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# EMPLOYMENT AND PAY ROLLS ${ }^{1}$ 

## Employment in July 1935

IN contrast with the sharp contraction that ordinarily characterizes this season of the year, industrial employment in July was relatively well maintained. The decline in factory employment was distinctly less than seasonal, the index for the month being within 0.1 percent of the June level. Employment in nonmanufacturing industries in July was largely influenced by an abrupt decline in coal mining, following the abnormal activity of the month preceding. Seasonal recessions in the retail trade also had an adverse effect on employment in nonmanufacturing industries. In spite of these factors, the estimated reduction in the number of workers employed in both the manufacturing and nonmanufacturing industries surveyed amounted to only 152,000 during the month interval. Weekly wage disbursements in July were approximately $\$ 7,200,000$ less than in June.

Employment in the regular agencies of the Federal Government in June totaled $1,438,535$ as against $1,435,721$ in June, a gain of 2,814 employees. Employment on Federal relief work, on the other hand, declined due to a sharp reduction in the number of workers employed on the emergency-work program.

## Industrial Employment

## Manufacturing Industries

Taking the 3 year average, 1923-25, as 100, the Bureau of Labor Statistics index of factory employment and pay rolls for July stood at 79.5 and 65.3 , respectively. Compared with the corresponding month of last year, the current employment index shows an increase of 1 percent and the current pay-rolls index a gain of 7.9 percent.

Despite the decreases over the month in the composite indexes, 40 of the 90 manufacturing industries surveyed showed gains in employment and 32 showed larger pay rolls. Of the 14 major groups covered, 4 had more employees on their rolls, and 6 reported larger wage disbursements. As in the preceding month, the food group reported

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the largest gain in number of workers, 42,000 , this representing a 6.4 -percent rise. The lumber group followed with a gain of 27,500 workers or 6.1 percent, leather with a 5.2 -percent rise indicating 13,900 additional employees, and the machinery group reported 12,300 or 1.7 percent more workers. Among the groups which showed declines in employment, the textile and transportation groups again stood out with losses of 42,400 workers ( 2.9 percent) and 36,600 (6.8 percent), respectively.

The most pronounced increase in employment from June to July in the separate industries was a seasonal rise of 67.5 percent in the canning and preserving industry. A gain of 11.8 percent in the radio and phonograph industry was also seasonal. A number of industries related to building construction showed employment gains. Among these were plumbers' supplies ( 9.8 percent), sawmills ( 9.7 percent), millwork ( 6.9 percent), brick ( 2.5 percent), and structural metal work (1.7 percent). The agricultural implement industry, an indicator of farm purchasing power, continued to take on more workers, the gain from June to July being 5.5 percent, bringing the index for the industry to 116.7, the highest point since May 1930. The lowest point was 26.9 in October 1932. Compared with the corresponding month of last year, the employment index for the agricultural implement industry shows an increase of 68.4 percent. The machine-tool industry, which is a barometer of orders placed for power-driven, metal-cutting machinery, also continued to take on more workers, the increase in July being 4.6 percent. The expansion in this industry, which began in November of last year, has brought the July employment index to 89.0, the highest since March 1931. Substantial gains in employment were also reported in silk and rayon goods ( 8.1 percent), shipbuilding ( 7.8 percent), boots and shoes ( 6.4 percent), beverages ( 5 percent), ice cream ( 3.5 percent), furniture ( 3 percent), and men's clothing ( 2.6 percent). Other important industries in which small gains in employment were reported were: Foundries and machine shops, book and job printing, leather, chemicals, and petroleum refining.

The most pronounced decline in employment in manufacturing industries in July ( 34.3 percent) was in the electric and steam carbuilding industry, and was due primarily to the completion of contracts and lack of new orders. Locomotive plants reported a drop of 29.8 percent in number of workers. Seasonal factors were primarily responsible for the declines in employment of 23.4 percent in millinery, 14.1 percent in fertilizers, 11.0 percent in silverware, 12.7 percent in women's clothing, 8.8 percent in men's furnishings, 8.0 percent in cutlery, and 5.5 percent in confectionery. The automobile industry reduced the number of workers on pay rolls 6.1 percent and weekly wage disbursements 8.3 percent. Blast furnaces, steel works, and rolling mills reported 1 percent fewer employees and a 7.7 percent lower
weekly wage bill. It is interesting to note that the durable-goods group of industries showed losses of 0.3 percent in employment and 3.5 percent in pay rolls, and the nondurable-goods group reported gains of 0.1 percent in both items.
The indexes of factory employment and pay rolls are computed from reports supplied by representative establishments in 90 manufacturing industries, the 3 -year average, 1923-25, being taken as the base or 100. In July, reports were received from 23,501 establishments employing 3,738,194 workers whose earnings in 1 week ending nearest July 15 were $\$ 75,222,168$.
Per capita weekly earnings in all manufacturing industries combined were $\$ 20.12$ in July, a decrease of 1.6 percent in comparison with June. Thirty of the separate manufacturing industries covered showed gains over the month interval, the increases ranging from 0.2 to 11.9 percent. These per capita weekly earnings reflect the influence of part-time and over-time worked and should not be confused with full-time weekly rates of pay.
Some of the establishments that report employment and pay-roll totals do not report man-hours. Consequently, average hours and average hourly earnings are computed from data supplied by a smaller number of establishments than are used in computing per capita weekly earnings and indexes of employment and pay rolls. Average hours worked per week in all manufacturing industries combined showed a decrease of 0.3 percent and average hourly earnings dropped 0.9 percent. Thirty-one of the industries for which man-hour data are published showed gains in average hours worked per week and 29 showed higher average hourly earnings. Man-hour data are not published for any industry for which available information covers less than 20 percent of all employees in that industry.
Indexes of employment and pay rolls, average hours worked per week, average hourly earnings, and per capita weekly earnings in manufacturing industries in July are presented in table 1. Percentage changes from June 1935 to July 1935 and from July 1934 to July of this year are also given in this table.

Table 1.-Employment, Pay Rolls, and Earnings in Manufacturing Industries, July 1935

| Industry | Employment |  |  | Pay roll |  |  | Per capita weekly earnings ${ }^{1}$ |  |  | Average hours worked per week ${ }^{2}$ |  |  | Average hourly earnings ${ }^{2}$ |  |  |
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|  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { June } \\ & \text { 1935 } \end{aligned}$ | July 1934 |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { June } \\ & 1935 \end{aligned}$ | July 1934 |  | June 1035 | July |  | June 1935 | July 1934 |  | June | $\begin{gathered} \text { July } \\ 1934 \end{gathered}$ |
| All industries | 79.5 | -0.1 | +1.0 | 65.3 | -1.7 | +7.9 | \$20.12 | -1.6 | +6.8 | 35.3 | -0.3 | $+5.5$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Cents } \\ 56,9 \end{gathered}$ | -0.9 | +1.5 |
| Durable goods. Nondurable goods. | $69.3$ | -.3 +1 | $\begin{array}{r}+2.8 \\ +2.8 \\ \hline-8\end{array}$ | 55.6 78.7 | -3.5 $+\quad .1$ | +11.4 +5.1 | 21.58 18.76 | -3.3 +1 | +8.4 +5.5 +8.5 | 35.2 35.3 | -2.2 +1.1 | +6.1 +4.9 | 60.9 53.3 | -.7 -.9 | +1.7 +2.3 |
| Iurable goods |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Iron and steel and their products, not including machinery | 71.3 | -. 7 | +1.4 | 52.8 | -5.4 | +10.9 | 19.87 | -4.6 | +9.5 | 32.7 | -4.1 | +8.3 |  | -. 5 | +. 9 |
| Blast furnaces, steel works, and roling milis..- | 71.7 | -1.0 | $-1.0$ | 52.4 | -7.7 | +9.4 | 19.96 | -6.7 | +10.9 | 30.2 | -6.18 | +10.2 | 65.7 | -. 6 | $+.5$ |
| Bolts, nuts, washers, and rivets... - | 75.5 | $-2.3$ | $-5.4$ | 54. 2 | -5.6 | $-2.2$ | 18.81 | $-3.4$ | +3.1 | 32.5 | $-3.6$ | +5.1 | 58.0 | +. 2 | -2.4 |
| Cast-iron pipe....-.-.-...............-- | 51.6 | +1.5 | -. 6 | 23.3 | -2.2 | +3.3 | 15.08 | $-3.6$ | +4.1 | 30.4 | $-3.2$ | $+3.5$ | 49.0 | -. 4 | -. 4 |
| lery) and edge tools...- | 71.2 | -8.0 | -5. 6 | 54.1 | -8.8 | -1.3 | 19.71 | $-.9$ | +7.1 | 35.5 | -2.7 | +3.0 | 55.1 | +2.2 | +4.1 |
| Forgings, iron and steel...-- | 56.9 | -1.2 | +10.5 | 38.5 | $-7.3$ | +12.2 | 19.85 | -6. 1 | +1.3 | 32.7 | $-4.4$ | $-3.1$ | 60.7 | $-1.8$ | $+6.0$ |
| Hardware. | 49.5 | -3.8 +9.8 | +10.4 +4.4 | 40.3 | -6.1 | +15.8 | 19.16 | -2.3 | +2.1 +2.9 | 35.2 | -1.1 | +23.9 +6.2 | 55.1 | $-1.1$ | -2.0 |
| Plumbers' supplies...-........................ | 90.3 | $+9.8$ | +41.1 | 53.5 | $+6.3$ | +47.0 | 19.27 | -3.2 | +3.9 | 35.1 | -2.5 | +6.2 | 54.8 | -1.1 | -3.1 |
| steam fittings . --......... --.. | 49.4 | -4.0 | $+2.3$ | 32.3 | $-6.7$ | +3.5 | 20.80 | $-2.8$ | $+9$ | 35.3 | -2.2 | $-2.0$ | 58.8 | -. 8 | $+8$ |
| Stoves .-....-........- | 98. 2 | -. 3 | +13.4 | 71.8 | $-2.3$ | $+27.1$ | 20.54 | $-2.0$ | +11.9 | 36.5 | -. 8 | +6.3 | 55.9 | ${ }^{(3)}$ | $+3.8$ |
| Structural and ornamental metalwork.- | 5 5. 9 | +1.7 | -3.6 | 42.2 | +3.6 | +3.9 | 20.53 | +1.9 | +7.5 | 34.9 | +1.5 | +5.0 | 58.9 | +. 5 | $+2.6$ |
| Tin cans and other tinware | 100.0 | +4.2 | +. 4 | 97.7 | +4.1 | +3.4 | 20.69 | -. 1 | +2.8 | 39.4 | +.8 | $+2.5$ | 52.3 | -1.5 | -. 9 |
| Tools ( n t including edge tools, machine tools, files, and saws) | 62.3 | -2.6 | $+5.1$ | 55.1 | $-7.3$ | $+12.4$ | 19.87 | -4.9 | +6.4 +17 | 37.0 | -3.9 | $+1.1$ | 53.8 | -.9 | +6.9 +7.7 |
| Machinery, not including transportation | 116.5 | -4,8 | -5.7 | 106.3 | -3.2 | +10.7 | 20.10 | +1.6 | +17.7 | 34.9 | -. 9 | +8.1 | 57.5 | +2.3 | +7.7 |
|  | 85. 6 | +1.7 | +8.4 | 67.5 | $+.9$ | +15.4 | 22.53 | $-.8$ | +6.5 | 36.5 | $-.3$ | +5.7 | 60.7 | $-.5$ | +1.2 |
|  | 116.7 | +5.5 | +68.4 | 135.2 | +6.1 | $+92.6$ | 24.76 | +. 6 | +14.2 | 39.9 | +. 5 | +6.2 | 62.2 | $+.2$ | +7.5 |
| Cash registers, adding machines, and calculating machines. | 102.7 | $+.3$ | -1.8 | 85.6 | +1.5 | -. 8 | 27.43 | +1.1 | +1.0 | 39.7 | +. 5 | +1.1 | 69.8 | $+.7$ | -1.5 |
| Electrical machinery, apparatus, and supplies. | 69.6 | +(4) | +6.9 | 54.7 | $-2.5$ | +9.8 | 21. 64 | -2.5 | +2.8 | 34.9 | -1.1 | +3. 5 | 61.3 | -1.1 | -. 7 |

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Table 1.-Employment, Pay Rolls, and Earnings in Manufacturing Industries, July 1935-Continued

