

having dropped in 1933 to 20·5 (central electric stations included). With the recovery in production since 1933 the percentage has risen again, and in 1939 stood at 25·6. The same also holds true for establishments employing 101 hands or over. In 1923 they employed 58·6 p.c. of the total, in 1929, 61·9 p.c., in 1933, 55·7 p.c., in 1939, 61·5 p.c.

The impact of the War on the concentration of war industries into large units is illustrated by the increase in the number of establishments employing 500 hands or over. In 1939 such establishments numbered 172 and employed 25·6 p.c. of the total number of employees engaged in manufacturing. By 1944 the number had increased to 383 and the percentage of total employees to 47·0. In a further subdivision of this group in 1944 it was found that 226 establishments employed between 500 and 999 persons, 56 between 1,000 and 1,499, and 101 employed over 1,500. All told there were twelve plants employing over 7,000 persons. The largest one had an employment of a little over 13,000 with the next three largest employing between 9,000 and 10,000. Three other plants employed between 8,000 and 9,000 persons while the lowest five plants in this group employed between 7,000 and 8,000 workers.

In 1945 the size of manufacturing establishments declined. The largest ones, viz., those employing 1,500 and over, numbered only 80 as compared with 100 in 1944. Also the largest manufacturing plant in Canada which employed over 13,000 persons in 1944 employed slightly over 9,000 employees in 1945. The second largest establishment had 7,000 employees; other plants ranged as follows:—

<i>No. of Employees</i>	<i>No. of Establishments</i>
5,000 to 6,000.....	5
4,000 to 5,000.....	6
3,000 to 4,000.....	15
1,500 to 3,000.....	52

30.—Manufacturing Establishments, Classified by Number of Employees, by Provinces, 1945

Province	Up to 500	500 to 799	800 to 999	1,000 to 1,499	1,500 and over	Total
Prince Edward Island.....	234	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	234
Nova Scotia.....	1,285	9	1	"	2	1,297
New Brunswick.....	882	3	2	1	1	889
Quebec.....	9,912	57	19	20	30	10,038
Ontario.....	10,694	84	24	31	36	10,869
Manitoba.....	1,294	1	Nil	4	3	1,302
Saskatchewan.....	923	3	Nil	Nil	Nil	926
Alberta.....	1,151	5	1	"	"	1,157
British Columbia.....	2,307	7	2	2	8	2,326
Yukon and Northwest Territories.....	12	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	12
Canada.....	28,694	169	49	58	80	29,050