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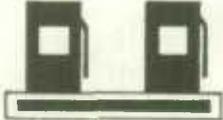
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THE MOTOR VEHICLE , 1953 ADVANCES ON 1952

	<p>Passenger Vehicle Registrations increased 9.5%</p>
	<p>Motor Truck Registrations Rose 7.0%</p>
	<p>Gasoline Tax Revenues Expanded 11.7%</p>
	<p>Total Registration and Gasoline Tax Revenues Expanded 10.7%</p>
	<p>Taxable Gasoline Consumption Advanced 10.7%</p>
	<p>9.3% more foreign motor vehicles crossed from the United States into Canada</p>

THE MOTOR VEHICLE

1953

Registrations

The registration year 1953 brought an 8.7 p.c. increase in the number of motor vehicles operated by residents of Canada at 3,430,672 compared with 3,155,824 in 1952. Passenger car registrations were 9.5 p.c. higher at 2,513,754 against 2,296,479 in 1952. Commercial vehicle registrations were up 7.3 p.c. from 817,304 to 876,741.

Motor cycles, including motorized bicycles, fell from 42,085 in 1952 to 40,177 in 1953. At the end of 1945 there were 1,497,081 motor vehicles on Canada's roads and these were composed of 1,160,058 passenger cars, 322,829 commercial vehicles and 14,194 motor cycles. Thus a rise in the eight-year period from 1945 to 1953 of 129.2 p.c. in all motor vehicles, 116.7 p.c. in passenger cars, 171.6 p.c. in commercial vehicles and 183.1 p.c. in motor cycles has taken place. The peak post-war year for motor cycle registrations was reached in 1950 when 43,670 were on the road. On the other hand passenger and commercial vehicles have climbed steadily in numbers, though there appears to be a slight falling off in the rate of increase for the latter especially in Nova Scotia and New Brunswick where only small increases were recorded in the period reported. Trucks continue to be utilized in a constantly increasing variety of jobs and more specialized units are appearing on the road every year.

At the end of the 1953 registration year there were ten motor vehicles registered for every 43 Canadians. Albertans have the largest number of motor vehicles in relation to population with ten for every 31 persons while Ontario leads in passenger cars at ten per 44 persons. All regions again showed increases over the previous year in the number of vehicles with the gains ranging from a low of 4.5 p.c. in New Brunswick to a high of 25.2 p.c. in Newfoundland. Other increases were; Nova Scotia 12.7 p.c., The Territories 11.7 p.c., Alberta 9.4 p.c., Ontario 8.9 p.c., Saskatchewan 8.6 p.c., British Columbia 8.5 p.c., Prince Edward Island and Manitoba 8.4 p.c. and Quebec 7.5 p.c.

Sales

New passenger car sales were up 23 p.c. in 1953 at 359,172 units against 292,095 units the previous year. British passenger cars held a smaller share of the Canadian market in 1953 with 7 p.c. of sales compared with 9 p.c. in 1952. Sales of commer-

cial vehicles were down 5 p.c. from 108,682 units in 1952 to 103,354. Commercial vehicle sales accounted for 22 p.c. of the total sales of all new motor vehicles in 1953 in contrast to 27 p.c. of the previous year's total. Installment buying of new motor vehicles accounted for a smaller portion of the total with 41 p.c. of both passenger cars and commercial vehicles financed in 1953 compared with 43 p.c. and 44 p.c. respectively in 1952.

Revenues

Provincial and Territorial governments collected \$307,664,164 in revenues from gasoline taxes and the licencing of vehicles, drivers, dealers etc. during 1953. The increase over 1952 revenues amounted to \$29,659,238 or 10.7 p.c. In 1952, the latest year for which complete data are available, expenditures on provincial highways, development roads etc. by Provincial governments totalled \$350,248,566 and exceeded the revenues for that year by more than \$72 millions. In addition the outlays of Federal and Municipal governments for roads and streets during 1952 amounted to \$117,514,476.

