

Table 27 distributes by province persons establishing regular benefit periods, regular benefit periods terminated, average weeks paid and average dollar benefit paid on these terminations. A claimant establishes a *regular benefit period* when he submits his claim in the prescribed manner and proves he has fulfilled the minimum contribution requirements. The duration of benefit authorized, the weekly rate authorized and total entitlement are then calculated and the claimant's benefit may be drawn upon during successive intervals of unemployment. His benefit period terminates either when he has exhausted the amount authorized or when 12 months have elapsed since he established, whichever comes first. The number establishing benefit periods in 1959 decreased to 985,148 from 1,091,484 in 1958. The duration of paid benefit in 1959 averaged 13.5 weeks, compared with 14.3 weeks in 1958. Ordinary benefit paid averaged \$298.90 on terminations in 1959, down from \$313.87 on terminations in 1958.

**27.—Persons Establishing Regular Benefit Periods, Benefit Periods Terminated, and Duration and Amount of Benefit Paid, by Province, 1958 and 1959**

NOTE.—Based on a 25-p.c. sample.

Province	1958				1959			
	Persons Establishing Benefit Periods	Benefit Periods Terminated	Average Weeks Paid on Termination	Average Amount Paid on Termination	Persons Establishing Benefit Periods	Benefit Periods Terminated	Average Weeks Paid on Termination	Average Amount Paid on Termination
	No.	No.	No.	\$	No.	No.	No.	\$
Newfoundland.....	25,208	26,056	16.40	375.77	22,168	24,252	15.00	345.03
Prince Edward Island.....	4,476	4,848	15.61	302.67	4,536	4,408	15.38	294.73
Nova Scotia.....	49,228	45,700	15.03	309.30	41,316	47,532	14.77	321.20
New Brunswick.....	38,336	45,236	15.83	340.52	36,476	37,764	14.73	314.50
Quebec.....	337,560	356,400	14.70	318.23	312,408	324,796	14.53	319.60
Ontario.....	390,824	384,228	13.87	305.19	349,640	373,448	12.69	280.25
Manitoba.....	41,688	42,240	14.19	299.59	36,128	39,172	13.20	281.31
Saskatchewan.....	27,536	26,976	14.36	310.88	25,748	26,816	13.69	296.62
Alberta.....	55,040	54,140	12.76	287.44	49,044	51,264	12.12	270.69
British Columbia.....	121,588	135,924	14.01	323.76	107,684	116,596	12.96	296.19
<b>Totals.....</b>	<b>1,091,484</b>	<b>1,121,748</b>	<b>14.31</b>	<b>313.87</b>	<b>985,148</b>	<b>1,046,048</b>	<b>13.54</b>	<b>298.90</b>

Table 28 gives regular benefit periods terminated and average weeks paid, classified by the age of the claimant and by his occupation.

**28.—Regular Benefit Periods Terminated and Duration of Benefit Paid, classified by Age of Claimant and Occupation, 1958 and 1959**

NOTE.—Based on a 25-p.c. sample.

Age Group	1958		1959	
	Benefit Periods Terminated	Average Weeks Paid on Termination	Benefit Periods Terminated	Average Weeks Paid on Termination
	No.	No.	No.	No.
<b>Age Group</b>				
Under 20 years.....	52,576	13.50	41,888	12.52
20 — 24 ".....	197,536	13.68	178,600	13.04
25 — 34 ".....	324,348	13.54	309,824	12.83
35 — 44 ".....	223,988	13.63	215,444	12.78
45 — 54 ".....	167,856	14.30	158,196	13.48
55 — 64 ".....	96,636	15.84	89,540	15.10
65 or over.....	49,856	22.98	44,420	22.38
Unspecified.....	8,952	13.80	8,136	12.99
<b>Totals.....</b>	<b>1,121,748</b>	<b>14.31</b>	<b>1,046,048</b>	<b>13.54</b>