

### 12.—Percentages of Unemployment in Trade Unions, by Provinces, Half-Yearly, 1943-44 and Quarterly, 1945-48

NOTE.—For percentages of unemployment as at June 30 and Dec. 31 from 1915 to 1930, see p. 827 of the 1934-35 edition of the Year Book; for percentages from 1931 to 1942 see p. 751 of the 1946 edition. For monthly data from 1921, see successive issues of the Year Book commencing with the 1922-23 edition. Quarterly figures were first published for 1945.

Month and Year	P.E.I. and 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.
June.....1943	0.3	1.1	1.0	0.4	0.6	0.6	1.1	0.1	0.6
December.....1943	2.9	0.3	0.7	0.5	0.8	0.8	0.9	0.5	0.8
June.....1944	0.1	0.6	0.4	0.2	0.2	0.5	0.2	0.2	0.3
December.....1944	--	0.2	0.9	0.4	0.8	0.5	0.7	0.6	0.6
March.....1945	0.5	--	1.2	0.6	0.9	0.8	0.8	0.5	0.7
June.....1945	1.2	0.1	0.6	0.7	0.2	0.9	0.3	0.2	0.5
September.....1945	2.0	0.5	2.4	0.5	0.4	0.4	0.3	2.4	1.4
December.....1945	4.6	4.7	1.8	4.0	1.2	1.3	0.9	3.4	3.0
March.....1946	4.0	1.8	1.4	1.7	1.6	2.1	1.0	3.0	1.9
June.....1946	3.6	3.7	1.0	0.8	1.5	0.7	0.4	2.3	1.3
September.....1946	0.9	1.0	1.0	1.0	0.5	0.4	0.5	1.5	1.0
December.....1946	1.5	0.3	1.4	0.9	1.3	1.5	1.4	3.6	1.5
March.....1947	15.4	1.7	1.8	0.7	1.3	2.0	1.5	2.0	1.8
June.....1947	7.2	2.2	0.5	0.5	0.4	0.5	0.3	0.8	0.8
September.....1947	4.9	0.8	0.6	0.3	0.5	0.2	0.5	1.1	0.7
December.....1947	3.6	8.4	2.2	0.9	1.1	0.6	1.5	2.0	1.7
March.....1948	6.1	3.9	2.7	3.1	1.0	2.8	2.9	3.8	3.1
June.....1948	5.1	6.6	0.9	0.4	0.3	0.2	0.3	2.9	1.3
September.....1948	3.9	0.9	1.1	0.5	0.7	0.4	0.2	2.1	1.0
December.....1948	2.4	7.5	3.3	2.8	1.2	3.7	2.4	6.0	3.4

## Section 4.—Unemployment Insurance

The Unemployment Insurance Act, which came into operation on July 1, 1941, applies to all employed persons with the following exceptions: workers in specified industries or occupations such as agriculture, forestry, fishing, lumbering and logging (unless in an area where the Commission has prescribed that persons employed in lumbering and logging shall be insured—limited at present to the Province of British Columbia), Armed Forces, permanent public service of the Federal Government, Provincial Governments and municipal authorities, private domestic service, private-duty nursing, certain director-officers of corporations, workers on rates other than hourly, daily or piece rates if earning more than \$3,120 per year and (except by consent of the Commission) employment in a hospital or charitable institution not carried on for gain. All employees paid by the hour, day or on piece rate (including a mileage rate) are insured regardless of amount of earnings, together with all employees who receive \$3,120 or less per year under weekly, monthly or yearly rates.

**Unemployment Insurance Fund.**—Both employers and employees contribute to the Fund, the total paid by each group being approximately equal. The Federal Government contributes an amount normally equal to one-fifth of the combined employer-employee contributions and assumes the cost of administration. From July 1, 1941, to June 30, 1949, employers and employees contributed \$565,377,652 to the Fund and the Federal Government added \$113,077,626. Interest and profit on sale of securities amounted to \$50,900,147 and fines of \$27,703 made a total revenue of \$729,383,128.