| Industry | Employment |  |  | Pay roll |  |  | Per capita weekly earnings ${ }^{1}$ |  |  | A verage hours worked per week ${ }^{2}$ |  |  | A verage hourly earnings ${ }^{2}$ |  |  |
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|  | Index July 1935 (3-year 1923-25 $=100$ ) | Percentage change from- |  | $\begin{gathered} \text { Index } \\ \text { July } \\ \text { 1935 } \\ \text { (3-year } \\ \text { arerage } \\ 1923-25 \\ =100) \end{gathered}$ | Percentage change from- |  | Average in July1935 | Percentage change from- |  | Average in July1935 | Percentage change from- |  | Average in July1935 | Percentage change from- |  |
|  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { June } \\ & 1935 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { July } \\ & 1934 \end{aligned}$ |  | $\begin{gathered} \text { June } \\ 1935 \end{gathered}$ | Suly 1934 |  | ${ }_{1935}^{\text {June }}$ | July 1934 |  | June 1935 | July 1934 |  | June 1935 | July 1934 |
| Nondurable goods |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Cents |  |  |
| Textiles and their products | 87.8 | -2.9 | +2.2 | 68.4 | -3.5 | +9.4 | 815.07 | -0.6 | +7.0 | 32.1 | +0.6 | +7.3 | 47.0 | -0.8 | $+0.2$ |
| Fabrics...----- | 87.5 | -2.1 | +.6 | 70.1 | -2.6 | +8.9 | 14.85 | -. 5 | $+8.2$ | 33.0 | $-3$ | +7.0 | 44.6 | $\overline{\text { (3) }} 4$ | $+1.6$ |
| Carpets and rug | 82.7 82.3 | +1.8 | ${ }_{+}^{+22.7}$ | 75.8 | -1.2 | +56.6 +2.9 | 20.98 | -2.9 | +27.3 +8.8 | 36. 3 | -3.5 +16 | +21.1 +9.1 | 56.3 37.9 | $\stackrel{(3)}{-.3}$ | +4.5 $+\quad .6$ |
| Cotton goods | 82.3 79.9 | -3.2 | -10.7 +4.9 | 64.2 65.2 | $-2.2$ | -2.9 +10.1 | 12. 29 | +1.1 $+\quad 5$ | +8.8 +5.1 | 32.4 35.1 | ${ }_{(3)}^{+1.6}$ | +9.1 +5.6 | 37.9 44.6 | -.3 -.2 | +.6 -1.1 |
| Dyeing and finishing | 101.3 | -5.6 | 10.7 +1.9 | 73.5 | -6.8 | + +1.1 | 16.86 | -1.3 | +5.1 +2.1 | 31.5 | -. 6 | +3.6 +3.3 | 52.9 | -. 9 | $-.8$ |
| Hats, fur-felt | 81.1 | +8.6 | +5.5 | 82.1 | +21.5 | -1.3 | 24. 68 | +11.9 | -6.5 | 36.3 | +13.4 | $-5.7$ | 69.0 | -. 4 | -3.6 |
| Knit goods-- | 103.8 | -3.9 | +2.0 | 85.8 | -8.4 | -. 2 | 14.07 | -4.7 | -2.1 | 30.2 | -4.1 | $-3.8$ | 47.1 | $-.8$ | +1.3 |
| Silk and rayon goods | 68.2 | +8.1 | $-7.1$ | 55.4 | +7.5 | $-.8$ | 14.94 | -. 5 | +6.8 | 33.7 | +1.8 | +8.3 | 44.4 | -2.4 | $-.3$ |
| Woolen and worsted good | 94.4 | -2.4 | +34.7 | 74.6 | $-3.0$ | +48.9 | 18.12 | $-.7$ | +10.4 | 36.7 | $-1.3$ | +14.7 | 49.3 | +. 6 | -2.8 |
| Wearing apparel.-.------ | 84.4 | -4.7 | +5.8 | 60.8 | -5.9 | +9.9 | 15.87 | $-1.2$ | +3.9 | 29.9 | +2.0 | +5.8 | 52.7 | -1.9 | -4.3 |
| Clothing, men's. | 88.9 | +2.6 | +9.2 | 65.6 | +3.0 | +20.4 | 17.00 | +. 4 | +10.1 | 29.1 | $+2.5$ | +7.5 | 57.8 | -2.0 | $-1.7$ |
| Clothing, women's | 94.7 | $-12.7$ | +5.7 | 63.0 | -11.7 | +3.4 | 16.72 | +1.2 | $-2.2$ | 30.6 | +4.8 | +9.2 | 54.4 | $-.9$ | -10.2 |
| Corsets and allied garme | 85.4 | -2.3 | $-1.6$ | 73.1 | $-2.6$ | +5.3 | 13.95 | -. 4 | +7.1 | 30.8 | $+2.0$ | +4.5 | 44.8 | $-1.5$ | +1.3 |
| Men's furnishings | 91.5 | -8.8 | +2.2 | 55.7 | -11.8 | $-1.8$ | 11. 94 | $-3.3$ | -4.0 | 29.6 | $-2.6$ | -11.8 | 37.4 | $-8$ | +5.5 |
| Millinery --.-.-- | 42.3 | -23.4 | -15.6 | 30.3 | -35.8 | -19.6 | 17.18 | -16.2 | $-4.7$ |  | -4.9 | -2.5 | 55.1 | -4.5 | -8.6 |
| Shirts and collars--- | 99.0 873 | +.6 +5.2 | +5.7 +2.3 | 91.2 | -3.7 | +10.9 +4 | 12.32 19.09 | -4.3 +4.0 | +5.2 +28 +2 | 30.7 | -1.0 +3.9 | +2.2 | 40.9 | -2.9 | $+5.4$ |
| Boots and shoes | 85.8 | +6.4 | -3.6 | 73.1 | +12.9 | -4.1 | 18. 52 | +6.1 | +2.8 | 37.2 | +5.1 | +2.5 | 50.7 | -1.4 | +2.6 |
| Leather | 93.5 | +. 7 | +2.2 | 91.2 | +.2 | +15. 2 | 21.10 | -. 5 | $+12.6$ | 37.8 | +.5 | +3.7 | 55.8 | -. 4 | +4.7 |
| Food and kindred products | 104.3 | $+6.4$ | $-5.3$ | 96.0 | +6.3 | +. 4 | 20.81 | -. 1 | +6.0 | 40.3 | +2.0 | +7.5 | 51.8 | -3. 4 | +. 3 |
| Baking-- | 111.5 | -2.4 | -4.1 | 96.5 | -3.1 | -1.7 | 21.85 | -. 7 | +2.6 | 40.7 | (3) | +1.7 | 53.6 | $-.6$ | $+.7$ |
| Beverages. | 178.5 | +5.0 | $-5.5$ | 192.7 | +11.1 | -. 4 | 32.41 | +5.8 | $+5.3$ | 42.2 | +6.6 | +8.5 | 77.3 | -. 6 | -2.4 |
| Butter. | 78.0 | +1.0 | $-10.2$ | 61.4 | + +1 | -7.8 | 20.90 | -. 1 | +2.6 |  | +. 4 | +8.4 | 43.0 | $-.2$ |  |
| Canning and preserving | 138.6 | +67.5 | +14.9 | 167.1 | +73.2 | +61.3 | 14. 46 | +3.4 | +40.5 | 39.6 | +12.8 | +60.6 | 37.0 | -5.6 | $-4.7$ |
| Confectionery- | 68.4 | -5.5 | +3.0 | 57.0 | $-10.0$ | +2.9 | 15.08 | $-4.7$ | -. 2 | 33.6 | -5.6 | -1.5 | 44.6 | +.7 | +2.4 |
| Flour-- | 74.6 | $+1.0$ | -3.7 | 64.1 | +1.9 | -1.4 | 21.17 | +. 9 | +2.7 | 39.2 | +3.2 | +3.8 | 53.9 | -1.8 | -. 6 |
| Ice cream. | 87.6 | +3.5 | -3.5 | . 71.8 | +5.0 | -1.1 | 25. 70 | +1.4 | +2.6 | 47.9 | +3.0 | -1.0 | 52.4 | -1.5 | +3.3 |
| Slaughtering and meat packing | 80.4 | $-1.2$ | -22.3 | 75.0 | $+3$ | -17.9 | 23.09 | +1.4 | +5.5 | 40.7 | +1.5 | -5.5 | 55.7 | $-.5$ | +10.3 |
| Sugar, beet- | 47.2 | +8.9 | $-13.4$ | 43.6 | $+7.0$ | $+7.1$ | 22.14 | $-1.8$ | +24.0 | 36.3 |  | +18.1 | 62.7 | -2.9 | +3.2 |
| Sugar, refining, cane. | 85.5 | +2.6 | +3.9 | 72.7 | -1.2 | +10.3 | 21.65 | -3.6 | +6. 4 | 37.6 | -4.1 | +4.2 | 57.0 | -. 9 | +2.5 |


| Tobacco manufactures, | 57.6 | -. 3 | -5.7 | 47.6 | +1.7 | $+.6$ | 14. 71 | +2.0 | $+6.7$ | 36.7 | +4.0 | ${ }^{(3)}$ | 40.7 | -1.0 | $+4.9$ |
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| Chewing and smoking tobacco and snuff | 65.8 | -1.2 | $-9.7$ | 66.8 | -. 6 | $-.3$ | 15.75 | +.6 | +10.4 | 35. 6 | +.8 | +5.4 | 44.4 | +1.4 | +5.1 |
| Cigars and cigarettes. | 56.5 | -. 4 | $-5.2$ | 45.1 | +2.0 | +. 7 | 14. 53 | +2.3 | +6.0 | 36.9 | +4.8 | $-.9$ | 40.1 | -1.5 | +5.4 |
| Paper and printing. | 95.5 | -. 1 | +2.2 | 81.4 | -2.4 | +5.3 | 23.88 | -2.3 | +2.9 | 36.6 | $-1.9$ | +1.6 | 68.8 | $-.3$ | +3.1 |
| $\stackrel{\text { Boxes, paper }}{\circ}$ | 83.3 | +. 2 | +.2 | 73.9 | -. 8 | +3.2 | 18.14 | $-1.0$ | +2.6 | 36.0 | -1.1 | $-.4$ | 50.4 | +. 2 | $+1.4$ |
| ¢ Paper and pulp. | 108.9 | -. 2 | +3.9 | 85.1 | $-2.6$ | +10.4 | 19.69 | $-2.5$ | +6.3 | 37.2 | $-2.4$ | +3.4 | 53.1 | +. 2 | +3.0 |
| ${ }_{\sim}^{\infty}$ Printing and publishing: | 86.6 | $+1.8$ | +3.5 | 75.8 | $+.3$ | +7.8 | 27.16 | -1.5 | +4.2 | 36.8 | -1.1 | +3.5 | 74.1 | -. 7 | +3.0 |
| Newspapers and periodicals | 97.0 | $-2.0$ | +. 2 | 85.3 | -4.5 | +. 6 | 32.03 | $-2.6$ | +.2 | 36.1 | $-1.6$ | $-.6$ | 89.2 | $-.1$ | +3.0 +4.8 |
| $\mathcal{O}_{\top}$ Chemicals and allied products, and petro- |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| leum reflning-.................................... | 106.8 | -. 4 | +1.4 | 95.4 | +. 4 | +7.6 | 23.53 | +. 8 | +6.1 | 37.3 | +. 3 | +2.3 | 63.5 | $+.8$ | $+4.6$ |
| Other than petroleum refining | 105.7 | -. 7 | +1.8 | 93.8 | +. 1 | +8.3 | 21. 51 | +. 7 | +6.4 | 38.3 | ${ }^{(3)}$ | +2.9 | 56.7 | +.9 | +3.6 |
| ( Chemicals. | 109. 0 | +. 8 | -2.9 | 101.6 | +3.6 | +5.2 | 25.96 | +2.8 | +8.2 | 39.9 | +1.8 | +4.3 | 65.1 | +.9 | +2.1 |
| No Cottonseed--oil, cake, and meal | 46.7 | +7.9 | -14.8 | 48.3 | +15.0 | -10.1 | 9.83 | +6.6 | +5.5 | 40.7 | +7.7 | +5.4 | 24.4 | $-1.2$ | -. 2 |
| Druggists' preparations | 95.1 | -. 7 | +1.4 | 92.3 | -1.5 | +7.2 | 20.63 | -. 8 | +5.6 | 37.9 | $-1.0$ | +4.2 | 54.6 | $-.5$ | +1.0 |
| Explosives.. | 86.1 | $-.4$ | -6.4 | 70.0 | -3.7 | $-1.4$ | 23.35 | -3.3 | +5.5 | 34.1 | $-1.7$ | -2.6 | 68.5 | $-1.6$ | +3.5 |
| Fertilizers | 68.0 | -14.1 | -4.2 | 62.0 | $-10.5$ | $+9.0$ | 13. 56 | +4.1 | +13.6 | 33.9 | ${ }^{(3)}$ | +10.3 | 40.0 | +3.9 | $+3.7$ |
| Paints and varnishes | 108. 6 | -3.5 | +7.3 | 88.9 | -5. 4 | +12.8 | 22. 78 | $-2.0$ | +5.5 | 38.8 | $-3.5$ | +2.3 | 58.8 | +1.6 | +3.3 |
| Rayon and allied products | 327.9 | +. 6 | +10.5 | 240.2 | -. 1 | +15.1 | 19.38 | $-7$ | +4.2 | 37.7 | $-.3$ | +1.6 | 51.4 | $-.4$ | +2.5 |
| Soap. | 99.3 | $-2$ | +1.6 | 94.4 | -1.5 | +12.0 | 23.32 | $-1.3$ | +10.3 | 37.8 | -1.8 | -4.2 | 61.8 | $+.5$ | +15.3 |
| Petroleum refining | 111.2 | +. 5 | $-.4$ | 100.5 | +1.2 | +5.0 | 27.80 | +. 7 | +5.5 | 34.5 | +.3 | +. 6 | 81.3 | $+.5$ | +6.8 |
| Rubber products.. | 77.3 | -3.1 | -7.9 | 81.3 | $-5.5$ | -1.0 | 21. 78 | -2. 5 | +7.5 | 32.4 | -1.2 | +4.1 | 68.5 | $-.3$ | +4.7 |
|  | 45.3 | -3.6 | $-15.2$ | 41.7 | $-.2$ | $-15.6$ | 18. 22 | +3.5 | -. 4 | 34.8 | $+3.9$ | $-7.5$ | 52.3 | -. 4 | +3.5 |
| Rubber goods, other than boots, shoes, tires, and inner tubes. | 117.6 | -2.4 | $-3.7$ | 94.9 | $-2.9$ | $+8.5$ | 18. 11 | -. 5 | $+12.9$ | 35.5 | +. 6 | +12.1 | 51.7 | -. 4 | +1.3 |
| Rubber tires and inner tubes | 70.3 | -3.5 | -9.2 | 54.2 | -8.1 | $-3.0$ | 24.66 | -4.8 | +6.4 | 29.6 | -4.2 | +. 4 | 84.3 | -. 2 | $+7.6$ |

[^2]
## Indexes and Estimates of Factory Employment and Pay Rolls

Indexes of employment and pay rolls for all manufacturing industries combined, for the durable-goods group, and for the non-durable-goods group, by months from January 1934 to July 1935, inclusive, are given in table 2. Estimates of employment and weekly pay rolls for all manufacturing industries combined are also given.

The diagram on page 9 indicates the trend of factory employment and pay rolls from January 1919 to July 1935.

