Civil Service Statistics. — Monthly returns of personnel and salaries are made by each department of the Federal Government to the Dominion Bureau of Statistics, according to a plan that ensures comparability between departments and continuity in point of time.

From 1914 to 1920, the number of employees increased very rapidly as a result of the extension of the functions of government and of the imposition of new taxes which necessitated additional officials as collectors. New services, such as the Department of Pensions and National Health and the Soldier Settlement Board, were also created during this period. In January 1920, 47,133 persons were employed; this number was the highest reached prior to January 1940, when employees numbered 49,739.

Between March 1939 and March 1951, there was an increase of 78,474 in the total number of permanent and temporary employees. This increase was mainly accounted for as follows: Department of National Defence, 20·8 p.c.; Department of National Revenue, 9·6 p.c.; Post Office Department, 8·9 p.c.; Comptroller of Treasury, 3·8 p.c.; Department of Transport, 4·6 p.c.; Department of Agriculture, 5·0 p.c.; Public Works Department, 3·9 p.c.; Unemployment Insurance Commission, 8·9 p.c.; and Veterans Affairs, including the Soldier Settlement Board, 15·0 p.c.

In March 1951, the number of permanent employees represented 40·6 p.c. of the total number of civil servants as compared with 69·7 p.c. of the total in March 1939, and 66 p.c. of the total in March 1925.

1.—Numbers and Percentages of Permanent and Temporary Civil Service Employees, Months of March, 1938-51

NOTE.—Figures for the years 1925-37 will be found at p. 1141 of the 1946 Year Book.

Month of March—	Permanent		Temporary		Grand Total	Month of March—	Permanent		Temporary		Grand Total
	Total	P.C. of Total	Total	P.C. of Total			Total	P.C. of Total	Total	P.C. of Total	
	No.		No.		No.		No.		No.		No.
1938......	32,308	73·2	11,835	26·8	44,143	1945....	30,240	26·1	85,668	73·9	115,908
1939......	32,132	69·7	13,974	30·3	46,106	1946....	31,088	25·8	89,469	74·2	120,557
1940......	30,948	62·2	18,791	37·8	49,739	1947....	29,787	23·8	95,550	76·2	125,337
1941......	30,149	45·0	36,777	55·0	66,926	1948....	33,662	28·4	84,708	71·6	118,370
1942......	29,524	35·2	54,257	64·8	83,781	1949....	37,909	30·6	86,015	69·4	123,924
1943......	28,708	27·6	75,347	72·4	104,055	1950....	45,259	35·6	81,937	64·4	127,196
1944......	29,343	26·0	83,315	74·0	112,658	1951....	50,551	40·6	74,029	59·4	124,580

2.—Salaries and Wages and Percentages Paid to Permanent and Temporary Civil Service Employees, Years Ended Mar. 31, 1938-51

NOTE.—Figures for the years 1925-37 will be found at p. 1141 of the 1946 Year Book.

Year Ended Mar. 31—	Permanent		Temporary		Grand Total	Year Ended Mar. 31—	Permanent		Temporary		Grand Total
	Total	P.C. of Total	Total	P.C. of Total			Total	P.C. of Total	Total	P.C. of Total	
	$'000		$'000		$'000		$'000		$'000		$'000
1938......	55,292	82·7	11,588	17·3	66,880	1945....	64,189	35·6	115,959	64·4	180,148
1939......	56,264	80·8	13,357	19·2	69,621	1946....	66,440	34·8	124,388	65·2	190,828
1940......	57,154	78·1	16,044	21·9	73,198	1947....	70,985	31·7	152,792	68·3	223,777
1941......	56,108	66·0	28,857	34·0	84,965	1948....	78,495	34·6	148,295	65·4	226,790
1942......	57,609	53·1	50,815	46·9	108,424	1949....	99,671	37·9	163,309	62·1	262,980
1943......	58,747	41·5	82,955	58·5	141,702	1950....	119,840	42·2	163,816	57·8	283,656
1944......	60,358	35·9	107,614	64·1	167,972	1951....	141,069	47·2	157,908	52·8	298,977