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General Information Manual Payroll and Labor Accounting

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# Introduction

Payroll and labor accounting is defined as the reporting to the employee, the employer, and governmental organizations the amount of money paid for the services rendered the employee by the employee.

A good relationship between management and employees is one of the most important elements of success in any business or organization. In addition to the prompt and accurate payment of employees, the accounting and analysis records of the organization play a vital role in this relationship. Modern business must transmit to the employee an accurate record of his earnings and should attempt to measure performance intelligently. In the interests of employees, some employers are also maintaining the records and acting as collectors of insurance premiums, employee loans, pension and retirement annuities, club dues, and voluntary contributions to various organizations.

Intimate knowledge of every detail of a business is essential if management is to make wise decisions concerning the welfare of that business. Constant studies of rates, costs and operating efficiencies are necessary to evaluate the financial and operating status of a business. Inasmuch as labor is the most perishable of all commodities or services purchased by a business organization, it must not be misdirected or wasted. It is the most elusive element of cost, and only the most careful analysis by management can detect its waste. Payroll accounting is one of the most used applications of IBM data processing equipment. The cost advantage is easily determined from the known costs and required results, and the equipment meets the expanding needs of governmental and management requirements.

Labor accounting is generally combined with payroll since it uses the same source data and involves some of the same computations. In manufacturing companies, labor is often the largest single element of cost and labor accounting may offer far greater advantages than the basic functions of calculating pay and writing checks.

### **Objectives**

In addition to providing prompt and accurate paychecks, the objectives of an IBM payroll and labor accounting procedure are to:

- Develop and maintain proper records of employee earnings.
- Record and report various taxes and other statistical data required by governmental agencies.
- Provide management with labor costs for general and cost accounting, budgets and statistics.

IBM data processing equipment provides an outstanding service to management in accomplishing these objectives, effectively and economically.

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# **Elements of Payroll**

The flexibility of methods and the many types and capacities of IBM equipment available permit a payroll technique best suited for a particular size and type of company. However, no matter what equipment or payroll procedure is used, basic elements, such as source records, controls, regular gross earnings, taxes, etc., are required. Within these elements, some of which are controlled by law, there are many variations which should be considered before the procedure and equipment to be used are decided upon.

In the following section these elements are presented as they apply in any payroll system, but are particularly emphasized as they apply in an IBM data processing system.

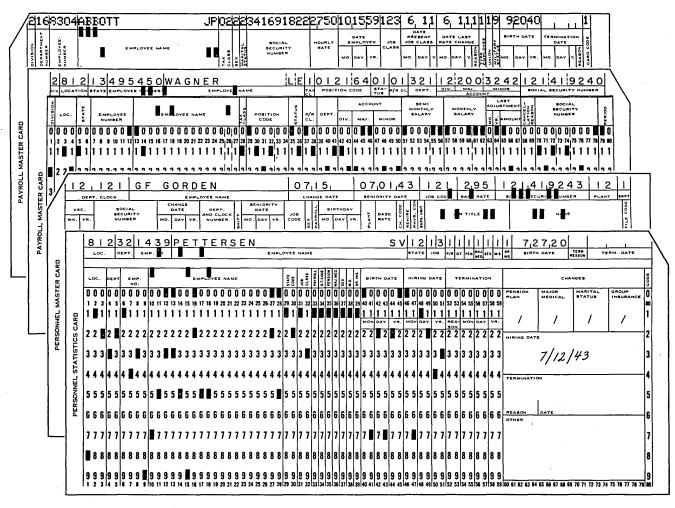
## Source Records

Source records usually required for a complete payroll procedure are:

Basic payroll and employee records Deduction authorizations Time and attendance records Production time records

## **Basic Payroll and Employee Records**

Basic payroll data should include the employee's name, number, Social Security number, tax class, occupation, department or location, and wage rate. It may also include job classification, regular hours, shift, and other repetitive or pre-established information (Figure 1). Personnel records are even more complete, in that, besides payroll data, they include such information as birth date, date of employment, sex, education, etc., which is not necessary in the preparation of the payroll. When personnel records are maintained in mobile form, the master payroll data may be reproduced in whole or in part from them. There is a close relationship between payroll and personnel accounting (see IBM general information manual "Personnel Records," form E20-8032).





#### **Deduction Authorizations**

The deductions from an employee's gross earnings to determine net pay may be grouped into two classifications: statutory and voluntary.

Statutory types required by either the federal, state or local government, include:

Withholding taxes (F.I.T.)

Federal insurance contribution (FICA)

State unemployment compensation insurance

Pensions and retirement contributions

Voluntary types may include:

Insurance

Contributions-Red Cross, community fund, etc.

Tools, uniforms, union dues

U.S. savings bond purchases

IBM cards are well suited for use as the authorization forms for both statutory and voluntary deductions (Figure 2), offering the advantages of fast and economical recording, processing and filing. When deduction source records are in card form they can serve both as the original authorization entry and as the medium for compiling the payroll register, employee earnings and deduction statements, payroll checks, and lists of employee deductions.

When deductions are the recurring type, the cards may be maintained in a master file and reused each pay period. Certain positions in the card are punched to indicate automatically the pay period the deduction is to be taken, or the termination of that deduction.

Figure 3 shows a suggested procedure for incorporating voluntary deductions other than savings bonds into any payroll procedure. After each pay period, deduction registers are prepared for each type of deduction that is, hospitalization, insurance, charitable deductions, etc. A copy of the register and a check for the total amount are forwarded to each agency by the employer.

Figure 4 outlines a suggested method for savings bond deductions which can be used in any type of payroll procedure. During the calculation, the total of deductions to date plus the current deduction is compared with the purchase price. If sufficient to purchase, an identifying X is punched in the card and any balance over purchase price is punched in the new deductionsto-date field.

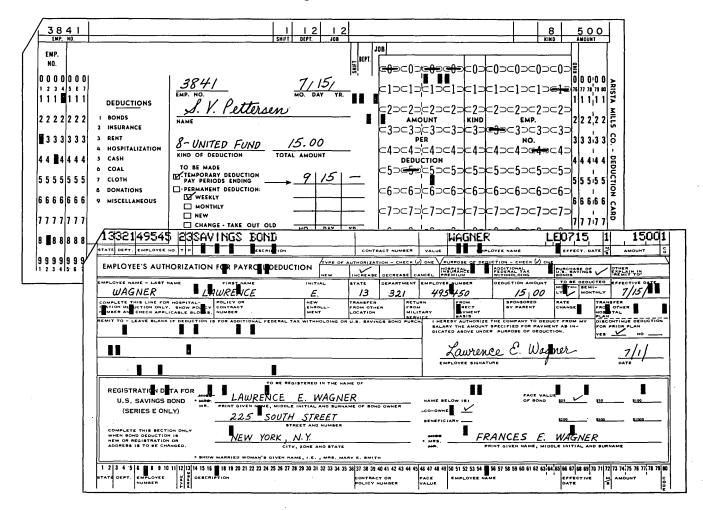


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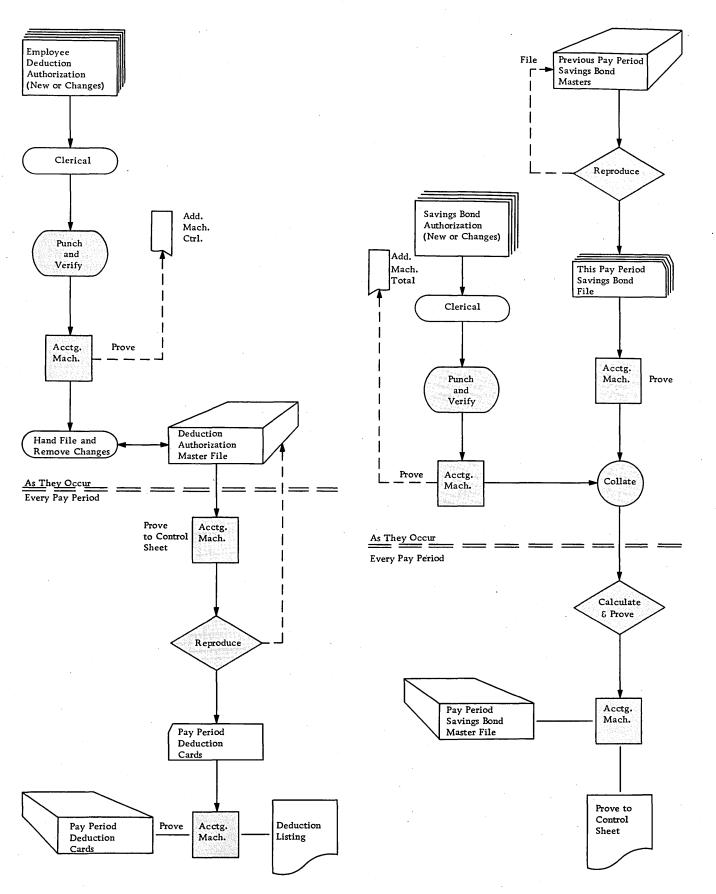


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### **Time and Attendance Records**

The attendance time record is the basis of payroll recording under all systems of daywork or hourly work. The conditions imposed by the Federal Fair Labor Standards Act (wages and hours law) necessitate the maintenance of such records in practically all businesses. Attendance records of some form are thus indispensable in establishing proof of compliance with the law.

