

2.—Rates of Wages and Hours of Labour in Various Trades,¹ and of Unskilled Factory Labour in Certain Cities of Canada, 1931.

NOTE.—Corresponding figures for 1920-26 will be found at pp. 720-1 of the 1926 Year Book and for later years in subsequent issues.

Occupation.	Halifax.		Montreal.		Toronto.		Winnipeg.		Vancouver.	
	Wages per hour.	Hours per week.	Wages per hour.	Hours per week.	Wages per hour.	Hours per week.	Wages per hour.	Hours per week.	Wages per hour.	Hours per week.
1. Building Trades—	\$		\$		\$		\$		\$	
Bricklayers.....	1-15	44	1-00-1-20	44	1-10	44	1-35	44	1-35	40
Carpenters.....	.73	44	.65-.85	44-55	1-10	44	1-00	44	1-00	44
Electrical workers.....	1-00	44	.75-.90	44-46½	1-25	44	1-00	44	1-00-1-17½	40-44
Painters.....	.73	44	.65-.85	44-49½	.75-.85	44	.85	44	.80	40-44
Piseters.....	1-00	44	.85-1-05	44-49½	1-12½	40	1-45	44	1-25½	40
Plumbers.....	1-00	44	.90	44	1-25	40	1-15	44	1-12½	40
Sheet metal workers.....	.85	44	.80	44	1-07½	44	.85	44	1-09½	40-44
Stonecutters.....	.90	44	.75-1-00	44	1-25	44	1-15	44	1-25	40
Labourers.....	.30-.40	48-54	.30-.40	44-60	.40-.60	44-60	.40-.50	44-60	.50-.56½	40-44
2. Electric Railways—										
Conductors and motormen.....	.61	60	.55	70	.60	48	.60	42	.63	48
Linemen.....	.63-.77	44	.55	48	.72-.78	40-48	.92½	44	.97	44
Shedmen.....	.57-.77	44	.34-.57	59-67	.54-.56	42	.51½-.59	42	.52	44-48
Electricians.....	.65-.77	44	.55-.61	45	.55-.65	37½	.62	42	.70	44
Trackmen and labourers.....	.40-.50	44	.35	48	.45-.59	40	.35-.45	44	.45½-.59	44
3. Printing Trades—										
Compositors, machine and hand, news..	35-00	48	38.00-44.00	48	47-50	46½	47-00	46	48-00	45
Compositors, machine and hand, job.....	31.00-35.00	44	36.00-42.00	44-48	35.00-42.00	44-48	39-60	44-48	45-00	44-48
Pressmen, news	34-00	48	35.00-40.00	48	46-50	48	46-00	48	48-00	48
Pressmen, job.....	30-00	44-48	36.00-40.00	48	36.00-42.00	44-48	39-60	44-48	45-00	44-48
Bookbinders.....	30.00-40.00	44-48	33-75	48	36.00-40.00	44-48	35.00-40.00	44-48	45-00	44-48
Bindery girls.....	10-00	44-48	15-00	48	16.80-18.00	48	12.00-18.00	44-48	22-50	44
4. Unskilled Factory Labour.										
	Wages per hour		Wages per hour		Wages per hour		Wages per hour		Wages per hour	
	.30-.34	48-55	.30-.35	47-60	.40	42½-56	.30-.45	44-50	.35-.51	44-50

¹ For statistics of the wages and hours of employees of steam railways and wages of employees in and about coal mines in Canada, see pp. 751-2 of the 1930 Year Book where the rates, etc., for the past seven or eight years, to 1929, are given. Except for slight changes in Nova Scotia in coal mines in 1930, these rates were unchanged down to December, 1931. In previous editions of the Year Book a table showing the wages and hours of common labour in factories for certain cities has also been given here. This has been omitted this year to conserve space, but the information can be found at p. 34 of "Wages and Hours of Labour in Canada," published as a supplement to the *Labour Gazette* for Jan., 1932. For the five cities of Table 2 it is included under sub-heading 4 of the stub.

² Final maximum rate after annual increase.

Section 2.—Wages and Hours of Labour Under Minimum Wage Boards in Canada.

Seven of the provinces of Canada have enacted legislation providing for minimum rates of wages for female employees in certain industries, and also have certain restrictions of hours. In British Columbia similar legislation applies to males, both as to wages and hours. In Alberta the legislation applies to males in certain respects. Such legislation was first enacted in these provinces as follows: British Columbia and Manitoba in 1918; Saskatchewan and Quebec in 1919; Alberta, Nova Scotia and Ontario in 1920. The British Columbia legislation as to wages for adult males was enacted in 1925 but that as to hours in 1923. In each province these Statutes became effective through orders issued and administered by Boards.