Table 2.-Indexes and Estimates of Employment and Pay Rolls in All Manufacturing Industries Combined and Indexes of Employment and Pay Rolls in the Durable- and Nondurable-Goods Groups ${ }^{1}$
[Indexes based on 3 -year a verage, 1923-25 = 100.0]

| Year and month | Estimated number of wage earners | Estimated pay rolls (1 week) | Indexes |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | All manufacturing industries combined |  | Durable-goods group |  | Nondurablegoods group |  |
|  |  |  | Em-ployment | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Pay } \\ & \text { rolls } \end{aligned}$ | Em-ployment | Pay <br> rolls | Em-ployment | Pay rolls |
| 1934 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| January- | 6, 146, 000 | \$109, 806,000 | 73.3 | 54.0 | 59.8 | 41.6 | 87.9 | 69.7 |
| February | 6, 514, 200 | 123,395, 000 | 77.7 | 60.6 | 63.5 | 47.9 | 93.0 | 76.9 |
| March | 6, 770, 100 | 131,852,000 | 80.8 | 64.8 | 67.1 | 52.8 | 95.4 | 80.1 |
| April | 6, 906, 100 | 136, 962, 000 | 82.4 | 67.3 | 70.0 | 57.4 | 95.8 | 80.0 |
| May. | 6, 912, 600 | 136, 575, 000 | 82.5 | 67.1 | 71.5 | 58.6 | 94.3 | 78.1 |
| June. | 6, 799, 900 | 132,040. 000 | 81.1 | 64.9 | 70.8 | 56.9 | 92.3 | 75.1 |
| July. | 6, 593, 500 | 123,011,000 | 78.7 | 60.5 | 67.4 | 49.9 | 90.8 | 73.9 |
| August | 6, 666, 200 | 126, 603, 000 | 79.5 | 62.2 | 66.1 | 50.0 | 94.0 | 77.9 |
| September | 6, 351, 900 | 118,089,000 | 75.8 | 58.0 | 64.2 | 45.5 | 88.2 | 74.0 |
| October | 6, 569,500 | 124, 138, 000 | 78.4 | 61.0 | 62.8 | 46.4 | 95.1 | 79.6 |
| November- | 6, 435, 000 | 121, 085,000 | 76.8 | 59.5 | 62.2 | 46.1 | 92, 4 | 76.6 |
| December | 6,536,100 | 128, 593, 000 | 78.0 | 63.2 | 64.3 | 50.4 | 92.7 | 79.5 |
| A verage. | 6,600, 100 | 126,012,000 | 78.8 | 61.9 | 65.8 | 50.3 | 92.7 | 76.8 |
| January .-.... | 6, 595, 700 | 130, 503, 000 | 78.7 | 64.1 | 66.1 | 52.5 | 92.3 | 79.0 |
| February | 6, 809, 000 | 140, 618,000 | 81.2 | 69.1 | 69.3 | 58.6 | 94.1 | 82.5 |
| March. | 6, 906, 300 | 143, 927,000 | 82.4 | 70.7 | 70.8 | 60.5 | 94.8 | 83.8 |
| April. | 6,906,100 | 144, 075, 000 | 82.4 | 70.8 | 71.6 | 61.8 | 94.0 | 82.3 |
| May | 6,795, 500 | 139,325, 000 | 81.1 | 68.5 | 71.3 | 60.1 | 91.6 | 79.1 |
| June. | 6,669, 200 | 135,246,000 | 79.6 | 66.4 | 69.5 | 57.6 | 90.4 | 77.6 |
| July. | 6,664, 700 | 132, 886, 000 | 79.5 | 65.3 | 69.3 | 55.6 | 90.5 | 77.7 |

${ }^{1}$ Comparable indexes for earlier years will be found in the December 1934 and subsequent issues of this pamphlet, or the March 1935 and subsequent issues of the Monthly Labor Review.

## Trade, Public Utility, Mining, and Service Industries, and Private Building Construction

Increased employment from June to July was shown in 9 of the 17 nonmanufacturing industries surveyed while gains in pay rolls were reported for 10. The largest gains in number of workers were in laundries ( 2.6 percent), brokerage houses ( 1.6 percent), private building construction (1.4 percent), and power and light (1.1 percent).

Among the 8 industries which showed declines were: Anthracite mining ( 13 percent), bituminous-coal mining ( 10.1 percent), and retail

trade ( 3.7 percent). The decline in employment in retail trade was largely seasonal, general merchandising and wearing apparel stores suffering the greatest losses. The reduction in number of workers in coal mines was largely a retrenchment after the large gains of the preceding month. In the aggregate, there were approximately 147,000 fewer workers on the pay rolls of the 17 nonmanufacturing industries surveyed in July than in June. Weekly pay rolls were approximately $\$ 5,000,000$ less than in the month preceding.

Indexes of employment and pay rolls, per capita weekly earnings, average hours worked per week, and average hourly earnings in July for 13 of the trade, public utility, mining, and service industries, together with percentage changes from June 1935 and July 1934, are shown in table 3. Similar information, except indexes of employment and pay rolls, is also presented for private building construction. Man-hour data and indexes of employment and pay rolls are not available for banking, brokerage, or insurance establishments, but the table shows percentage changes in employment, pay rolls, and per capita weekly earnings for these three industries.

Table 3.-Employment, Pay Rolls, Hours, and Earnings, July 1935

| Industry | Employment |  |  | Pay roll |  |  | Per capita weekly earnings ${ }^{1}$ |  |  | A verage hours worked per week 1 |  |  | A verage hourly earnings ${ }^{\text {1 }}$ |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\begin{gathered} \text { Index } \\ \text { July } \\ \text { 1935 } \\ \text { (aver- } \\ \text { age } \\ 1929 \\ =100) \end{gathered}$ | Percentage change from- |  | $\begin{gathered} \text { Index } \\ \text { July } \\ \text { 1935 } \\ \text { (aver- } \\ \text { age } \\ 1929 \\ =100 \text { ) } \end{gathered}$ | Percentage change from- |  | Average in July1935 | Percentage change from- |  | Average in ${ }_{1935}$ | Percentage change from- |  | Average in July1935 | Percentage change from- |  |
|  |  | June 1935 | July 1934 |  | June | July |  | June | July 1934 |  | June | July |  | June 1935 | July |
| Coal mining: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Cents |  |  |
| Anthracite | 49.4 | $-13.0$ | -7.8 | 37.5 | -43.1 | -11.3 | \$22. 11 | -34.6 | $-3.8$ | 27.3 | -33.6 | $-1.2$ | 82.3 | -0.6 | $-1.2$ |
| Bituminous | 70.0 45.2 | -10.1 -1.6 | -9.1 +13.3 | 35.9 31.1 | -44.5 -1.1 | +27.8 +23.9 | 13.31 21.91 | -38.4 +.6 | -20.5 +9.4 | 18.3 37.4 | -39.0 +2.5 | -17.3 +4.9 | 73.7 58.1 | +1.8 +0 | +.9 +6.7 |
| Quarrying and nonmetalic mining | 50.9 | +1.0 | -8.5 | 34.4 | +1.7 | -1.7 | 16.57 | +. 7 | +7.5 | 35.2 | +1.7 | +3.5 | 47.6 | -. 2 | +1.2 |
| Crude-petroleum producing .-...... | 76.8 | +. 4 | -5.9 | 59.2 | +1.5 | $-1.3$ | 27.88 | +1.1 | +4.9 | 36.1 | +.8 | -1.2 | 77.1 | -. 4 | $+3.4$ |
| Public utilities: Telephone and telegraph. | 70.3 | +. 1 | -1.0 | 75.7 | $+1.7$ | +4.7 | 28.56 | +1.7 | +5.8 | 38.1 | $-1.0$ | +. 8 | 77.1 | +2.4 | +7.8 |
| Electric light and power and manufactured | 84.7 | +1.1 | -. 4 | 81.5 | +2.1 | +. 5 | 30.57 | +1.1 | $+.8$ | 38.9 | $+.8$ | $+1.7$ | 78.7 | $+.3$ | +1.2 |
| Electric-railroad and motor-bus operation and maintenance | 71.5 | $-.4$ | $-2.2$ | 63.4 | $-.7$ | $-.6$ | 28. 18 | -. 3 | +1.6 | 44.8 | -. 4 | -. 6 | 61.6 | . 0 | +2.0 |
| Trade: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | -. 4 | -. 0 | 01.6 | . 0 |  |
| Wholesale | 82.1 | + ${ }^{(2)}$ | $-.1$ | 64.6 | + ${ }^{2}$ ) | +1.3 | 27.31 | + ${ }^{2}$ ) | +1.4 | 41.3 | $+.5$ | $+1.1$ | 65.7 | -. 2 | $+.3$ |
| Retail | 79.1 | $-3.7$ | +. 1 | 60.5 | -3.0 | $+.7$ | 20.40 | +.8 | +. 5 | 41.6 | +. 7 | $+4.0$ | 52.1 | -. 2 | -1.1 |
| General merchandising | 84.5 | -6.8 | +1.8 | 71.8 | -6.0 | +3.3 | 17.96 | +. 7 | +1.6 | 38.0 | $-.3$ | +.9 | 48.8 | $+.8$ | -. 5 |
| Other than general merchandising | 77.7 | $-2.7$ | -. 3 | 58.1 | $-2.3$ | -. 2 | 22. 29 | +. 5 | +. 1 | 42.6 | $+.7$ | +4.4 | 53.0 | $-.6$ | -1.2 |
| Hotels (cash payments only) ${ }^{3}$ | 80.3 | -1.2 | -. 1 | 62.1 | $-2.3$ | +1.0 | 13. 36 | $-1.0$ | +1.0 | 47.8 | +. 6 | +1.1 | 27.4 | -1.4 | -. 7 |
| Laundries... | 84.4 | +2.6 | -. 2 | 70.9 | $+3.9$ | +4.0 | 15. 98 | +1.3 | +4.2 | 41.8 | +2.2 | +4.8 | 36.6 | $-.8$ | $-.3$ |
| Dyeing and cleaning | 81.7 | -2.2 | $+1.5$ | 61.5 | $-6.4$ | +4.4 | 18.46 | -4.3 | +2.9 | 41.9 | -2.8 | -2.0 | 43.9 | $-1.8$ | +. 2 |
| Banks | (4) | +1.0 | $+1.6$ | (1) | $+{ }_{+}^{+6}$ | +1.3 | 31.57 | -. 3 | $-3$ | (4) | ${ }^{4}$ | ${ }^{4}$ ) | ${ }^{(4)}$ | (1) | (4) |
| Brokerage. | (4) | +1.6 | $-8.8$ | () | +1.4 | -9.1 | 34. 79 | $-.2$ | $+.3$ | (4) | (4) | ( 4 | (4) | (4) | (4) |
| Insurance | (4) | +.8 | +1.5 | (1) | +3.0 +1. | +5.3 | 37.37 | +2.3 | +3.8 | (4) | (1) | (4) | (s) | (4) |  |
| Building construction. | ${ }^{(4)}$ | +1.4 | +4.9 | (1) | +2.7 | +12.0 | 24.17 | +1.3 | +6.9 | 30.8 | +2.0 | $+7.0$ | 80.3 | -. 9 | $+2.9$ |

[^3]Indexes of Employment and Pay Rolls in Trade, Public-Utility, Mining, and Service Industries

Indexes of employment and pay rolls in 13 trade, public utility, mining, and service industries and 2 subdivisions under retail trade are shown by months in table 4 for the period, January 1934 to July 1935.

Table 4.-Indexes of Employment and Pay Rolls, January 1934 to July $1935^{1}$
[12-month average, $1929=100.0$ ]

| Month | Anthracite mining |  |  |  | $\underset{\text { mining }}{\substack{\text { Bituminous-coal }}}$ |  |  |  | Metalliferous mining |  |  |  | Quarrying and nonmetallic mining |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\underset{\substack{\text { Employ- } \\ \text { ment }}}{ }$ |  | Pay rolls |  | $\underset{\text { Employ }}{\text { ment }}$ |  | Pay rolls |  | Employment |  | Pay rolls |  | Employment |  | Pay rolls |  |
|  | 1934 | 1935 | 1934 | 1935 | 1934 | 1935 | 1934 | 1935 | 1934 | 1935 | 1934 | 1935 | 1934 | 1935 | 1934 | 1935 |
| January | 64. 1 | 62.9 | 73.2 | 57.5 | 75.8 | 80.0 | 51.3 | 59.6 | 39.6 | 44. 3 | 25. 4 | 30.1 | 39.7 | 36.9 | 21.3 | 20.8 |
| February | 63.2 | 64.4 | 65.8 | 64.3 | 76.1 | 81.1 | 54.6 | 66.1 | 40.3 | 44. 3 | 26.0 | 29.9 | 38.8 | 37.3 | 21.0 | 22.2 |
| March. | 67.5 | 51.4 | 82.4 | 38.9 | 77.8 | 81.6 | 58.9 | 67.5 | 39.8 | 45.0 | 25.9 | 30.9 | 42.0 | 40.5 | 24.1 | 24.9 |
| April. | 58.2 | 52.6 | 51.7 | 49.9 | 72.2 | 74.3 | 51.4 | 45.0 | 41.7 | 46.0 | 27.2 | 31.8 | 48.7 | 45.3 | 29.9 | 28.9 |
| May | 63.8 | 53.5 | 64. 0 | 49.5 | 76.7 | 75. 3 | 54.4 | 49.1 | 40.8 | 44.4 | 25.6 | 31.4 | 54.3 | 49.5 | 35.0 | 32.8 |
| June. | 57.5 | 56.8 | 53.3 | 66.0 | 76.7 | 77.9 | 55.1 | 64.7 | 41.0 | 46.0 | 26. 7 | 31.5 | 56.6 | 50.4 | 37.0 | 33.8 |
| July | 53.6 | 49.4 | 42.3 | 37.5 | 77.0 | 70.0 | 49.7 | 35.9 | 39.9 | 45.2 | 25.1 | 31.1 | 55.6 | 50.9 | 35.0 | 34.4 |
| August | 49.5 |  | 39.7 |  | 77.1 |  | 50.4 |  | 42.7 |  | 27.0 |  | 54.7 |  | 34.0 |  |
| September | 56.9 |  | 47.0 |  | 78.2 |  | 51.4 |  | 42.3 |  | 25.9 |  | 53.3 |  | 32.4 |  |
| October. | 58.5 |  | 48.3 |  | 79.3 |  | 57.6 |  | 43.3 |  | 28.2 |  | 51.8 |  | 32.1 |  |
| November | 60.7 |  | 51.2 |  | 79.8 |  | 58.3 |  | 43.2 |  | 28.5 |  | 49.5 |  | 29.4 |  |
| December. | 61.6 |  | 52.3 |  | 79.7 |  | 57.0 |  | 44.4 |  | 29.4 |  | 42.1 |  | 23.6 |  |
| Average. | 59.6 |  | 55.9 |  | 77.2 |  | 54.2 |  | 41.6 |  | 26. |  | 48.9 |  | 29. |  |
| Month | Crude-petroleum producing |  |  |  | Telephone and telegraph |  |  |  | Electric light and power and manufactured gas |  |  |  | Electric-railroad and motor-bus opera tion and maintenance |  |  |  |
|  | Employment |  | Pay rolls |  | $\underset{\substack{\text { Employ- } \\ \text { ment }}}{ }$ |  | Pay rolls |  | Employment |  | Pay rolls |  | $\underset{\text { ment }}{\text { Employ- }}$ |  | Pay rolls |  |
|  | 1934 | 1935 | 1934 | 1935 | 1934 | 1935 | 1934 | 1935 | 1934 | 1935 | 1934 | 1935 | 1934 | 1935 | 1934 | 1935 |
| January | 73.2 | 74.9 | 53.0 | 55.5 | 70.2 | 70.5 | 69.0 | 73.9 | 82.2 | 82.7 | 73.8 | 78.0 | 70.5 | 71.2 | 59.2 | 62.9 |
| February | 72.4 | 74.2 | 50.5 | 54.9 | 69.8 | 70.0 | 67. 9 | 72.9 | 81.2 | 82.2 | 74.4 | 78.3 | 71.0 | 71.0 | 60.1 | 63.1 |
| March | 72.8 | 74.0 | 52.5 | 56.0 | 70.0 | 69.8 | 70.4 | 75.3 | 81.7 | 82.2 | 75.6 | 79.4 | 71.7 | 71.3 | 62.2 | 63.4 |
| April | 74.0 | 74.9 | 53.4 | 56.7 | 70.2 | 69.7 | 68. 8 | 73.1 | 82.4 | 82.6 | 76.8 | 79.0 | 72.2 | 71.4 | 62.9 | 63.3 |
| May | 76.7 | 76.0 | 56. 4 | 57.8 | 70.2 | 70.0 | 71.4 | 73.7 | 83.1 | 83.2 | 77.6 | 79.8 | 72.6 | 71.6 | 63.0 | 63.6 |
| June | 80.0 | 76.5 | 56.9 | 58.3 | 70.4 | 70.2 | 71.3 | 74.4 | 84.0 | 83.8 | 77.8 | 79.8 | 73.2 | 71.7 | 63.2 | 63.9 |
| July. | 81.6 | 76.8 | 60.0 | 59.2 | 71.0 | 70.3 | 72.3 | 75.7 | 85.0 | 84.7 | 81.1 | 81.5 | 73.1 | 71.5 | 63.8 | 63.4 |
| August | 82.7 |  | 61. 2 |  | 71.0 |  | 74.0 |  | 85.6 |  | 79.9 |  | 72.8 |  | 62.8 |  |
| September. | 81.8 |  | 59.7 |  | 70.9 | ----- | 72.2 |  | 85.8 | -.--- | 79.3 |  | 72.5 |  | 62.4 |  |
| October | 79.5 |  | 60. 8 |  | 70.3 | -...- | 74.9 |  | 85.8 | -... | 80.6 |  | 72.2 |  | 63.0 |  |
| November | 78.8 |  | 59.0 |  | 69.9 |  | 72. 2 |  | 85.5 |  | 79.6 |  | 71.8 |  | 61.8 |  |
| December | 78.7 |  | 59.5 |  | 68.7 |  | 73.2 |  | 83.6 |  | 78.3 |  | 71.0 |  | 62.3 |  |
| Average. | 77.7 |  | 56.9 |  | 70.3 |  | 71.5 |  | 83.8 |  | 77.9 |  | 72.1 |  | 62.2 |  |

