# PUBLIC SECTOR OF CANADA: RATING RESEARCH OF LABOUR

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#### **Abstract:**

In this article an author conducted the analysis of labour in the public sector of Canada after such nine subgroups of establishments: 1) federal general government; 2) provincial and territorial general government; 3) health and social service institutions (provincial and territorial); 4) universities, colleges, vocational and trade institutes (provincial and territorial); 5) local general government; 6) local school boards; 7) federal government business enterprises; 8) provincial and territorial government business enterprises; 9) local government business enterprises. On the basis of statistical information about these sub-groups for 2007-2011 from a web-site «Statistics Canada» the maximal and minimum values of such three indexes are found: amount of employees, general annual sums of wages and annual sums of wages per employee. Rating for nine sub-groups of establishments of public sector of Canada on these indexes is certain. The got results testify, that during an analysable period most of the employees of public sector was concentrated in health and social service institutions, the least – in local government business enterprises. In 2007–2011 a most general sum was earned also by the employees of health and social service institutions, the least – by the employees of local government business enterprises. At the same time in an analysable period among the state employees of Canada a most wage in a calculation on one person was got by the employees of federal general government, the least – by the employees of local general government.

**Key words:** Canada, public sector, workers, wages, ratings.

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### INTRODUCTION

In obedience to the index of prosperity, that expects London Legatum Institute, in 2012 Canada took the sixth place from 142 countries of the world, yielding in wealth and wellbeing only to Norway, Denmark, Sweden, Australia and New Zeland. It should be noted, that this index takes into account such constituents:

- 1) economy;
- 2) entrepreneurship & opportunity;
- 3) governance;
- 4) education;
- 5) health;
- 6) safety & security;
- 7) personal freedom;
- 8) social capital [1].

As a wage level testifies about the living standards in a country, it interestingly to investigate indexes, that characterize labour in Canada and, in particular, its public sector.

In Ukraine in the last few years the row of scientific researches of different aspects of labour in Canada is conducted by such scientists, as N. Borovyk, O. Busol, I. Vaganova, A. Ivanchenko, O. Kapiton, O. Karpenko, V. Kluzko, K. Kurbanov, O. Pushkar, V. Pyatun, Yu. Pasichnyk, I. Shkindyuk and others. In particular, they analysed forming of minimum tariff rate and its use in development of collective agreement [2], investigated influence of some factors of fight against a corruption on its general level in the separate countries of the world [3], described a removal from work for safe custody in the context of labour-right relations [4], defined basic descriptions of models of labour-markets and social-labour relations of the developed countries for development of certain recommendations in relation to perfection of processes of government control of employment of population in Ukraine [5], analysed migratory processes inherent to Canada, in the context of global problems of contemporaneity [6], investigated modern medical insurance in the USA, Australia, Canada, Japan and other states [7], analysed a betweenness by the money profits of

10 %most provided and 10 % least provided groups of population [8], educed the features of administration of income tax of physical persons after the acceptance of the Internal revenue code of Ukraine and confronted these features with practice in foreign countries [9], considered basic directions of decision of problems of employment in foreign countries [10]. However by them statistical indexes, that characterize labour in the public sector of Canada in the last few years, were not analysed.

The aim of writing of this article is realization of rating research of indexes of labour in the public sector of Canada. For its realization it is needed to untie such tasks:

- 1) to build three tables with the indexes of amount of employees, general sums of wages and sums of wages per employee, that describe the public sector of Canada in 2007–2011;
  - 2) to find the maximal and minimum values of these indexes during every year;
- 3) to define ratings for nine sub-groups of establishments of the public sector of Canada on the indexes of amount of employees, general sums of wages and sums of wages per employee.

# **EXPOSITION OF BASIC MATERIAL**

At the beginning of research will build the table nr. 1, in that will represent information for 2007–2011 about labour in the public sector of Canada, namely about the amount of employees.

