

6.—Percentages of Unemployment in Trade Unions, by Provinces, Half-Yearly, 1931-38, and by Months, 1939.

NOTE.—For percentages of unemployment at June 30 and Dec. 31 from December, 1915, to December, 1930, see p. 827 of the 1934-35 edition of the Year Book. For data by months from 1921, see successive issues of the Year Book commencing with the 1922-23 edition

Month.	Year.	Nova Scotia and P.E.I.	New Brunswick.	Queber.	Ontario.	Manitoba.	Saskatchewan.	Alberta.	British Columbia.	Total.
June.....	1931	7.2	6.5	20.0	16.2	14.1	13.5	21.7	15.6	16.3
December.....	1931	13.8	9.6	29.0	20.3	16.5	19.5	16.9	21.2	21.1
June.....	1932	9.6	12.0	27.1	23.4	18.1	14.4	23.4	22.3	21.9
December.....	1932	8.4	16.5	30.9	28.5	20.9	20.8	22.8	26.0	25.5
June.....	1933	13.8	13.0	26.2	23.3	19.4	14.9	24.5	18.6	21.8
December.....	1933	11.2	11.5	23.2	24.9	20.3	17.2	17.6	19.8	21.0
June.....	1934	11.4	7.3	22.9	15.9	17.0	12.1	24.8	17.2	18.0
December.....	1934	4.7	7.2	24.5	18.7	16.1	13.1	9.0	24.6	18.0
June.....	1935	12.2	8.1	21.9	12.0	13.7	9.4	20.1	13.2	15.4
December.....	1935	7.8	7.5	20.6	13.4	13.1	11.6	9.6	15.9	14.6
June.....	1936	6.7	7.8	19.0	13.3	8.4	6.4	17.2	10.5	13.9
December.....	1936	6.8	6.2	20.9	13.8	10.9	12.8	6.4	12.7	14.3
June.....	1937	5.9	4.7	15.3	7.6	5.7	7.2	16.6	8.0	10.4
December.....	1937	3.3	4.6	16.5	12.9	16.8	10.6	6.7	15.8	13.0
June.....	1938	3.6	14.8	17.1	12.4	12.5	9.7	17.8	14.3	13.5
December.....	1938	8.4	9.8	21.2	14.5	21.4	11.8	9.5	17.3	16.2
January.....	1939	9.2	12.8	19.9	14.4	16.0	13.2	11.9	18.1	15.9
February.....	1939	10.7	11.0	20.3	15.9	11.9	13.3	15.6	16.7	16.4
March.....	1939	9.1	10.6	18.6	15.8	12.9	13.1	16.7	15.3	15.7
April.....	1939	8.2	12.0	15.6	13.7	12.3	13.0	17.9	12.9	13.9
May.....	1939	6.3	14.1	13.5	11.0	10.0	7.5	18.3	10.0	11.7
June.....	1939	6.3	8.9	15.0	9.7	10.2	6.6	18.2	9.7	11.6
July.....	1939	5.4	8.5	15.0	10.1	5.6	5.7	16.9	8.6	11.1
August.....	1939	4.2	8.2	15.2	10.0	4.2	4.2	13.1	10.5	10.9
September.....	1939	7.4	6.1	13.2	7.6	4.0	3.2	6.2	10.0	9.1
October.....	1939	8.5	6.4	13.8	6.6	4.4	7.2	4.3	9.9	9.0
November.....	1939	4.4	3.6	15.1	7.3	10.9	9.6	4.6	9.3	9.7
December.....	1939	5.3	4.3	16.1	9.7	12.0	10.2	4.9	12.4	11.4

Section 4.—Measures for the Relief and Training of the Unemployed.

Subsection 1.—National Registration of Persons on Material Aid.

The National Employment Commission Act, 1936, under which the National Employment Commission* was established in May, 1936, required the Commission to undertake a national registration and classification of persons on aid throughout Canada [Sect. 6 (a)]. To meet this obligation there was set up the Registration Branch of the Commission, which, in co-operation with the governments of the provinces and municipalities, took a first national registration of persons on aid, where the Dominion contributed financially to such aid, in September, 1936. In order to secure current figures, comparable with those available for September, 1936, the provinces and municipalities were required to provide follow-up returns each month commencing with October, 1936. In September, 1937, a second registration was taken, based upon the experience of the previous registration, and this, too, was subsequently kept up to date month by month.

In Section III of its final report, the National Employment Commission recommended that the work of the registration be carried forward under the Minister of

* See the 1937 Year Book, pp. 1052-1053, and the 1938 Year Book, pp. 778-779.