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Introduction

Legal aid plans have been established in all provinces and territories, with the common goal of assisting low-income Canadians who require professional legal counsel. Legal aid plans in Canada provide legal representation, advice, referrals and information services. Because the administration of justice is a provincial responsibility, the organizational structure, eligibility requirements, and application of the legal aid plans differ in each province and territory. Considering these fundamental differences in the structure and the accompanying organizational differences, **caution must be used when making inter-jurisdictional comparisons of legal aid plans in Canada.**

The tables that follow provide five-year time series data (aggregate level) on: revenues, by source of funding; provincial/territorial and federal contributions to legal aid; legal aid expenditures; payments to private law firms, or fees paid for private lawyers' services; direct legal service expenditures, by type of legal matter, by staff or private lawyers; personnel resources, by type of staff; duty counsel services; and civil and criminal caseload characteristics (total, approved and refused applications) by type of legal matter.

For an analytical review of these data, please see the related product entitled *Legal Aid in Canada: Resource and Caseload Statistics, 2000-2001* (catalogue no. 85F0015). This report provides information on the organization and costs of legal aid in Canada. It also includes information on legal aid delivery systems, revenues and expenditures, and applications for legal aid.

For specific information related to the administration of legal aid in each province and territory, please see the report entitled *Legal aid in Canada: Description of Operations* (catalogue no. 85-217-XDB on diskette, or 85-217-XIB on the Internet). This qualitative report describes the structure and administration of provincial/territorial legal aid services in Canada. It also includes information on legislation, organization, coverage, eligibility, duty counsel and tariffs. Lists of resource persons and legal aid office locations are also provided.

Methodology

Data in the report *Legal Aid in Canada: Resource and Caseload Statistics* (Catalogue no. 85F0015) and the related data tables *Legal Aid in Canada: Resource and Caseload Data Tables* (Catalogue no. 85F0028) are obtained from the Legal Aid Survey, conducted annually since 1983-84, by the Courts Program, Canadian Centre for Justice Statistics. The objective of this census survey is to provide revenue, expenditure, personnel, and caseload statistics associated with the delivery and administration of legal aid in Canada. Data are collected and presented at the aggregate provincial/territorial level.

Data collection for all but a few data elements is administered through a survey questionnaire to the thirteen legal aid plans in Canada. Data on provincial/territorial government financial contributions are obtained from the appropriate department responsible for justice matters. Justice Canada provides the federal contributions for criminal legal aid figures. In earlier years, during the existence of the Canada Assistance Plan, figures for federal contributions for civil legal aid were obtained from Human Resources Development Canada. Data on provincial and territorial Bar membership are requested from the Federation of Law Societies of Canada.

To adjust for the effect of inflation, constant 1992-93 dollar figures have been calculated using the indexed changes in year-to-year revenues and expenditures for goods and services, as reported by Statistics Canada's *The Consumer Price Index*, Catalogue No. 62-001.

The population data used to produce the per capita figures in this report are taken from the report entitled *Annual Demographic Statistics, 2000* (Catalogue no. 91-213). They represent the Canadian population as of July 1st and are final intercensal estimates for 1995, final postcensal estimate for 1996 and 1997 and updated postcensal estimates for 1998-2000.

Table 1
Revenue Sources, Legal Aid

Province/Territory and Year	Total Revenue		Government Contributions		Client Contributions and Cost Recoveries		Contributions of the Legal Profession		Other	
	\$'000	\$'000	%	\$'000	%	\$'000	%	\$'000	%	
Newfoundland and Labrador										
1996-97	5,701	5,394	95	73	1	196	3	38	1	
1997-98	5,350	5,243	98	8	--	69	1	30	1	
1998-99	5,899	5,488	93	27	--	334	6	50	1	
1999-00	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
2000-01	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Prince Edward Island										
1996-97	598 ^r	598 ^r	100	..	..	..	..	..	..
1997-98	543 ^r	543 ^r	100	..	..	..	..	..	..
1998-99	595 ^r	561 ^r	94	..	..	..	..	34	6
1999-00	695	610	88	..	..	..	..	85	12
2000-01	736	655	89	..	..	..	..	81	11
Nova Scotia ¹										
1996-97	10,591	10,468	99	3	--	..	..	120	1
1997-98	10,354	10,248	99	3	--	..	..	103	1
1998-99	10,950	10,734	98	37	--	..	..	179	2
1999-00	11,435	11,207	98	13	--	..	..	215	2
2000-01	11,654	11,375	98	15	--	..	..	264	2
New Brunswick ²										
1996-97	3,595	3,228	90	109	3	100	3	158	4	
1997-98	3,806	3,278	86	96	3	220	6	212	6	
1998-99	4,050	3,524	87	98	2	160	4	268	7	
1999-00	5,058	4,521	89	101	2	100	2	336	7	
2000-01	4,650	3,913	84	93	2	295	6	349	8	
Quebec										
1996-97	113,669	113,025	99	271	--	..	..	373	--
1997-98	115,966	114,963	99	668	1	..	..	335	--
1998-99	129,645	128,268	99	914	1	..	..	463	--
1999-00	105,481	103,874	98	1,123	1	..	..	484	--
2000-01	107,996	106,097	98	1,389	1	..	..	510	--
Ontario ³										
1996-97	264,585	226,645	86	18,081	7	6,865	3	12,994	5	
1997-98	257,940	230,796	89	9,804	4	5,704	2	11,636	5	
1998-99	272,854	231,588	85	12,361	5	4,365	2	24,540	9	
1999-00	268,539	230,992	86	10,807	4	-	-	26,740	10	
2000-01	249,544	201,626	81	9,791	4	-	-	38,127	15	
Manitoba ⁴										
1996-97	15,041	12,467	83	1,080	7	1,457	10	37	--	
1997-98	15,289	12,957	85	1,316	9	984	6	32	--	
1998-99	15,335	12,994	85	1,478	10	835	5	28	--	
1999-00	17,590	14,179	81	1,694	10	1,687	10	30	--	
2000-01	18,060	14,657	81	1,838	10	1,524	8	41	--	
Saskatchewan ⁵										
1996-97	8,905	8,800	99	66	1	..	..	39	--
1997-98	9,534	9,432	99	63	1	..	..	39	--
1998-99	9,953	9,825	99	55	1	..	..	73	1
1999-00	10,690	10,565	99	52	--	..	..	73	1
2000-01	11,052	10,897	99	43	--	..	..	112	1
Alberta ⁶										
1996-97	27,455	22,542	82	2,201	8	..	..	2,712	10
1997-98	26,641	22,542	85	2,300	9	..	..	1,799	7
1998-99	27,012	22,542	83	2,166	8	..	..	2,304	9
1999-00	27,680	20,742	75	2,360	9	..	..	4,578	17
2000-01	29,545	22,542	76	2,579	9	..	..	4,424	15

Table 1
Revenue Sources, Legal Aid – Concluded

Province/Territory and Year	Total Revenue		Government Contributions		Client Contributions and Cost Recoveries		Contributions of the Legal Profession		Other	
	\$'000	\$'000	%	\$'000	%	\$'000	%	\$'000	%	
British Columbia⁷										
1996-97	92,717	87,423	94	289	--	4,000	4	1,005	1	
1997-98	86,230	82,171	95	214	--	3,500	4	345	--	
1998-99	86,213	82,035	95	187	--	2,975	3	1,016	1	
1999-00	86,545	81,810	95	199	--	3,175	4	1,361	2	
2000-01	88,324	82,953	94	533	1	3,289	4	1,549	2	
Northwest Territories⁸										
1996-97	5,125	5,125	100	...	...	...	...	...	...
1997-98	5,395	5,395	100	...	...	...	...	...	...
1998-99	5,412	5,412	100	...	...	...	...	...	...
1999-00	3,846	3,286	85	...	...	...	...	560	15
2000-01	3,511	3,511	100	...	...	...	...	...	...
Yukon Territory⁹										
1996-97	895	881	98	11	1	...	...	3	--
1997-98	864	856	99	8	1	...	...	--	--
1998-99	938	931	99	7	1	...	...	--	--
1999-00	978	968	99	10	1	...	...	--	--
2000-01	1,391	1,356	97	34	2	...	...	1	--
Nunavut										
1999-00	2,411	2,411	100	...	...	...	...	...	...
2000-01	2,842	2,840	100	2	--	...	...	...	...
Canada										
1996-97	548,877	496,596	90	22,184	4	12,618	2	17,479	3	
1997-98	537,912	498,424	93	14,480	3	10,477	2	14,531	3	
1998-99	568,822	513,902	90	17,330	3	8,669	2	28,921	5	
1999-00	540,948	485,165	90	16,359	3	4,962	1	34,411	6	
2000-01	529,309	462,422	87	16,317	3	5,108	1	45,462	9	

Source: Legal Aid Survey, Canadian Centre for Justice Statistics.

General Note When summed, provincial/territorial contributions (Table 2) plus federal contributions (Tables 3 and 17) may not equal total government contributions (Table 1) for the following reasons: (i) the total government contributions figure in Table 1 is provided by the legal aid plans, representing the total provincial grant, which includes federal contributions, whereas the provincial/territorial and federal contributions figures are obtained from the appropriate government department; (ii) any difference in accounting methods (i.e. cash versus accrual) will cause differences in which fiscal period contributions are accounted for; (iii) legal aid plans may have submitted back claims to the federal government, which are accounted for in the total government contributions figure.

¹ **Nova Scotia** Data reported are based on cash and accrual accounting procedures. For 2000-2001, the 'Other' category includes interest income of \$229,000 and earned deferred capital grant of \$35,000.

² **New Brunswick** Other revenue for 2000-2001 included a HST rebate of \$262,100, interest and miscellaneous amounts totaling \$87,100.

³ **Ontario** Other revenue for 2000-2001 includes: interest on investments (\$6,950,000); research sales (\$66,000); contributions from the Law Foundation (\$30,964,000); settlement conferences (\$9,000); and, miscellaneous other revenues (\$138,000). In April, 1999 the Law Society of Upper Canada stopped contributing to legal aid. Government contributions include grants from the provincial government for the operation of community legal clinics, and by year have amounted to:

1996-97	\$32,444,000
1997-98	\$32,453,000
1998-99	\$37,677,000
1999-2000	\$35,085,000
2000-2001	\$44,000,000

⁴ **Manitoba** Other revenue for 2000-2001 includes \$41,000 in interest.

⁵ **Saskatchewan** Figures include net accounts receivable of \$66,450 in 1999-2000. In 1998-99, accounts receivable totaled \$14,670. Included in the net accounts receivable balance of \$79,817, is an amount due of \$50,000 from Saskatchewan Justice for the 1997-98 appropriation. Not included in the total for 1996-97 is a Computer Purchase Grant from the Saskatchewan Law Foundation in the amount of \$121,400. Other revenue for 2000-2001 includes: interest on investments (\$87,000) and miscellaneous amounts totalling \$25,000.

⁶ **Alberta** Other revenue for 2000-2001 includes a Law Foundation Grant (\$2,962,000), and interest earnings (\$1,462,000).

⁷ **British Columbia** Other revenue for 2000-2001 includes: interest (\$685,000); the Notary Foundation (\$659,000), and miscellaneous sources (\$205,000).

⁸ **Northwest Territories** In 1998-99, client contributions of \$48,000 were credited to the Government of the Northwest Territories consolidated revenue fund and are not available to the Plan. In 1997-98, this amount was \$87,000, in 1996-97, it was \$75,000, and in 1995-96, \$91,000. These contributions are included in the total revenue. Revenue contributed by the Government of the Northwest Territories includes monies for the entire Legal Services Program. Funding for Legal Aid, Court Worker Services and Public Legal Education is combined.

⁹ **Yukon Territory** Other revenue for 2000-2001 includes \$1,000 in interest.

Table 2
Provincial and Territorial Contributions to Total Legal Aid Expenditures

Province/Territory and Year	Current Dollars			Constant Dollars			CPI Fiscal Average 1992-93=100	Population
	Total	% Change	Per Capita	Total	% Change	Per Capita		
	\$'000		\$	\$'000		\$		
Newfoundland and Labrador								
1996-97	3,698	43	6.60 ^r	3,492	41	6.23	105.9 ^r	560.6 ^r
1997-98	3,971	7	7.17 ^r	3,701	6	6.68	107.3	554.0 ^r
1998-99	4,467	12	8.19 ^r	4,125	11	7.56	108.3	545.4 ^r
1999-00	4,432 ^r	-1	8.20 ^r	3,986	-3	7.37	111.2	540.7 ^r
2000-01	4,447	--	8.28	3,891	-2	7.24	114.3	537.2
Prince Edward Island								
1996-97	369 ^r	21	2.71 ^r	348	19	2.56	105.9 ^r	136.2 ^r
1997-98	306 ^r	-17	2.24 ^r	285	-18	2.08	107.3	136.9 ^r
1998-99	313 ^r	2	2.28 ^r	289	1	2.11	108.3	137.0 ^r
1999-00	456	46	3.31 ^r	410	42	2.98	111.2	137.6 ^r
2000-01	391	-14	2.83	342	-17	2.48	114.3	138.1
Nova Scotia								
1996-97	7,406	51	7.95 ^r	6,993	48	7.51	105.9 ^r	931.2 ^r
1997-98	7,566	2	8.10 ^r	7,051	1	7.55	107.3	934.5 ^r
1998-99	7,878	4	8.42 ^r	7,274	3	7.77	108.3	936.1 ^r
1999-00	8,776	11	9.34 ^r	7,892	8	8.40	111.2	939.7 ^r
2000-01	9,349	7	9.93	8,179	4	8.69	114.3	941.2
New Brunswick¹								
1996-97	3,228	33	4.29 ^r	3,048	31	4.05	105.9 ^r	753.0 ^r
1997-98	3,278	2	4.35 ^r	3,055	--	4.05	107.3	754.2 ^r
1998-99	3,524	8	4.68	3,254	7	4.32	108.3	753.5 ^r
1999-00	3,607	2	4.78 ^r	3,244	--	4.30	111.2	754.4 ^r
2000-01	3,913	8	5.18	3,423	6	4.53	114.3	755.3
Quebec								
1996-97	102,959	55	14.15 ^r	97,223	52	13.37	105.9 ^r	7,274.0 ^r
1997-98	98,515	-4	13.49 ^r	91,813	-6	12.57	107.3	7,302.6 ^r
1998-99	111,873	14	15.28 ^r	103,299	13	14.11	108.3	7,323.0 ^r
1999-00	87,340	-22	11.88 ^r	78,543	-24	10.69	111.2	7,349.7 ^r
2000-01	89,415	2	12.12	78,228	-0	10.60	114.3	7,377.7
Ontario								
1996-97	191,096	2	17.21 ^r	180,449	--	16.26	105.9 ^r	11,100.9 ^r
1997-98	191,130	--	16.99 ^r	178,127	-1	15.83	107.3	11,249.5 ^r
1998-99	194,500	2	17.08 ^r	179,594	1	15.78	108.3	11,384.4 ^r
1999-00	194,792	--	16.91 ^r	175,173	-2	15.20	111.2	11,522.7 ^r
2000-01	171,126	-12	14.64	149,717	-15	12.81	114.3	11,685.3
Manitoba								
1996-97	9,154	19	8.07 ^r	8,644	17	7.62	105.9 ^r	1,134.3 ^r
1997-98	9,801	7	8.62 ^r	9,134	6	8.04	107.3	1,136.6 ^r
1998-99	9,850	--	8.66 ^r	9,095	--	7.99	108.3	1,138.0 ^r
1999-00	11,044	12	9.67 ^r	9,932	9	8.69	111.2	1,142.4 ^r
2000-01	11,522	4	10.05	10,080	1	8.80	114.3	1,146.0
Saskatchewan²								
1996-97	5,321	33	5.22	5,025	31	4.93	105.9 ^r	1,019.5 ^r
1997-98	6,912	30	6.76 ^r	6,442	28	6.30	107.3	1,022.0 ^r
1998-99	7,360	6	7.18	6,796	5	6.63	108.3	1,025.2 ^r
1999-00	8,084	10	7.88 ^r	7,270	7	7.09	111.2	1,025.5 ^r
2000-01	8,407	4	8.23	7,355	1	7.20	114.3	1,022.0
Alberta								
1996-97	16,140	-1	5.80 ^r	15,241	-3	5.48	105.9 ^r	2,780.6 ^r
1997-98	16,056	-1	5.66 ^r	14,964	-2	5.27	107.3	2,837.2 ^r
1998-99	16,100 ^r	--	5.54 ^r	14,866	-1	5.11	108.3	2,906.9 ^r
1999-00	14,198	-12	4.80 ^r	12,768	-14	4.31	111.2	2,959.5 ^r
2000-01	15,912	12	5.29	13,921	9	4.63	114.3	3,009.2

Table 2
Provincial and Territorial Contributions to Total Legal Aid Expenditures – Concluded

Province/Territory and Year	Current Dollars			Constant Dollars			CPI Fiscal Average 1992-93=100	Population
	Total	% Change	Per Capita	Total	% Change	Per Capita		
	\$'000		\$	\$'000		\$			'000
British Columbia³								
1996-97	72,500	24	18.68 ^r	68,461	22	17.64	105.9 ^r	3,882.0 ^r
1997-98	72,900	1	18.41 ^r	67,940	-1	17.16	107.3	3,959.7 ^r
1998-99	73,600	1	18.41 ^r	67,959	--	17.00	108.3	3,998.3 ^r
1999-00	74,100	1	18.40 ^r	66,637	-2	16.54	111.2	4,028.1 ^r
2000-01	75,123	1	18.51	65,724	-1	16.19	114.3	4,058.8
Northwest Territories⁴								
1996-97	3,467	1	51.29 ^r	3,274	-1	48.43	105.9 ^r	67.6 ^r
1997-98	3,358	-3	49.60 ^r	3,130	-4	46.23	107.3	67.7 ^r
1998-99	3,124	-7	46.28	2,885	-8	42.73	108.3	67.5
1999-00	3,521	13	85.88 ^r	3,166	10	77.23	111.2	41.0 ^r
2000-01	3,511	--	85.84	3,072	-3	75.10	114.3	40.9
Yukon Territory								
1996-97	476 ^r	-3	14.92 ^r	449	-5	14.09	105.9 ^r	31.9 ^r
1997-98	429	-10	13.32 ^r	400	-11	12.42	107.3	32.2 ^r
1998-99	504 ^r	17	15.95	465	16	14.73	108.3	31.6
1999-00	828 ^r	64	26.71 ^r	745	60	24.02	111.2	31.0 ^r
2000-01	929	12	30.36	813	9	26.56	114.3	30.6
Nunavut⁵								
1999-00	..	..	..	..	..	..	111.2	26.9 ^r
2000-01	3,347	..	122.15	2,928	..	106.87	114.3	27.4
Canada								
1996-97	415,814	17	14.01 ^r	392,648	15	13.23	105.9 ^r	29,671.9 ^r
1997-98	414,222	--	13.81 ^r	386,041	-2	12.87	107.3	29,987.2 ^r
1998-99	433,093 ^r	5	14.32 ^r	399,901	4	13.22	108.3	30,246.9 ^r
1999-00	411,178 ^r	-5	13.48 ^r	369,764	-8	12.12	111.2	30,499.2 ^r
2000-01	397,392	-3	12.92	347,675	-6	11.30	114.3	30,769.7

Source: Legal Aid Survey, Canadian Centre for Justice Statistics.

General Note Prior to 1996-97, several provinces received federal funding for civil legal aid through the now-defunct Canada Assistance Plan, which was administered by Human Resources Development Canada. On April 1, 1996, the Canada Health and Social Transfer (CHST) became the new way of providing federal funding for a number of social programs, including civil legal aid. The new block-transfer allows the provinces more flexibility in their own funding priorities. As a result of the new transfer program, provincial contributions to legal aid increased significantly in 1996-97 in Newfoundland, Nova Scotia, Quebec, Manitoba, Saskatchewan, and British Columbia.

¹ **New Brunswick** The contribution of the Government of New Brunswick for 2000-2001 includes all expenditures for domestic legal aid (\$1,712,700) and criminal legal aid (\$2,200,000).

² **Saskatchewan** With the termination of the Canada Assistance Program on March 31, 1996, provincial contributions rose by \$1.3 million (33%) in 1996-97.

³ **British Columbia** The figures for British Columbia do not include fees and disbursements on large legal aid cases and Rowbothams funded directly by the provincial government.

⁴ **Northwest Territories** Figures represent total territorial contributions for legal aid less the sum of federal contributions to criminal legal aid as well as the courtworker programs. The 1999-2000 contributions include \$1.8 millions from Nunavut.

⁵ **Nunavut** Although the creation of the Territory of Nunavut officially took place April 1, 1999, the Northwest Territories Legal Services Board remained the provider of Legal Aid Services in Nunavut until June 30, 2000. This total includes \$1,192,620 from the Access to Justice Agreement.

Table 3
Federal Contributions to Criminal Legal Aid¹

Province/Territory and Year	Federal Contribution Current Dollars		% of Net Cost-Shared Expenditure	Net Cost-Shared Expenditure ²	Federal Contribution Constant Dollars		CPI Fiscal Average 1992-93=100	Population
	Total	Per Capita			Total	Per Capita		
	\$'000	\$			\$'000	\$'000			$	'000
Newfoundland and Labrador								
1996-97	1,661	2.96 ^r	51	3,246	1,568	2.80	105.9 ^r	560.6 ^r
1997-98	1,653	2.98 ^r	49	3,362	1,541	2.78	107.3	554.0 ^r
1998-99	1,571	2.88	..	3,534 ^e	1,451	2.66	108.3	545.4 ^r
1999-00	1,557	2.88	..	3,756 ^e	1,400	2.59	111.2	540.7 ^r
2000-01	1,546	2.88	37	4,140	1,353	2.52	114.3	537.2
Prince Edward Island								
1996-97	229	1.68 ^r	55	413	216	1.59	105.9 ^r	136.2 ^r
1997-98	237	1.73 ^r	..	430	221	1.61	107.3	136.9 ^r
1998-99	248	1.81	..	450	229	1.67	108.3	137.0 ^r
1999-00	254	1.85	52	492	228	1.66	111.2	137.6 ^r
2000-01	262	1.90	43	608	229	1.66	114.3	138.1
Nova Scotia								
1996-97	3,062	3.29 ^r	57	5,347	2,891	3.11	105.9 ^r	931.2 ^r
1997-98	3,037	3.25 ^r	59	5,190	2,830	3.03	107.3	934.5 ^r
1998-99	2,858	3.05	50	5,683	2,639	2.82	108.3	936.1 ^r
1999-00	2,831	3.01	48	5,939	2,546	2.71	111.2	939.7 ^r
2000-01	2,808	2.98	47	5,987	2,457	2.61	114.3	941.2
New Brunswick								
1996-97	1,210	1.61 ^r	60	2,033	1,143	1.52	105.9 ^r	753.0 ^r
1997-98	1,256	1.67 ^r	59	2,135	1,171	1.55	107.3	754.2 ^r
1998-99	1,327	1.76	57	2,335	1,225	1.63	108.3	753.5 ^r
1999-00	1,363	1.81	62	2,205	1,226	1.62	111.2	754.4 ^r
2000-01	1,401	1.85	64	2,173	1,226	1.62	114.3	755.3
Quebec								
1996-97	16,234	2.23 ^r	49	33,102	15,329	2.11	105.9 ^r	7,274.0 ^r
1997-98	16,448	2.25 ^r	41	40,214	15,329	2.10	107.3	7,302.6 ^r
1998-99	16,396	2.24	38	42,937	15,139	2.07	108.3	7,323.0 ^r
1999-00	16,535	2.25	...	36,292 ^e	14,870	2.02	111.2	7,349.7 ^r
2000-01	16,683	2.26	45	37,325	14,596	1.98	114.3	7,377.7
Ontario								
1996-97	39,402	3.55 ^r	34	114,960	37,207	3.35	105.9 ^r	11,100.9 ^r
1997-98	38,976	3.46 ^r	39	99,245	36,324	3.23	107.3	11,249.5 ^r
1998-99	36,438	3.20	39	93,764	33,645	2.96	108.3	11,384.4 ^r
1999-00	36,066	3.13	..	90,148	32,433	2.81	111.2	11,522.7 ^r
2000-01	35,725	3.06	33	107,860	31,255	2.67	114.3	11,685.3
Manitoba								
1996-97	3,312	2.92 ^r	46	7,188	3,128	2.76	105.9 ^r	1,134.3 ^r
1997-98	3,304	2.91 ^r	42	7,862	3,079	2.71	107.3	1,136.6 ^r
1998-99	3,154	2.77	41	7,662	2,912	2.56	108.3	1,138.0 ^r
1999-00	3,145	2.75	36	8,730	2,828	2.48	111.2	1,142.4 ^r
2000-01	3,135	2.74	37	8,583	2,743	2.39	114.3	1,146.0
Saskatchewan								
1996-97	2,503	2.46	41	6,091 ^r	2,364	2.32	105.9 ^r	1,019.5 ^r
1997-98	2,520	2.47	39	6,498	2,349	2.30	107.3	1,022.0 ^r
1998-99	2,465	2.40	35	7,085	2,276	2.22	108.3	1,025.2 ^r
1999-00	2,480	2.42	31	8,076	2,230	2.17	111.2	1,025.5 ^r
2000-01	2,490	2.44	31	8,163	2,178	2.13	114.3	1,022.0
Alberta								
1996-97	6,402	2.30 ^r	40	15,867	6,046	2.17	105.9 ^r	2,780.6 ^r
1997-98	6,479	2.28 ^r	46	14,161	6,038	2.13	107.3	2,837.2 ^r
1998-99	6,441	2.22 ^r	44	14,707	5,947	2.05	108.3	2,906.9 ^r
1999-00	6,544	2.21	42	15,676	5,885	1.99	111.2	2,959.5 ^r
2000-01	6,630	2.20	38	17,427	5,801	1.93	114.3	3,009.2

Table 3
Federal Contributions to Criminal Legal Aid¹ – Concluded

Province/Territory and Year	Federal Contribution Current Dollars		% of Net Cost-Shared Expenditure	Net Cost-Shared Expenditure	Federal Contribution Constant Dollars		CPI Fiscal Average 1992-93=100	Population
	Total	Per Capita			Total	Per Capita		
	\$'000	\$	%	\$'000	\$'000	\$	'000	
British Columbia								
1996-97	8,899	2.29 ^r	23	39,416	8,404	2.16	105.9 ^r	3,882.0 ^r
1997-98	9,005	2.27 ^r	26	34,197	8,392	2.12	107.3	3,959.7 ^r
1998-99	8,929	2.23	27	32,688	8,245	2.06	108.3	3,998.3 ^r
1999-00	9,052	2.25	27	34,143	8,140	2.02	111.2	4,028.1 ^r
2000-01	9,148	2.25	26	34,679	8,003	1.97	114.3	4,058.8
Northwest Territories³								
1996-97	1,658	24.53 ^r	39	4,267 ^r	1,566	23.16	105.9 ^r	67.6 ^r
1997-98	1,658	24.49 ^r	..	..	1,545	22.82	107.3	67.7 ^r
1998-99	1,658	24.56	..	..	1,531	22.68	108.3	67.5
1999-00	1,040	25.37	..	..	935	22.81	111.2	41.0 ^r
2000-01	1,200	29.34	..	..	1,050	25.67	114.3	40.9
Yukon Territory³								
1996-97	427	13.40 ^r	49	878 ^r	404	12.65	105.9 ^r	31.9 ^r
1997-98	427	13.27 ^r	..	..	398	12.37	107.3	32.2 ^r
1998-99	427	13.51	..	..	394	12.48	108.3	31.6
1999-00	427	13.77	..	..	384	12.39	111.2	31.0 ^r
2000-01	427	13.95	..	..	374	12.21	114.3	30.6
Nunavut⁴								
1999-00	874	32.49	..	..	786	..	111.2	26.9 ^r
2000-01	931	33.98	..	..	815	29.73	114.3	27.4
Canada								
1996-97	85,000	2.86 ^r	37	232,808 ^r	80,264	2.71	105.9 ^r	29,671.9 ^r
1997-98	85,000	2.83 ^r	..	..	79,217	2.64	107.3	29,987.2 ^r
1998-99	81,912	2.71	..	..	75,634	2.50	108.3	30,246.9 ^r
1999-00	82,168	2.69	..	..	73,892	2.42	111.2	30,499.2 ^r
2000-01	82,386	2.68	..	..	72,079	2.34	114.3	30,769.7

Source: Legal Aid Survey, Canadian Centre for Justice Statistics.

