

TABLE III.—SEASONAL FLUCTUATIONS IN EMPLOYMENT IN NEW ZEALAND, 1926 AND 1927.
TABLE SHOWING THE NUMBER OF WAGE-EARNING EMPLOYEES (EXCLUDING WORKING PROPRIETORS, MANAGERS, OVERSEERS, ACCOUNTANTS, CLERKS) ENGAGED ON THE 15TH OR NEAREST REPRESENTATIVE DAY EACH MONTH OF THE CALENDAR YEARS 1926 AND 1927, IN (a) THE MEAT-FREEZING, HAM- AND BACON-CURING, BUTTER- AND CHEESE-MAKING, SAUSAGE-CASING, WOOL-SCOURING AND FELLMONGERY AND BOILING-DOWN INDUSTRIES; (b) THE OTHER MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES; (c) IN ALL MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES; (d) THE BUILDING INDUSTRY.

Month.					Manufacturing Industries.			
					Meat-freezing, Ham and Bacon, Butter and Cheese, &c., Industries.	Other Manufacturing Industries.	Total.	Building Industry.
					(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)
1926.								
January	..	..	..	..	10,349	43,437	53,786	9,126
February	..	..	..	..	10,947	43,800	54,747	9,289
March	..	..	..	..	10,805	43,768	54,573	9,231
April..	..	..	..	..	10,282	43,462	53,744	9,279
May ..	..	..	..	..	8,995	43,104	52,099	9,368
June ..	..	..	..	..	6,805	42,794	49,599	9,155
July ..	..	..	..	..	5,495	42,752	48,247	8,937
August	..	..	..	..	5,088	42,828	47,916	9,005
September	..	..	..	..	5,620	43,433	49,053	9,348
October	..	..	..	..	6,023	43,548	49,571	9,228
November	..	..	..	..	6,782	43,923	50,705	9,330
December	..	..	..	..	9,150	44,165	53,315	9,178
1927.								
January	..	..	..	..	10,690	45,974	56,664	9,060
February	..	..	..	..	10,868	46,219	57,087	8,896
March	..	..	..	..	10,830	46,448	57,278	8,748
April..	..	..	..	..	10,063	45,879	55,942	9,283
May ..	..	..	..	..	9,003	45,391	54,394	9,159
June ..	..	..	..	..	7,184	44,998	52,182	8,736
July ..	..	..	..	..	5,452	45,137	50,589	8,530
August	..	..	..	..	5,267	45,165	50,432	8,600
September	..	..	..	..	5,792	45,676	51,468	8,889
October	..	..	..	..	6,144	46,057	52,201	8,850
November	..	..	..	..	6,912	46,328	53,240	9,115
December	..	..	..	..	9,433	46,351	55,784	9,075
Mean for twenty-four months					8,082	44,610	52,692	9,059

TABLE IV.—SEASONAL FLUCTUATIONS IN EMPLOYMENT IN NEW ZEALAND, 1926 and 1927.
TABLE SHOWING RELATIVE NUMBERS COMPUTED FROM THE NUMBER OF WAGE-EARNING EMPLOYEES SHOWN IN TABLE III, THE MEAN FOR THE TWENTY-FOUR MONTHS BEING TAKEN AS THE BASE (100) FOR EACH SERIES.
[N.B.—A relative number of 108 represents an increase of 8 per cent. above the mean, while 92 represents a decrease of 8 per cent. Due cognizance must be taken of the fact that the fluctuations are expressed relatively and that the percentage ratios represent vastly different absolute numbers. A difference of 1 per cent. in column (a) represents 81 wage-earners, in column (b) 446 wage-earners, in column (c) 527 wage-earners, and in column (d) 91 wage-earners.]

Month.					Manufacturing Industries.			
					Meat-freezing, Ham and Bacon, Butter and Cheese, Sausage-casing, &c., Industries.	Other Manufacturing Industries.	Total.	Building Industry.
					(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)
Mean for twenty-four months, 1926 and 1927					100	100	100	100
1926.								
January	..	..	..	..	128	97	102	101
February	..	..	..	..	135	98	104	103
March	..	..	..	..	134	98	104	102
April	..	..	..	..	127	97	102	102
May ..	..	..	..	..	111	97	99	103
June ..	..	..	..	..	84	96	94	101
July ..	..	..	..	..	68	96	92	99
August	..	..	..	..	63	96	91	99
September	..	..	..	..	70	97	93	103
October	..	..	..	..	75	98	94	102
November	..	..	..	..	84	98	96	103
December	..	..	..	..	113	99	101	101
1927.								
January	..	..	..	..	132	103	108	100
February	..	..	..	..	134	104	108	98
March	..	..	..	..	134	104	109	97
April..	..	..	..	..	125	103	106	102
May ..	..	..	..	..	111	102	103	101
June ..	..	..	..	..	89	101	99	96
July ..	..	..	..	..	67	101	96	94
August	..	..	..	..	65	101	96	95
September	..	..	..	..	72	102	98	98
October	..	..	..	..	76	103	99	98
November	..	..	..	..	86	104	101	101
December	..	..	..	..	117	104	106	100