22.—Average Standard or Normal Hours of Labour per Week for Employees in Selected Industries, by Province, 1954-58

Industry and Year	Atlantic Prov- inces <sup>1</sup>	Quebec	Ontario	Manitoba	Saskat- chewan	Alberta	British Columbia
	hrs.	hrs.	hrs.	hrs.	hrs.	hrs.	hrs.
Work clothing1954	44.0	44.2	40.9	40.0		40.0	40.9
1955	44.0	43.1	40.7	40.0			40.5
1956	41.7	43.4	40.8	40.0		40.0	40.4
1957	42.0	42.4	41.0	40.0		40.0	40.0
1958	41.9	42.7	41.0	40.0		40.0	40.0
			١	40.0			40.0
Pulp and paper	41.1	41.6	40.6	40.0	••	••	
1955	41.3	40.7	40.5	• •		•••	40.0 40.0
1956	41.3	40.7	40.6	• • •	**	••	40.0
1957	41.1	40.3	40.5		••	••	
1958	41.1	40.2	40.2		••	•••	40.0
Wood products1954	51.0	51.2	46.0	44.2	44.0	45.5	40.7
1955	50.2	50.0	45.8	44.2	44.0	44.7	40.6
1956	50.1	50.0	45.4	41.2	44.0	44.8	40.3
1957	49.5	50.2	44.6	44.3	44.0	44.3	40.2
1958	49.4	49.6	44.6	43.8	44.0	44.1	40.2
				1	40.0	40.0	40.0
Meat products1954	40.9	42.0	41.5	40.2	40.3	40.0	40.0
1955	40.6	41.9	41.8	40.3	40.3	40.0	40.0 40.0
1956	40.4	41.6	41.9	40.2	40.2	40.0	
1957	40.0	40.8	42.2	40.2	40.0	40.0	40.0
1958	40.0	40.7	42.2	40.1	40.0	40.0	40.0
Iron and its products1954	40.7	43.2	41.0	43.7	42.8	41,6	40.1
1955	40.6	43.2	40.9	42.8	42.3	41.2	40.2
1956	40.4	43.0	40.8	41.2	41.0	41.5	40.1
1957 1958	40.3	42.7	40.6	41.1	40.3	41.4	40.2
	40.2	42.7	40.5	41.2	40.2	40.9	40.2
Woollen yarn and cloth1954	44.2	45.9	45.3	42.5			42.3
woolien yarn and cloth1954 1955	43.8		44.7	40.3	••	•••	42.3
1956	43.8	46.5 46.4	44.7	41.1	• •	•••	42.3
1950	42.3	46.7	44.5				
1957	43.3	46.7	44.2	••	•••		•••
1990	10.0	40.7	17.6	• •		• • •	• •

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Exclusive of Newfoundland.

Table 23 gives summary data on working conditions of plant and office employees in manufacturing industries for the years 1955 to 1959. The percentages in this table denote the proportions which employees—plant or office—of establishments reporting specific items bear to the total number of all such employees in all establishments replying to the survey; they are not necessarily the proportions of employees actually covered by the various items.

Two columns of percentages, designated as A and B, are given for the year 1959. The percentages in column A are comparable with those for previous years, being based on a similar establishment coverage; the percentages given in column B were compiled on the basis of an expanded mailing list, including as many as possible of the country's manufacturing establishments having 15 or more employees.

It will also be noted that for each of the years 1955 to 1958 the number of establishments shown as having plant employees is identical with the number having office employees, while for 1959 these numbers differ. The explanation is that in 1959 separate counts of establishments having plant workers and establishments having office employees were obtained, while in previous years counts of establishments were obtained without distinguishing between those with both plant and office employees and those with either one or the other only. Year-to-year differences in coverage for 1955 to 1958 are attributed to differences in rates of response or to the fact that all the establishments included in the survey did not necessarily operate in all years.