Gasoline

The consumption of taxable gasoline (which is used almost entirely for automotive purposes) rose 10.7 p.c. from 1,718 million to over 1,902 million gallons in the year. Saskatchewan raised its gasoline tax from 10 to 11 cents with effect April, 1953. Newfoundland and New Brunswick have raised their gasoline tax to 15 cents per gallon during 1954.

Tourist Traffic

Foreign vehicles entered Canada in greater numbers than ever before during 1953 with 8,235,313 passenger cars, a gain of 663,895 over 1952, and 372,489 commercial vehicles, up 68,753 from 1952. Canadian vehicles returning to Canada were also more numerous than in previous years.

Accidents

Data relating to motor vehicle accidents for the years 1952 and 1953 have been released in a report titled "Motor Vehicle Accidents, 1952 and 1953". More recent information may be obtained by reference to the series "Motor Vehicle Accidents" which presents accident data on a quarterly basis thus permitting a more current study of accident trends.

Part I

REGISTRATIONS

All motor vehicles which are licenced to operate on the public highways are included in the registration tables published in this report. Motor bicycles and motor cycles are classified as motor vehicles. Ontario and Nova Scotia consider trolley coaches as motor vehicles but other provinces in which these vehicles operate classify them in the same category as tram cars, which are excluded.

Table 1 is an historical summary showing the increase in motor vehicle registrations in Canada since 1904 when Ontario became the first province to register the "horseless carriage".

Table 2 presents a tabulation of trucks and trailers in Ontario by gross vehicle weight which is the weight of the vehicle plus the weight it is registered or licenced to carry. Similar data is not available for other provinces.

Table 3 shows the number classified by type, etc., of vehicle as well as other licences issued in each province. New registrations include vehicles registered for the first time in the reporting province and include used as well as new vehicles. Six provinces supplied data giving this breakdown in 1953. British Columbia passed legislation bringing a five year driver's licence into effect on January 2, 1951. The 446,255 licences shown in table 1 include those issued prior to the 1953 registration year but still in force during 1953.

Gasoline Stations and Garages as enumerated in table 3 should not be construed as being only service stations selling gasoline to the motorist

and garages engaged in the task of repairing motor vehicles. Licencing laws in the several provinces vary considerably as to what may be included in these categories. For example, Ontario lists as a retail gasoline outlet any place having (a) a gasoline pump and (b) a licence to sell gasoline. Included in the group termed "Garages" are many not performing automotive repair work such as used car lots, storage for vehicles, parking lots, etc. The 1951 Census of Distribution shows that at the time of the census there were 2,575 motor vehicle dealers, 3,694 garages and 8,394 filling stations whose business in retail trade was predominantly one of the above. The Census of Distribution classifies businesses by the main source of dollar volume of sales, and accordingly firms whose principal sales volume in dollars was derived from other classes of retail trade are not included in the totals shown above. Examples of the type of gasoline outlets not classed as filling stations are grocery stores, tourist motels and motor vehicle dealers which have gasoline pumps but whose sales of gasoline represent a minor portion of their total sales volume. Similar restrictions apply in the case of businesses which repair motor vehicles as a sideline to their main retail occupation.

Table 4 shows the vehicle licences issued in municipalities, countries, etc., for all provinces (except Prince Edward Island and Nova Scotia) and for the Northwest Territories. The totals shown in this table represent numbers of licences issued and do not necessarily reflect the exact number of vehicles located in or near the registration area.

