

supported, it is also necessary to inject a greater degree of flexibility in to the CPP to better meet the needs of survivors of all ages and family situations. These concerns are addressed in the recommendations of the Committee which follow.

Table 5a

Earnings of men and women¹ as a percentage of the YMPE², 1985.

Marital status	men	women
Married	117.4	56.3
Divorced, separated or widowed	106.3	66.6

Table 5b

Earnings of women¹ as a percentage of the YMPE² considering the presence of children, 1985.

	no children	under age 7 ³	7-17 only ⁴
Married Women	60.7	50.1	55.8
Divorced, separated or widowed	69.4	54.1	66.0

Table 5c

Earnings of men and women¹ as a percentage of YMPE² considering marital status and type of employment.

Type of employment	married		separated/ divorced/ widowed		single	
	women	men	women	men	women	men
Full Year/full time	79.4	131.7	87.1	128.0	78.9	87.1
Full year/part time	44.4	68.9	48.3	—	30.3	33.9
Part year	25.6	57.9	26.0	49.6	17.8	23.5
All	56.3	117.4	66.6	106.3	43.4	48.6

¹ Ages 15 to 64 years.

² YMPE = "years maximum pensionable earnings for the purposes of the Canada Pension Plan. This was \$23,400 in 1985.

³ At least one child is under 7, with or without older children.

⁴ No children under age 7.

-- Sample too small to be reliable.

Source: Statistics Canada