¹ **Federal Contribution to Criminal Legal Aid** A new federal/provincial/territorial cost-sharing agreement commenced April 1, 1996. As part of the new agreement, the funding formula changed, now taking historical claims amounts and the provincial/territorial population into consideration. The contributions made by Justice Canada are no longer separated on the basis of services to adults and young offenders, but are calculated as a total.

² **Net Cost-Shared Expenditure** Represents provincial and territorial claims for costs incurred by each Legal Aid Plan on matters specified in the federal-provincial/territorial cost-sharing agreements for criminal legal aid. It covers both legal service costs and associated administrative expenses. Such an amount is the net of all contributions and recoveries received for clients. Net cost-shared expenditures are calculated on a province-by-province and territorial basis; therefore, caution must be exercised when making inter-provincial and territorial comparisons.

³ **Northwest Territories and Yukon Territory** The federal contribution for criminal legal aid decreased significantly in 1995-96 due to the fact that there were no contributions for services to adults. This is due to the conversion from a lag-year to current-year payment basis for criminal legal aid in the territories. Starting in 1997/98, the territories are part of the Access to Justice Services Agreements, which includes the legal aid program, the Aboriginal Court Work Program, and the Public Legal Education and Information program. In 1999-2000, the breakdown for each of these program areas is not available separately. Legal aid funding for the territories includes civil legal aid through the cost-sharing agreements.

⁴ **Nunavut** Although the creation of the Territory of Nunavut officially took place April 1, 1999, the Northwest Territories Legal Services Board remained the provider of Legal Aid Services in Nunavut until June 30, 2000.

Table 4
Total Legal Aid Expenditures

Province/Territory and Year	Current Dollars			Constant Dollars			CPI Fiscal Average 1992-93=100	Population
	Total	% Change	Per Capita	Total	% Change	Per Capita		
	\$'000	%	\$	\$'000	%	\$			'000
Newfoundland and Labrador								
1996-97	5,545	-3	9.89 ^r	5,236	-5	9.34	105.9 ^r	560.6 ^r
1997-98	5,524	--	9.97 ^r	5,148	-2	9.29	107.3	554.0 ^r
1998-99	5,674	3	10.40	5,239	2	9.61	108.3	545.4 ^r
1999-00	..	..	..	..	..	..	111.2	540.7 ^r
2000-01	..	..	..	..	..	..	114.3	537.2
Prince Edward Island¹								
1996-97	598 ^r	12	4.39 ^r	565	10	4.15	105.9 ^r	136.2 ^r
1997-98	543 ^r	-9	3.97 ^r	506	-10	3.70	107.3	136.9 ^r
1998-99	595 ^r	10	4.34 ^r	549	9	4.01	108.3	137.0 ^r
1999-00	695	17	5.05 ^r	625	14	4.54	111.2	137.6 ^r
2000-01	736	6	5.33	644	3	4.66	114.3	138.1
Nova Scotia²								
1996-97	10,599	-4	11.38 ^r	10,008	-6	10.75	105.9 ^r	931.2 ^r
1997-98	10,111	-5	10.82 ^r	9,423	-6	10.08	107.3	934.5 ^r
1998-99	10,965	8	11.71	10,125	7	10.82	108.3	936.1 ^r
1999-00	11,117	1	11.83 ^r	9,997	-1	10.64	111.2	939.7 ^r
2000-01	11,031	-1	11.72	9,651	-3	10.25	114.3	941.2
New Brunswick³								
1996-97	3,608	21	4.79 ^r	3,407	19	4.52	105.9 ^r	753.0 ^r
1997-98	3,551	-2	4.71 ^r	3,309	-3	4.39	107.3	754.2 ^r
1998-99	4,038	14	5.36	3,729	13	4.95	108.3	753.5 ^r
1999-00	4,087	1	5.42 ^r	3,675	-1	4.87	111.2	754.4 ^r
2000-01	4,104	--	5.43	3,591	-2	4.75	114.3	755.3
Quebec⁴								
1996-97	114,238	-5	15.70 ^r	107,873	-7	14.83	105.9 ^r	7,274.0 ^r
1997-98	108,856	-5	14.91 ^r	101,450	-6	13.89	107.3	7,302.6 ^r
1998-99	121,180	11	16.55	111,893	10	15.28	108.3	7,323.0 ^r
1999-00	101,943	-16	13.87 ^r	91,675	-18	12.47	111.2	7,349.7 ^r
2000-01	103,208	1	13.99	90,296	-2	12.24	114.3	7,377.7
Ontario⁵								
1996-97	250,142	-24	22.53 ^r	236,206	-25	21.28	105.9 ^r	11,100.9 ^r
1997-98	186,861	-25	16.61 ^r	174,148	-26	15.48	107.3	11,249.5 ^r
1998-99	217,208	16	19.08	200,561	15	17.62	108.3	11,384.4 ^r
1999-00	223,608	3	19.41 ^r	201,086	--	17.45	111.2	11,522.7 ^r
2000-01	241,835	8	20.70	211,579	5	18.11	114.3	11,685.3
Manitoba								
1996-97	15,060	1	13.28 ^r	14,221	-1	12.54	105.9 ^r	1,134.3 ^r
1997-98	15,747	5	13.85 ^r	14,676	3	12.91	107.3	1,136.6 ^r
1998-99	15,160	-4	13.32	13,998	-5	12.30	108.3	1,138.0 ^r
1999-00	17,637	16	15.44 ^r	15,861	13	13.88	111.2	1,142.4 ^r
2000-01	18,095	3	15.79	15,831	-0	13.81	114.3	1,146.0
Saskatchewan⁶								
1996-97	8,909	1	8.74	8,413	-1	8.25	105.9 ^r	1,019.5 ^r
1997-98	9,560	7	9.35 ^r	8,910	6	8.72	107.3	1,022.0 ^r
1998-99	10,111	6	9.86	9,336	5	9.11	108.3	1,025.2 ^r
1999-00	10,616	5	10.35 ^r	9,547	2	9.31	111.2	1,025.5 ^r
2000-01	10,989	4	10.75	9,614	1	9.41	114.3	1,022.0
Alberta								
1996-97	24,445	17	8.79 ^r	23,083	15	8.30	105.9 ^r	2,780.6 ^r
1997-98	22,342	-9	7.87 ^r	20,822	-10	7.34	107.3	2,837.2 ^r
1998-99	22,903	3	7.88	21,148	2	7.28	108.3	2,906.9 ^r
1999-00	26,142	14	8.83 ^r	23,509	11	7.94	111.2	2,959.5 ^r
2000-01	27,215	4	9.04	23,810	1	7.91	114.3	3,009.2

Table 4
Total Legal Aid Expenditures – Concluded

Province/Territory and Year	Current Dollars			Constant Dollars			CPI Fiscal Average 1992-93=100	Population
	Total	% Change	Per Capita	Total	% Change	Per Capita		
	\$'000	%	\$	\$'000	%	\$			'000
British Columbia⁷								
1996-97	96,989	-5	24.98 ^r	91,585	-7	23.59	105.9 ^r	3,882.0 ^r
1997-98	85,270	-12	21.53 ^r	79,469	-13	20.07	107.3	3,959.7 ^r
1998-99	80,335	-6	20.09	74,178	-7	18.55	108.3	3,998.3 ^r
1999-00	83,650	4	20.77 ^r	75,225	1	18.68	111.2	4,028.1 ^r
2000-01	87,515	5	21.56	76,566	2	18.86	114.3	4,058.8
Northwest Territories⁸								
1996-97	5,126	-6	75.83 ^r	4,840	-8	71.60	105.9 ^r	67.6 ^r
1997-98	5,397	5	79.72 ^r	5,030	4	74.30	107.3	67.7 ^r
1998-99	5,207	-4	77.14	4,808	-4	71.23	108.3	67.5
1999-00	3,714	-29	90.59 ^r	3,340	-31	81.46	111.2	41.0 ^r
2000-01	3,511	-5	85.84	3,072	-8	75.10	114.3	40.9
Yukon Territory								
1996-97	887	-19	27.81 ^r	838	-20	26.26	105.9 ^r	31.9 ^r
1997-98	881	-1	27.36 ^r	821	-2	25.50	107.3	32.2 ^r
1998-99	1,033	17	32.69	954	16	30.18	108.3	31.6
1999-00	1,245	21	40.16 ^r	1,120	17	36.12	111.2	31.0 ^r
2000-01	1,032	-17	33.73	903	-19	29.51	114.3	30.6
Nunavut⁹								
1999-00	2,651	..	99.29 ^r	..	..	..	111.2	26.7 ^r
2000-01	2,836	7	103.50	2,481	..	90.55	114.3	27.4
Canada								
1996-97	536,146	-14	18.07 ^r	506,276	-15	17.06	105.9 ^r	29,671.9 ^r
1997-98	454,643	-15	15.16 ^r	423,712	-16	14.13	107.3	29,987.2 ^r
1998-99	494,409	9	16.35	456,518	8	15.09	108.3	30,246.9 ^r
1999-00	487,105	-1	15.97 ^r	438,044	-4	14.36	111.2	30,499.2 ^r
2000-01	512,107	5	16.64	448,038	2	14.56	114.3	30,769.7

Source: Legal Aid Survey, Canadian Centre for Justice Statistics.

¹ **Prince Edward Island** The increase in expenditures for 1999-2000 comes from a major rent increase following the relocation of the Charlottetown office, salary and pension increases and revised accounting procedures. Legal Aid is staffed and paid through the province's Department of Community Affairs and Attorney General. Purchasing, accommodations, payroll and payment of private counsel costs are processed and paid for by the Department's Administrative section. These services are largely unaccounted for as a legal aid cost.

² **Nova Scotia** A cash and accrual accounting system is used to facilitate the inclusion of accrued private solicitor fees.

³ **New Brunswick** Not included in the 2000-2001 total are 4,422 full service cases dealt with by private bar duty counsel.

⁴ **Quebec** The decrease in expenditures in 1996-97 was due to amendments made to the Legal Aid Act in September 1996, introducing stricter coverage and eligibility criteria (which subsequently led to a reduction in the number of approved applications).

⁵ **Ontario** Includes funding for the Student Legal Aid Society, Northern Legal Services and the Refugee Law Office. Government funding was strictly capped through to 1999-2000. In 1996-97, Ontario implemented an accrual accounting system.

⁶ **Saskatchewan** Figures include accounts payable and accrued liabilities, which by year amount to:

1996-97	\$414,292
1997-98	\$589,099
1998-99	\$889,902
1999-2000	\$770,030
2000-2001	\$846,113

⁷ **British Columbia** A modified accrual system of accounting is followed. The Plan pays reduced rent for head office space due to efforts of the City of Vancouver.

⁸ **Northwest Territories** Office space and financial administration services provided by the territorial government are excluded. Total expenses for 1999-2000 include monies spent on legal aid services and clinic contributions in Nunavut as well as the Northwest Territories (NWT) although the division of the Territories officially took place April 1, 1999. The NWT Legal Services Board remained the provider of services in Nunavut until June 30, 2000.

⁹ **Nunavut** Although the division of the Northwest Territories officially took place April 1, 1999, the Northwest Territories Legal Services Board remained the provider of Legal Aid Services in Nunavut until June 30, 2000.

**Table 5
Legal Aid Expenditures by Object**

Province/Territory and Year	Total	Total Direct Legal Services Expenditures	% of total	Criminal Matters		Civil Matters		Other Program Expenditures		Central Administrative Expenditures	
				% of direct legal service		% of direct legal service		% of total		% of total	
	\$'000	\$'000	%	\$'000	%	\$'000	%	\$'000	%	\$'000	%
Newfoundland and Labrador											
1996-97	5,545	5,545	100	3,247	59	2,298	41	-	-	-	-
1997-98	5,524	5,524	100	3,363	61	2,161	39	-	-	-	-
1998-99	5,674	5,674	100	3,489	61	2,185	39	-	-	-	-
1999-00	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
2000-01	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Prince Edward Island¹											
1996-97	598 ^r	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
1997-98	543 ^r	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
1998-99	595 ^r	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
1999-00	695	610	88	492	81	118	19	85	12	..	..
2000-01	736	655	89	525	80	130	20	81	11	..	..
Nova Scotia											
1996-97	10,599	9,986	94	5,030	50	4,956	50	51	--	562	5
1997-98	10,111	9,435	93	4,809	51	4,626	49	51	1	625	6
1998-99	10,965	10,241	93	5,291	52	4,950	48	7	--	717	7
1999-00	11,117	10,222	92	5,454	53	4,768	47	-	-	895	8
2000-01	11,031	10,120	92	5,491	54	4,629	46	23	--	888	8
New Brunswick²											
1996-97	3,608	3,090	86	1,779	58	1,311	42	-	-	518	14
1997-98	3,551	3,026	85	1,680	56	1,346	44	-	-	525	15
1998-99	4,038	3,277	81	1,936	59	1,341	41	-	-	761	19
1999-00	4,087	3,362	82	1,992	59	1,370	41	-	-	725	18
2000-01	4,104	3,502	85	1,884	54	1,619	46	9	--	592	14
Quebec³											
1996-97	114,238	104,040 ^e	91 ^e	34,541 ^e	33 ^e	69,499 ^e	67 ^e	1,026	1	9,172	8
1997-98	108,856	96,225 ^e	88 ^e	35,382 ^e	37 ^e	60,843 ^e	63 ^e	876	1	11,755	11
1998-99	121,180	91,159 ^e	75 ^e	32,749 ^e	36 ^e	58,410 ^e	64 ^e	866	1	29,155	24
1999-00	101,943	92,018	90	32,326	35	59,692	65	750	1	9,175	9
2000-01	103,208	92,903 ^e	90 ^e	33,179 ^e	36 ^e	59,724 ^e	64 ^e	848	1	9,457	9
Ontario⁴											
1996-97	250,142	208,386	83	91,636	44	116,750	56	6,261	3	35,495	14
1997-98	186,861	148,290	79	78,875	53	69,415	47	5,840	3	32,731	18
1998-99	217,208	176,422	81	77,988	44	98,434	56	6,157	3	34,629	16
1999-00	223,608	173,555	78	82,881	48	90,674	52	9,040	4	41,013	18
2000-01	241,835	187,893	78	84,254 ^e	45	103,639	55	9,991	4	43,951	18
Manitoba⁵											
1996-97	15,060	12,606	84	5,662	45	6,944	55	430	3	2,024	13
1997-98	15,747	12,850	82	6,725	52	6,125	48	392	2	2,505	16
1998-99	15,160	12,541	83	5,558	44	6,983	56	425	3	2,194	14
1999-00	17,637	13,689	78	6,346	46	7,343	54	534	3	3,414	19
2000-01	18,095	14,188	78	8,961	63	5,227	37	489	3	3,418	19
Saskatchewan⁶											
1996-97	8,909	8,280	93	5,263	64	3,017	36	..	..	629	7
1997-98	9,560	8,747	91	5,395	62	3,352	38	..	..	813	9
1998-99	10,111	9,230	91	5,788	63	3,442	37	..	..	881	9
1999-00	10,616	9,709	91	6,294	65	3,415	35	..	..	907	9
2000-01	10,989	9,816	89	6,497	66	3,319	34	..	..	1,173	11
Alberta⁷											
1996-97	24,445	21,621	88	14,116	65	7,505	35	..	..	2,824	12
1997-98	22,342	19,429	87	12,457	64	6,972	36	..	..	2,913	13
1998-99	22,903	19,857	87	12,926	65	6,931	35	..	..	3,046	13
1999-00	26,142	22,919	88	13,911	61	9,008	39	..	..	3,223	12
2000-01	27,215	23,863	88	15,510	65	8,353	35	..	..	3,352	12
British Columbia⁸											
1996-97	96,989	87,411	90	36,657	42	50,754	58	1,808	2	7,770	8
1997-98	85,270	76,751	90	31,611	41	45,140	59	1,515	2	7,004	8
1998-99	80,335	72,293	90	30,278	42	42,015	58	1,655	2	6,387	8
1999-00	83,650	74,712	89	31,434	42	43,278	58	1,713	2	7,225	9
2000-01	87,515	77,920	89	32,113	41	45,807	59	1,944	2	7,651	9

Table 5
Legal Aid Expenditures by Object – Concluded

Province/Territory and Year	Total	Total Direct Legal Services Expenditures	% of total	Criminal Matters		Civil Matters		Other Program Expenditures		Central Administrative Expenditures	
				% of direct legal service		% of direct legal service		% of total		% of total	
	\$'000	\$'000	%	\$'000	%	\$'000	%	\$'000	%	\$'000	%
Northwest Territories⁹											
1996-97	5,126	2,932	57	..	..	..	..	1,639	32	555	11
1997-98	5,397	2,390	44	1,551	65	839	35	1,638	30	1,369	25
1998-99	5,207	1,495	29	782	52	713	48	1,578	30	2,134	41
1999-00	6,366	1,112	17	472	42	640	58	4,247	67	1,007	16
2000-01	3,511	1,110	32	479	43	631	57	1,857	53	544	15
Yukon Territory											
1996-97	887	657	74	501	76	156	24	-	-	230	26
1997-98	881	680	77	484	71	196	29	-	-	201	23
1998-99	1,033	796	77	663	83	133	17	-	-	237	23
1999-00	1,245	941	76	718	76	223	24	-	-	304	24
2000-01	1,032	785	76	624	79	161	21	-	-	247	24
Nunavut¹⁰											
1999-00	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
2000-01	2,836	213	8	178	84	35	16	1,093	39	1,530	54
Canada											
1996-97	536,146	464,554	87	..	..	..	..	11,215	2	59,779	11
1997-98	454,643	383,347	84	182,332	48	201,015	52	10,312	2	60,441	13
1998-99	494,409	402,985	82	177,448	44	225,537	56	10,688	2	80,141	16
1999-00	487,106	402,849	83	182,320	45	220,529	55	16,369	3	67,888	14
2000-01	512,107	422,968	83	189,695	45	233,274	55	16,335	3	72,803	14

Source: Legal Aid Survey, Canadian Centre for Justice Statistics.

- ¹ **Prince Edward Island** The plan is staffed and paid for through the Department of Community Affairs and Attorney General. Purchasing, accommodations, payroll and payment of private counsel costs are largely unaccounted for as a legal aid cost.
- ² **New Brunswick** In 1988-89, New Brunswick established a domestic legal aid program to replace civil legal aid. In May 1993, the Department of Justice took over the administration of the domestic legal aid program from the Law Society. Domestic legal aid is available: to obtain and enforce family support orders; to seek variations in support obligations; to represent respondents to guardianship applications by the Minister of Family and Community Services; and, to assist victims of spousal abuse in obtaining orders for spousal and child support, custody and access, restraining orders and some division of property. For custody applications by the Minister of Family and Community Services and for respondents in support applications, duty counsel is provided. Mediation services are also provided in cases where there has been no abuse. In 1993-94, when the Department of Justice assumed responsibility for administering domestic legal aid, the information on domestic legal aid services and expenditures was not included. In 1994-95 and 1995-96, these expenditures were partially included in the figures. Starting in 1996-97, expenditures include the full cost of domestic legal aid. Expenditures for civil matters include Department of Justice court social workers in family civil matters.
- ³ **Quebec** The expenditures are accounted for with accrual accounting for staff lawyers (i.e., accounts payable are taken into consideration), and with the cash-based accounting method of private lawyers.
- ⁴ **Ontario** Expenditures for community clinics are mainly reported under civil matters but a small portion is reported under criminal matters.
- ⁵ **Manitoba** Expenditures on provincial offences are included in the criminal category except for those handled by the Law Centres, which are included in the civil category. A Health and Education tax levy is included.
- ⁶ **Saskatchewan** After-hours duty counsel expenditures are included in the private law firm category and allocated within the federal criminal matters. Not included in the total for 1996-97, is a computer purchase expenditure in the amount of \$121,400, for which a grant was received from the Saskatchewan Law Foundation.
- ⁷ **Alberta** A new accounting policy was adopted in the 1997-98 fiscal year to capitalize fixed assets and amortize over the useful life of assets.
- ⁸ **British Columbia** Through an agreement with the City of Vancouver, reduced rent is paid on part of the head office space. Grants to community clinics were as follows (by year):
- | | |
|-----------|--------------|
| 1996-97 | \$23,707,468 |
| 1997-98 | \$22,930,477 |
| 1998-99 | \$22,270,575 |
| 1999-2000 | \$24,483,000 |
| 2000-2001 | \$26,422,000 |
- ⁹ **Northwest Territories** Central administrative expenditures exclude the cost of office space and financial services that are provided free of charge by the territorial government. - The NWT Legal Services Board remained the provider of services in Nunavut until June 30, 2000, which accounted for the large decrease in 2000-2001 expenditures for NWT.
- ¹⁰ **Nunavut** Although the division of the Northwest Territories officially took place April 1, 1999, the Northwest Territories Legal Services Board remained the provider of Legal Aid Services in Nunavut until June 30, 2000.

