

(a) Hourly rates or earnings

STATISTICS

Wages

In accordance with the plan which has been adopted for publication at quarterly intervals in the *Review* of statistics on labour conditions in different countries, the statistics of the *general level of wages* are given in this issue.

The tables group together the most comparable data in two sections, namely :

(a) Hourly rates or earnings ;

(b) Daily, weekly or monthly earnings.

Figures for the different industries or occupations covered by these series are given in the *Year Book of Labour Statistics, 1943-44* (table XIV).

For further information on the scope and method of these statistics, see the January-February 1947 issue of the *Review* : "Statistics, Explanatory Notes", pp. 157-167.

The cost-of-living statistics used for calculating the real wage indices were published in the March-April issue of the *Review* and will appear again in the July 1947 issue.

For statistics of unemployment, employment and hours of work, see the March-April issue. They will appear next in the June 1947 number.

EXPLANATION OF SIGNS USED IN THE TABLES

The sign . signifies : "figures do not exist".

The sign ... signifies : "figures not yet received".

The sign * signifies : "provisional figures".

The sign — signifies : "figures are nil or negligible".

The sign ° signifies "covering men only".

The sign † signifies : "figure revised since the previous issue".

The sign ° signifies : "economic group represented by a few branches only".

The sign — between two figures of a series signifies that the former series has been replaced by another, or revised.

Figures in *thick-faced type* : indices (100) of the base year.

Figures in *italics* : index numbers with a year other than 1937 as base.

Figures within *brackets* : series subject to certain reservations.

Dates	AFRICA		AMERICA					ASIA		
	Union of South Africa	Canada		United States	Argentina (Buenos Aires)	Mexico (Federal District)	China (Shanghai)	Japan ^a	Palestine	
		Mines, ind., tr., com.	Industries	Mines, ind., transp.	Industries	Ind., transp., com., serv.	Industries	Industries	Industries	
		M.	M. W.	M. W.	M. W.	M. W.	M. W.	M. W.	M. W.	
		Rates	Earnings	Rates	Earnings	Earnings	Earnings	Rates	Earnings	Rates
Money wages										
		Cents		Cents		Pesos	Sh. \$			
1929	.	.	.	56.6	.	.	.	.	.	
1931	.	.	.	51.5	.	.	0.057	.	.	
1933	.	.	.	44.2	.	.	0.058	.	.	
1934	.	.	.	53.2	.	0.28	0.056	.	.	
1935	.	.	.	55.0	.	.	0.053	.	.	
1936	.	.	.	55.6	.	0.33	0.055	.	.	
1937	.	.	.	62.4	.	0.36	0.050	.	.	
1938	.	.	.	62.7	.	0.40	0.051	.	.	
1939	.	.	.	63.3	.	0.60	0.060	.	.	
1940	.	.	.	66.1	.	0.63	0.070	.	.	
1941	.	.	.	72.9	.	0.72	0.122	.	.	
1942	.	.	.	85.3	.	0.73	...	.	.	
1943	.	.	.	96.1	.	...	...	.	.	
1944	.	70.4 ¹	.	101.9	.	...	...	.	.	
1945	.	69.4	.	102.3	.	...	...	.	.	
1946 : Mar.	.	68.4r	.	103.5	.	.	...	.	.	
June	.	70.0r	.	108.4	.	.	...	.	.	
Sept.	.	71.4r	.	112.6	.	.	...	.	.	
Dec.	.	76.3r	.	114.5	.	.	...	.	.	
1947 : Mar.	.	...	.	...	.	.	...	.	.	
Index numbers of money wages (Base: 1937 = 100)										
1929	100	.	103	91	104	.	.	108	81	
1931	97	.	100	83	90	.	114	.	82	
1933	94	.	88	71	90	.	116	92	91	
1934	94	.	89	85	86	78	112	95	111	
1935	98	.	91	88	94	.	106	95	108	
1936	100	.	93	89	97	92	110	95	103	
1937	100	.	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	
1938	101	.	103	100	99	111	102	109	97	
1939	102	.	103	101	104	167	120	108 ^a	93	
1940	103*	.	107	106	105	175	140	...	92	
1941	...	.	117	117	109	200	244	...	107	
1942	...	.	127	137	119	203	...	...	129 ^a	
1943	...	.	138 ^r	154	121*	...	...	...	...	
1944	...	101 ¹	143 ^r	163	...	...	...	...	...	
1945	...	100	147	164	...	...	...	...	...	
1946 : Mar.	.	99 ^r	.	166	.	.	...	...	...	
June	.	101 ^r	.	174	.	.	...	...	...	
Sept.	.	103 ^r	.	180	.	.	...	...	...	
Dec.	.	110 ^r	.	183	.	.	...	...	...	
1947 : Mar.	.	...	.	...	.	.	...	...	...	
Index numbers of real wages (Base: 1937 = 100)										
1929	90	.	85	76	96	.	.	.	.	
1931	93	.	93	78	96	.	124	.	.	
1933	98	.	94	79	101	.	148	105	.	
1934	96	.	94	92	103	(105)	143	105	.	
1935	101	.	96	92	105	.	133	101	.	
1936	102	.	96	92	99	(108)	130	99	.	
1937	100	.	100	100	100	(100)	100	100	.	
1938	97	.	102	102	100	(98)	79	101	.	
1939	98	.	103	105	103	(144)	70	94 ^a	.	
1940	96*	.	103	109	103	(150)	39	...	.	
1941	...	.	106	114	103	(165)	...	...	.	
1942	...	.	110	121	106	(145)	...	...	.	
1943	...	.	118 ^r	128	108*	...	...	...	.	
1944	...	102 ¹	121	134	...	...	...	...	.	
1945	...	100	120	131	...	...	...	...	.	
1946 : Mar.	.	98 ^r	.	131	.	.	...	...	.	
June	.	96	.	134	.	.	...	...	.	
Sept.	.	97	.	127	.	.	...	...	.	
Dec.	.	...	.	123	.	.	...	...	.	
1947 : Mar.	.	...	.	...	.	.	...	...	.	
Persons covered	.	721,000	.	9,850,000	.	63,900	75,000*	1,563,601	.	

¹ Nov. and Dec. ² Series calculated by the L.L.O. : daily earnings divided by hours actually worked per day. Up to 1933, statistics of the Bank of Japan ; from 1939, statistics of the Imperial Cabinet. ³ First three quarters. ⁴ Mar.

Union of South Africa. Annual figures : 30 Sept. of each year.

Canada. Monthly figures : a week ending on the first of the following month.

United States (Bureau of Labor Statistics series). Annual figures : averages ; monthly figures : a week nearest to the 15th of the month.

China. Annual figures : up to 1935, Sept. of each year ; from 1936 onwards, averages.

Palestine (Jewish labour). Annual figures : averages. The original indices relate to rates of wages per 8-hour day.

(a) Hourly rates or earnings (cont.)

Date	EUROPE							
	Germany					Belgium		
	Mines ^o , industries, transport ^o					Mines, industries, transport		
	M. sk.	M. unsk.	W. unsk.	M. W.	M. W.	M. W. sk.	M. W. unsk.	M. W.
	Rates				Earnings	Earnings		
Money wages								
1929	Rpf. 101.1	Rpf. 79.4	Rpf. 52.7	Rpf. 85.3	Rpf. 96.8	.	.	.
1931	97.4	76.6	51.0	82.3	86.9	.	.	.
1932	81.6	64.4	43.9	69.7	73.0	.	.	.
1933	78.5	62.3	43.4	67.6	70.7	.	.	.
1934	78.3	62.2	43.3	67.5	72.5	.	.	.
1935	78.3	62.2	43.4	67.5	73.6	.	.	.
1936	78.3	62.2	43.4	67.5	74.8	.	.	.
1937	78.5	62.3	43.4	67.6	76.4	.	.	.
1938	78.8	62.5	43.7	67.9	78.9	.	.	.
1939	79.1	62.8	44.0	68.2	81.2	.	.	.
1940	79.2	62.9	44.1	68.2	83.9	.	.	.
1941	79.9	63.8	44.4	68.9	87.5	.	.	.
1942	80.5	64.1	44.6	69.4	...	.	.	.
1943	80.9	64.1	44.7	69.6	...	.	.	.
1944	...	...	...	...	...	.	.	.
1946: Mar.	...	...	...	...	...	.	.	.
June	...	...	...	...	...	.	.	.
Sept.	...	...	...	...	...	.	.	.
Dec.	...	...	...	...	...	.	.	.
Index numbers of money wages (Base: 1937=100)								
1929	129	127	121	126	127	102	98	101
1931	124	123	118	122	114	99	96	100
1932	104	103	101	103	96	90	87	92
1933	100	100	100	100	93	89	85	89
1934	100	100	100	100	95	85	81	85
1935	100	100	100	100	96	81	81	82
1936	100	100	100	100	98	89	89	90
1937	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
1938	100	100	101	100	103	106	105	105
1939	101	101	101	101	106	107	105	106
1940	101	101	102	101	110	114	112	113
1941	102	102	102	102	114	121	122	121
1942	103	103	103	103	...	125	127	126
1943	103	103	103	103	...	127	129	129
1944	...	...	...	...	...	129 ^a	127 ^a	129 ^a
1946: Mar.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Jan.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Sept.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Dec.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Index numbers of real wages (Base: 1937=100)								
1929	105	103	99	103	103	93	90	93
1931	114	113	108	112	105	98	95	99
1932	108	107	105	107	99	98	96	101
1933	106	106	106	106	98	99	95	99
1934	103	103	103	103	98	98	94	98
1935	101	102	102	102	98	94	93	94
1936	100	100	101	100	98	97	97	98
1937	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
1938	100	100	100	100	103	104	103	103
1939	100	100	100	100	105	106	104	105
1940	07	97	98	97	106	...	...	...
1941	96	96	96	96	108	...	...	...
1942	94	94	94	94	...	...	...	...
1943	93	93	93	93	...	...	...	...
1944	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
1946: Mar.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
June	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Sept.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Dec.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Persons covered	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.

