

21.—Total Numbers of Wage-Earners Employed in the Manufacturing Industries of Canada, by Months and by Sex, for Representative Years 1922-34.

TOTAL WAGE-EARNERS.

Month.	1922.	1926.	1928.	1929.	1930.	1931.	1932.	1933.	1934.
January.....	330,487	432,139	473,152	521,227	510,061	442,547	390,249	356,792	393,819
February.....	342,959	445,179	490,311	537,816	517,562	455,811	400,680	363,902	410,610
March.....	355,340	459,554	506,230	555,908	527,966	468,222	408,353	372,782	424,270
April.....	366,478	473,088	522,566	575,269	537,110	476,132	409,860	376,120	435,534
May.....	388,734	494,156	549,212	594,969	556,386	484,661	417,685	395,294	458,032
June.....	400,165	507,889	560,866	596,544	552,166	476,692	414,536	410,195	462,444
July.....	397,416	510,887	562,371	594,879	539,354	463,694	397,732	411,658	451,101
August.....	395,741	505,917	567,799	588,509	529,403	456,783	394,277	420,431	454,076
September.....	398,653	506,917	568,652	586,439	530,130	460,081	401,534	429,018	459,341
October.....	391,492	503,679	562,687	574,566	512,215	434,556	396,253	423,547	453,278
November.....	385,222	484,400	544,213	547,697	486,926	430,618	385,460	413,664	442,625
December.....	373,954	465,248	524,448	519,331	464,086	417,367	364,216	397,408	426,553

WAGE-EARNERS BY SEX.

Month.	1922.		1929.		1932.		1933.		1934.	
	Male.	Female.	Male.	Female.	Male.	Female.	Male.	Female.	Male.	Female.
January.....	249,912	80,575	409,663	111,564	296,901	93,348	268,855	87,937	298,816	95,003
February.....	253,408	83,551	422,912	114,904	303,218	97,462	271,534	82,358	309,556	101,054
March.....	270,079	85,261	439,106	116,802	309,394	98,959	278,779	94,003	320,719	103,551
April.....	281,051	85,427	456,326	118,943	309,934	99,926	283,088	93,032	331,049	104,485
May.....	300,325	88,409	473,017	121,952	315,296	102,389	297,715	97,579	348,399	109,633
June.....	310,625	89,540	474,157	122,387	313,515	101,021	309,263	100,932	353,075	109,369
July.....	310,250	87,166	473,261	121,618	303,392	93,980	312,835	98,823	348,215	102,886
August.....	307,464	88,277	464,087	124,422	297,048	97,229	315,461	104,970	345,834	108,242
September.....	305,148	93,505	455,918	130,521	296,691	104,843	317,299	111,719	343,155	116,186
October.....	298,203	93,289	446,752	127,814	293,703	102,550	313,541	110,006	340,255	112,993
November.....	292,741	92,481	425,729	121,968	285,542	99,918	306,768	106,896	333,780	108,845
December.....	284,084	89,870	404,709	114,631	271,904	92,312	297,088	100,320	323,423	103,130

Hours Worked by Wage-Earners.—The wage-earners working specified numbers of hours in the month of highest employment in 1934 is shown in Table 22 by provinces, groups, and the forty leading industries. An explanation should be made of the term "month of highest employment" as used in connection with this table. Each firm is required to report the number of hours per week worked by its wage-earners during the month in which the greatest number were employed. It therefore happens that, in the case of one firm, the month of highest employment might be May, while in that of another firm October might be the month of highest employment. The month of highest employment as shown in the following table, therefore, does not refer to any particular month but represents the summation of the different months of highest employment as reported by all firms. For a given industry, however, the month of highest employment is of more significance, as in this case it coincides for a great number of the firms engaged in the same industry. For Canada as a whole, 54 p.c. of the wage-earners in 1934 worked 48 hours or less, 14 p.c. worked between 49 and 50 hours and 32 p.c. worked over 50 hours per week. Average hours worked per week may also be worked out for the provinces, industrial groups and the forty leading industries from the figures shown in the table following.