**Table 6
Direct Legal Service Expenditures, Staff and Private Lawyers, Criminal and Civil Matters**

Province/Territory and Year	Total		Staff Lawyers			Private Lawyers		Criminal Matters					Civil Matters						
	\$'000	\$'000	%	\$'000	%	\$'000	%	Total			Staff Lawyers		Private Lawyers		\$'000	\$'000	%	\$'000	%
								\$'000	\$'000	%	\$'000	\$'000	%	\$'000						$'000	%
Newfoundland and Labrador																			
1996-97	5,545	4,949	89	596	11	3,247	2,946	91	301	9	2,298	2,003	87	295	13				
1997-98	5,524	5,264	95	260	5	3,363	3,206	95	157	5	2,161	2,058	95	103	5				
1998-99	5,674	5,537	98	137	2	3,489	3,378	97	111	3	2,185	2,159	99	26	1				
1999-00	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
2000-01	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Prince Edward Island¹																			
1996-97	593	438	74	155	26	464	337	73	127	27	129	101	78	28	22				
1997-98	527	426	81	101	19	396	341	86	55	14	131	85	65	46	35				
1998-99	509	441	87	68	13	380	333	88	47	12	129	108	84	21	16				
1999-00	610	516	85	94	15	492	435	88	57	12	118	81	69	37	31				
2000-01	655	543	83	112	17	525	452	86	73	14	130	91	70	39	30				
Nova Scotia²																			
1996-97	9,986	7,993	80	1,993	20	5,030	4,211	84	819	16	4,956	3,782	76	1,174	24				
1997-98	9,435	7,571	80	1,864	20	4,809	3,997	83	812	17	4,626	3,574	77	1,052	23				
1998-99	10,241	8,183	80	2,058	20	5,291	4,395	83	896	17	4,950	3,788	77	1,162	23				
1999-00	10,222	8,292	81	1,930	19	5,454	4,508	83	946	17	4,768	3,784	79	984	21				
2000-01	10,120	8,351	83	1,769	17	5,491	4,634	84	857	16	4,629	3,717	80	912	20				
New Brunswick³																			
1996-97	3,090	630	20	2,460	80	1,779	...	...	1,779	100	1,311	630	48	681	52		
1997-98	3,026	1,034	34	1,992	66	1,680	...	...	1,680	100	1,346	1,034	77	312	23		
1998-99	3,277	1,029	31	2,248	69	1,936	...	...	1,936	100	1,341	1,029	77	312	23		
1999-00	3,362	1,068	32	2,294	68	1,992	...	...	1,992	100	1,370	1,068	78	302	22		
2000-01	3,502	1,299	37	2,203	63	1,884	...	...	1,884	100	1,618	1,299	80	319	20		
Quebec																			
1996-97	104,040 ^e	58,566	56	45,474	44	34,541 ^e	15,271 ^e	44 ^e	19,270	56	69,499 ^e	43,295 ^e	62 ^e	26,204	38				
1997-98	96,225 ^e	55,039	57	41,186	43	35,382 ^e	18,143 ^e	51 ^e	17,239	49	60,843 ^e	36,896 ^e	61 ^e	23,947	39				
1998-99	91,159 ^e	54,906	60	36,253	40	32,749 ^e	18,168 ^e	55 ^e	14,581	45	58,410 ^e	36,738 ^e	63 ^e	21,672	37				
1999-00	92,018	54,611	59	37,407	41	32,326	17,903	55	14,423	45	59,692	36,708	61	22,984	39				
2000-01	92,903 ^e	55,831	60	37,072	40	33,179 ^e	18,739 ^e	56 ^e	14,440	44	59,724 ^e	37,092 ^e	62 ^e	22,632	38				
Ontario																			
1996-97	208,386	33,016	16	175,370	84	91,636	2,372	3	89,264	97	116,750	30,644	26	86,106	74				
1997-98	148,290	33,092	22	115,198	78	78,875	2,534	3	76,341	97	69,415	30,558	44	38,857	56				
1998-99	176,422	38,329	22	138,093	78	77,988	2,788	4	75,200	96	98,434	35,541	36	62,893	64				
1999-00	173,555	36,963	21	136,592	79	82,881	2,700	3	80,181	97	90,674	34,263	38	56,411	62				
2000-01	187,893	45,720	24	142,173	76	84,254	3,122	4	81,132 ^e	96	103,639	42,598	41	61,041	59				
Manitoba																			
1996-97	12,606	5,841	46	6,765	54	5,662	2,336	41	3,326	59	6,944	3,505	50	3,439	50				
1997-98	12,850	6,107	48	6,743	52	6,725	3,264	49	3,461	51	6,125	2,843	46	3,282	54				
1998-99	12,541	6,155	49	6,386	51	5,558	2,073	37	3,485	63	6,983	4,082	58	2,901	42				
1999-00	13,689	6,760	49	6,929	51	6,346	2,545	40	3,801	60	7,343	4,215	57	3,128	43				
2000-01	14,188	6,734	47	7,454	53	8,961	4,650	52	4,311	48	5,227	2,084	40	3,143	60				
Saskatchewan																			
1996-97	8,280	7,787	94	493	6	5,263	4,856	92	407	8	3,017	2,931	97	86	3				
1997-98	8,747	8,001	91	746	9	5,395	5,022	93	373	7	3,352	2,979	89	373	11				
1998-99	9,230	8,447	92	783	8	5,788	5,342 ^e	92	446	8	3,442	3,105 ^e	90	337	10				
1999-00	9,709	8,832	91	877	9	6,294	5,627	89	667	11	3,415	3,205	94	210	6				
2000-01	9,816	9,126	93	690	7	6,497	5,915	91	582	9	3,319	3,211	97	108	3				
Alberta																			
1996-97	21,621	1,715	8	19,906	92	14,116	1,527	11	12,589	89	7,505	188	3	7,317	97				
1997-98	19,429	1,690	9	17,739	91	12,457	1,517	12	10,940	88	6,972	173	2	6,799	98				
1998-99	19,857	1,832	9	18,025	91	12,926	1,652	13	11,274	87	6,931	180	3	6,751	97				
1999-00	22,919	2,090	9	20,829	91	13,911	1,883	14	12,028	86	9,008	207	2	8,801	98				
2000-01	23,863	2,580	11	21,283	89	15,510	2,374	15	13,136	85	8,353	206	2	8,147	98				
British Columbia																			
1996-97	87,411	24,985	29	62,426	71	36,657	7,927	22	28,730	78	50,754	17,058	34	33,696	66				
1997-98	76,751	24,002	31	52,749	69	31,611	7,973	25	23,638	75	45,140	16,029	36	29,111	64				
1998-99	72,293	24,541	34	47,752	66	30,278	8,098	27	22,180	73	42,015	16,443	39	25,572	61				
1999-00	74,712	25,670	34	49,042	66	31,434	8,509	27	22,925	73	43,278	17,161	40	26,117	60				
2000-01	77,920	27,586	35	50,334	65	32,113	8,976	28	23,137	72	45,807	18,610	41	27,197	59				

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Province/Territory and Year	Total		Staff Lawyers			Private Lawyers			Criminal Matters					Civil Matters										
									Total		Staff Lawyers			Private Lawyers			Total		Staff Lawyers			Private Lawyers		
	\$'000	\$'000	%	\$'000	%	\$'000	%	\$'000	%	\$'000	%	\$'000	%	\$'000	%	\$'000	%	\$'000	%	\$'000	%	\$'000	%	
Northwest Territories																								
1996-97	2,932	676	23	2,256	77	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
1997-98	2,390	..	..	..	..	1,551	..	..	..	..	839	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
1998-99	1,495	..	..	..	..	782	..	..	..	..	713	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
1999-00	1,112	..	..	..	..	472	..	..	..	..	640	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
2000-01	1,110	..	..	..	..	479	..	..	..	..	631	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Yukon Territory																								
1996-97	657	289	44	368	56	501	252	50	249	50	156	37	24	119	76	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
1997-98	680	421	62	259	38	484	300	62	184	38	196	121	62	75	38	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
1998-99	796	434	55	362	45	663	376	57	287	43	133	58	44	75	56	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
1999-00	941	484	51	457	49	718	347	48	371	52	223	137	61	86	39	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
2000-01	785	468	60	317	40	624	353	57	271	43	161	115	71	46	29	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Nunavut⁴																								
1999-00	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
2000-01	213	..	..	..	..	178	..	..	..	..	35	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Canada																								
1996-97	465,147	146,885	32	318,262	68	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
1997-98	383,874	..	..	..	..	182,728	..	..	..	..	201,146	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
1998-99	403,494	..	..	..	..	177,828	..	..	..	..	225,666	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
1999-00	402,849	..	..	..	..	182,320	..	..	..	..	220,529	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
2000-01	422,968	..	..	..	..	189,695	..	..	..	..	233,273	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..

Source: Legal Aid Survey, Canadian Centre for Justice Statistics.

- ¹ **Prince Edward Island** Private law firm expenditures include only the amounts actually paid to private counsel. The administrative costs of processing applications retaining private counsel and processing private counsel accounts are not included in private law firm expenditures. A substantial part of these costs are included in staff direct expenditures.
- ² **Nova Scotia** From 1998-99 to 2000-2001, duty counsel payments are included under private law firms.
- ³ **New Brunswick** Mediation services are provided under domestic legal aid. Although they are not included here, landlord and tenant disputes are remedied under the provisions of the Residential Tenancies Act, and New Brunswick also funds alternate dispute resolution mechanisms under various pieces of labour legislation.
- ⁴ **Nunavut** Although the division of the Northwest Territories officially took place April 1, 1999, the Northwest Territories Legal Services Board remained the provider of Legal Aid Services in Nunavut until June 30, 2000.

Table 7
Legal Aid Personnel as of March 31st

Province/Territory and Year	All Staff	Total				Direct Legal Service Staff					Other Staff				
		Lawyers		Non-Lawyers		Total	Lawyers		Non-Lawyers		Total	Lawyers		Non-Lawyers	
			%		%			%		%			%		%
Newfoundland and Labrador															
1996-97	96	45	47	51	53	..	45	..	..	..	..	-	-	..	..
1997-98	102	40	39	62	61	62	40	65	22	35	40	-	-	40	100
1998-99	90	44	49	46	51	90	44	49	46	51	-	-	-	-	-
1999-00	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
2000-01	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Prince Edward Island¹															
1996-97	7	4	57	3	43	4	4	100	-	-	3	-	-	3	100
1997-98	7	4	57	3	43	4	4	100	-	-	3	-	-	3	100
1998-99	7	4	57	3	43	4	4	100	-	-	3	-	-	3	100
1999-00	7	4	57	3	43	4	4	100	-	-	3	-	-	3	100
2000-01	7	4	57	3	43	4	4	100	-	-	3	-	-	3	100
Nova Scotia²															
1996-97	124	63	51	61	49	62	62	100	-	-	62	1	2	61	98
1997-98	119	66	55	53	45	65	65	100	-	-	54	1	2	53	98
1998-99	120	66	55	54	45	64	64	100	-	-	56	2	4	54	96
1999-00	121	67	55	54	45	65	65	100	-	-	56	2	4	54	96
2000-01	125	67	54	58	46	65	65	100	-	-	60	2	3	58	97
New Brunswick³															
1996-97	35	9	26	26	74	23	8	35	15	65	12	1	8	11	92
1997-98	35	9	26	26	74	21	9	43	12	57	14	-	-	14	100
1998-99	35	9	26	26	74	8	8	100	-	-	27	1	4	26	96
1999-00	38	9	24	29	76	8	8	100	-	-	30	1	3	29	97
2000-01	41	10	24	31	76	8	8	100	-	-	33	2	6	31	94
Quebec⁴															
1996-97	963	389	40	574	60	402	363	90	39	10	561	26	5	535	95
1997-98	846 ^r	352 ^r	42	494 ^r	58	339 ^r	323 ^r	95	16	5	507 ^r	29	6	478 ^r	94
1998-99	795 ^r	335 ^r	42	460	58	321 ^r	306 ^r	95	15	5	474	29	6	445	94
1999-00	785	337	43	448	57	331	310	94	21	6	454	27	6	427	94
2000-01	836	347	42	489	58	354	319	90	35	10	482	29	6	454	94
Ontario⁵															
1996-97	949	302	32	647	68	329	213	65	116	35	620	89	14	531	86
1997-98	958	308	32	650	68	336	224	67	112	33	622	84	14	538	86
1998-99	950	308	32	642	68	334	222	66	112	34	616	86	14	530	86
1999-00	1,045	326	31	719	69	359	238	66	121	34	686	88	13	598	87
2000-01	1,135	349	31	786	69	369	252	68	117	32	766	97	13	669	87
Manitoba															
1996-97	120	47	39	73	61	55	42	76	13	24	65	5	8	60	92
1997-98	129	47	36	82	64	57	41	72	16	28	72	6	8	66	92
1998-99	136	50	37	86	63	64	42	66	22	34	72	8	11	64	89
1999-00	142	53	37	89	63	68	45	66	23	34	74	8	11	66	89
2000-01	141	51	36	90	64	70	47	67	23	33	71	4	6	67	94
Saskatchewan															
1996-97	131	61	47	70	53	82	60	73	22	27	49	1	2	48	98
1997-98	132	61	46	71	54	81	60	74	21	26	51	1	2	50	98
1998-99	132	63	48	69	52	83	62	75	21	25	49	1	2	48	98
1999-00	130	62	48	68	52	80	61	76	19	24	50	1	2	49	98
2000-01	135	65	48	70	52	84	64	76	20	24	51	1	2	50	98
Alberta															
1996-97	122	24	20	98	80	21	21	100	...	...	101	3	3	98	97
1997-98	121	23	19	98	81	20	20	100	...	...	101	3	3	98	97
1998-99	128	29	23	99	77	26	26	100	...	...	102	3	3	99	97
1999-00	136	28	21	108	79	25	25	100	...	...	111	3	3	108	97
2000-01	132	28	21	104	79	25	25	100	...	...	107	3	3	104	97
British Columbia															
1996-97	344	84	24	260	76	198	65	33	133	67	146	19	13	127	87
1997-98	368	81	22	287	78	187	77	41	110	59	181	4	2	177	98
1998-99	331	84	25	247	75	181	80	44	101	56	150	4	3	146	97
1999-00	315	73	23	242	77	96	66	69	30	31	219	7	3	212	97
2000-01	325	81	25	244	75	97	69	71	28	29	228	12	5	216	95
Northwest Territories															
1996-97	34	8	24	26	76	26	7	27	19	73	8	1	13	7	88
1997-98	44	9	20	35	80	29	8	28	21	72	15	1	7	14	93
1998-99	51	11	22	40	78	35	11	31	24	69	16	-	-	16	100
1999-00	45	9	20	36	80	32	9	28	23	72	13	-	-	13	100
2000-01	25	6	24	19	76	19	5	26	14	74	6	1	17	5	83

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Province/Territory and Year	All Staff	Total				Direct Legal Service Staff					Other Staff				
		Lawyers		Non-Lawyers		Total	Lawyers		Non-Lawyers		Total	Lawyers		Non-Lawyers	
			%		%			%		%			%		%
Yukon Territory															
1996-97	7	4	57	3	43	4	3	75	1	25	3	1	33	2	67
1997-98	9	5	56	4	44	6	4	67	2	33	3	1	33	2	67
1998-99	9	5	56	4	44	6	4	67	2	33	3	1	33	2	67
1999-00	8	4	50	4	50	5	3	60	2	40	3	1	33	2	67
2000-01	10	5	50	5	50	6	4	67	2	33	4	1	25	3	75
Nunavut⁶															
1999-00	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
2000-01	32	17	53	15	47	18	7	39	11	61	14	10	71	4	29
Canada															
1996-97	2,932	1,040	35	1,892	65	..	893	..	..	..	..	147	..	..
1997-98	2,870	1,005	35	1,865	65	1,207	875	72	332	28	1,663	130	8	1,533	
1998-99	2,784	1,008	36	1,776	64	1,216	873	72	343	28	1,568	135	9	1,433	
1999-00	2,772	972	35	1,800	65	1,073	834	78	239	22	1,699	138	8	1,561	
2000-01	2,944	1,030	35	1,914	65	1,119	869	78	250	22	1,825	162	9	1,664	

Source: Legal Aid Survey, Canadian Centre for Justice Statistics.

¹ **Prince Edward Island** Clerical vacation relief and occasional office overload staff are not counted in this total. Payroll, accounting and other provincial government administrative staff are not counted.

² **Nova Scotia** Direct legal service non-lawyer personnel consists of article clerks, prison liaison officers, community workers, administration (non-lawyers) and clerical support staff. "Other staff" include administration.

³ **New Brunswick** The personnel resources associated with providing various alternate dispute resolution mechanisms are not included in the totals in this table.

⁴ **Quebec** Articling law students and para-legals assigned to client services are included as non-lawyers in "Direct Legal Service Staff". Managers who are lawyers with administrative tasks are included as lawyers in "Other Staff".

⁵ **Ontario** The resources of the Ministry of Community and Social Services include community clinic staff:

	Lawyers	Para-legals	Support
1996-97	173	111	148
1997-98	176	109	151
1998-99	176	109	151
1999-2000	177	113	145
2000-2001	176	117	137

⁶ **Nunavut** Although the division of the Northwest Territories officially took place April 1, 1999, the Northwest Territories Legal Services Board remained the provider of Legal Aid Services in Nunavut until June 30, 2000.

Table 8
Bar Involvement in Legal Aid Service Delivery

Province/Territory and Year	Total Bar Member Count ¹	Lawyers who Provided Legal Aid Services		Private Lawyers who Provided Legal Aid Services	Legal Aid Plan Lawyers
		Total	%	Total	Total
Newfoundland and Labrador²					
1996-97	430	120	28	75	45
1997-98	435	55	13	15	40
1998-99	439	59	13	15	44
1999-00	447	..	..	..	..
2000-01	441	..	..	..	..
Prince Edward Island					
1996-97	142	38	27	34	4
1997-98	148	36	24	32	4
1998-99	156	25	16	21	4
1999-00	153	25	16	21	4
2000-01	138	24	17	20	4
Nova Scotia					
1996-97	1,154	376	33	313	63
1997-98	1,442	380	26	314	66
1998-99	1,567	368	23	302	66
1999-00	1,605	345	21	278	67
2000-01	1,522	327	21	260	67
New Brunswick³					
1996-97	1,172	267	23	258	9
1997-98	1,239	386	31	377 ^e	9
1998-99	993	319	32	310	9
1999-00	1,008	229	23	220	9
2000-01	892	218	24	208	10
Quebec					
1996-97	13,128	4,405	34	4,016	389
1997-98	13,407	3,734	28	3,382	352 ^r
1998-99	14,357	3,458	24	3,123	335 ^r
1999-00	15,356	3,351	22	3,014	337
2000-01	16,147	3,270	20	2,923	347
Ontario⁴					
1996-97	16,396	6,028	37	5,726	302
1997-98	17,144	5,319	31	5,011	308
1998-99	17,220	5,353	31	5,045	308
1999-00	17,576	5,101	29	4,775	326
2000-01	17,219	4,960	29	4,611	349
Manitoba					
1996-97	1,698	581	34	534	47
1997-98	1,711	541	32	494	47
1998-99	1,474	594	40	544	50
1999-00	1,492	490	33	437	53
2000-01	1,403	459	33	408	51
Saskatchewan					
1996-97	1,054	175	17	114	61
1997-98	1,075	230	21	169	61
1998-99	1,349	261	19	198	63
1999-00	1,451	293	20	231	62
2000-01	1,349	249	18	184	65
Alberta⁵					
1996-97	6,011	2,001	33	1,977	24
1997-98	6,176	1,395	23	1,372	23
1998-99	5,156	1,228	24	1,199	29
1999-00	5,333	1,167	22	1,139	28
2000-01	5,017	1,378	27	1,350	28

Table 8
Bar Involvement in Legal Aid Service Delivery – Concluded

Province/Territory and Year	Total Bar Member Count	Lawyers who Provided Legal Aid Services		Private Lawyers who Provided Legal Aid Services	Legal Aid Plan Lawyers
		Total	%	Total	Total
British Columbia					
1996-97	8,216	1,907	23	1,823	84
1997-98	6,966	1,743	25	1,662	81
1998-99	6,895	1,718	25	1,634	84
1999-00	7,040	1,593	23	1,520	73
2000-01	6,667	1,450	22	1,369	81
Northwest Territories⁶					
1996-97	279	53	19	45	8
1997-98	287	64	22	55	9
1998-99	244	56	23	45	11
1999-00	251	52	21	43	9
2000-01	67	43	64	38	5
Yukon Territory⁶					
1996-97	155	14	9	10	4
1997-98	155	29	19	24	5
1998-99	171	25	15	20	5
1999-00	181	16	9	12	4
2000-01	58	13	22	8	5
Nunavut⁷					
1999-00	..	..	..	..	..
2000-01	..	27	..	10	17
Canada					
1996-97	49,835	15,965	32	14,925	1,040
1997-98	50,185	13,912	28	12,907	1,005
1998-99	50,021	13,464	27	12,456	1,008
1999-00	51,893	12,662	24	11,690	972
2000-01	50,920	12,418	24	11,389	1,029

Source: Legal Aid Survey, Canadian Centre for Justice Statistics.

¹ The Bar member counts are provided by the Federation of Law Societies of Canada and represent insured practicing lawyers. The data are based on end of December counts for each year.

² **Newfoundland and Labrador** The decrease in the number of private lawyers providing legal aid services in 1996-97 and 1997-98 is partially the result of the establishment of a Conflict Office in 1996. The Conflict Office is staffed by lawyers paid by legal aid, but are technically separate from the legal aid offices.

³ **New Brunswick** Since 1997-98 data have included active members of the private bar, who provided legal aid services on behalf of the Domestic Legal Aid Program as duty counsel or alternate solicitors. In addition to the total in 1996-97, 168 private bar lawyers acted as alternate solicitors under contract to the Department of Justice Domestic Legal Aid Program.

⁴ **Ontario** Lawyers providing duty counsel are excluded. Prior to 1997-98, the total bar member count for Ontario excluded lawyers employed by corporations.

⁵ **Alberta** Since September 1, 1994, staff lawyers (Calgary and Edmonton) provide duty counsel services to youth and adults.

⁶ **Northwest Territories and Yukon** The decline in numbers from 1999-2000 to 2000-01 is due to a change in calculation methods, using the full-time equivalency (FTE) method to produce a uniform standard across jurisdictions.

⁷ **Nunavut** Nunavut is not included in this table as it is not yet an active member in the Federation of Law Societies of Canada. This will change with the start of the next fiscal year.

Table 9
Total Legal Aid Applications¹, Criminal and Civil Matters

Province/Territory and Year	Total Applications		Criminal Matters			Civil Matters		
	Total	% Change	Total	% Change	% of total	Total	% change	% of total
		%		%	%		%	%
Newfoundland and Labrador								
1996-97	18,097	10	10,151	9	56	7,946	10	44
1997-98	15,648	-14	9,069	-11	58	6,579	-17	42
1998-99	14,553 ^e	-7	8,435 ^e	-7	58	6,118 ^e	-7	42
1999-00	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
2000-01	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Nova Scotia								
1996-97	21,661	-7	11,649	1	54	10,012	-15	46
1997-98	20,684	-5	11,499	-1	56	9,185	-8	44
1998-99	19,734	-5	11,449	--	58	8,285	-10	42
1999-00	24,003	22	15,653	37	65	8,350	1	35
2000-01	24,087	--	15,739	1	65	8,348	--	35
New Brunswick²								
1996-97	2,522	3	2,338	2	93	184	24	7
1997-98	5,454	116	2,436	4	45	3,018	1,540	55
1998-99	5,055	-7	1,969	-19	39	3,086	2	61
1999-00	5,186	3	2,026	3	39	3,160	2	61
2000-01	5,278	2	1,883	-7	36	3,395	7	64
Quebec								
1996-97	284,537	-14	102,871	-16	36	181,666	-13	64
1997-98	261,269	-8	96,917	-6	37	164,352	-10	63
1998-99	258,763	-1	95,209	-2	37	163,554	--	63
1999-00	257,673	--	95,625	--	37	162,048	-1	63
2000-01	253,326	-2	96,363	1	38	156,963	-3	62
Ontario								
1996-97	307,315	-20	..	..	..	..	..	..
1997-98	311,502	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
1998-99	347,522	12	..	..	..	..	..	..
1999-00	350,658	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
2000-01	365,077	4	..	..	..	..	..	..
Manitoba³								
1996-97	23,867	-23	12,592	-29	53	11,275	-14	47
1997-98	22,308	-7	11,429	-9	51	10,879	-4	49
1998-99	22,155	-1	11,572	1	52	10,583	-3	48
1999-00	22,042	-1	11,838	2	54	10,204	-4	46
2000-01	21,705	-2	11,451	-3	53	10,254	--	47
Saskatchewan								
1996-97	23,027	-1	16,560	-2	72	6,467	3	28
1997-98	23,618	3	17,662	7	75	5,956	-8	25
1998-99	23,981	2	17,985	2	75	5,996	1	25
1999-00	24,469	2	17,858	-1	73	6,611	10	27
2000-01	23,530	-4	17,513	-2	74	6,017	-9	26
Alberta								
1996-97	35,659	2	25,076	-1	70	10,583	10	30
1997-98	35,713	--	24,802	-1	69	10,911	3	31
1998-99	39,409	10	27,370	10	69	12,039	10	31
1999-00	42,365	8	29,019	6	68	13,346	11	32
2000-01	45,386	7	30,594	5	67	14,792	11	33
British Columbia⁴								
1996-97	103,406	-16	44,974	-19	43	58,432	-14	57
1997-98	102,336	-1	41,697	-7	41	60,639	4	59
1998-99	99,331	-3	39,523	-5	40	59,808	-1	60
1999-00	98,535	-1	38,409	-3	39	60,126	1	61
2000-01	96,880	-2	35,713	-7	37	61,167	2	63

Table 9
Total Legal Aid Applications¹, Criminal and Civil Matters – Concluded

Province/Territory and Year	Total Applications		Criminal Matters			Civil Matters		
	Total	% Change	Total	% Change	% of total	Total	% change	% of total
		%		%	%		%	%
Northwest Territories⁵								
1996-97	2,889	-1	1,972	-1	68	917	-1	32
1997-98	2,196	-24	1,167	-41	53	1,029	12	47
1998-99	1,752	-20	802	-31	46	950	-8	54
1999-00	1,707	-3	862	7	50	845	-11	50
2000-01	1,273	-25	547	-37	43	726	-14	57
Yukon Territory⁶								
1996-97	1,471	--	1,130	1	77	341	-3	23
1997-98	1,176	-20	739	-35	63	437	28	37
1998-99	1,186	1	743	1	63	443	1	37
1999-00	1,015	-14	774	4	76	241	-46	24
2000-01	1,291	27	918	19	71	373	55	29
Nunavut⁷								
1999-00	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
2000-01	785	..	439	..	56	346	..	44
Canada								
1996-97	824,451	-15	..	..	..	..	..	..
1997-98	801,904	-3	..	..	..	..	..	..
1998-99	833,441	4	..	..	..	..	..	..
1999-00	827,653	-1	..	..	..	..	..	..
2000-01	838,618	1	..	..	..	..	..	..

Source: Legal Aid Survey, Canadian Centre for Justice Statistics.

Additional Data Related to Table 9 See supplementary table 9a for data regarding jurisdictions who provided the number of applications for service for provincial/territorial matters (included in criminal matters in Table 9).

¹ **Applications** The data reflecting approved and refused applications reported in Tables 10 and 12 may not total the provincial and territorial count reported in Table 9 for two reasons. First, a decision to accept or reject an application may not occur in the time period the application is made. Typically most applications are filed and assessed within the same time period so the number carried into the next fiscal year is comparatively small. Second, the approved application counts in Tables 10 and 11 refer to full service applications only, unless otherwise specified in the Notes. The total application count in Table 9 on the other hand, is the sum of applications approved for service, including full and summary service, and applications refused.

Prince Edward Island data are not reported in Tables 9 and 12, since only counts of approved applications are maintained.

² **New Brunswick** Civil applications figures for years prior to 1997-98 are incomplete. Since the Domestic Legal Aid Program administered by New Brunswick Justice does not require applications, the civil applications figure for New Brunswick in 1997-98 represents the number of domestic legal aid cases screened-in (or "accepted") by New Brunswick Justice, plus the applications for domestic cases made with Legal Aid New Brunswick. This fact should also be considered when reviewing the total applications data. New Brunswick offers alternate dispute resolution mechanisms for landlord and tenant disputes and disputes involving some labour legislation. The approval rates for civil matters do not consider any referrals, which may be made to these alternate means of remedying disputes.

³ **Manitoba** The 23% decrease in total applications in 1996-97 is the result of clients beginning to receive direct help by full-service duty counsel in the courtroom rather than at legal aid offices. The decline in applications being processed in legal aid offices is responsible for the overall decline in recorded applications.

⁴ **British Columbia** In 1996-97, British Columbia began implementation of a new Case Management System (CMS). Statistical data related to applications are reported from both the old and new systems for 1996-97.

⁵ **Northwest Territories** Data refer to the number of persons applying for legal aid services. Duty counsel counts are included. In 1997-98, the Northwest Territories began a practice known as "presumed eligibility", whereby persons appearing unrepresented at court are not required to apply for legal services. Since counts of presumed eligibility cases were not available, data for 1997-98 cannot be compared to previous years. In 1998-99, a total of 4,456 persons appeared unrepresented (presumed eligibility) at court. This explains the decrease in the number of legal aid applications. In 1999-2000, 4,672 persons appeared unrepresented at court, and in 2000-2001, this number fell to 2,632, the largest contributing factor for this decline being the NWT-Nunavut split.

⁶ **Yukon Territory** No distinction is made between summary and full service applications. All are counted as full service. Data include full service duty counsel. Prior to 1997-98, applications for duty counsel services for Judicial Interim Release Hearings were also included, and are therefore not comparable to subsequent years. Data exclude circuit court matters.