¹ From 1929 to 1937, series calculated by the I.L.O. based on money wages published for 1938 to which the index numbers were applied. ^a Mar.

(a) Hourly rates or earnings (cont.)

Date	EUROPE (cont.)							
	Bulgaria			Denmark				France
	Industries			Industries, transport ^o , etc.				Metals (Paris)
	M.	W.	M. W.	M. sk.	M. unsk.	W.	M. W.	M. W.
	Earnings			Earnings				Rates
Money wages								
	Leva	Leva	Leva	Öre	Öre	Öre	Öre	Frs.
1929	10.01	5.98	7.81	153	124	83	128	5.45
1931	9.25	5.58	7.12	155	126	84	131	5.74
1932	7.75	4.90	6.20	153	127	85	131	5.47
1933	7.76	4.69	6.53	153	127	85	131	5.57
1934	7.29	4.59	6.09	154	129	86	132	5.54
1935	7.04	5.13	6.11	155	129	87	133	5.49
1936	7.09	5.22	6.03	156	130	87	132	6.33
1937	7.78	5.88	6.61	158	133	88	135	9.41
1938	8.15	6.33	7.02	166	140	94	143	10.62
1939	8.27	6.58	7.32	175	148	96	147	10.93
1940	8.82	7.47	8.32	194	163	108	163	11.19
1941	10.27	7.72	9.23	206	177	117	176	11.93
1942	...	...	...	216	185	122	184	12.56
1943	...	...	...	230	198	128	197	14.11
1944	...	...	...	241	212	137	209	17.82
1945	...	...	...	260	226	154	225	29.40
1946: Mar.	.	.	.	273 ^r	236 ^r	166 ^r	238 ^r	32.96
June	...	...	...	283	246	174	248	34.71
Sept.	.	.	.	...	...	...	...	43.85
Dec.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	47.64
Index numbers of money wages (Base: 1937=100)								
1929	129	102	118	97	93	94	95	58
1931	119	95	108	98	95	95	97	61
1932	100	83	94	97	95	96	97	58
1933	100	80	99	97	96	97	97	59
1934	94	78	92	97	97	97	98	59
1935	90	87	92	98	97	99	98	58
1936	91	89	91	99	98	99	98	67
1937	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
1938	105	108	106	105	105	107	106	113
1939	106	112	111	111	111	109	109	116
1940	113	127	126	123	123	123	121	119
1941	132	131	140	130	133	134	130	127
1942	...	...	...	137	139	139	136	138
1943	...	...	...	146	149	145	146	150
1944	...	...	...	153	159	155	154	189
1945	...	...	...	165	170	175	167	312
1946: Mar.	.	.	.	173 ^r	177 ^r	189 ^r	176 ^r	350
June	...	...	...	179	185	198	184	369
Sept.	.	.	.	...	...	...	...	466
Dec.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	506
Index numbers of real wages (Base: 1937=100)								
1929	75	59	69	101	97	98	99	64
1931	86	69	78	113	109	110	112	66
1932	79	66	74	113	111	112	113	68
1933	85	68	84	109	108	109	110	70
1934	85	71	84	106	106	107	107	71
1935	88	85	90	103	102	104	103	75
1936	93	91	93	103	102	103	102	82
1937	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
1938	101	104	103	104	104	106	105	100
1939	100	105	104	107	107	105	105	94
1940	96	107	106	95	95	95	94	81
1941	92	92	97	88	90	90	88	74
1942	...	...	...	89	91	91	89	67
1943	...	...	...	93	96	93	94	59
1944	...	...	...	97	101	99	98	58
1945	...	...	...	103	106	110	104	70
1946: Mar.	.	.	.	107 ^r	110 ^r	117 ^r	110 ^r	63
June	...	...	...	112	116	124	115	59
Sept.	.	.	.	...	...	...	...	56
Dec.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	52
Persons covered	4,716	2,042	6,758	64,174	78,613	40,841	183,628	.

Bulgaria. Annual figures: up to 1933, averages of the figures for June and Dec.; from 1934 onwards, averages of the figures for Jan. and July.

Denmark. Annual figures: averages; monthly figures: averages for the quarter ending with the month in question.

France. Metals: annual figures: averages.

(a) Hourly rates or earnings (cont.)

Date	EUROPE (cont.)										
	France (concl.)					Great Britain and Northern Ireland					
	Industries, etc.			Metals and industries	M. of L. ²	L. & C. E. S. ⁴	Mines, industries, commerce, transport				
	Paris	Other towns					Agr., mines, ind., transp., local auth.	M. W.	M.	W.	M. W.
		M. chiefly skilled	W. chiefly sk.								
	Rates					Rates ⁵		Earnings ⁶			
	Money wages										
1929	Frs. 6.10	Frs. 3.83	Frs. 2.26	.	.	.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.		
1931	6.61	4.08	2.42	.	.	.	.	.	.		
1932	6.34	3.99	2.35	.	.	.	.	.	.		
1933	6.34	3.89	2.26	.	.	.	.	.	.		
1934	6.34	3.89	2.28	.	.	.	.	.	.		
1935	6.23	3.80	2.26	.	.	.	.	.	.		
1936	7.06	4.42	2.62	.	.	.	.	.	.		
1937	10.06	5.60	3.08	.	.	.	.	.	.		
1938	10.50	6.19	3.42	.	.	.	1 5.4 ⁶	9.0 ⁶	1 1.7 ⁶		
1939	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.		
1940	10.90	6.34	3.50	.	.	.	.	.	.		
1941	12.11	7.17	4.15	.	.	.	.	.	.		
1942	12.27	8.22	5.19	.	.	.	.	.	.		
1943	12.73	9.08	5.75	.	.	.	2 3.5 ⁷	1 4.3 ⁷	1 10.5 ⁷		
1944	22.68	15.85	11.10	.	.	.	2 4.8 ⁸	1 5.1 ⁸	1 11.6 ⁸		
1945	34.78	27.43	22.16	.	.	.	2 5.2 ⁹	1 5.6 ⁹	2 0.1 ⁹		
1946: Mar.	36.24	28.50	23.27	.	.	.	.	.	.		
June	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.		
Sept.	47.46	37.19	...	.	.	.	2 6.4 ⁹	1 6.4 ⁹	2 2.2 ⁹		
Dec.	.	.	.	.	.	.	...	...	...		
Index numbers of money wages (Base: 1937=100)											
1929	61	68	73	66	97	99	.	.	.		
1931	66	73	79	71	94	96	.	.	.		
1932	63	71	76	69	93	95	.	.	.		
1933	63	69	73	68	92	93	.	.	.		
1934	63	69	74	68	92	93	.	.	.		
1935	62	68	73	66	93	94	.	.	.		
1936	70	79	85	77	96	97	.	.	.		
1937	100	100	100	100	100	100	.	.	.		
1938	104	111	111	110	104	103	100 ⁶	100 ⁶	100 ⁶		
1939	.	.	.	.	104 ⁶	105	.	.	.		
1940	108	113	114	113	116	116	.	.	.		
1941	120	128	135	127	126 ⁷	126	.	.	.		
1942	122	147	169	143	135 ⁷	135	.	.	.		
1943	127	162	187	157	140 ⁷	143	158 ⁷	181 ⁷	163 ⁷		
1944	225	283	360	272	148 ⁷	150	166 ⁷	191 ⁷	172 ⁷		
1945	346	490	719	473	155 ⁷	160	168 ⁸	196 ⁸	176 ⁸		
1946: Mar.	360	509	756	495	164	169	.	.	.		
June	.	.	.	.	167 ⁸	174 ⁸	...	...	...		
Sept.	472	664	...	...	170 ⁸	175 ⁸	191	204	191		
Dec.	.	.	.	.	171	176 ⁸	...	...	...		
Index numbers of real wages (Base: 1937=100)											
1929	67 ⁷	.	.	.	91	93	.	.	.		
1931	71 ⁷	77	83	75	99	101	.	.	.		
1932	74	80	86	78	99	101	.	.	.		
1933	75	82	86	80	101	103	.	.	.		
1934	76	85	91	83	101	102	.	.	.		
1935	79	89	96	87	101	102	.	.	.		
1936	86	94	102	92	101	101	.	.	.		
1937	100	100	100	100	100	100	.	.	.		
1938	83	97	98	96	102	102	100 ⁶	100 ⁶	100 ⁶		
1939	.	.	.	.	101 ⁷	102	.	.	.		
1940	74	74	74	74	97	97	.	.	.		
1941	70	69	72	68	97 ⁷	98	.	.	.		
1942	61	68	78	66	104	104	.	.	.		
1943	50	61	70	59	109 ⁷	111	124 ⁷	142 ⁷	128 ⁷		
1944	69	84	107	81	113 ⁷	115	129 ⁸	148 ⁸	133 ⁸		
1945	77	107	157	103	117 ⁷	121	129 ⁸	150 ⁸	134 ⁸		
1946: Mar.	64	80	119	78	124 ⁷	129 ⁷	.	.	.		
June	.	.	.	.	127	132	...	...	...		
Sept.	57	75	...	...	129 ⁷	133 ⁸	135 ⁸	157	147		
Dec.	.	.	.	.	129	133 ⁸	...	...	...		
Persons covered											

