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MONTHLY FINANCING OF MOTOR VEMICLE SALES IN CANADA, FEBRUARY, 1945

The financing of sales of new and used motor vehicles in Canada during February, 1945 totalled 1,742 units with a financed value of \$808,794, down 24 per cent in number and 15 per cent in amount of financing from the 2,306 vehicles financed in February last year for \$953,930. Included in the February, 1945 totals were 183 new vehicles financed to the extent of \$223,058.

Used vehicle financing declined 29 per cent in number and 27 per cent in dollar volume, 1,559 units being financed for \$585,736 in the month under review as compared with 2,189 transactions involving \$800,816 in the same month a year ago. Quebec recorded a slight increase in used vehicle financing, but declines continued in other sections of the country. Tercentage decreases by regions were as follows: British Columbia, 18; Ontario, 32; Maritime Provinces, 35; Alberta, 40 and Manitoba and Saskatchewan combined,44.

There were 373 new vehicles financed in the first two months of 1945 compared with 267 new vehicles financed in the corresponding period a year ago. Used vehicles financed during the same two months totalled 2,860 in 1945 and 4,132 in 1944.

FINANCING OF SAJES OF USED NOTOR VEHICIES IN CANADA, BY PROVINCES February, 1944 and 1945

	Number of Vehicles			Amount of Financing		
Region	1944	1945	% of Change, 1945/44	1944	1945	% of Change, 1945/44
				\$	\$	
CANADA	2,189	1,559	-28,8	800,816	585,736	-26.9
Maritimes	52	34	-34.6	14,408	11,536	-19.9
quebec	217	223	+ 2.8	104,472	111,924	+ 7.1
Ontario	1,176	738	-32.1	371,005	035,252	-36.7
Man. & Sask	165	92	-44.2	67,704	39,420	-41.8
Alberta	278	166	-40.3	129,708	87,723	-32.4
British Columbia	301	246	-18.3	112,919	99,881	-11.5