These permanent time records assist in furnishing employees and governmental agencies with the various records and reports that have become necessary as the result of such social legislation as excludable sick pay (Figure 5), FICA benefits and state unemployment insurance.

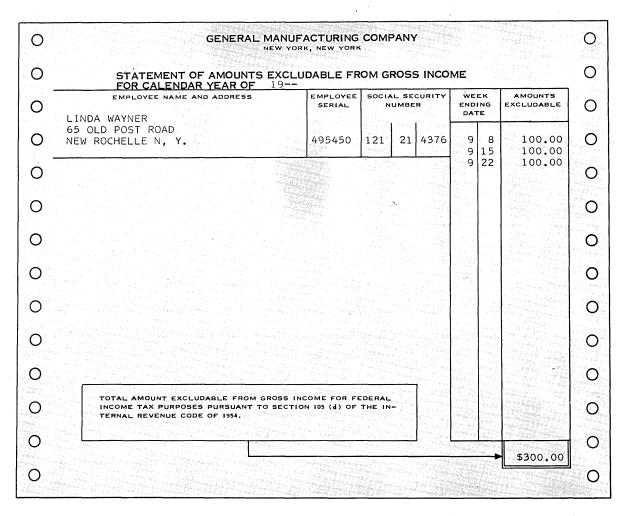
The principal types of time records (Figure 6) used in modern payroll accounting are:

Weekly or semimonthly attendance timecards Daily attendance timecards

## Individual job timecards Group job timecards Time sheets

Indicative data such as employee's name, number, department, etc., can be automatically reproduced from the basic employee cards into the individual IBM attendance cards by the IBM reproducing punch and this information printed on the same cards by an IBM interpreter. Cards of this type insure accurate prepunched data and, by the IBM sorter, can be arranged into groups for distribution to departments, clock locations, etc. When the IBM 519 Document Originating Machine is used, the employee serial number can also be printed in large figures at one end of the card. After time is recorded and computed it can be sense-marked on the card and automatically recorded in the form of punched holes, thus completing the attendance record.

Where time sheets are required, the basic employee cards can be used to prepare these lists on the IBM accounting machine.





### **Production Time Records**

Production or job time is the recorded time which the employee spends on a particular job, operation or process. It is essential that both productive and nonproductive time be accounted for to enable management to exercise effective control over both direct and indirect costs of production. Cost records accurately maintained and properly presented permit management to determine costs exactly so that sales prices may be profitably established, approve payroll expenditures with assurance that every cent of payroll has been accounted for, and determine effective cost reduction policies through the analysis of actual costs and their comparison with standards or budgeted amounts.

In manufacturing operations, information essential for scheduling, manufacturing, and cost control must be repetitively transcribed to standard route sheets, tool lists, parts lists and other standard instructions. The information is then transcribed to detailed documents such as timecards, requisitions, payroll, cost sheets, statistical analyses, and numerous other records. Under a manual method every transaction involves not only clerical cost, but also delays and errors, which tend to be cumulative as they are transcribed from form to form.

The preparation of job records can be completely mechanized by the automatic prepunching of job cards. These individual job item cards may take several different forms, depending upon the requirements of the individual business, and may be classified as follows:

Individual Job Card. This form provides for the recording of one man's production on the jobs he performs in one day. A master labor specification card is punched and verified for each operation listed on the operation record or routing sheet. When the manufacturing order is created, an IBM card (indicating the order, identification, control dates and quantities to be made) is prepared and used to automatically select the corresponding master labor specification cards in the file. Reproduced and interpreted IBM cards prepare the manufacturing order and become advance job cards. These go into shop packets which accompany the work and are held in the production control department until production is to start. To complete the record the employee, time and pieces (and in some cases the machine used) are added to the card.

An alternative method of preparing individual job cards is to prepunch job cards for each employee. These cards should include the employee identification and rate information from the master payroll cards. The cards are completed by either writing or sense-marking job facts. Information, sense-marked in the plant by workmen, foremen, or timekeepers, provides automatic entry into payroll and labor accounting.

*Continuous Job Card.* While similar to the individual job card in that it is designed to record the work of one employee, the continuous job card differs in that time registrations for a single job may extend over a period of several days.

*Group or Gang Job Card.* This form is designed to record the time and production chargeable to a single job by more than one workman. It is used where several men are required to operate one machine. Supplemental cards are punched for each employee for payroll purposes, and the original card is utilized for the distribution of costs.

Daily Job Timecard. Another common type of job record is the daily job timecard. When this form is used all of the jobs for the day are recorded on the one card. The distribution of labor for cost purposes is then obtained by punching one distribution card for each individual job on the timecard. The automatic punching of the repetitive data for each man, through the use of the duplication feature of the card punch or by gang punching, greatly facilitates the preparation of the distribution cards.

The daily job timecard is commonly used in industries where the analysis of costs does not usually require the review of special, detailed written data on a given operation or part. Because all jobs can be recorded on one form, clerical and manual recordings are reduced. Because the timecard can also be used to record attendance time, the volume of source records and the resultant cost of producing and handling is reduced to a minimum.

The advantages accruing through the use of job cards are (1) the simplification of detailed analyses and job costs by reference to the original source document, and (2) the ability to prepare job cards in advance of the work by automatic machine methods, thus reducing the clerical effort and making planning information available to management.

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Figure 6.

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# **Regular Gross Earnings**

Basically, gross pay equals hours worked times hourly rate. In the actual computation of gross pay, there are procedural variations among the different types of payroll—salary, hourly and incentive—and these variations will be discussed in detail under "Payroll Procedures." Once gross pay has been established, however, all types of payroll follow similar patterns.

One of the high clerical costs of a manual payroll procedure is the effort and time required to compute earnings. The sooner basic data can be recorded in punched hole form and the extensions of gross pay, taxes and net pay mechanized, the more profitable and economical a procedure will become.

IBM calculating punches (Figure 7) offer an ideal, practical solution for the mechanization of these calculations and they are eminently adaptable to all types of payroll and labor extensions. Rates and work units may be contained in each detail card and extended by individual multiplication, or master cards containing a group rate may be used. Dual multiplication, or the extension of more than one multiplicand by a single multiplier, can be performed simultaneously. This might be the case where the production hours on a job card could be extended by two rates simultaneously: the wage rate and the burden rate.

Simultaneous multiplication, or the recognition of two sets of independent factors, can also be accomplished. Direct division problems, such as the calculation of an efficiency percentage based on a comparison of actual hours and standard hours, can be computed. Computations involving multiplication, addition, subtraction and division can be accomplished in one run of the cards through the calculating punch. Typical examples of combination payroll and cost calculations are:

#### LABOR-BURDEN EXTENSION

Base rate  $\times$  hours worked = labor amount Burden rate  $\times$  hours worked = burden amount

Labor amount + burden amount = gross charges

Burden is that part of the cost of producing goods and services which cannot be associated with the item produced—that is, electricity, heat, indirect labor, etc. There are several different methods of determining the amount of burden to be applied to production. Under one method, a certain amount of burden is added for each hour of direct labor expended on the job. The amount to be added per hour is determined by dividing the total manufacturing expenses of a past period by the actual hours, or of a projected period by estimated hours.

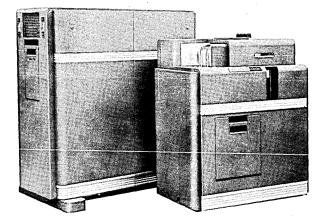
#### AVERAGE RATE AND NET EARNINGS

Regular earnings + bonus earnings + shift premium = total regular earnings

Total regular earnings  $\div$  hours worked = average rate Average rate  $\times$  overtime premium hours = overtime earnings Overtime earnings + total regular earnings = gross earnings Gross earnings - deductions = net earnings

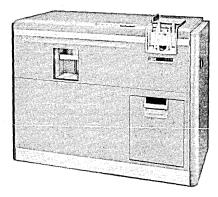
#### PIECEWORK COMPUTATION WITH HOURLY GUARANTEE

Piece rate  $\times$  pieces produced = piecework earnings Base hourly rate  $\times$  hours worked = guaranteed earnings Comparison is made between piecework earnings and guaranteed earnings, and the larger amount is punched as regular gross earnings. If the guaranteed earnings is larger, the difference between piecework and guaranteed may be computed and punched as makeup amount.



**IBM 604 Electronic Calculating Punch** 

Figure 7.



IBM 602 Calculating Punch

# **Overtime Earnings**

Overtime labor costs have taken on a new significance since the federal wages and hours law went into effect. Overtime, in connection with labor costs, is the extra compensation that must be paid to the employee for the additional amount of time worked over the regular amount set by contract or other agreement.

The federal wages and hours law establishes a minimum hourly wage for all employees covered by the act. It also sets the number of hours in the work week and requires that employers pay one and one-half times the regular rate of pay for all hours in excess of the work week.

