

**3.—Numbers and Percentages of the Population, 14 Years of Age or Over, in the Labour Force, by Age Group and Sex, Census Years 1921-51—concluded**

Census Year and Age Group	Number			Percentage of Population 14 Years or Over		
	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
<b>1931</b>						
14-15 years.....	39,155	8,078	47,233	18.8	4.0	11.5
16-19 ".....	284,274	124,986	409,260	67.5	30.3	49.1
20-24 ".....	429,018	189,336	618,354	92.6	42.4	67.9
25-34 ".....	759,361	155,601	914,962	97.7	21.7	61.3
35-64 ".....	1,580,936	169,942	1,750,878	95.9	12.0	57.1
65 years or over.....	163,787	17,359	181,146	55.7	6.2	31.5
<b>Totals, 1931<sup>1</sup>.....</b>	<b>3,256,531</b>	<b>665,302</b>	<b>3,921,833</b>	<b>85.3</b>	<b>19.1</b>	<b>53.7</b>
<b>1941</b>						
14-15 years.....	37,082	7,656	44,738	15.9	3.6	10.3
16-19 ".....	260,649	136,904	397,553	57.2	30.6	44.1
20-24 ".....	356,064	214,958	571,022	68.9	41.8	55.4
25-34 ".....	796,667	220,770	1,017,437	86.8	24.8	56.3
35-64 ".....	1,728,306	231,807	1,960,113	91.7	13.7	54.9
65 years or over.....	184,343	20,745	205,088	47.2	5.5	26.7
<b>Totals, 1941 (excl. Active Service).....</b>	<b>3,363,111</b>	<b>832,840</b>	<b>4,195,951</b>	<b>76.7</b>	<b>20.2</b>	<b>49.3</b>
<b>Totals, 1941 (incl. Active Service).....</b>	<b>3,676,563</b>	<b>833,972</b>	<b>4,510,535</b>	<b>83.6</b>	<b>20.2</b>	<b>52.9</b>
<b>1951<sup>2</sup></b>						
14-15 years.....	29,988	10,609	40,597	14.1	5.2	9.7
16-19 ".....	280,976	186,555	467,531	66.2	44.3	55.3
20-24 ".....	494,339	257,606	751,945	92.2	46.8	69.2
25-34 ".....	1,024,535	268,171	1,292,706	96.4	24.2	59.6
35-64 ".....	2,079,598	414,194	2,493,792	93.2	19.6	57.4
65 years or over.....	212,396	27,186	239,582	38.6	5.1	22.1
<b>Totals, 1951<sup>2</sup>.....</b>	<b>4,121,832</b>	<b>1,164,321</b>	<b>5,286,153</b>	<b>82.2</b>	<b>23.6</b>	<b>53.1</b>

<sup>1</sup> Includes a few persons of "Not stated" age. In 1921 such persons were included in the age group 35-64 years. In 1941 and 1951 there was no "Not stated" age group since all ages were assigned to specific groups.

<sup>2</sup> Includes Newfoundland.

Table 4 shows that the ratio of females to males in the labour force has increased each successive decade since 1921. Even the addition of persons on Active Service at the time of the 1941 Census to the civilian labour force at that date does not, except in the case of Nova Scotia, alter the continuous increase in these ratios. Although the ratio is highest in industrial Ontario and Quebec, the most significant increases during the decade 1941-51 have occurred in the four western provinces. In the 30-year period since 1921, the ratio of females to males in the labour force has more than doubled in British Columbia and almost doubled in Saskatchewan and Alberta. Newfoundland is not included in these comparisons since census figures for 1921, 1931 and 1941 are not available for that Province.