¹ Series calculated by the I.L.O.: weighted averages of the rates of the four preceding series. ² Ministry of Labour. ³ New index with 1 Sept. 1939 = 100, spliced by I.L.O. to old series. ⁴ London and Cambridge Economic Service. ⁵ Index numbers of rates per normal week corresponding to the fluctuations of hourly rates, the normal weekly hours having remained practically stable during the period considered. ⁶ Oct. July. ⁷ Average for Jan. and July. ⁸ France. Industries: annual figures: Oct. of each year. ⁹ Great Britain and Northern Ireland (Ministry of Labour series). From 1939, annual figures: averages; monthly figures: wage rates at the end of the month.

(a) Hourly rates or earnings (cont.)

Date	EUROPE (cont.)											
	Hungary	Ireland				Italy	Norway	Netherlands		Poland		
	Indus-tries	Industries				Indus-tries, etc.	Mines, indus-tries	Mines, indus-tries	Mines, indus-tries	Mines, indus-tries		
		M. W.	M.	W.	M. W. ^a	M. W.	M. W.	M.	M.	M.	M. W.	
		Earnings	Earnings			Rates ^b	Earnings	Earnings	Earnings	Rates	Earnings	
Money wages												
	Pengö	s.	d.	s.	d.	s.	d.	Lire	Kr. ^c		Zl.	
1929	0.57	.	.	.	.	.	.	2.09	.	.	1.01	
1931	0.55	.	.	.	.	.	.	1.95	.	.	0.93	
1932	0.51	.	.	.	.	.	.	1.91	.	.	0.86	
1933	0.48	.	.	.	.	.	.	1.86	.	.	0.78	
1934	0.46	.	.	.	.	.	.	1.80	.	.	0.74	
1935	0.44	.	.	.	.	.	.	1.77	1.42	.	0.72	
1936	0.45	.	.	.	.	.	.	1.88	1.46	.	0.71	
1937	0.46	1 3.2 ^d	0 7.9 ^d	0 11.4 ^d	.	.	.	2.11	1.57	.	0.74	
1938	0.49	1 3.3	0 8.2	0 11.9	.	.	.	2.26	1.73	.	0.78	
1939	0.53 ^e	1 3.6	0 8.5	1 0.1	.	.	.	2.47	1.76	.	0.79 ^f	
1940	0.56 ^g	1 4.2	0 9.0	1 0.6	.	.	.	2.86	1.90	.	.	
1941	0.67 ^h	1 4.5	0 9.2	1 0.9	.	.	.	3.01	1.96	.	.	
1942	...	1 5.2	0 9.3	1 1.5	.	.	.	3.25	1.99	.	.	
1943	...	1 6.2	0 10.3	1 2.6	.	.	.	3.43 ⁱ	2.03	.	.	
1944	...	1 7.4	0 11.1	1 3.6	.	.	.	...	2.05	.	.	
1945	...	...	...	...	.	.	.	...	2.17	.	.	
1946: Mar.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	...	2.39	.	.	
June	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	...	.	.	.	
Sept.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	...	.	.	.	
Dec.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	...	.	.	.	
Index numbers of money wages (Base: 1937 = 100)												
1929	124	.	.	.	.	.	.	99	.	122	116	136
1931	120	.	.	.	.	.	.	92	.	121	116	126
1932	111	.	.	.	.	.	.	91	.	113	109	116
1933	104	.	.	.	.	.	.	88	.	108	105	105
1934	100	.	.	.	.	.	.	85	.	105	101	100
1935	96	.	.	.	.	.	.	84	90	101	100	97
1936	98	.	.	.	.	.	.	89	93	98	98	96
1937	100	100 ^d	100 ^d	100 ^d	.	.	.	100	100	100	100	100
1938	107	101	104	104	.	.	.	107	110	104	102	105
1939	115 ^e	103	108	106	100 ^g	.	.	117	112	106	103	107 ^f
1940	122 ^g	107	114	111	106	.	.	136	121	113	108	.
1941	146 ^h	109	116	113	109	.	.	143	125	119	110	.
1942	...	113	118	118	109	.	.	154	127	128	112	.
1943	...	120	130	128	117	.	.	163 ⁱ	129	134	112	.
1944	...	128	141	137	123	.	.	...	131	140	113	.
1945	...	...	...	...	125	.	.	...	148	163	155	.
1946: Mar.	.	.	.	.	129	.	.	...	163	.	166	.
June	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	...	.	183	169	.
Sept.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	...	.	.	171	.
Dec.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	...	.	.	.	.
Index numbers of real wages (Base: 1937 = 100)												
1929	(108)	.	.	.	.	.	.	90	.	(99)	(95)	84
1931	(122)	.	.	.	.	.	.	96	.	(110)	(106)	94
1932	(116)	.	.	.	.	.	.	99	.	(110)	(107)	96
1933	(118)	.	.	.	.	.	.	101	.	(106)	(103)	97
1934	(115)	.	.	.	.	.	.	102	.	(103)	(99)	99
1935	(108)	.	.	.	.	.	.	99	99	(102)	(101)	101
1936	(104)	.	.	.	.	.	.	93	100	(102)	(102)	103
1937	(100)	100 ^d	100 ^d	100 ^d	.	.	.	100	100	(100)	(100)	100
1938	(106)	99	102	103	.	.	.	99	107	(103)	(101)	107
1939	(116) ^e	98	103	101	100 ^g	.	.	104	107	(104)	(102)	109 ^f
1940	(113) ^g	88	94	92	91	.	.	103	99	(100)	(96)	.
1941	(115) ^h	82	88	85	84	.	.	94	87	(94)	(87)	.
1942	...	77	80	80	78	.	.	88	84	(94)	(82)	.
1943	...	72	79	77	73	.	.	...	83	(94)	(79)	.
1944	...	74	81	79	72	.	.	...	83	(96)	(77)	.
1945	...	...	...	...	74	.	.	...	92	...	...	.
1946: Mar.	.	.	.	.	76	.	.	...	100	.	...	.
June	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	...	.	.	...	.
Sept.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	...	.	.	...	.
Dec.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	...	.	.	...	.
Persons covered		417,000	...	...	92,982	.	.	1,528,636	.	94,000	350,000	813,845

(a) Hourly rates or earnings (cont.)