[^4]Table 4.-Indexes of Employment and Pay Rolls, January 1934 to July 1935-
Continued

| Month | W holesale trade |  |  |  | Total retail trade |  |  |  | Retail trade -general merchandising |  |  |  | Retail trade-other than general merchandising |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Employment |  | Pay rolls |  | Employment |  | Pay rolls |  | $\underset{\text { ment }}{\text { Employ- }}$ |  | Pay rolls |  | Employment |  | Pay rolls |  |
|  | 1934 | 1935 | 1934 | 1935 | 1934 | 1935 | 1934 | 1935 | 1934 | 1935 | 1934 | 1935 | 1934 | 1935 | 1934 | 1935 |
| January. | 80.6 | 84.2 | 60.3 | 63.9 | 79.8 | 79.5 | 59.0 | 59.7 | 86.6 | 87.3 | 71.1 | 73.5 | 78.0 | 77.4 | 56.5 | 56.9 |
| February | 81.2 | 84.6 | 61.0 | 64.6 | 79.6 | 79.2 | 58.8 | 59.3 | 85.0 | 86.2 | 68.9 | 72.3 | 78.2 | 77.3 | 56.7 | 56.6 |
| March | 81.8 | 84.0 | 62.0 | 65.2 | 81.5 | 80.2 | 59.8 | 60.4 | 90.1 | 88.7 | 71.5 | 74. 1 | 79.3 | 78.0 | 57. 4 | 57.6 |
| April | 82.1 | 83.2 | 63.1 | 64.8 | 82.5 | 83.6 | 61.2 | 62.5 | 91.0 | 94.5 | 71.0 | 77.5 | 80.3 | 80.7 | 58.5 | 59.4 |
| May | 82.8 | 82.5 | 62.6 | 64.6 | 82.9 | 82.2 | 61.5 | 62.0 | 92.0 | 91.4 | 74.5 | 76.3 | 80.5 | 79.8 | 58.8 | 59.0 |
| June | 82.3 | 82.1 | 62.8 | 64.6 | 82.6 | 82.1 | 61.4 | 62.4 | 90.6 | 90.7 | 73.9 | 76.3 | 80.5 | 79.8 | 58.8 | 59.5 |
| July. | 82.2 | 82.1 | 63.8 | 64.6 | 79.0 | 79.1 | 60.1 | 60.5 | 83.0 | 84.5 | 69.5 | 71.8 | 77.9 | 77.7 | 58.2 | 58.1 |
| August | 82.5 |  | 62.7 |  | 77.8 |  | 58.4 |  | 81.2 |  | 66.9 |  | 76.9 |  | 56.6 |  |
| September | 83.5 |  | 63.6 |  | 81.7 |  | 60.6 |  | 91.5 |  | 74.0 |  | 79.1 |  | 57.8 |  |
| October... | 84.3 |  | 64.5 |  | 82.6 |  | 61.9 |  | 94.2 |  | 77.3 |  | 79.5 |  | 58.7 |  |
| November. | 85.1 |  | 64.2 |  | 83.7 |  | 61.9 |  | 99.9 |  | 80.2 |  | 79.4 |  | 58.1 | ----* |
| December | 85.0 |  | 64.8 |  | 91.1 |  | 66.2 |  | 128.4 |  | 99.0 |  | 81.3 |  | 59.4 |  |
|  | 82.8 |  | 63.0 |  | 82.1 |  | 60.9 |  | 92.8 |  | 75.1 |  | 79.2 |  | 58.0 |  |
|  | Month |  |  |  | Year-round hotels |  |  |  | Laundries |  |  |  | Dyeing and cleaning |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  | Employ. ment |  | Pay rolls |  | Employ- |  | Pay rolls |  | $\underset{\text { ment }}{\text { Employ- }}$ |  | Pay rolls |  |
|  |  |  |  |  | 1934 | 1935 | 1934 | 1935 | 1934 | 1935 | 1934 | 1935 | 1934 | 1935 | 1934 | 1935 |
| January. |  |  |  |  | 76.4 | 80.3 | 57.2 | 62.2 | 78.5 | 79.6 | 61.7 | 63.9 | 68. 1 | 70.3 | 46.8 | 50.4 |
| February |  |  |  |  | 78.9 | 81.1 | 60.9 | 63.5 | 78.4 | 79.6 | 61.7 | 64.1 | 68. 1 | 69.6 | 46. 3 | 49.8 |
| March |  |  |  |  | 80.4 | 80.8 | 62. 2 | 63.9 | 79.2 | 79.7 | 62.7 | 64.6 | 72.4 | 72.5 | 51.7 | 53.5 |
| April. |  |  |  |  | 81.5 | 81.1 | 62.7 | 63. 6 | 80.5 | 80.0 | 64.4 | 65.5 | 79.9 | 79.9 | 60.8 | 61.9 |
| May |  |  |  |  | 81.8 | 81.6 | 62.9 | 63.7 | 82.1 | 81.1 | 66.9 | 66.6 | 84.3 | 80.9 | 65. 1 | 61.7 |
| June. |  |  |  |  | 81.9 | 81.3 | 62.9 | 63.5 | 84.0 | 82.3 | 68.3 | 68.2 | 84.9 | 83.6 | 64.1 | 65.7 |
| July. |  |  |  |  | 80.4 | 80.3 | 61.5 | 62.1 | 84.6 | 84.4 | 68.2 | 70.9 | 80.5 | 81.7 | 58.9 | 61.5 |
| August |  |  |  |  | 80.0 |  | 60.2 |  | 83.7 | -. - | 66.6 |  | 78.6 |  | 56.7 | -...- |
| September. |  |  |  |  | 80.0 |  | 61.0 |  | 82.9 |  | 65.9 |  | 80.0 |  | 59.0 |  |
| October-... |  |  |  |  | 80.9 |  | 62.7 | -- | 81.7 |  | 64.8 |  | 80.3 |  | 59.1 |  |
| November |  |  |  |  | 80.6 |  | 62.4 |  | 80.3 |  | 63.7 |  | 75.8 | -... | 53.9 |  |
| December |  |  |  |  | 80.0 |  | 62.2 |  | 79.5 |  | 63.3 |  | 72.4 |  | 51.1 |  |
| Aver |  |  |  |  | 80.2 |  | 61.6 |  | 81.3 |  | 64.9 |  | 77.1 |  | 56.1 |  |

## Employment on Class I Railroads

According to preliminary reports of the Interstate Commerce Commission there were $1,006,101$ workers exclusive of executives and officials employed in July by class I railroads-that is, roads having operating revenues of one million dollars or over. This represents a gain of 0.3 percent over the total of $1,003,042$ workers reported in June. Information concerning pay rolls in July was not available at the time this report was prepared. The total compensation in June of all employees except executives and officials was $\$ 131,887,181$ compared with $\$ 133,819,684$ in May, a decrease of 1.4 percent.

The Commission's preliminary indexes of employment, taking the 3 -year average, 1923-25, as 100, are 56.8 for June and 57 for July.

## Trend of Employment, by States

Changes in employment and pay rolls from June to July 1935 are shown by States in table 5 for all groups combined, except building construction, and for all manufacturing industries combined. Data
concerning groups which have appeared in this table in previous issues of this pamphlet are available on the Bureau's office records.

The percentage changes shown in the table, unless otherwise noted, are unweighted. That is, the industries included in the manufacturing group and in the grand total have not been weighted according to their relative importance.

Table 5.-Comparison of Employment and Pay Rolls in Identical Establishments in June and July 1935, by Geographic Divisions and by States
[Figures in italics are not compiled by the Bureau of Labor Statistics, but are taken from reports issued by cooperating State organizations]


1 Less than $1 / 10$ of 1 percent.
${ }^{2}$ Includes construction, municipal, agricultural, and office employment, amusement and recreation, professional services, and trucking and handling.
${ }^{3}$ Includes laundering and cleaning, but does not include food, canning, and preserving.
4 Includes laundries.

- Includes miscellaneous services and building and contracting.

6 Includes construction, but does not include hotels and restaurants, and public works.
7 Weighted percentage change
8 Includes construction, miscellaneous services (theaters), and restaurants.

Table 5.-Comparison of Employment and Pay Rolls in Identical Establish, ments in June and July 1935, by Geographic Divisions and by States-Con.


${ }_{10}$ Includes banks, insurance, and office employment.

## Industrial Employment and Pay Rolls in Principal Cities

A comparison of July employment and pay-roll totals with June totals in 13 cities of the United States having a population of 500,000 or over is made in table 6. These changes are computed from reports received from identical establishments in each of the months considered.

In addition to reports included in the several industrial groups regularly covered in the survey of the Bureau, reports have also been secured from establishments in other industries for inclusion in these city totals. As information concerning employment in building construction is not available for all cities at this time, figures for this industry have not been included in these city totals.

Table 6.-Fluctuations in Employment and Pay Rolls in July 1935 as Compared with June 1935

| Cities | Number of establishments reporting in both months | Number on pay roll |  | Percentage change from June 1935 | Amount of pay roll (1 week) |  | Percentage change from June 1935 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | June 1935 | July 1935 |  | June 1935 | July 1035 |  |
| New York City | 14, 183 | 573,144 | 560,918 | -2.1 | 15,258, 452 | 14,941, 104 | $-2.1$ |
| Chicago, Ill | 3,531 | 329,796 | 322, 337 | -2.3 | 8, 071, 739 | 7,916, 147 | $-1.9$ |
| Philadelphia, P | 2,724 | 216, 519 | 214, 810 | -. 8 | 5, 008, 627 | 4,937, 145 | -1.4 |
| Detroit, Mich. | 1,497 | 306, 434 | 290, 303 | -5.3 | 7,778, 090 | 7,290, 565 | -6.3 |
| Los Angeles, Cal | 2,383 | 121, 103 | 120, 312 | -. 7 | 2, 979, 393 | 2, 977, 531 | -. 1 |
| Cleveland, Ohio | 1,788 | 121, 387 | 120, 078 | $-1.1$ | 2, 837, 060 | 2, 768, 377 | -2. 4 |
| St. Louis, Mo- | 1,721 | 116, 262 | 115, 714 | -. 5 | 2, 568, 924 | 2, 608, 012 | +1.5 |
| Baltimore, Md | 1,324 | 78, 231 | 77, 239 | $-1.3$ | 1,683, 754 | 1,654, 853 | $-1.7$ |
| Boston, Mass.. | 3,794 | 152, 879 | 153, 351 | $+.3$ | 3, 551,684 | 3, 596, 182 | +1.3 |
| Pittsburgh, Pa | 1,377 | 148, 092 | 145, 154 | $-2.0$ | 3, 159, 529 | 2,996, 885 | $-5.1$ |
| San Francisco, Cal | 1,501 | 79, 142 | 81, 120 | +2.5 | 2, 096,616 | 2,123, 357 | +1.3 |
| Buffalo, N. Y | 869 | 64, 862 | 62, 754 | -3. 2 | 1,498, 895 | 1,423, 149 | -5.1 |
| Milwaukee, Wis | 675 | 66, 274 | 66, 739 | +. 7 | 1,533,428 | 1, 548, 141 | +1.0 |

## Public Employment

Although industrial employment in July was slightly below the June level, a small increase occurred in employment in the regular agencies of the Federal Government. Including the executive, judicial, legislative, and military services, as well as construction projects financed wholly or partially from Federal funds, the number of employees on pay rolls of the United States Government totaled 1,438,535 in July. Compared with the previous month, this represents a gain of 2,814 employees. Increased employment was reported in the executive, legislative, and military services. On the other hand, the personnel of the judicial service and the number of workers employed on construction projects declined. The most pronounced decline was reported in the number of workers employed on projects financed from funds of the Reconstruction Finance Corporation. (See table 7.)

Due to a contraction in the emergency-work program, the number of employees on Federal relief work also declined during the month. In July, 1,928,682 workers were employed on the emergencywork program of the Federal Emergency Relief Administration, a decrease of 4.6 percent in comparison with the number reported in June. On the other hand, enrollment in Civilian Conservation Camps increased by more than 12 percent.

The principal changes in Federal employment and pay rolls during the month interval are indicated by table 7.

