

11.—Number and Percentage of the Labour Force,¹ 14 Years of Age or Over, by Occupation Group, Class of Worker and Sex, 1951

(Exclusive of the Yukon and Northwest Territories)

Occupation Group	Employers and Own Account		Wage-Earners		No Pay (Unpaid Family Workers)		Total	
	No.	p.c.	No.	p.c.	No.	p.c.	No.	p.c.
MALES								
Proprietary and managerial.....	207,886	56.2	161,929	43.8	119	2	369,934	100.0
Professional.....	32,136	15.2	178,467	84.7	132	2	210,735	100.0
Clerical.....	143	2	243,560	99.9	197	2	243,900	100.0
Agricultural.....	539,872	67.7	131,701	16.5	126,301	15.8	797,874	100.0
Fishing, hunting and trapping.....	40,110	79.1	9,367	18.5	1,202	2.4	50,679	100.0
Logging.....	11,997	11.9	87,847	87.0	1,176	1.2	101,020	100.0
Mining and quarrying.....	1,365	2.1	63,892	97.9	16	2	65,273	100.0
Manufacturing and mechanical ³	35,716	4.9	693,613	94.9	1,244	0.2	730,573	100.0
Construction.....	47,028	15.7	251,101	84.1	584	0.2	298,713	100.0
Transportation and communication.....	28,649	7.5	349,884	92.2	1,084	0.3	379,617	100.0
Commercial and financial.....	12,091	5.5	206,662	93.7	1,778	0.8	220,531	100.0
Service.....	15,652	5.8	255,476	94.0	615	0.2	271,743	100.0
Personal.....	15,144	10.9	123,288	88.7	586	0.4	159,018	100.0
Protective.....	79	2	124,837	99.9	12	2	124,928	100.0
Other.....	429	5.5	7,351	94.3	17	0.2	7,797	100.0
Labourers ⁴	—	—	328,635	99.5	1,632	0.5	330,267	100.0
Totals, Males in All Occupations⁵	974,287	23.6	*3,011,322	73.1	136,223	3.3	4,121,832	100.0
FEMALES								
Proprietary and managerial.....	23,807	63.9	12,897	34.6	553	1.5	37,257	100.0
Professional.....	4,412	2.7	161,281	97.2	252	0.1	165,945	100.0
Clerical.....	194	2	319,852	99.4	1,763	0.5	321,809	100.0
Agricultural.....	8,186	25.1	6,215	19.1	18,166	55.8	32,567	100.0
Fishing, hunting and trapping.....	95	48.0	93	47.0	10	5.0	198	100.0
Logging.....	2	10.5	17	89.5	—	—	19	100.0
Mining and quarrying.....	4	22.2	14	77.8	—	—	18	100.0
Manufacturing and mechanical ³	5,668	3.3	166,410	96.5	335	0.2	172,413	100.0
Construction.....	51	5.7	841	93.7	6	0.6	898	100.0
Transportation and communication.....	104	0.3	33,494	99.4	92	0.3	33,690	100.0
Commercial and financial.....	624	0.5	111,661	92.8	8,062	6.7	120,347	100.0
Service.....	13,425	5.5	227,298	92.8	4,316	1.7	245,039	100.0
Personal.....	13,363	5.5	225,004	92.7	4,306	1.8	242,663	100.0
Protective.....	1	2	1,073	99.9	—	—	1,074	100.0
Other.....	71	5.5	1,221	93.8	10	0.7	1,302	100.0
Labourers ⁴	—	—	20,775	99.2	164	0.8	20,939	100.0
Totals, Females in All Occupations⁵	56,722	4.9	1,073,829	92.2	33,770	2.9	1,164,321	100.0

¹ Excludes a few persons seeking work who had never been employed.² Less than 0.05 p.c.³ Includes "Electric light and power production and stationary enginem".⁴ Excludes agricultural,

fishing, logging or mining labourers.

⁵ Includes "Not stated" group.

Subsection 2.—Current Labour Force Statistics*

During World War II it became increasingly apparent that up-to-date information on the size and characteristics of the labour supply was a necessity. Also, the possibility of disturbed economic conditions in the post-war period emphasized the need for a current and periodic analysis of the state of employment in Canada. To meet this need, a labour force survey on a sample basis was conducted in the autumn of 1945. Quarterly surveys were carried out from then until November 1952, when the survey was placed on a monthly basis. A multi-stage area sample

* Revised in the Special Surveys Division, Dominion Bureau of Statistics.