Date	EUROPE (cont.)									
	Sweden			Switzerland						
	Mines ^o , ind., transp., commerce			Industries, some transport, commerce, etc.						
	M.	W.	M. W.	M. sk. semi-sk. ¹	M. unsk. ¹	W. ¹	M. W. ¹	M. sk. ²	M. semi-sk., unsk. ²	W. ²
	Earnings			Earnings						
Money wages										
	Kr.	Kr.	Kr.	Frs.	Frs.	Frs.		Frs.	Frs.	Frs.
1929	1.25	0.74	1.12	1.48	1.14	0.77	.	.	.	.
1931	1.29	0.75	1.15	1.51	1.16	0.78	.	.	.	.
1932	1.27	0.74	1.13	1.45	1.11	0.74	.	.	.	.
1933	1.22	0.73	1.09	1.43	1.09	0.72	.	.	.	.
1934	1.22	0.73	1.09	1.39	1.07	0.71	.	.	.	.
1935	1.24	0.74	1.11	1.36	1.05	0.70	.	.	.	.
1936	1.25	0.75	1.12	1.33	1.03	0.69	.	.	.	.
1937	1.29	0.77	1.15	1.32	1.05	0.69	.	.	.	.
1938	1.37	0.80	1.22	1.37	1.06	0.72	.	.	.	.
1939	1.43	0.84	1.28	1.37	1.07	0.72	.	1.55 ²	1.18 ²	0.75 ²
1940	1.53	0.93	1.38	1.41	1.10	0.74	.	.	.	.
1941	1.64	1.01	1.48	1.51	1.21	0.80	.	.	.	.
1942	1.79	1.09	1.61	1.65	1.36	0.90	.	1.91 ⁴	1.51 ⁴	0.97 ⁴
1943	1.86	1.14	1.68	1.78	1.49	0.99	.	2.03 ⁴	1.63 ⁴	1.05 ⁴
1944	1.90	1.19	1.72	1.88	1.60	1.06	.	2.14 ⁴	1.73 ⁴	1.16 ⁴
1945	1.98	1.27	1.81	1.99	1.69	1.14	.	2.26 ⁴	1.85 ⁴	1.29 ⁴
1946: Mar.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
June	.	.	.	2.10	1.77	1.27	.	.	.	.
Sept.	.	.	.	...	...	...	.	.	.	.
Dec.	.	.	.	...	...	...	.	.	.	.
Index numbers of money wages (Base: 1937 = 100)										
1929	97	96	97	112	109	112	111	.	.	.
1931	100	97	100	114	110	113	113	.	.	.
1932	98	96	98	110	106	107	108	.	.	.
1933	95	95	95	108	104	104	108	.	.	.
1934	95	95	95	105	102	103	104	.	.	.
1935	98	96	97	103	100	101	101	.	.	.
1936	97	97	97	101	98	100	100	.	.	.
1937	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	.	.	.
1938	108	104	106	104	101	104	103	.	.	.
1939	111	109	111	104	102	104	103	100 ²	100 ²	100 ²
1940	119	121	120	107	105	107	108	.	.	.
1941	127	131	129	114	115	116	115	.	.	.
1942	139	142	140	125	130	130	128	124 ⁴	128 ⁴	129 ⁴
1943	144	148	146	135	142	143	139	131 ⁴	138 ⁴	141 ⁴
1944	147	155	150	142	152	154	148	138 ⁴	147 ⁴	155 ⁴
1945	153	165	157	151	161	165	157	146 ⁴	167 ⁴	173 ⁴
1946: Mar.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
June	.	.	.	159	169	184	168	.	.	.
Sept.	.	.	.	...	...	...	...	.	.	.
Dec.	.	.	.	...	...	...	...	.	.	.
Index numbers of real wages (Base: 1937 = 100)										
1929	92	91	92	95	92	95	94	.	.	.
1931	102	99	102	104	101	103	102	.	.	.
1932	101	99	101	108	104	106	106	.	.	.
1933	99	99	99	113	108	109	110	.	.	.
1934	99	99	99	111	108	109	109	.	.	.
1935	99	99	100	110	107	108	108	.	.	.
1936	99	100	100	106	103	105	104	.	.	.
1937	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	.	.	.
1938	103	101	103	104	101	104	102	.	.	.
1939	106	104	107	103	100	103	102	100 ²	100 ²	100 ²
1940	102	104	103	96	95	96	98	.	.	.
1941	95	98	96	90	90	91	90	.	.	.
1942	95	97	96	88	92	92	90	86 ⁴	89 ⁴	90 ⁴
1943	97	100	99	91	95	97	93	83 ⁴	92 ⁴	94 ⁴
1944	99	103	100	94	100	101	97	81 ⁴	87 ⁴	102 ⁴
1945	103	110	105	99	105	108	103	96 ⁴	103 ⁴	114 ⁴
1946: Mar.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
June	.	.	.	106	112	122	110	.	.	.
Sept.	.	.	.	...	...	...	...	.	.	.
Dec.	.	.	.	...	...	...	...	.	.	.
Persons covered	435,000	92,000	563,000	34,188	33,612	9,430	77,000	112,331 ²	127,255 ²	99,986 ²

¹ Earnings of persons injured or killed in industrial accidents. ² Earnings according to annual October enquiry. ³ June. ⁴ Oct.

(a) Hourly rates or earnings (concl.)

Date	EUROPE (concl.)		OCEANIA					
	Czechoslovakia ¹		Australia			New Zealand		
	Industries		Mines ² , industries, transport ² , etc.			Agr. ² , mines ² , ind., transp. ² , com.		
	M. W.		M.	W.	M. W. ³	M.	W.	M. W.
	Rates		Rates			Rates		
Money wages								
	Kč.	s. d.	s. d.		s. d.		s. d.	
1929	4.37	2 3	1 2½		2 1.08		1 11.26	
1931	4.49	2 0	1 1		1 11.62		1 9.91	
1932	4.49	1 10¾	1 0¾		1 10.36		1 8.75	
1933	4.47	1 10	0 11¾		1 9.87		1 8.31	
1934	4.37	1 10	0 11¾		1 9.91		1 8.35	
1935	4.34	1 10½	1 0		1 10.30		1 8.71	
1936	4.33	1 11	1 0¾		2 0.82		1 10.99	
1937	4.22	2 0	1 1		2 4.39		2 2.23	
1938	4.52	2 1½	1 1½		2 5.82		2 3.56	
1939	3.45 ⁴	2 2½	1 2½		2 6.35		2 4.12	
1940	4.58	2 3½	1 2½		2 7.31		2 5.02	
1941	5.25	2 4¾	1 3½		2 8.55		2 6.14	
1942	5.64	2 7	1 4½		2 9.90		2 7.40	
1943	5.68	2 8¾	1 6¾		2 10.68		2 8.15	
1944	5.69	2 8¾	1 7½		2 11.08		2 8.42	
1945	6.28	2 9	1 7½		3 1.72		2 11.11	
1946: Mar.	10.43	2 9	1 7¾					
June	10.44	2 9½	1 7¾					
Sept.	10.44	2 9½	1 7¾					
Dec.	10.44	...	...					
Index numbers of money wages (Base: 1937 = 100)								
1929	104	112	112	112	88	89	89	
1931	106	100	100	100	83	84	84	
1932	106	95	94	95	79	80	79	
1933	106	92	90	92	77	78	77	
1934	104	92	90	92	77	78	78	
1935	103	94	92	94	79	80	79	
1936	103	96	94	96	87	88	88	
1937	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	
1938	102	108	104	107	105	104	105	
1939	100 ⁴	109	110	109	107	109	107	
1940	133	114	112	113	110	113	111	
1941	152	120	119	120	115	113	115	
1942	163	129	127	129	119	122	120	
1943	166	136	140	137	122	128	123	
1944	165	136	150	138	124	128	124	
1945	182	137	150	139	133	145	134	
1946: Mar.	302	137	152	139				
June	303	139	152	140				
Sept.	303	140	152	141				
Dec.	303	...	...	...				
Index numbers of real wages (Base: 1937 = 100)								
1929	98	96	95	95	81	82	82	
1931	107	100	100	100	85	86	85	
1932	109	100	99	99	87	88	87	
1933	110	99	98	99	80	91	90	
1934	109	98	96	98	88	90	89	
1935	105	98	97	98	87	88	87	
1936	104	98	97	98	93	94	94	
1937	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	
1938	98	105	101	105	102	101	102	
1939	(100) ⁴	103	104	104	100	102	100	
1940	(104)	104	102	103	98	100	99	
1941	(102)	104	103	104	99	97	99	
1942	(101)	104	102	103	99	101	100	
1943	(103)	105	109	106	100	104	100	
1944	(102)	106	116	107	101	104	101	
1945	(107)	107	116	108	108	118	109	
1946: Mar.	(97)	106	117	107				
June	(98)	106	116	107				
Sept.	(99)	106	116	108				
Dec.	(98)	...	...	...				
Persons covered					187,000		187,000	

¹ From 1929 to 1938, Prague only. ² Mar. ³ Series calculated by the I.L.O.: weighted averages of the rates for men and women.
Australia. Annual figures: averages; monthly figures: last day of the month.

