

Table 12. Median Weekly Hours by Geographical District

Geographical district	Median weekly hours **							
	Full-fashioned hosiery				Seamless hosiery			
	Men		Women		Men		Women	
	Number	Median	Number	Median	Number	Median	Number	Median
Philadelphia								
County	391	48	632	47	112	48	123	47
Lehigh County	1685	56	1479	53	1	*	40	30
Northampton								
County	437	50	291	47	2	*	6	*
Other counties	15	54	37	49	56	50	308	41
Total reporting	2528	55	2469	48	171	48	477	42
Record of hours	1407		1850		234		1325	
Total	3935		4319		405		1802	

Variation from scheduled weekly hours

The actual working hours of the men and women employed in the hosiery industry varied considerably from the full-time or scheduled hours of work, with a tendency toward undertime rather than overtime work. Women in particular tended to work less than their scheduled hours, 56 per cent of those employed in the full-fashioned hosiery industry and 70 per cent of those in seamless hosiery establishments worked less than their scheduled hours. (Chart 4) Precisely one-third of the men in both types of hosiery manufacture worked undertime. The full-time scheduled hours were worked by 37 per cent of the women in the full-fashioned industry and 29 per cent in the seamless hosiery industry. Men had more overtime work in seamless than in full-fashioned hosiery. Women had very little overtime work in full-fashioned hosiery and practically none in seamless hosiery.

Of the men and women working overtime both in the full-fashioned and in the seamless hosiery industry, the majority had less than eight hours overtime. For those losing time from their work, in general the lost time was much greater in the seamless than in the full-fashioned hosiery industry. Practically one-fifth of the men and more than one-half the women engaged in the manufacture of seamless hosiery lost eight hours or more from their regular weekly schedule (Table 13).

Variation from scheduled weekly hours by occupational classification

Any comparison of scheduled hours by occupational classification is limited by the extremely large number of employes in many occupations

*Median not computed where the number is less than 15.

**The median hour included the fraction of the hour up to the next interval, i. e., included 50 and less than 51 hours.