	5,688	2,232	5,185	2,169	4,981	1,811
	1926.....	5,326	3,539	4,998	3,547	4,699	2,922
	1927.....	4,420	4,236	4,290	4,089	3,978	3,569
New Brunswick.....	1925.....	6,443	4,184	4,405	4,125	4,308	4,043
	1926.....	6,934	4,335	5,873	4,307	5,563	4,286
	1927.....	4,766	4,210	4,434	4,198	4,179	4,129
Quebec.....	1925.....	34,096	9,848	14,090	8,226	13,525	7,545
	1926.....	39,861	7,982	23,148	6,767	20,509	4,801
	1927.....	42,155	8,790	21,704	7,621	21,129	5,540
Ontario.....	1925.....	146,353	50,924	119,053	39,979	107,642	29,284
	1926.....	138,898	54,830	115,551	44,581	104,447	33,152
	1927.....	139,400	58,628	111,096	46,153	100,704	34,164
Manitoba.....	1925.....	41,777	23,051	30,377	20,902	31,154	19,263
	1926.....	43,149	24,781	32,456	22,874	35,290	21,423
	1927.....	44,945	24,696	30,812	22,610	35,165	21,419
Saskatchewan.....	1925.....	77,584	7,651	85,678	8,857	75,613	6,542
	1926.....	59,364	8,529	75,478	10,616	58,016	7,526
	1927.....	64,221	10,107	76,962	11,206	62,974	9,130
Alberta.....	1925.....	60,418	8,603	54,471	8,145	50,755	6,915
	1926.....	58,690	8,926	53,076	9,197	50,287	7,223
	1927.....	62,794	9,174	61,745	9,321	57,219	7,625
British Columbia.....	1925.....	66,663	11,830	32,221	9,070	40,356	9,088
	1926.....	65,946	11,582	34,583	9,880	40,747	9,314
	1927.....	59,331	12,008	28,635	8,897	34,958	8,878
Canada.....	1920 ¹	480,735	96,054	450,526	116,142	365,292	80,520
	1921.....	438,836	105,893	325,498	106,097	277,792	77,964
	1922.....	443,875	104,407	365,529	104,359	216,386	77,136
	1923.....	473,483	115,692	431,576	109,404	376,861	85,751
	1924.....	402,593	118,782	314,258	97,810	285,359	80,773
	1925.....	439,022	118,023	345,570	101,473	328,334	84,491
	1926.....	417,965	124,504	345,163	111,709	319,558	80,897
	1927.....	422,022	131,849	339,478	114,065	320,306	94,463

¹Figures by provinces and years for 1920 to 1924 will be found at p. 703 of the 1926 Year Book.

1.—Unemployment as Reported by Trade Unions.

Monthly statistics on unemployment are compiled and published by the Employment Service Branch of the Dominion Department of Labour, based on returns received from 1,550 local trade unions having an aggregate membership of 170,000 workers. "Unemployment" as here used means involuntary idleness, due to economic causes. Persons engaged in work other than their own trades or idle because of illness are not considered as unemployed, while unions involved in industrial disputes are excluded from the tabulations. As the number of unions making returns varies from month to month, with consequent variation in the membership upon which the percentages of unemployment are based, it should be understood that the figures for each month have reference only to the reporting organizations. Table 18 is a record of unemployment in trade unions for the past 13 years, by provinces. The maximum of unemployment in 1927 was in December, when the percentage stood at 6.6; in 1926, the January and February figures of 8.1 p.c. in each month constituted the maximum. In 1927 the minimum, reached in September, was 3.1 p.c., while the minimum for 1926 was 2.3 p.c. in July. Employment among