STATISTICS OF THE GENERAL LEVEL OF WAGES
(b) Daily, weekly or monthly earnings

Date	AMERICA									
	Canada	United States	Argentina		Chile	Colombia (Bogotá)			Mexico	Uruguay
			Whole country	Buenos Aires						
	Mi., ind., transp. com., serv.	Indus-tries	Mi., ind.	Ind., transp. com., serv.	Ind.	Industries, services			Mi., ind. transp.	Ind.
	M. W.	M. W.	M. W.	M. W.	M. W.	M.	W.	M. W.	M. W.	M. W.
	Weekly	Weekly	Mthly.	Mthly.	Daily	Daily			Weekly	Mthly.
Money wages										
	\$	\$	Pesos	Pesos	Pesos	Pesos	Pesos	Pesos	Pesos	Pesos
1929	.	25.03	.	141.87	.	.	.	.	.	.
1931	.	20.87	.	120.87	.	.	.	.	.	.
1933	.	16.73	.	119.89	.	.	.	.	.	.
1934	.	18.40	.	109.49	.	.	.	.	.	.
1935	.	20.13	.	118.90	.	.	.	.	.	.
1936	.	21.78	.	122.57	.	.	.	.	.	38.36
1937	.	24.05	104.4	126.63	12.60	.	.	.	.	.
1938	.	22.30	.	125.28	14.35	1.65*	0.80*	1.41*	.	41.62
1939	.	23.86	107.3	128.61	16.61	1.78	0.89	1.46	26.92	41.55
1940	.	25.20	105.9	132.70	20.20	1.79	0.95	1.52	27.41	42.08
1941	26.16 ¹	29.58	108.2	136.70	24.98	1.77	0.96	1.51	32.07	44.69
1942	28.56	36.65	...	148.58	32.67	1.84	0.98	1.57	32.78	46.83
1943	30.78	43.14	...	157.84	38.33	1.95	1.04	1.67	...	52.20
1944	31.84	46.08	...	170.36	43.30	...	...	...	...	55.23
1945	31.99	44.41	...	204.17	48.98	...	...	...	...	61.24
1946: Mar.	32.48 ^r	42.15	.	.	51.82	...	...	...	.	65.65*
June	32.25 ^r	43.31	.	.	59.08	...	...	...	.	75.47*
Sept.	33.15 ^r	45.39	.	.	61.83	...	...	...	.	...
Dec.	32.64	46.86	.	.	64.96*	...	...	...	.	...
1947: Mar.	...	...	.	.	...	...	...	...	.	...
Index numbers of money wages (Base: 1937 = 100)										
1929	.	104	.	112	.	.	.	.	.	.
1931	.	87	.	95	.	.	.	.	.	.
1933	.	70	.	86	.	.	.	.	.	.
1934	.	77	.	94	.	.	.	.	.	.
1935	.	84	.	94	.	.	.	.	.	.
1936	.	91	.	97	.	.	.	.	.	100
1937	.	100	100	100	100	100*	100*	100*	.	108
1938	.	93	.	99	114	108	111	104	100	108
1939	.	99	108	102	132	108	117	108	100	108
1940	.	105	101	105	160	108	119	108	102	110
1941	100 ²	123	104	108	198	107	120	107	119	117
1942	111	152	...	117	259	112	123	111	122	122
1943	120	179	...	125	288	118	130	118	...	136
1944	124	192	...	135	344	...	...	...	...	144
1945	125	185	...	161	389	...	...	...	...	160
1946: Mar.	126	175	.	.	411	...	...	...	.	171*
June	126 ^r	180	.	.	469	...	...	...	.	197*
Sept.	129 ^r	189	.	.	491	...	...	...	.	...
Dec.	127	195	.	.	516*	...	...	...	.	...
1947: Mar.	...	...	.	.	...	...	...	...	.	...
Index numbers of real wages (Base: 1937 = 100)										
1929	.	87	.	104	.	.	.	.	.	.
1931	.	82	.	102	.	.	.	.	.	.
1933	.	77	.	106	.	.	.	.	.	.
1934	.	82	.	103	.	.	.	.	.	.
1935	.	88	.	105	.	.	.	.	.	.
1936	.	94	.	99	.	.	.	.	.	100
1937	.	100	100	100	(100)	.	.	.	.	108
1938	.	94	.	100	(109)	100*	100*	100*	100	101
1939	.	102	(102)	101	(125)	105	108	101	100	101
1940	.	107	(98)	102	(134)	109	119	108	101	98
1941	100 ²	120	(98)	102	(144)	109	122	109	114	104
1942	103	134	...	105	(150)	105	115	104	101	106
1943	110	149	...	110	(144)	96	105	96	...	113
1944	113	157	...	122	(153)	...	...	...	...	116
1945	113	148	...	122	(159)	...	...	...	...	112
1946: Mar.	114	138	.	.	(161)	...	...	...	.	112*
June	109 ^r	139	.	.	(170)	...	...	...	.	124*
Sept.	111 ^r	133	.	.	(162)	...	...	...	.	...
Dec.	109	130	.	.	(157)*	...	...	...	.	...
1947: Mar.	...	...	.	.	...	...	...	...	.	...
Persons covered	1,717,636	7,999,000	617,000	.	22,814	...	...	13,000	.	44,000

¹ Mar.-Dec. ² Mar. ³ May-Dec.

Canada. Monthly figures: last week of the month.

United States (Bureau of Labor Statistics series). Annual figures: averages; monthly figures: a week nearest to the 15th of the month.

Colombia. Annual figures: averages.

Mexico. Annual figures: Oct.

Uruguay. Annual figures: averages.

STATISTICS OF THE GENERAL LEVEL OF WAGES
(b) Daily, weekly or monthly earnings (cont.)

Date	ASIA							EUROPE		
	China		Japan			Palestine	Germany		Bulgaria	
	Shanghai	Chungking	Imperial Cabinet series				Bank of Japan	Ind. ⁵	Mi. ⁶ , ind., transp. ⁹	Agri., ind., transp., com.
	Ind.	Ind.	Industries			M. W.			M. W.	M. W.
	M. W.	M. W.	M.	W.	M. W.	M. W.	M. W.	M. W.	M. W.	M. W.
	Daily	Daily	Daily			Daily	Daily ⁴	Weekly	Weekly ¹⁰	Daily
Money wages										
	Sh.\$	Ch.\$	Yen	Yen	Yen		Mils		RM.	Leva
1929	.	.	2.65	0.99	2.06	.	.	.	31.19	.
1931	0.678	.	2.43	0.82	1.87	.	.	.	27.73	.
1932	0.627	.	2.51	0.77	1.91	.	.	.	22.88	.
1933	0.639	.	2.54	0.74	1.88	.	.	.	21.88	.
1934	0.600	.	2.49	0.73	1.89	.	.	.	22.83	.
1935	0.572	.	2.43	0.73	1.88	.	.	.	24.04	.
1936	0.607	.	2.42	0.74	1.90	.	.	.	25.25	.
1937	0.597	0.787	2.48	0.78	1.96	.	.	.	26.50	.
1938	0.590	1.376	2.49	0.85	2.06	.	333 ⁷	.	27.82	.
1939	0.719	1.728	2.56 ⁸	0.88 ⁸	2.00 ⁸	.	350	.	29.27	39.4
1940	1.423	3.332	...	...	...	.	345	.	29.82	43.4
1941	2.731	7.783	...	...	...	.	372	.	31.14	59.9
1942	...	14.547	...	...	...	.	516	.	...	86.8
1943	...	35.480	...	...	...	.	771	.	...	128.7
1944	...	128.476	...	...	...	.	926	.	...	218.9
1945	...	477.600	7.66 ⁸	2.88 ⁸	...	.	1,086	.	...	327.5
1946: Mar.	.	...	17.73	6.88	...	.	1,170	.	...	336.0
June	.	...	23.30	10.40	...	.	1,277	.	...	381.8
Sept.	.	...	28.44	12.72	...	.	1,270*	.	...	396.7
Dec.	.	...	...	...	...	.	1,268	.	...	399.5
Index numbers of money wages (Base: 1937=100) ⁹										
1929	.	.	107	126	105	107	.	124	118	.
1931	114	.	98	105	96	94	.	100	105	.
1932	105	.	101	98	98	91	.	83	86	.
1933	107	.	103	94	96	92	.	85	83	.
1934	101	.	100	92	97	94	.	91	86	.
1935	96	.	98	93	96	94	.	93	91	.
1936	102	.	98	94	97	95	.	97	95	.
1937	100	100 ¹	100	100	100	100	.	100	100	.
1938	99	180	101	108	105	109	100 ⁷	105	105	.
1939	120	226	103 ²	112 ²	102 ²	123	105	109	110	100
1940	238	439	...	...	...	139	104	112	113	110
1941	457	1,018	...	...	...	155 ⁴	112	119 ⁵	118	162
1942	...	2,082	...	...	...	...	165	...	...	220
1943	...	4,823	...	...	...	...	261	...	...	327
1944	...	16,808	...	...	...	...	310	...	...	551
1945	...	53,025	309 ⁸	367 ⁸	...	...	364	...	...	831
1946: Mar.	.	...	716	878	...	...	391	...	...	853
June	.	...	941	1,327	...	...	428	...	...	969
Sept.	.	...	1,149	1,622	...	...	433*	...	...	1,007
Dec.	.	...	...	...	...	...	462	...	...	1,014
Index numbers of real wages (Base: 1937=100)										
1929	.	.	118	126	115	113	.	101	96	.
1931	124	.	119	115	115	107	.	92	96	.
1932	121	.	118	107	110	105	.	86	90	.
1933	137	.	111	102	107	104	.	90	88	.
1934	128	.	105	99	103	101	.	94	89	.
1935	120	.	102	98	101	99	.	95	92	.
1936	120	.	100	100	100	100	.	97	96	.
1937	100	100 ¹	100	100	100	100	.	100	100	.
1938	76	155	94	101	98	102	100 ⁷	104	105	.
1939	70	118	90 ²	98 ²	89 ²	107	107	108	110	100
1940	66	80	...	...	...	...	93	108	108	99
1941	...	55	...	...	...	...	83	112 ⁸	110	113
1942	...	50	...	...	...	...	83	...	...	124
1943	...	42	...	...	...	...	116	...	...	144
1944	...	43	...	...	...	...	134	...	...	162
1945	...	37	(124) ⁸	(148) ⁸	...	...	147	...	...	163
1946: Mar.	.	...	(20)	(25)	...	...	161	...	...	147
June	.	...	(24)	(34)	...	...	175	...	...	170
Sept.	.	...	...	...	...	...	176*	...	...	176
Dec.	.	...	...	...	...	...	174	...	...	169
Persons covered	.	.	1,048,576	515,025	1,563,601	1,598,111	54,000	.	16,393,700	.

