

9,032 certificates issued for the special harvest rate from British Columbia to the Prairie Provinces.

15.—Applications for Employment, Positions offered and Placements effected by the Employment Service of Canada, by Provinces, 1926-1928, and for Canada, 1920-1928.

Provinces.	Years.	Applications registered.		Vacancies notified.		Placements effected.	
		Men.	Women.	Men.	Women.	Men.	Women.
Nova Scotia.....	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
	1928.....	4,319	4,268	4,188	4,277	3,994	3,629
New Brunswick.....	1926.....	6,934	4,335	5,873	4,307	5,563	4,236
	1927.....	4,756	4,210	4,434	4,198	4,179	4,129
	1928.....	4,972	4,677	4,662	4,703	4,565	4,631
Quebec.....	1926.....	39,861	7,982	23,148	6,787	20,509	4,801
	1927.....	42,155	8,790	21,704	7,621	21,129	5,549
	1928.....	40,770	9,648	19,997	8,086	19,910	6,208
Ontario.....	1926.....	138,603	54,830	115,551	44,581	104,447	33,152
	1927.....	139,400	58,623	111,096	46,183	100,704	34,164
	1928.....	151,774	60,432	124,935	51,496	116,714	38,434
Manitoba.....	1926.....	43,149	24,781	32,456	22,874	35,290	21,423
	1927.....	44,945	24,696	30,612	22,610	35,165	21,419
	1928.....	45,817	27,830	35,632	26,225	36,556	24,982
Saskatchewan.....	1926.....	59,364	8,529	75,478	10,616	58,016	7,526
	1927.....	64,221	10,107	76,962	11,206	62,974	9,139
	1928.....	76,769	13,480	85,639	14,173	74,958	12,198
Alberta.....	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
	1928.....	66,471	10,452	65,382	11,273	60,514	8,995
British Columbia...	1926.....	65,948	11,582	34,583	9,880	40,747	9,314
	1927.....	59,331	12,008	28,635	8,897	34,958	8,878
	1928.....	63,633	12,186	36,461	9,398	44,731	9,309
Canada.....	1920.....	480,735	96,054	450,526	116,142	365,292	80,520
	1921.....	438,836	105,593	325,498	106,097	277,792	77,964
	1922.....	443,875	104,407	365,529	104,359	316,386	77,136
	1923.....	473,483	115,692	432,576	109,494	376,801	85,751
	1924.....	402,593	116,782	314,258	97,810	285,359	80,773
	1925.....	459,022	118,023	345,570	101,473	328,334	84,491
	1926.....	417,965	124,504	345,163	111,769	319,558	90,597
	1927.....	422,022	131,849	339,478	114,095	320,306	94,463
	1928.....	454,525	142,968	376,791	129,635	361,942	108,386

*Figures by provinces and years for 1920 to 1925 will be found at p. 703 of the 1926 Year Book.

Subsection 2.—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 1,600 local trade unions having an aggregate membership of 175,000 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