

4.—Index Numbers of Employment, by Industrial Groups and by Months, 1942 and 1943, with Yearly Averages since 1929

NOTE.—These indexes are calculated as at the first day of each month, on the base 1926=100. The relative weights show the proportion of employees reported in each industry to the total reported by all employers making returns in Canada at Dec. 31, 1943. Averages for 1921-28, inclusive, are given at p. 773 of the 1938 Year Book.

Year and Month	Manu- factur- ing	Logging	Mining	Com- muni- cations	Trans- porta- tion	Con- struc- tion and Main- tenance	Services	Trade	All Indus- tries ¹
Averages, 1929	117.1	125.8	120.1	120.6	109.7	129.7	130.3	126.2	119.0
Averages, 1930	109.0	108.0	117.8	119.8	104.6	129.8	131.6	127.7	113.4
Averages, 1931	95.3	60.1	107.7	104.7	95.8	131.4	124.7	123.6	102.5
Averages, 1932	84.4	42.6	99.2	93.5	84.7	86.0	113.6	116.1	87.5
Averages, 1933	80.9	66.5	97.5	83.9	79.0	74.6	106.7	112.1	83.4
Averages, 1934	90.2	124.7	110.8	79.1	80.3	109.3	115.1	117.9	96.0
Averages, 1935	97.1	126.9	123.3	79.8	81.2	97.8	118.2	122.1	99.4
Averages, 1936	103.4	138.7	136.5	81.0	84.1	88.2	124.5	127.5	103.7
Averages, 1937	114.4	189.3	153.2	85.4	85.2	99.5	130.2	132.1	114.1
Averages, 1938	111.0	142.8	155.9	85.0	84.4	105.4	135.2	132.6	111.8
Averages, 1939	112.3	119.1	163.8	84.4	85.6	113.0	137.4	136.6	113.9
Averages, 1940	131.3	166.9	168.4	87.2	89.7	90.7	143.2	142.9	124.2
Averages, 1941	168.4	187.8	176.6	96.7	98.9	126.6	167.5	156.5	152.3
1942									
January 1	187.1	258.6	177.8	100.8	101.1	124.7	168.0	172.4	165.8
February 1	191.2	267.2	176.8	100.2	98.2	118.1	167.0	156.8	165.4
March 1	195.7	258.3	176.4	100.2	97.5	103.7	169.1	151.7	165.1
April 1	199.4	208.7	175.0	101.8	99.0	98.0	172.8	153.0	165.2
May 1	202.3	168.5	173.5	103.7	104.1	109.3	176.3	153.5	167.4
June 1	205.9	169.0	173.1	103.9	106.4	123.3	180.6	153.7	171.7
July 1	209.5	169.8	174.1	105.7	108.1	137.7	184.8	152.8	175.7
August 1	212.4	142.1	172.3	106.7	110.4	146.8	189.4	152.5	177.8
September 1	215.6	147.5	166.8	107.1	110.0	146.5	188.2	152.3	179.3
October 1	218.3	151.7	164.3	105.9	111.7	149.6	185.1	153.5	181.3
November 1	218.6	190.3	163.0	104.7	110.6	154.9	182.6	156.5	183.3
December 1	221.7	236.2	162.0	104.0	109.4	151.3	182.0	164.5	186.5
Averages, 1942	206.5	196.5	171.3	103.7	105.5	130.3	178.8	156.1	173.7
1943									
January 1	219.6	249.6	162.4	103.2	107.8	132.1	180.2	169.8	183.7
February 1	232.1	233.8	161.4	103.1	105.5	125.7	179.6	149.3	181.2
March 1	223.4	231.1	162.2	102.8	107.1	122.6	180.0	147.1	181.4
April 1	224.3	189.0	160.6	102.8	109.4	118.8	181.2	148.8	180.6
May 1	222.9	131.8	157.8	102.5	111.7	115.7	182.7	151.7	178.2
June 1	224.2	146.9	156.2	103.6	114.8	126.3	192.0	150.6	181.2
July 1	226.5	148.2	156.5	104.8	117.2	133.6	193.0	151.4	183.7
August 1	227.7	136.1	159.1	107.1	119.7	144.3	196.2	151.8	185.9
September 1	229.9	129.5	158.1	107.4	120.3	138.3	196.3	152.0	186.2
October 1	231.4	146.0	154.1	106.4	120.0	136.9	198.5	156.3	187.5
November 1	230.8	182.6	155.4	105.3	119.4	135.3	200.4	162.2	188.7
December 1	230.9	240.2	158.1	104.6	119.7	128.3	197.4	169.9	190.5
Averages, 1943	226.2	180.4	158.5	104.5	114.4	129.8	189.8	155.1	184.1
Relative weights, by in- dustries, as at Dec. 1, 1943	63.0	3.8	3.8	1.5	7.9	8.4	2.3	9.3	100.0

¹ Except agriculture (see p. 702).

Subsection 3.—Unemployment as Reported by Trade Unions

Monthly statistics on unemployment are compiled and published by the Dominion Department of Labour, based at the present time on returns received from about 2,300 local trade unions, having an aggregate membership of more than 450,000 workers. "Unemployment" means involuntary idleness due to economic causes. Persons engaged in work other than their own trades, or idle because of illness, are not considered as unemployed, while unions involved in industrial dis-