Another legislation which specifies overtime requirements is the Walsh-Healey Public Contracts Act. This act requires that the hours worked daily in excess of eight hours be considered overtime hours by employers with prime government contracts.

State or local legislation, as well as company policies, should also be considered in overtime recording.

There are various methods of reporting and recording overtime hours and computing overtime payments. In some cases, the total hours worked and the overtime hours are recorded; then gross earnings = (total hours worked  $\times$  hourly pay) + ½ (overtime hours  $\times$  hourly pay).

Another method used by many companies is called premium hours. Under this approach, the person responsible for reporting time halves the actual overtime hours worked and reports this as premium hours. Gross earnings then equals hours worked times hourly pay plus premium hours times hourly pay.

When it is necessary to report overtime payment separately, it is obtained by multiplying the overtime hours worked by 1½ times the hourly pay.

#### Taxes

Management today is concerned not only with the problems and procedures of preparing the various payrolls but also with the various deductions required by federal and state laws. There are two types of payroll tax deductions: (1) those known as social security for old-age insurance or unemployment, and (2) income tax deductions known as the withholding taxes. Inasmuch as these taxes may vary from year to year or state to state, no formulas are given. The local agencies should be consulted.

Specifically, these taxes are as follows:

### Federal Insurance Contribution Act (FICA) Tax

All employers, employees and self-employed persons are subject to this tax unless specifically excluded by the law. The tax is based on limited portion of earnings. After the limit has been reached, no further deductions are made from the individual's earnings. The employer and the employee contribute equal amounts.

Several different approaches are commonly used to control deducting beyond the limit. Under one approach an automatic selection is made of the cumulative earnings that are nearing the limit. The difference between the deductions to date and the maximum yearly amount is computed and treated as a one-time deduction for the next payroll period.

Another plan utilizes the calculating punch to compute the difference between cumulative earnings and the limit subject to contribution or the deduction to date and the maximum to be deducted. When the limit is reached, the employee master cards are punched with a significant digit that will automatically eliminate this calculation in future payroll periods.

### State Unemployment Tax (U-C)

This tax varies from state to state and in some cases the employer must pay the entire tax. In others the employee is also taxed, but not necessarily at the same rate as the employer.

#### Federal Unemployment Tax (Federal U-C)

This tax is paid entirely by the employer on all wages paid any employee in any one calendar year.

#### Federal Withholding (Income) Tax (F.I.T.)

This is the income tax withheld each pay period from an employee's pay. Based on his gross earnings and number of dependents, it is calculated either through the use of an IBM calculating punch or with the help of a tax table.

#### State Withholding (Income) Tax

Some states have a withholding tax similar to the federal withholding tax. This would be handled either through the use of an IBM calculating punch or with the help of a tax table.

#### **Quarterly and Annual Reports**

The following are required by the Federal Government:

1. On or before each April 30, July 31, October 31 and January 31 a quarterly return (Form 941A, Figure 8) must be filed with the District Director of Internal Revenue, reporting the full amount of taxes due for the previous quarter—that is, both income tax withheld from wages and employee and employer FICA taxes paid. 2. On or before each January 31 or at the termination of employment, each employee must receive a withholding statement in duplicate on Form W-2 (Figure 9), showing (a) the total wages subject to income tax withholding and the amount of income tax withheld and (b) the amount of FICA employee tax withheld and the amount of wages subject to this tax.

3. On or before January 31 of each year the annual reconciliation of income tax withheld (reverse side of Form 941) must be filed. In addition, the employer must submit a copy of all W-2 forms furnished employees for the preceding calendar year.

4. For Federal Unemployment Tax (Federal U-C) the annual return, on Form 940, must be filed.

In addition to the above, the employer must file reports and pay unemployment taxes and withholding taxes to the various state and local authorities.

These reports can be prepared on IBM accounting machines from the accumulative earnings cards which have been automatically produced each pay period. By IBM's high speed method of carrying forward balances, the previous period's earnings and taxes for each employee are picked up and new balances summarized automatically.

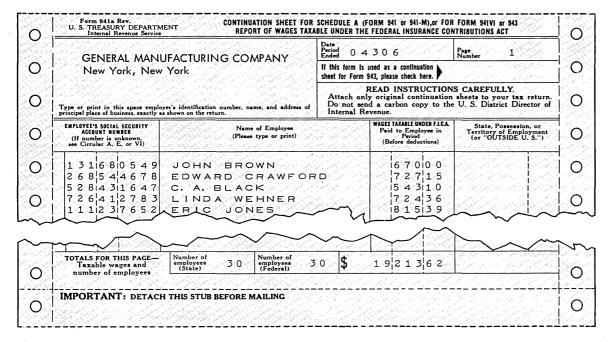


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# **Payroll Register**

Payroll and deduction registers (Figure 10) are the permanent records of the earnings and deductions of all employees. They provide the entry amounts to the general ledger of payroll expense, tax and deduction liabilities, total funds required for deposit to proper bank accounts and, in some cases, take the place of employee history records.

The form of the payroll register to be produced will vary according to the individual payroll requirements. As far as possible, all the information related to the medium of payment, and they furnish an automatic means of bank reconciliation.

A provision of the Social Security law requires that the employer render the employee a statement of earnings and taxes deducted from wages at the time of each payment. When checks are used, this statement can be a stub of the check. Where there are many voluntary deductions (such as insurance, union dues, rent, food, clothing and others), the deductions may either be itemized on the check stub or totaled there and itemized on a separate accounts receivable statement.

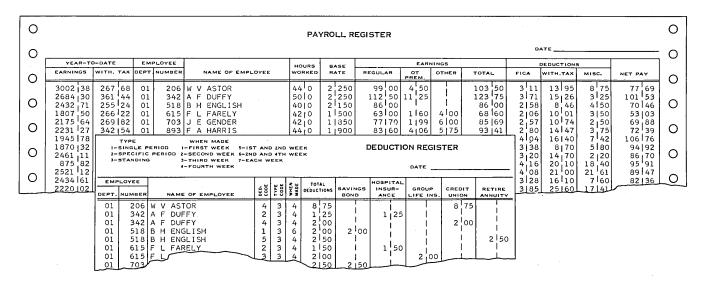


Figure 10.

employee's wages should be shown on one line of the payroll register. If the number of deductions is large, it may be advisable to group certain deductions, or even total deductions, into one column of the report and to supplement this total with the individual deduction registers. Form capacity of the payroll register may be increased, when necessary, by designing the register with two lines of printing for each employee.

Where checks are used as the means of payment, it may be desirable to show the check number on the payroll register so that one record serves as both a check register and payroll register.

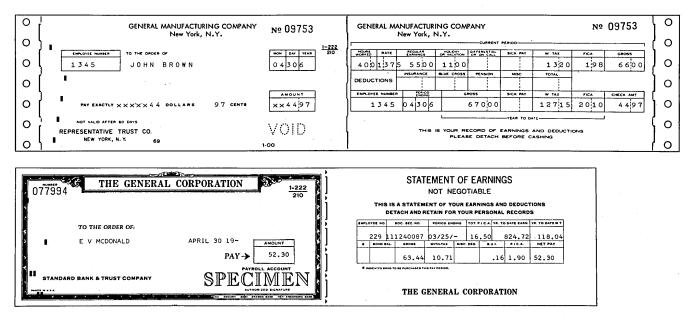
# **Checks and Earnings Records**

Payment of wages by check eliminates the problem of handling large amounts of cash and also satisfies the need for an employee pay receipt. The ease with which checks can be distributed is particularly important where the wages must be mailed or distributed to employees remote from the payroll department. IBM card checks serve a twofold purpose: they are an authentic IBM card checks also may be designed with attached earnings statement stubs, in either continuous or cutcard (separate) form (Figure 11), depending upon the form-feeding carriage on the IBM accounting machine used.

When an IBM tape-controlled carriage is used, continuous-form card checks and stubs (earnings statements) can be fed automatically.

Through the use of the IBM dual-feed carriage on the accounting machine, the continuous-form check and earnings statement can be printed simultaneously with the payroll register.

The IBM Bill Feed Carriage on the IBM 402 or 403 Alphabetical Accounting Machines and the IBM Card and Continuous Form Carriage on the IBM 408 and 409 Accounting Machines will feed IBM card checks with attached statements automatically. These carriages can also be equipped with comparing positions to assure positive comparison between the punched card check and the payroll cards used to print the checks. The IBM 409 Accounting Machine permits the punching of variable information in the card being printed.



#### Figure 11.

Information posted to the check in the form of punched holes normally includes check number, date and amount. When so ordered, both individual card checks and continuous-form card checks may be prenumbered and prepunched with check number. When not prepunched, the data may be punched into the check by (1) summary punching as the payroll register is produced, (2) reproducing the information from a summary or master deck, (3) manual punching, or (4) as previously stated, by the carriage card-punching feature of the 409 Accounting Machine.

When speed of preparation is an important factor, consideration should be given to the use of a one-line check and earnings statement.

Card checks can be prepared fast and economically on the IBM 557 Interpreter. The 557 permits printing in any one of 25 positions on the check form and allows printing of the check from another card (Figure 12).

