

years, tended to drop early in 1957 but was steady except for seasonal variations in the latter part of the year. Employment in non-metal mining turned downwards in the later months of 1957.

In the service-producing industries, moderate increases in employment were recorded for public utilities, trade, services, and finance, insurance and real estate. Employment in transportation, storage and communication continued slightly above 1956 levels for the greater part of 1957 but dropped off towards the end of the year.

Employment of Women.—The percentage of women in the work forces of larger establishments was higher in 1957 than in any year of the previous decade, although it was considerably lower than in some war years. In general, women form a smaller proportion of the work force in goods-producing than in service-producing industries, and the greater strength of the latter contributed to the rise in the percentage of women employees in 1957. Employment among women increased by 1 p.c. from Dec. 1, 1956 to Dec. 1, 1957, as compared with a decrease of 4 p.c. in the employment of men during the same period.

6.—Annual Average Index Numbers of Employment by Industrial Group 1948-57, and Monthly Indexes 1956 and 1957

NOTE.—These indexes are calculated as at the first day of each month, on the base 1949=100.

Year	Forestry (chiefly log- ging)	Mining	Manu- factur- ing	Con- struc- tion	Trans- porta- tion, Storage and Com- muni- cation	Public Utility Oper- ation	Trade	Finance, Insur- ance and Real Estate	Serv- ice ¹	Indus- trial Com- posite
Averages—										
1948.....	138.4	97.2	100.1	95.4	99.0	89.0	96.3	96.0	99.1	99.7
1949 ²	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
1950.....	100.8	105.5	100.9	102.4	99.9	101.3	103.2	105.4	101.0	101.5
1951.....	138.6	110.6	108.0	110.2	106.1	103.4	107.4	115.2	103.1	108.8
1952.....	123.9	116.8	109.3	122.5	110.9	107.5	109.9	121.9	106.6	111.6
1953.....	100.0	111.7	113.3	118.6	111.3	112.1	113.2	122.4	108.7	113.4
1954.....	95.1	109.8	107.7	110.7	109.0	115.7	114.6	127.4	111.4	109.9
1955.....	101.8	113.4	109.3	114.9	110.5	118.9	118.1	132.0	114.5	112.5
1956.....	113.3	122.0	115.4	130.8	117.7	125.7	125.5	136.4	124.4	120.1
1957.....	103.2	126.9	116.3	136.2	120.6	133.1	131.6	144.4	131.6	122.9
1956—										
Jan. 1.....	134.4	114.4	109.8	105.1	111.3	119.8	129.0	132.0	115.4	114.6
Feb. 1.....	115.6	114.4	110.2	102.9	109.4	119.3	119.1	132.3	115.2	112.3
Mar. 1.....	109.5	115.9	112.3	101.9	110.0	118.6	118.7	133.9	115.9	113.2
Apr. 1.....	84.2	117.3	113.4	101.4	111.2	118.4	121.1	134.6	117.8	113.5
May 1.....	66.6	116.9	114.1	115.0	114.3	121.4	122.0	135.1	120.1	115.2
June 1.....	95.2	123.0	115.4	133.1	118.5	125.2	124.0	135.6	124.7	119.7
July 1.....	112.2	126.1	118.0	151.5	121.3	128.8	126.0	136.8	130.9	124.2
Aug. 1.....	114.0	128.2	117.9	156.3	124.9	132.0	125.2	137.5	134.4	125.4
Sept. 1.....	116.8	128.6	118.0	156.6	124.7	134.4	125.8	137.7	134.4	125.7
Oct. 1.....	127.2	126.5	118.6	152.2	123.2	131.3	129.4	140.5	129.0	125.9
Nov. 1.....	137.9	126.9	118.6	151.5	121.9	129.9	131.1	140.4	127.8	126.2
Dec. 1.....	145.8	125.4	118.0	142.5	121.5	129.2	135.0	140.5	126.8	125.7
1957—										
Jan. 1.....	133.5	122.7	114.8	117.1	118.6	126.8	138.0	140.2	124.7	121.4
Feb. 1.....	116.8	124.1	115.1	113.9	114.7	125.4	126.5	140.2	124.9	118.6
Mar. 1.....	108.4	124.7	115.0	112.7	113.8	124.0	126.1	141.3	125.1	118.1
Apr. 1.....	82.4	123.4	115.4	115.3	114.0	125.1	127.4	142.1	126.7	118.0
May 1.....	62.0	120.8	115.8	125.4	118.3	129.5	129.4	143.8	127.9	119.4
June 1.....	93.6	126.3	116.7	143.2	121.8	134.7	130.6	143.4	132.1	123.5
July 1.....	115.4	129.5	118.4	151.7	124.4	136.3	132.0	144.1	137.3	126.6
Aug. 1.....	113.0	131.7	118.1	158.4	127.4	139.9	130.9	144.9	140.8	127.6
Sept. 1.....	103.0	132.5	118.5	158.0	127.2	142.0	131.0	147.7	140.8	127.6
Oct. 1.....	109.6	130.0	118.1	153.5	124.4	139.3	135.3	148.6	136.3	126.9
Nov. 1.....	107.2	129.2	116.2	148.6	122.7	137.9	134.6	148.3	132.7	125.2
Dec. 1.....	93.9	128.1	113.3	136.9	119.9	135.8	138.9	148.3	130.4	122.5
Percentage distribution in 1957³										
	2.6	4.1	43.6	9.9	13.4	2.0	15.1	4.9	4.4	100.0

¹ Consists mainly of hotels, restaurants, laundries, dry-cleaning establishments and business and recreational services. ² Newfoundland included from 1949. ³ The proportion of employees reported in the industries to the total reported by all employers making returns in Canada (12-month average).