

Section 8.—Strikes and Lockouts.

Statistics of strikes and lockouts in Canada have been collected by the Dominion Department of Labour since its establishment in 1900. Table 14 shows the number of disputes, the number of employees involved in disputes, and the time loss in working days for each year from 1901 to 1932 and the totals for the period. The items in the columns headed "time loss in working days" in the tables following are calculated by multiplying the number of persons directly involved in strikes and lockouts by the number of working days they are so affected during the time the disputes are in existence. Tables 15 and 16 give detailed analyses, by provinces and by industries, for 1931 and 1932.

Summary tables of the figures with details as to strikes and lockouts during 1932 may be found in the *Labour Gazette* for February, 1933, pp. 132-151.

Industrial Disputes in Recent Years.—In each of the years since 1925, until 1932, the time loss in "man working days" from strikes and lockouts was less than in any year since 1916 and less than in most of the years back to 1901, when the record was begun. This was chiefly because there were no coal mining disputes involving large numbers of workers for relatively long periods of time. In 1932 there was a considerable number of disputes in coal mining, some involving large numbers of employees for relatively long periods. The number of strikes and lockouts in existence in 1932 was 116, as compared with 88 in 1931, but the number of employees involved was 23,390 in 1932; this was greater than in any year since 1926. Table 14 includes figures as to coal mining and industries other than coal mining.

14.—Strikes and Lockouts in Canada, by years, 1901-32.

Year.	Coal Mining.			Industries other than Coal Mining.			All Industries.			
	Number of Disputes in Existence during year.	Number of Workers Involved.	Time Loss in Working Days.	Number of Disputes in Existence during year.	Number of Workers Involved.	Time Loss in Working Days.	Number of Disputes.		Number of Workers Involved.	Time Loss in Working Days.
							In Existence during the year.	Beginning in the year.		
1901	2	1,760	7,040	97	22,329	730,768	99	97	24,089	737,808
1902	3	510	10,120	122	12,199	198,181	125	124	12,709	205,301
1903	7	5,410	173,441	168	32,998	685,518	175	171	38,408	858,959
1904	4	184	792	99	11,236	192,098	103	103	11,420	192,890
1905	10	5,564	101,770	86	6,949	144,368	96	95	12,513	246,138
1906	13	4,549	146,622	137	18,833	231,654	150	149	23,392	378,276
1907	13	8,990	102,824	175	25,070	417,318	188	183	34,060	520,142
1908	7	3,541	13,600	69	22,530	689,971	76	72	26,071	708,571
1909	13	8,618	720,180	77	9,496	160,483	90	88	18,114	880,663
1910	3	2,950	485,000	98	19,253	246,324	101	94	22,208	731,324
1911	6	9,890	1,513,320	94	19,395	307,764	100	99	29,285	1,821,064
1912	2	2,243	107,240	179	40,617	1,028,546	181	179	42,860	1,135,786
1913	4	4,837	582,025	148	35,682	474,229	152	143	40,519	1,038,254
1914	3	2,500	280,800	60	7,217	210,050	63	58	9,717	490,850
1915	9	2,783	11,907	54	8,642	83,139	63	62	11,395	95,062
1916	8	11,270	72,387	112	15,268	164,427	120	118	26,538	238,814
1917	21	17,379	534,890	139	32,876	538,622	160	158	50,255	1,123,515
1918	46	22,920	130,896	184	46,823	517,246	230	228	79,743	647,042
1919	20	10,130	383,659	316	138,785	3,017,283	336	332	148,915	3,400,942
1920	35	12,128	99,920	287	48,190	699,604	322	310	60,327	799,524