Pay receipts may be the endorsement of the IBM check. If a separate receipt form is required, the check may be designed with a stub receipt on the opposite end from the earnings statement stub. In some cases, this extra stub is used as an identification for the employee to present the following week to receive his check, rather than as a receipt for that particular check.

# **Cash Payments**

The payment of wages in cash requires considerable effort to (1) denominate the payroll so that the proper selection of currency will be available, (2) safeguard the cash, (3) fill the envelopes, and (4) prepare pay receipts. The IBM method greatly facilitates the first and last requirements, as explained in the following paragraphs.

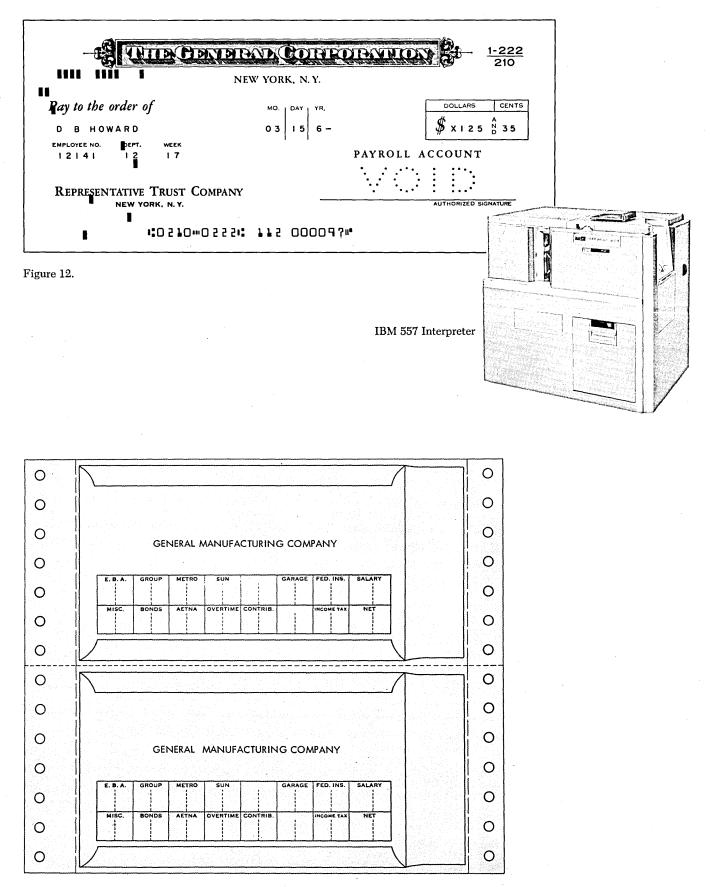
Payroll denomination—that is, determining the necessary number of bills and coins of each denomination —is performed so that cash payroll envelopes may be filled efficiently. Where net pay is punched in one card, the denomination can be performed by machine in one of the following ways:

1. Master denominating cards can be prepared with the bill and coin requirements, together with the total amount for each net pay expected. By sorting these master cards ahead of the earnings cards containing the corresponding net amounts, the number of each denomination can be totaled on the accounting machine when the cards are run.

2. The card-counting sorter or the IBM 101 Electronic Statistical Machine can be used to summarize the number of various denominations by sorting on each digit of net pay. Manual adjustments must be made for quarters, fifty-cent pieces, and five-dollar bills.

3. The accounting machine, equipped with split column control 5 and 6 and digit selector A, can be used to denominate through a process of counter digit selection. At the end of the operation, a total of all earnings, as well as a total of each denomination, will be obtained.

Payroll receipts may be automatically prepared in continuous form by the accounting machine, or they may be IBM cards prepared on the automatic bill feed. The pay receipt may be inserted in a window envelope with the cash. Under another plan the statement of earnings and deductions is printed directly on the face of the cash envelope (Figure 13), and the envelope flap is used as the pay receipt.





## Control

Every accounting procedure should be built on a foundation of effective controls—that is, detailed records and reports should be balanced against a controlling account, and one result must agree with that obtained by a corresponding operation. This is especially true in financial control procedures.

IBM procedures eliminate common errors of accounting. A single recording in punched hole form, once verified, need not be checked as it appears successively in many reports. Special journals, manually posted ledgers, worksheets, and other forms of intermediate records are eliminated.

If the payroll source data is automatically recorded from master cards, key verifying is not necessary. Variable information that has not been prepunched may be key-verified or verified by listing and balancing to predetermined controls. The control sheet (Figure 14) establishes the predetermined totals to which all subsequent accounting entries must balance. In this manner, errors that arise from lost or misplaced documents are immediately detected.

The degree of checking and balancing that is necessary for control depends upon the nature of the application to be processed as well as the equipment and procedures employed in processing it. Controls are not superimposed on a previously established procedure. Rather, good controls should be built into and become an integral part of every procedure during the planning phase. The series of checks and balances which make up these controls must begin with the entry of transactions into the data processing installation and continue throughout processing.

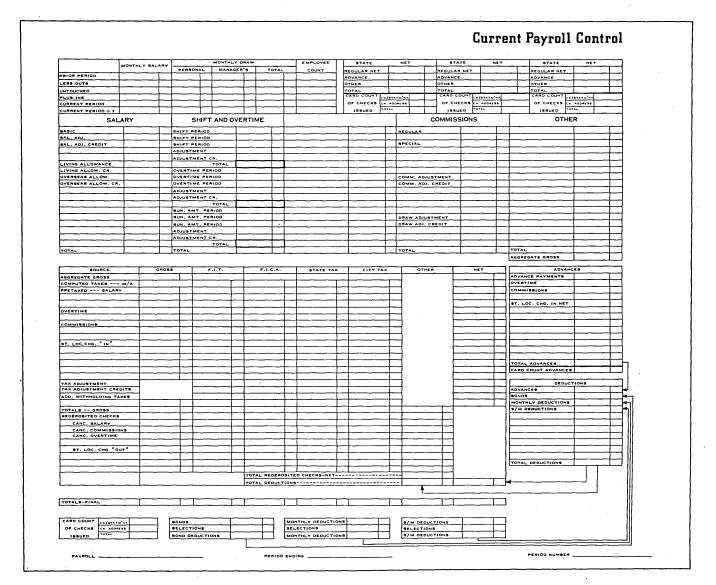


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Figure 14-Back.

### **Employee History Record**

Employee earnings or history records (Figure 15) may be prepared in several ways from basic information.

1. A copy of the payroll register or separate listing may be used as a master to post employee earnings ledger cards by means of the IBM facsimile posting machine.

2. Current-period earnings cards may be accumulated and listed periodically on the IBM accounting machine.

3. Earnings records ledger cards may be automatically posted from current earnings cards by means of the IBM bill feed carriage or interpreter.

4. Direct reference may be made to interpreted weekly earnings cards.

### **Bank Reconciliation**

IBM card checks furnish a means of automatic bank reconciliation. The card checks, upon return from bank clearing operations, are sorted to check-number sequence and automatically matched with the duplicate check cards. Unmatched duplicates are listed for outstanding check totals.

Under another plan, the canceled checks are sorted into check-number sequence and are listed on the accounting machine equipped with the consecutive number control feature. A printed symbol indicates one or more missing checks in this procedure. The original check register is then used to arrive at the total of the outstanding checks by manual methods. This plan is more effective in situations where a high percentage of the checks issued are cashed within the subsequent pay period.

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# **Management Reports**

One of management's problems is to control labor costs so that business operations will be more profitable. The unique contribution of the IBM method is its ability to extract the vital management data hidden in the maze of details.

Applying the IBM method to payroll and labor cost routines gives management at all levels the data needed for reviewing critically and constructively the activities of the organization. Original documents used to fulfill the recordkeeping requirements (timecards, payroll records, etc.) are used to produce this data. The records are completely flexible and lend themselves to easy and rapid classification, reclassification and summarization to provide management the answers to such questions as:

What is the average number of hours worked by our employees?

How many employees, by age group, do we have?

What is our labor turnover? Number hired? Number separated?

In what departments is our labor turnover excessive? What is our average hourly earnings rate by occupation?

How many man-hours do we have available by department?

How much idle time have we by department?

Is our absenteeism excessive? Where? Why?

What are our average hourly earnings by employee, sex, age, marital status, etc.?

What are our average incentive and overtime earnings? Are our actual expenses for indirect labor conforming to the anticipated or budgeted amounts?

What is our daily employee and departmental efficiency as compared with standards?

For what were our payroll dollars spent?

What are our machine and manpower requirements for the planned production schedule?

# **Payroll Procedures**

There are basically three types of payroll procedures -salary, day or hourly rate, and incentive. In a salary payroll procedure, the employee is paid a fixed amount for a specific pay period. In the day or hourly rate system, he is paid according to the amount of time he spends in his employer's place of business. In the incentive system, he is paid on the basis of both his performance and his time.

The basic difference among the three procedures is the manner in which gross pay is determined; beyond that point the procedures may follow similar patterns. There will, however, be variations because of company policies, type of industry, location, etc., as well as the type of equipment used.

