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12.—Percentage Distribution of Wage-Earners by Sex and Hours Worked for the Last Week in November, 1946 and 1947

(As reported by leading manufacturers)

Sex and Hours	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.	Total
	p.c.	p.c.	p.c.	p.c.	p.c.	p.c.	p.c.	p.c.	p.c.
1946									
Male	100·0 11·6 22·3 41·1 13·0 12·0	$\begin{array}{c} 100 \cdot 0 \\ 13 \cdot 2 \\ 21 \cdot 8 \\ 26 \cdot 1 \\ 21 \cdot 3 \\ 17 \cdot 6 \end{array}$	$\begin{array}{c} 100 \cdot 0 \\ 11 \cdot 2 \\ 20 \cdot 0 \\ 30 \cdot 2 \\ 21 \cdot 9 \\ 16 \cdot 7 \end{array}$	100·0 12·8 32·3 41·0 10·0 3·9	100·0 11·9 44·0 29·5 8·4 6·2	100·0 9·0 38·2 37·4 10·5 4·9	100·0 14·5 38·1 34·8 8·5 4·1	100·0 19·1 61·4 13·3 3·9 2·3	100.0 12.7 30.9 34.6 13.4 8.4
Female Under 40 hours	100·0 22·2 33·7 13·9 15·5 14·7	100-0 19-8 28-6 26-2 21-2 4-2	100·0 31·5 29·9 23·6 11·7 3·3	100·0 35·0 35·3 25·0 4·1 0·6	100·0 31·8 49·6 14·0 3·7 0·9	100·0 22·4 38·8 35·4 2·6 0·8	100·0 22·5 44·6 27·4 4·5 1·0	$100 \cdot 0$ $32 \cdot 0$ $53 \cdot 7$ $9 \cdot 0$ $2 \cdot 4$ $2 \cdot 9$	100·0 32·8 34·3 23·2 7·5 2·2
Both sexes Under 40 hours 40-44 " 45-48 " 49-54 " 55 hours and over	100·0 13·1 24·0 37·2 13·4 12·3	$\begin{array}{c} 100 \cdot 0 \\ 14 \cdot 3 \\ 23 \cdot 0 \\ 26 \cdot 2 \\ 21 \cdot 3 \\ 15 \cdot 2 \end{array}$	100·0 17·0 22·8 28·4 19·0 12·8	100·0 17·9 33·0 37·4 8·6 3·1	100·0 16·3 45·2 26·1 7·4 5·0	100-0 10-7 38-3 37-1 9-5 4-4	100·0 15·8 39·2 33·6 7·9 3·5	$\begin{array}{c} 100 \cdot 0 \\ 20 \cdot 9 \\ 60 \cdot 2 \\ 12 \cdot 7 \\ 3 \cdot 7 \\ 2 \cdot 5 \end{array}$	100·0 17·5 31·7 31·9 12·0 6·9
1947									
Male Under 40 hours	100·0 11·7 25·0 36·5 13·9 12·9	100·0 13·2 20·2 28·9 20·4 17·3	100·0 11·7 19·9 31·0 18·9 18·5	100·0 12·3 29·7 41·5 11·7 4·8	100·0 9·5 40·3 31·8 12·8 5·6	100·0 9·5 52·8 22·4 11·2 4·1	100·0 9·7 37·2 40·1 9·7 3·3	100·0 21·5 62·4 10·3 3·4 2·4	100·0 12·8 29·8 34·7 13·5 9·2
Female	100·0 19·2 37·9 16·1 19·7 7·1	$\begin{array}{c} 100 \cdot 0 \\ 27 \cdot 7 \\ 26 \cdot 9 \\ 29 \cdot 8 \\ 11 \cdot 3 \\ 4 \cdot 3 \end{array}$	100·0 31·2 32·5 22·3 10·7 3·3	100·0 35·3 36·3 22·6 4·9 0·9	100·0 28·7 52·8 12·3 5·7 0·5	100·0 29·1 57·2 9·1 3·9 0·7	100·0 21·1 45·2 29·6 1·8 2·3	100·0 33·7 55·9 7·2 1·8 1·4	$\begin{array}{c} 100 \cdot 0 \\ 32 \cdot 8 \\ 36 \cdot 2 \\ 21 \cdot 6 \\ 7 \cdot 4 \\ 2 \cdot 0 \end{array}$
Both sexes Under 40 hours 40-44 " 45-48 " 49-54 " 55 hours and over	$100 \cdot 0$ $12 \cdot 8$ $26 \cdot 9$ $33 \cdot 4$ $14 \cdot 9$ $12 \cdot 0$	100·0 16·1 21·5 29·1 18·6 14·7	100·0 17·1 23·3 28·6 16·7 14·3	100·0 17·4 31·1 37·4 10·2 3·9	$100 \cdot 0$ $13 \cdot 6$ $43 \cdot 2$ $27 \cdot 5$ $11 \cdot 2$ $4 \cdot 5$	100·0 12·0 53·3 20·6 10·4 3·7	100·0 11·5 38·5 38·4 8·4 3·2	100·0 23·0 61·5 10·0 3·2 2·3	$\begin{array}{c} 100 \cdot 0 \\ 17 \cdot 4 \\ 31 \cdot 3 \\ 31 \cdot 6 \\ 12 \cdot 1 \\ 7 \cdot 6 \end{array}$

## Subsection 5.—Unemployment as Reported by Trade Unions

Quarterly statistics on unemployment are compiled and published in the Labour Gazette by the Department of Labour. These are based at the present time, on returns received from about 2,500 local trade union branches, having an aggregate membership of over 500,000 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 union members retired and members of unions involved in industrial disputes are excluded from the tabulation. As the number of unions making returns varies from one date to another, with consequent variation in the membership upon which the percentages of unemployment are based, it should be understood that the figures for each date have reference only to the reporting organizations.