⁷ **Nunavut** Although the division of the Northwest Territories officially took place April 1, 1999, the Northwest Territories Legal Services Board remained the provider of Legal Aid Services in Nunavut until June 30, 2000.

Table 10
Approved Legal Aid Applications, Criminal and Civil Matters

Province/Territory and Year	Total Approved Applications			Criminal Matters				Civil Matters				
	Total	% Change	Rate per 1,000 Population	Total Criminal	% Change	% of-total	Rate per 1,000 Population	Total Civil	% Change	% of total	Rate per 1,000 Population	Population
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Newfoundland and Labrador¹												
1996-97	10,880	9	19	7,823	10	72	14	3,057	6	28	5	560.6 ^r
1997-98	9,838	-10	18	7,173	-8	73	13	2,665	-13	27	5	554.0 ^r
1998-99	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	545.4 ^r
1999-00	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	540.7 ^r
2000-01	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	537.2
Prince Edward Island												
1996-97	1,210	10	9	1,134	10	94	8	76	1	6	1	136.2 ^r
1997-98	1,274	5	9	1,193	5	94	9	81	7	6	1	136.9 ^r
1998-99	1,098	-14	8	1,019	-15	93	7	79	-2	7	1	137.0 ^r
1999-00	1,209	10	9	1,133	11	94	8	76	-4	6	1	137.6 ^r
2000-01	1,185	-2	9	1,083	-4	91	8	102	34	9	1	138.1
Nova Scotia												
1996-97	16,529	-9	18	9,737	--	59	10	6,792	-19	41	7	931.2 ^r
1997-98	15,744	-5	17	9,718	--	62	10	6,026	-11	38	6	934.5 ^r
1998-99	14,575	-7	16	8,996	-7	62	10	5,579	-7	38	6	936.1 ^r
1999-00	15,481	6	16	9,745	8	63	10	5,736	3	37	6	939.7 ^r
2000-01	15,150	-2	16	9,551	-2	63	10	5,599	-2	37	6	941.2
New Brunswick²												
1996-97	1,629	5	2	1,487	4	91	2	142	21	9	--	753.0 ^r
1997-98	3,932	141	5	1,400	-6	36	2	2,532	1,683	64	3	754.2 ^r
1998-99	3,965	1	5	1,278	-9	32	2	2,687	6	68	4	753.5 ^r
1999-00	4,637	17	6	1,285	1	28	2	3,352	25	72	4	754.4 ^r
2000-01	3,935	-15	5	1,226	-5	31	2	2,709	-19	69	4	755.3
Quebec³												
1996-97	240,178	-21	33 ^r	85,651	-26	36	12	154,527	-17	64	21	7,274.0 ^r
1997-98	214,254	-11	29	77,071	-10	36	11 ^r	137,183	-11	64	19 ^r	7,302.6 ^r
1998-99	216,790	1	30	78,084	1	36	11	138,706	1	64	19	7,323.0 ^r
1999-00	215,991	--	29	77,525	-1	36	11	138,466	--	64	19	7,349.1 ^r
2000-01	212,192	-2	29	78,951	2	37	11	133,241	-4	63	18	7,377.7
Ontario												
1996-97	111,889	-35	10	51,347	-30	46	5	60,542	-39	54	5	11,100.9 ^r
1997-98	115,620	3	10	54,890	7	47	5	60,730	--	53	5	11,249.5 ^r
1998-99	131,512	14	12	61,250	12	47	5	70,262	16	53	6	11,384.4 ^r
1999-00	140,903	7	12	62,054	1	44	5	78,849	12	56	7	11,522.7 ^r
2000-01	159,338	13	14	65,279	5	41	6	94,059	19	59	8	11,685.3
Manitoba												
1996-97	18,349	-18	16	9,283	-26	51	8	9,066	-8	49	8	1,134.3 ^r
1997-98	17,009	-7	15	7,959	-14	47	7	9,050	--	53	8	1,136.6 ^r
1998-99	17,306	2	15	8,580	8	50	8	8,726	-4	50	8	1,138.0 ^r
1999-00	17,374	--	15	8,871	3	51	8	8,503	-3	49	7	1,142.4 ^r
2000-01	17,627	1	15	9,028	2	51	8	8,599	1	49	8	1,146.0
Saskatchewan												
1996-97	21,484	-1	21	15,515	-2	72	15	5,969	3 ^r	28	6	1,019.5 ^r
1997-98	21,980	2	22	16,550	7	75	16	5,430	-9	25	5	1,022.0 ^r
1998-99	22,401	2	22	16,971	3	76	17	5,430	-	24	5	1,025.2 ^r
1999-00	21,891	-2	21	16,419	-3	75	16	5,472	1	25	5	1,025.5 ^r
2000-01	22,057	1	22	16,585	1	75	16	5,472	-	25	5	1,022.0
Alberta												
1996-97	28,014	4	10	20,853	2	74	7	7,161	11	26	3	2,780.6 ^r
1997-98	28,316	1	10	20,646	-1	73	7	7,670	7	27	3	2,837.2 ^r
1998-99	30,294	7	10	22,253	8	73	8	8,041	5	27	3	2,906.9 ^r
1999-00	32,051	6	11	23,378	5	73	8	8,673	8	27	3	2,959.5 ^r
2000-01	33,799	5	11	24,429	4	72	8	9,370	8	28	3	3,009.2
British Columbia⁴												
1996-97	56,018	-9	14	31,226	..	56	8	24,792	..	44	6	3,882.0 ^r
1997-98	51,871	-7	13	28,702	-8	55	7	23,169	-7	45	6	3,959.7 ^r
1998-99	50,738	-2	13	28,043	-2	55	7	22,695	-2	45	6	3,998.3 ^r
1999-00	51,534	2	13	27,479	-2	53	7	24,055	6	47	6	4,028.1 ^r
2000-01	50,513	-2	12	25,845	-6	51	6	24,668	3	49	6	4,058.8

Table 10
Approved Legal Aid Applications, Criminal and Civil Matters – Concluded

Province/Territory and Year	Total Approved Applications			Criminal Matters				Civil Matters				
	Total	% Change	Rate per 1,000 Population	Total Criminal	% Change	% of total	Rate per 1,000 Population	Total Civil	% Change	% of total	Rate per 1,000 Population	Population
												'000
Northwest Territories ⁵												
1996-97	2,007	-30	30	1,595	-33	79	24	412	-15	21	6	67.6 ^r
1997-98	1,321	-34	20 ^r	870	-45	66	13	451	9	34	7	67.7 ^r
1998-99	1,131	-14	17	660	-24	58	10	471	4	42	7	67.5
1999-00	1,000	-12	24	659	--	66	16	341	-28	34	8	41.0 ^r
2000-01	813	-19	20	445	-32	55	11	368	8	45	9	40.9
Yukon Territory ⁶												
1996-97	1,372	-7	43 ^r	1,079	-7	79	34	293	-7	21	9	31.9 ^r
1997-98	1,045	-24	32 ^r	693	-36	66	22	352	20	34	11	32.2 ^r
1998-99	1,032	-1	33	685	-1	66	22	347	-1	34	11	31.6
1999-00	1,003	-3	32	767	12	76	25	236	-32	24	8	31.0 ^r
2000-01	800	-20	26	554	-28	69	18	246	4	31	8	30.6
Nunavut ⁷												
1999-00	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	26.9 ^r
2000-01	785	..	29	439	..	56	16	346	..	44	13	27.4
Canada ⁸												
1996-97	509,559	-21	17	236,730	..	46	8	272,829	..	54	9	29,671.9 ^r
1997-98	482,204	-5	16	226,865	-4	47	8 ^r	255,339	-6	53	9 ^r	29,987.2 ^r
1998-99	490,842	2	16	227,819	--	46	8	263,023	3	54	9	30,246.9 ^r
1999-00	503,074	2	16	229,315	--	46	8	273,759	4	54	9	30,499.2 ^r
2000-01	518,194	3	17	233,415	2	45	8	284,779	4	55	9	30,769.7

Source: Legal Aid Survey, Canadian Centre for Justice Statistics.

Additional Data Related to Table 10 The following data are for those jurisdictions who provided the number of approved applications for summary services (not included in Table 10).

	1996-97	1997-98	1998-99	1999-2000	2000-2001
Nova Scotia	2,352	2,228	1,644	1,586	1,299
New Brunswick	..	9,875	..	..	..
Ontario	159,590	167,538	177,493	183,826	183,927
Manitoba	21,917	19,421	23,108	21,572	21,706
Saskatchewan	7,061	6,483	6,210	5,816	6,217
British Columbia	26,639	26,269	23,735	30,460	33,920

- Newfoundland and Labrador** Approved applications figures (total, criminal and civil, all years) for Newfoundland have been derived by subtracting the number of refused applications from the total applications for the fiscal year.
- New Brunswick** Civil application figures (total and approved) for years prior to 1997-98 are incomplete. Application figures for 1996-97 do not include domestic legal aid administered by the Department of Justice.
- Quebec** Data do not include "conditional certificates", where some legal service had been provided, but the eligibility of the client had not yet been established, as at March 31st. The decrease in approved applications in 1996-97 was due to amendments made to the Legal Aid Act in mid-1996, introducing stricter coverage and eligibility criteria.
- British Columbia** In 1996-97, British Columbia began implementation of a new Case Management System (CMS). Statistical data related to applications are reported from both the old and new systems for 1996-97.
- Northwest Territories** In 1997-98, the Northwest Territories began a practice known as "presumed eligibility", whereby persons appearing unrepresented at court are not required to apply for legal services. Since counts of presumed eligibility cases are not available, data for 1997-98 cannot be compared to previous years. In 1998-99, a total of 4,456 persons appeared unrepresented (presumed eligibility) at court. This explains the decrease in the number of legal aid applications. In 1999-2000, 4,672 persons appeared unrepresented at court. In 2000-2001, the split between the Northwest Territories and Nunavut contributed to the 19% decrease in NWT.
- Yukon Territory** All approved applications are counted at the full service level. From 1993-94 onwards, the figure provided is a count of the certificates issued. Because a certificate may be issued for more than one application, the reader is cautioned against adding together figures in Tables 10 and 12 for Yukon. Data include full service duty counsel. Prior to 1997-98, applications for duty counsel services for Judicial Interim Release Hearings were also included.
- Nunavut** Although the division of the Northwest Territories officially took place April 1, 1999, the Northwest Territories Legal Services Board remained the provider of Legal Aid Services in Nunavut until June 30, 2000.
- Canada** For civil cases, there is one matter per application. For criminal, there can be multiple charges per application and these can be handled separately (i.e., by different lawyers). There is no provision to use the most serious offence as the main offence, therefore there are a greater number of offences listed than of applications approved and assigned. The total number of individual approved requests is enumerated by certificate. If a matter related to the original application arises at a later date (including appeal), a new application is usually taken and a new certificate is issued. This number includes more than one certificate per application.

Table 11
Approved Legal Aid Applications, Staff and Private Lawyers, Criminal and Civil Matters

Province/Territory and Year	Total Approved Applications					Criminal Matters					Civil Matters				
	Total	Staff Lawyers		Private Lawyers		Total	Staff Lawyers		Private Lawyers		Total	Staff Lawyers		Private Lawyers	
		#	% of total	#	% of total		#	% of approved criminal matters	#	% of approved criminal matters		#	% of approved civil matters	#	% of approved civil matters
Newfoundland and Labrador¹															
1996-97	10,880	..	..	..	..	7,823	..	..	..	..	3,057	..	..	..	..
1997-98	9,838	..	..	..	..	7,173	..	..	..	..	2,665	..	..	..	..
1998-99	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
1999-00	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
2000-01	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Prince Edward Island²															
1996-97	1,210	991 ^e	82 ^e	219 ^e	18 ^e	1,134	940 ^e	83 ^e	194 ^e	17 ^e	76	51	67	25	33
1997-98	1,274	1,127 ^e	88 ^e	147 ^e	12 ^e	1,193	1,077 ^e	90 ^e	116 ^e	10 ^e	81	50	62	31	38
1998-99	1,098	992	90	106	10	1,019	935	92	84	8	79	57	72	22	28
1999-00	1,209	1,045	86	164	14	1,133	995	88	138	12	76	50	66	26	34
2000-01	1,185	1,032	87	153	13	1,083	961	89	122	11	102	71	70	31	30
Nova Scotia															
1996-97	16,529	14,129	85	2,400	15	9,737	8,932	92	805	8	6,792	5,197	77	1,595	23
1997-98	15,744	13,501	86	2,243	14	9,718	8,904	92	814	8	6,026	4,597	76	1,429	24
1998-99	14,575	12,095	83	2,480	17	8,996	7,959	88	1,037	12	5,579	4,136	74	1,443	26
1999-00	15,481	12,567	81	2,914	19	9,745	8,583	88	1,162	12	5,736	3,984	69	1,752	31
2000-01	15,150	12,279	81	2,871	19	9,551	8,216	86	1,335	14	5,599	4,063	73	1,536	27
New Brunswick³															
1996-97	1,629	...	...	1,629	100	1,487	...	...	1,487	100	142	...	...	142	100
1997-98	3,932	1,183	30	2,749	70	1,400	...	...	1,400	100	2,532	1,183	47	1,349	53
1998-99	3,965	1,253	32	2,712	68	1,278	...	...	1,278	100	2,687	1,253	47	1,434	53
1999-00	4,637	1,311	28	3,326	72	1,285	...	...	1,285	100	3,352	1,311	39	2,041	61
2000-01	3,935	1,298	33	2,637	67	1,226	...	...	1,226	100	2,709	1,298	48	1,411	52
Quebec															
1996-97	240,178	127,969	53	112,209	47	85,651	39,684	46	45,967	54	154,527	88,285	57	66,242	43
1997-98	214,254	105,836	49	108,418	51	77,071	29,325	38	47,746	62	137,183	76,511	56	60,672	44
1998-99	216,790	103,733	48	113,057	52	78,084	28,760	37	49,324	63	138,706	74,973	54	63,733	46
1999-00	215,991	103,390	48	112,601	52	77,525	28,514	37	49,011	63	138,466	74,876	54	63,590	46
2000-01	212,192	106,689	50	105,503	50	78,951	31,327	40	47,624	60	133,241	75,362	57	57,879	43
Ontario															
1996-97	111,889	37,097	33	74,792	67	51,347	...	...	51,347	100	60,542	37,097	61	23,445	39
1997-98	115,620	32,409	28	83,211	72	54,890	...	...	54,890	100	60,730	32,409	53	28,321	47
1998-99	131,512	29,365	22	102,147	78	61,250	...	...	61,250	100	70,262	29,365	42	40,897	58
1999-00	140,903	33,359	24	107,544	76	62,054	...	...	62,054	100	78,849	33,359	42	45,490	58
2000-01	159,338	41,789	26	117,549	74	65,279	...	...	65,279	100	94,059	41,789	44	52,270	56
Manitoba															
1996-97	18,349	5,253	29	13,096	71	9,283	2,086	22	7,197	78	9,066	3,167	35	5,899	65
1997-98	17,009	4,664	27	12,345	73	7,959	1,550	19	6,409	81	9,050	3,114	34	5,936	66
1998-99	17,306	4,806	28	12,500	72	8,580	1,633	19	6,947	81	8,726	3,173	36	5,553	64
1999-00	17,374	4,746	27	12,628	73	8,871	1,732	20	7,139	80	8,503	3,014	35	5,489	65
2000-01	17,627	4,133	23	13,494	77	9,028	1,434	16	7,594	84	8,599	2,699	31	5,900	69
Saskatchewan															
1996-97	21,484	21,047	98	437	2	15,515	15,234	98	281	2	5,969	5,813	97	156	3
1997-98	21,980	20,789	95	1,191	5	16,550	16,247	98	303	2	5,430	4,542	84	888	16
1998-99	22,401	21,251	95	1,150	5	16,971	16,604	98	367	2	5,430	4,647	86	783	14
1999-00	21,891	20,722	95	1,169	5	16,419	15,624	95	795	5	5,472	5,098	93	374	7
2000-01	22,057	21,024	95	1,033	5	16,585	15,851	96	734	4	5,472	5,173	95	299	5
Alberta															
1996-97	28,014	2,846	10	25,168	90	20,853	2,731	13	18,122	87	7,161	115	2	7,046	98
1997-98	28,316	2,915	10	25,401	90	20,646	2,845	14	17,801	86	7,670	70	1	7,600	99
1998-99	30,294	2,823	9	27,471	91	22,253	2,748	12	19,505	88	8,041	75	1	7,966	99
1999-00	32,051	3,035	9	29,016	91	23,378	2,827	12	20,551	88	8,673	208	2	8,465	98
2000-01	33,799	3,002	9	30,797	91	24,429	2,801	11	21,628	89	9,370	201	2	9,169	98
British Columbia⁴															
1996-97	56,018	12,939	23	43,079	77	31,226	5,251	17	25,975	83	24,792	7,688	31	17,104	69
1997-98	51,871	13,311	26	38,560	74	28,702	4,623	16	24,079	84	23,169	8,688	37	14,481	63
1998-99	50,738	12,905	25	37,833	75	28,043	4,793	17	23,250	83	22,695	8,112	36	14,583	64
1999-00	51,534	12,244	24	39,290	76	27,479	4,390	16	23,089	84	24,055	7,854	33	16,201	67
2000-01	50,513	11,672	23	38,841	77	25,845	4,260	16	21,585	84	24,668	7,412	30	17,256	70
Northwest Territories⁵															
1996-97	2,007	433	22	1,574	78	1,595	430	27	1,165	73	412	3	1	409	99
1997-98	1,321	241	18	1,080	82	870	234	27	636	73	451	7	2	444	98
1998-99	1,131	409	36	722	64	660	262	40	398	60	471	147	31	324	69
1999-00	1,000	265	27	735	74	659	193	29	466	71	341	72	21	269	79
2000-01	813	278	34	535	66	445	144	32	301	68	368	134	36	234	64

Table 11
Approved Legal Aid Applications, Staff and Private Lawyers, Criminal and Civil Matters – Concluded

Province/Territory and Year	Total Approved Applications					Criminal Matters					Civil Matters				
	Total	Staff Lawyers		Private Lawyers		Total	Staff Lawyers		Private Lawyers		Total	Staff Lawyers		Private Lawyers	
		#	% of total	#	% of total		#	% of approved criminal matters	#	% of approved criminal matters		#	% of approved civil matters	#	% of approved civil matters
Yukon Territory ⁶															
1996-97	1,372	828	60	544	40	1,079	698	65	381	35	293	130	44	163	56
1997-98	1,045	702	67	343	33	693	504	73	189	27	352	198	56	154	44
1998-99	1,032	647	63	385	37	685	426	62	259	38	347	221	64	126	36
1999-00	1,003	592	59	411	41	767	423	55	344	45	236	169	72	67	28
2000-01	800	566	71	234	29	554	393	71	161	29	246	173	70	73	30
Nunavut ⁷															
1999-00	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
2000-01	785	366	47	419	53	439	311	71	128	29	346	55	16	291	84
Canada															
1996-97	509,559	..	..	..	..	236,730	..	..	..	..	272,829	..	..	..	..
1997-98	482,204	..	..	..	..	226,865	..	..	..	..	255,339	..	..	..	..
1998-99	490,842	..	..	..	..	227,819	..	..	..	..	263,023	..	..	..	..
1999-00	503,074	..	..	..	..	229,315	..	..	..	..	273,759	..	..	..	..
2000-01	518,194	..	..	..	..	233,415	..	..	..	..	284,779	..	..	..	..

Source: Legal Aid Survey, Canadian Centre for Justice Statistics.

Additional Data Related to Table 11 The following data are for those jurisdictions who provided the number of approved applications for young persons (included in criminal matters in Table 11).

	1996-97		1997-98		1998-99		1999-2000		2000-2001	
	Staff Lawyers	Private Lawyers	Staff Lawyers	Private Lawyers	Staff Lawyers	Private Lawyers	Staff Lawyers	Private Lawyers	Staff Lawyers	Private Lawyers
Prince Edward Island	248	-	251	20	226	24	224	29	200	26
Nova Scotia	2,226	173	2,056	181	1,765	241	1,978	279	1,910	267
New Brunswick	..	..	..	..	..	251	..	155	..	152
Quebec	6,917	4,967	6,564	6,368	6,089	6,388	5,936	6,260	5,974	5,750
Manitoba	521	1,289	267	1,219	244	1,301	240	1,259	191	1,293
Saskatchewan	3,842	56	4,330	61	3,951	64	2,601	103	3,239	147
Alberta	2,731	4,117	2,845	3,844	2,743	4,073	2,713	4,069	2,729	3,958
British Columbia	..	..	..	..	1,510	4,940	1,409	4,502	1,210	4,016
Yukon	-	62	147	31	135	60	131	54	85	17
Northwest Territories	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	23
Nunavut	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	23	-

- ¹ **Newfoundland and Labrador** Approved applications figures (total, criminal and civil, all years) for Newfoundland have been derived by subtracting the number of refused applications from the total applications for the fiscal year.
- ² **Prince Edward Island** Approved applications by staff and private lawyers were estimated until 1997-98. Estimates were based on the proportion of criminal and civil matters handled by staff and private lawyers. The proportions have been rounded for presentation purposes.
- ³ **New Brunswick** Civil applications figures for years prior to 1997-98 are incomplete.
- ⁴ **British Columbia** In 1996-97, British Columbia began implementation of a new Case Management System (CMS). Statistical data related to applications are reported from both the old and new systems for 1996-97.
- ⁵ **Northwest Territories** In 1997-98, the Northwest Territories began a practice known as "presumed eligibility", whereby persons appearing unrepresented at court are not required to apply for legal services. Since counts of presumed eligibility cases are not available, data for 1997-98 cannot be compared to previous years. In 1998-99, a total of 4,456 persons appeared unrepresented (presumed eligibility) at court. This explains the decrease in the number of legal aid applications. In 1999-2000, 4,672 persons appeared unrepresented at court. In 2000-2001, the split between the Northwest Territories and Nunavut contributed to the decrease in NWT.
- ⁶ **Yukon Territory** Data include full service duty counsel. Prior to 1997-98, applications for duty counsel services for Judicial Interim Release Hearings were also included. Data excludes circuit court matters.
- ⁷ **Nunavut** Although the division of the Northwest Territories officially took place April 1, 1999, the Northwest Territories Legal Services Board remained the provider of Legal Aid Services in Nunavut until June 30, 2000.

Table 12
Refused Legal Aid Applications¹, Criminal and Civil Matters, Reasons

Province/Territory and Year	Total Refused					Financial Ineligibility					Other Reasons				
	Total	Criminal		Civil		Total	Criminal		Civil		Total	Criminal		Civil	
			%		%			%		%			%		%
Newfoundland and Labrador²															
1996-97	7,217	2,328	32	4,889	68	917	386	42	531	58	6,300	1,942	31	4,358	69
1997-98	5,810	1,896	33	3,914	67	800	289	36	511	64	5,010	1,607	32	3,403	68
1998-99	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
1999-00	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
2000-01	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Nova Scotia															
1996-97	2,375	898	38	1,477	62	971	274	28	697	72	1,404	624	44	780	56
1997-98	2,312	877	38	1,435	62	961	315	33	646	67	1,351	562	42	789	58
1998-99	1,997	749	38	1,248	62	847	249	29	598	71	1,150	500	43	650	57
1999-00	2,160	833	39	1,327	61	966	344	36	622	64	1,194	489	41	705	59
2000-01	2,024	845	42	1,179	58	943	307	33	636	67	1,081	538	50	543	50
New Brunswick³															
1996-97	893	851	95	42	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
1997-98	784	784	100	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
1998-99	780	691	89	89	11	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
1999-00	793	745	94	48	6	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
2000-01	723	682	94	41	6	..	..	..	..	..	723	682	94	41	6
Quebec⁴															
1996-97	42,859	16,095	38	26,764	62	18,346	4,328	24	14,018	76	24,513	11,767	48	12,746	52
1997-98	43,324	17,009	39	26,315	61	18,541	7,048	38	11,493	62	24,783	9,961	40	14,822	60
1998-99	38,178	13,901	36	24,277	64	18,789	6,954	37	11,835	63	19,389	6,947	36	12,442	64
1999-00	36,390	13,681	38	22,709	62	19,017	7,626	40	11,391	60	17,373	6,055	35	11,318	65
2000-01	36,826	13,670	37	23,156	63	21,149	8,633	41	12,516	59	15,677	5,037	32	10,640	68
Ontario⁵															
1996-97	35,836	20,995	59	14,841	41	3,463	2,153	62	1,310	38	32,373	18,842	58	13,531	42
1997-98	28,911	18,971	66	9,940	34	5,387	3,535	66	1,852	34	23,524	15,436	66	8,088	34
1998-99	38,517	23,096	60	15,421	40	6,737	4,040	60	2,697	40	31,780	19,056	60	12,724	40
1999-00	30,057	17,343	58	12,714	42	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
2000-01	31,186	..	..	..	..	7,122	..	..	..	..	24,064	..	..	..	..
Manitoba															
1996-97	3,077	1,397	45	1,680	55	480	176	37	304	63	2,597	1,221	47	1,376	53
1997-98	3,061	1,292	42	1,769	58	307	83	27	224	73	2,754	1,209	44	1,545	56
1998-99	2,102	858	41	1,244	59	302	101	33	201	67	1,800	757	42	1,043	58
1999-00	2,380	1,003	42	1,377	58	319	108	34	211	66	2,061	895	43	1,166	57
2000-01	2,729	1,175	43	1,554	57	338	114	34	224	66	2,391	1,061	44	1,330	56
Saskatchewan															
1996-97	1,543	1,045	68	498	32	1,112	769	69	343	31	431	276	64	155	36
1997-98	1,638	1,112	68	526	32	1,192	848	71	344	29	446	264	59	182	41
1998-99	1,580	1,014	64	566	36	1,165	773	66	392	34	415	241	58	174	42
1999-00	1,429	925	65	504	35	1,072	712	66	360	34	357	213	60	144	40
2000-01	1,473	928	63	545	37	1,094	706	65	388	35	379	222	59	157	41
Alberta															
1996-97	7,645	4,223	55	3,422	45	3,200	2,024	63	1,176	37	4,445	2,199	49	2,246	51
1997-98	7,397	4,156	56	3,241	44	3,141	1,937	62	1,204	38	4,256	2,219	52	2,037	48
1998-99	9,115	5,117	56	3,998	44	2,559	1,512	59	1,047	41	6,556	3,605	55	2,951	45
1999-00	10,314	5,641	55	4,673	45	2,833	1,595	56	1,238	44	7,481	4,046	54	3,435	46
2000-01	11,587	6,165	53	5,422	47	3,561	1,892	53	1,669	47	8,026	4,273	53	3,753	47
British Columbia⁶															
1996-97	47,252	13,603	29	33,649	71	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
1997-98	32,411	12,995	40	19,416	60	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
1998-99	27,867	11,480	41	16,387	59	8,135	3,141	39	4,994	61	19,732	8,339	42	11,393	58
1999-00	25,865	10,930	42	14,935	58	7,915	3,172	40	4,743	60	17,950	7,758	43	10,192	57
2000-01	23,561	9,868	42	13,693	58	6,986	2,587	37	4,399	63	16,575	7,281	44	9,294	56
Northwest Territories															
1996-97	776	321	41	455	59	113	51	45	62	55	663	270	41	393	59
1997-98	673	..	..	..	..	100	32	32	68	68	573	..	..	..	..
1998-99	627	..	..	..	..	83	..	..	..	..	544	..	..	..	..
1999-00	380	..	..	..	..	70	15	21	55	79	310	..	..	..	..
2000-01	345	59	17	..	..	10	10	100	..	..	49	49	100	..	..

