

Data in the following table for June 1, 1946 to 1950 are compiled from the results of quarterly Labour Force Surveys conducted in late May or early June of those years. The information for years prior to 1946 is taken from estimates prepared in the Labour and Prices Division of the Dominion Bureau of Statistics. These estimates were based upon 1931 and 1941 Census data rearranged according to the definitional system used in the Labour Force Surveys, the revised census benchmarks being linked with the June, 1946, survey on the basis of monthly and annual employment and unemployment data.

3.—Estimates of the Civilian Labour Force and its main Components, June 1, 1931-50

Year	Civilian Population ¹ (14 years of age or over)	Civilian Labour Force 14 years of age or over							Persons not in the Labour Force (14 years of age or over)
		Persons with jobs					Without Jobs and Seeking Work	Total Labour Force ¹	
		Non-Agriculture			Agriculture	Total (with jobs)			
		Paid Workers	Employers, Own Account and Family Workers	Total (non-agriculture)					
'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	'000	
1931....	7,039	2,006	421	2,427	1,203	3,630	475	4,105	2,934
1932....	7,163	1,828	328	2,156	1,223	3,379	786	4,165	2,998
1933....	7,287	1,698	397	2,095	1,243	3,338	890	4,228	3,059
1934....	7,411	1,910	449	2,359	1,263	3,622	668	4,290	3,121
1935....	7,539	1,920	485	2,405	1,284	3,689	665	4,354	3,185
1936....	7,665	1,972	534	2,506	1,304	3,810	607	4,417	3,248
1937....	7,785	2,085	643	2,728	1,324	4,052	424	4,476	3,309
1938....	7,912	2,053	582	2,635	1,344	3,979	559	4,538	3,374
1939....	8,035	2,024	637	2,661	1,364	4,025	573	4,598	3,437
1940....	8,053	2,082	691	2,773	1,329	4,102	454	4,556	3,497
1941....	7,969	2,538	476	3,014	1,210	4,224	193	4,417	3,552
1942....	7,900	2,770	488	3,258	1,127	4,385	134	4,519	3,381
1943....	7,797	2,906	434	3,340	1,107	4,447	75	4,522	3,275
1944....	7,856	2,950	369	3,319	1,126	4,445	62	4,507	3,349
1945....	7,992	2,914	363	3,277	1,134	4,411	72	4,483	3,509
1946....	8,718	2,947	481	3,428	1,274	4,702	126	4,828	3,890
1947....	8,930	3,111	547	3,658	1,163	4,821	91	4,912	4,018
1948....	9,118	3,220	542	3,762	1,186	4,948	82	5,030	4,088
1949....	9,301	3,342	553	3,895	1,123	5,018	103	5,121	4,180
1950 ²	9,690	3,442	568	4,010	1,073	5,083	150	5,233	4,457

¹ Exclusive of persons in institutions, remote areas and Indian affairs. ² Include the following figures for Newfoundland: civilian population, 234,000; civilian labour force, 115,000; persons not in the labour force, 119,000.

Main Characteristics of the Canadian Labour Force, 1931-50.*—The population 14 years of age and over (exclusive of persons in institutions) increased, in the period June, 1931—June, 1950, by about 2,650,000 persons or at the rate of about 125,000 persons a year. The strength of the Armed Forces rose very considerably from 5,000 in 1931 and 9,000 in mid 1939 to 779,000 at June, 1944 and then fell off to 45,000 at June, 1950. Consequently, the civilian non-institutional population, which increased very little from June, 1939, to June, 1940, actually

* For the purpose of the following comparisons Newfoundland data have been subtracted from 1950 totals: thus all statements made are on the basis of the nine older provinces.