

4.—Annual Average Index Numbers of Employment, by Province, 1941-53, and Monthly Indexes, 1952 and 1953—concluded

Year and Month	Nfld.	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.	Canada ¹
1952—											
Jan. 1	112.3	111.6	100.1	115.2	111.3	109.9	103.8	108.9	114.3	104.0	109.4
Feb. 1	106.8	116.8	101.3	112.5	109.5	108.4	101.4	101.9	111.9	100.3	107.4
Mar. 1	107.8	102.3	98.5	111.9	109.9	108.3	100.7	101.4	110.9	102.6	107.6
Apr. 1	112.2	135.9	99.9	116.2	107.8	108.4	101.3	101.6	111.8	105.2	107.5
May 1	115.0	111.8	98.1	101.1	106.4	108.8	102.5	105.4	114.8	107.5	107.2
June 1	129.8	122.1	101.7	105.4	110.8	110.7	105.9	113.5	118.7	108.8	110.3
July 1	133.1	127.0	107.8	107.9	114.9	113.5	107.5	116.2	123.3	95.5	112.1
Aug. 1	149.5	132.4	107.7	104.0	118.9	113.2	109.6	118.9	128.4	102.6	114.1
Sept. 1	149.5	133.2	109.9	110.8	116.2	114.6	109.6	117.5	130.5	112.6	115.2
Oct. 1	151.2	130.8	109.8	112.3	118.0	115.9	109.8	116.2	128.0	115.1	116.4
Nov. 1	150.0	127.3	107.5	106.9	118.5	115.8	109.5	117.5	128.3	114.4	116.2
Dec. 1	144.6	126.8	106.0	109.2	118.7	115.9	110.3	117.9	128.5	112.0	116.1
1953—											
Jan. 1	132.4	116.7	99.3	107.8	113.8	114.5	106.7	113.5	125.7	106.4	113.0
Feb. 1	125.3	110.8	101.0	100.6	110.6	113.1	104.0	106.2	121.6	101.0	110.3
Mar. 1	117.8	103.7	97.9	98.6	109.7	112.9	102.5	105.7	122.7	102.1	110.0
Apr. 1	122.4	104.0	96.9	96.6	108.3	113.2	102.9	105.7	121.6	104.6	110.0
May 1	133.6	108.3	97.4	94.8	109.1	113.4	104.8	109.2	123.6	106.5	110.9
June 1	144.1	118.8	100.7	99.6	111.8	113.7	106.7	115.1	127.7	108.1	112.4
July 1	154.7	119.6	103.9	100.4	113.7	115.7	109.3	119.7	131.3	111.6	114.9
Aug. 1	156.6	124.6	104.2	105.4	114.0	115.4	110.5	123.3	135.2	114.2	115.6
Sept. 1	156.0	124.7	104.0	107.1	115.6	116.5	111.1	123.3	135.6	114.7	116.6
Oct. 1	157.4	119.8	104.7	102.2	116.2	117.1	110.5	123.9	135.0	114.6	116.9
Nov. 1	149.8	125.2	103.9	101.9	116.3	116.3	108.7	124.1	132.4	110.2	115.9
Dec. 1	141.2	121.1	100.2	102.3	114.6	114.8	108.8	122.7	130.1	107.1	114.1
Percentage distribution in 1953 ²	1.7	0.2	3.4	2.4	28.5	42.5	5.1	2.4	5.0	8.8	100.0

¹ Exclusive of Newfoundland prior to 1949.² The proportion of employees reported in the provinces to the total reported by all employers making returns in Canada. (Average of 12 months 1953.)

Employment in the major industrial divisions covered by the monthly surveys showed greater variation in 1953 than in recently preceding years. Compared with 1952, there was an increase of 3.7 p.c. in manufacturing, resulting in an all-time high index, 1.6 p.c. above the previous peak figure in 1943. The improvement in the 12-month comparison extended to plants producing durable and non-durable manufactured goods, the former showing a gain of 6 p.c., and the latter of 1.6 p.c. Expansion continued in a number of the components of the durable goods category, notably the transportation equipment, aircraft and parts, and shipbuilding and repair industries, in which the indexes mounted by 12 p.c., 37 p.c., and 15 p.c., respectively. Certain groups which had experienced a recession in 1952, advanced in 1953 to new all-time levels. Among these industries were heating and cooking appliances and glass and glass products, employment in both classes rising by 15 p.c. in the year. Agricultural implements, which had shown greater activity in 1952 than in any other year since 1948, reported a loss of 21 p.c. in 1953. Declines in employment, beginning in 1952, in iron castings and wire and wire products were followed by further moderate losses in 1953.