STATISTICS OF THE GENERAL LEVEL OF WAGES
(b) Daily, weekly or monthly earnings (cont.)

Date	EUROPE (cont.)									
	France		Great Britain and Northern Ireland			Hungary		Ireland		
	Ind.		Mi.°, ind., transp.°, com.			Ind.		Industries		
	M. W.		M. W.			M. W.		M. W.		
	Weekly ¹		Weekly			Daily		Weekly		
			s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	Peng ⁵	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	Lire
1929	.	.	.	.	.	5.15	.	.	.	380
1930	.	.	.	.	.	5.02	.	.	.	363
1932	.	.	.	.	.	4.34	.	.	.	322
1933	.	.	.	.	.	4.13	.	.	.	324
1934	.	.	.	.	.	4.03	.	.	.	310
1935	.	.	.	.	.	3.89	.	.	.	281
1936	.	.	.	.	.	3.90	.	.	.	295
1937	.	.	.	.	.	3.97	56 3 ²	28 10 ²	41 11 ²	345
1938	.	69 0 ²	32 6 ²	53 3 ²	4.27	58 3	29 10	43 10	.	358
1939	.	4.38 ⁶	.	.	.	59 4	31 6	44 10	.	396
1940	.	89 0	38 11	69 2	4.79 ⁷	61 4	32 7	46 6	.	478
1941	.	99 5	43 11	75 10	...	62 2	32 5	47 0	.	513
1942	.	111 5	54 2	85 2	...	64 4	31 11	48 7	.	540
1943	.	121 3	62 2	93 7	...	68 8	35 3	52 9	.	590 ⁸
1944	.	124 4	64 3	96 8	...	73 4	38 4	56 10	.	...
1945	.	121 4	63 2	96 1	...	...	...	...	.	...
1946: Mar.	.	114 1 ³	59 10 ³	92 7 ³	.	.	.	.	.	.
June	.	113 8 ²	60 9 ²	101 0 ²	.	.	.	.	.	.
Sept.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
Dec.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
Index numbers of money wages (Base: 1937 = 100)										
1929	.	.	.	.	.	130	.	.	.	110
1930	85	.	.	.	.	126	.	.	.	105
1932	75	.	.	.	.	109	.	.	.	93
1933	76	.	.	.	.	104	.	.	.	94
1934	75	.	.	.	.	102	.	.	.	90
1935	74	.	.	.	.	98	.	.	.	81
1936	87	.	.	.	.	98	.	.	.	86
1937	100	.	.	.	.	100	100 ²	100 ²	100 ²	100
1938	106	100 ²	100 ²	100 ²	108	104	103	105	104	104
1939	.	.	.	.	110 ²	105	109	107	100 ²	115
1940	.	129	120	130	121 ⁷	109	113	111	103	139
1941	121	144	135	142	...	111	112	112	105	149
1942	147	161	167	160	...	114	111	116	106	157
1943	176	176	191	176	...	122	122	126	117	171 ⁸
1944	292	180	198	182	...	130	133	136	126	...
1945	500	176	194	180	...	...	...	...	131	...
1946: Mar.	536	165 ²	184 ²	174 ²	.	.	.	.	136	.
June	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
Sept.	...	165 ²	187 ²	190 ²	.	.	.	.	143	.
Dec.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
Index numbers of real wages (Base: 1937 = 100)										
1929	.	.	.	.	(113)	.	.	.	.	100
1930	87	.	.	.	(122)	.	.	.	.	99
1932	85	.	.	.	(114)	.	.	.	.	102
1933	90	.	.	.	(118)	.	.	.	.	107
1934	93	.	.	.	(117)	.	.	.	.	108
1935	96	.	.	.	(110)	.	.	.	.	96
1936	104	.	.	.	(105)	.	.	.	.	.
1937	100	.	.	.	(100)	100 ²	100 ²	100 ²	.	100
1938	93	100 ²	100 ²	100 ²	(107)	104	104	105	.	96
1939	.	.	.	.	(111) ²	97	101	99	100 ²	102
1940	.	108	109	108	(112) ⁷	90	93	92	89	105
1941	65	113	106	112	...	83	84	84	82	98
1942	68	125	129	123	...	74	72	75	76	90
1943	66	138	150	138	...	74	74	76	72	...
1944	86	139	152	140	...	78	79	81	74	...
1945	109	134	149	138	...	...	...	...	77	...
1946: Mar.	84	127 ²	141 ²	133 ²	.	.	.	.	80	.
June	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
Sept.	...	127 ²	144 ²	146 ²	.	.	.	.	86	.
Dec.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
Persons covered	.	...	...	...	5,000,000	289,000	...	...	92,982	84,042
	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	152,663

¹ Series calculated by the I.L.O.: hourly rates multiplied by hours actually worked per week. ² Oct. ³ Jan. ⁴ Including juveniles. ⁵ July. ⁶ Including the Northern territories and Subcarpathia. ⁷ Excluding the Eastern territories and Transylvania. ⁸ Sept. ⁹ Mar.
Great Britain and Northern Ireland. Annual figures: July.
Ireland. First series: annual figures: week in Oct. of each year. Second series: annual figures: averages of Mar. and Sept.

STATISTICS OF THE GENERAL LEVEL OF WAGES
(b) Daily, weekly or monthly earnings (cont.)