# Salary Payroll

In regard to salary payrolls, the following generalizations can be made:

1. The employee is paid a fixed amount for a specific pay period.

2. The employee is not penalized for normal absences or latenesses.

3. The employee may or may not be paid for overtime. In general, employees in supervisory capacities or earning over a specified amount are exempt from payment for overtime.

4. The principal exception from the fixed payment results from additional overtime earnings.

5. Vacation time is given with pay.

6. The time of each employee is generally charged to only one expense or clearing account.

In a salary payroll a high percentage of earnings, tax withholdings, voluntary deductions and other factors remain constant from one pay period to the next. These factors tend, on the whole, to keep the operation simple and economical.

It should be noted, however, that in some cases there are variations which should be considered. For one thing, salary payrolls may in some companies include a pension plan (as a payroll deduction and/or a company contribution), a stock purchase plan, a personal savings plan or a bonus plan based on gross salary. Then again, it may be necessary to accumulate absences (e.g., in civil service) or to account for the number of vacation days taken. Furthermore, in a sales organization, commissions may be paid in addition to the base salary.

Each of these variations represents either a deduction from the regular gross salary, an addition to the regular gross salary, a detailed attendance record, or some other factor which can be recorded in punched card form and included in a salary payroll procedure. For this reason, all elements must be considered before a company decides on the type of equipment to be used and procedure to be followed.

A basic salary payroll procedure is shown in Figure 16. The bond and other deductions procedures outlined on page 4 have been followed and the procedure which created the overtime file is outlined in Figure 19, which will be discussed later.

The employees' year-to-date earnings file from the previous pay period is collated with employees' current earnings cards. The current earnings cards can be reproduced from master earnings cards or the master earnings cards themselves can be used. The tax deductions are precalculated and punched into the earnings and overtime cards. The pay period deductions and bond masters, combined with overtime details, are collated with the year-to-date and current earnings file (Figure 17). The combined file is used to prepare the payroll register on the accounting machine. As a byproduct, employees' year-to-date earnings cards for this pay period are created through the use of a summary punch connected to the accounting machine.

The payroll check and statement is a double card and, when folded, is processed on the reproducer to punch net pay, employee number and pay period in the check for reconciliation purposes. (The card feed mechanism of the machine must be adjusted to feed this type of card.)

A variation to this procedure is shown in Figure 18. This procedure can be used where the federal income, FICA and state taxes have not been precalculated. These calculations are made in the new year-to-date earnings cards and the payroll register is printed after the calculations. While preparing the payroll check and statement, the IBM 409 Accounting Machine with Card Punching Feature is used to punch employee number, net pay and pay period into the check.

In the previous salary payroll procedures, the overtime payments were included in each pay period. However, in some companies, the overtime payments are made weekly and the salary payroll is processed semimonthly reflecting the overtime payments. This is done because of the time element between the closing of the payroll and the receipt of overtime data. That is, in a scattered operation where employees are at outlying locations, overtime hours may not be received in time to be included in the current pay period.

Figure 19 outlines the procedures for both overtime approaches (during the calculation of gross overtime salary, income tax, FICA and net payment are also calculated and punched):

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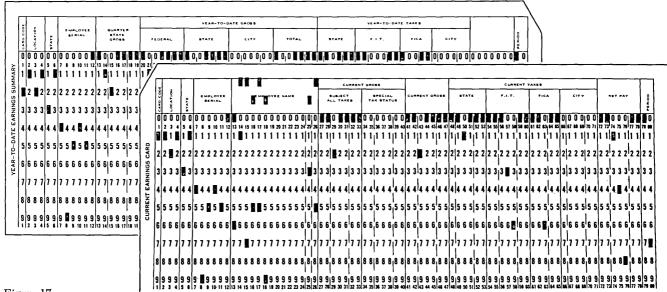
A. For use when overtime is included with regular salary. The overtime detail cards are collated into the salary payroll procedure (Figure 16).

B. For use when overtime payments are made weekly

and reflected in the semimonthly payroll statement. On the regular payroll statement, the overtime gross income tax and FICA amounts are reflected in the yearto-date amounts for each.

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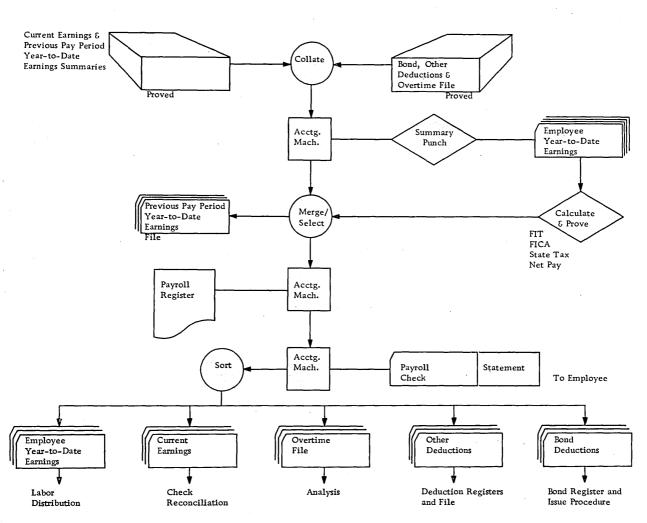


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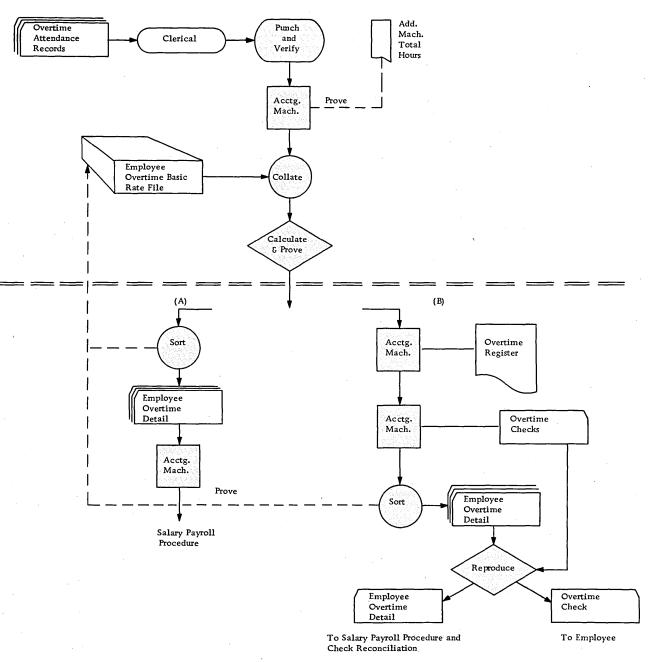


Figure 19.

# Day or Hourly Rate Payroll

In a day or hourly rate payroll, the employee is paid according to the amount of time spent in the employer's place of business. This system can include both salaried employees and labor hired at an hourly rate. However, because salaried employees' wages are relatively fixed and do not vary unless a legal limit of hours is exceeded, the terms "day rate" and "hourly rate" are interpreted in practice as referring to labor hired on an hourly basis.

There are two general methods of deciding hourly

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rates—by occupation (usually in larger industries) and by the individual. Under the occupational-rate method, no matter who works at an occupation, the hourly rate goes with the job. Under the individual-rate method, the hourly rate is set for the individual, no matter what job he performs. Since gross pay in either case equals hourly rate times hours worked, either method may be used in the typical procedure charted in Figure 20. (This procedure, incidentally, can be varied innumerable ways—not only in the IBM equipment used, but also in the documents and sequence of steps.)

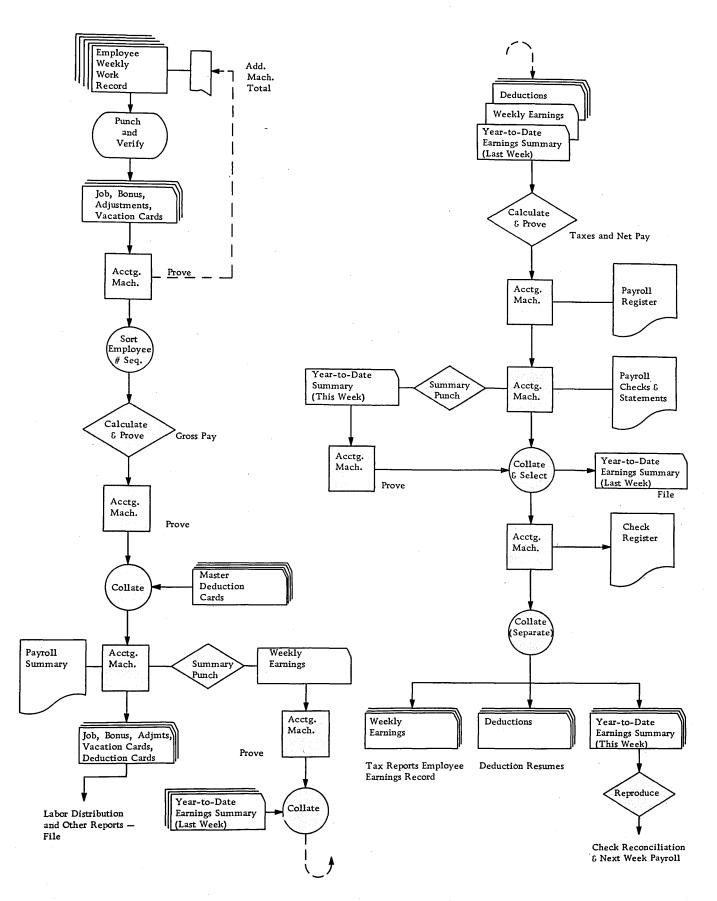


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An employee work record (Figure 21) is filled in daily by the foreman for each job performed. The basic form can be prepared on the accounting machine when it is known in advance what jobs are to be performed. (Note: If the hourly rate in this illustration were based on occupation, it would vary for each job.) These records are audited by the payroll department and batched for card punching. An adding machine total of hours worked accompanies each batch. The importance of setting up and balancing to control figures has been previously discussed under "Controls." Some of the proof steps in this procedure are included in the flow chart in Figure 20.