Table nr. 1. Public sector employment, employees (persons)

|   | _         | Rating    |           |           |           |           |
|---|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
|   | 2007      | 2008      | 2009      | 2010      | 2011      | 2007–2011 |
| Public sector   | 3 383 819 | 3 493 580 | 3 563 407 | 3 609 273 | 3 631 838 |           |
| Government  | 3 090 233 | 3 183 310 | 3 248 254 | 3 294 159 | 3 313 319 |           |
| Federal general government  | 387 121   | 400 196   | 415 397   | 420 685   | 427 093   | 4         |
| Provincial and territorial general government   | 352 931   | 361 988   | 358 461   | 358 237   | 356 709   | 6         |
| Health and social service institutions, provincial and territorial                    | 783 142   | 800 200   | 822 904   | 844 762   | 859 350   | 1         |
| Universities, colleges, vocational and trade institutions, provincial and territorial | 358 138   | 365 137   | 374 745   | 387 056   | 382 245   | 5         |
| Local general government  | 548 298   | 581 221   | 596 144   | 605 562   | 608 094   | 3         |
| Local school boards   | 660 603   | 674 568   | 680 603   | 677 857   | 679 828   | 2         |
| Government business enterprises   | 293 586   | 310 270   | 315 153   | 315 114   | 318 519   |           |
| Federal government business enterprises   | 99 121    | 104 864   | 104 692   | 104 042   | 102 319   | 8         |
| Provincial and territorial government business enterprises                            | 135 876   | 144 779   | 147 616   | 145 616   | 147 914   | 7         |
| Local government business enterprises   | 58 589    | 60 627    | 62 845    | 65 456    | 68 286    | 9         |

It is celled by an author on basis [11]

Analysis of table nr. 1 shows, that a public sector in Canada is divided into two groups: government and government business enterprises. They, in turn, are divided into nine sub-groups:

- 1) federal general government;
- 2) provincial and territorial general government;
- 3) health and social service institutions (provincial and territorial);
- 4) universities, colleges, vocational and trade institutions (provincial and territorial);
- 5) local general government;
- 6) local school boards;
- 7) federal government business enterprises;
- 8) provincial and territorial government business enterprises;
- 9) local government business enterprises.

As see, in an analysable period in the government of Canada it was concentrated from 10,26 (in 2008) to 10,53 times (in 2007) more employees, than in government business enterprises. Most

of employees of the public sector worked in health and social service institutions, the least – in local government business enterprises. Thus their amount grew annually.

In obedience to rating, appropriated by us to each of nine sub-groups of establishments in the order of slump of amount of employee (from 1 to 9), government institutions stably took seats from 1 to 6, and government business enterprises – from 7 to 9.

In the table nr. 2 also will represent information for 2007–2011 about labour in the public sector of Canada, namely about the general sums of wages.

Table nr. 2. Public sector employment, wages and salaries (\$ thousands)

|   | Wages and salaries (\$ thousands) |             |             |             |             |               |  |
|---|-----------------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|---------------|--|
|   | 2007                              | 2008        | 2009        | 2010        | 2011        | 2007-<br>2011 |  |
| Public sector   | 161 697 683                       | 173 043 992 | 183 684 602 | 191 847 878 | 194 193 436 |               |  |
| Government  | 145 728 077                       | 156 086 226 | 165 746 571 | 172 667 453 | 174 195 117 |               |  |
| Federal general government  | 25 502 731                        | 27 234 168  | 30 373 013  | 30 734 596  | 31 103 207  | 3             |  |
| Provincial and territorial general government   | 19 967 329                        | 21 340 334  | 22 308 564  | 22 755 372  | 23 198 296  | 4             |  |
| Health and social service institutions, provincial and territorial                    | 36 211 805                        | 40 093 114  | 42 320 569  | 44 449 255  | 45 172 690  | 1             |  |
| Universities, colleges, vocational and trade institutions, provincial and territorial | 16 808 945                        | 17 867 839  | 18 883 926  | 20 053 687  | 19 846 260  | 6             |  |
| Local general government  | 18 188 492                        | 19 275 207  | 20 063 763  | 21 070 394  | 21 161 298  | 5             |  |
| Local school boards   | 29 048 775                        | 30 275 564  | 31 796 736  | 33 604 149  | 33 713 366  | 2             |  |
| Government business<br>enterprises  | 15 969 606                        | 16 957 766  | 17 938 031  | 19 180 425  | 19 998 319  |               |  |
| Federal government business enterprises   | 4 634 364                         | 4 837 816   | 5 216 077   | 5 391 387   | 5 349 386   | 8             |  |
| Provincial and territorial government business enterprises                            | 8 181 295                         | 8 791 417   | 9 202 700   | 10 049 053  | 10 667 874  | 7             |  |
| Local government business enterprises   | 3 153 947                         | 3 328 533   | 3 519 254   | 3 739 985   | 3 981 059   | 9             |  |

It is celled by an author on basis [12]

As see, in an analysable period by the employees of government of Canada it was earned from 8,71 (in 2011) to 9,24 times (in 2009) more money, than by the employees of government business enterprises. Thus most general sum among employees of the public sector the employees of health and social service institutions got, the least – employees of local government business enterprises. Wages of employees of all sub-groups of establishments, except universities, colleges, vocational and trade institutions, and also federal government business enterprises (in 2011) grew annually.

