

23.—Salaries and Wages Paid in the Forty Leading Industries, 1946, with comparative figures of Average Salaries and Wages Paid in 1945—concluded

Industry	Salaries					Wages				
	Salaried Employees		Total Salaries	Average Salaries		Wage-Earners		Total Wages	Average Wages	
	Male	Female		1946	1945	Male	Female		1946	1945
	No.	No.	\$	\$	\$	No.	No.	\$	\$	\$
26 Agricultural imple- ments.....	1,611	707	5,436,844	2,345	2,104	11,304	244	20,038,264	1,735	1,739
27 Aircraft.....	2,322	925	8,019,265	2,470	2,282	7,809	349	16,439,820	2,015	2,211
28 Planing mills, sash and door factories.....	1,959	424	4,072,002	1,709	1,690	11,409	220	15,556,777	1,338	1,253
29 Fruit and vegetable preparations.....	1,439	759	4,126,509	1,877	1,815	7,521	6,654	15,042,269	1,061	1,001
30 Silk and artificial silk.	872	523	3,782,939	2,712	2,558	7,474	4,231	15,107,182	1,291	1,212
31 Brass and copper products.....	1,160	596	4,572,900	2,604	2,567	7,151	1,345	13,852,824	1,630	1,829
32 Breweries.....	1,233	319	4,880,558	3,145	2,935	6,798	294	12,863,191	1,814	1,787
33 Biscuits, confectionery, cocoa, etc.....	1,266	685	4,581,029	2,348	2,284	4,677	6,415	12,070,461	1,088	1,013
34 Boxes and bags, paper.	1,020	596	4,169,569	2,580	2,486	5,159	5,200	12,307,088	1,188	1,111
35 Petroleum products.....	1,091	225	3,558,771	2,704	2,619	5,749	80	11,290,370	1,937	1,918
36 Fish curing and packing	1,166	232	2,156,716	1,543	1,577	7,183	2,746	11,643,093	1,173	1,039
37 Woolen cloth.....	573	348	2,484,855	2,698	2,711	4,935	4,057	11,182,029	1,243	1,189
38 Heating and cooking apparatus.....	688	376	2,509,805	2,359	2,060	6,478	283	10,517,799	1,556	1,603
39 Flour and feed mills...	1,684	467	3,804,180	1,769	1,636	5,604	281	9,093,980	1,545	1,456
40 Medicinal and pharma- ceutical preparations.	1,410	1,192	6,412,825	2,465	2,194	2,314	2,754	6,419,348	1,267	1,157
Totals, Forty Lead- ing Industries....	93,443	38,552	295,192,411	2,236	2,178	502,618	149,960	1,010,168,914	1,548	1,603 ¹
Grand Totals, All Industries.....	127,002	54,004	410,875,776	2,270	2,191	662,699	214,451	1,329,811,478	1,516	1,538

¹ Average salaries and wages paid in the forty leading industries in 1945. The list of leading industries in that year was not quite the same as the list for 1946.

Average Annual, Weekly and Hourly Earnings.—In comparing earnings by provinces or groups, consideration should be given to the type of industries in each case since the distribution of industries has very definitely a regional significance. In some industries a labour force possessing deftness and speed or the ability to exercise muscular strength is necessary, in others the labour force must exercise craftsmanship or possess a high degree of technical knowledge. Workers in these latter industries naturally command relatively higher wages than those employed in industries whose employees are routine workers. The ranking of provinces and industries as regards annual earnings is, in many cases, different from that of weekly or hourly earnings since the factors of number of weeks worked per year and number of hours worked per week are taken into consideration.

The figures for the years 1938 to 1945 given in Table 24 are based on an analysis of a pay-list covering one week in the month of highest employment. For this reason the figures do not refer to any particular month, since the month of highest employment might be May for one firm and October for another; they represent the summation of the different months of highest employment as reported by all the firms. For a particular industry, however, the month of highest employment is more significant as in such case it coincides for a great number of firms engaged in the same industry. The figures for 1946 in Tables 24 to 26 are based on returns received from establishments employing 15 hands or over and refer to the last week in the month of November.