

9. Detailed notes were made from the interviews (this required three weeks of labour). Some initial copies were made for women who required copies before they would sign the release form.

10. In total, out of the eighty-four unions contacted, twenty-eight wrote back and twenty made suggestions for interviews or supplied addresses. One hundred and fifty people were contacted this summer. At least two-thirds of these felt that they were not adequately experienced with the labour movement, were active at a later time period or were unable to complete an interview because of ill health. Five women refused an interview because of disagreements with the focus of the project or subsequent withdrawal from the labour movement.