Date	EUROPE (cont.)										
	Norway	Nether-lands	Poland	Ruma-nia	Sweden			Switzerland			
	Mi. ind.	Mi. ind., transp., com., local auth.	Ind.	Ind., (some agr. oc. transp., com.)	Mines°, ind., transp., com.			Ind., some transp., com., etc.			
	M.	M. W.	M. W.	M. W.	M.	W.	M. W.	M. sk. semi sk.	M. unsk.	W.	M. W. ²
	Daily	Daily ¹	Weekly	Mthly.	Weekly			Daily			
Money wages											
	Kr.	Fl.	Zl.		Kr.	Kr.	Kr.	Frs.	Frs.	Frs.	
1929	11.75	4.20	.	.	59.63	34.19	52.98	12.45	9.85	6.45	.
1931	11.26	4.22	.	.	57.41	32.70	50.95	12.62	9.97	6.36	.
1932	11.48	4.07	29.60	.	56.48	32.28	50.46	12.92	10.35	6.54	.
1933	11.31	3.92	28.01	.	54.73	32.69	49.16	12.73	10.08	6.32	.
1934	11.34	3.77	26.74	.	56.10	32.57	50.11	12.75	10.00	6.46	.
1935	11.34	3.64	26.96	.	57.63	33.65	51.54	12.39	9.73	6.36	.
1936	11.71	3.54	27.30	.	59.62	34.64	52.99	12.12	9.51	6.11	.
1937	12.59	3.52	29.30	.	61.48	35.40	54.75	11.90	9.69	6.24	.
1938	13.82	3.54	...	.	64.75	36.69	57.40	12.11	9.58	6.34	.
1939	14.04	3.56	...	.	67.19	38.85	59.82	12.20	9.69	6.21	.
1940	15.16	3.70	...	.	72.10	42.40	64.49	12.62	9.95	6.34	.
1941	...	3.93	...	.	77.13	45.45	68.56	13.34	10.75	6.97	.
1942	...	4.25	...	.	83.24	49.48	74.50	14.66	12.05	7.76	.
1943	...	...	...	.	87.56	52.32	78.58	16.03	13.22	8.55	.
1944	...	...	...	.	90.10	55.30	81.40	16.90	14.03	9.13	.
1945	...	...	...	.	93.88	58.20	85.62	17.64	14.70	9.56	.
1946: Mar.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
June	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	18.70	15.31	10.14	.
Sept.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
Dec.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	...	...	...	.
Index numbers at money wages (Base: 1937=100)											
1929	93	119	.	152	97	97	97	100	100	100	100
1931	89	120	.	129	93	92	93	101	101	99	101
1932	91	116	101	105	92	91	92	109	107	105	107
1933	90	111	96	96	89	92	90	107	104	101	105
1934	90	107	91	94	91	92	92	107	103	104	105
1935	90	103	92	93	94	95	94	104	100	102	102
1936	93	101	93	95	97	98	97	102	98	98	100
1937	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
1938	110	101	...	102	105	104	105	102	99	102	101
1939	112	101	...	105	109	110	109	103	100	100	101
1940	120	105	...	124	117	120	118	106	103	102	104
1941	...	112	...	...	125	128	125	112	111	112	112
1942	...	121	...	...	135	140	136	123	124	124	124
1943	...	...	...	...	142	148	144	135	136	137	136
1944	...	...	...	...	147	156	149	142	145	146	144
1945	...	...	...	...	153	164	156	148	152	153	150
1946: Mar.	.	.	.	...	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
June	.	.	.	...	.	.	.	157	158	163	158
Sept.	.	.	.	...	.	.	.	...	...	...	...
Dec.	.	.	.	...	.	.	.	...	...	...	...
Index numbers of real wages (Base: 1937=100)											
1929	93	(98)	.	(100)	92	92	92	100	100	100	100
1931	97	(109)	.	(117)	95	94	95	109	109	106	108
1932	101	(113)	(84)	(112)	95	94	95	107	105	103	106
1933	101	(110)	(88)	(114)	93	97	94	111	108	105	109
1934	101	(105)	(90)	(115)	96	96	96	113	109	109	111
1935	99	(104)	(95)	(106)	97	98	97	111	107	109	109
1936	100	(105)	(100)	(102)	99	100	99	107	103	103	105
1937	100	(100)	(100)	(100)	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
1938	106	(100)	...	(97)	103	101	102	102	99	101	100
1939	107	(99)	...	(93)	105	105	105	101	99	99	100
1940	99	(93)	...	(82)	101	103	101	96	93	92	94
1941	...	(88)	...	...	94	96	94	88	87	88	88
1942	...	(89)	...	...	93	96	94	87	88	88	88
1943	...	...	...	...	96	100	97	91	92	92	91
1944	...	...	...	...	98	105	100	93	95	96	94
1945	...	...	...	...	102	110	105	97	99	100	98
1946: Mar.	.	.	.	...	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
June	.	.	.	...	.	.	.	104	105	108	105
Sept.	.	.	.	...	.	.	.	.	.	.	.
Dec.	.	.	.	...	.	.	.	...	...	...	...
Persons covered	.	1,505,000	.	.	435,000	92,000	563,000	6,937	7,416	1,351	16,000

STATISTICS OF THE GENERAL LEVEL OF WAGES
(b) Daily, weekly or monthly earnings (concl.)

Date	EUROPE (concl.)					OCEANIA		
	Czecho- slovakia	U.S.S.R.		Yugoslavia		New Zealand		
	Agr. ind., somo transp., com., etc.	Mi. industries		Croatia & Slovenia	Ind., some transp., com.	Industries		
				Mi. ind., tr., com.				
M. W.	M. W.	M. W.	M. W.	M. W.	M.	W.	M. W.	
Daily ¹	Daily	Mthly.	Mthly.	Daily ⁴	Weekly			
Money wages								
	Kč.	Rbls.	Rbls.	Dinars	Dinars	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
1929	19.11	3.07	77.06		26.32	89 6	39 6	79 6
1930	19.13	3.55	82.59	1,143	26.56	91 6	37 7	80 5
1931	18.66	4.11	96.10	1,137	26.19	86 2	35 11	75 8
1932	17.73	4.88	115.42	1,042	24.58	77 0	34 9	66 11
1933	16.72	5.18	126.08	988	23.22	73 8	33 3	64 0
1934	16.30	5.94	147.30	899	22.24	70 6	32 0	61 0
1935	15.93	7.55	186.75	890	21.65	70 11	31 4	61 1
1936	16.18	9.23	225.58	909	21.68	75 5	32 1	64 8
1937	17.09	10.15	242.46	950	22.71	88 9	37 6	75 7
1938	17.71	...	...	973	23.64	94 6	38 4	80 8
1939	18.92 ²	...	...	1,000	24.24	98 5	41 7	84 4
1940	...	...	...	1,151 ³	27.77 ⁵	101 9	44 10	86 10
1941	...	...	...	...	...	109 10	49 1	92 10
1942	...	...	...	...	...	121 8	53 2	101 0
1943	...	...	...	...	...	132 9	59 5	110 5
1944	...	...	...	...	...	130 3	62 0	109 11
1946 : Mar.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
June	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Sept.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Dec.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Index numbers of money wages (Base: 1937 = 100)								
1929	112	30	32	116	116	101	105	105
1930	112	35	34	120	117	103	100	106
1931	109	40	40	120	115	97	96	100
1932	104	48	48	110	108	87	93	89
1933	98	51	52	104	102	83	89	85
1934	95	59	61	95	98	79	85	81
1935	93	74	77	94	95	84	84	81
1936	95	91	93	96	95	85	86	86
1937	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
1938	104	...	...	102	104	106	102	107
1939	111 ²	...	...	105	107	111	111	112
1940	...	...	...	121 ³	122 ⁵	115	120	115
1941	...	...	...	...	...	124	131	123
1942	...	...	...	...	...	137	142	134
1943	...	...	...	...	...	150	158	146
1944	...	...	...	...	...	147	165	145
1946 : Mar.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
June	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Sept.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Dec.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Index numbers of real wages (Base: 1937 = 100)								
1929	(105)	...	...	(90)	93	97	97	97
1930	(108)	...	...	85	(99)	97	94	100
1931	(110)	...	...	92	(103)	99	98	102
1932	(107)	...	...	93	(104)	96	102	97
1933	(102)	...	...	102	(100)	96	103	98
1934	(100)	...	...	101	(101)	91	97	92
1935	(95)	...	...	101	(100)	88	92	89
1936	(96)	...	...	102	(100)	91	91	91
1937	(100)	...	...	100	(100)	100	100	100
1938	(99)	...	...	96	(94)	103	99	104
1939	(96) ²	...	...	96	(92)	103	103	104
1940	...	...	...	85 ³	(82) ⁵	102	107	102
1941	...	...	...	...	...	106	113	106
1942	...	...	...	...	...	114	118	111
1943	...	...	...	...	...	122	129	119
1944	...	...	...	...	...	120	135	119
1946 : Mar.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
June	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Sept.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Dec.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Persons covered	1,363,341	6,722,000	...	707,435	70,000	30,000	100,000	...

Indices of International Comparison of Food Prices for October 1945

On the basis of the prices of foodstuffs in October 1945¹ the relative food prices in 24 countries are shown in the table on pp. 476-477 in the form of percentage indices. These are arranged in columns according to the country chosen as base: the figures show average food prices in each country as a percentage of that in the base country. Thus the figure 77 opposite Canada in the column headed United States means that (at official rates of exchange) food prices in Canada average 77 per cent. of those in the United States.

The calculations are made on the basis of prices in certain cities in each country—prices being expressed in a common currency, the United States dollar, by means of exchange rates in October 1945—with the aid of group "baskets" showing food consumption in wage earners' families in countries with similar food habits. The retail prices were obtained by an enquiry of the Office and published in the *Review*, which indicates also the cities to which the prices relate.¹ The exchange rates were taken from the *Monthly Bulletin of Statistics* of the League of Nations.² Where, as in most countries, the exchanges are now officially stabilised or subject to official control, and where, in addition, prices of foodstuffs are controlled, the indices of relative food prices obviously have a highly artificial character. Comparisons between countries having relatively free intercourse such as Canada and the United States are of course of much greater significance than those between countries where intercourse is restricted or commercial relations severed. For one or two countries—for example, Chile—free rates of exchange are quoted in addition to the official rates. The indices given are based on the official rates.³

In calculating the index between any two countries, the relative cost in the two countries of the basket corresponding to the base country is averaged (geometrically) with the relative cost in the two countries of the basket corresponding to the other country. This calculation is made independently for each pair of countries, thus taking account, in each case, of the consumption habits of the base

¹ *International Labour Review*, Vol. LV, Nos. 1-2, Jan.-Feb. 1947, pp. 188-195: "Retail Prices in Certain Countries in October 1945". The prices used for each country are the averages for the group of towns as indicated, except that in Chile and Mexico and where no group of towns is shown, prices for the capital city are used.

² For Bulgaria and Turkey, exchange rates were quoted in Swiss francs, which have been converted into U.S. dollars by applying the exchange rate of Swiss francs in terms of the dollar.