A work record card (Figure 22) is punched and verified for each line on the employee record. These cards not only serve as the basis for determining the employee's gross pay, but are also used in the labor accounting procedure. Any variation, such as bonus payments, adjustments and vacation payments, is recorded in this card form and included in the automatic calculation of gross pay.

Figure 23 shows deduction cards, weekly earnings summary card, and year-to-date earnings summary card which can be used in this procedure. The weekly earnings card which is summary-punched contains the first net pay (gross minus total deductions). The field in the year-to-date earnings summary card labeled Exemption Amount reflects the number of exemptions multiplied by the exemption amount allowed in each case. This is done to save program steps in the calculation of taxes and net pay.

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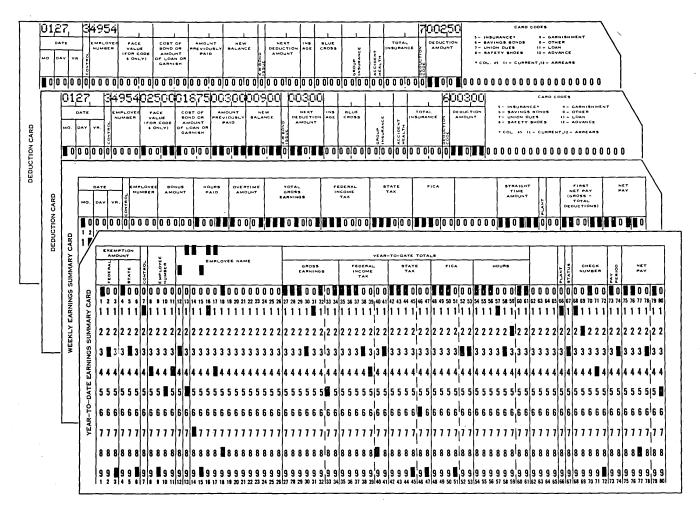


Figure 23.

### **Exception Payroll**

In either a salary or hourly payroll procedure, if earnings for the majority of employees can be ascertained in advance of a pay period, an exception plan may be feasible. Under this plan, the earnings, taxes, deductions and net pay for each employee are calculated in advance for a pay period. A variation constitutes an exception and, since advance calculations are involved, there should be a minimum of exceptions.

When the employee works the scheduled hours at his regular occupation, he is paid the precalculated amount. If the employee does not work as scheduled, the predetermined earnings are adjusted.

In a salary procedure, in addition to overtime payments, there are such exceptions as leaves of absence without pay, salary changes, separations, etc. The department manager or personnel department submits these exceptions on a special form to the payroll department. They are calculated, proved and punched in a new card (replacing the employee's salary card) before the payroll is processed. In an hourly procedure, the foreman schedules the employees under his jurisdiction on a work schedule report for the ensuing week in accordance with the planned production. From the schedule report, weekly time books, attendance cards, occupational earnings cards and predetermined payroll and labor distribution are automatically prepared.

The attendance cards are forwarded to the various stations along with the time record. At the end of the week the total attendance hours are gang-punched into these cards and they are used to audit the payroll hours automatically.

When the employee does not work as scheduled, the timekeeper makes out an exception card with the proper information to adjust all records involved. These cards are forwarded to the data processing department at the close of each shift.

Predetermined controls are adjusted daily for plus and minus exceptions to schedules, so that at the end of the week a payroll control of hours and earnings is established to which the details of employees' weekly earnings cards are balanced. A daily listing of all exception cards, in sequence by department number, provides information and supporting detail reference data to adjust the payroll and labor control records. Exception cards can then be analyzed as to the incurred responsibility, operation and exception code.

In some cases the predetermined payroll may be handled in such a way that the employee's card is used week after week. This can be done if most of the employees are working on the same job each week and the number of exceptions is not too great.

# **Incentive Payroll**

A wage incentive system is one that has been devised to increase production per unit of time by rewarding the worker for his extra effort. Experience has shown that the decrease in cost per manufactured unit under a good wage incentive system brings about a saving far in excess of the cost of the system. In effect, the incentive to the worker is a portion of the saving which his extra efforts have made possible.

While there are many types of wage incentive systems, these plans are usually modified according to particular or unusual conditions encountered in individual plants. As a result, it is often difficult to find two organizations in any community that have identical wage payment plans.

In an incentive payroll, the employer agrees to pay a money inducement other than regular or overtime wages for the accomplishment of definite standards. Incentive pay plans fall into two general types:

1. Group.—The earnings of each in a group of several employees are increased in proportion when production by that group exceeds the standard.

2. Individual.—The earnings of an employee are increased when his individual production exceeds the standard for the operations on which he is working.

#### **Group Incentive**

Daily timecards are created for each employee (Figure 24), on which the starting and stopping time for each job is recorded. As a job is assigned to an employee, the job number or description is noted in the next available position. At the end of the shift, the timekeeper writes on the card the elapsed time for each job, and sense-marks indirect time, attendance time and overtime. In this particular procedure, the time allowance for changing to and from working clothes (dressing time) is also recorded. The cards are sent to the data processing department, where dressing, indirect, attendance and overtime records are mark-sense-punched.

The card is then punched with the distribution data for the first recorded job—that is, hours and group number of the first group in which the employee worked. For additional jobs, an extra card is punched with the hours and group number and clock number; date and base pay are gang-punched into the extra job cards from the daily timecard.

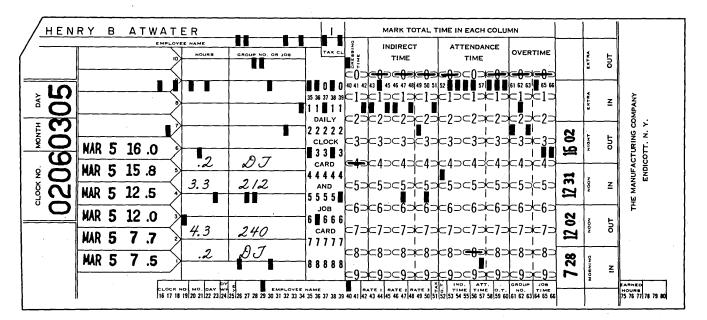


Figure 24.

The group production summary cards and job cards are combined and sorted in group-number sequence for automatic summarization of actual time and earned hours for each group. The percentage of efficiency (hours earned divided by job time) is calculated for each group and punched into the corresponding new group production summary card. Actual hours on the job cards is multiplied by group percentage of efficiency to calculate and punch earned hours in each card.

The earnings cards (Figure 25) are summarypunched weekly from the job cards. The earnings summary cards are completed by the calculating punch which automatically computes and punches the regular and incentive earnings. A second pass through the calculating punch computes and punches the appropriate taxes. The earnings summary cards are then ready to be used in the preparation of payroll and allied reports.

The procedure may be varied by maintaining a reservoir of prepunched product cards at each group work center. As units are produced, they are associated with these prepunched cards, which are summarized to determine group production.

#### **Individual Incentive**

In this plan the efficiency of an employee is determined by comparing performance or productivity with preset standards. The procedure in this plan is similar to that of the group incentive plan, except that the production factors are assembled, computed and applied on an individual rather than a group basis.

In the following example of an incentive payroll, the incentive portion of the employee's earnings is based on the conversion of quantity produced into allowed hours. The earned hours are paid for at an occupational rate per hour determined by the nature of the work. The employee is guaranteed earnings at either the occupational rate for the time actually spent on each job, or for each day. When the guaranteed amount exceeds the amount earned on the incentive basis, the difference is classified as makeup pay. This amount is charged to the expense class and department where it occurred.

A standard weekly clock card is used as the attendance record for each employee. The hours worked are posted and totaled weekly by the timekeeper.

The timekeeper also makes out an employee work record similar to the one in Figure 21 except that the incentive rate is also included. Data is compiled from the work assignment sheets, which contain directions on the work to be performed and receive notations during the day about good and bad pieces inspected and counted, machine used, etc. When an employee is operating several machines, the time worked is prorated between jobs. If an employee works on the same job at several periods during the day, the time and quantity are accumulated on the work assignment sheets and one entry only is made on the work record for that job in order to reduce the volume of entries to be handled.