In obedience to rating, appropriated by us to each of nine sub-groups of establishments in the order of slump of general sums of wages (from 1 to 9), government institutions again stably took seats from 1 to 6, and government business enterprises – from 7 to 9.

In the table nr. 3 also will represent information for 2007–2011 about labour in the public sector of Canada, namely about the sums of wages per employee.

As see, in an analysable period a wage per employee of government business enterprise of Canada was from 1,11 (in 2008) to 1,19 times (in 2011) more, than per employee of government. But most sums of wages per employee of the public sector were in a federal general government, the least – in a local general government. A break between the most and the least wage presented from 1,99 (in 2007) to 2,17 times (in 2009). In 2007–2011 stably a wage per employee grew in such sub-groups, as a provincial and territorial general government; universities, colleges, vocational and

trade institutes; local school boards; provincial and territorial government business enterprises; local government business enterprises.

Table nr. 3. Public sector employment, wages and salaries (\$ thousands/person)

|   | Wages and salaries (\$ thousands/person) |        |        |        | Rating |      |      |      |      |      |
|---|--|--------|--------|--------|--------|------|------|------|------|------|
|   | 2007                                     | 2008   | 2009   | 2010   | 2011   | 2007 | 2008 | 2009 | 2010 | 2011 |
| Public sector   | 47,786                                   | 49,532 | 51,547 | 53,154 | 53,470 |      |      |      |      |      |
| Government  | 47,158                                   | 49,033 | 51,026 | 52,416 | 52,574 |      |      |      |      |      |
| Federal general government  | 65,878                                   | 68,052 | 73,118 | 73,058 | 72,825 | 1    | 1    | 1    | 1    | 1    |
| Provincial and territorial general government   | 56,576                                   | 58,953 | 62,234 | 63,520 | 65,034 | 3    | 3    | 3    | 3    | 3    |
| Health and social service institutions, provincial and territorial                    | 46,239                                   | 50,104 | 51,428 | 52,617 | 52,566 | 7    | 5    | 5    | 5    | 5    |
| Universities, colleges, vocational and trade institutions, provincial and territorial | 46,934                                   | 48,935 | 50,391 | 51,811 | 51,920 | 5    | 6    | 6    | 7    | 7    |
| Local general government  | 33,173                                   | 33,163 | 33,656 | 34,795 | 34,799 | 9    | 9    | 9    | 9    | 9    |
| Local school boards   | 43,973                                   | 44,881 | 46,718 | 49,574 | 49,591 | 8    | 8    | 8    | 8    | 8    |
| Government business enterprises   | 54,395                                   | 54,655 | 56,918 | 60,868 | 62,785 |      |      |      |      |      |
| Federal government business enterprises   | 46,755                                   | 46,134 | 49,823 | 51,819 | 52,281 | 6    | 7    | 7    | 6    | 6    |
| Provincial and territorial government business enterprises                            | 60,211                                   | 60,723 | 62,342 | 69,011 | 72,122 | 2    | 2    | 2    | 2    | 2    |
| Local government business enterprises   | 53,832                                   | 54,902 | 55,999 | 57,137 | 58,300 | 4    | 4    | 4    | 4    | 4    |

It is celled by an author on basis [11]-[12]

In obedience to ratings, appropriated by us to each of nine sub-groups of establishments in the order of slump of sums of wages per employee(from 1 to 9), rating became worse for such group, as universities, colleges, vocational and trade institutes (from 5 to 7 place). At the same time rating became better for such group, as health and social service institutions (from 7 to 5 place).

# **CONCLUSIONS**

As a result of the conducted analysis it is possible to do such conclusions:

- 1) in 2007–2011 most of the employees of public sector of Canada was concentrated in health and social service institutions, the least in local government business enterprises;
- 2) during an analysable period a most general sum was earned also by the employees of health and social service institutions, the least by the employees of local government business enterprises;
- 3) among the state employees of Canada a most wage in a calculation on one person was got by the employees of federal general government, the least by the employees of local general government.

As for further scientific researches in the field of the analysis of labour in the public sector of Canada, then them, to our opinion, it is expedient to conduct after such directions:

- 1) comparing of the got results to information about labour in other sectors of Canada or public sector of other countries;
  - 2) prognostications of indexes, that characterize labour in Canada.

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