

Employment generally in manufacturing, communications, trade, services, and construction in the larger cities, has not yet reached a level equal to that in other parts of Canada. The most outstanding difference in this comparison, as in 1937, was in construction, in which the index for the cities averaged 75.2 during 1938, compared with the Canada figure of 105.4; in the building division, the indexes were 52.7 and 60.1, respectively. The former, however, showed a slight gain over the 1937 figure of 50.9, while the Dominion index was the same in 1937 and 1938. The city employment index for transportation in each of these years, was above the Canada figure, standing in 1938 at 90.7, compared with 84.4 throughout the Dominion.

20.—Index Numbers of Employment as Reported by Employers in Leading Cities, as at the First of each Month, January, 1937, to December, 1938, with Yearly Averages since 1927.

Note.—These indexes are calculated upon the average for the calendar year 1926 as 100. The relative weight shows the proportion of employees reported in the indicated city to the total reported by all employers making returns in Canada at Dec. 1, 1938. Averages for 1922-26, inclusive, are given at p. 772 of the 1938 Year Book.

Year and Month.	Montreal.	Quebec.	Toronto.	Ottawa.	Hamilton.	Windsor.	Winnipeg.	Vancouver.
Averages, 1927.....	103.0	111.3	105.7	107.7	103.1	96.2	101.1	100.7
Averages, 1928.....	108.2	119.9	112.1	115.8	106.2	137.3	110.1	104.3
Averages, 1929.....	115.3	124.2	121.3	120.7	125.4	153.2	112.3	109.2
Averages, 1930.....	111.8	125.3	116.3	123.1	113.9	128.6	107.6	109.8
Averages, 1931.....	102.5	122.2	107.7	119.5	101.3	88.3	97.1	104.5
Averages, 1932.....	88.1	101.6	95.2	99.3	83.7	78.4	86.6	88.5
Averages, 1933.....	81.0	95.1	87.5	90.2	74.6	75.9	80.2	83.0
Averages, 1934.....	84.5	95.1	93.5	99.5	84.1	93.1	82.9	87.4
Averages, 1935.....	87.3	96.9	97.5	102.2	92.6	115.0	87.8	96.6
Averages, 1936.....	92.1	95.2	101.5	106.3	99.3	121.3	92.3	103.7
1937.								
January 1.....	90.4	92.0	103.4	102.8	99.0	137.1	92.4	105.3
February 1.....	91.8	91.7	101.9	98.8	101.7	145.2	89.4	104.7
March 1.....	92.6	92.7	103.2	99.8	103.7	146.8	90.8	103.8
April 1.....	96.8	93.3	105.8	101.9	108.2	151.4	91.6	104.4
May 1.....	101.1	97.6	107.4	106.6	111.9	152.9	93.5	105.6
June 1.....	105.2	101.6	108.7	111.8	114.2	153.1	96.5	110.8
July 1.....	105.5	106.4	109.5	114.9	116.3	149.8	99.2	114.8
August 1.....	105.2	108.6	107.8	112.7	117.7	135.0	97.6	117.3
September 1.....	107.6	110.0	110.0	113.7	119.4	132.2	98.8	119.6
October 1.....	107.4	107.2	112.6	114.4	117.3	146.2	97.6	117.9
November 1.....	106.4	103.8	112.7	111.7	119.4	154.1	98.0	115.0
December 1.....	104.3	99.3	111.9	105.2	116.2	153.1	95.4	109.5
Averages, 1937.....	101.2	100.3	107.0	107.0	112.1	146.4	95.1	110.7
1938.								
January 1.....	99.0	100.0	108.4	104.9	109.8	147.8	92.0	108.4
February 1.....	97.5	97.9	106.1	101.4	107.0	154.3	89.3	105.3
March 1.....	98.5	99.7	105.6	99.7	106.1	153.1	89.6	104.2
April 1.....	100.6	100.4	106.0	101.7	106.4	148.9	89.6	104.6
May 1.....	104.5	103.8	106.3	103.0	107.2	148.9	91.6	105.9
June 1.....	107.3	103.8	106.7	106.3	106.6	146.0	92.8	106.4
July 1.....	106.4	109.1	107.4	106.8	109.9	128.8	95.2	111.0
August 1.....	104.7	109.6	105.6	107.7	103.3	105.2	95.2	112.2
September 1.....	105.6	110.2	108.1	109.0	109.2	121.1	96.5	114.9
October 1.....	108.2	117.1	109.4	108.3	104.1	126.7	96.3	114.7
November 1.....	107.1	118.1	109.6	106.1	103.8	130.6	94.7	110.4
December 1.....	106.2	119.2	108.8	105.6	102.4	148.2	94.6	110.6
Averages, 1938.....	103.9	107.5	107.3	105.0	106.6	138.3	93.1	109.1
Relative weights, by cities, as at Dec. 1, 1938.....	15.1	1.5	12.7	1.3	3.0	1.9	3.8	3.3