

Section 5.—Manufacturing Industries in Cities and Towns.

The prosperity of most of the cities and towns of Canada, especially in the East, is intimately connected with their manufacturing industries, which provide employment for a large proportion of their gainfully employed population. In the West, the cities are more largely distributing centres, though manufactures are rapidly increasing there also.

Table 32, indicating the extent to which the manufacturing industries of Canada are concentrated in urban centres, shows by provinces the proportion of the gross manufacturing production which is produced in cities and towns having a gross production of over \$1,000,000 each. In the more highly industrialized provinces of Ontario and Quebec such cities and towns account for over 85 p.c. of the total, while in British Columbia and Prince Edward Island, where sawmilling, fish-packing, and dairying are leading industries, the proportion falls to less than 52 p.c.

The seven chief manufacturing cities of Canada in 1927, in the order named, were Montreal, Toronto, Hamilton, Winnipeg, Vancouver, Oshawa and Ottawa, with a gross production of over \$60,000,000 each. Statistics showing the trend of production in these cities, during the last 7 years for which the figures are available, are given in Table 33.

According to the census of 1921, Hamilton is proportionately the most largely dependent of these cities upon manufacturing industries. About 45 p.c. of its gainfully employed population was employed in manufacturing industries, as compared with 30 p.c. in Montreal and Toronto, 17 p.c. in Winnipeg and Vancouver and 13 p.c. in Ottawa.

Eighteen other important cities with a gross production of manufactured goods of between \$50,000,000 and \$20,000,000 each in 1927 were as follows, in descending order of the value of their products:—Three Rivers, Kitchener, London, Quebec, Calgary, Niagara Falls, Peterborough, Brantford, New Toronto, Windsor, Saint John, St. Boniface, Walkerville, Edmonton, Sarnia, Ford, Shawinigan Falls and Sault Ste. Marie. Statistics of the manufactures of all cities and towns with a gross production of \$200,000 and over and with three or more manufacturing establishments are given for 1927 in Table 34.

32.—Cities and Towns with a Gross Manufacturing Production of over \$1,000,000 each, Number of Establishments and Total Gross Production in such Cities and Towns as a percentage of the Grand Total, by Provinces, 1927.

| Provinces. | Cities and towns with a gross production of over \$1,000,000 each. | Establishments reporting in cities and towns producing over \$1,000,000 each. | Total production in cities and towns producing over \$1,000,000 each. | Total production in each province. | Production in cities and towns as a percentage of total production in each province. |
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| | No. | No. | \$ | \$ | p.c. |
| Prince Edward Island..... | 1 | 30 | 1,881,181 | 4,493,628 | 41.86 |
| Nova Scotia..... | 7 | 256 | 57,625,217 | 74,458,297 | 77.39 |
| New Brunswick..... | 10 | 286 | 53,199,386 | 72,666,665 | 73.21 |
| Quebec..... | 47 | 2,842 | 851,551,165 | 990,582,995 | 85.96 |
| Ontario..... | 118 | 5,927 | 1,601,564,816 | 1,758,004,575 | 91.10 |
| Manitoba..... | 5 | 568 | 127,996,248 | 142,089,678 | 90.09 |
| Saskatchewan..... | 4 | 163 | 41,679,932 | 52,180,681 | 79.88 |
| Alberta..... | 5 | 323 | 72,613,582 | 84,987,317 | 85.43 |
| British Columbia..... | 12 | 864 | 126,848,026 | 246,034,704 | 51.55 |
| Canada..... | 269 | 11,259 | 2,934,959,553 | 3,425,498,540 | 85.68 |