Table \%.-Summary of Federal Employment and Pay Rolls, July 1935
[Preliminary figures]

| Class | Employment |  | Per-centage change | Pay roll |  | Per-centage change |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | July | June |  | July | June |  |
| Federal service: |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Executive. | ${ }^{1} 729,987$ | ${ }^{2} 718,188$ | +1.6 | \$111, 110,248 | 2 \$109,300, 324 | $+1.7$ |
| Judicial. | 1,766 | 1,854 | $-4.7$ | 473,044 | 449, 217 | +5.3 |
| Legislative | 5, 014 | 4,871 | +2.9 | 1,181, 349 | 1,154,868 | +2.3 |
| Military - | 261, 067 | 258, 410 | +1.0 | 20,689, 446 | 21, 364, 278 | -3.2 |
| Construction projects financed by P. W. A. | 405, 332 | 414,306 | -2.2 | 24, 968, 785 | 25, 386, 962 | -1.6 |
| Construction projects financed by <br> R. F. C. | 9,581 | 11,901 | $-19.5$ | 1,001,653 | 1, 191, 336 | -15.9 |
| Construction projects financed by regular govirnmental appropriations. | 25, 788 | 26,191 | -1.5 | 1,890, 209 | 1,904, 454 | -. 7 |
| Relief work: |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Emergency-work program..----- | $1,928,682$ 3 480,586 | 2, 2 4 4 | -4.6 +12.4 | 3 $\begin{aligned} & 53,135,457 \\ & 22,074,577\end{aligned}$ | : $54,260,051$ $2419,766,881$ | -2.1 +11.7 |

[^5]Executive, Legislative, Military, and Judicial Services of the Federal Government
During July employment increased in the executive, legislative, and military services of the Federal Government. The judicial branch, however, showed a decline of 4.7 percent. The total pay roll for all branches of the Federal service amounted to over \$133,000,000 , a slight increase compared with June.

The information concerning employment in the executive departments is collected by the Civil Service Commission from the various departments and offices of the United States Government. The figures are tabulated by the Bureau of Labor Statistics. Data for the legislative, judicial, and military services are collected and tabulated by the Bureau of Labor Statistics.

Information concerning the number of employees in the executive departments of the Federal Government is shown in table 8. Data for employees working in the District of Columbia are shown separately.

Table 8.-Employees in the Executive Service of the United States, July 1934, June 1935, and July 1935

| Item | District of Columbia |  |  | Outside District of Columbia |  |  | Entire service |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\begin{gathered} \text { Perma- } \\ \text { nent } \end{gathered}$ | Temporary | Total | Permanent | Tempo- <br> rary | Total | Permanent | $\left\|\begin{array}{c} \text { Tempo- } \\ \text { rary } 1 \end{array}\right\|$ | Total |
| Number of employees: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| July $1934{ }^{2}$-...----- | 81,694 92,679 | 2 211,250 | $\begin{array}{r}\text { 2 } \\ 103,090 \\ \hline 1092\end{array}$ | 503,198 516,166 | 93, 9888 | 597,186 614,259 | 584, 892 | 102,384 2 109,343 | 687,276 2718,188 |
| July 1935. | 94, 150 | 10, 566 | 104,716 | 519, 652 | 105, 619 | 625, 271 | 613,802 | 116, 185 | ${ }^{3} 729,987$ |
| Gain or loss: <br> July 1934 to July 1935_ | +12,450 | +2,170 | +14,626 | +16,454 | +11,631 | +28,085 | +28,910 | +13,801 | +42,711 |
| June 1935 to July 1935.- | +1,471 | -684 | +787 | +3,486 | +7, 526 | +11,012 | +4,957 | +6,842 | +11,799 |
| Percentage change: <br> July 1934 to July 1935 - <br> June 1935 to July 1935 | +15.25 +1.59 | +25.85 -6.08 | +16.23 +.76 | +3.27 +.68 | +12.37 +7.67 | +4.70 +1.79 | +4.94 +.81 | +13.48 +6.26 | +6.21 +1.64 |
| Labor turn-over, July 1935: <br> Additions ${ }^{4}$ | 2,516 | 1,661 | 4, 177 | +.68 10,522 | +7.67 27.943 | +1.79 38,289 | 13, 13 | +6.26 29,604 | +1.64 42,642 |
| Separations ${ }^{\text {4 }}$ | 1, 727 | 1,465 | 3,192 | 7,560 | 20, 251 | 27, 811 | 9,287 | 21, 716 | 31, 003 |
| Turn-over rate per 100.-.-.- | 1.85 | 13.43 | 3.06 | 1.46 | 19.88 | 4.49 | 1.52 | 19.26 | 4. 28 |

[^6]There were 11,799 more employees working in the executive branch of the Federal Government in July than in the preceding month. During the year there has been a gain of more than 42,000 workers in the executive service of the Federal Government. During the same period Federal employment in the District of Columbia increased 16.2 percent and employment outside the District increased 4.7 percent.

The Resettlement Administration, with 6,907 more workers in July, accounted for over half the net gain in Federal employment
during the month. The branches showing the most pronounced decreases for the month were the Treasury Department, the Department of the Interior, the Farm Credit Administration, and the National Recovery Administration.

## Construction Projects Financed by Public Works Administration

During July ${ }^{1}$ over 405,000 people were working at the site of Public Works Administration construction projects. Although this is a decrease of about 9,000 from the level of the previous month, employment in July was the highest for any month of 1935 except June.

Pay-roll disbursements for the month were in excess of $\$ 24,965,000$ and with the exception of June, were the highest for any month of 1935. Over $37,845,000$ man-hours at the site were worked and the average earnings per hour was 66 cents. On these projects contractors placed orders in July for construction materials valued at more than $\$ 39,000,000$.

Details concerning employment, pay rolls, and man-hours worked on construction projects financed by Public Works Administration funds in July are given in table 9, by type of project.

Table 9.- Employment and Pay Rolls on Construction Projects Financed from Public Works Funds, July 1935
[Subject to revision]

| Type of project | Wage earners |  | Amount of pay rolls | Number of man-hours worked | A verage earnings per hour | Value of material orders placed |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\begin{gathered} \text { Maxi- } \\ \text { mump } \\ \text { number } \\ \text { em- } \\ \text { ployed I } \end{gathered}$ | Weekly average |  |  |  |  |
|  | Federal projects |  |  |  |  |  |
| All projects | ${ }^{2} 272,995$ | 264, 496 | \$16, 563, 938 | 27,002,929 | \$0. 613 | \$25, 273, 109 |
| Building construction | 15, 539 | 13, 185 | 929, 788 | 1,256,560 | . 740 | 1,994, 830 |
| Forestry-.-.-. | ${ }^{15} 407$ | -391 | $\begin{array}{r}22,713 \\ \hline 8\end{array}$ | 32, 675 | . 695 | - 21, 754 |
| Naval vessels. | 22, 790 | 22,493 170,543 | $2,872,857$ $7,386,000$ | $3,495,471$ $14,306,000$ | . 822 | $3,105,508$ $12,000,000$ |
| Reclamation | 24, 467 | 23, 443 | 2, 511, 129 | 3, 677, 865 | . 683 | 3, 454, 837 |
| River, harbor: and flood control. | 27, 312 | 23, 498 | 2, 093, 058 | 2, 969, 125 | . 705 | 3,773, 297 |
| Streets and roads.. | 6,568 | 5,993 | 327, 701 | 578, 906 | . 566 | 313, 997 |
| Water and sewerage.-...-.-.-.-....-- | 460 | 382 | 27,331 | 36, 061 | . 758 | 39,749 |
|  | 4, 909 | 4,568 | 393, 361 | 650, 266 | . 605 | 569, 137 |
|  | Non-Federal projects |  |  |  |  |  |
| All projects | 126, 158 | 105, 383 | \$7, 847, 300 | 10, 104, 399 | \$0. 777 | \$13,798, 978 |
| Building construction | 55,387 |  | 3,799,825 | 4, 201, 469 | . 904 | 7, 182, 882 |
| Railroad construction. | 8,632 | 7,573 | 575,356 | 970,592 | . 593 | 68, 018 |
| Streets and roads...-- | 20, 836 | 17, 364 | 1, 032, 209 | 1, 561, 672 | . 661 | 1, 855, 596 |
| Water and sewerage | 35, 932 | 29,775 | 2, 106,701 | 2, 885, 417 | . 730 | 4, 017,928 |
| Miscellaneousi.- | 5,371 | 4,466 | 333, 209 | 485, 249 | . 687 | 674, 554 |

[^7]Compared with the previous month, moderate increases in employment on Federal construction projects were shown in naval-vessel construction and in river, harbor, and flood-control work. On non-Federal projects, the total number of wage earners employed increased by more than 10,000 in July. Reports for the month showed increases in the number of men employed in every type of non-Federal project except railroad construction. Building construction, with an increase of nearly 5,300 workers, had the most pronounced rise.

On Federal projects earnings per hour averaged 61 cents. Hourly earnings ranged from a high of 82 cents paid on naval-vessel construction to a low of 52 cents received in road building. On non-Federal projects the average hourly earnings were 77 cents; the highest, 90 cents, was received by workers on building construction.

Federal construction projects are financed entirely by allotments made by the Public Works Administration to the various agencies and departments of the Federal Government. The work is performed either by commercial firms, which have been awarded contracts, or by day labor hired directly by the Federal agencies.

Non-Federal projects are financed by allotments made by the Public Works Administration to a State or one of its political subdivisions; in some cases allotments are made to commercial firms. In making allotments to the States or their political subdivisions, the Public Works Administration makes a direct grant of not more than 30 percent of the total construction cost. The remaining 70 percent of the cost is financed by the recipient. The Public Works Administration, in some instances, provides the additional financing by means of a loan; in other cases the loan is procured from outside sources. Loans made by the Public Works Administration carry interest charges and have a definite date of maturity.

Grants are not made to commercial firms. Railroads, for the most part, have been the chief recipients of commercial allotments. Railroad work financed by loans made by the Public Works Administration falls under three headings: First, construction work in the form of electrification, the laying of rails and ties, repairs to buildings, bridges, etc.; second, the building and repairing of locomotives and passenger and freight cars in shops operated by the railroads; and, third, locomotive and passenger- and freight-car building in commercial shops.

Information concerning the first type of railroad work, i. e., construction is shown in table 9, page 18. Employment in car and locomotive shops owned by the railroads and in commercial car and locomotive shops is shown in a separate table. (See table 11, p. 21.)

## Comparisons by Geographic Divisions

Employment, pay rolls, and man-hours worked in July 1935 on construction projects financed by the Public Works Administration fund is shown by geographic divisions in table 10.

Table 10.- Employment and Pay Rolls on Construction Projects Financed from Public Works Funds, July 1935
[Subject to revision]

| Geographic division | Wage earners |  | Amount of pay rolls | Number of man-hours worked | Average earnings per hour | Value of material orders placed |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Maximum number employed ${ }^{1}$ | Weekly average |  |  |  |  |
|  | Federal projects |  |  |  |  |  |
| All divisions : | 272,995 | 264, 496 | \$16, 563, 938 | 27, 002, 929 | \$0.613 | 3 \$25, 273, 109 |
| Now England | 15,257 | 14, 951 | 1, 198, 528 | 1,752, 637 | 684 | 1,100,569 |
| Middle Atlantic | 32, 106 | 31, 233 | 2, 221, 666 | 3, 472, 826 | . 640 | 1, 519,060 |
| East North Central | 34, 044 | 32,997 | 1,946, 065 | 2, 893, 001 | . 673 | 1, 019, 622 |
| West North Central | 44,937 | 43, 718 | 1, 741, 364 | 3, 163, 012 | . 551 | 1,129, 945 |
| South Atlantic. | 44,607 | 43, 169 | 2, 834, 915 | 4, 763, 306 | . 595 | 2, 840,505 |
| East South Central | 34, 377 | 34, 048 | 2, 080, 937 | 3, 889, 014 | . 535 | 1. 727,850 |
| West South Central | 23, 854 | 22,965 | 851,350 | 1, 847, 922 | . 461 | 136, 236 |
| Mountain. | 23, 780 | 22,551 | 1,968, 055 | 2, 903, 014 | . 678 | 1,960, 493 |
| Pacifc. | 15,587 | 14, 863 | 1, 493, 992 | 1, 874, 088 | . 797 | 1, 488, 774 |
| Outside continental United States. | 4,256 | 3,811 | 211,587 | 417,878 | . 506 | 345, 503 |
|  | Non-Federal projects |  |  |  |  |  |
| All divisions. | 126, 158 | 105, 383 | \$7, 847, 300 | 10, 104, 399 | \$0. 777 | \$13, 798, 978 |
| New England | 12, 489 | 10, 538 | 800, 888 | 1,066,580 | . 751 | 1, 544, 053 |
| Middle Atlantic | 27, 449 | 23,246 | 2, 078, 556 | 2, 306, 857 | . 901 | 3, 072,394 |
| East North Central | 18,456 | 15, 191 | 1, 146, 420 | 1, 410, 282 | . 813 | 2,088, 294 |
| West North Central | 18,849 | 15,950 | 1, 103, 564 | 1, 488, 792 | . 741 | 2, 656, 512 |
| South Atlantic | 16,761 | 14, 116 | 958, 129 | 1, 479, 308 | . 648 | 936, 834 |
| East South Central | 4,340 | 3, 608 | 207, 672 | 333, 359 | . 623 | 363, 899 |
| West South Central | 11,655 | 9, 307 | 485, 754 | 771, 906 | . 629 | 1, 157, 748 |
| Mountain. | 3, 474 | 2, 744 | 205, 225 | 254, 858 | . 805 | 507, 746 |
| Pacific.- | 11, 793 | 9,957 | 817, 354 | 923, 173 | . 885 | 1, 391, 795 |
| Outside continental United States. | 892 | 726 | 43,738 | 69, 284 | . 631 | 79,703 |

1 Maximum number employed during any 1 week of the month by each contractor and Government agency doing force-account work. Includes weekly average for public-road projects
${ }^{2}$ Includes data for 190 wage earners which cannot be charged to any specific geographic division.
3 Includes $\$ 12,000,000$ estimated value of material orders placed for public-road projects which cannot bo charged to any specific geographic division.

During July there was a falling off in employment on Federal projects in all geographic divisions except the East North Central States. On non-Federal projects, however, all divisions except three registered increases. Considering Federal and non-Federal projects as a whole the geographic divisions with the greatest number of employees were the West North Central States and the South Atlantic States.

On Federal projects hourly earnings were highest in the Pacific States; on non-Federal projects workers in the Middle Atlantic States received the highest earnings per hour. The lowest rate on Federal projects, 46 cents per hour, was paid in the West South Central States; on non-Federal projects the lowest rate occurred in the East South Central States.

Table 11 shows employment, pay rolls, and man-hours worked during July 1935 in railway car and locomotive shops on projects financed from the Public Works Administration fund, by geographic divisions.

Table 11.-Employment and Pay Rolls in Railway Car and Locomotive Shops on Work Financed from Public Works Funds, July 1935


1 Maximum number employed during either semimonthly period by each shop.
2 Data not available.
Compared with June, there was a decrease of about 1,800 in the number of workers engaged in building and repairing locomotives and passenger and freight cars.