TABLE 1. Registrations of Motor Vehicles, 1904-1953

Year	Canada			
	Passenger Cars	Commercial Vehicles	Motor Cycles	Total
1904.....	535	-	-	535
1910.....	5,890	-	55	9,158
1915.....	60,688	533	5,412	95,284
1920.....	251,945	22,310	8,195	408,790
1925.....	641,186	74,938	7,924	724,048
1930.....	1,055,514	167,548	9,427	1,232,489
1935.....	989,514	175,888	10,484	1,176,116
1938.....	1,159,604	223,176	12,073	1,394,853
1939.....	1,190,021	236,902	12,322	1,439,245
1940.....	1,234,637	252,813	13,379	1,500,829
1941.....	1,279,536	278,771	14,477	1,572,784
1942.....	1,216,950	291,385	15,818	1,524,153
1943.....	1,193,847	301,602	16,396	1,511,845
1944.....	1,177,558	309,964	15,045	1,502,567
1945.....	1,160,058	322,829	14,194	1,497,081
1946.....	1,234,006	371,294	17,163	1,622,463
1947.....	1,370,173	439,657	26,129	1,835,959
1948.....	1,496,784	504,220	33,939	2,034,943
1949.....	1,672,352	578,282	39,994	2,290,628
1950.....	1,907,169	649,672	43,670	2,600,511
1951.....	2,097,594	731,637	43,189	2,872,420
1952.....	2,296,435	817,304	42,085	3,155,824
1953.....	2,513,754	876,741	40,177	3,430,672

Note: Livery and Taxi Cabs included with passenger cars. Buses, convertible trucks, road tractors, ambulances, etc., included with commercial vehicles.

TABLE 2. Registrations of Commercial Motor Vehicles and "Trailers" by Weight, 1953

Weight ¹	Ontario	
	Commercial Motor Vehicles	Trailers
Up to 2,000 lbs.		62,504
2,001 to 4,000 lbs.	45,003	3,132
4,001 " 5,000 "	91,609	
5,001 " 6,000 "	23,957	1,094
6,001 " 7,000 "		
7,001 " 8,000 "	9,132	934
8,001 " 10,000 "	10,074	
10,001 " 12,000 "	14,439	421
12,001 " 14,000 "	8,263	428
14,001 " 16,000 "		
16,001 " 18,000 "	5,793	373
18,001 " 20,000 "	11,320	3,553
20,001 " 22,000 "	6,032	2,383
22,001 " 24,000 "	6,630	80
24,001 " 26,000 "		
26,001 " 28,000 "	10,764	133
28,001 " 30,000 "	5,440	30
30,001 " 32,000 "	234	23
32,001 " 34,000 "	77	93
34,001 " 36,000 "		
36,001 " 38,000 "		
38,001 " 40,000 "	76	3,974
40,001 " 42,000 "	89	2
42,001 " 44,000 "	342	308
44,001 " 46,000 "	1,175	1
46,001 " 48,000 "		
48,001 " 50,000 "		
Trolley Buses	201	-
Municipal - Provincial - Federal	11,273	1,207
Total	261,923	80,673

1. Gross Vehicle Weight.

TABLE 3. Registrations of Motor Vehicles, Drivers etc., 1953

Revised

No.	Period Ending	Canada	New- foundland 31/3/54	Prince Edward Island 31/3/54	Nova Scotia 31/3/54	New Brunswick 31/3/54
Motor Vehicles Licenced:						
Passenger Automobiles:						
1	New .....	...	4,564	..	14,937	8,434
2	Renewals .....	...	15,945	..	74,048	53,658
3	Total	2,492,506	20,509	12,218	88,985	62,092
4	Taxi Cabs .....	...	1	1	1	949
5	Total Passenger Automobiles	2,513,754	20,509	12,218	88,985	63,041
Motor Trucks:						
6	New .....	...	1,726	..	4,509	2,737
7	Renewals .....	...	6,378	..	29,395	19,371
8	Total	r 810,452	8,104	5,424	33,904	22,108
9	Motor Trucks—convertible .....	...	2	2	2	2
10	Total Motor Trucks	r 824,159	8,104	5,424	33,904	22,108
11	Motor Buses	4,919	200 ¹⁶	15	2	431
12	Motor Cycles	40,177	298	121	1,348	1,193
13	Tractors	r 34,009	145	2,508 ³	5,327	4,748
14	Other Motor Vehicles	r 13,654	320	2	2	2,393
15	Total Motor Vehicles	1953 r 3,430,672	29,576	20,286	129,564	93,914
16	1952	3,155,824	23,630	18,717	114,982	89,839
17	Increase—1953 vs 1952	r 274,848	5,946	1,569	14,582	4,075
18	Per cent change	+ 8.7	+ 25.2	+ 8.4	+ 12.7	+ 4.5
19	Average Population per Motor Vehicle	1953 4.3	12.9	5.2	5.1	5.7
20	1952	4.6	15.8	5.5	5.7	5.9
21	Average Population per Passenger Car	1953 5.9	18.7	8.7	7.5	8.5
22	1952	6.3	23.5	8.8	8.7	8.9
Other Licences:						
23	Trailers	161,915	231	1,057	4,277	5,063
24	Chauffeurs Licences	1,060,369	8	1,042	30,706	—
25	Drivers Licences	3,143,560	36,063	20,973	139,324	113,195
26	Dealers Plates	13,718	109	30	299	365
27	Gasoline Outlets .....	...	250	373	1,547	1,593 ¹⁰
28	Garages ¹¹ .....	...	8	31	8	831

