

SECTION VI.—SURVEY OF WAGE RATES AND TRENDS

TABLE 15.—RELATION BETWEEN AWARD RATES, RULING RATES, AND HIGHEST RATES ON 30TH SEPTEMBER, 1939, 1941, AND 1942, RESPECTIVELY
(The figures shown in this table are index numbers based in each case on an award rate of 100·0 on 30th September of the year under review.)

Occupation.	Number of Employers Inspected.	1939.			1941.			1942.		
		Award Rate.	Ruling Rate.	Highest Rate.	Award Rate.	Ruling Rate.	Highest Rate.	Award Rate.	Ruling Rate.	Highest Rate.
<i>Adult Men—</i>										
Motor-service driver ..	31	100·0	100·3	101·4	100·0	100·7	101·6	100·0	101·4	103·0
Truck-driver (5½–10 ton) ..	57	100·0	100·9	104·0	100·0	102·5	105·7	100·0	102·6	106·8
Mechanic (A Grade) ..	78	100·0	102·1	108·6	100·0	102·0	111·6	100·0	102·6	112·4
Electric wireman ..	55	100·0	101·5	109·8	100·0	102·2	110·8	100·0	103·4	113·8
Striker (blacksmith's) ..	42	100·0	101·7	101·7	100·0	100·8	100·8	100·0	101·5	101·5
Fitter ..	59	100·0	100·8	109·9	100·0	100·7	110·1	100·0	101·4	112·4
Carpenter ..	77	100·0	100·7	107·4	100·0	102·1	107·7	100·0	102·2	112·1
Building labourer ..	69	100·0	100·9	107·1	100·0	101·7	105·9	100·0	106·5	112·1
Baker ..	62	100·0	102·0	105·1	100·0	102·2	106·2	100·0	102·7	109·1
Buttermaker (first assistant) ..	32	100·0	100·8	102·2	100·0	100·9	101·9	100·0	100·8	101·6
General hand (butter or cheese) ..	39	100·0	100·0	100·1	100·0	100·2	100·2	100·0	100·6	100·7
Presser (clothing) ..	24	100·0	101·0	110·8	100·0	104·5	112·9	100·0	106·5	117·8
Boot operative (making) ..	24	100·0	101·6	109·8	100·0	103·9	110·1	100·0	105·2	115·6
Wood-sawyer (first breast bench) ..	44	100·0	104·5	111·9	100·0	106·3	113·4	100·0	108·1	116·2
Boxmaker (wood) ..	27	100·0	100·9	103·4	100·0	101·6	104·1	100·0	101·6	106·3
Compositor ..	53	100·0	101·7	105·8	100·0	101·9	107·1	100·0	103·4	109·9
Oil-store employee ..	37	100·0	101·7	103·2	100·0	100·7	104·7	100·0	100·4	105·5
Warehouseman (soft-goods) ..	25	100·0	102·1	118·8	100·0	101·3	116·1	100·0	103·7	119·3
Hairdresser ..	40	100·0	100·6	102·0	100·0	101·6	104·5	100·0	101·1	103·6
Picture-projector ..	45	100·0	100·3	102·7	100·0	100·3	105·5	100·0	100·3	102·2
Barman—Wet pay ..	51	100·0	101·0	101·5	100·0	101·9	102·5	100·0	101·8	102·9
Barman—Dry pay ..	31	100·0	103·0	126·1	100·0	111·3	130·4	100·0	111·2	138·6
Whole group ..	27	100·0	102·2	105·4	100·0	102·0	107·5	100·0	101·9	110·1
	..	100·0	101·4	106·9	100·0	102·3	107·9	100·0	103·3	110·2
<i>Adult Women—</i>										
Shop-assistant (drapery) ..	75	100·0	101·1	134·1	100·0	102·2	139·1	100·0	102·3	132·2
Shop-assistant (chain store) ..	33	100·0	100·0	104·1	100·0	100·6	111·0	100·0	101·6	110·9
Shorthand typist ..	69	100·0	101·2	121·0	100·0	103·7	123·7	100·0	105·2	134·0
Machinist (batle-dress) ..	20	100·0	101·5	114·1	100·0	100·5	134·5	100·0	103·8	147·0
Machinist (frocks) ..	15	100·0	100·4	113·6	100·0	100·5	109·5	100·0	102·8	133·3
Machinist (footwear) ..	21	100·0	103·7	110·3	100·0	103·6	114·1	100·0	104·8	115·1
Machinist (leather gloves) ..	11	100·0	103·0	116·7	100·0	109·8	136·2	100·0	111·6	139·0
Factory hand (woollen) ..	15	100·0	103·3	123·3	100·0	103·0	124·2	100·0	106·7	124·0
Factory hand (chocolate or confectionery) ..	12	100·0	100·5	127·9	100·0	101·0	134·5	100·0	103·3	143·8
Whole group ..	..	100·0	101·6	118·3	100·0	102·7	125·2	100·0	104·7	131·0
<i>Youths aged 16–17 commencing as—</i>										
Metalwork assistant (not apprentice) ..	23	100·0	102·5	108·9	100·0	104·7	114·6	100·0	112·1	125·2
Grocer's assistant ..	55	100·0	100·8	103·5	100·0	109·7	104·3	100·0	100·9	102·9
Junior storeman and packer ..	35	100·0	111·1	127·2	100·0	112·3	148·2	100·0	120·9	183·3
Whole group ..	..	100·0	104·8	113·2	100·0	108·9	122·4	100·0	111·3	137·1
<i>Girls aged 16–17 commencing as—</i>										
Shop-assistant (drapery) ..	65	100·0	101·2	107·0	100·0	103·1	113·7	100·0	103·8	115·7
Shop-assistant (chain store) ..	31	100·0	102·1	109·4	100·0	101·6	110·9	100·0	103·1	112·7
Machinist (frocks) ..	19	100·0	114·7	121·2	100·0	116·4	122·4	100·0	119·4	126·2
Whole group ..	..	100·0	106·0	112·5	100·0	107·0	115·7	100·0	108·8	118·2

NOTES.—(i) This table is based on wage-rates applicable to *ordinary time*, and excludes any reference to *overtime*. The data was collected in the first instance from wage-books by Labour Inspectors throughout the Dominion.

(ii) The figures in bold type are unweighted averages covering the whole group of occupations.