

2.—Index Numbers of Employment as Reported by Employers in Economic Areas, by Months, 1943 and 1944, with Yearly Averages since 1921

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 economic area to the total reported by all employers making returns in Canada at Dec. 1, 1944.

Year and Month	Maritime Provinces	Quebec	Ontario	Prairie Provinces	British Columbia	Canada
Averages, 1921	102.4	82.2	90.6	94.0	81.1	88.8
Averages, 1922	97.3	81.4	92.8	92.6	82.8	89.0
Averages, 1923	105.7	90.7	99.5	94.8	87.4	95.8
Averages, 1924	96.6	91.3	95.5	92.1	89.4	93.4
Averages, 1925	97.0	91.7	95.8	92.0	93.7	93.6
Averages, 1926 ¹	99.4	99.4	99.6	99.5	100.2	99.6
Averages, 1927	103.7	104.0	105.6	105.3	101.1	104.6
Averages, 1928	106.6	108.3	113.8	117.9	106.4	111.6
Averages, 1929	114.8	113.4	123.1	126.3	111.5	119.0
Averages, 1930	118.3	110.3	114.6	117.1	107.9	113.4
Averages, 1931	108.1	100.9	101.2	111.5	95.5	102.5
Averages, 1932	92.2	85.5	88.7	90.0	80.5	87.5
Averages, 1933	85.3	82.0	84.2	86.2	78.0	83.4
Averages, 1934	101.0	91.7	101.3	90.0	90.4	96.0
Averages, 1935	103.7	95.4	103.3	95.2	97.7	99.4
Averages, 1936	109.4	100.7	106.7	99.3	101.1	103.7
Averages, 1937	121.0	115.4	118.3	99.3	106.8	114.1
Averages, 1938	111.5	117.0	113.7	100.0	104.2	111.8
Averages, 1939	110.5	120.8	114.3	103.2	107.5	113.9
Averages, 1940	122.2	127.9	129.2	109.0	113.3	124.2
Averages, 1941	155.0	157.8	160.0	126.6	135.6	152.3
Averages, 1942	174.2	186.2	179.4	135.6	164.8	173.7
1943						
January 1	180.0	198.7	187.5	140.6	185.2	183.7
February 1	167.4	198.7	186.6	134.7	181.4	181.2
March 1	168.4	198.8	186.4	135.4	182.4	181.4
April 1	171.3	195.7	185.6	135.3	185.0	180.6
May 1	170.6	192.0	181.8	135.9	186.8	178.2
June 1	175.3	197.8	182.9	138.5	187.6	181.2
July 1	184.7	198.6	184.9	141.6	191.9	183.7
August 1	194.6	200.9	184.9	145.1	195.8	185.9
September 1	187.8	200.7	186.1	145.3	198.8	186.2
October 1	190.8	203.0	187.2	146.4	197.4	187.5
November 1	194.1	206.2	187.4	148.1	193.8	188.7
December 1	199.6	208.3	188.6	150.3	193.7	190.5
Averages, 1943	182.1	200.0	185.8	141.4	190.0	184.1
1944						
January 1	186.3	201.3	185.4	149.5	190.2	185.7
February 1	177.1	198.5	184.8	145.1	188.0	183.2
March 1	175.1	197.1	183.9	142.3	186.3	181.7
April 1	177.3	194.2	182.9	142.6	184.7	180.5
May 1	176.6	190.4	180.8	141.0	183.3	178.2
June 1	178.2	194.3	182.1	145.2	183.6	180.5
July 1	187.8	195.3	185.1	148.4	187.5	183.5
August 1	185.8	197.7	185.0	151.6	185.7	184.3
September 1	184.5	200.0	186.5	150.3	188.1	185.5
October 1	189.1	193.8	185.9	148.0	185.6	183.3
November 1	187.1	196.7	185.9	148.1	182.5	183.8
December 1	191.8	197.6	188.0	151.9	182.5	185.7
Averages, 1944	183.1	196.4	184.7	147.0	185.7	183.0
Relative weights of employment in economic areas, as at Dec. 1, 1944 ²	7.7	31.1	41.1	11.1	9.0	100.0

¹ Since the average for the calendar year 1926, including figures up to Dec. 31, 1926, is the base used in computing these indexes, the average index here given for the 12 months Jan. 1-Dec. 1, 1926, generally shows a slight variation from 100.

² Percentages of Dominion total.

Employment and Payrolls by Cities.—Monthly statistics have been segregated for a lengthy period for the eight cities whose populations exceed 100,000, while commencing in 1944, data are also being prepared for the 12 centres with populations ranging from 35,000 to 100,000. The information furnished during 1944 showed relatively little change from 1943 in the eight cities taken as a unit, there being a reduction of only 0.1 p.c. in the composite index, as compared with