

## 5.9 Union membership in Canada, 1971-86

| Year | Members<br>'000 | Union<br>membership<br>as percentage<br>of civilian<br>labour force | Union<br>membership<br>as percentage<br>of non-agricultural<br>paid workers |
|------|-----------------|---|---|
| 1971 | 2,231           | 26.8  | 33.6  |
| 1972 | 2,388           | 27.8  | 34.6  |
| 1973 | 2,591           | 29.2  | 36.1  |
| 1974 | 2,732           | 29.4  | 35.8  |
| 1975 | 2,884           | 29.8  | 36.9  |
| 1976 | 3,042           | 30.6  | 37.3  |
| 1977 | 3,149           | 31.0  | 38.2  |
| 1978 | 3,278           | 31.3  | 39.0  |
| 1979 | ..              | ..  | ..  |
| 1980 | 3,397           | 30.5  | 37.6  |
| 1981 | 3,487           | 30.6  | 37.4  |
| 1982 | 3,617           | 31.4  | 39.0  |
| 1983 | 3,563           | 30.6  | 40.0  |
| 1984 | 3,651           | 30.6  | 39.6  |
| 1985 | 3,666           | 30.2  | 39.0  |
| 1986 | 3,730           | 29.7  | 37.7  |

## 5.10 Union membership, by type of union and affiliation, as at January 1983-86

| Type and affiliation                 | 1983          |               |            |       | 1984          |               |            |       |
|--------------------------------------|---------------|---------------|------------|-------|---------------|---------------|------------|-------|
|                                      | Unions<br>No. | Locals<br>No. | Membership |       | Unions<br>No. | Locals<br>No. | Membership |       |
|                                      |               |               | No.        | %     |               |               | No.        | %     |
| International unions                 |               |               |            |       |               |               |            |       |
| AFL-CIO/CLC                          | 46            | ..            | 851,341    | 23.9  | 44            | 2,747         | 848,232    | 23.2  |
| AFL-CIO/CFL                          | 10            | ..            | 213,301    | 6.0   | 10            | 456           | 217,697    | 6.0   |
| CLC only                             | 5             | ..            | 134,008    | 3.8   | 4             | 183           | 134,897    | 3.7   |
| AFL-CIO only                         | 7             | ..            | 167,515    | 4.7   | 7             | 241           | 157,540    | 4.3   |
| Unaffiliated unions                  | 6             | ..            | 104,268    | 2.9   | 6             | 164           | 103,327    | 2.8   |
| Sub-total, international unions      | 74            | ..            | 1,470,433  | 41.3  | 71            | 3,791         | 1,461,693  | 40.0  |
| National unions                      |               |               |            |       |               |               |            |       |
| CLC <sup>1</sup>                     | 27            | ..            | 1,018,792  | 28.6  | 27            | 5,750         | 1,058,371  | 29.0  |
| CNTU                                 | 10            | ..            | 212,646    | 6.0   | 9             | 1,507         | 209,493    | 5.7   |
| CCU                                  | 20            | ..            | 38,684     | 1.1   | 21            | 136           | 40,622     | 1.1   |
| CSD                                  | 3             | ..            | 21,826     | 0.6   | 3             | 188           | 21,785     | 0.6   |
| Unaffiliated unions                  | 86            | ..            | 654,034    | 18.3  | 91            | 3,815         | 719,485    | 19.7  |
| Sub-total, national unions           | 146           | ..            | 1,945,982  | 54.6  | 151           | 11,396        | 2,049,756  | 56.1  |
| Directly chartered unions            |               |               |            |       |               |               |            |       |
| CSD                                  | 287           | ...           | 35,000     | 1.0   | 303           | ...           | 33,000     | 0.9   |
| CLC                                  | 74            | ...           | 8,909      | 0.2   | 66            | ...           | 8,178      | 0.2   |
| CNTU                                 | 5             | ...           | 724        | 2     | 5             | ...           | 591        | 2     |
| Sub-total, directly chartered unions | 366           | ...           | 44,633     | 1.2   | 374           | ...           | 41,769     | 1.1   |
| Independent local organizations      | 240           | ...           | 101,751    | 2.9   | 203           | ...           | 97,286     | 2.7   |
| Total                                | 826           | ...           | 3,562,799  | 100.0 | 799           | 15,187        | 3,650,504  | 100.0 |
|                                      |               |               |            |       |               |               |            |       |
|                                      | 1985          |               |            |       | 1986          |               |            |       |
|                                      | Unions<br>No. | Locals<br>No. | Membership |       | Unions<br>No. | Locals<br>No. | Membership |       |
|                                      |               |               | No.        | %     |               |               | No.        | %     |
| International unions                 |               |               |            |       |               |               |            |       |
| AFL-CIO/CLC                          | 43            | 2,762         | 841,067    | 22.9  | 42            | 2,775         | 866,070    | 23.2  |
| AFL-CIO/CFL                          | 10            | 443           | 209,881    | 5.7   | 10            | 431           | 206,642    | 5.6   |
| CLC only                             | 3             | 135           | 145,192    | 4.0   | 3             | 132           | 146,511    | 3.9   |
| AFL-CIO only                         | 6             | 227           | 144,626    | 4.0   | 6             | 211           | 134,915    | 3.6   |
| Unaffiliated unions                  | 6             | 164           | 104,067    | 2.8   | 6             | 156           | 104,725    | 2.8   |
| Sub-total, international unions      | 68            | 3,731         | 1,444,833  | 39.4  | 67            | 3,705         | 1,458,863  | 39.1  |