Table 12
Refused Legal Aid Applications¹, Criminal and Civil Matters, Reasons – Concluded

Province/Territory and Year	Total Refused					Financial Ineligibility					Other Reasons				
	Total	Criminal		Civil		Total	Criminal		Civil		Total	Criminal		Civil	
		%		%			%		%		%		%		
Yukon Territory⁷															
1996-97	125	53	42	72	58	69	34	49	35	51	56	19	34	37	66
1997-98	130	45	35	85	65	71	29	41	42	59	59	16	27	43	73
1998-99	154	58	38	96	62	86	31	36	55	64	68	27	40	41	60
1999-00	12	7	58	5	42	5	2	40	3	60	7	5	71	2	29
2000-01	146	51	35	95	65	93	33	35	60	65	53	18	34	35	66
Nunavut⁸															
1999-00	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
2000-01	83	43	52	40	48	9	5	56	4	44	74	38	51	36	49
Canada⁹															
1996-97	149,598	61,809	41	87,789	59	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
1997-98	126,451	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
1998-99	120,917	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
1999-00	109,780	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
2000-01	110,683	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..

Source: Legal Aid Survey, Canadian Centre for Justice Statistics.

- ¹ **Refused applications** Plans screen applicants to some degree before an application is filed. For this reason, the refused application count does not include those who are denied services before they file an application. Prince Edward Island is not included in Table 12. Only counts of approved applications are maintained.
- ² **Newfoundland and Labrador** Summary services are included.
- ³ **New Brunswick** Civil summary services are included. Figures do not include applications from domestic legal aid administered by the New Brunswick Department of Justice.
- ⁴ **Quebec** The increase in refused applications in 1996-97 was due to amendments made to the Legal Aid Act in mid-1996, introducing stricter coverage and eligibility criteria.
- ⁵ **Ontario** Community clinics, which deal with civil as well as adult and youth criminal matters, are excluded.
- ⁶ **British Columbia** In 1996-97, British Columbia began implementation of a new Case Management System (CMS). Statistical data related to applications are reported from both the old and new systems for 1996-97.
- ⁷ **Yukon Territory** Data exclude circuit court matters. Total refused applications in 1999-2000 are comparatively low due to new pre-screening procedures that were dropped in the subsequent year.
- ⁸ **Nunavut** Although the division of the Northwest Territories officially took place April 1, 1999, the Northwest Territories Legal Services Board remained the provider of Legal Aid Services in Nunavut until June 30, 2000.
- ⁹ **Canada** Criminal and civil subtotals exclude Prince Edward Island in all years.

Table 13
Duty Counsel Services, Criminal and Civil Matters

Province/Territory and Year	Total		Criminal Matters		Civil Matters	
	No.	No.	%	No.	%	
Newfoundland and Labrador						
1996-97	4,652	4,646	100	6	--	
1997-98	3,983	3,980	100	3	--	
1998-99	4,649	..	..	..	..
1999-00	..	..	..	..	..
2000-01	..	..	..	..	..
Nova Scotia¹						
1996-97	311	301	97	10	3	
1997-98	141	134	95	7	5	
1998-99	1,234	1,230	100	4	--	
1999-00	4,518	4,507	100	11	--	
2000-01	4,828	4,818	100	10	--	
New Brunswick²						
1996-97	17,016	15,818	93	1,198	7	
1997-98	17,059	15,809	93	1,250	7	
1998-99	15,413	14,335	93	1,078	7	
1999-00	16,336	14,695	90	1,641	10	
2000-01	14,613	13,509	92	1,104	8	
Ontario³						
1996-97	579,500	487,230	84	92,270	16	
1997-98	581,028	491,974	85	89,054	15	
1998-99	600,559	505,754	84	94,805	16	
1999-00	615,028	513,996	84	101,032	16	
2000-01	675,813	557,132	82	118,681	18	
Manitoba						
1996-97	43,506	..	..	..	..
1997-98	45,182	..	..	..	..
1998-99	50,686	..	..	..	..
1999-00	41,993	..	..	..	..
2000-01	33,716	..	..	..	..
Saskatchewan⁴						
1996-97	7,999	7,694	96	305	4	
1997-98	8,671	8,340	96	331	4	
1998-99	8,435	8,423	100	12	--	
1999-00	8,602	8,354	97	248	3	
2000-01	10,061	9,687	96	374	4	
Alberta⁵						
1996-97	47,496	47,227	99	269	1	
1997-98	54,692	54,410	99	282	1	
1998-99	57,019	56,723	99	296	1	
1999-00	61,053	60,700	99	353	1	
2000-01	60,555	60,195	99	360	1	
British Columbia⁶						
1996-97	75,114	..	..	..	..
1997-98	75,499	..	..	..	..
1998-99	61,058	..	..	..	..
1999-00	60,361	..	..	..	..
2000-01	49,872	..	..	..	..
Yukon Territory⁷						
1996-97	..	..	..	..	..
1997-98	445	445	100	..	..
1998-99	533	533	100	..	..
1999-00	601	600	100	1	--	
2000-01	529	528	100	1	--	
Nunavut⁸						
1999-00	..	..	..	..	..
2000-01	..	..	..	..	..

Source: Legal Aid Survey, Canadian Centre for Justice Statistics.

Prince Edward Island Since 1991, there has been no duty counsel system as defined by the Supreme Court of Canada in the *Brydges* case. The services of staff counsel are available during regular office hours. Staff lawyers may, at their discretion, take calls after hours but are unpaid. Legal services may be provided at a court, but only to financially eligible persons. Services provided at a court are counted as full service applications, even if all of the service is provided on the date of application (i.e., where the case is completed by a plea and sentence or other disposition in a single appearance).

Quebec Data on duty counsel are not available.

Northwest Territories Circuit and duty counsel serve approved full service applicants, and are counted in Tables 9, 10 and 11, and others attending court, but no record is kept of these others assisted.

¹ **Nova Scotia** The significant increase in duty counsel services is explained by the hiring of a full time lawyer in May 1998. Duty counsel services are now provided at criminal court for persons arrested and detained.

² **New Brunswick** All persons helped are counted.

³ **Ontario** Civil duty counsel is provided in family court. Duty counsel is provided in provincial court, but not in circuit court. Criminal duty counsel figures include salaried duty counsel for all years.

⁴ **Saskatchewan** Does not include circuit court cases which are included in the count for full service applications assigned to staff lawyers. After hours legal service is provided through a private law firm.

⁵ **Alberta** Includes duty counsel provided for mental health review panels.

⁶ **British Columbia** The duty counsel report forms do not permit an accurate differentiation of civil and criminal duty counsel services and does not differentiate adult and youth criminal duty counsel accurately. To protest reduced tariff payments, private bar lawyers in a number of communities stopped providing duty counsel services. The Society transferred work to staff lawyers who had to limit their assistance to those in custody charged with offences. The result was a drop in duty counsel seen during the fiscal year 1998-99.

⁷ **Yukon Territory** Prior to 1996-97, duty counsel figures reflect the number of days in Whitehorse only. Days on circuit court outside Whitehorse are excluded.

⁸ **Nunavut** Although the division of the Northwest Territories officially took place April 1, 1999, the Northwest Territories Legal Services Board remained the provider of Legal Aid Services in Nunavut until June 30, 2000.

Table 14
Appeals¹, Approved and Refused for Legal Aid Services, Criminal and Civil Matters

Province/Territory and Year	Total	Total Appeals				Total	Approved				Total	Refused					
		Criminal Matters		Civil Matters			Criminal Matters		Civil Matters			Criminal Matters		Civil Matters			
		No.	%	No.	%		No.	%	No.	%		No.	%	No.	%		
Nova Scotia																	
1999-00	175	57	33	118	67	125	49	39	76	61	50	8	16	42	84		
2000-01	103	61	59	42	41	77	48	62	29	38	26	13	50	13	50		
Quebec																	
1996-97	1,678	684	41	994	59	901	418	46	483	54	777	266	34	511	66		
1997-98	1,502	577	38	925	62	941	374	40	567	60	561	203	36	358	64		
1998-99	1,430	681	48	749	52	937	452	48	485	52	493	229	46	264	54		
1999-00	1,201	521	43	680	57	820	357	44	463	56	381	164	43	217	57		
2000-01	1,161	518	45	643	55	771	363	47	408	53	390	155	40	235	60		
Ontario																	
1996-97	1,706	..	..	..	..	541	..	..	..	..	1,165	..	..	..	..
1997-98	1,764	1,157	66	607	34	723	474	66	249	34	1,041	683	66	358	34		
1998-99	4,967 ^r	2,979 ^r	60 ^r	1,988 ^r	40 ^r	3,847 ^r	2,307 ^r	60 ^r	1,540 ^r	40 ^r	1,120 ^r	672 ^r	60 ^r	448 ^r	40 ^r		
1999-00	5,035	2,905	58	2,130	42	3,995	2,305	58	1,690	42	1,040	600	58	440	42		
2000-01	4,740	..	..	..	..	4,084	..	..	..	..	656	..	..	..	..
Manitoba²																	
1996-97	..	..	..	..	..	229	177	77	52	23	..	..	..	..	..
1997-98	..	..	..	..	..	216	169	78	47	22	..	..	..	..	..
1998-99	..	..	..	..	..	168	136	81	32	19	..	..	..	..	..
1999-00	..	..	..	..	..	141	111	79	30	21	..	..	..	..	..
2000-01	..	..	..	..	..	156	112	72	44	28	..	..	..	..	..
Saskatchewan																	
1996-97	31	31	100	..	..	25	25	100	..	..	6	6	100	-	-		
1997-98	19	16	84	3	16	19	16	84	3	16	-	-	-	-	-		
1998-99	11	11	100	-	-	8	8	100	-	-	3	3	100	-	-		
1999-00	51	51	100	-	-	47	47	100	-	-	4	4	100	-	-		
2000-01	44	44	100	-	-	39	39	100	-	-	5	5	100	-	-		
Alberta																	
1996-97	857	692	81	165	19	617	454	74	163	26	240	238	99	2	1		
1997-98	860	687	80	173	20	554	381	69	173	31	306	306	100	-	-		
1998-99	779	637	82	142	18	476	334	70	142	30	303	303	100	-	-		
1999-00	971	606	62	365	38	530	325	61	205	39	441	281	64	160	36		
2000-01	1,083	662	61	421	39	499	311	62	188	38	584	351	60	233	40		
British Columbia³																	
1996-97	1,734	796	46	938	54	1,020	368	36	652	64	739	428	58	311	42		
1997-98	1,836	898	49	938	51	1,041	418	40	623	60	795	480	60	315	40		
1998-99	1,964	834	42	1,130	58	1,250	412	33	838	67	714	422	59	292	41		
1999-00	2,640	880	33	1,760	67	1,570	425	27	1,145	73	1,070	455	43	615	57		
2000-01	2,224	855	38	1,369	62	1,234	398	32	836	68	990	457	46	533	54		
Northwest Territories																	
1996-97	89	89	100	-	-	58	58	100	-	-	31	31	100	-	-		
1997-98	53	53	100	-	-	29	29	100	-	-	24	24	100	-	-		
1998-99	54	54	100	-	-	33	33	100	-	-	21	21	100	-	-		
1999-00	47	47	100	-	-	29	29	100	-	-	18	18	100	-	-		
2000-01	43	43	100	-	-	24	24	100	-	-	19	19	100	-	-		
Yukon Territory																	
1996-97	7	5	71	2	29	6	5	83	1	17	1	-	-	1	100		
1997-98	21	15	71	6	29	15	12	80	3	20	6	3	50	3	50		
1998-99	14	13	93	1	7	9	8	89	1	11	5	5	100	-	-		
1999-00	21	20	95	1	5	20	19	95	1	5	1	1	100	-	-		
2000-01	7	7	100	-	-	6	6	100	-	-	1	1	100	-	-		
Nunavut⁴																	
1999-00	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
2000-01	10	10	100	-	-	10	10	100	-	-	..	..	..	..	..

Source: Legal Aid Survey, Canadian Centre for Justice Statistics.

¹ **Appeals** Appeal refers to an appeal of a lower court or administrative tribunal decision, not an appeal of a refused application. Each dossier is counted in spite of the fact that the matter may have been dealt with by the legal aid plan in the past.

Newfoundland and Labrador There were 6 applications for appeals in Newfoundland in 1997-98. Data on appeals that were approved or refused are not available.

Prince Edward Island Only counts of approved appeals were maintained (as follows): 1996-97 12, 1997-98 5, 1998-99 13, 1999-2000 15, 2000-2001 10.

Nova Scotia From 1996-97 to 1998-99, Nova Scotia required lawyers to maintain records of approved appeals. No record was maintained for refused appeal cases. Only counts of approved criminal and civil appeals were maintained.

	Total	Criminal	Civil
1996-97	30	21	9
1997-98	42	29	13
1998-99	38	29	9

² **Manitoba** Only counts of approved criminal and civil appeals are maintained.

³ **British Columbia** Civil matter refusals include those who receive summary service.

⁴ **Nunavut** Although the division of the Northwest Territories officially took place April 1, 1999, the Northwest Territories Legal Services Board remained the provider of Legal Aid Services in Nunavut until June 30, 2000.

Table 15
Incoming Civil Legal Aid Dossiers Processed Under the Interprovincial Reciprocity Agreement

(To) Province/Territory and Year	(From)														
	Total	Nfld.	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Qc.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alb.	B.C.	N.T.	Y.T.	Nuvavut	Outside Canada
Newfoundland and Labrador															
1996-97	4	...	-	-	1	-	2	-	-	1	-	-	-	...	-
1997-98	5	...	-	-	1	-	2	1	-	1	-	-	-	...	-
1998-99	..	...	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	...	..
1999-00	..	...	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	...	..
2000-01	..	...	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	...	..
Prince Edward Island															
1996-97	5	-	...	-	1	-	-	-	1	1	2	-	-	...	-
1997-98	6	1	...	4	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	...	-
1998-99	5	-	...	1	-	-	1	-	-	1	2	-	-	...	-
1999-00	3	-	...	1	-	-	1	-	-	1	-	-	-	...	-
2000-01	9	1	...	1	-	2	3	-	-	2	-	-	-	...	-
Nova Scotia															
1996-97	93	8	1	...	8	11	24	2	1	11	25	1	1	...	-
1997-98	60	5	3	...	7	6	17	2	1	11	8	-	-	...	-
1998-99	66	11	1	...	7	6	18	4	2	8	7	1	-	...	1
1999-00	67	4	-	...	3	4	32	3	1	10	9	1	-	...	-
2000-01	77	12	2	...	4	8	29	1	3	4	14	-	-	...	-
New Brunswick¹															
1996-97	31	2	-	5	...	9	6	-	-	3	6	-	-	...	-
1997-98	35	1	-	9	...	5	11	2	3	3	1	-	-	...	-
1998-99	46	-	-	15	...	13	10	1	1	3	3	-	-	...	-
1999-00	34	1	-	2	...	15	9	-	-	6	-	1	-	...	-
2000-01	35	-	-	12	...	13	5	1	-	3	1	-	-	...	-
Quebec															
1996-97	149	-	-	8	6	...	90	6	-	6	33	-	-	...	-
1997-98	124	5	-	9	12	...	65	4	1	6	21	-	-	...	1
1998-99	140	2	-	9	13	...	88	2	2	3	20	1	-	...	-
1999-00	154	3	-	11	6	...	103	2	2	6	21	-	-	...	-
2000-01	178	2	1	13	3	...	122	4	1	6	26	-	-	...	-
Ontario															
1996-97	..	..	..	..	..	..	...	...	..	..	..	..	..	...	..
1997-98	206	8	1	21	6	42	...	24	5	33	51	1	-	...	14
1998-99	268	7	1	29	2	75	...	25	13	47	54	2	1	...	12
1999-00	294	15	-	21	5	87	...	34	16	46	68	2	-	...	-
2000-01	332	9	1	24	5	88	...	29	15	61	82	3	-	...	15
Manitoba															
1996-97	137	2	-	-	-	3	26	...	23	28	54	1	-	...	-
1997-98	84	-	-	-	1	1	13	...	23	28	18	-	-	...	-
1998-99	47	-	-	3	-	-	9	...	9	10	15	-	-	...	1
1999-00	37	-	-	1	1	-	6	...	7	11	10	-	-	...	1
2000-01	113	2	-	1	-	3	20	...	30	21	33	1	-	...	2
Saskatchewan															
1996-97	94	-	-	-	-	2	4	23	...	33	31	1	-	...	-
1997-98	92	-	-	2	1	2	1	24	...	36	25	1	-	...	-
1998-99	94	1	-	2	-	2	10	15	...	42	21	1	-	...	-
1999-00	117	-	-	3	-	1	8	17	...	60	26	2	-	...	-
2000-01	111	-	-	1	-	2	7	25	...	50	25	-	1	...	-
Alberta															
1996-97	358	4	-	6	2	6	25	35	59	...	213	1	7	...	-
1997-98	373	7	-	11	3	8	27	32	73	...	208	4	-	...	-
1998-99	413	10	-	9	3	11	50	33	95	...	192	7	3	...	-
1999-00	368	10	-	7	1	11	45	31	83	...	169	7	2	...	2
2000-01	388	5	1	12	3	9	66	29	70	...	178	13	2	...	-

Table 15
Incoming Civil Legal Aid Dossiers Processed Under the Interprovincial Reciprocity Agreement – Concluded

(To)	(From)														
	Total	Nfld.	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Qc.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alb.	B.C.	N.T.	Y.T.	Nuvavut	Outside Canada
British Columbia²															
1996-97	238	3	-	10	-	15	38	25	32	105	...	-	4	...	6
1997-98	262	4	-	11	2	17	37	25	49	100	...	6	11	...	-
1998-99	302	5	1	8	2	18	60	25	28	141	...	3	7	...	4
1999-00	234	3	-	8	2	13	31	27	29	109	...	8	4	..	-
2000-01	235	2	-	7	1	8	37	35	29	105	...	-	3	-	8
Northwest Territories															
1996-97	16	..	..	2	..	1	2	1	1	4	4	...	1	...	..
1997-98	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	...	..	...	..
1998-99	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	...	..	...	..
1999-00	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	...	..	...	..
2000-01	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	...	..	-	..
Yukon Territory															
1996-97	12	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	2	8	1	...	...	-
1997-98	13	-	-	1	1	-	-	1	-	1	8	1	...	...	-
1998-99	16	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	1	1	11	1	...	...	-
1999-00	20	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	11	3	...	..	-
2000-01	10	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	8	-	...	-	-
Nunavut³															
1999-00	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	...	..
2000-01	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	...	..

Source: Legal Aid Survey, Canadian Centre for Justice Statistics.

¹ **New Brunswick** Prior to 1996-97, New Brunswick data did not include cases under domestic legal aid administered by the Department of Justice.

² **British Columbia** Data for 1996-97 are drawn from the new computerized information system that was introduced gradually during this period. The data therefore, are incomplete and must be regarded as an approximation.

³ **Nunavut** Although the division of the Northwest Territories officially took place April 1, 1999, the Northwest Territories Legal Services Board remained the provider of Legal Aid Services in Nunavut until June 30, 2000.

Table 16
Outgoing Civil Legal Aid Dossiers Processed Under the Interprovincial Reciprocity Agreement

(From) Province/Territory and Year	(To)														
	Total	Nfld.	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Qc.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alb.	B.C.	N.T.	Y.T.	Nunavut	Outside Canada
Newfoundland and Labrador															
1996-97	5	...	-	-	1	1	1	1	1	-	-	-	-	...	-
1997-98	5	...	-	1	1	1	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	...	-
1998-99	..	...	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	...	..
1999-00	..	...	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	...	..
2000-01	..	...	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	...	..
Prince Edward Island															
1996-97	4	-	...	1	-	2	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	...	-
1997-98	4	-	...	3	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	...	-
1998-99	2	-	...	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	...	-
1999-00	-	-	...	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	...	-
2000-01	4	-	...	2	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Nova Scotia															
1996-97	88	6	1	...	5	9	38	6	-	9	12	2	-	...	-
1997-98	99	11	4	...	8	11	41	1	2	12	8	-	1	...	-
1998-99	107	13	2	...	16	9	44	3	2	9	9	-	-	...	-
1999-00	81	7	3	...	2	11	34	2	4	7	8	3	-	...	-
2000-01	97	10	4	...	12	10	32	2	2	16	9	-	-	-	-
New Brunswick															
1996-97	31	2	1	6	...	5	12	-	1	3	1	-	-	...	-
1997-98	38	2	-	7	...	13	10	-	-	4	2	-	-	...	-
1998-99	23	1	-	5	...	9	2	-	-	4	1	1	-	...	-
1999-00	24	2	-	3	...	7	7	3	-	-	2	-	-	...	-
2000-01	9	-	-	1	...	3	3	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-
Quebec															
1996-97	184	3	-	12	10	...	122	4	2	11	18	2	-	...	-
1997-98	144	1	-	6	5	...	100	4	2	7	18	-	1	...	-
1998-99	148	1	-	6	10	...	99	-	2	11	19	-	-	...	-
1999-00	187	1	-	6	15	...	129	3	2	12	17	2	-	...	-
2000-01	179	2	4	8	12	...	124	3	3	13	10	-	-	-	-
Ontario															
1996-97	..	..	..	..	..	..	...	..	..	..	..	..	..	...	..
1997-98	139	12	1	11	4	54	...	13	-	20	24	-	-	...	-
1998-99	275	12	2	13	11	83	...	21	10	45	43	2	8	...	25
1999-00	248	17	1	27	4	91	...	33	9	33	31	-	-	...	2
2000-01	274	19	2	28	6	107	...	20	9	37	39	2	-	1	4
Manitoba															
1996-97	116	-	-	-	-	5	32	...	17	29	30	-	1	...	2
1997-98	68	1	-	1	2	-	23	...	12	19	9	1	-	...	-
1998-99	65	1	-	1	-	2	15	...	7	18	18	2	-	...	1
1999-00	71	-	-	1	-	1	27	...	8	14	18	-	-	...	2
2000-01	138	-	-	2	1	4	35	...	27	35	32	-	-	1	1
Saskatchewan															
1996-97	128	-	1	1	-	2	7	26	...	64	27	-	-	...	-
1997-98	132	1	1	-	2	1	4	28	...	66	28	1	-	...	-
1998-99	153	1	-	1	-	1	13	34	...	84	18	-	1	...	-
1999-00	158	1	-	1	-	2	18	34	...	78	23	1	-	...	-
2000-01	152	-	-	1	-	1	18	35	...	67	30	-	-	-	-
Alberta															
1996-97	224	6	-	7	2	6	26	26	37	...	108	5	1	...	-
1997-98	268	2	-	12	4	7	46	42	46	...	101	4	4	...	-
1998-99	304	6	2	7	2	3	50	36	56	...	132	8	2	...	-
1999-00	354	7	2	10	7	8	70	46	66	...	125	7	6	...	-
2000-01	375	9	1	12	3	9	51	39	70	...	170	10	1	-	-

Table 16
Outgoing Civil Legal Aid Dossiers Processed Under the Interprovincial Reciprocity Agreement – Concluded

(From) Province/Territory and Year	(To)														
	Total	Nfld.	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Qc.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alb.	B.C.	N.T.	Y.T.	Nunavut	Outside Canada
British Columbia ¹															
1996-97	529	8	-	19	8	33	122	63	40	223	...	-	5	...	8
1997-98	553	10	1	10	4	22	128	48	48	265	...	12	5	...	-
1998-99	477	8	3	9	2	30	115	52	28	213	...	1	11	...	5
1999-00	297	5	-	7	1	17	66	27	24	138	...	3	9	..	-
2000-01	386	3	-	14	1	21	96	37	35	168	...	4	3	-	4
Northwest Territories															
1996-97	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	...	..	...	..
1997-98	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	...	..	...	..
1998-99	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	...	..	...	..
1999-00	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	...	..	...	..
2000-01	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	...	..	-	..
Yukon Territory															
1996-97	15	-	-	1	-	1	1	-	-	7	5	-	...	...	-
1997-98	12	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	3	7	1	...	...	-
1998-99	11	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	4	4	1	...	...	-
1999-00	16	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	11	-	...	..	-
2000-01	14	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	4	6	2	...	-	-
Nunavut ²															
1999-00	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	...	..
2000-01	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	...	..

Source: Legal Aid Survey, Canadian Centre for Justice Statistics.

¹ **British Columbia** Data for 1996-97 are drawn from the new computerized information system that was introduced gradually during this period. The data therefore, are incomplete and must be regarded as an approximation.

² **Nunavut** Although the division of the Northwest Territories officially took place April 1, 1999, the Northwest Territories Legal Services Board remained the provider of Legal Aid Services in Nunavut until June 30, 2000.

Table 17
Federal Contributions¹ to Civil Legal Aid

Province	Year										
	1985-86	1986-87	1987-88	1988-89	1989-90	1990-91	1991-92	1992-93	1993-94	1994-95	1995-96
	\$'000										
Newfoundland and Labrador	-	1,426	426	547	798	840	1,078	1,077	1,129	1,517	1,119
Nova Scotia	751	835	1,349	1,577	1,398	1,963	2,519	2,759	2,832	2,674	2,757
New Brunswick	75	106	104	56	45	73	97	64	37	10	-
Quebec	19,482	17,989	18,248	21,986	25,168	31,130	30,994	29,652	33,403	34,601	38,625
Ontario ²	7,581	9,900	11,908	12,687	17,207	19,400	17,800	16,400	15,900	21,800	18,300
Manitoba	922	1,095	1,219	1,409	1,730	1,834	2,051	2,288	2,126	2,209	1,919
Saskatchewan	603	848	1,255	591	765	1,151	1,160	887	1,138	1,261	..
British Columbia ³	3,598	3,220	4,716	4,815	6,369	9,800	14,800	22,100	24,000	21,240	...
Total	33,012	35,420	39,225	43,668	53,480	66,191	70,499	75,227	80,565	85,312	...

