

Section 4.—Wage Rates, Hours of Labour and Other Working Conditions

Statistics on occupational wage rates by industry and locality, with standard weekly hours of labour, are compiled by the Canada Department of Labour and published in the annual report *Wage Rates, Salaries and Hours of Labour*. The statistics are based on an annual survey covering some 35,000 establishments in most industries and apply to the last normal pay period preceding Oct. 1. Average wage rates of time workers and average straight-time earnings of piece workers and other incentive workers for selected occupations are shown separately in the report but are combined in the calculation of industry index numbers shown in Table 21. Predominant ranges of rates for each occupation used are also given; overtime pay is excluded.

The index numbers of Table 21 measure changes in wage rates for non-office employees below the rank of foreman. They do not, however, provide a basis for comparing the level of wages in one industry with that in another. Information on concepts and methods of developing these statistics is given in the annual report.

21.—Index Numbers of Average Wage Rates for Certain Main Industrial Groups, 1961-66

(1961=100)

NOTE.—Figures for years prior to 1961 are not available on the 1961 base; indexes for 1956-65 on the 1949 base are given in the 1967 Year Book at p. 763 and indexes back to 1901 on the same base appear in the Department of Labour publication *Wage Rates, Salaries and Hours of Labour 1965*.

Year	Log-ging	Mining	Manufacturing			Con-struction	Trans-portion, etc.	Trade	Service	Local Govern-ment	Gen-eral Index
			Dur-able Goods	Non-durable Goods	All Manu-factur-ing						
1961.....	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
1962.....	103.9	104.0	102.1	103.3	102.7	105.0	103.1	103.5	101.9	103.3	103.1
1963.....	110.1	107.0	105.1	106.7	106.0	109.1	106.0	107.9	106.6	107.4	107.0
1964.....	117.5	109.6	108.9	110.5	109.7	113.9	109.8	111.0	111.7	111.5	110.9
1965.....	126.4	113.3	114.4	115.5	115.0	119.8	114.3	116.9	118.4	118.1	116.5
1966.....	140.2	122.7	121.2	121.9	121.6	129.8	122.3	123.9	125.5	124.6	124.0

22.—Average Wage and Salary Rates for Selected Occupations in Certain Cities Across Canada, Oct. 1, 1966

Industry and Occupation	Halifax, N.S.	Saint John, N.B.	Sher-brooke, Que.	Montreal, Que.	Toronto, Ont.	Hamilton, Ont.
	\$ per hr.	\$ per hr.	\$ per hr.	\$ per hr.	\$ per hr.	\$ per hr.
Construction (building and structures only)—						
Bricklayer and mason.....	2.82	2.60	2.85	3.60	3.75	3.78
Bulldozer operator.....	—	1.75	2.55	2.95	3.75	3.15
Carpenter.....	2.54	2.45	2.65	3.39	3.68	3.68
Cement finisher.....	—	2.60	2.40	3.16	3.53	3.53
Crane operator.....	2.45	2.00	2.45	3.67	3.75	—