³ To convert the indices based on the official rate to indices based on the free rate, multiply all rates in the column headed Canada by 1.01, and those in the row Canada by 0.99; and for Chile multiply rates in the column headed Chile by 1.70, and in the row for Chile by 0.59; for indices based on the export rate multiply the rates in the column headed Chile by 1.29 and those in the row for Chile by 0.77.

¹ Insurance statistics (sickness). ² Jan.-July. ³ First two quarters. ⁴ Insurance statistics (sickness and accidents). ⁵ Jan.-Nov.
Czechoslovakia. Annual figures: averages. From 1939, the data refer to the territory of Bohemia-Moravia only.
Yugoslavia. Monthly earnings: annual figures: Dec. of each year. Daily earnings: annual figures: averages.
New Zealand. Annual figures: a week nearest to 31 Mar. of each year.

Country compared	Base Country					
	AFRICA		AMERICA			
	Union of South Africa = 100	Canada = 100	U.S. = 100	Chile = 100	Colombia = 100	Mexico = 100
<i>Africa</i>						
Union of South Africa	100	101	79	68	74	82
<i>America</i>						
Canada	99	100	77	65	73	79
United States	127	130	100	83	93	101
Chile	147	153	120	100	106	120
Colombia	136	137	107	94	100	112
Mexico	122	126	99	84	89	100
Paraguay	60	62	49	45	50	55
Dom. Republic	144	148	116	100	106	119
Uruguay	76	79	63	57	64	69
<i>Europe</i>						
Belgium	96	101	75	60	64	73
Bulgaria	341	360	279	231	210	278
Denmark	100	100	76	65	75	82
France	227	234	180	156	169	188
Great Britain	83	85	65	56	63	68
Ireland	120	121	93	84	94	102
Norway	124	126	94	81	87	99
Netherlands	93	96	72	59	63	72
Portugal	100	102	79	69	63	83
Sweden	114	116	85	73	82	87
Switzerland	159	164	120	81	115	122
Czechoslovakia	61	63	47	39	42	48
Turkey	302	307	238	209	189	251
<i>Oceania</i>						
Australia	66	68	52	46	51	55
New Zealand	56	58	46	42	47	51

Country compared	Base Country					
	EUROPE (cont.)					
	France = 100	G. Britain = 100	Ireland = 100	Norway = 100	Netherlands = 100	Portugal = 100
<i>Africa</i>						
Union of South Africa	44	120	84	81	108	100
<i>America</i>						
Canada	43	118	82	80	105	98
United States	56	153	107	106	140	126
Chile	64	178	119	123	170	145
Colombia	59	159	107	115	159	160
Mexico	53	147	98	101	139	121
Paraguay	27	75	53	54	72	63
Dom. Republic	63	172	115	123	170	165
Uruguay	35	96	68	70	93	77
<i>Europe</i>						
Belgium	49	117	83	77	103	90
Bulgaria	168	463	310	268	400	313
Denmark	44	116	81	80	103	112
France	100	274	191	177	237	202
Great Britain	36	100	70	69	90	76
Ireland	52	143	100	96	126	114
Norway	56	146	104	100	133	129
Netherlands	42	111	79	75	100	86
Portugal	49	132	88	78	116	100
Sweden	49	128	92	92	119	113
Switzerland	69	180	129	121	157	136
Czechoslovakia	28	73	52	50	66	58
Turkey	149	395	264	239	356	29
<i>Oceania</i>						
Australia	29	80	56	55	72	63
New Zealand	26	70	50	50	66	56

Country compared	Base Country					
	AMERICA (cont.)			EUROPE		
	Paraguay = 100	Dominican Republic = 100	Uruguay = 100	Belgium = 100	Bulgaria = 100	Denmark = 100
<i>Africa</i>						
Union of South Africa	167	69	131	104	29	100
<i>America</i>						
Canada	162	68	126	99	28	100
United States	203	86	158	133	36	132
Chile	222	100	175	167	43	153
Colombia	199	94	157	156	48	134
Mexico	183	84	144	137	36	122
Paraguay	100	47	80	67	20	63
Dom. Republic	212	100	167	167	49	141
Uruguay	125	60	100	87	24	88
<i>Europe</i>						
Belgium	148	60	115	100	26	103
Bulgaria	501	203	410	384	100	322
Denmark	158	71	114	92	31	100
France	367	159	290	203	60	230
Great Britain	134	58	104	86	22	86
Ireland	188	87	146	120	32	124
Norway	184	81	142	130	37	124
Netherlands	139	59	108	98	25	97
Portugal	159	61	129	110	32	90
Sweden	161	76	130	116	32	117
Switzerland	229	107	184	153	38	165
Czechoslovakia	89	39	69	65	17	65
Turkey	443	183	362	341	93	282
<i>Oceania</i>						
Australia	67	47	83	69	18	70
New Zealand	101	44	81	62	18	61

Country compared	Base Country					
	EUROPE (concl.)				OCEANIA	
	Sweden = 100	Switzerland = 100	Czechoslovakia = 100	Turkey = 100	Australia = 100	New Zealand = 100
<i>Africa</i>						
Union of South Africa	88	63	164	33	151	177
<i>America</i>						
Canada	86	61	160	33	148	172
United States	118	84	213	42	193	216
Chile	138	123	255	48	219	239
Colombia	122	87	239	53	196	214
Mexico	115	82	209	40	181	196
Paraguay	62	44	112	23	150	99
Dom. Republic	132	94	255	55	211	228
Uruguay	77	54	145	28	121	124
<i>Europe</i>						
Belgium	86	66	154	29	146	162
Bulgaria	315	261	595	107	558	567
Denmark	85	61	154	35	142	165
France	202	145	359	67	344	391
Great Britain	78	55	138	25	125	142
Ireland	109	77	193	38	179	200
Norway	109	83	201	42	182	200
Netherlands	84	64	151	28	138	151
Portugal	88	73	172	34	159	179
Sweden	100	72	176	35	158	178
Switzerland	139	100	231	43	223	253
Czechoslovakia	57	43	100	19	90	101
Turkey	283	235	530	100	476	501
<i>Oceania</i>						
Australia	63	45	111	21	100	112
New Zealand	56	40	99	20	89	100

country and of the other country as reflected in their respective baskets. When both countries are in the same group the comparison rests on the relative cost of a single basket.¹

In the calculation seven group baskets are used : the first, for the Union of South Africa and France ; the second for Canada, the United States, Great Britain, Ireland, and Australia ; the third for Paraguay, Uruguay, and New Zealand ; the fourth for Chile, Colombia, Mexico and the Dominican Republic ; the fifth for Belgium, Norway, Netherlands, and Czechoslovakia ; the sixth for Bulgaria, Portugal and Turkey ; the seventh for Denmark, and the eighth for Finland, Sweden and Switzerland.²

Comparison between countries on the basis of their percentage indices of food prices in relation to a third country is strictly speaking incorrect. Thus, a comparison to show the average of food prices in Canada in relation to that in Mexico on the basis of their percentage indices with respect to the United States, namely, 77 and 99 will give 78 instead of correct figure of 79 shown opposite Canada in the column headed Mexico. The difference is due to differences in the baskets used in the calculations.

In utilising the results it should be noted that the figures are based on 17 food commodities only.³ Rent, fuel and light, clothing, and miscellaneous articles are not covered. Thus the results give comparisons not of the whole cost of living but of food prices only. The figures are subject to a considerable margin of error arising from inaccuracies in quantities and prices used in the calculations.⁴ Too much stress should not be laid on the exact units in these percentages.

Interesting comparisons can be made with similar figures for October 1938, as published in the *Year Book of Labour Statistics*, 1941, for October 1942 and 1943, as published in the *Year Book of Labour Statistics* for 1943/44, and for October 1944, as published in the *Review* for July 1946. This comparison shows, as indeed should be expected, considerable shifts in the percentage indices of the average food prices between countries according as food prices in the base country between the different dates in October 1938, 1940, 1941, 1942, 1943 and 1944, rose more or less rapidly than in the country with which the comparison is made. Obviously, in periods of rapidly changing prices, or of fluctuating exchange rates, these indices may soon become out of date and require modification to continue to reflect relative average food prices in the different countries.⁵

¹ For further details of method, see I.L.O. : *Year Book of Labour Statistics*, 1942 ; and *International Comparisons of Food Costs*, by Robert Morse Woodbury (Studies and Reports, Series N, No. 24, Montreal, 1941).

² The basket used for Mexico and Chile was based on average consumption per unit in Mexico and Colombia as shown in family budget studies.

³ For list see *Year Book of Labour Statistics*, 1942, p. 172. Two items, macaroni and margarine, were omitted.

⁴ For example, differences in the specific cuts of meat (second quality) as priced in the several countries ; in the case of South Africa the price of wheaten meal is used in the absence of a quotation for wheaten flour.

⁵ Such modification might be made approximately by a correction factor in which the relative change of the food prices indices for the two countries compared is multiplied by the change in the exchange rate over the period since the date to which the indices relate.