Source: Legal Aid Survey, Canadian Centre for Justice Statistics.

Canada Assistance Plan In 1980, Health and Welfare (now Human Resources Development Canada) formally began sharing the cost of civil legal aid with the provinces and territories under the Canada Assistance Plan. On April 1, 1996, the Canada Health and Social Transfer (CHST), in essence replaced the Canada Assistance Plan, still providing federal funding for a number of social programs, including civil legal aid. The new block-transfer allows the provinces more flexibility in their own funding priorities. Since the provinces are now responsible for the allocation of monies received from the transfer, the federal government no longer directly contributes to the cost of civil legal aid. Table 17 has been maintained for comparison and historical purposes.

¹ **Federal Contributions** Federal payments to all provinces except Ontario and British Columbia for the 1995-96 fiscal year were reported by Human Resources Development Canada as at March 3, 1997.

² **Ontario** Commencing 1989-90, a 5% ceiling for all programs entitled to assistance under the Canada Assistance Plan was imposed under the Government Expenditures Restraint Act. Expenditures since 1990-91 reflect the actual provincial allocation towards legal aid from the total federal monies contributed as reported in the Ontario Public Accounts.

³ **British Columbia** Commencing 1989-90, a 5% ceiling for all programs entitled to assistance under the Canada Assistance Plan was imposed under the Government Expenditures Restraint Act. Data for British Columbia are provided by the provincial government and represent the expenditures claimed by the province in order to reach the 5% ceiling. In 1995-96 no claim for legal aid was made since the ceiling figure was reached without it. Note that in British Columbia, the monies received from the Canada Assistance Plan are not distributed back to the programs for which claims are made; rather the monies remain in a provincial consolidated fund.

Supplementary Tables

The table numbers correspond to the tables
in the main section of the report.

Table 6(a)
Direct Legal Service Expenditures, Criminal Matters (Adult, Youth and Provincial Matters), Staff and Private Lawyers

Province/Territory and Year	Total Criminal					Criminal - Adult					Criminal - Youth					Provincial Offences					
	Total		Staff Lawyers			Private Lawyers		Total		Staff Lawyers			Private Lawyers		Total		Staff Lawyers			Private Lawyers	
	\$'000	%	\$'000	%	\$'000	\$'000	%	\$'000	%	\$'000	%	\$'000	%	\$'000	%	\$'000	%	\$'000	%		
Newfoundland and Labrador																					
1996-97	3,247	2,946	91	301	9	2,754	2,456	89	298	11	493	490	99	3	1	-	-	-	-	-	
1997-98	3,363	3,206	95	157	5	2,871	2,715	95	156	5	492	491	100	1	--	-	-	-	-	-	
1998-99	3,489	3,378	97	111	3	2,981	2,880	97	101	3	508	498	98	10	2	-	-	-	-	-	
1999-00	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
2000-01	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Prince Edward Island¹																					
1996-97	464	337	73	127	27	407	295	72	112	28	57	42	74	15	26	..	..	..	..	..
1997-98	396	341	86	55	14	343	293	85	50	15	53	48	91	5	9	..	..	..	..	..
1998-99	380	333	88	47	12	327	292	89	35	11	53	41	77	12	23	..	..	..	..	..
1999-00	492	435	88	57	12	427	379	89	48	11	65	56	86	9	14	..	..	..	..	..
2000-01	525	452	86	73	14	455	390	86	65	14	70	62	89	8	11	..	..	..	..	..
Nova Scotia																					
1996-97	5,030	4,211	84	819	16	3,966	3,265	82	701	18	1,064	946	89	118	11	-	-	-	-	-	
1997-98	4,809	3,997	83	812	17	3,870	3,135	81	735	19	939	862	92	77	8	-	-	-	-	-	
1998-99	5,291	4,395	83	896	17	4,269	3,489	82	780	18	1,022	906	89	116	11	-	-	-	-	-	
1999-00	5,454	4,508	83	946	17	4,402	3,607	82	795	18	1,052	901	86	151	14	-	-	-	-	-	
2000-01	5,491	4,634	84	857	16	4,457	3,752	84	705	16	1,034	882	85	152	15	-	-	-	-	-	
New Brunswick²																					
1996-97	1,779	..	..	1,779	100	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	-	-	-	-	-
1997-98	1,680	..	..	1,680	100	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	-	-	-	-	-
1998-99	1,936	..	..	1,936	100	..	..	..	1,771	..	..	..	..	135	..	..	-	-	30	..
1999-00	1,992	..	..	1,992	100	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	-	-	43	..
2000-01	1,884	..	..	1,884	100	1,740	..	..	1,740	..	110	..	..	110	..	35	-	-	35	..
Quebec																					
1996-97	34,541 ^e	15,271 ^e	44	19,270	56	27,466 ^e	11,613 ^e	42	15,853	58	4,162 ^e	2,927 ^e	70	1,235	30	2,913 ^e	731 ^e	25	2,182	75	
1997-98	35,382 ^e	18,143 ^e	51	17,239	49	28,478 ^e	14,215 ^e	50	14,263	50	4,661 ^e	3,033 ^e	65	1,628	35	2,243 ^e	895 ^e	40	1,348	60	
1998-99	32,749 ^e	18,168 ^e	55	14,581	45	25,699 ^e	13,985 ^e	54	11,714	46	4,655 ^e	3,028 ^e	65	1,627	35	2,395 ^e	1,155 ^e	48	1,240	52	
1999-00	32,326 ^e	17,903 ^e	55	14,423	45	25,029 ^e	13,723 ^e	55	11,306	45	4,581 ^e	2,999 ^e	65	1,582	35	2,716 ^e	1,181 ^e	43	1,535	57	
2000-01	33,179 ^e	18,739 ^e	56	14,440	44	26,060 ^e	14,960 ^e	57	11,100	43	4,688 ^e	2,806 ^e	60	1,882	40	2,431 ^e	973 ^e	40	1,458	60	
Ontario																					
1996-97	91,636	2,372	3	89,264	97	87,911	1,827	2	86,084	98	11,735	545	5	11,190	95	-8,010	-	-	-8,010	100	
1997-98	78,875	2,534	3	76,341	97	73,325	1,986	3	71,339	97	8,851	548	6	8,303	94	-3,301	-	-	-3,301	100	
1998-99	77,988	2,788	4	75,200	96	67,807	2,185	3	65,622	97	9,447	603	6	8,844	94	734	-	-	734	100	
1999-00	82,881	2,700	3	80,181	97	72,912	2,106	3	70,806	97	9,074	594	7	8,480	93	895	-	-	895	100	
2000-01	84,254	3,122	4	81,132	96	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	900	-	-	900	100
Manitoba																					
1996-97	5,662	2,336	41	3,326	59	..	..	..	2,792	..	..	..	..	526	..	8	8	100	-	-
1997-98	6,725	3,264	49	3,461	51	5,189	2,247	43	2,942	57	1,516	1,010	67	506	33	20	7	35	13	65	
1998-99	5,558	2,073	37	3,485	63	4,454	1,506	34	2,948	66	1,088	565	52	523	48	16	2	13	14	88	
1999-00	6,346	2,545	40	3,801	60	5,235	1,930	37	3,305	63	1,085	594	55	491	45	26	21	81	5	19	
2000-01	8,961	4,650	52	4,311	48	7,069	3,290	47	3,779	53	1,869	1,344	72	525	28	23	16	70	7	30	
Saskatchewan																					
1996-97	5,263	4,856	92	407	8	4,192	3,868	92	324	8	1,066	985	92	81	8	5	3	60	2	40	
1997-98	5,395	5,022	93	373	7	..	4,008	..	..	..	..	1,011	..	..	..	5	3	60	2	40
1998-99	5,788	5,342	92	446	8	..	4,266	..	..	..	..	1,074	..	..	..	5	2	40	3	60
1999-00	6,294	5,627	89	667	11	4,859	4,279	88	580	12	1,430	1,345	94	85	6	5	3	60	2	40	
2000-01	6,497	5,915	91	582	9	4,963	4,490	90	473	10	1,529	1,423	93	106	7	5	2	40	3	60	
Alberta																					
1996-97	14,116	1,527	11	12,589	89	10,555	215	2	10,340	98	3,523	1,312	37	2,211	63	38	-	-	38	100	
1997-98	12,457	1,517	12	10,940	88	9,182	209	2	8,973	98	3,242	1,308	40	1,934	60	33	-	-	33	100	
1998-99	12,926	1,652	13	11,274	87	9,414	215	2	9,199	98	3,448	1,437	42	2,011	58	64	-	-	64	100	
1999-00	13,911	1,883	14	12,028	86	10,237	380	4	9,857	96	3,607	1,503	42	2,104	58	67	-	-	67	100	
2000-01	15,510	2,374	15	13,136	85	11,604	584	5	11,020	95	3,814	1,790	47	2,024	53	92	-	-	92	100	
British Columbia																					
1996-97	36,657	7,927	22	28,730	78	30,647	6,195	20	24,452	80	5,560	1,634	29	3,926	71	450	98	22	352	78	
1997-98	31,611	7,973	25	23,638	75	25,483	5,348	21	20,135	79	5,866	2,577	44	3,289	56	262	48	18	214	82	
1998-99	30,278	8,098	27	22,180	73	24,484	5,518	23	18,966	77	5,571	2,532	45	3,039	55	223	48	22	175	78	
1999-00	31,434	8,509	27	22,925	73	25,548	5,724	22	19,824	78	5,609	2,735	49	2,874	51	277	50	18	227	82	
2000-01	32,113	8,976	28	23,137	72	26,647	6,116	23	20,531	77	4,981	2,536	51	2,445	49	485	324	67	161	33	

Table 6(a)
Direct Legal Service Expenditures, Criminal Matters (Adult, Youth and Provincial Matters), Staff and Private Lawyers – Concluded

Province/Territory and Year	Total Criminal					Criminal - Adult					Criminal - Youth					Provincial Offences								
	Total		Staff Lawyers			Private Lawyers			Total		Staff Lawyers			Private Lawyers			Total		Staff Lawyers			Private Lawyers		
	\$'000	%	\$'000	%	\$'000	\$'000	%	\$'000	%	\$'000	%	\$'000	%	\$'000	%	\$'000	%	\$'000	%	\$'000	%			
Northwest Territories																								
1996-97	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
1997-98	1,551	..	..	..	..	1,407	..	..	..	..	144	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
1998-99	782	..	..	..	..	772	..	..	..	..	10	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
1999-00	472	..	..	..	..	452	..	..	..	..	19	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
2000-01	479	..	..	..	..	462	..	..	..	..	17	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Yukon Territory																								
1996-97	501	252	50	249	50	365	187	51	178	49	136	65	48	71	52	-	-	-	-	-	-			
1997-98	484	300	62	184	38	374	217	58	157	42	109	82	75	27	25	-	-	-	-	-	-			
1998-99	663	376	57	287	43	475	231	49	244	51	188	145	77	43	23	-	-	-	-	-	-			
1999-00	718	347	48	371	52	573	246	43	327	57	145	101	69	45	31	-	-	-	-	-	-			
2000-01	624	353	57	271	43	578	319	55	259	45	46	34	74	12	26	-	-	-	-	-	-			
Nunavut³																								
1999-00	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
2000-01	178	..	..	..	..	175	..	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Canada																								
1996-97	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
1997-98	182,728	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
1998-99	177,828	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
1999-00	182,320	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
2000-01	189,695	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..

Source: Legal Aid Survey, Canadian Centre for Justice Statistics.

- ¹ **Prince Edward Island** Private law firm expenditures include only the amounts actually paid to private counsel. The administrative costs of processing applications retaining private counsel and processing private counsel accounts are not included in private law firm expenditures. A substantial part of these costs are included in staff direct expenditures.
- ² **New Brunswick** Mediation services are provided under domestic legal aid. Although they are not included here, landlord and tenant disputes are remedied under the provisions of the Residential Tenancies Act, and New Brunswick also funds alternate dispute resolution mechanisms under various pieces of labour legislation.
- ³ **Nunavut** Although the division of the Northwest Territories officially took place April 1, 1999, the Northwest Territories Legal Services Board remained the provider of Legal Aid Services in Nunavut until June 30, 2000.

Table 6(b)
Direct Legal Service Expenditures, Civil Matters (Family and Other Civil), Staff and Private Lawyers

Province/Territory and Year	Total Civil					Civil - Family					Civil - Other				
	Total		Staff Lawyers	Private Lawyers		Total		Staff Lawyers	Private Lawyers		Total		Staff Lawyers	Private Lawyers	
	\$'000	\$'000	%	\$'000	%	\$'000	\$'000	%	\$'000	%	\$'000	\$'000	%	\$'000	%
Newfoundland and Labrador															
1996-97	2,298	2,003	87	295	13	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
1997-98	2,161	2,058	95	103	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
1998-99	2,185	2,159	99	26	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
1999-00	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
2000-01	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Prince Edward Island¹															
1996-97	129	101	78	28	22	129	101	78	28	22	..	..	..	..	..
1997-98	131	85	65	46	35	131	85	65	46	35	..	..	..	..	..
1998-99	129	108	84	21	16	129	108	84	21	16	..	..	..	..	..
1999-00	118	81	69	37	31	118	81	69	37	31	..	..	..	..	..
2000-01	130	91	70	39	30	130	91	70	39	30	..	..	..	..	..
Nova Scotia															
1996-97	4,956	3,782	76	1,174	24	4,956	3,782	76	1,174	24	-	-	-	-	-
1997-98	4,626	3,574	77	1,052	23	4,626	3,574	77	1,052	23	-	-	-	-	-
1998-99	4,950	3,788	77	1,162	23	4,950	3,788	77	1,162	23	-	-	-	-	-
1999-00	4,768	3,784	79	984	21	4,768	3,784	79	984	21	-	-	-	-	-
2000-01	4,629	3,717	80	912	20	4,629	3,717	80	912	20	-	-	-	-	-
New Brunswick²															
1996-97	1,311	630	48	681	52	1,305	630	48	675	52	6	-	-	6	100
1997-98	1,346	1,034	77	312	23	1,346	1,034	77	312	23	-	-	-	-	-
1998-99	1,341	1,029	77	312	23	702	390	56	312	44	639	639	100	-	-
1999-00	1,370	1,067	78	303	22	665	362	54	303	46	705	705	100	-	-
2000-01	1,618	1,299	80	319	20	580	425	73	155	27	1,038	874	84	164	16
Quebec															
1996-97	69,499 ^e	43,295 ^e	62	26,204	38	43,385 ^e	29,218 ^e	67	14,167	33	26,114 ^e	14,077 ^e	54	12,037	46
1997-98	60,843 ^e	36,896 ^e	61	23,947	39	37,190 ^e	22,695 ^e	61	14,495	39	23,653 ^e	14,201 ^e	60	9,452	40
1998-99	58,410 ^e	36,738 ^e	63	21,672	37	36,765 ^e	23,261 ^e	63	13,504	37	21,645 ^e	13,477 ^e	62	8,168	38
1999-00	59,692 ^e	36,708 ^e	61	22,984	39	38,470 ^e	24,058 ^e	63	14,412	37	21,222 ^e	12,650 ^e	60	8,572	40
2000-01	59,724 ^e	37,092 ^e	62	22,632	38	38,233 ^e	24,011 ^e	63	14,222	37	21,491 ^e	13,081 ^e	61	8,410	39
Ontario															
1996-97	116,750	30,644	26	86,106	74	67,398	919	1	66,479	99	49,352	29,725	60	19,627	40
1997-98	69,415	30,558	44	38,857	56	23,349	917	4	22,432	96	46,066	29,641	64	16,425	36
1998-99	98,434	35,541	36	62,893	64	32,845	1,066	3	31,779	97	65,589	34,475	53	31,114	47
1999-00	90,674	34,263	38	56,411	62	35,179	1,028	3	34,151	97	55,495	33,235	60	22,260	40
2000-01	103,639	42,598	41	61,041	59	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Manitoba															
1996-97	6,944	3,505	50	3,439	50	6,944	3,505	50	3,439	50	..	..	..	..	..
1997-98	6,125	2,843	46	3,282	54	6,125	2,843	46	3,282	54	..	..	..	..	..
1998-99	6,983	4,082	58	2,901	42	6,983	4,082	58	2,901	42	..	..	..	..	..
1999-00	7,343	4,215	57	3,128	43	7,343	4,215	57	3,128	43	..	..	..	..	..
2000-01	5,227	2,084	40	3,143	60	5,227	2,084	40	3,143	60	..	..	..	..	..
Saskatchewan															
1996-97	3,017	2,931	97	86	3	3,006	2,920	97	86	3	11	11	100	-	-
1997-98	3,352	2,979	89	373	11	3,346	2,973	89	373	11	6	6	100	-	-
1998-99	3,442	3,105	90	337	10	3,435	3,098	90	337	10	7	7	100	-	-
1999-00	3,415	3,205	94	210	6	3,409	3,199	94	210	6	6	6	100	-	-
2000-01	3,319	3,211	97	108	3	3,311	3,203	97	108	3	8	8	100	-	-
Alberta															
1996-97	7,505	188	3	7,317	97	4,969	182	4	4,787	96	2,536	6	--	2,530	100
1997-98	6,972	173	2	6,799	98	4,599	151	3	4,448	97	2,373	22	1	2,351	99
1998-99	6,931	180	3	6,751	97	4,510	116	3	4,394	97	2,421	64	3	2,357	97
1999-00	9,008	207	2	8,801	98	5,773	174	3	5,599	97	3,235	33	1	3,202	99
2000-01	8,353	206	2	8,147	98	6,120	173	3	5,947	97	2,233	33	1	2,200	99
British Columbia															
1996-97	50,754	17,058	34	33,696	66	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
1997-98	45,140	16,029	36	29,111	64	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
1998-99	42,015	16,443	39	25,572	61	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
1999-00	43,278	17,161	40	26,117	60	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
2000-01	45,807	18,610	41	27,197	59	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Northwest Territories															
1996-97	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
1997-98	839	..	..	..	..	776	..	..	..	..	63	..	..	..	..
1998-99	713	..	..	..	..	654	..	..	..	..	59	..	..	..	..
1999-00	640	..	..	..	..	620	..	..	..	..	20	..	..	..	..
2000-01	631	..	..	..	..	594	..	..	..	..	38	..	..	..	..

Table 6(b)
Direct Legal Service Expenditures, Civil Matters (Family and Other Civil), Staff and Private Lawyers – Concluded

Province/Territory and Year	Total Civil					Civil - Family					Civil - Other				
	Total	Staff Lawyers		Private Lawyers		Total	Staff Lawyers		Private Lawyers		Total	Staff Lawyers		Private Lawyers	
	\$'000	\$'000	%	\$'000	%	\$'000	\$'000	%	\$'000	%	\$'000	\$'000	%	\$'000	%
Yukon Territory															
1996-97	156	37	24	119	76	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
1997-98	196	121	62	75	38	185	110	59	75	41	11	11	100	-	-
1998-99	133	58	44	75	56	123	53	43	70	57	11	6	55	5	45
1999-00	223	137	62	86	38	210	129	62	81	38	13	8	62	5	38
2000-01	161	115	71	46	29	150	104	69	46	31	11	11	100	--	-
Nunavut³															
1999-00	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
2000-01	35	..	..	..	..	34	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..
Canada															
1996-97	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
1997-98	201,146	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
1998-99	225,666	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
1999-00	220,529	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
2000-01	233,273	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..

Source: Legal Aid Survey, Canadian Centre for Justice Statistics.

- ¹ **Prince Edward Island** Private law firm expenditures include only the amounts actually paid to private counsel. The administrative costs of processing applications retaining private counsel and processing private counsel accounts are not included in private law firm expenditures. A substantial part of these costs are included in staff direct expenditures. Family law is delivered by other programs besides Legal Aid
- ² **New Brunswick** Mediation services are provided under domestic legal aid. Although they are not included here, landlord and tenant disputes are remedied under the provisions of the Residential Tenancies Act, and New Brunswick also funds alternate dispute resolution mechanisms under various pieces of labour legislation.
- ³ **Nunavut** Although the division of the Northwest Territories officially took place April 1, 1999, the Northwest Territories Legal Services Board remained the provider of Legal Aid Services in Nunavut until June 30, 2000.

Table 9(a)
Total Applications¹, Criminal Matters (Adult, Youth and Provincial Matters), Civil Matters (Family and Other Civil)

Province/Territory and Year	Applications		Criminal Matters						Civil Matters				
	Total	Total	Total	Adult	Youth	Provincial	Total	Family	Other Civil Matters	Total	Family	Other Civil Matters	
	'000	'000	'000	%	'000	%	'000	%	'000	'000	%	'000	%
Newfoundland and Labrador													
1996-97	18,097	10,151	7,620	75	2,400	24	131	1	7,946	5,720	72	2,226	28
1997-98	15,648	9,069	6,740	74	2,215	24	114	1	6,579	4,975	76	1,604	24
1998-99	14,553 ^e	8,435 ^e	..	..	..	..	..	..	6,118 ^e	..	..	..	..
1999-00	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
2000-01	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Nova Scotia													
1996-97	21,661	11,649	8,991	77	2,553	22	105	1	10,012	9,076	91	936	9
1997-98	20,684	11,499	9,015	78	2,363	21	121	1	9,185	8,385	91	800	9
1998-99	19,734	11,449	9,163	80	2,173	19	113	1	8,285	7,708	93	577	7
1999-00	24,003	15,653	12,712	81	2,813	18	128	1	8,350	7,663	92	687	8
2000-01	24,087	15,739	12,843	82	2,791	18	105	1	8,348	7,676	92	672	8
New Brunswick²													
1996-97	2,522	2,338	2,003	86	333	14	2	--	184	184	100	-	-
1997-98	5,454	2,436	..	..	..	..	..	..	3,018	3,018	100	-	-
1998-99	5,055	1,969	1,674	85	251	13	44	2	3,086	2,819	91	267	9
1999-00	5,186	2,026	1,723	85	237	12	66	3	3,160	3,160	100	-	-
2000-01	5,278	1,883	1,584	84	209	11	90	5	3,395	3,170	93	225	7
Quebec													
1996-97	284,537	102,871	79,964	78	12,092	12	10,815	11	181,666	86,086	47	95,580	53
1997-98	261,269	96,917	75,319	78	13,068	13	8,530	9	164,352	96,531	59	67,821	41
1998-99	258,763	95,209	73,697	77	12,623	13	8,889	9	163,554	97,881	60	65,673	40
1999-00	257,673	95,625	74,542	78	12,434	13	8,649	9	162,048	100,423	62	61,625	38
2000-01	253,326	96,363	76,605	79	11,974	12	7,784	8	156,963	96,594	62	60,369	38
Ontario													
1996-97	307,315	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
1997-98	311,502	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
1998-99	347,522	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
1999-00	350,658	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
2000-01	365,077	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Manitoba³													
1996-97	23,867	12,592	9,979	79	2,613	21	-	-	11,275	..	..	..	..
1997-98	22,308	11,429	9,220	81	2,209	19	-	-	10,879	10,879	100	-	-
1998-99	22,155	11,572	9,366	81	2,206	19	-	-	10,583	10,583	100	-	-
1999-00	22,042	11,838	9,742	82	2,096	18	-	-	10,204	10,204	100	-	-
2000-01	21,705	11,451	9,581	84	1,870	16	-	-	10,254	10,254	100	-	-
Saskatchewan													
1996-97	23,027	16,560	12,188	74	4,356	26	16	--	6,467	6,445	100	22	--
1997-98	23,618	17,662	12,731	72	4,907	28	24	--	5,956	5,942	100	14	--
1998-99	23,981	17,985	13,567	75	4,382	24	36	--	5,996	5,980	100	16	--
1999-00	24,469	17,858	14,784	83	3,060	17	14	--	6,611	6,597	100	14	--
2000-01	23,530	17,513	13,764	79	3,727	21	22	--	6,017	6,006	100	11	--
Alberta													
1996-97	35,659	25,076	18,033	72	6,848	27	195	1	10,583	5,634	53	4,949	47
1997-98	35,713	24,802	17,861	72	6,689	27	252	1	10,911	6,579	60	4,332	40
1998-99	39,409	27,370	20,367	74	6,816	25	187	1	12,039	10,936	91	1,103	9
1999-00	42,365	29,019	22,083	76	6,782	23	154	1	13,346	12,324	92	1,022	8
2000-01	45,386	30,594	23,698	77	6,687	22	209	1	14,792	13,811	93	981	7
British Columbia													
1996-97	103,406	44,974	38,388	85	6,586	15	-	-	58,432	29,523	51	28,909	49
1997-98	102,336	41,697	..	..	..	..	..	..	60,639	26,721	44	33,918	56
1998-99	99,331	39,523	32,029	81	6,654	17	840	2	59,808	24,556	41	35,252	59
1999-00	98,535	38,409	31,379	82	6,101	16	929	2	60,126	24,386	41	35,740	59
2000-01	96,880	35,713	29,368	82	5,387	15	958	3	61,167	25,217	41	35,950	59
Northwest Territories⁴													
1996-97	2,889	1,972	1,601	81	319	16	52	3	917	827	90	90	10
1997-98	2,196	1,167	997	85	142	12	28	2	1,029	924	90	105	10
1998-99	1,752	802	731	91	56	7	15	2	950	888	93	62	7
1999-00	1,707	862	782	91	62	7	18	2	845	803	95	42	5
2000-01	1,273	547	491	90	44	8	12	2	726	680	94	46	6

Table 9(a)
Total Applications¹, Criminal Matters (Adult, Youth and Provincial Matters), Civil Matters (Family and Other Civil) – Concluded

Province/Territory and Year	Applications		Criminal Matters						Civil Matters				
	Total	Total	Adult		Youth		Provincial		Total	Family		Other Civil Matters	
	'000	'000	'000	%	'000	%	'000	%	'000	'000	%	'000	%
Yukon Territory⁵													
1996-97	1,471	1,130	818	72	312	28	-	-	341	300	88	41	12
1997-98	1,176	739	559	76	179	24	1	--	437	392	90	45	10
1998-99	1,186	743	545	73	198	27	-	-	443	387	87	56	13
1999-00	1,015	774	589	76	185	24	-	-	241	222	92	19	8
2000-01	1,291	918	729	79	189	21	-	-	373	329	88	44	12
Nunavut⁶													
1999-00	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
2000-01	785	439	416	95	23	5	...	...	346	321	93	25	7
Canada													
1996-97	824,451	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
1997-98	801,904	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
1998-99	833,441	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
1999-00	827,653	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
2000-01	838,618	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..

