

an uneven rate; between 1946 and 1949 the increase was 28 p.c., between 1949 and 1954 it was 46 p.c. and between 1954 and 1959, 26 p.c. The significant difference in the rate of increase of office employees as compared with production workers occurred during the 1946-49 period, when hourly earnings of office employees increased 28 p.c. and those for production workers 46 p.c. Since 1949 the trend for both classes of employee was about the same.

All industrial groups reported higher annual earnings in 1959 than in 1946, the increases ranging from 166 p.c. for wood products to 80 p.c. for textiles. As with production workers, office employees in the durable goods industries received greater increases generally than office employees in the non-durable or consumer goods industries. Among the industrial groups, office employees in the products of petroleum and coal group received the highest average annual salary of \$6,188 in 1959; as already noted, this group was also the highest paying group with respect to annual earnings of production workers. Office employees of the paper products group received the second highest average salary and those of the transportation equipment group the third highest. The lowest annual earnings were received by the office employees of the wood products group. In 1959 there were two groups with annual earnings of more than \$6,000, six groups with earnings of \$5,000 to \$6,000, eight groups in the \$4,000-to-\$5,000 range and only one group below \$4,000.

1.—Average Annual, Weekly and Hourly Earnings of Production Workers, by Province and Industrial Group, 1946 and 1959

Province and Industrial Group	Annual Earnings			Weekly Earnings			Hourly Earnings		
	1959	1946	Per-centage Increase	1959	1946	Per-centage Increase	1959	1946	Per-centage Increase
	\$	\$		\$	\$		\$	\$	
Province									
Newfoundland.....	3,090	2,392 ¹	29	62.25	46.52 ²	34	1.61	0.99 ²	63
Prince Edward Island.....	2,005	911	120	45.53	21.51	112	1.13	0.46	145
Nova Scotia.....	2,953	1,398	111	61.74	31.44	96	1.49	0.69	116
New Brunswick.....	2,879	1,390	107	60.43	30.54	98	1.43	0.66	117
Quebec.....	3,203	1,445	122	64.99	30.51	113	1.54	0.67	130
Ontario.....	3,814	1,552	146	75.10	33.26	126	1.82	0.78	133
Manitoba.....	3,333	1,491	124	67.34	31.16	116	1.64	0.73	125
Saskatchewan.....	3,646	1,455	151	72.86	32.78	122	1.77	0.75	136
Alberta.....	3,647	1,477	147	74.50	32.40	130	1.83	0.75	144
British Columbia.....	3,918	1,750	124	82.54	36.83	124	2.11	0.89	137
Canada.....	3,551	1,516	134	71.35	32.38	120	1.72	0.74	132
Industrial Group									
Foods and beverages.....	3,185	1,389	129	63.24	29.15	117	1.53	0.66	131
Tobacco and tobacco products.....	3,378	1,168	189	70.90	23.85	197	1.76	0.56	214
Rubber products.....	3,835	1,567	145	76.82	36.78	109	1.81	0.82	121
Leather products.....	2,385	1,192	100	47.57	25.03	90	1.20	0.59	103
Textile products (except clothing).....	2,776	1,271	118	56.38	24.13	134	1.30	0.55	136
Clothing (textile and fur).....	2,250	1,191	89	43.88	25.38	73	1.13	0.62	82
Wood products.....	2,991	1,337	124	65.01	30.94	110	1.52	0.69	120
Paper products.....	4,215	1,835	130	83.82	36.97	127	2.00	0.79	153
Printing, publishing and allied industries.....	4,077	1,609	153	82.13	34.57	138	2.07	0.82	152
Iron and steel products.....	4,228	1,731	144	85.15	36.87	131	2.04	0.82	149
Transportation equipment.....	4,328	1,897	128	82.22	39.85	106	2.03	0.94	116
Non-ferrous metal products.....	4,261	1,713	149	81.85	35.51	130	1.98	0.81	144
Electrical apparatus and supplies.....	3,739	1,523	146	73.27	32.39	126	1.78	0.77	131
Non-metallic mineral products.....	3,911	1,547	153	77.40	32.78	136	1.74	0.71	145
Products of petroleum and coal.....	5,185	1,891	174	99.13	37.88	162	2.41	0.90	168
Chemicals and allied products.....	2,968	1,564	154	77.49	32.46	139	1.89	0.73	159
Miscellaneous industries.....	2,969	1,291	130	59.54	26.94	121	1.40	0.63	122

¹ 1949 earnings.

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