1. Included with passenger automobiles.

2. Included with trucks.

3. Farm tractors only. Road tractors included with trucks.

4. "Power units" used to draw semi-trailers, (includes 180 road tractors).

... Figures not complete.

.. Not available.

5. Includes 3,848 motor buses and 201 trolley buses.

6. Included with drivers licences.

7. P. S. V. trailers only.

8. No licence required.

9. Includes five-year licences issued since Jan. 2, 1951 and not since surrendered.

— Nil

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TABLE 3. Registrations of Motor Vehicles, Drivers etc., 1953

Revised

Quebec 28/2/54	Ontario 31/12/53	Manitoba 31/12/53	Saskatchewan 31/3/54	Alberta 31/3/54	British Columbia 28/2/54	Yukon— N.W.T. 31/3/54	No.
86,430	158,579	..	..	..	37,532	373	1
336,530	958,596	..	..	..	221,408	1,322	2
422,960	1,117,175	144,162	157,412	206,358	258,940	1,695	3
17,760	1	890 ¹⁴	530	1,044	1	75	4
440,720	1,117,175	145,052	157,942	207,402	258,940	1,770	5
17,648	32,502	..	..	..	10,802	..	6
118,693	229,421	..	..	..	72,719	..	7
136,341	261,923 ⁵	52,889	97,101	106,822	83,521	r 2,315 ¹³	8
2	13,707	2	2	..	2	—	9
136,341	275,630 ⁵	52,889	97,101	106,822	83,521	r 2,315	10
3,464	2	190	120	479	2	20	11
15,076	13,314	1,762	925	2,306	3,825	9	12
14,993 ³	2	2,294	1,416 ⁴	2	2,544 ³	34	13
7,261	2	1,465	—	1,803	2	412	14
617,855	1,406,119	203,652	257,504	318,812	348,830	r 4,560	15
574,974	1,291,753	187,881	237,014	291,469	321,482	4,083	16
42,881	114,366	15,771	20,490	27,343	27,348	r 477	17
+7.5	+8.9	+8.4	+8.6	+9.4	+8.5	r +11.7	18
6.9	3.5	4.0	3.3	3.1	3.5	r 5.5	19
7.3	3.7	4.2	3.6	3.3	3.7	6.1	20
9.7	4.4	5.6	5.5	4.8	4.8	14.1	21
10.4	4.7	6.0	5.7	5.1	5.1	16.5	22
31,797	80,673	11,775	10,275	1,220 ⁷	15,417	130	23
243,232	638,119	38,682 ¹⁵	6	54,938	51,831	1,819	24
506,578	1,018,140	209,627 ¹⁵	312,848	336,901	446,255 ⁹	3,656	25
3,907	2,544	959	1,638	2,278	1,589	—	26
..	13,351 ¹⁰	..	4,293	3,308 ¹⁰	..	37	27
9,503	10,446 ¹²	..	8	1,821	..	21	28

10. Includes all retail outlets having gasoline pumps and licenced to sell gasoline.

11. Includes many not engaged in repair work.

12. Includes 3,301 engaged in servicing and repair of motor vehicles and 7,145 storage garages, parking lots, used car lots, etc.

