milling industry; the predominance of forest products industries in the industrial life of the province is emphasized if to this figure be added \$16,896,652, the gross value of products of the pulp and paper industry and \$3,797,721, that of the planing mills and sash and door factories. Second in importance among the industries of the province is that of fish-curing and packing, with a gross value of products of \$21,741,910, followed by the pulp and paper industry, electric light and power generation, and slaughtering and meat-packing.

14.—Statistics of Twenty-five Leading Industries of British Columbia, 1923.

Norz.—Other leading industries, statistics of which cannot be given because there are fewer than three establishments in each industry, are non-ferrous metal smelting, sugar refining, cement and explosives. The statistics for these industries are included in the grand total of all industries in the province.

Industry.	Estab- lish- ments.	Capital.	Em- ployees	Salaries and Wages.	Cost of Materials.	Gross Value of Products,
	No.	*	No.	\$	\$	\$
Sawmills	371	56,724,482	15,430	18,605,076		64,637,30
Fish-curing and packing	139	22,461,580	7,760	3,488,589		21,741,910
Pulp and paper	_6	47,590,726		5,068,733	4,383.848	16,896,652
Central electric stations	75	80,461,940		2,643,621	3,269,329	13.574,731
Slaughtering and meat-packing	6	5,375,482 6,430,542	662 366	917,300 674,690		11,744,300 8,729,402
Petroleum products	60	4,293,250		2,502,466		6,499,982
Printing and publishing Bread and other baking products.	217	3.506.965	1.285	1,412,964	2,894,875	5.638.338
Fruit and vegetable packery	27	3.975.704	1,208	809, 957	3,064,693	5.562.664
Butter and cheese	35	1.713.058		752,104	3,450,815	
Sheet metal products	19	7,612,247		839,986	2,907,837	
Coffee and spices	8	945.870		136,367	3,115,504	
Breweries	10	6,215,943		511.045		
Planing-mill products	47.	3,610,259		1,421,189	1,797,591	3,797,72
Dyeing, cleaning and laundry work	55	2,598,537		1,571,518	249,539	2,957,538
Coke and gas products	6	15,026,718	525	735,750		
Castings and forgings	31	3,615,898		1,305,172		
Shipbuilding	14	6,427,345	837	1,276,410	796,219	2,538,578
Biscuits, confectionery, cocoa and	1					
chocolate	46	1,458.086		516,521	1,131,660	
Boxes and packing cases	17	1,282,265		627,589	1,386,698	
Printing and bookbinding	73	1,890,072		846,810	692,382	2, 148, 560
Distilleries	4	7,196,863		284,376	1,360,898	
Flour and feed mills	4	1,853,635		109,965	1,565,129	1,922,193 1,462,649
Paints and varnishes	. 9	1,550,529		213, 227	766,301	
Furniture and upholstering	38	1,622,018	502	551,152	571,892	1,521,19
Totals, Twenty-five Leading Industries	1,320	295, 439, 964	41,874	47,822,577	103,548,502	202,206,63
Grand Totals, All Industries	1,699	394,866,933	51,379	61,980,107	144,664,706	276,950,91
Percentages of twenty-five leading industries to grand totals	77-6	74.8	81.5	77 - 2	71.6	73 -

¹ Including Yukon Territory.

Section 4.—Principal Factors in Manufacturing Production. Subsection 1.—Capital Employed.

In a retrospective study of capital employed in Canadian manufactures since 1900, the remarkable increase denotes rapid growth in industrial operations. From 1900 to 1905 the capital increased from \$446,900,000 to \$833,900,000, and advanced to \$1,958,700,000 in 1915. During this period returns were received from establishments with 5 hands and over, and while the rise of wholesale prices did not exceed 37 p.c., the capital employed in manufactures increased nearly 340 p.c.

The capital investment in 1929 in all establishments irrespective of the number of employees was \$5,083,014,754, as compared with \$4,780,296,049 in 1928, and with \$3,244,302,410 in 1922, an increase of 57 p.c. in 7 years.