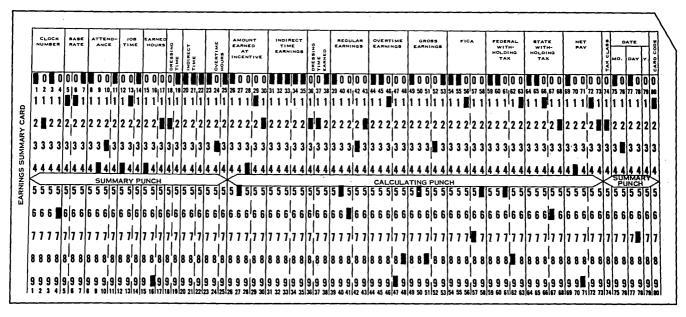


Figure 25.

The department timekeeper completes the work record (Figure 26) by applying the incentive rates, equivalent quantity, and hours for overtime and shift differential in the designated blocks. The reports are forwarded to the data processing department.

An adding machine total is made of the total hours for the reports for each group, after which a card (Figure 27) is punched for each different job for each employee. The cards are key-verified and proved on the accounting machine to the adding machine totals.

The following calculations are performed for each card on the IBM calculating punch:

Pay quantity  $\times$  allowed time per M = allowed hours for operation

Number of setups  $\times$  allowed time per setup = setup allowed time

Setup allowed time + operation allowed time = total allowed hours

Total allowed hours imes job rate = earnings

Hours worked imes job rate = guaranteed amount

Guaranteed amount - earnings = makeup amount

If makeup amount is negative—that is, the earnings exceed the guaranteed—the calculator automatically eliminates the punching of the makeup field on the card.

The daily payroll is prepared by listing these cards, securing totals for each employee and group. The report is made in triplicate: one copy is sent to the indus-

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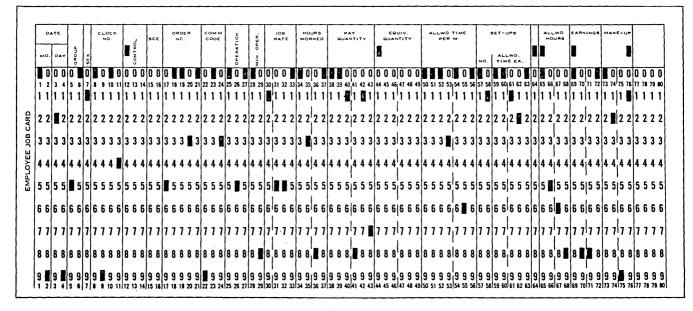


Figure 27.

trial engineering department, where it is reviewed for earnings and makeup pay; another copy is sent to the timekeeper for the group, where it is available for employees to check their earnings; and the third copy is retained in the payroll department.

Cards are punched from the daily payroll for all makeup allowances, charging the amount to the proper expense class and department. Overtime is paid at the average hourly earnings rate for the day on which the overtime occurred. Each day, the daily payroll cards are sorted to select overtime cards, and the average hourly earnings and overtime allowance amounts are computed and punched for the employee.

The original labor cards, the overtime allowance cards and the makeup cards used in the daily payroll are held until the cards for the last day of the week have been processed. At that time all the cards are sorted by group and clock number and a payroll listing is prepared showing the hours worked and total earnings for each employee. Grand totals for each group are accumulated and balanced to the sum of the control totals set up each day. As a final check, the total hours worked for each employee as shown on the list is checked to the hours worked as shown on the weekly attendance clock card.

At the time the weekly gross payroll listing is made, a summary card is automatically punched for each employee, showing his total earnings for the week and total hours worked. These summary cards are extended for income tax and FICA amounts and combined with master and deduction cards to prepare the final net payroll register, earnings statement and payroll checks.

# IBM TELE-PROCESSING Equipment

There are many occasions when payroll and labor accounting data is sent from remote locations to a central processing point. The nature of any centralized accounting operation requires that data be consolidated from many different and sometimes widespread locations. For years this data has been sent from these locations to the central processing point by mail, messenger service, telephone or telegraph. Frequently, a tight machine load schedule resulted or the information was received too late to be of any value to management.

IBM TELE-PROCESSING equipment makes it possible to send data automatically and economically, using data transmission equipment in conjunction with telephone or telegraph facilities. Organizations whose accounting functions are decentralized may now find centralization faster, more convenient and more economical.

# IBM 1001 Data Transmission System

The IBM 1001 Data Transmission System (Figure 28) combines an IBM 1001 Data Transmission Terminal and an IBM 24 or 26 Card Punch, modified by a data translator, with telephone company equipment and lines. Information to be sent is read automatically from a card, or is keyed on a ten-digit keyboard and transmitted to the card punch.

Payroll data, such as hours worked for each employee at remote points, is forwarded daily to the data processing center. Prepunched cards for each employee, which contain man number, job location and pay rate code, are maintained at remote locations. This information is transmitted and the hours worked keyed on the keyboard. The cards received at the data processing center are processed daily, thus eliminating peak loads, and a centralized payroll schedule is maintained.

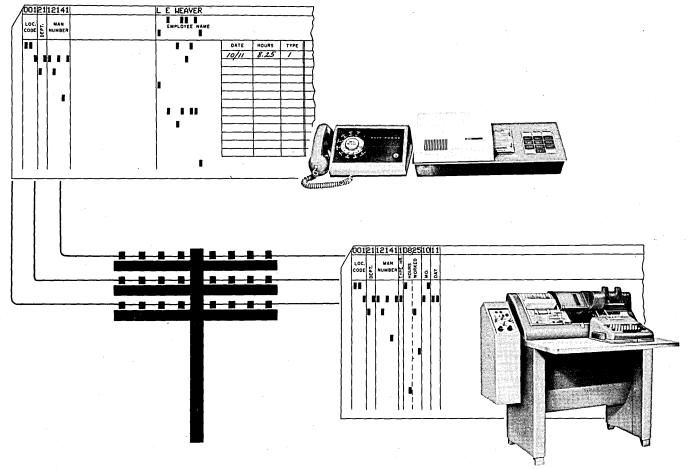


Figure 28.

### **IBM 357 Data Collection System**

The IBM 357 Data Collection System (Figure 29) is designed to speed the availability of input data for a data processing system on an intra-plant basis. It is composed of card input stations which are installed in strategic locations near work areas. Prepunched cards are fed into the stations and, if required, variable data may be entered through the manual entry. Information is transmitted to the data processing center and automatically punched into IBM cards on the card output station. For timekeeping purposes, the read-out clock simultaneously transmits the time. This system provides the missing communication link for on-thespot gathering of factory data for immediate processing.

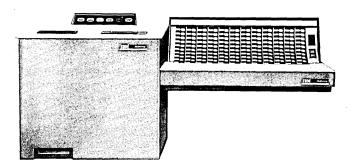


Figure 29.

#### **Employee Attendance Reporting**

The IBM 357 System can be used to report attendance in lieu of attendance recorders, either through the use of a badge reader (an optional feature) for insertion of data punched in an identification badge, or an IBM prepunched employee card.

An employee clocks in and out on the 357 Input Station by inserting his identification card or badge (Figure 30). Note that laminated badges must be a specific size and can be punched with up to ten columns of identifying information. The date and time are punched in the card at the receiving station, eliminating the need for manually reading and computing clock cards and recording the information in punched hole form.

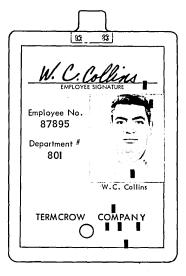


Figure 30.

#### **Job and Production Reporting**

In a previous section, the use of production or job time records was discussed. The information from these records is essential to payroll and labor accounting and the timeliness of this data enables management to exercise effective control over direct and indirect labor.

The 357 Data Collection System provides an automatic means of reporting. Job cards, punched and verified, are attached to orders before they are released to the first manufacturing department. At the start of each job, the employee selects the most convenient input station to transmit using these job cards. An employee identification card or badge is used to transmit the employee number, and the start time is entered automatically by the system. At the completion of the job, the employee transmits the same information, as well as the quantity completed. The cards punched at the receiving station are available for immediate processing.

# Labor Accounting

In the introduction to this book, payroll and labor accounting was defined as the reporting to the employee, the employer, and governmental and other related organizations, the amount of money paid for the services rendered the employer by the employee. It can also be divided into two phases—financial and cost accounting.

Financial accounting is that phase which refers to the preparation of payroll records and which has previously been discussed. Cost accounting refers to the forms and records used to compute and allocate payroll charges to the various jobs, departments and overhead. The manner in which costs are finally distributed varies according to the industry, nature of the product, manufacturing operation, etc. This phase is covered in the general information manual, "Cost Accounting," form E20-8038. However, the records kept of the time worked by each employee on each job or in a given department, and the costs thereof, are used in the preparation of labor reports for cost accounting distribution. The source records in most cases are the job cards which are initially used to prepare payroll records. They may be either individual job, daily time, continuous job or gang job cards.

These cards, in combination with other cards, are used in the preparation of the various labor cost accounting reports which are required.

Distribution cards punched for each job are balanced with the payroll controls by department. They are then listed by man number on a report which is generally called the labor distribution register. This is used for reference and to balance to control totals.