13. Includes 966 Federal Government vehicles registered to March 31, 1954.

14. Includes 238 "U" Drive vehicles.

15. Includes two year licences which remain valid until June 30, 1955.

16. Includes station wagons and 7 passenger cars used as buses.

**TABLE 4. Motor Vehicle Registrations by Municipalities
1953**

Registration Area	NEWFOUNDLAND			
	Passenger Cars	Commercial Vehicles	Motor Cycles	Total
	No.	No.	No.	No.
St. John's.....	9,620	2,286	93	11,999
Avalon Peninsula (Excluding St. John's).....	3,619	2,304	68	5,991
Bell Island.....	486	312	8	806
Clarenville-Bonavista.....	583	351	14	948
Burin.....	483	290	12	785
Gander.....	507	267	20	894
Grand Falls.....	1,496	869	17	2,382
Corner Brook.....	1,924	1,238	33	3,195
Stephenville-Port au Port.....	1,291	301	10	1,502
St. George-Port au Basques.....	236	256	12	504
Others.....	264	295	11	570

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND AND NOVA SCOTIA
Data not available

County	NEW BRUNSWICK				
	Passenger Cars	Commercial Vehicles ¹	Principal Registration Offices (Included in Counties)	Passenger Cars	Commercial Vehicles ¹
	No.	No.		No.	No.
Albert.....	1,724	625	Bathurst.....	749	316
Carleton.....	3,910	1,505	Campbellton.....	471	118
Charlotte.....	3,977	1,195	Chatham.....	658	359
Gloucester.....	3,141	1,642	Dalhousie.....	726	192
Kent.....	1,816	1,053	Edmundston.....	1,337	435
Kings.....	4,165	1,687	Fairville.....	1,476	378
Madawaska.....	3,169	1,251	Fredericton.....	3,057	1,764
Northumberland.....	3,656	2,172	Grand Falls.....	545	252
Queens.....	1,929	938	Moncton.....	4,828	1,264
Restigouche.....	2,592	1,264	Newcastle.....	578	288
Saint John.....	11,125	3,147	Saint John City.....	7,217	1,991
Sunbury.....	969	444	St. Stephen.....	851	195
Victoria.....	2,550	1,354	Sackville.....	903	195
Westmorland.....	11,337	3,553	Sussex.....	810	359
York.....	6,943	3,151	Woodstock.....	943	281
Non-Resident.....	38	32			

County	QUEBEC						
	Passenger Vehicles ²	Trucks and Other Motor Vehicles	Total	County	Passenger Vehicles ²	Trucks and Other Motor Vehicles	Total
	No.	No.	No.		No.	No.	No.
Abitibi.....	6,157	2,921	9,078	Bonaventure.....	2,530	1,498	4,028
Argenteuil.....	4,958	1,475	6,433	Brome.....	2,912	665	3,577
Arthabaska.....	4,253	1,469	5,722	Chambly.....	8,556	2,367	10,923
Bagot.....	2,675	1,265	3,940	Champlain.....	4,045	1,183	5,228
Beauce.....	5,705	1,616	7,321	Charlevoix.....	1,772	1,204	2,976
Beauharnois.....	4,852	1,618	6,470	Chateaugay.....	3,722	980	4,702
Bellechasse.....	2,448	884	3,332	Chicoutimi.....	7,783	3,338	11,121
Berthier.....	2,503	1,182	3,685	Compton.....	3,667	1,392	5,059

