

TABLE V.—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) ALL MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES, (b) THE BUILDING INDUSTRY, (c) THE MANUFACTURING AND BUILDING INDUSTRIES COMBINED, (d) THE DAILY AVERAGE NUMBER OF WAGE-EARNERS ENGAGED BY THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT EACH MONTH DURING THE SAME PERIODS, AND (e) THE TOTAL OF THE THREE CLASSES.

Month.				Manufacturing Industries.	Building Industry.	Total.	Public Works Department.	Total.
				(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)
1926.								
January	..	..	..	53,786	9,126	62,912	6,444	69,356
February	..	..	..	54,747	9,289	64,036	6,634	70,670
March	..	..	..	54,573	9,231	63,804	6,735	70,539
April	..	..	..	53,744	9,279	63,023	7,021	70,044
May	..	..	..	52,099	9,368	61,467	6,950	68,417
June	..	..	..	49,599	9,155	58,754	7,467	66,221
July	..	..	..	48,247	8,937	57,184	7,628	64,812
August	..	..	..	47,916	9,005	56,921	7,613	64,534
September	..	..	..	49,053	9,348	58,401	7,730	66,131
October	..	..	..	49,571	9,228	58,799	7,863	66,662
November	..	..	..	50,705	9,330	60,035	7,911	67,946
December	..	..	..	53,315	9,178	62,493	7,367	69,860
1927.								
January	..	..	..	56,664	9,060	65,724	6,870	72,594
February	..	..	..	57,087	8,896	65,983	7,276	73,259
March	..	..	..	57,278	8,748	66,026	7,389	73,415
April	..	..	..	55,942	9,283	65,225	7,939	73,164
May	..	..	..	54,394	9,159	63,553	7,958	71,511
June	..	..	..	52,182	8,736	60,918	8,539	69,457
July	..	..	..	50,589	8,530	59,119	8,759	67,878
August	..	..	..	50,432	8,600	59,032	8,944	67,976
September	..	..	..	51,468	8,889	60,357	8,759	69,116
October	..	..	..	52,201	8,850	61,051	8,456	69,507
November	..	..	..	53,240	9,115	62,355	8,165	70,520
December	..	..	..	55,784	9,075	64,859	7,584	72,443
Mean for twenty-four months				52,692	9,059	61,751	7,667	69,418

TABLE VI.—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 V, 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 527 wage-earners, in column (b) 91 wage-earners, in column (c) 618 wage-earners, in column (d) 77 wage-earners, and in column (e) 694 wage-earners.]

Month.				Manufacturing Industries.	Building Industry.	Total.	Public Works Department.	Total.
				(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)
Mean for twenty-four months, 1926 and 1927				100	100	100	100	100
1926.								
January	..	..	..	102	101	102	84	100
February	..	..	..	104	103	104	87	102
March	..	..	..	104	102	103	88	102
April	..	..	..	102	102	102	92	101
May	..	..	..	99	103	100	91	99
June	..	..	..	94	101	95	97	95
July	..	..	..	92	99	93	99	93
August	..	..	..	91	99	92	99	93
September	..	..	..	93	103	95	101	95
October	..	..	..	94	102	95	103	96
November	..	..	..	96	103	97	103	98
December	..	..	..	101	101	101	96	101
1927.								
January	..	..	..	108	100	106	90	105
February	..	..	..	108	98	107	95	106
March	..	..	..	109	97	107	96	106
April	..	..	..	106	102	107	104	105
May	..	..	..	103	101	103	104	103
June	..	..	..	99	96	99	111	100
July	..	..	..	96	94	96	114	98
August	..	..	..	96	95	96	117	98
September	..	..	..	98	98	98	114	100
October	..	..	..	99	98	99	110	100
November	..	..	..	101	101	101	106	102
December	..	..	..	106	100	105	99	104