Table 26 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 1960 increased to 1,065,750 from 985,148 in 1959. The duration of paid benefit in 1960 averaged 13.94 weeks, compared with 13.54 weeks in 1959. Ordinary benefit paid averaged \$315.55 on terminations in 1960, up from \$298.90 on terminations in 1959.

26.—Persons Establishing Regular Benefit Periods, Benefit Periods Terminated, and Duration and Amount of Benefit Paid, by Province, 1959 and 1960

| Note.—Based on a 25-p.c. sample in 1959 and a 20-p. | c. sample in 1960. |
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|---|--------------------|

| | 1959 | | | | 1960 | | | |
|---|---|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| Province | Persons Estab- lishing Benefit Periods | Benefit Periods Termi- nated | Average Weeks Paid on Termi- nation | Average Amount Paid on Termi- nation | Persons Estab- lishing Benefit Periods | Benefit Periods Termi- nated | Average Weeks Paid on Termi- nation | Average Amount Paid on Termi- nation |
| | No. | No. | No. | \$ | No. | No. | No. | \$ |
| Newfoundland Prince Edward Island Nova Scotia New Brunswick Quebec Ontario Manitoba Saskatchewan Alberta British Columbia | 41,316 36,476 312,408 349,640 36,128 25,748 49,044 107,684 | 24, 252 4, 408 47, 532 37, 764 324, 796 373, 448 39, 172 26, 816 51, 264 116, 596 | 15.00 15.38 14.77 14.73 14.53 12.69 13.20 13.69 12.12 12.96 | 345.03 294.73 321.20 314.50 319.60 280.25 281.31 296.62 270.69 | 25, 060 4, 330 44, 655 39, 555 328, 525 379, 535 43, 365 29, 680 58, 805 112, 240 | 29, 465 5, 460 50, 275 45, 210 377, 670 420, 595 43, 525 31, 040 58, 800 128, 280 | 14.64 15.98 14.13 14.36 14.40 13.63 13.86 14.24 12.65 13.69 | 348. 46 326. 95 305. 81 313. 57 323. 64 310. 95 302. 02 316. 02 288. 31 320. 26 |
| Totals | 985,148 | 1,046,048 | 13.54 | 298.90 | 1,065,750 | 1,190,320 | 13.94 | 315.55 |

Table 27 gives regular benefit periods terminated and average weeks paid, classified by the age of the claimant and by his occupation.

27.—Regular Benefit Periods Terminated and Duration of Benefit Paid, classified by Age of Claimant and Occupation, 1959 and 1960

Note.-Based on a 25-p.c. sample in 1959 and a 20-p.c. sample in 1960.

| | 19 | 959 | 1960 | | |
|--|---|--|--|--|--|
| Age Group | Benefit Periods Terminated | Average Weeks Paid on Termination | Benefit Periods Terminated | Average Weeks Paid or Termination | |
| | No. | No. | No. | No. | |
| Age Group | | | | | |
| Under 20 years. 10 — 24 " 15 — 34 " 15 — 54 " 15 — 64 " 15 or over. Unspecified. | 41,888 178,600 309,824 215,444 158,196 89,540 44,420 8,136 | 12. 52 13. 04 12. 83 12. 78 13. 48 15. 10 22. 38 12. 99 | 46, 935 205, 130 342, 995 247, 880 181, 425 107, 620 51, 015 7, 320 | 13.00 13.40 12.99 13.16 13.84 15.57 24.04 14.20 | |
| Totals | 1,046,048 | 13.54 | 1,190,320 | 13.94 | |