

their names thus appearing on the roll of each. To this fact some of the large increase shown above is due.

The following table shows the number of members of workers' unions, as shown in the returns, classified into their respective groups of trades:—

Trades.	Numbers.		Decrease.	Increase.
	1912.	1913.		
Agriculture .. .. .	4,680	5,207	..	527
Building and woodworking .. .. .	10,893	11,268	..	375
Clothing .. .. .	4,119	4,524	..	405
Iron and metal .. .. .	3,192	2,542	650	..
Shipwrighting .. .. .	170	176	..	6
Light, heat, and power producing .. .. .	120	308	..	188
Food .. .. .	7,525	8,076	..	551
Mining .. .. .	2,822	3,788	..	966
Printing .. .. .	1,568	1,681	..	113
Transport .. .. .	13,260	21,766	..	8,506
Leather, tanning, &c. .. .. .	2,434	2,236	198	..
Stone, clay, and allied trades .. .. .	484	435	49	..
Miscellaneous .. .. .	9,355	8,813	542	..
Amusements* .. .. .	..	724	..	..
<b>Totals .. .. .</b>	<b>60,622</b>	<b>71,544</b>	<b>1,439</b>	<b>12,361</b>
<b>Total increase .. .. .</b>	<b>..</b>	<b>..</b>	<b>..</b>	<b>10,922</b>

\* Performing musicians, stage employees, biograph operators, &c.

#### BUSINESS DEALT WITH BY CONCILIATION COUNCILS, ARBITRATION COURT, ETC.

The business dealt with by the Councils of Conciliation, Court of Arbitration, &c., under the Act during the year ending 31st March, 1914, is summarized in the following table:—

Industrial agreements .. .. .	42
Recommendations of Councils of Conciliation (for particulars see reports of Conciliation Commissioners, page 41) .. .. .	166
Awards of the Arbitration Court .. .. .	93
Applications for awards refused (see page 45) .. .. .	3
Enforcements of awards (conducted by Department) in Arbitration Court .. .. .	8
Interpretation of awards .. .. .	20
Other decisions (amending awards, adding parties, &c.) .. .. .	48
Appeals from decisions of Stipendiary Magistrates in enforcement cases .. .. .	5
Appeal from Registrar's decision to refuse registration of union .. .. .	1
(The Arbitration Court also dealt with sixty-four cases under the Workers' Compensation Act (see page 22).)	
Magistrates' Courts—	
Enforcements of awards, &c. (conducted by Department) .. .. .	425
Enforcements of awards (conducted by unions) .. .. .	4
Enforcements of sections 5 and 6, Amendment Act ( <i>re</i> strikes and lockouts)* .. .. .	7
Permits to under-rate workers granted by Inspectors of Factories and secretaries of unions .. .. .	208

*Work performed by Arbitration Court, Conciliation Boards, and Conciliation Councils (also Industrial Agreements made) during the Years 1905-14.*

Year.	Industrial Agreements.	Recommendations of Boards and Councils.	Awards of Court of Arbitration.
1905-6 .. .. .	6	7	52
1906-7 .. .. .	4	12	59
1907-8 .. .. .	10	15	98
1908-9 .. .. .	12	9	88
1909-10 .. .. .	14	102*	88
1910-11 .. .. .	17	87	74
1911-12 .. .. .	26	119	80
1912-13 .. .. .	31	118	94
1913-14 .. .. .	42	166	93
<b>Totals .. .. .</b>	<b>162</b>	<b>635</b>	<b>726</b>

\* Since the passing of the amending Act of 1908, providing for the constitution of Conciliation Councils in lieu of Conciliation Boards, most of these recommendations were, with slight alteration, made into awards.