4.-Significant Statistics of Manufactures for Certain Years, 1917-50-concluded

Item	1917	1920	19291	1933	1939
Employees on salariesNo.	64,918	78,334	88,841	86,636	124,772
Averages, per establishment "	3.0	3.5	4.0	3.6	5.0
Salaries \$	85,353,667	141,837,361			
Averages, per salaried employee \$ Employees on wagesNo.	1,315	1,811	1,976	1,608	1,746
Averages, per establishment "	541,605 $24\cdot 8$	520,559 $23 \cdot 1$	577,690 26·0	382,022 16·1	533,342
Wages\$	412, 448, 177	575,656,515			21.5 519,971,819
Averages, per wage-earner \$	762			777	975
Cost of materials\$			2,029,670,813		1,836,159,375
Averages, per establishment \$	70,482	92,547		40,698	74,024
Averages, per employee\$ Values added in manufactures ² \$	2,539	3,482	3,045	2,065	
Averages, per establishment ² \$	58.646		1,755,386,937 79,015		1,531,051,901
Averages, per employee ² ,\$	2,112				
Gross value of products\$	2.820.810.791	3.706.544.997	3,883,446,116	1.954.075.785	3 474 783 528
Averages, per establishment \$	129,128	164,501	174,804	82,173	140.084
Averages, per employee\$	4,651	6,189		4,170	5,280
Power employedh.p.		2,068,875		4,135,008	5,045,287
Averages, per establishment	76	92	174	174	203
Averages, per wage-earner	3.06	3.97	6.67	10.82	9.46
	1944	1946	1948	1949	1950
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EstablishmentsNo.	28,483	31,249		35,792	35,942
Totals, employees	1,222,882 $42 \cdot 9$	1,058,156 33.9	1,155,721 $34\cdot 5$	1,171,207 $32\cdot 7$	1,183,297 $32 \cdot 9$
Totals, salaries and wages			2,409,368,190		2 771 267 435
Averages, per establishment \$	71,257	55,704		72.415	77.104
Averages, per employee \$	1,660	1,645		2,213	2,342
Employees on salariesNo.	192,558	181,006			231,053
Averages, per establishment	6.8	5.8		6.2	6.4
Salaries\$	418,065,594				
Averages, per salaried employee \$ Employees on wagesNo.	2,171 1.030.324	2,270 877,150		2,836 949,656	2,998 952,244
Averages, per establishment	36.2	28.1	28.6	26.5	26.5
Wages,\$			1,876,773,231		
Averages, per wage-earner \$	1,564	1,516	1,960	2,068	2,183
Cost of materials \$	4,832,333,356		6,632,881,628		
Averages, per establishment \$	169,657	139,468			209,742
Averages, per employee\$	3,952	4,119		5,843	6,371
Values added in manufactures ² \$			4,938,786,981		
Averages, per establishment ² \$ Averages, per employee ² \$	140,989 3,284	110,948 3,276	147,779 4,273	148,932 4,551	165,324 5,022
Gross value of products\$			11,875,169,685		
Averages, per establishment\$	318,565	257,150		348,670	384, 440
Averages, per employee\$	7,420	7,594	10,274	10,655	11,677
Power employedh.p.	6,468,439	6,783,949	8,159,414	3	3
Averages, per establishment	227 6·28	$217 \\ 7.73$	244	3	3
Averages, per wage-earner			8.52		

¹ The method of computing the number of wage-earners in 1925-30, inclusive, increased the number someiwhat over that which otherwise would have been given. There was, therefore, a proportionate reduction n the averages for 1925-30 per employee and wage-earner. In 1931 the method in force prior to 1925 was re-adopted. ² Net values of products; see footnote 1, Table 1. ³ Not collected.

Value and Volume of Manufacturing Production.—In the interpretation of manufacturing values over a number of years, variations in the level of prices must be borne in mind, especially when such variations have been as great as those in the period since the annual Census of Manufactures was begun in 1917. The index number of wholesale prices in Canada, on the 1926 base, compiled by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics, stood at 114.3 in 1917, 155.9 in 1920, 97.3 in 1922, 95.6 in 1929, 67.1 in 1933, 84.6 in 1937, 75.4 in 1939, 129.1 in 1947, 157.0 in 1949 and 166.1 in 1950. Index numbers of the prices of fully or chiefly manufactured goods on the same base were: 113.5 in 1917, 156.5 in 1920, 100.4 in 1922, 93.0in 1929, 70.2 in 1933, 80.5 in 1937, 75.3 in 1939, 117.4 in 1947, 142.3 in 1949 and 148.9 in 1950.