Direct labor job cards are filed with the work-inprocess cost file behind the heading cards, and show the order number, product number or operation number, depending on the basis for determining costs. Periodically, or when an order is complete, this file is used to prepare detailed cost statements (Figure 31).

Indirect labor job cards are filed in the expense file by date and account number. At the end of the accounting period, they are used to prepare a report of indirect labor by account and department.

Estimates on jobs are usually made before production is started, and management needs to determine whether these estimates are met. Management also needs to furnish the department heads with performance reports (Figure 32) in order that they may do an effective supervisory job.

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Figure 32.

# **IBM Data Processing Systems**

Data processing systems are being profitably used in the payroll and labor accounting areas in all types of businesses. Consisting ordinarily of a combination of units including input, storage, processing and output, IBM data processing systems are designed to handle business data at electronic speeds and with self-checking accuracy. They offer increased productivity with expansion facilities for both equipment and application areas.

Data recorded in punched cards can be converted to magnetic tape or can serve as direct input to the data processing machines or systems. These systems are capable of calculating, rearranging and processing current data with master and historical data stored on magnetic tapes, drums, disks or cores. Updated master files are produced, and finished results can be recorded on punched cards, magnetic tape, magnetic disks or printed reports.

The major gain of the IBM data processing systems for payroll and labor accounting is time. This includes preparation of employees' checks and earnings statements, management reports of absences, overtime, personnel changes, labor costs, and the numerous statutory reports required quarterly and annually on Social Security and withholding taxes. Accurate and selective data on various aspects of the system is available in a fraction of the time formerly required, and personnel normally needed to process payroll are freed from routine payroll tasks.

There are many types of IBM data processing systems, varying in size, complexity, speed, cost and applications. The choice of system is dependent on the requirements of the individual company.

### IBM 1401 Data Processing System

The flow charts in Figures 33, 34, 35 and 36 present a typical hourly payroll and labor accounting procedure for an IBM 1401 Data Processing System. This procedure requires three tape drives with the IBM 1402 Card Read Punch and the IBM 1403 Printer. A finder card will cause a complete tape record to be punched into cards. They are also used to make changes in voluntary deductions, rate of pay and transfers out.

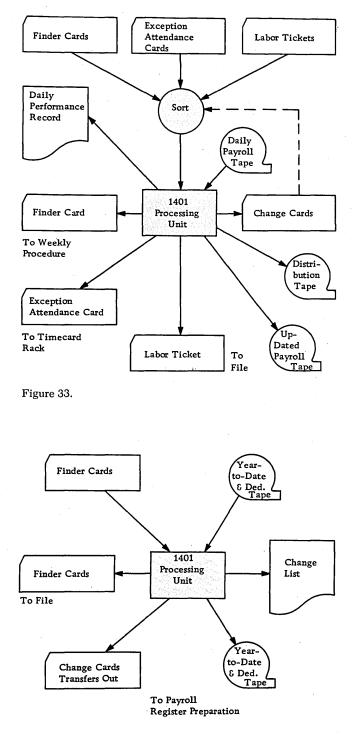
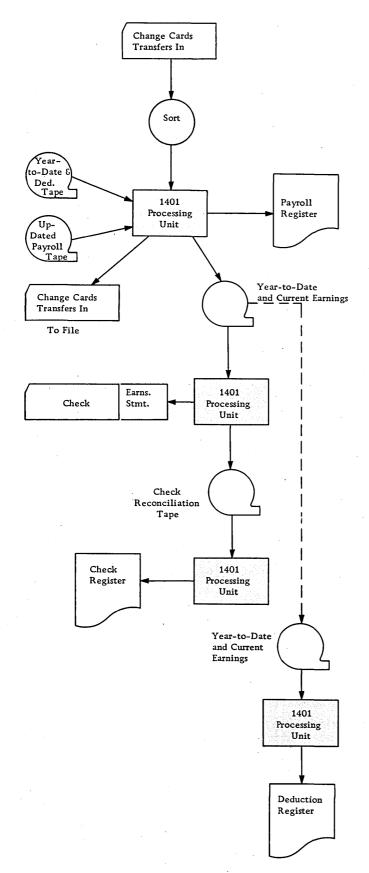


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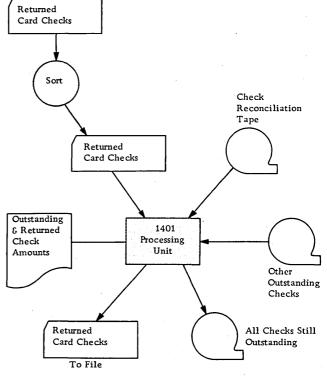
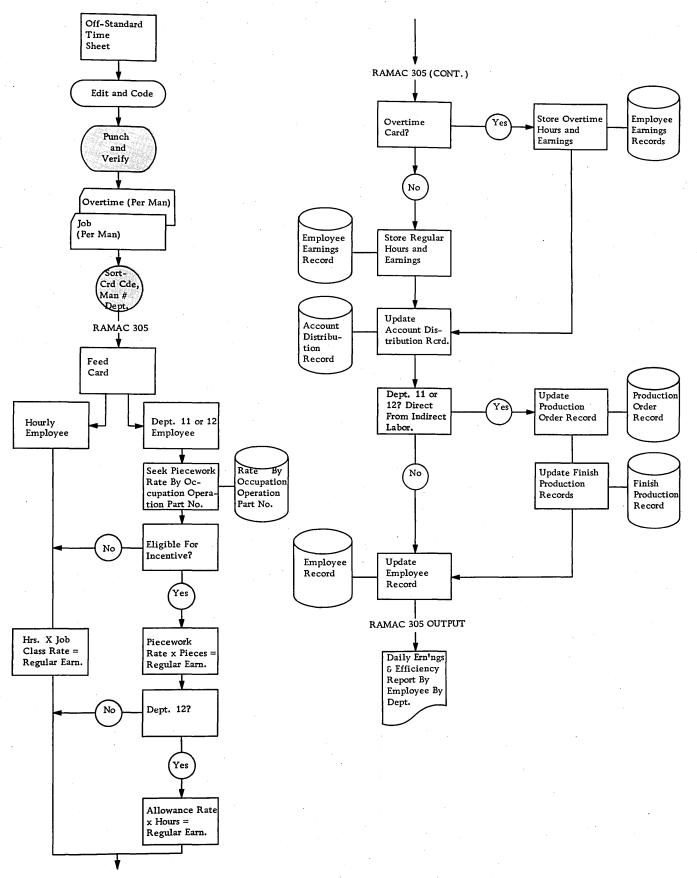


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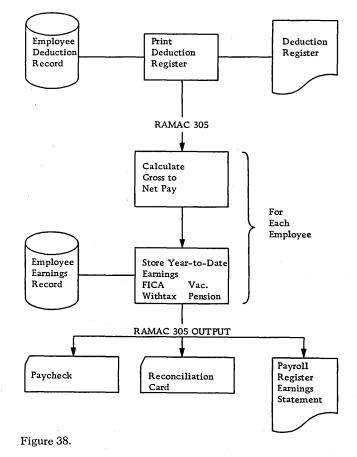
# IBM RAMAC 305 Data Processing System

In the following incentive payroll and labor accounting procedure, the IBM RAMAC 305 is used. The daily routine is outlined in the flow chart in Figure 37, and the pay period routine in Figure 38. Card codes indicate whether an employee holds an hourly or job-rated position. Job-rated positions exist in Department 11 or 12.

In Department 11, the incentive plan may or may not apply, depending on the operation and part numbers. Hourly employees and rated employees not eligible for incentive are treated the same—that is, either hours worked  $\times$  job class, or hours worked  $\times$  occupational rate = regular earnings. If, however, an employee is qualified for incentive, then either piecework rate  $\times$ pieces produced, or hours  $\times$  occupational rate (whichever is higher) = regular earnings.

Department 12 has time standards, so the allowance rate  $\times$  hours is used to establish possible incentive earnings. Allowance rate  $\times$  time on job, or occupational rate  $\times$  time on job (whichever is higher) = regular earnings.

Monthly, finder cards for the type of reports required are fed into the RAMAC 305. These reports are the monthly labor distribution report and the production order cost report. Quarterly, the RAMAC 305 will process the required governmental tax reports.



# Advantages

A payroll and labor accounting procedure should provide prompt and accurate paychecks, develop and maintain proper records of employee earnings, record and report various taxes and other statistical data required by governmental agencies, and provide management with labor costs.

The IBM methods of processing data make it possible to fulfill all these requirements effectively and economically. The flexibility inherent in IBM methods permits development of systems most advantageous to the varying requirements within each business.

Here are some of the many advantages to be obtained through the use of IBM equipment:

- Peak loads in reporting earnings are eliminated.
- Accumulated earnings balances are developed automatically.
- Payroll calculation time is reduced and the calculations are self-checked.
- Accurate payroll documents are prepared automatically.
- The same source payroll documents are used to prepare labor cost reports.
- Clerical effort to complete source documents is reduced.
- Production and cost reports are available for effective management control.
- The distribution of cost by department, account or job for budgetary control is automatically prepared. Unlimited variety of labor analyses of costs, to reflect profit margin, is available automatically.

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