

month in which the index numbers of employment in the various provinces reached their highest level for 1925, varied from 11.0 points in the Prairie Provinces to 21.9 points in British Columbia. Table 14 is a record since 1923 of employment as reported by employers in the five economic areas.

The manufacturing division showed pronounced expansion during 1925; construction and trade were more active than in any of the last five years, while services and communication also reported a favourable situation as compared with preceding years. Although employment in transportation attained a greater volume towards the end of 1925 than in 1924, it averaged rather lower during the greater part of the year. Logging and mining were also duller. Table 15 gives index numbers of employment by main industrial groups.

**14.—Index Numbers of Employment as reported by Employers, by Economic Areas, as at the first of each month, January, 1923 to December, 1925.**

NOTE.—Number of employees of the reporting firms in January, 1920, is taken as 100 in every case.

Years and Months.	Maritime Provinces.	Quebec.	Ontario.	Prairie Provinces.	British Columbia	Canada.
1923.						
Jan. 1.....	90.8	83.5	85.6	90.0	88.3	86.3
Feb. 1.....	90.4	87.7	90.0	91.6	88.4	83.5
Mar. 1.....	90.7	87.9	90.8	88.9	92.0	89.9
April 1.....	90.5	85.5	88.4	83.5	92.8	87.6
May 1.....	90.0	90.3	91.6	90.4	97.5	91.4
June 1.....	93.9	99.1	96.8	95.5	100.4	97.3
July 1.....	101.0	100.5	97.2	101.4	103.9	99.5
Aug. 1.....	97.8	101.9	97.1	104.3	107.2	100.2
Sept. 1.....	101.4	100.1	98.1	101.1	106.6	100.0
Oct. 1.....	97.0	104.0	96.0	100.7	104.2	99.5
Nov. 1.....	95.2	103.2	96.0	99.2	102.8	98.8
Dec. 1.....	91.2	98.5	93.4	99.3	97.8	95.7
1924.						
Jan. 1.....	86.3	90.5	86.1	94.3	90.9	88.7
Feb. 1.....	83.2	92.8	90.0	92.1	92.7	90.6
Mar. 1.....	82.4	93.5	89.8	89.6	97.1	90.7
April 1.....	84.6	91.5	87.6	89.4	99.6	89.3
May 1.....	88.1	94.1	89.8	87.0	102.9	91.8
June 1.....	90.0	99.9	92.1	94.1	103.4	95.2
July 1.....	90.6	100.6	91.4	99.1	105.8	95.9
Aug. 1.....	90.2	98.7	90.3	96.4	107.1	94.7
Sept. 1.....	86.6	97.8	88.9	93.9	106.0	93.1
Oct. 1.....	88.3	97.6	91.6	91.4	104.0	93.9
Nov. 1.....	83.7	97.1	90.4	94.1	102.1	93.0
Dec. 1.....	79.3	95.3	88.4	91.8	100.0	90.8
1925.						
Jan. 1.....	78.5	85.0	81.4	88.1	92.9	83.9
Feb. 1.....	79.1	89.1	83.4	88.4	95.1	86.1
Mar. 1.....	81.7	89.6	85.0	85.0	98.1	87.0
April 1.....	83.4	89.8	84.9	84.1	100.1	87.2
May 1.....	86.6	94.2	87.7	88.0	105.1	90.8
June 1.....	90.3	100.6	89.8	93.1	106.5	94.5
July 1.....	99.4	101.1	91.8	95.9	108.0	96.8
Aug. 1.....	92.2	101.1	90.8	97.3	112.2	96.3
Sept. 1.....	88.4	101.3	92.7	96.0	114.2	96.6
Oct. 1.....	88.1	102.7	94.3	99.8	114.8	98.3
Nov. 1.....	85.5	101.1	93.7	99.1	111.5	97.1
Dec. 1.....	83.5	98.5	92.6	97.5	109.0	95.3