The average hourly earnings of wage earners reported in manufacturing rose from \$1.36 in 1953 to \$1.41 in 1954, the largest increases being in paper products, printing, non-ferrous metal, chemical and petroleum and coal products. The trend in the non-manufacturing divisions for which data are available was also upward; the only group showing a decrease was coal mining which dropped from \$1.50 in 1953 to \$1.48 in 1954 as a result of the employment of relatively more miners in 1954 in areas where average earnings were below the industry average for Canada.

9.—Average Hours and Earnings in Specified Industries and Areas 1953 and 1954

Industry, Province and Metropolitan Area	Average Hours Worked		Average Hourly Earnings		Average Weekly Wages	
	1953	1954	1953	1954	1953	1954
Industry	No.	No.	cts.	cts.	\$	\$
Mining Metal mining Coal mining	42·7 44·4 37·9	42·6 44·1 38·3	153 · 8 156 · 5 150 · 4	157·3 161·4 148·4	65 · 67 69 · 49 57 · 00	67·01 71·18 56·84
Manufacturing Durable goods ¹ Non-durable goods ¹	41·3 41·6 40·9	40·6 40·9 40·3	135·8 147·1 122·9	140·8 151·6 129·4	56·09 61·19 50·27	57 · 16 62 · 00 52 · 15
Construction Buildings and structures. Highways, bridges and streets	41·6 40·7 41·4	40·3 39·8 41·1	143·7 156·8 112·8	148·3 160·6 120·5	59·78 63·82 46·70	59 · 76 63 · 92 49 · 53
Service	42·0 42·7 41·3	40·9 41·5 40·7	78·2 77·8 75·1	83.0 82.7 79.3	32·84 33·22 31·02	33·95 34·32 32·28
Province	1					
Newfoundland Nova Scotia New Brunswick Quebec Ontario Manitoba Saskatchewan Alberta British Columbia	41.6 41.2 42.1 42.7 40.9 40.3 40.7 40.2 38.0	42·3 40·8 41·6 41·7 40·3 40·2 40·4 40·0 38·0	132·8 120·5 119·0 121·9 143·4 131·4 136·5 139·7	137·4 123·2 124·7 127·4 148·0 135·1 144·7 146·0 169·0	55·24 49·65 50·10 52·05 58·65 52·95 55·56 56·16 62·32	58·12 50·27 51·88 53·13 59·64 54·31 58·46 58·40 64·22
Metropolitan Area						
Montreal. Toronto. Hamilton Windsor Windsor Winnipeg. Vancouver.	41.7 40.7 39.7 40.5 40.1 37.7	40.6 40.2 39.4 39.5 39.9 37.7	128·3 143·4 155·9 165·2 130·1 161·6	133 · 2 149 · 2 159 · 3 168 · 2 133 · 5 166 · 6	53·50 58·36 61·89 66·91 52·17 60·92	54.08 59.98 62.76 66.44 53.27 62.81

¹ The durable goods group includes wood products, iron and steel products, transportation equipment, nonferrous metal products, electrical apparatus and supplies, and non-metallic mineral products; the non-durable goods group includes all other manufacturing industries.

Subsection 2.—Earnings and Hours of Work of Male and Female Employees in Manufacturing Establishments*

A survey of earnings and hours of men and women wage earners and salaried employees in manufacturing establishments usually employing 15 or more persons is made for the last week of October each year. In addition to the general figures of earnings and hours, more detailed data are obtained in a three year cycle. In 1954 information for office, clerical and related employees was segregated from that for managerial, professional and other salaried employees; in 1953 a distribution of wage earners and salaried employees by amounts

More detailed information is given in DBS Annual Bulletin Earnings and Hours in Manufacturing.
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