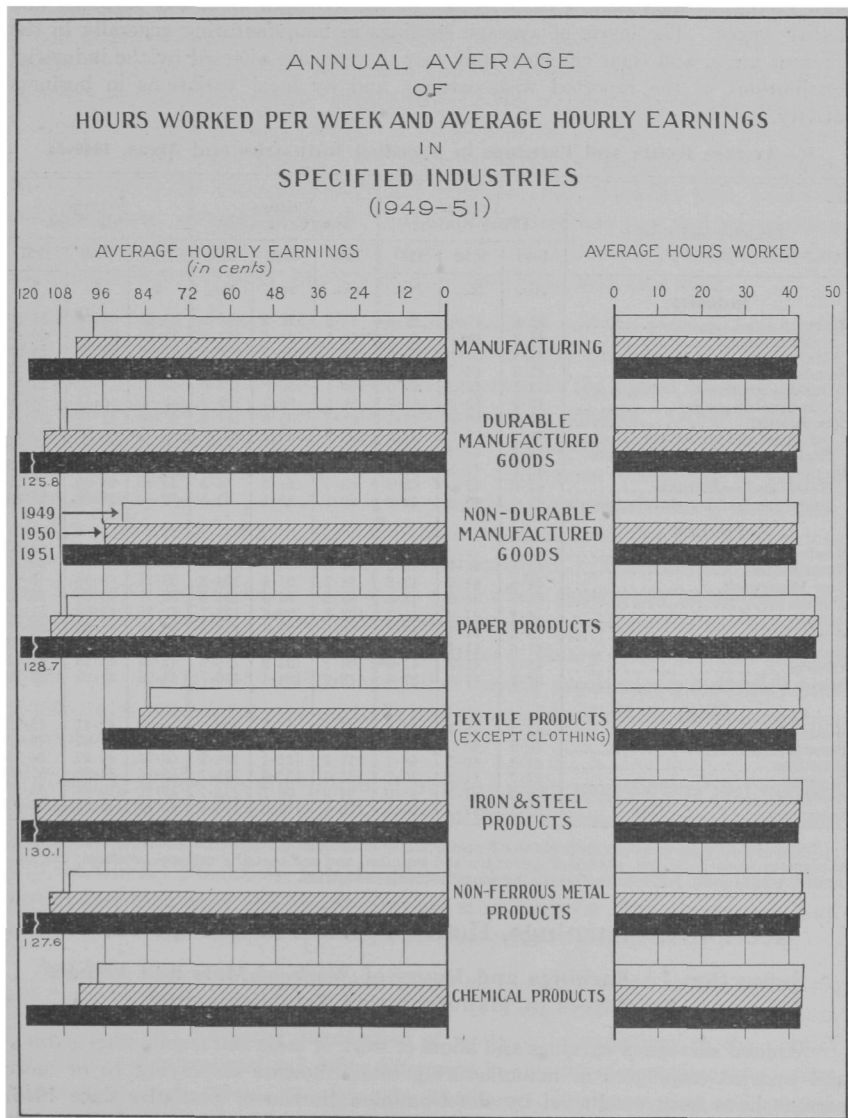


Since 1944 a monthly series of statistics on man-hours, hourly earnings and weekly wages in industries where employers keep count of hours actually worked has been prepared by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics. In manufacturing, the proportion of total workers included in the monthly surveys on these subjects is high, at approximately 80 p.c. of all wage-earners in Canada. Table 8, p. 700 summarizes the recent data.



The average hours of work per week in 1951 in most of the industries listed were lower than in 1950 or 1949, owing mainly to continuing reductions in the standard working week and, to a lesser extent, to changes in the levels of business activity.