

and steam railways. In 1927 general increases took place in all the six groups included in the average, as well as in the other three groups; wage increases in the building trades and on the steam railways were the outstanding features of the year. In 1928, except steam railways which was stationary, and common factory labour which declined fractionally, all groups showed an upward movement, a substantial increase appearing in building trades. In 1929 all groups except coal-mining were higher, the building trades showing the greatest increase. In 1930 building trades showed a substantial increase, lumbering a decrease, and other groups fractional increases.

Rates of wages and hours of labour in 1929 in various trades in the largest cities of the five economic areas of Canada will be found in Table 2. Samples of wages and hours of labour for common labour in various cities of Canada are given for various years since 1920 in Table 3. The attention of those specially interested in the subject of wages and hours is directed to the valuable detailed study, "Wages and Hours of Labour in Canada, 1920 to 1930", published by the Department of Labour as a supplement to the *Labour Gazette*, January, 1931.

1.—Index Numbers of Rates of Wages for Various Classes of Labour in Canada, 1901-1930.

(Rates of Wages in 1913=100.)

Year.	Average. ¹	Building Trades.	Metal Trades.	Printing Trades.	Electric Railways.	Steam Railways.	Coal Mining.	Common Factory Labour.	Miscellaneous Factory Trades.	Logging and Saw-milling.
1901.....	87.4	60.3	68.6	60.0	64.0	68.8	82.8	-	-	-
1902.....	70.0	64.2	70.2	61.6	68.0	72.0	83.8	-	-	-
1903.....	72.5	67.4	73.3	62.6	71.1	75.1	85.3	-	-	-
1904.....	74.5	69.7	75.9	66.1	73.1	76.9	85.1	-	-	-
1905.....	75.7	73.0	78.6	68.5	73.5	74.5	86.3	-	-	-
1906.....	78.6	76.9	79.8	72.2	75.7	79.3	87.4	-	-	-
1907.....	82.8	80.2	82.4	78.4	81.4	81.0	93.6	-	-	-
1908.....	84.9	81.5	84.7	80.8	81.8	86.1	94.8	-	-	-
1909.....	85.9	83.1	86.2	83.4	81.1	86.3	95.1	-	-	-
1910.....	86.9	86.9	88.8	87.8	85.7	90.1	94.2	-	-	-
1911.....	92.3	90.2	91.0	91.6	88.1	95.7	97.5	94.0	95.4	93.3
1912.....	96.0	96.0	95.3	96.0	92.3	97.9	98.3	98.1	97.1	98.8
1913.....	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
1914.....	101.3	100.8	100.5	102.4	101.0	101.4	101.9	101.0	103.2	94.7
1915.....	101.4	101.5	101.5	103.6	97.8	101.7	102.3	101.0	106.2	89.1
1916.....	105.8	102.4	106.9	105.8	102.2	105.9	111.7	110.4	115.1	109.5
1917.....	119.9	109.9	128.0	111.3	114.6	124.6	130.8	129.2	128.0	130.2
1918.....	143.6	125.9	155.2	123.7	142.9	158.0	157.8	152.3	146.8	150.5
1919.....	166.3	148.2	180.1	145.0	163.3	183.9	170.5	180.2	180.2	160.8
1920.....	197.8	180.9	209.4	184.0	194.2	221.0	197.7	215.3	216.8	202.7
1921.....	191.2	170.5	186.8	193.3	192.1	195.9	208.3	190.6	202.0	152.6
1922.....	182.4	162.5	173.7	192.3	184.4	184.4	197.8	183.0	189.1	158.7
1923.....	183.3	166.4	174.0	188.9	186.2	186.4	197.8	181.7	196.1	170.4
1924.....	183.7	169.7	175.5	191.9	186.4	188.4	192.4	183.2	197.6	183.1
1925.....	179.7	170.4	175.4	192.8	187.8	186.4	167.6	186.3	195.5	178.7
1926.....	180.5	172.1	177.4	193.3	188.4	186.4	167.4	187.3	196.7	180.8
1927.....	184.3	179.3	178.1	195.0	189.9	198.4	167.9	187.7	199.4	182.8
1928.....	187.6	185.6	180.1	198.3	194.1	198.4	168.9	187.1	200.9	184.3
1929.....	192.7	197.5	184.6	202.3	198.6	204.3	168.9	187.8	202.1	185.6
1930.....	194.4	203.2	186.6	203.3	199.4	204.3	169.4	188.2	202.3	183.9

¹Simple average of the six succeeding columns.