## Monthly Trend

Employment, pay rolls, and man-hours worked at the site of Public Works Administration construction projects from the beginning of the program in July 1933 to July 1935 are shown in table 12.

Table 12.--Employment and Pay Rolls, July 1933 to July 1935, Inclusive, on Projects Financed from Public-Works Funds
[Subject to revision]

${ }^{1}$ Maximura number employed during any 1 week of the month by each contractor and Government agency doing force-account work. Includes weekly average for public-road projects.
${ }_{2}$ Revised.
${ }^{3}$ Includes orders placed for material for naval vessels prior to October 1933.
${ }^{4}$ Includes orders placed by railroads for new equipment.
From July 1933 to July 1935, inclusive, wage earners were paid over $\$ 483,000,000$ for work at the site of Public Works Administration projects. Hourly earnings received have averaged 60 cents. During this period orders were placed for materials amounting to over $\$ 918,000,000$.

## Value of Material Orders Placed

The value of materials for which orders were placed from the beginning of the public-works program to July 1935, by type of material, is shown in table 13.

Table 13.-Value of Material Orders Placed for Public-Works Projects, by Type of Material and Industry Groups
[Subject to revision]

| Type of material | Value of material orders placed- |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | From beginning of program to June 15, 1935 | During month ending July 15, 1935 |
| All materials. | \$880, 743, 179 | \$39, 135, 424 |
| Textiles and their products: |  |  |
| A wnings, tents, canvas, etc. | 207, 078 | 1,451 |
| Carpets and rugs. | 48,059 |  |
|  | 246, 980 | 6, 454 |
| Cotton goods. | 102, 993 | 79 |
| Felt goods. | 170, 150 | 508 |
| Jute goods. | 62, 299 | 1,875 |
| Linoleum. | 117, 173 | 10,758 |
| Sacks and bags | 22,988 | 147 |
| Upholstering materials, not elsewhere classified | 125, 157 | 98 |
| Waste | 25, 533 | 132 |
| Forest products: |  |  |
| Creosote. | 538, 933 | 38 |
| Lumber and timber products, not elsewhere classified | 41, 793, 523 | 1,649,735 |
| Planing-mill products | 5,159,567 | 320, 860 |
| Window and door screens and weatherstrip | 86, 823 | 5,450 |
| Chemicals and allied products: |  |  |
| Chemicals, miscellaneous | 287, 528 | 3, 600 |
| Compressed and liquefied gases | 262, 199 | 9,593 |
| Explosives. | 3,781, 062 | 198, 208 |
|  | 2, 051,440 | 109, 540 |
| Stone, clay, and glass products: <br> Asbestos products, not elsewhere classified | 68,063 | 1,831 |
| Brick, hollow tile, and other clay products. | 12, 215, 119 | 894, 101 |
| Cement. | 115, 392, 111 | 5, 178, 486 |
| Concrete products | 17, 597, 246 | 1,009, 280 |
| Crushed stone | 33, 009, 767 | 1, 819,380 |
| Glass | 826, 000 | 66, 173 |
| Lime | 178, 312 | 2, 371 |
| Marble, granite, slate, and other stone products | 14, 307, 343 | 945, 543 |
| Minerals and earths, ground or otherwise treated | 108, 421 | 1,528 |
| Sand and gravel.-----...........--...... | 55, 990, 529 | 2, 978, 202 |
|  | 2, 073, 898 | 135, 592 |
| Iron and steel and their products, not including machinery: |  |  |
|  |  |  |
| Bolts, nuts, washers, etc. | 2, 734, 136 | 107, 107 |
| Cast-iron pipe and fittings. | 17, 487, 537 | 894, 164 |
| Doors, shutters, and window sash and frames, molding and trim (metal). | 4, 692, 893 | 308, 735 |
| Firearms. | 772,981 |  |
| Forgings, iron and steel. | 4, 311, 093 | 220, 696 |
| Hardware, miscellaneous | 4, 666, 294 | 353, 486 |
| Heating and ventilating equipment | 9,294, 616 | 816, 425 |
| Nails and spikes. | 919, 212 | 39,757 |
| Rail fastenings, excluding spikes | 5,811, 653 | 2,704 |
| Rails, steel | 19, 999, 380 | 26,130 |
|  | 590, 622 |  |
| Steel works and rolling mill products, not elsewhere classified | 60, 397, 940 | 1,966, 117 |
| Stoves and ranges, other than electric. | 217,050 | 4,720 |
| Structural and reinforcing steel | 68, 652, 445 | 4, 793, 378 |
| Switches, railway- | 720, 809 |  |
| Tools, other than machine tools | 4, 501, 058 | 177,423 |
| Wire products, not elsewhere classified. | 4, 954, 934 | 256, 126 |
| Wrought pipe. | 1,157, 118 | 259, 496 |
|  |  |  |
| Aluminum manufactures .--.---- | 255,099 | 2, 529 |
| Copper products. | 587, 418 | 34,705 |
| Lead products. | 217, 709 | 13,177 |
| Nonferrous-metal alloys and products, not elsewhere classified | 1,237, 459 | 24,687 |
| Sheet-metal work | 2, 468, 538 | 106, 430 |
| Zine products... | 55, 895 | 233 |

Table 13.--Value of Material Orders Placed for Public-Works Projects, by Type of Material and Industry Groups-Continued
[Subject to revision]


It is estimated that approximately $3,000,000$ man-months of labor have been or will be created in fabricating the materials represented by the total orders placed for materials since the inception of the public-works program.

Materials for which orders were placed during July will create about 125,000 man-months of labor. This accounts only for labor required in the fabrication of material in the form in which it is to be used. In the manufacture of brick, for example, only the labor employed in the manufacturing process is included. No estimate is made of the labor required in taking the clay from the pits or in transporting the clay and other materials used in the manufacturing process. In fabricating steel rails, the only labor counted is that occurring in the rolling mills. An estimate is not made for the labor created in mining, smelting, and transporting the ore, nor for the labor
in the blast furnaces, the open-hearth furnaces, nor the blooming mills.

In obtaining information concerning man-months of labor created in fabricating materials, each firm receiving a material order which is to be financed from the public-works fund, from the United States Government, or from State governments or their political subdivisions is sent a schedule. It is requested that the manufacturer fill in this schedule estimating the number of man-hours created in the plant in manufacturing the material specified in the contract. In the case of materials purchased directly by contractors, the Bureau estimates the man-months of labor created. This estimate is made by using the experience of manufacturing plants as shown by the Census of Manufactures, 1933.

## Emergency-Work Program

During the week ended July 25 there were over $1,300,000$ workers employed on the emergency-work program of the Federal Emergency Relief Administration. Compared with the week ended June 27, this represents a decrease in the number working of 181,428 , or 12.14 percent. Pay-roll disbursements also showed a drop. The total pay roll of more than $\$ 12,000,000$ was more than 11 percent less than in the week ended June 27.

Table 14 shows the number of employees and amounts of pay rolls for the emergency-work program for the weeks ended June 27 and July 25.

Table 14.-Employment and Pay Rolls for Workers on Emergency-Work Program, Weeks ended June 27 and July 25, 1935

| [Subject to revision] |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Geographic division | Number of employees, week ended- |  | A mount of pay roll, week ended- |  |
|  | July 25 | June 27 | July 25 | June 27 |
| All divisions................ | 1,312, 891 | 1, 494, 319 | \$12, 493, 222 | \$14, 183, 456 |
| Percentage change.-.---... | -12.14 |  | -11.92 |  |
| New England | 144, 441 | 158,903 | 1,776, 698 | 1, 998, 519 |
| Middle Atlantic | 155, 982 | 182, 419 | 2,781, 291 | 3, 243, 787 |
| East North Central | 208,757 | 218, 881 | 2,043, 638 | 2, 134, 345 |
| West North Central | 173, 023 | 212, 261 | 1,327, 842 | 1,646, 999 |
| South Atlantic...... | 203, 170 | 223, 633 | 1, 043, 108 | 1, 197, 114 |
| East South Central | 104, 779 | 144, 310 | 464, 307 | 729,386 |
| West South Central | 135, 313 | 176, 725 | 775, 132 | 1, 093, 276 |
| Mountain. | 52, 643 | 49,476 | 537, 607 | , 497, 431 |
| Pacific. | 134,783 | 127,711 | 1,743, 599 | 1,642,599 |

The only geographic divisions failing to show a decrease in the number of workers were the Mountain States and the Pacific States. In these regions the number of employees increased by approximately 3,000 and 7,000 , respectively. Three divisions, the East South Central, the West South Central, and the West North Central accounted for over two-thirds of the total drop in the workers employed.

Preliminary figures indicate that there were fewer workers employed in July on the emergency-work program than in any month since August 1934. It is estimated that approximately $1,928,682$ people were engaged in the emergency-work program during July. This does not mean, however, that during any given week the total was reached. A limitation which is placed on the earnings of the employees restricts the number working at any one time to not more than 70 percent of the total for the month.

## Emergency Conservation Work

A gain of more than 53,000 in the month of July was reported in the number of men employed in Civilian Conservation Camps. Every class of employee, except educational advisers, was represented in the increase.

The total pay roll for July was more than $\$ 22,000,000$, which was an increase of more than $\$ 2,300,000$ over the figure for June. The enrolled personnel received over $\$ 12,850,000$ of this amount. The enrolled men, in addition to their pay, were provided with board, clothing, and medical services.

Table 15 gives, for June and July, the employment and pay-roll statistics for each of the major groups of workers engaged in Emergency Conservation Work.

Table 15.-Employment and Pay Rolls in Emergency Conservation Work, June and July 1935

| Group | Number of employees |  | Amount of pay rolls |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | July | June | July | June |
| All groups. | 480,586 | 427, 556 | \$22, 074, 577 | \$19, 766, 881 |
| Enrolled personnel | 411,556 | 367, 430 | 12,852, 894 | 11, 474,839 |
| Reserve officers | 10, 155 | 10,005 | 2,550, 282 | 2, 511, 028 |
| Educational advisers ${ }^{1}$ | 1,334 | 1,413 | 228, 297 | 236,402 |
| Supervisory and technical ${ }^{2}$ | 3 57, 541 | ${ }^{18} 48,708$ | ${ }^{3} 6,443,104$ | $485,544,612$ |

1 Included in executive service table.
${ }_{2}$ Includes carpenters, electricians, and laborers.
39,034 employees and pay roll of $\$ 4,988,968$ included in executive service table.
437,038 employees and pay roll of $\$ 4,708,274$ included in executive service table.
${ }^{5}$ Revised.
The employment and pay-roll data for emergency conservation workers are collected by the Bureau of Labor Statistics from the War Department, the Department of Agriculture, the Treasury Department, and the Department of the Interior. The monthly pay of the enrolled personnel is distributed as follows: 5 percent are paid $\$ 45 ; 8$ percent, $\$ 36$; and the remaining 87 percent, $\$ 30$.

During July 1935, the number of men employed in emergency conservation work was greater than during any month since January 1934. Pay-roll disbursements were the largest for any month since the program began.

## State-Road Projects

Employment on State-road projects during July increased by more than 16 percent in the construction of new roads, and by more than 7 percent in maintenance work. The number of employees on new projects increased by more than 5,000 and the increase in employees in maintenance work was more than 10,000 .

Table 16 shows, by geographic divisions, the number of workers employed in building and maintaining State roads during June and July 1935.

Table 16.-Employment on Construction and Maintenance of State Roads, by Geographic Division, June and July $1935^{1}$

| Geographic division | New roads |  |  |  | Maintenance |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Number of em. ployees |  | Amount of pay roll |  | Number of em. ployees |  | Amount of pay roll |  |
|  | July | June | July | June | July | June | July | June |
| All divisions-.....- | $\begin{array}{r} 35,826 \\ +16.2 \\ \hline \end{array}$ | 30,823 | $\begin{array}{r} \$ 1,543,619 \\ +26.3 \\ \hline \end{array}$ | \$1, 222, 211 | $\begin{array}{r} 148,575 \\ +7.5 \\ \hline \end{array}$ | 138, 253 | $\begin{array}{r} \$ 6,688,970 \\ +14.2 \\ \hline \end{array}$ | \$5, 857,582 |
| New England. | 8,642 | 4,055 | 370, 538 | 154,416 | 12,716 | 13,056 | 677, 448 | 615,172 |
| Middle Atlantic. | 1,893 | 2,421 | 157, 268 | 171, 504 | 27,422 | 31,642 | 1,098, 817 | 1,235, 226 |
| East North Central | 6,522 | 6,522 | 385, 746 | 305, 266 | 22, 864 | 17,630 | 1, 148, 199 | 882, 445 |
| West North Central | 3,047 | 3,402 | 102, 512 | 95,431 | 18,745 | 14, 219 | 718, 614 | 544,758 |
| South Atlantic.-... | 7,341 | 7,552 | 137, 149 | 141,445 | 29, 165 | 29, 243 | 1,080,981 | 965, 133 |
| East South Central | 2,300 | 1,668 | 86, 042 | 62,797 | 9,046 | 8,598 | 334, 894 | 284,985 |
| West South Central | 2,045 | 1,672 | 62, 449 | 57, 744 | 14,835 | 12, 256 | 681, 428 | 471,540 |
| Mountain | 1,962 2,074 | 1,475 2,056 | 98,906 143,009 | 74,302 159,306 | 7,000 6,613 | 5,702 5,744 | 459,568 474,385 | $401,828$ |
| Outside continenta United States......... |  |  |  |  | +169 | 5,73 163 | 14,636 | 13,553 |

${ }^{1}$ Excluding employment furnished by projects financed from public-works fund.
Although 5 of the 9 geographic divisions registered increases in employment on new-road construction in July, the greatest increase took place in the New England States. Employment in that division for July was more than double that of June. In maintenance work the divisions showing the sharpest increases in employment were the East North Central and the West North Central regions.

Pay rolls for July registered an increase of more than 26 percent over those of June in new-road projects. In maintenance work the increase was in excess of 14 percent. The total pay roll for both newroad construction and maintenance work exceeded $\$ 8,232,000$.

The State governments employed more men and expended more money for pay rolls in building new roads and maintaining highways in July than in any previous month of the current year.

## Reconstruction Finance Corporation Construction Projects

Reconstruction Finance Corporation construction projects during July provided work for more than 9,500 men and resulted in pay-roll disbursements of more than $\$ 1,000,000$. Compared with the previous month, however, these figures represent a decrease; the pay roll in June was in excess of $\$ 1,190,000$ and more than 11,000 wage earners were employed.

The data concerning employment, pay rolls, and man-hours worked on construction projects financed by the Reconstruction Finance Corporation during July is given in table 17 by type of project.