Source: Legal Aid Survey, Canadian Centre for Justice Statistics.

- ¹ **Applications** The data reflecting approved and refused applications reported in Tables 10 and 12 may not total the provincial and territorial count reported in Table 9 for two reasons. First, a decision to accept or reject an application may not occur in the time period the application is made. Typically most applications are filed and assessed within the same time period so the number carried into the next fiscal year is comparatively small. Second, the approved application counts in Tables 10 and 11 refer to full service applications only, unless otherwise specified in the Notes. The total application count in Table 9 on the other hand, is the sum of applications approved for service, including full and summary service, and applications refused.
- Prince Edward Island data are not reported in Tables 9 and 12, since only counts of approved applications are maintained.
- ² **New Brunswick** Civil applications figures for years prior to 1997-98 are incomplete. Since the Domestic Legal Aid Program administered by New Brunswick Justice does not require applications, the civil applications figure for New Brunswick for 1997-98 represents the number of domestic legal aid cases screened-in (or "accepted") by New Brunswick Justice, plus the applications for domestic cases made with Legal Aid New Brunswick. This fact should also be considered when reviewing the total applications data. New Brunswick offers alternate dispute resolution mechanisms for landlord and tenant disputes and disputes involving some labour legislation. The approval rates for civil matters do not consider any referrals, which may be made to these alternate means of remedying disputes.
- ³ **Manitoba** The 23% decrease in total applications in 1996-97 is the result of clients beginning to receive direct help by full service duty counsel in the courtroom rather than at legal aid offices. The decline in applications being processed in legal aid offices is responsible for the overall decline in recorded applications.
- ⁴ **Northwest Territories** Data refer to the number of persons applying for legal aid services. Duty counsel counts are included. In 1997-98, the Northwest Territories began a practice known as "presumed eligibility" whereby persons appearing unrepresented at court are not required to apply for legal services. Since counts of presumed eligibility cases are not available, data for 1997-98 cannot be compared to previous years. In 1998-99, a total of 4,456 persons appeared unrepresented (presumed eligibility) at court. This explains the decrease in the number of legal aid applications. In 1999-2000, 4,672 persons appeared unrepresented at court.
- ⁵ **Yukon Territory** No distinction is made between summary and full service applications. All are counted as full service. Data include full service duty counsel. Prior to 1997-98, applications for duty counsel services for Judicial Interim Release Hearings were also included, and are therefore not comparable to subsequent years. Data exclude circuit court matters.
- ⁶ **Nunavut** Although the division of the Northwest Territories officially took place April 1, 1999, the Northwest Territories Legal Services Board remained the provider of Legal Aid Services in Nunavut until June 30, 2000.

Table 10(a)
Approved Applications, Criminal Matters (Adult, Youth and Provincial Matters), Staff and Private Lawyers

Province/Territory and Year	Total Criminal		Federal				Provincial Matters		Staff Lawyers				Private Lawyers						
	Total		Adults		Youths		Total	Total	Adults	Youths	Provincial Matters	Total	Adults	Youths	Provincial Matters				
	'000	'000	'000	%	'000	%	'000	'000	'000	%	'000	%	'000	%	'000	%			
Newfoundland and Labrador¹																			
1996-97	7,823	7,786	..	..	..	..	37	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
1997-98	7,173	7,173	..	..	..	..	52	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
1998-99	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
1999-00	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
2000-01	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Prince Edward Island																			
1996-97	1,134	1,134	808	71	326	29	-	940	665	71	275	29	-	194	143	74	51	4	
1997-98	1,193	1,193	922	77	271	23	-	1,077	826	77	251	23	-	116	96	83	20	17	
1998-99	1,019	1,019	769	75	250	25	-	935	709	76	226	24	-	84	60	71	24	29	
1999-00	1,133	1,133	880	78	253	22	-	995	771	77	224	23	-	138	109	79	29	21	
2000-01	1,083	1,083	857	79	226	21	-	961	761	79	200	21	-	122	96	79	26	21	
Nova Scotia																			
1996-97	9,737	9,726	7,327	75	2,399	25	11	8,932	6,695	75	2,226	25	11	--	805	632	79	173	21
1997-98	9,718	9,707	7,470	77	2,237	23	11	8,904	6,837	77	2,056	23	11	--	814	633	78	181	22
1998-99	8,996	8,971	6,965	78	2,006	22	25	7,959	6,170	78	1,765	22	24	--	1,037	795	77	241	23
1999-00	9,745	9,716	7,459	77	2,257	23	29	8,583	6,576	77	1,978	23	29	--	1,162	883	76	279	24
2000-01	9,551	9,533	7,356	77	2,177	23	18	8,216	6,288	77	1,910	23	18	0	1,335	1,068	80	267	20
New Brunswick																			
1996-97	1,487	1,485	1,280	86	205	14	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	1,487	1,280	86	205	14	2
1997-98	1,400	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1,400	..	..	..	..	..
1998-99	1,278	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1,278	1,000	78	251	20	27
1999-00	1,285	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1,285	1,100	86	155	12	30
2000-01	1,226	1,190	1,038	87	152	13	36	..	..	..	..	..	..	1,226	1,038	85	152	12	36
Quebec²																			
1996-97	85,651	..	..	..	..	..	..	39,684	..	..	..	..	..	45,967	..	..	..	..	..
1997-98	77,071	71,212	58,354	82	12,858	18	5,859	29,325	21,592	74	6,528	22	1,205	4	47,746	36,762	77	6,330	13
1998-99	78,084	71,206	58,748	83	12,458	17	6,878	28,760	21,037	73	6,073	21	1,650	6	49,324	37,711	76	6,385	13
1999-00	77,525	70,490	58,294	83	12,196	17	7,035	28,514	20,708	73	5,936	21	1,870	7	49,011	37,586	77	6,260	13
2000-01	78,951	72,601	60,877	84	11,724	16	6,350	31,327	24,011	77	5,974	19	1,342	4	47,624	36,866	77	5,750	12
Ontario																			
1996-97	51,347	51,347	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	51,347	40,139	78	11,208	22	..
1997-98	54,890	54,890	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	54,890	..	..	..	..	..
1998-99	61,250	61,250	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	61,250	45,595	74	15,655	26	..
1999-00	62,054	62,054	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	62,054	50,981	82	11,073	18	..
2000-01	65,279	65,279	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	65,279	..	..	..	..	..
Manitoba																			
1996-97	9,283	9,215	7,405	80	1,810	20	68	2,086	1,541	74	521	25	24	1	7,197	5,864	81	1,289	18
1997-98	7,959	7,895	6,409	81	1,486	19	64	1,550	1,258	81	267	17	25	2	6,409	5,151	80	1,219	19
1998-99	8,580	8,540	6,995	82	1,545	18	40	1,633	1,377	84	244	15	12	1	6,947	5,618	81	1,301	19
1999-00	8,871	8,850	7,351	83	1,499	17	21	1,732	1,483	86	240	14	9	1	7,139	5,868	82	1,259	18
2000-01	9,028	8,995	7,511	84	1,484	16	33	1,434	1,235	86	191	13	8	1	7,594	6,276	83	1,293	17
Saskatchewan																			
1996-97	15,515	15,498	..	..	..	..	17	15,234	..	..	..	..	17	--	281	225	80	56	20
1997-98	16,550	16,534	12,143	73	4,391	27	16	16,247	11,901	73	4,330	27	16	--	303	242	80	61	20
1998-99	16,971	16,954	12,939	76	4,015	24	17	16,604	12,636	76	3,951	24	17	--	367	303	83	64	17
1999-00	16,419	16,415	13,711	84	2,704	16	4	15,624	13,019	83	2,601	17	4	--	795	692	87	103	13
2000-01	16,585	16,574	13,188	80	3,386	20	11	15,851	12,601	79	3,239	20	11	--	734	587	80	147	20
Alberta																			
1996-97	20,853	20,769	13,921	67	6,848	33	84	2,731	-	-	2,731	100	-	-	18,122	13,921	77	4,117	23
1997-98	20,646	20,541	13,852	67	6,689	33	105	2,845	-	-	2,845	100	-	-	17,801	13,852	78	3,844	22
1998-99	22,253	22,066	15,250	69	6,816	31	187	2,748	5	--	2,743	100	-	-	19,505	15,245	78	4,073	21
1999-00	23,378	23,224	16,442	71	6,782	29	154	2,827	114	4	2,713	96	-	-	20,551	16,328	79	4,069	20
2000-01	24,429	24,220	17,533	72	6,687	28	209	2,801	72	3	2,729	97	-	-	21,628	17,461	81	3,958	18
British Columbia																			
1996-97	31,226	31,226	25,975	83	5,251	17	-	5,251	4,143	79	1,108	21	-	-	25,975	21,832	84	4,143	16
1997-98	28,702	28,702	21,790	76	6,912	24	-	4,623	3,153	68	1,470	32	-	-	24,079	18,637	77	5,442	23
1998-99	28,043	27,543	21,093	77	6,450	23	500	4,793	3,150	66	1,510	32	133	3	23,250	17,943	77	4,940	21
1999-00	27,479	26,941	21,030	78	5,911	22	538	4,390	2,851	65	1,409	32	130	3	23,089	18,179	79	4,502	19
2000-01	25,845	25,270	20,044	79	5,226	21	575	4,260	2,889	68	1,210	28	161	4	21,585	17,155	79	4,016	19

Table 10(a)
Approved Applications, Criminal Matters (Adult, Youth and Provincial Matters), Staff and Private Lawyers – Concluded

Province/Territory and Year	Total Criminal		Federal				Provincial Matters		Staff Lawyers				Private Lawyers									
	Total		Adults		Youths		Total	Total	Adults		Youths		Provincial Matters		Total	Adults		Youths		Provincial Matters		
	'000	'000	'000	%	'000	%	'000	'000	'000	%	'000	%	'000	%	'000	'000	%	'000	%	'000	%	
Northwest Territories³																						
1996-97	1,595	1,570	1,301	83	269	17	25	430	369	86	56	13	5	--	1,165	932	80	213	18	20	2	
1997-98	870	858	747	87	111	13	12	234	214	91	19	8	1	--	636	533	84	92	14	11	2	
1998-99	660	650	594	91	56	9	10	262	232	89	30	11	-	-	398	362	91	26	7	10	3	
1999-00	659	648	597	92	51	8	11	193	175	91	16	8	2	--	466	422	91	35	8	9	2	
2000-01	445	435	395	91	40	9	10	144	125	87	17	12	2	1	301	270	90	23	8	8	3	
Yukon Territory⁴																						
1996-97	1,079	1,079	769	71	310	29	-	698	494	71	204	29	-	-	381	275	72	106	28	-	-	
1997-98	693	693	515	74	178	26	-	504	357	71	147	29	-	-	189	158	84	31	16	-	-	
1998-99	685	685	490	72	195	28	-	426	291	68	135	32	-	-	259	199	77	60	23	-	-	
1999-00	767	767	582	76	185	24	-	423	292	69	131	31	-	-	344	290	84	54	16	-	-	
2000-01	554	554	452	82	102	18	-	393	308	78	85	22	-	-	161	144	89	17	11	-	-	
Nunavut⁵																						
1999-00	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
2000-01	439	439	416	95	23	5	-	311	288	93	23	7	-	-	128	128	100	-	-	-	-	
Canada⁶																						
1996-97	236,730	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
1997-98	226,865	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
1998-99	227,819	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
1999-00	229,315	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
2000-01	233,415	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..

Source: Legal Aid Survey, Canadian Centre for Justice Statistics.

- ¹ **Newfoundland** Approved applications figures (total and criminal for all years) for Newfoundland have been derived by subtracting the number of refused applications from the total applications for the year.
- ² **Quebec** Data do not include "conditional certificates", where some legal service had been provided, but the eligibility of the client had not yet been established, as at March 31st. The decrease in approved applications in 1996-97 was due to amendments made to the Legal Aid Act in mid-1996, introducing stricter coverage and eligibility criteria.
- ³ **Northwest Territories** In 1997-98, the Northwest Territories began a practice known as "presumed eligibility", whereby persons appearing unrepresented at court are not required to apply for legal services. Since counts of presumed eligibility cases are not available, data for 1997-98 cannot be compared to previous years.
- ⁴ **Yukon Territory** All approved applications are counted at the full service level. From 1993-94 onwards, the figure provided is a count of the certificates issued. Because a certificate may be issued for more than one application, the reader is cautioned against adding together figures in this table. Data include full service duty counsel. Prior to 1997-98, applications for duty counsel services for Judicial Interim Release Hearings were also included.
- ⁵ **Nunavut** Although the division of the Northwest Territories officially took place April 1, 1999, the Northwest Territories Legal Services Board remained the provider of Legal Aid Services in Nunavut until June 30, 2000.
- ⁶ **Canada** For criminal cases, there can be multiple charges per application and these can be handled separately (i.e., by different lawyers). There is no provision to use the most serious offence as the main offence, therefore there is a greater number of offences listed than of applications approved and assigned. The total number of individual approved requests is enumerated by certificate. If a matter related to the original application arises at a later date (including appeal), a new application is usually taken and a new certificate is issued. The number includes more than one certificate per application.

Table 10(b)
Approved Applications, Civil Matters (Family and Other Civil), Staff and Private Lawyers

Province/Territory and Year	Total Civil		Total Family		Total Other Civil		Staff Lawyers					Private Lawyers				
							Total		Family		Other Civil	Total		Family		Other Civil
	'000	%	'000	%	'000	%	'000	%	'000	%	'000	%	'000	%	'000	%
Newfoundland and Labrador¹																
1996-97	3,057	85	2,608	85	449	15	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
1997-98	2,665	89	2,372	89	293	11	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
1998-99	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
1999-00	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
2000-01	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Prince Edward Island²																
1996-97	76	100	76	100	-	-	51	100	-	-	25	100	25	100	-	-
1997-98	81	100	81	100	-	-	50	100	-	-	31	100	31	100	-	-
1998-99	79	100	79	100	-	-	57	100	-	-	22	100	22	100	-	-
1999-00	76	100	76	100	-	-	50	100	-	-	26	100	26	100	-	-
2000-01	102	100	102	100	-	-	71	100	-	-	31	100	31	100	-	-
Nova Scotia																
1996-97	6,792	95	6,457	95	335	5	5,197	94	321	6	1,595	99	1,581	99	14	1
1997-98	6,026	95	5,726	95	300	5	4,597	94	279	6	1,429	99	1,408	99	21	1
1998-99	5,579	96	5,352	96	227	4	4,136	95	208	5	1,443	99	1,424	99	19	1
1999-00	5,736	94	5,395	94	341	6	3,984	95	201	5	1,752	92	1,612	92	140	8
2000-01	5,599	96	5,361	96	238	4	4,063	95	216	5	1,536	99	1,514	99	22	1
New Brunswick³																
1996-97	142	100	142	100	-	-	-	..	-	-	142	100	142	100	-	-
1997-98	2,532	100	2,532	100	-	-	1,183	100	-	-	1,349	100	1,349	100	-	-
1998-99	2,687	93	2,509	93	-	-	1,253	100	-	-	1,434	88	1,256	88	178	12
1999-00	3,352	100	3,352	100	-	-	1,311	100	-	-	2,041	100	2,041	100	-	-
2000-01	2,709	93	2,525	93	184	7	1,298	100	-	-	1,411	87	1,227	87	184	13
Quebec⁴																
1996-97	154,527	..	..	..	..	..	88,285	..	..	..	66,242	..	..	..	..	..
1997-98	137,183	63	86,476	63	50,707	37	76,511	62	28,920	38	60,672	64	38,885	64	21,787	36
1998-99	138,706	64	88,171	64	50,535	36	74,973	64	27,271	36	63,733	63	40,469	63	23,264	37
1999-00	138,466	65	90,602	65	47,864	35	74,876	66	25,676	34	63,590	65	41,402	65	22,188	35
2000-01	133,241	65	86,190	65	47,051	35	75,362	65	26,567	35	57,879	65	37,395	65	20,484	35
Ontario																
1996-97	60,542	..	..	..	..	..	37,097	..	..	..	23,445	60	13,973	60	9,472	40
1997-98	60,730	..	..	..	..	..	32,409	..	..	..	28,321	..	..	..	..	..
1998-99	70,262	..	..	..	..	..	29,365	..	..	..	40,897	69	28,138	69	12,759	31
1999-00	78,849	43	34,266	43	44,583	57	33,359	12	29,231	88	45,490	66	30,138	66	15,352	34
2000-01	94,059	45	42,161	45	51,898	55	41,789	22	32,415	78	52,270	63	32,787	63	19,483	37
Manitoba																
1996-97	9,066	76	6,883	76	2,183	24	3,167	72	900	28	5,899	78	4,616	78	1,283	22
1997-98	9,050	100	9,050	100	-	-	3,114	100	-	-	5,936	100	5,936	100	-	-
1998-99	8,726	100	8,726	100	-	-	3,173	100	-	-	5,553	100	5,553	100	-	-
1999-00	8,503	100	8,503	100	-	-	3,014	100	-	-	5,489	100	5,489	100	-	-
2000-01	8,599	100	8,599	100	-	-	2,699	100	-	-	5,900	100	5,900	100	-	-
Saskatchewan																
1996-97	5,969	100	5,958	100	11	--	5,813	100	11	--	156	100	156	100	-	-
1997-98	5,430	100	5,422	100	8	--	4,542	100	8	--	888	100	888	100	-	-
1998-99	5,430	100	5,425	100	5	--	4,647	100	5	--	783	100	783	100	-	-
1999-00	5,472	100	5,470	100	2	--	5,098	100	2	--	374	100	374	100	-	-
2000-01	5,472	100	5,470	100	2	--	5,173	100	2	--	299	100	299	100	-	-
Alberta																
1996-97	7,161	33	2,390	33	4,771	67	115	87	15	13	7,046	33	2,290	33	4,756	67
1997-98	7,670	86	6,579	86	1,091	14	70	87	9	13	7,600	86	6,518	86	1,082	14
1998-99	8,041	86	6,938	86	1,103	14	75	84	27	36	7,966	86	6,890	86	1,076	14
1999-00	8,673	88	7,651	88	1,022	12	208	84	33	16	8,465	88	7,476	88	989	12
2000-01	9,370	90	8,389	90	981	10	201	85	31	15	9,169	90	8,219	90	950	10
British Columbia																
1996-97	24,792	66	16,409	66	8,383	34	7,688	25	5,751	75	17,104	85	14,472	85	2,632	15
1997-98	23,169	58	13,532	58	9,637	42	8,688	21	6,901	79	14,481	81	11,745	81	2,736	19
1998-99	22,695	58	13,177	58	9,518	42	8,112	22	6,320	78	14,583	78	11,385	78	3,198	22
1999-00	24,055	57	13,828	57	10,227	43	7,854	20	6,306	80	16,201	76	12,280	76	3,921	24
2000-01	24,668	63	15,526	63	9,142	37	7,412	20	5,921	80	17,256	81	14,035	81	3,221	19

Table 10(b)
Approved Applications, Civil Matters (Family and Other Civil), Staff and Private Lawyers – Concluded

Province/Territory and Year	Total Civil		Total Family		Total Other Civil		Staff Lawyers					Private Lawyers						
							Total		Family		Other Civil		Total		Family		Other Civil	
	'000	%	'000	%	'000	%	'000	%	'000	%	'000	%	'000	%	'000	%	'000	%
Northwest Territories⁵																		
1996-97	412	97	401	97	11	3	3	100	3	100	-	-	409	97	398	97	11	3
1997-98	451	97	439	97	12	3	7	86	6	86	1	14	444	98	433	98	11	2
1998-99	471	98	460	98	11	2	147	95	140	95	7	5	324	99	320	99	4	1
1999-00	341	96	328	96	13	4	72	97	70	97	2	3	269	96	258	96	11	4
2000-01	368	96	352	96	16	4	134	99	132	99	2	1	234	94	220	94	14	6
Yukon Territory⁶																		
1996-97	293	87	256	87	37	13	130	82	106	82	24	18	163	92	150	92	13	8
1997-98	352	89	315	89	37	11	198	88	174	88	24	12	154	92	141	92	13	8
1998-99	347	88	306	88	41	12	221	88	194	88	27	12	126	89	112	89	14	11
1999-00	236	92	217	92	19	8	169	93	158	93	11	7	67	88	59	88	8	12
2000-01	246	89	219	89	27	11	173	87	151	87	22	13	73	93	68	93	5	7
Nunavut⁷																		
1999-00	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
2000-01	346	93	321	93	25	7	55	100	55	100	-	-	291	91	266	91	25	9
Canada⁸																		
1996-97	272,829	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
1997-98	255,339	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
1998-99	263,023	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
1999-00	273,759	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
2000-01	284,779	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..

Source: Legal Aid Survey, Canadian Centre for Justice Statistics.

- ¹ **Newfoundland and Labrador** Approved applications figures (total and civil for all years) for Newfoundland have been derived by subtracting the number of refused applications from the total applications for the year.
- ² **Prince Edward Island** Family Law is delivered by other programs besides Legal Aid. These numbers do not represent all family cases
- ³ **New Brunswick** Civil applications figures (total and approved) for all years prior to 1997-98 are incomplete. Application figures from 1993-94 to 1996-97 do not include domestic legal aid administered by the Department of Justice.
- ⁴ **Quebec** Data do not include "conditional certificates", where some legal service had been provided, but the eligibility of the client had not yet been established, as at March 31st. The decrease in approved applications in 1996-97 was due to amendments made to the Legal Aid Act in mid-1996, introducing stricter coverage and eligibility criteria.
- ⁵ **Northwest Territories** In 1997-98, the Northwest Territories began a practice known as "presumed eligibility", whereby persons appearing unrepresented at court are not required to apply for legal services. Since count of presumed eligibility cases are not available, data for 1997-98 cannot be compared to previous years. In 1998-99, a staff family lawyer was hired which account for the large increase in applications.
- ⁶ **Yukon Territory** All approved applications are counted at the full service level. From 1993-94 onwards, the figure provided is a count of the certificates issued. Because a certificate may be issued for more than one application, the reader is cautioned against adding together figures in this table for Yukon. Data include full service duty counsel. Prior to 1997-98, applications for duty counsel services for Judicial Interim Release Hearings were also included.
- ⁷ **Nunavut** Although the division of the Northwest Territories officially took place April 1, 1999, the Northwest Territories Legal Services Board remained the provider of Legal Aid Services in Nunavut until June 30, 2000.
- ⁸ **Canada** For civil cases, there is one matter per application.

Table 12(a)
Refused Applications¹, Reason for Refusal, Criminal and Civil Matters

Province/Territory and Year	Total					Financial Ineligibility					Coverage Restrictions							
	Total		Criminal Matters		Civil Matters		Total		Criminal Matters		Civil Matters		Total		Criminal Matters		Civil Matters	
	'000	%	'000	%	'000	%	'000	%	'000	%	'000	%	'000	%	'000	%	'000	%
Newfoundland and Labrador²																		
1996-97	7,217	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
1997-98	5,810	1,896	33	3,914	67	800	289	36	511	64	650	124	19	526	81	..	..	..
1998-99	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
1999-00	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
2000-01	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Nova Scotia																		
1996-97	2,375	..	..	..	..	971	274	28	697	72	15	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
1997-98	2,312	877	38	1,435	62	961	315	33	646	67	38	24	63	14	37	..	..	..
1998-99	1,997	749	38	1,248	62	847	249	29	598	71	89	28	31	61	69	..	..	..
1999-00	2,160	833	39	1,327	61	966	344	36	622	64	51	27	53	24	47	..	..	..
2000-01	2,024	845	42	1,179	58	943	307	33	636	67	35	20	57	15	43	..	..	..
New Brunswick³																		
1996-97	893	851	95	42	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
1997-98	784	784	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
1998-99	780	780	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	30	..	..	30	100	..	..	..
1999-00	793	745	94	48	6	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
2000-01	723	682	94	41	6	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Quebec⁴																		
1996-97	42,859	16,095	38	26,764	62	18,346	4,328	24	14,018	76	17,729	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
1997-98	43,324	17,009	39	26,315	61	18,541	7,048	38	11,493	62	15,949	8,985	56	6,964	44	..	..	..
1998-99	38,178	13,901	36	24,277	64	18,789	6,954	37	11,835	63	10,808	5,914	55	4,894	45	..	..	..
1999-00	36,390	13,681	38	22,709	62	19,017	7,626	40	11,391	60	9,207	5,006	54	4,201	46	..	..	..
2000-01	36,826	13,670	37	23,156	63	21,149	8,633	41	12,516	59	8,042	4,087	51	3,955	49	..	..	..
Ontario⁵																		
1996-97	35,836	20,995	59	14,841	41	3,463	2,153	62	1,310	38	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
1997-98	28,911	18,971	66	9,940	34	5,387	3,535	66	1,852	34	9,919	6,509	66	3,410	34	..	..	..
1998-99	38,517	23,096	60	15,421	40	6,737	4,040	60	2,697	40	10,847	6,504	60	4,343	40	..	..	..
1999-00	30,057	17,343	58	12,714	42	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
2000-01	31,186	..	..	..	..	7,122	..	..	..	..	7,083	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Manitoba																		
1996-97	3,077	1,397	45	1,680	55	480	176	37	304	63	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
1997-98	3,061	1,292	42	1,769	58	307	83	27	224	73	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
1998-99	2,102	858	41	1,244	59	302	101	33	201	67	67	2	3	65	97	..	..	..
1999-00	2,380	1,003	42	1,377	58	319	108	34	211	66	90	9	10	81	90	..	..	..
2000-01	2,729	1,175	43	1,554	57	338	114	34	224	66	101	12	12	89	88	..	..	..
Saskatchewan																		
1996-97	1,543	1,045	68	498	32	1,112	769	69	343	31	236	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
1997-98	1,638	1,112	68	526	32	1,192	848	71	344	29	209	170	81	39	19	..	..	..
1998-99	1,580	1,014	64	566	36	1,165	773	66	392	34	206	166	81	40	19	..	..	..
1999-00	1,429	925	65	504	35	1,072	712	66	360	34	191	156	82	35	18	..	..	..
2000-01	1,473	928	63	545	37	1,094	706	65	388	35	196	166	85	30	15	..	..	..
Alberta																		
1996-97	7,645	4,223	55	3,422	45	3,200	2,024	63	1,176	37	1,303	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
1997-98	7,397	4,156	56	3,241	44	3,141	1,937	62	1,204	38	890	731	82	159	18	..	..	..
1998-99	9,115	5,117	56	3,998	44	2,559	1,512	59	1,047	41	1,201	967	81	234	19	..	..	..
1999-00	10,314	5,641	55	4,673	45	2,833	1,595	56	1,238	44	2,019	1,305	65	714	35	..	..	..
2000-01	11,587	6,165	53	5,422	47	3,561	1,892	53	1,669	47	2,249	1,268	56	981	44	..	..	..
British Columbia⁶																		
1996-97	47,252	13,603	29	33,649	71	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
1997-98	32,411	12,995	40	19,416	60	9,238	3,576	39	5,662	61	13,710	5,904	43	7,806	57	..	..	..
1998-99	27,867	11,480	41	16,387	59	8,135	3,141	39	4,994	61	12,065	5,333	44	6,732	56	..	..	..
1999-00	25,865	10,930	42	14,935	58	7,915	3,172	40	4,743	60	10,733	4,946	46	5,787	54	..	..	..
2000-01	23,561	9,868	42	13,693	58	6,986	2,587	37	4,399	63	9,728	4,518	46	5,210	54	..	..	..
Northwest Territories																		
1996-97	776	..	..	..	..	113	51	45	62	55	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
1997-98	673	..	..	..	..	100	32	32	68	68	95	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
1998-99	627	..	..	..	..	83	..	..	..	..	50	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
1999-00	380	..	..	..	..	70	15	21	55	79	19	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
2000-01	345	10	3	49	14	59	10	17	49	83	14	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Yukon Territory⁷																		
1996-97	125	53	42	72	58	69	34	49	35	51	54	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
1997-98	130	45	35	85	65	71	29	41	42	59	52	13	25	39	75	..	..	..
1998-99	154	58	38	96	62	86	31	36	55	64	58	22	38	36	62	..	..	..
1999-00	12	7	58	5	42	5	2	40	3	60	6	4	67	2	33	..	..	..
2000-01	146	51	35	95	65	93	33	35	60	65	50	18	36	32	64	..	..	..

