

The index on the 1913 base, given in Table 24, has been superseded by a new index calculated on the basis of wages in 1935-39 = 100, to correspond with the new cost of living index on the same base.

The new series was constructed from the groups in the table previously published with the inclusion of four new groups, namely, metal mining, steamships, laundries and telephone employees. In order to obtain the general average, these new groups have been weighted similarly as the other groups of industries in the table, that is by the average number of wage-earners in each industry as shown by the Censuses of 1921 and 1931. For metal mining the average in 1921, 1931 and 1938 was used, there having been a much greater increase in numbers employed than in other industries. In these four new groups, each group figure, being calculated from samples, is automatically weighted by the number of samples.

Not all the new groups are shown in Table 25, but the general average includes the three groups omitted. A complete series of index numbers, together with details of weighting and numbers of classes covered, are given at p. 7 of "Wages and Hours of Labour in Canada", issued by the Department of Labour, Ottawa.

25.—Index Numbers of Rates of Wages for Various Classes of Labour in Canada, 1901-40
(1935-39 = 100)

Year	Build-ing Trades	Metal Trades	Print-ing Trades	Electric Rail-ways	Steam Rail-ways	Coal Mining	Com-mon Factory Labour	Miscel-laneous Factory Trades	Logging and Saw-milling	Metal Mining	General Average, Weight-ed ¹
1901.....	31.5	37.8	32.0	33.7	35.4	48.8	-	-	-	62.9	37.3
1902.....	38.9	38.7	32.8	35.8	37.0	49.4	-	-	-	63.3	40.1
1903.....	40.8	40.4	33.3	37.5	38.6	50.3	-	-	-	61.2	41.6
1904.....	42.2	41.9	35.2	38.5	39.5	50.2	-	-	-	59.7	42.5
1905.....	44.2	43.4	36.5	38.7	38.3	50.9	-	-	-	60.3	43.2
1906.....	46.5	44.0	38.4	40.0	40.8	51.6	-	-	-	64.2	45.0
1907.....	48.5	45.4	41.7	42.9	41.6	55.2	-	-	-	63.4	46.5
1908.....	49.3	46.7	42.8	43.1	44.3	55.9	-	-	-	64.4	48.0
1909.....	50.3	47.5	44.4	42.8	44.4	56.1	-	-	-	65.0	48.6
1910.....	52.6	49.0	46.7	45.2	46.3	55.6	-	-	-	64.2	50.2
1911.....	54.6	50.2	48.8	46.4	49.2	57.5	49.9 ²	47.7 ²	53.6 ²	64.9	50.6
1912.....	58.1	52.6	51.1	48.7	50.3	58.0	51.6	48.6	55.0	68.2	52.2
1913.....	60.5	55.2	53.2	52.7	51.4	59.0	52.6	50.0	55.7	67.1	53.7
1914.....	61.0	55.4	54.5	53.2	52.4	60.1	53.1	51.6	52.7	67.2	54.4
1915.....	61.4	56.0	55.1	51.6	52.3	60.4	53.1	53.1	49.6	68.1	54.8
1916.....	62.0	59.0	56.3	53.9	54.4	65.9	58.0	57.6	61.0	75.2	58.7
1917.....	66.5	70.6	59.2	60.4	64.0	77.2	67.9	64.0	72.5	83.4	66.7
1918.....	76.2	85.6	65.8	75.3	81.2	93.1	80.1	73.4	83.8	90.6	78.6
1919.....	89.7	99.3	77.6	86.0	94.6	100.6	94.7	90.1	94.5	90.9	92.3
1920.....	109.5	115.5	97.9	102.4	113.6	116.6	113.2	108.5	112.9	105.8	110.3
1921.....	103.2	103.0	102.9	101.3	100.7	122.9	100.2	101.1	85.0	97.9	100.8
1922.....	98.4	95.8	102.3	97.2	94.8	116.7	96.2	94.6	88.4	90.5	95.6
1923.....	100.7	96.0	100.5	98.2	95.8	116.7	95.5	98.1	94.9	94.5	97.8
1924.....	102.7	96.8	102.1	98.3	95.8	113.5	96.3	98.8	101.9	94.6	98.9
1925.....	103.1	96.7	102.8	99.0	95.8	98.9	97.9	97.8	99.5	95.9	98.3
1926.....	104.2	97.8	102.9	99.3	95.8	98.8	98.5	98.4	100.7	95.8	98.9
1927.....	108.5	98.2	103.8	100.1	102.0	99.1	98.7	99.7	101.8	95.9	101.0
1928.....	112.3	99.3	105.5	102.3	102.0	99.6	98.4	100.5	102.6	95.8	102.1
1929.....	119.6	101.8	107.7	104.7	105.0	99.6	98.7	101.1	103.3	96.4	104.1
1930.....	123.0	102.9	108.2	105.1	105.0	99.9	98.9	101.2	102.4	96.5	104.7
1931.....	118.5	100.9	109.2	104.7	102.4	99.9	96.4	98.7	90.8	95.2	101.6
1932.....	107.9	96.4	103.4	100.7	94.6	96.8	91.3	92.2	78.7	92.2	94.7
1933.....	95.6	93.3	98.1	96.3	92.4	95.5	88.4	87.9	67.8	91.1	89.7
1934.....	93.7	92.7	97.7	96.2	89.3	96.1	89.8	90.3	80.8	93.4	90.9
1935.....	96.7	93.6	98.2	96.8	94.6	97.8	92.0	92.2	84.8	95.2	93.3
1936.....	97.3	93.8	98.6	97.8	94.6	97.9	94.5	94.4	92.4	97.6	95.0
1937.....	100.1	103.4	99.9	100.4	100.8	98.4	102.8	101.9	104.7	101.9	101.8
1938.....	102.5	104.4	101.5	102.1	105.0	102.9	105.0	105.2	109.8	102.4	104.7
1939.....	103.3	104.7	101.9	102.7	105.0	102.9	105.9	106.0	108.2	102.8	105.1
1940.....	105.7	109.3	103.6	105.6	105.0	104.0	109.5	110.6	112.0	103.5	108.3

¹ Includes steamships, laundries and telephone employees.

² First year for which index was calculated.