Table 17.--Employment and Pay Rolls on Projects Financed by the Reconstruction Finance Corporation, by Type of Project, July 1935

| [Subject to revision] |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Type of project | Number of wage earners | Amount of pay rolls | Number of man-hours worked | Average per hour per hour | Value of material $\underset{\text { placed }}{\text { orders }}$ |
| All projects | 9,581 | \$1,001,653 | 1,349, 064 | \$0.742 | \$1, 495, 108 |
| Bridges | 2, 349 | 215, 801 | 241, 239 | 895 | 391, 077 |
| Building construction. | 194 | 13,995 | 12,964 | 1. 080 | 14, 366 |
| Reclamation------..- | ${ }_{450}^{194}$ | - 23,141 | 17,084 | . 592 | 4,726 <br> 18 |
| Water and sewerage | 5,096 | 591,968 | 810, 683 | . 730 | 657, 736 |
| Miscellaneous | 1,298 | 147,708 | 220, 115 | . 671 | 426, 916 |

Compared with June, there were decreases in employment on all types of projects except in railroad construction. The average earnings per hour for July were 74 cents, which was slightly less than that earned in June. Building construction employees earned the highest average per hour, $\$ 1.08$, and workers on reclamation projects the smallest, 49 cents. In 3 of the 6 classes of work average earnings per hour registered increases over the preceding month.

The number of employees, the amounts of pay rolls, and the number of man-hours worked on construction projects financed by the Reconstruction Finance Corporation during July are shown in table 18 by geographic divisions.

Table 18.-Employment and Pay Rolls on Projects Financed by the Reconstruction Finance Corporation, by Geographic Divisions, July 1935
[Subject to revision]

| Geographic division | Number of employees | Amount of pay rolls | Number of man-hours worked | Average earnings per hour | Value of material orders placed |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| All divisions.. | 9,581 | \$1,001, 653 | 1,349, 064 | \$0. 742 | \$1,495, 108 |
| Middle Atlantic | 480 | 32, 830 | 40, 094 | 819 | 68,469 |
| East North Central | 442 | 36,782 | 34, 250 | 1. 074 | 39,997 |
| East South Central | 174 | 6,964 | 12,812 | . 544 | 287 |
| West South Dentral | 88 | 10,352 | 10,895 | . 950 |  |
| Mountain. | 450 | 23,141 | 46, 999 | . 492 | 4,726 |
| Pacific | 7,947 | 891, 584 | 1,204, 014 | . 741 | 1,381, 629 |

Decreases in employment occurred in 3 of the 6 geographic divisions. The largest decrease took place in the Pacific area where the number of workers fell from 10,156 in June to 7,947 in July. Average earnings per hour varied widely in the different regions. In some measure this was caused by differences in types of work and in stages of construc-
tion. Workers in the East North Central States earned $\$ 1.07$ per hour and employees in the Mountain States were paid less than 50 cents.

The value of materials for which orders were placed from March 15, 1934, to July 1935, by contractors working on Reconstruction Finance Corporation construction projects is shown, by type of material, in table 19.

Table 19.-Value of Material Orders Placed for Projects Financed by the Reconstruction Finance Corporation, by Type of Material

| Type of material | Value of material orders placed- |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { From Mar. } \\ & \text { 15, 1934, to } \\ & \text { June } 15,1935 \end{aligned}$ | During period June 15 to July 15,1935 |
| All materials | \$40, 540, 524 | \$1, 495, 108 |
| Textiles and their products: |  |  |
| Awnings, tents, canvas. | 6,819 | 1,058 |
| Cotton goods. | 65, 256 | 7,012 |
|  |  |  |
|  |  |  |
| Lumber and timber products, not elsewhere classified. | 1, 433, 576 | 33,642 |
|  |  |  |
|  |  |  |
| Explosives | 1, 150, 181 | 48,743 |
|  |  |  |
| Brick, hollow tile, and other clay products, not elsewhere class | 361,937 | 1,893 |
| Cement | 2, 146, 295 | 174,055 |
| Concrete products | 1, 744,009 | 40,381 |
| Crushed stone | 44, 868 |  |
| Gimass- |  |  |
| Marble, granite, slate, and other stone products | 181, 883 |  |
| Sand and gravel... | 479, 489 |  |
| Tiling, floor and wall, and terrazzo |  | 1,983 |
|  |  |  |
|  |  |  |
| Forgings, iron and steel... | 429,283 1,502 | 10,561 |
| Hardware, miscellaneous | 718,871 | 32, 866 |
| Heating and ventilating equipment | 75,377 | 2,005 |
| Rails, steel | 39, 222 |  |
| Steel-works and rolling-mill products, not elsewhere classified | 19, 844, 417 | 85, 982 |
| Structural and reinforcing stee |  |  |
| Wire and wirework, not elsewhere classified | 975, 274 | 2,030 |
| Nonferrous metals and their products: |  |  |
| Copper products. | 1,969, 462 | 107, 589 |
| Lead products. | 1,021 |  |
|  |  |  |
|  |  |  |
| Electrical machinery, apparatus, and supplies | 1, 035, 021 | 295, 380 |
| Elevators and elevator equipment | 2, 421 |  |
| Foundry and machine-shop products, not elsewhere classified | 3, 034, 688 | 187, 115 |
|  | 1,968 |  |
|  |  |  |
|  | 134, 064 | 3,483 |
| Miscellaneous: |  |  |
|  |  |  |
|  |  |  |
|  |  |  |
|  |  |  |
| Plumbing supplies, not elsewhere classified <br> 243, 102 |  |  |
|  |  |  |
|  |  |  |
|  |  |  |

During the period, March 15, 1934, to July 15, 1935, materials were ordered, costing more than $\$ 42,000,000$. Of this total, approximately 50 percent was for steel-works and rolling-mill products. From June 15 to July 15 total orders were placed amounting to nearly $\$ 1,500,000$; of this figure, structural and reinforcing steel accounted for more than 20 percent. Other products which were important with respect to the value of orders placed since March 15, 1934, include foundry and machine-shop products, cement, concrete products, copper products, lumber and timber products, explosives, and electrical machinery, apparatus, and supplies.

## Construction Projects Financed from Regular Governmental Appropriations

The number of workers employed at the site of construction projects financed by appropriations made by Congress direct to the executive departments and agencies of the Federal Goverument was in excess of 25,000 for July. This represents a decrease of approximately 400 in comparison with employment in June. Disbursements for pay rolls during the month were over $\$ 1,890,000$.

Whenever a construction contract is awarded or force-account work is started by a department or unit of the Federal Government, the Bureau of Labor Statistics is immediately notified on forms supplied by the Bureau, of the name and address of the contractor, the amount of the contract, and the type of work to be performed. Schedules are then mailed by the Bureau to the contractor or Government agency doing the work. These schedules are filled in and returned to the Bureau and show the number of men on pay rolls, the amounts disbursed for pay, the number of man-hours worked on the project, and the value of the different types of materials for which orders have been placed during the month.

The following tables present data concerning such construction projects on which work has started since July 1, 1934. The Bureau does not have statistics covering projects which were under way previous to that date.

In table 20 information is given for the month of July 1935 concerning employment, pay rolls, and man-hours worked on construction projects financed from direct appropriations made to the various Federal departments and agencies and started since July 1, 1934, by type of project.

Table 20.-Employment on Construction Projects Financed from Regular Governmental Appropriations, by Type of Project, July 1935
[Subject to revision]

| Type of project | Wage earners |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Amount } \\ & \text { of } \\ & \text { pay rolls } \end{aligned}$ | Number of manhours worked | A verage earnings per hour | Value of material orders placed |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Maxi- } \\ & \text { mum } \\ & \text { number } \\ & \text { em- } \\ & \text { ployed : } \end{aligned}$ | Weekly average |  |  |  |  |
| All projects | 2 25,788 | 23, 508 | \$1, 890, 209 | 2,752,801 | \$0.687 | \$3, 079,618 |
| Building construction. | 6, 930 | 5,701 | 394, 001 | 528, 155 | . 746 | 593, 080 |
| Naval vessels...-.-. | 5, 430 | 5,247 | 625, 330 | 738, 762 | . 846 | 1,326, 261 |
| Public roads ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | (4) | 5,777 | 406, 292 | 624, 792 | . 650 | 660,101 |
| Reclamation | 362 | 266 | 17,502 | 29,855 | . 586 | 27, 940 |
| River, harbor, and flood cont | 4,631 | 4, 317 | 334, 044 | 627,614 | . 531 | 328, 859 |
| Streets and roads. | 1,343 | 1,114 | 51,070 | 105, 251 | . 485 | 44,578 |
| Water and sewerage | 109 | 92 | 5,745 | 7,692 | . 747 | 6,858 |
| Miscellaneous | 1,206 | 994 | 56,225 | 90,680 | . 620 | 91, 935 |

${ }^{1}$ Maximum number employed during any 1 week of the month by each contractor and Government agency doing force-account work.
${ }^{2}$ Includes weekly a verage for public roads.
${ }^{3}$ Estimated by the Bureau of Public Road.

- Not available; average number included in total.

The most pronounced decrease for the month occurred in river, harbor, and flood-control work. Employment on public roads increased by approximately 1,000 and moderate increases were registered in naval-vessel construction and reclamation projects.

Average earnings per hour were in excess of $68 \frac{1}{2}$ cents. The range in hourly earnings was from a high of $84 \frac{1}{2}$ cents on naval vessels to a low of $48 \frac{1}{2}$ cents paid on street and road projects.
Statistics concerning employment, pay rolls, and man-hours worked on construction projects financed from regular governmental appropriations in July are given in table 21, by geographic divisions.

Table 21.-Employment on Construction Projects Financed from Regular Governmental Appropriations, by Geographic Division, July 1935
[Subject to revision]


[^8]There were losses in employment in 3 of the 9 geographic divisions. The division showing the largest drop in July was the West South Central region. The Mountain States accounted for the largest increase. Earnings per hour ranged from an average of 80 cents in the New England States to an average of 50 cents in the West South Central States. The greatest number of man-hours worked during the month, 712,142 , occurred in the South Atlantic States.

The upward trend of employment, beginning in January 1935, on construction projects financed from regular governmental appropriations was interrupted in July. With the exception of the previous month, however, more wage earners were employed in July than in any month of the current year. The average earnings per hour in July-69 cents--were the highest for any month since August 1934.

The value of materials for which orders have been placed for use on construction projects financed from direct governmental appropriations, by type of material, from July 1, 1934, to July 15, 1935, is shown in table 22.

Table 22.-Value of Material Orders Placed for Use on Construction Projects Financed from Regular Governmental Appropriations, by Type of Material and Industry Groups
[Subject to revision]

| Type of material | Value of material orders placed- |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | From July 1, 1934, to June 15, 1935 | During period June 15 to <br> July 15, 1935 |
| All materials | \$23, 339, 674 | \$3,079, 618 |
| Textiles and their products: |  |  |
| Cotton goods...-- | $\begin{aligned} & 9,582 \\ & 1,503 \\ & 1,618 \end{aligned}$ |  |
| Linoleum. |  |  |
| Forest products: |  |  |
| Lumber and timber products, not elsewhere classified |  | 1, 235, 607 | 95, ${ }^{557}$ |
| Planing-mill products. | 119, 232 | 48, 402 |
| Chemicals and allied products: |  |  |
| Chemicals, miscellaneous. | 1,939 | 1,455 |
| Explosives. |  |  |
| Stone, clay, and glass products: |  |  |
| Brick, hollow tile, and other clay products, not elsewhere classified | 234, 306 | 44, 872 |
| Cement and lime......... | 1, 110, 183 | 287, 534 |
| Concrete products.. | 152,548 | 19,781 |
| Crushed stone. | 318, 291 | 84, 306 |
| Glass | 19,584 | 4,793 |
| Marble, granite, slate, and other stone products | 404, 975 | 42,582 |
| Sand and gravel- | ${ }^{633}$, 705 | 154, 125 |
| Tiling, floor and wall, and terrazzo | 25,489 | 6,386 |
| Iron and steel and their products, not including machinery: |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |
| Cast-iron pipe and fittings <br> Doors, shutters, and window sash and frames, molding and trim (metal)- <br> Forgings, iron and steel <br> Hardware, miscellaneous | 96, 858 | 16,585 |
|  | 236, 859 | 29, 772 |
|  | 492, 173 | 83, 513 |
|  | 143,665 | 46, 801 |
|  | 366,087 | 72, 521 |
| Nails and spikes | 20, 354 | 1,964 |
|  | 9,265 | 1,536 |
| Steel-works and rolling-mills products, not elsewhere classified Structural and reinforcing steel | 2, 550,308 | 314, 297 |
|  | 4, 211, ${ }_{49} 20$ |  |
| Tools, other than machine tool | 179, 398 | 12,830 |

Table 22.-Value of Material Orders Placed for Use on Construction Projects Financed from Regular Governmental Appropriations, by Type of Material and Industry Groups-Continued

| 'Type of material | Value of material orders placed- |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\begin{gathered} \text { From July } \\ \text { 1, 1934, to } \\ \text { June 15, } 1935 \end{gathered}$ | During period June 15 to July 15, 1935 |
| Nonferrous metals and their products: |  |  |
| Aluminum manufactures. | \$2, 826 | \$10,423 |
| Copper products | 82, 491 | 1,762 |
|  |  | 1,700 |
| Nonferrous metal alloys and products, not elsewhere classified | 9,381 | 28, 835 |
| Machinery, not including transportation equipment: |  | 22, 88 |
| Electrical machinery, apparatus, and supplies | 1, 404, 673 | 203, 426 |
| Elevators and elevator equipment | 121, 156 | 22, 829 |
| Engines, turbines, tractors, and waterwheels | 2, 899, 231 | 258, 102 |
| Foundry and machine-shop products, not elsewhere classified | 2, 151, 398 | 259,958 |
| Machine tools. | 30, 712 | 40,651 |
| Pumps and pumping equipment ---.-...-.-.-.-.-...-. | 699, 675 | 29, 923 |
| Refrigerators, and refrigerating and ice-making apparatus | 40, 719 | 8,332 |
| Transportation equipment, air, land, and water: Motor vehicles, passenger and trucks. | 10,839 | 1,459 |
| Boats....-. |  | 1, 535 |
| Miscellaneous: |  |  |
| Coal | 224, 458 | 2,892 |
| Electric wiring and fixtures | 271,873 | 32, 088 |
| Furniture, including store and office fixtures | 2,493 | 5,773 |
|  |  | 23, 625 |
| Paving materials and mixtures, not elsewhere classified | 157,883 | 30, 997 |
| Petroleum products | 868, 626 | 112, 286 |
| Photographic apparatus and materials. | 3,574 |  |
| Plumbing supplies, not elsewhere classified | 236, 796 | 27, 163 |
| Roofing materials, not elsewhere classified | 118, 143 | 16,688 |
|  | 1,231 |  |
| Steam and other packing, pipe and boiler covering, and gasket Other materials | 5,099 920,954 | 2,955 88,675 |
| Other materials | 920,954 | 88,675 |

## Wage-Rate Changes in American Industries

## Manufacturing Industries

Information concerning general wage-rate changes occurring in reporting manufacturing establishments between June 15 and July 15,1935 , is given in table 23 . This table covers 23,502 establishments employing $3,738,194$ workers in July.