Table 12(a)
Refused Applications¹, Reason for Refusal, Criminal and Civil Matters

Total	Lack of Merit				Non-compliance/Abuse					Other Reasons				Province/Territory and Year
	Criminal Matters		Civil Matters		Total	Criminal Matters		Civil Matters		Total	Criminal Matters		Civil Matters	
'000	'000	%	'000	%	'000	'000	%	'000	%	'000	'000	%	'000	%
Newfoundland and Labrador ²														
4,836	..	..	..	..	-	-	-	-	-	984	..	..	..	..
4,057	1,189	29	2,868	71	-	-	-	-	-	303	294	97	9	3
..
..
..
Nova Scotia														
783	..	..	..	..	-	-	-	-	-	606	..	..	..	..
734	317	43	417	57	-	-	-	-	-	579	221	38	358	62
576	259	45	317	55	24	9	38	15	63	461	204	44	257	56
583	236	40	347	60	57	38	67	19	33	503	188	37	315	63
457	242	53	215	47	55	32	58	23	42	534	244	46	290	54
New Brunswick ³														
..
..
..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	750	691	92	59	8
..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	793	745	94	48	6
..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	723	682	94	41	6
Quebec ⁴														
3,638	..	..	..	..	5,414	..	..	..	..	-	-	-	-	-
2,102	101	5	2,001	95	65	5	8	60	92	6,667	870	13	5,797	87
1,784	132	7	1,652	93	53	1	2	52	98	6,744	900	13	5,844	87
1,596	80	5	1,516	95	53	2	4	51	96	6,517	967	15	5,550	85
1,566	93	6	1,473	94	63	-	-	63	100	6,006	857	14	5,149	86
Ontario ⁵														
..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	13,605	8,927	66	4,678	34
..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	20,933	12,552	60	8,381	40
..
..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	16,981	..	..	..	..
Manitoba														
369	..	..	..	..	12	..	..	..	..	2,216	..	..	..	..
331	40	12	291	88	4	-	-	4	100	2,419	1,169	48	1,250	52
311	46	15	265	85	..	..	..	..	..	1,422	709	50	713	50
294	39	13	255	87	7	2	29	5	71	1,670	845	51	825	49
265	49	18	216	82	..	..	..	7	..	2,018	1,000	50	1,018	50
Saskatchewan														
92	..	..	..	..	26	..	..	..	..	77	..	..	..	..
119	26	22	93	78	33	24	73	9	27	85	44	52	41	48
115	24	21	91	79	28	24	86	4	14	66	27	41	39	59
92	18	20	74	80	21	17	81	4	19	53	22	42	31	58
93	17	18	76	82	13	6	46	7	54	77	33	43	44	57
Alberta														
1,028	..	..	..	..	969	..	..	..	..	1,145	..	..	..	..
1,549	497	32	1,052	68	643	366	57	277	43	1,174	625	53	549	47
1,547	375	24	1,172	76	621	354	57	267	43	3,187	1,909	60	1,278	40
1,225	289	24	936	76	537	286	53	251	47	3,700	2,166	59	1,534	41
1,240	305	25	935	75	610	325	53	285	47	3,927	2,375	60	1,552	40
British Columbia ⁶														
..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	9,463	3,515	37	5,948	63
..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	7,667	3,006	39	4,661	61
..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	7,217	2,812	39	4,405	61
..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6,847	2,763	40	4,084	60
Northwest Territories														
..
229	..	..	..	..	242	..	..	..	..	7	..	..	..	..
177	..	..	..	..	238	..	..	..	..	79	..	..	..	..
85	..	..	..	..	206	..	..	..	..	-	-	-	-	-
99	..	..	..	..	173	..	..	..	..	-	-	-	-	-
Yukon Territory ⁷														
1	..	..	..	..	-	-	-	-	-	1	..	..	..	..
6	3	50	3	50	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1	100
7	5	71	2	29	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	-	3	100
1	1	100	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2	-	-	2	100	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1	100

Table 12(a)
Refused Applications¹, Reason for Refusal, Criminal and Civil Matters – Concluded

Province/Territory and Year	Total						Financial Ineligibility						Coverage Restrictions					
	Total		Criminal Matters		Civil Matters		Total		Criminal Matters		Civil Matters		Total		Criminal Matters		Civil Matters	
	'000	%	'000	%	'000	%	'000	%	'000	%	'000	%	'000	%	'000	%		
Nunavut ⁸																		
1999-00	
2000-01	83	43	52	40	48	9	5	56	4	44	46	30	65	16	35	..		
Canada ⁹																		
1996-97	149,598	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
1997-98	126,451	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
1998-99	120,917	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
1999-00	109,780	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
2000-01	110,683	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..

Source: Legal Aid Survey, Canadian Centre for Justice Statistics.

- ¹ **Refused Applications** Plans screen applicants to some degree before an application is filed. For this reason, the refused application count does not include those who are denied services before they file an application. Prince Edward Island is not counted in this table. Only counts of approved applications are maintained.
- ² **Newfoundland** Summary services are included.
- ³ **New Brunswick** Civil summary services are included. Figures do not include applications from domestic legal aid administered by the New Brunswick Department of Justice.
- ⁴ **Quebec** The increase in refused applications in 1996-97 was due to amendments to the Legal Aid Act in mid-1996, introducing stricter coverage and eligibility criteria.
- ⁵ **Ontario** Community clinics, which deal with civil as well as adult and youth criminal matters are excluded.
- ⁶ **British Columbia** In 1997-98, 18,054 intakes were excluded from the total number of refused applications.
- ⁷ **Yukon Territory** Data exclude circuit court matters.
- ⁸ **Nunavut** Although the division of the Northwest Territories officially took place April 1, 1999, the Northwest Territories Legal Services Board remained the provider of Legal Aid Services in Nunavut until June 30, 2000.
- ⁹ **Canada** Criminal and civil subtotals exclude Prince Edward Island in all years.

Table 12(a)
Refused Applications¹, Reason for Refusal, Criminal and Civil Matters – Concluded

Total	Lack of Merit		Non-compliance/Abuse				Other Reasons				Province/Territory and Year		
	Criminal Matters	Civil Matters	Total	Criminal Matters	Civil Matters	Total	Criminal Matters	Civil Matters					
'000	'000	%	'000	%	'000	%	'000	%	'000	%	'000	%	
..	Nunavut ⁹
28	8	29	20	71	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1999-00
..	2000-01
..	Canada ⁸
..	1996-97
..	1997-98
..	1998-99
..	1999-00
..	2000-01

Table 13(a)
Duty Counsel Services, Criminal and Civil Matters, Selected Provinces and Territories

Province/Territory and Year	Total	Criminal Matters						Civil Matters					
		Total no. of Criminal Matters	% of Total	Adults		Youths		Total no. of Civil Matters	% of Total	Family Matters		Other Civil Matters	
				%	%					%	%		
Newfoundland and Labrador													
1996-97	4,652	4,646	100	3,162	68	1,484	32	6	--	--	--	--	--
1997-98	3,983	3,980	100	2,963	74	1,017	26	3	--	--	--	--	--
1998-99	4,649	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
1999-00	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
2000-01	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Nova Scotia													
1996-97	311	301	97	273	91	28	9	10	3	--	--	--	--
1997-98	141	134	95	110	82	24	18	7	5	--	--	--	--
1998-99	1,234	1,230	100	1,151	94	79	6	4	--	3	75	1	25
1999-00	4,518	4,507	100	4,041	90	466	10	11	--	10	91	1	9
2000-01	4,828	4,818	100	4,328	90	490	10	10	--	7	70	3	30
New Brunswick¹													
1996-97	17,016	15,818	93	12,488	79	3,330	21	1,198	7	--	--	--	--
1997-98	17,059	15,809	93	..	..	..	..	1,250	7	1,250	100	--	--
1998-99	15,413	14,335	93	11,487	80	2,848	20	1,078	7	1,070	99	8	1
1999-00	16,336	14,695	90	11,987	82	2,708	18	1,641	10	1,641	100	--	--
2000-01	14,613	13,509	92	11,078	82	2,431	18	1,104	8	1,091	99	13	1
Ontario²													
1996-97	579,500	487,230	84	..	..	..	..	92,270	16	--	--	--	--
1997-98	581,028	491,974	85	..	..	..	..	89,054	15	--	--	--	--
1998-99	600,559	505,754	84	..	..	..	..	94,805	16	--	--	--	--
1999-00	615,028	513,996	84	..	..	..	..	101,032	16	--	--	--	--
2000-01	675,813	557,132	82	..	..	..	..	118,681	18	--	--	--	--
Manitoba													
1996-97	43,506	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
1997-98	45,182	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
1998-99	50,686	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
1999-00	41,993	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
2000-01	33,716	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Saskatchewan³													
1996-97	7,999	7,694	96	6,274	82	1,420	18	305	4	--	--	--	--
1997-98	8,671	8,340	96	6,576	79	1,764	21	331	4	--	--	--	--
1998-99	8,435	8,423	100	6,648	79	1,775	21	12	--	--	--	--	--
1999-00	8,602	8,354	97	6,570	79	1,784	21	248	3	7	3	241	97
2000-01	10,061	9,687	96	7,521	78	2,166	22	374	4	13	3	361	97
Alberta⁴													
1996-97	47,496	47,227	99	35,774	76	11,453	24	269	1	--	--	--	--
1997-98	54,692	54,410	99	40,049	74	14,361	26	282	1	--	--	282	100
1998-99	57,019	56,723	99	47,411	84	9,312	16	296	1	--	--	296	100
1999-00	61,053	60,700	99	47,228	78	13,472	22	353	1	--	--	353	100
2000-01	60,555	60,195	99	46,620	77	13,575	23	360	1	--	--	--	--
British Columbia⁵													
1996-97	75,114	..	..	63,979	..	11,072	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
1997-98	75,499	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
1998-99	61,058	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
1999-00	60,361	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
2000-01	49,872	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..

Table 13(a)
Duty Counsel Services, Criminal and Civil Matters, Selected Provinces and Territories – Concluded

Province/Territory and Year	Total	Criminal Matters				Civil Matters			
		Total no. of Criminal Matters	% of Total	Adults	Youths	Total no. of Civil Matters	% of Total	Family Matters	Other Civil Matters
				%	%			%	%
Yukon Territory ⁶									
1996-97	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
1997-98	445	445	100	347	78	98	22	-	-
1998-99	533	533	100	422	79	111	21	-	-
1999-00	601	600	100	476	79	124	21	1	100
2000-01	529	528	100	437	83	91	17	1	100
Nunavut ⁷									
1999-00	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
2000-01	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..

Source: Legal Aid Survey, Canadian Centre for Justice Statistics.

Prince Edward Island Since 1991, there has been no duty counsel system as defined by the Supreme Court of Canada in the *Brydges* case. The services of staff counsel are available during regular office hours. Staff lawyers may, at their discretion, take calls after hours but are unpaid. Legal services may be provided at a court, but only to financially eligible persons. Services provided at a court are counted as full service applications, even if all the service is provided on the date of application (i.e., where the case is completed by a plea and sentence or other disposition in a single appearance).

Quebec Data on duty counsel are not available.

Northwest Territories Circuit and duty counsel serve approved full service applicants, and are counted in Tables 9, 10 and 11, and others attending court, but no record is kept of these others assisted.

- ¹ **New Brunswick** All persons helped are counted. In 1996-97 and 1997-98, civil duty counsel includes services to clients under the Department of Justice's Domestic Legal Aid Program.
- ² **Ontario** Civil duty counsel is provided in family court. Duty counsel is provided in provincial court, but not in circuit court. Criminal duty counsel figures include salaried duty counsel for all years.
- ³ **Saskatchewan** Does not include circuit court cases, which are included in the count for full service applications assigned to staff lawyers. After hours legal service is provided through a private law firm.
- ⁴ **Alberta** Includes duty counsel provided for mental health review panels.
- ⁵ **British Columbia** The duty counsel report forms do not permit an accurate differentiation of civil and criminal duty counsel services and does not differentiate adult and youth criminal duty counsel accurately. Also see footnote (6) in Table 13 of the Data Tables.
- ⁶ **Yukon Territory** In 1996-97 and 1997-98, duty counsel services were available on all days court was sitting in Whitehorse. Duty counsel provided services for show cause hearings on 445 occasions in 1997-98, and 508 occasions in 1996-97.
- ⁷ **Nunavut** Although the creation of the Territory of Nunavut officially took place April 1, 1999, the Northwest Territories Legal Services Board remained the provider of Legal Aid Services in Nunavut until June 30, 2000.

GLOSSARY

Accrual basis accounting refers to the recognition of revenues in the period in which they are earned and the deduction of expenses incurred in generating these revenues.

Active bar members include the total number of lawyers certified and insured to practise in the jurisdiction.

Adult refers to persons 18 years of age and older.

Appeal refers to an appeal of a lower court or administrative tribunal decision, not an appeal of a refused application. Each dossier is counted in spite of the fact that the matter may have been dealt with by the plan in the past.

An **application** refers to a formal request, evidenced in writing, whereby a person applies to a legal aid office for assistance. When aggregated, the total number of applications reflects the number of individual requests for summary and full service assistance, rather than the total number of persons seeking assistance. Formal requests for assistance are recorded on the intake document used by the legal aid office. Related legal matters enumerated at the time of contact with the office are included on one application, regardless of the requirement for a court appearance. If a matter related to that on the original application arises at a later date (other than appeal), a new application is not filed. Separate applications are counted for criminal and civil matters. The total number of applications reported for the fiscal year include all such applications filed during that time, irrespective of when the application was approved or rejected. The count excludes requests for duty counsel services.

Approved application for full service refers to an application for legal assistance which is granted legal aid as described in a certificate, referral, or any other authorization denoting that the applicant is entitled to legal services. Once an application is approved for full service, it is not subsequently counted as a summary service although in some cases, relatively little service may be required to fulfil the request. This count measures the number of units of service rather than the number of persons assisted, and is mutually exclusive of all summary service and duty counsel services.

Approved application for summary services refers to the provision of legal advice, information, or any other type of minimal legal service to an individual during a formal interview. It can include simple legal tasks such as making a telephone call or drafting a letter on behalf of a client. Excluded are inquiries made at the "front desk" of the legal aid office or telephone ("hot-line") inquiries. Summary services are provided to individuals in two circumstances: a written request has been submitted at the office, or a verbal request has been made. Only written requests are included in the count. No file (dossier) is opened for the client provided summary services. This count excludes the application which requested extensive legal assistance (full service) but received summary service upon refusal. Also excluded are the applications originally approved for full service but subsequently rendered summary services. Verbal requests for assistance are excluded from this count. The count measures the number of units of service provided rather than the number of persons assisted, and is mutually exclusive of both the approved full service application and duty counsel counts.

Cash basis accounting - when revenues are not recorded until received in cash and expenses are assigned to the period in which cash payment is made.

Central administrative expenditures include monies spent on head office functions and on offices that do not employ staff to advise and represent clients.

Civil contributions refer to monies provided by Human Resources Development Canada as part of the cost-sharing agreement for legal services in civil legal aid matters under the Canada Assistance Plan (CAP), which terminated on March 31, 1996. The federal government no longer directly funds civil legal aid; instead it allows the provinces more flexibility in their own funding priorities through the new Canada Health and Social Transfer (CHST).

Civil duty counsel refers to services in civil matters that may additionally be provided at locations other than a court or place of detention (e.g. psychiatric hospital, senior citizens' home).

Client contributions refer to monies received from the aided person for legal assistance; flat user fees are included.

Contributions of the legal profession refer to monies received from the law profession.

Cost recoveries refer to the party costs ordered or agreed to be recovered in the case. Includes monies recovered from a judgement, award or settlement.

Coverage restrictions refer to applications refused on the grounds that the legal matter is not covered by the Legal Aid Plan.

Criminal adult contributions refer to monies provided by Justice Canada as part of the criminal adult cost-sharing agreement.

Criminal duty counsel refers to services in criminal matters that are generally provided at a court or place of detention.

Direct legal service expenditures are the sum payments made to private law firms and the costs of legal service delivery by Plan staff. These expenditures include monies spent on the provision of legal advice and representation services to clients including special target groups. All law office and contracted community clinic expenses are included (i.e., staff salaries, benefits and overhead expenses). Central administrative expenses and other expenses of the Plan are excluded.

Direct legal service staff refers to persons whose primary function is to deliver legal assistance and/or legal representation directly to clients. Notaries are included in the staff lawyer count. Paralegals are included in the non-lawyer count.

Duty counsel services refer to legal services provided by a lawyer at a location other than a legal aid office, where the person assisted had not previously applied in writing for services to be rendered. This count measures the number of units of service provided rather than the number of persons assisted, and is mutually exclusive of both the summary service and approved application counts. Cases coming before a circuit court are typically provided duty counsel services. Consequently, circuit court cases are included in the duty counsel service count rather than in the approved application count. Only circuit court matters granted a delay are included in the approved application count. The provision of duty counsel services does not bar the recipient from subsequent application for legal aid services.

Expenditures refer to the actual gross dollars expended by the Plan in a given fiscal year (i.e. accounts payable are excluded). Expenditures made on behalf of the Plan by other agencies are not included. Total expenditure is the sum of expenditures on direct legal service, other program expenditures, central administrative expenditures and any other expenditure.

External project expenditures refer to monies expended by the Plan on projects undertaken external to the Plan (e.g. university clinics). Note that funding of community clinics is not included here.

Family matters refer to proceedings related to divorce, separation, maintenance, custody/access, wardship/child protection, and all other matters of a family law nature (e.g. adoption, change of name, mediation proceedings, filiation).

Federal matters refer to those criminal offences designated as a federal statutory responsibility.

Federal government contribution to Criminal Legal Aid refers to monies contributed by Justice Canada.

Financial ineligibility refers to a refusal for legal aid based on some financial information disclosed by the applicant pertaining to his/her income, assets and liabilities.

Government contributions refer to federal, provincial and territorial monies allocated to the Plan through the provincial or territorial government. Federal contributions made through the separate federal/provincial or territorial cost-sharing agreements for criminal and young offender legal aid, as well as contributions to civil legal aid made through the Canada Assistance Plan prior to April 1, 1996, are not recorded separately since monies are generally directed to the consolidated revenue fund of the province and not to the Plans directly.

Interprovincial Reciprocity Agreement refers to the informal agreement among Legal Aid Plans in Canada to handle non-resident civil dossiers. Under the terms of the agreement, applicants must request legal aid in their province or territory of residence rather than in the province or territory where the legal recourse is sought. An approved application is then forwarded to the Plan which will provide the legal aid service. **Incoming dossiers** refer to the number of applications approved for civil legal aid by other provincial or territorial Plans which are forwarded to the Plan for service and for which service has been provided. **Outgoing dossiers** refer to the number of applications for civil legal aid approved by the Plan which are forwarded to other provincial or territorial Plans for service.

Lack of merit refers to applications refused because the nature of the case or the seriousness of the matter does not warrant legal assistance.

Legal research expenditures refer to monies expended by the Plan for conducting research related to legal matters. This component excludes the cost of maintaining libraries.

Legal research staff refers to persons working within a specific program area conducting research related to legal matters. This excludes persons maintaining Plan libraries.

The **March 31st count** refers to the actual number of both full-time and part-time staff employed by the Plan at one particular point in time: March 31, the final day of the fiscal year.

Net Cost-Shared Expenditures – Represents provincial and territorial claims for costs incurred by each legal aid plan on matters specified in the federal/provincial/territorial cost-sharing agreements for criminal legal aid. It covers both legal service costs and associated administrative expenses. Such an amount is the net of all contributions and recoveries received from clients. Net cost-shared expenditures are calculated on a province-by-province and territorial basis; therefore, caution must be exercised when making inter-provincial and territorial comparisons.

Non-compliance/abuse refers to a refusal for legal aid based on either an applicant's prior or current experience with the Plan. These refusals include applications where similar services were already rendered; services applied for are abusive of the legal process; or failure to cooperate with the legal aid lawyer.

Non-resident lawyers refers to those lawyers who practise law in a particular province or territory, however do not permanently reside in the same province or territory of practise.

Number of private bar lawyers who provided services includes those active members of the private bar who actually delivered legal services and billed the Plan during the fiscal year. Government employed and legal aid staff lawyers are excluded. Notaries are included in the total counts provided. An unduplicated count is reported.

Only one offence or legal matter is reported per dossier; that is, the offence or legal matter deemed to be most serious in nature. Offences processed under the *Young Offenders Act* are mutually exclusive of the Adult offence categorizations.

Other expenditures refer to any other monies expended by the Plan on functions not already accounted for in the above categories (e.g. capital expenditures).

Other civil matters refer to all other civil proceedings which are not of a family nature.

Other program expenditures includes monies spent on legal research activities, public legal education and grants to other agencies.

Other reasons refer to reasons for refusing an application other than financial ineligibility. Other reasons may include: coverage restrictions, lack of merit or non-compliance/ abuse.

Other staff refers to persons not in public legal education or legal research programs and whose primary function does not involve the provision of legal advice and/or representation directly to clients; for example, lawyers performing primarily administrative functions, accountants, librarians, law students and clerical staff.

Other sources refer to revenues that have not already been accounted for in the above categories.

Payment year refers to the year in which monies were received rather than the year in which monies were expended.

Personnel resources refer to the actual number of staff employed by the Plan, as of March 31st. These data are broken down in two ways: by type of service provided and by type of personnel. The type of personnel on staff with the Plans are divided into: lawyer and non-lawyer counts. Staff lawyers refer to lawyers who are hired by the Legal Aid Plan to work from the legal aid office. Salaries are paid by the Plan.

Private law firm expenditures include fees and disbursements, together with other specific costs (e.g. travel expenses) incurred by private lawyers for the provision of legal services to legal aid clients.

Provincial and territorial contributions refer to monies contributed by the provinces and territories to the Legal Aid Plans.

Provincial and territorial matters refer to those offences under provincial or territorial statutory responsibility. Also included are infractions under municipal by-laws.

Public legal education expenditures refer to monies expended by the Plan on preventive law programs, educational programs and publicity.

Public legal education staff refers to persons working within a specific program area conducting preventive law programs, educational programs and/or publicity.

Refused applications refer to all formal requests for legal aid evidenced in writing that have been denied legal services. This total includes applications for which no services have been approved, as well as those applications denied for full service that subsequently receive summary service. An application can be refused, appealed and still refused. Only the initial refusal is counted. Reasons for refusal are a product of legislative and policy restrictions.

Revenue refers to all monies received directly by the Legal Aid Plan during a given fiscal year. Funds received for specific projects from agencies external to the Plan are not included as revenue. Accounts receivable are excluded.

Summary service refers to the provision of legal advice, information, or any other type of minimal legal service to an individual during a formal interview. It can include simple legal tasks such as making a telephone call or drafting a letter on behalf of a client. Excluded are inquiries made at the "front desk" of the legal aid office, or telephone ("hot line") inquiries. Summary services are provided to individuals in two circumstances: a written request has been submitted at the office, or a verbal request has been made. Only written requests are included in the count. A **written request** refers to a request of assistance as evidenced by the completion of a legal aid application. A **verbal request** refers to a request by a non-applicant made in-person at a legal aid office or by telephone to a direct legal service professional. Summary services may be provided to fulfil the request itself or follow the refusal of a written request for more extensive legal service (full- service). Once an application is approved for full service, it is not

subsequently included in a summary service count although relatively little service may be provided. Also, no file (dossier) is opened for the client provided summary services. Summary service counts measure the number of units of service provided rather than the number of persons assisted, and are mutually exclusive of both the approved full service application and duty counsel counts.

Total Bar member count refers to the number of lawyers listed by the Federation of Law Societies of Canada. Lawyers who are retired or non-active are excluded. Private and public sector lawyers are included. Non-resident lawyers are included in the province of practice.

Young offender contributions refer to monies provided by Justice Canada as part of the cost-sharing agreement dealing with YOA proceedings.

Youth refers to persons who are 12 years of age or older, but under 18 years of age under federal and provincial statutes. Alternatively, two provinces (Ontario and Nova Scotia) have designated maximum age for youth at 15 years of age for most provincial/municipal matters.