

## Canadian Military Strength at the end of each month 30 September 1914 to 30 November 1919

Months	1914			1915			1916		
	Officers	Other Ranks	All Ranks	Officers	Other Ranks	All Ranks	Officers	Other Ranks	All Ranks
January				2,815	63,151	<b>65,966</b>	10,226	208,034	<b>218,260</b>
February				3,299	70,191	<b>73,490</b>	11,364	231,704	<b>243,068</b>
March				3,631	77,564	<b>81,195</b>	12,343	261,851	<b>274,194</b>
April				4,110	81,352	<b>85,462</b>	13,115	277,009	<b>290,124</b>
May				4,445	86,454	<b>90,899</b>	13,916	285,936	<b>299,852</b>
June				5,504	95,321	<b>*100,825</b>	14,424	288,087	<b>302,511</b>
July				5,504	108,659	<b>114,163</b>	14,897	290,026	<b>304,923</b>
August				6,059	124,218	<b>130,277</b>	15,450	290,793	<b>306,243</b>
September	1,674	30,289	<b>31,963</b>	6,572	138,330	<b>144,902</b>	15,556	286,055	<b>301,611</b>
October	1,816	35,385	<b>37,201</b>	7,055	147,828	<b>154,883</b>	15,718	282,894	<b>298,612</b>
November	2,251	47,905	<b>50,156</b>	7,799	162,674	<b>170,473</b>	16,162	282,787	<b>298,949</b>
December	2,481	55,514	<b>*57,995</b>	8,961	182,693	<b>191,654</b>	16,421	283,516	<b>299,937</b>

Months	1917			1918			1919		
	Officers	Other Ranks	All Ranks	Officers	Other Ranks	All Ranks	Officers	Other Ranks	All Ranks
January	16,790	286,359	<b>303,149</b>	18,539	301,650	<b>320,189</b>	18,401	291,365	<b>309,766</b>
February	17,181	286,977	<b>304,158</b>	18,485	304,721	<b>323,206</b>	17,404	260,994	<b>278,398</b>
March	17,458	287,127	<b>304,585</b>	18,485	307,773	<b>326,258</b>	15,684	212,608	<b>228,292</b>
April	17,802	283,494	<b>301,296</b>	18,954	314,331	<b>333,285</b>	13,680	171,152	<b>184,832</b>
May	17,815	285,369	<b>303,184</b>	19,228	344,757	<b>363,985</b>	11,334	120,089	<b>131,423</b>
June	17,872	287,160	<b>305,032</b>	19,851	359,833	<b>379,684</b>	9,301	84,106	<b>93,407</b>
July	18,231	287,402	<b>305,633</b>	19,861	368,177	<b>388,038</b>	6,759	46,279	<b>53,038</b>
August	18,179	285,035	<b>303,214</b>	19,895	362,280	<b>382,175</b>	4,979	27,213	<b>32,192</b>
September	18,387	285,220	<b>303,607</b>	19,677	354,343	<b>374,011</b>	3,281	17,133	<b>20,414</b>
October	18,273	285,454	<b>303,727</b>	19,629	351,592	<b>371,221</b>	2,436	12,441	<b>14,877</b>
November	18,213	288,577	<b>306,790</b>	20,048	342,726	<b>362,774</b>	1,996	9,569	<b>11,565</b>
December	18,182	288,947	<b>307,129</b>	19,403	323,245	<b>342,648</b>			

Source: "Table 2: Strength at End of Each Month from 30 September 1914 to 30 November 1919." Chart. Army Historical Section. 1964. [Canadian Expeditionary Force, 1914-1919](#). By Col. G.W.L. Nicholson. 2nd ed. Ottawa, ON: Queen's Printer, 1964. 521-2. Directorate of History and Heritage. Department of National Defence. 20 Jan. 2006 <[http://www.forces.ca/hr/dhh/downloads/Official\\_Histories/CEF\\_e.PDF](http://www.forces.ca/hr/dhh/downloads/Official_Histories/CEF_e.PDF)>.

\* some corrections have been made to the totals)

### Possible activities:

- Use a spreadsheet to calculate the percentage of officers in each month of a given year, and graph the results.
- Make a histogram of the total military strength for each month of a given year, or the same month for all six years.
- Make a box and whisker plot of the total military strength for each month of a given year.
- Create a presentation or web page to connect the data to historical events (1918 or 1919 might be very interesting, since there was also the effect of the influenza pandemic as well as demobilization.)