Increases in rates of pay were reported by 95 establishments in 26 industries. The average increase was 7.5 percent and the number of employees affected was 15,174 . Two engine-turbine-tractor establishments reported increases averaging 5.9 percent and affecting 4,704 workers, 21 sawmills reported that they gave raises averaging 11 percent to 4,394 employees, and 1 agricultural implement factory reported a 6-percent increase given to 1,107 employees. Other industries which reported wage-rate increases affecting over 500 employees were: Foundries and machine shops (710), electric railroad repair shops (638), newspapers (597), electrical machinery (539), and stoves (532).

Decreases were reported by 24 establishments in 11 industries. These decreases averaged 13.2 percent and affected 1,700 workers.

Table 23.--Wage-Rate Changes in Manufacturing Industries During Month Ending July 15, 1935

${ }^{1}$ Less than 310 of 1 percent.

Table 23.-Wage-Rate Changes in Manufacturing Industries During Month Ending July 15, 1935-Continued

| Industry | Estab-lishments reporting | Total number of employees | Number of establishments reporting- |  |  | Number of employees having- |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  | Wagerate creases | Wagerate decreases | No wagerate changes | Wagerate creases $\qquad$ | Wagerate decrease |
| Stone, clay, and glass products: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Brick, tile, and terra cotta.- | 532 | 24, 382 | 532 |  |  | 24, 382 |  |  |
| Cement. | 133 | 20, 148 | 133 |  |  | 20, 148 |  |  |
| Glass. | 156 | 50,691 | 156 |  |  | 50,691 |  |  |
| Marble, granite, slate, and other products. | 220 | 4,898 | 220 |  |  | 4,898 |  |  |
|  | 114 | 16,069 | 114 |  |  | 16, 069 |  |  |
| ${ }^{T}$ Textiles and their products: Fabrics: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Carpets and rugs. | 32 | 20, 555 | 32 |  |  | 20,555 |  |  |
| Cotton goods.-.- | 690 | 253, 122 | 689 |  | 1 | 253, 046 |  | 76 |
| Cotton small wares. | 113 | 9, 442 | 113 |  |  | 9,442 |  |  |
| Dyeing and finishing textiles.-............... | 170 | 38,295 | 169 | 1 |  | 38, 290 | 5 |  |
| Hats, fur-felt. | 52 | 7,152 | 52 |  |  | 7,152 |  |  |
| Knit goods.- | 634 | 131, 677 | 633 |  | 1 | 131, 583 |  | 94 |
| Silk and rayon goods.-.-- | 255 | 49, 076 | 255 |  |  | 49, 076 |  |  |
| Woolen and worsted goods. | 488 | 141, 424 | 485 | 3 |  | 141, 159 | 265 |  |
| Wearing apparel: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Clothing, men's.----...-- | 1,138 | 94,746 | 1, 138 |  |  | 94,746 |  |  |
| Clothing, women'S.-.... Corsets and allied gar- | 838 | 36,938 | 838 |  |  | 36,938 |  |  |
| ments.-....-.-. | 39 | 6,911 | 39 |  |  | 6,911 |  |  |
| Men's furnishings. | 95 | 8,317 | 94 |  | 1 | 8, 266 |  | 51 |
| Millinery ---....- | 124 | 5,501 | 124 |  |  | 5,501 |  |  |
| Shirts and collars.-- | 173 | 28, 066 | 172 |  | 1 | 27,937 |  | 129 |
| Leather and its manufactures: | 374 | 121, 183 | 371 |  | 3 | 120,606 |  |  |
| Leather-...- | 173 | 34, 419 | 171 | 1 | 1 | 34, 183 | 76 | 160 |
| Food and kindred products: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Baking.. | 1,040 | 65,152 | 1,036 | 4 |  | 64,957 | 195 |  |
| Beverages. | 488 | 29,357 | 484 | 4 |  | 29,333 | 24 |  |
| Butter...- | 274 | 4,138 | 274 |  |  | 4,138 |  |  |
| Canning and preserving | 734 | 81, 562 | 729 | 3 | 2 | 81,320 | 109 | 133 |
| Confectionery. | 296 | 29,135 | 294 | 1 | 1 | 28,937 | 42 | 156 |
| Flour | 319 | 13,096 | 313 |  | 6 | 12,929 |  | 167 |
| Ice cream----------.-...---- | 310 | 11,735 | 310 |  |  | 11,735 |  |  |
| Slaughtering and meat packing | 284 | 88,300 | 284 |  |  | 88,300 |  |  |
| Sugar, beet-...---.-.-.-....- | 67 | 4,103 | 61 | 6 |  | 3,838 | 265 | ------- |
| Sugar refining, cane- | 15 | 9,939 | 15 |  |  | 9,939 |  |  |
| Tobacco manufactures: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Chewing and smoking tobacco and snuft. | 37 | 7,906 | 37 |  |  | 7,906 |  |  |
| Cigars and cigarettes | 206 | 45, 780 | 206 |  |  | 4.5, 780 |  |  |
| Paper and printing: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Boxes, paper--- | 705 | 33,591 | 705 |  |  | 33,591 |  |  |
| Paper and pulp | 394 | 102, 492 | 393 | 1 |  | 102, 127 | 365 |  |
| Printing and publishing: | 1,402 | 60,551 | 1,390 | 7 | 5 | 60,374 |  |  |
|  | 1,402 |  | 1,380 |  | 5 | 60,374 | 89 | 88 |
| Newspapers and periodicals | 615 | 51,854 | 606 | 9 |  | 51,257 | 597 |  |
| ©hemicals and allied products, and petroleum refining: Other than petroleum refining: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Chemicals....-.-.....-- | 148 | 33,226 | 147 | 1 |  | 33,087 | 139 |  |
| Cottonseed-oil, cake, and meal | 101 | 2,786 | 101 |  |  | 2,786 |  |  |
| Druggists' preparations- | 61 | 6,962 | 61 |  |  | 6,962 |  |  |
| Explosives-...---.-.-..-- | 27 | 2,993 | 27 |  |  | 2,993 |  |  |
| Fertilizers....---------- | 316 | 8,617 | 316 |  |  | 8,617 |  |  |
| Paints and varnishes--- | 570 | 21,602 | 570 |  |  | 21, 602 |  |  |
| Rayon and allied products | 28 | 46,942 | 28 |  |  | 46,942 |  |  |
| Soap.-------- | 91 | 14, 854 | 91 |  |  | 14,854 |  |  |
| Petroleum refining.-.-.-.-. | 179 | 65,328 | 178 | 1 |  | 65, 317 | 11 |  |
| Rubber products: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Rubber boots and shoes-.-.- | 12 | 16,518 | 12 |  |  | 16,518 |  |  |
| Rubber goods, other than boots, shoes, tires, and inner tubes. | 179 | 26,376 | 179 |  |  | 26, 376 |  |  |
| Rubber tires and inner tubes. | 40 | 54,067 | 40 |  |  | 54, 067 |  |  |

## Trade, Public Utility, Mining, and Service Industries

In table 24 are presented wage-rate changes between June 15 and July 15 , reported by cooperating establishments in 16 nonmanufacturing industries.

Increases in rates, averaging 2.9 percent and affecting 4,622 workers, were reported by 7 electric-railroad and motor-bus establishments, while 39 electric light and power establishments reported increases which averaged 5.5 percent and affected 3,052 employees. Twenty-nine wholesale trade establishments showed increases in rates which averaged 8.1 percent and affected 319 employees, and 69 retail trade stores indicated that 212 employees received increases averaging 8.7 percent. Other increases as well as decreases reported were negligible.

Table 24.-Wage-Rate Changes in Nonmanufacturing Industries During Month Ending July 15, 1935

| Industrial group | Estab-lishments re-porting | Total number of employees | Number of establish. ments reporting- |  |  | Number of employees having- |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  | Wagerate increases | Wagerate decreases | No wagerate changes | Wagerate increases | Wagerate decreases |
| Anthracite mining | 160 | 68, 683 | 160 |  |  | 68, 683 |  |  |
| Percentage of total | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |  |  | 100.0 |  |  |
| Bituminous coal mining | 1,298 -100.0 | 211,598 1000 | 1,298 100.0 |  |  | $211,598$ |  |  |
| Percentage of total Metaliferous mining. | 100.0 -202 | 100.0 22,158 | 100.0 |  |  | 100.0 22,158 |  |  |
| Percentage of total | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |  |  | 100.0 |  |  |
| Quarrying and nonmetallic mining | 978 | 31,268 | 977 |  | 1 | 31, 261 |  | ${ }^{7}$ |
| Percentage of total | 100.0 | 100.0 | 99.9 |  | . 1 | 100.0 |  | (1) |
| Crude petroleum producing | 380 | 33, 255 | 379 | 1 |  | 33, 236 | 19 |  |
| Percentage of total. | 100.0 | 100.0 | 99.7 | . 3 |  | 99.9 | 1 |  |
| Telephone and telegraph | 9,359 | 261, 502 | 9,359 |  |  | 261,502 |  |  |
| Percentage of total.-.. | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |  |  | 100.0 |  |  |
| Electric light and power and manufactured gas. | 2,691 | 246, 332 | 2,652 | 39 |  | 243, 280 | 3, 052 |  |
| Percentage of total. | 100.0 | 100.0 | 98.6 | 1.4 |  | 98.8 | 1.2 |  |
| Electric-railroed and motor-bus operation and maintenance. | 472 | 129, 122 | 465 | 7 |  | 124, 500 | 4,622 |  |
| Percentage of total. | 100.0 | 100.0 | 98.5 | 1.5 |  | 96.4 | 3.6 |  |
| Wholesale tracle. | 15,086 | 268,869 | 15, 053 | 29 | 4 | 268,512 | 319 | 38 |
| Percentage of total | 100.0 | 100.0 | 99.8 49777 | $\stackrel{2}{6}$ | ${ }^{(1)} 7$ | 99.9 739 | 212 | ${ }^{(1)} 41$ |
| Retail trade. | 49,853 | 739,300 | 49,777 | 69 | (1) 7 | 739,047 100.0 | ${ }_{(1)} 212$ | (1) 41 |
| Percentage of total | 100.0 | 100.0 | 99.8 2,277 | ${ }^{1} 1$ | ${ }^{(1)} 1$ | 100.0 135,061 | ${ }^{(1)} 4$ | ${ }^{(1)}$ |
| Hotels-....-. ${ }^{\text {Percentage of total }}$ | 2, 279 | 135,080 | 2,277 99.9 | (1) ${ }^{1}$ | (1) 1 | 135,061 100.0 | (1) 4 | (1) 15 |
| Percentage of total | 100.0 | 100.0 | 99.9 | 1 |  | 100.0 | (1) |  |
| Dyeing and cleaning | 682 | 16,832 | 680 |  | 1 | 16,786 | 10 | 36 |
| Percentage of total | 100.0 | 100.0 | 99.7 | 1 | 1 | 99.7 | . 1 | 2 |
| Banks. | 2,635 | 99, 197 | 2,631 | 4 |  | 99, 111 | 86 |  |
| Percentage of total | 100.0 | 100.0 | 99.8 | . 2 |  | 99.9 | .1 |  |
| Brokerage.... | 349 | 10,392 | 349 |  |  | 10,392 |  |  |
| Percentage of total | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |  |  | 100.0 |  |  |
| Insurance... | 1,094 | 70,339 | 1,091 | 3 |  | 70,327 | 12 |  |
| Percentage of total | 100.0 | 100.0 | 99.7 | . 3 |  | 100.0 | (1) |  |

[^9]
[^0]:    ${ }^{1}$ Formerly published as "Trend of Employment."

[^1]:    

[^2]:    ${ }^{1}$ Per capita weekly earnings are computed from figures furnished by all reporting establishments. Percentage changes over year computed from indexes. Percentage changes
    ${ }^{\text {over month in the groups and in "All industries" also computed from indexes. }}$ Computed from available man-hour data-all reporting establishments do not furnish man-hours. Percentage changes over year computed from indexes. The average hours and average hourly earnings in the groups and in "All industries" are weighted.
    ${ }_{4}$ Less than 3 ío of 1 percent.

[^3]:    ${ }^{1}$ Per capita weekly earnings are computed from figures furnished by all reporting establishments. A verage hours and average hourly earnings are computed from data furnished by a smaller number of establishments as some frms do not report man-hour information. Percentage changes over year computed from indexes.
    ${ }^{3}$ The additional value of board, room, and tips cannot be computed.

    - Not available.

[^4]:    1 Comparable indexes for earlier years for all of these industries, except year-round hotels, will be found in the November 1934 and subsequent issues of this pamphlet, or the February 1935 and subsequent issues of the Montbly Labor Review. Comparable indexes for year-round hotels will be found in the June 1935 issue of this pamphlet, or the September 1935 issue of the Monthly Labor Review.

[^5]:    ${ }^{1}$ Includes 160 employees by transfer, previously reported as separations by transfer, not actual additions for July.
    ${ }_{2}$ Revised.
    ${ }^{3}$ Includes 40,368 employees and a pay roll of $\$ 5,217,265$ included in executive service.
    'Includes 38,451 employees and a pay roll of $\$ 4,944,676$ included in executive service.

[^6]:    ${ }^{1}$ Not including field employees of the Post Office Department and 41,642 employees hired under letters of authorization by the Department of Agriculture with a pay roll of $\$ 1,422,437$.
    ${ }^{2}$ Revised.
    ${ }^{3}$ Includes 160 employees by transfer previously reported as separations by transfer, not actual additions for July.
    4 Not including employees transferred within the Government service as such transfers should not be regarded as labor turn-over.

[^7]:    1 Maximum number employed during any 1 week of the month by each contractor and Government agency doing force-account work.
    ${ }_{2}$ Includes weekly average for public roads.
    3 Estimated by the Bureau of Public Roads.
    ${ }^{4}$ Not available; average number included in total.
    ${ }^{1}$ Unless otherwise expressly stated, when July is referred to in this study it may be accepted as meaning the month ending July 15.

[^8]:    1 Maximum number employed during any 1 week of the month by each contractor and Government agency doing force-account work.
    ${ }^{2}$ Includes $\$ 660,101$ estimated value of orders placed for public-roads projects which cannot be charged to any speciffc geographic division.

[^9]:    ${ }^{1}$ Less than 1.10 of 1 percent.

