

4.—Numbers and Percentages of the Gainfully Occupied Males and Females, 10¹ Years of Age or Over, by Occupation Groups, Census Years, 1901-41

(Exclusive of Yukon and the Northwest Territories)

NOTE.—The occupation group totals in this table account for every person following any one of the types of occupation coming under the specified groups listed here, irrespective of the industry in which the person might be employed. For example, all persons directly engaged in the making or repairing of commodities, e.g., bakers, tailors, machinists, printers, etc., are classified under "Manufacturing" in this table whether employed in the manufacturing industry or not. Similarly, all persons following such a transport occupation as truck driver are listed under "Transportation", whether employed by a trucking concern or factory store, etc. Clerical workers constitute a separate group as do labourers in all but the primary industries. The labourer on a farm is usually a farm labourer and in a mine, a mine-working labourer, but the labourer in a steel mill is not necessarily a metal worker or engaged in some "process" occupation, nor is the labourer on a steam railway always a transport worker.

Occupations for 1891 to 1921, inclusive, and 1941 were rearranged on the basis of the 1931 classification, though some adjustment of the 1931 grouping was necessary.

Occupation Group	1901		1911		1921		1931		1941	
MALES										
	No.	p.c.	No.	p.c.	No.	p.c.	No.	p.c.	No.	p.c.
Agriculture.....	707,924	45.8	917,848	38.9	1,023,661	38.2	1,107,766	34.0	1,064,847	31.7
Fishing, trapping and logging.....	43,215 ²	2.8	77,205 ²	3.3	67,809 ⁴	2.5	91,403	2.8	131,374	3.9
Mining.....	28,341	1.8	62,404 ⁵	2.7	48,091	1.8	58,585	1.8	71,861	2.1
Manufacturing.....	229,027	14.8	275,439	11.7	317,219	11.8	394,823	12.1	561,001	16.7
Construction.....	89,100	5.8	150,520	6.4	162,200	6.1	202,970	6.2	212,716	6.3
Transportation.....	81,161	5.3	153,556	6.5	185,066	6.9	271,244	8.3	294,800	8.8
Trade.....	86,537	5.6	174,589	7.4	219,015	8.2	259,799	8.0	266,101	7.9
Finance.....	5,258	0.3	18,565	0.8	26,812	1.0	36,252	1.1	30,576	0.9
Service.....	100,623	6.5	139,054	5.9	194,101	7.2	270,573	8.3	308,550	9.2
Professional.....	59,521	2.6	53,720	2.3	73,073	2.9	103,723	3.2	120,722	3.6
Personal.....	47,788	3.1	68,996	2.9	73,320	2.7	128,167	3.9	144,726	4.3
Clerical.....	46,220	3.0	72,595	3.1	127,325 ⁷	4.8	141,191	4.3	159,701	4.7
Labourers ⁸	126,726	8.2	317,008	13.4	306,211	11.4	425,408	13.0	251,889	7.5
All Occupations.....	1,544,883⁹	100.0	2,358,813⁹	100.0	2,683,019⁹	100.0	3,261,371⁹	100.0	3,363,111⁹	100.0
FEMALES										
	No.	p.c.	No.	p.c.	No.	p.c.	No.	p.c.	No.	p.c.
Agriculture.....	8,936	3.8	15,887	4.4	17,883	3.7	24,079	3.6	18,969	2.3
Fishing, trapping and logging.....	24 ²	0	265	0.1	51 ⁴	0	497	0.1	326	0
Mining.....	4	0	3	0	2	0	6	0	25	0
Manufacturing.....	70,500	29.6	96,795	26.5	89,868	18.3	101,099	15.2	148,180	17.8
Construction.....	65	0	47	0	91	0	96	0	777	0.1
Transportation.....	1,322	0.6	5,340	1.5	14,875	3.0	17,947	2.7	16,845	2.0
Trade.....	7,739	3.3	28,535	7.8	47,414	9.7	55,881	8.4	73,202	8.8
Finance.....	18	0	116	0	314	0.1	571	0.1	816	0.1
Service.....	135,582	57.0	183,841	50.4	226,956	46.3	346,900	52.1	416,906	50.1
Professional.....	84,679	14.6	46,402	12.6	92,754	18.9	117,219	17.6	127,084	15.8
Personal.....	100,306	42.2	137,221	37.6	153,201	27.2	228,262	34.4	288,661	34.7
Clerical.....	12,569	5.3	33,756	9.3	90,612	18.5	117,498	17.7	154,272	18.5
Labourers ⁸	1,141	0.5	236	0.1	441	0.1	988	0.2	804	0.1
All Occupations.....	237,949⁹	100.0	364,821⁹	100.0	490,150⁹	100.0	665,859⁹	100.0	832,840⁹	100.0

¹ 14 years or over in 1941.

² Does not include Indians.

³ Includes pulp-mill employees.

⁴ Does not include Indians living on reserves. ⁵ Includes almost all mine and smelter employees, except clerical workers.

⁶ Less than 0.05 p.c.

⁷ Includes proof readers, shippers, weighmen, and postmen, classified elsewhere in other years.

The addition of these persons to the 1931 figure would have added 18.0 p.c. to the number of males in this occupation group.

⁸ This class does not include agricultural, fishing, logging or mining labourers.

⁹ Includes persons in "not stated" occupations though these are not shown separately in the table.