1. Includes trucks, buses and tractors.
2. Includes buses, motorcycles, taxis, private cars, ambulances and hearses.

**TABLE 4. Motor Vehicle Registration by Municipalities - Continued
1953**

County	QUEBEC - Concluded						
	Passenger Vehicles ¹	Trucks and Other Motor Vehicles	Total	County	Passenger Vehicles ¹	Trucks and Other Motor Vehicles	Total
	No.	No.	No.		No.	No.	No.
Dorchester	3,345	1,602	4,947	Temiscamingue.....	4,863	2,568	7,431
Drummond.....	5,871	1,680	7,551	Temiscouata	1,570	1,079	2,649
Frontenac.....	3,180	1,080	4,260	Terrebonne	9,221	3,641	12,862
Gaspe	2,700	1,899	4,599	Two Mountains	3,452	1,619	5,071
Gatineau.....	4,123	2,001	6,124	Vaudreuil.....	3,104	1,061	4,165
Hull.....	6,908	1,723	8,631	Vercheres	2,102	1,176	3,278
Huntingdon.....	3,100	877	3,977	Wolfe	1,789	904	2,693
Iberville.....	2,126	896	3,022	Yamaska	1,653	878	2,531
Iles-de-la-Madeleine..	119	234	353	Outside Province	1,862	1,265	3,127
Ile de Montreal	165,908	43,153	209,061	Total	460,033	157,822	617,855
Joliette.....	3,946	1,697	5,643	Principal Cities			
Kamouraska	2,186	884	3,070	and Towns			
Labelle.....	2,445	1,701	4,146	(included in counties)			
Lac-St-Jean	3,888	3,256	7,144	Arvida	1,053	208	1,261
Laprairie	2,403	1,058	3,461	Cap de la Madeleine	1,458	321	1,779
L'Assomption	2,992	1,402	4,394	Chicoutimi.....	2,148	810	2,958
Laval	4,947	2,434	7,381	Drummondville	2,163	546	2,709
Lavolette	2,794	1,167	3,961	Granby	2,953	736	3,689
Levis	4,373	1,396	5,769	Grand'Mere	1,036	309	1,345
L'Islet	1,988	901	2,889	Hull	4,809	1,373	6,182
Lotbiniere	3,176	1,286	4,462	Joliette	1,761	619	2,380
Maskinonge	1,651	894	2,545	Jonquiere.....	1,455	496	1,951
Matane	2,415	1,390	3,805	Kenogami.....	808	189	997
Matapedia.....	1,731	1,411	3,142	Lachine	3,055	648	3,703
Megantic.....	5,113	1,502	6,615	La Tuque.....	691	289	980
Missisquoi	4,803	1,410	6,213	Lauzon.....	633	105	738
Montcalm	2,449	1,148	3,597	Levis	1,459	351	1,810
Montmagny	2,316	880	3,196	Longueuil	1,651	532	2,183
Montmorency	1,834	892	2,726	Magog.....	1,575	337	1,912
Napierville.....	1,563	873	2,436	Montreal.....	120,177	30,957	151,134
Nicolet	2,741	1,291	4,032	Outremont	3,452	393	3,845
Papineau	4,303	1,928	6,231	Quebec City	19,866	7,912	27,778
Pontiac.....	3,233	1,288	4,521	Riviere-du-Loup	928	299	1,227
Portneuf.....	4,980	1,721	6,701	Rouyn.....	1,277	516	1,793
Quebec	29,502	8,859	38,361	St. Hyacinthe	2,416	735	3,151
Richelieu.....	3,023	977	4,000	St. Jerome	2,156	648	2,804
Richmond	5,991	1,410	7,401	St. Jean	2,614	624	3,238
Rimouski	3,374	1,880	5,254	St. Laurent	2,172	635	2,807
Riviere-du-Loup	2,957	1,478	4,435	Shawinigan Falls	3,017	646	3,663
Rouville	3,399	1,721	5,120	Sherbrooke.....	7,827	1,885	9,712
Saguenay	1,660	1,104	2,764	Sorel.....	1,934	433	2,367
St-Hyacinthe	4,848	2,070	6,918	Theftord Mines	2,165	444	2,609
St-Jean	3,990	1,063	5,053	Three Rivers.....	4,332	1,507	5,839
St-Maurice	9,277	2,737	12,014	Valleyfield	2,495	746	3,241
Shefford	6,455	1,703	8,158	Verdun	7,943	1,163	9,106
Sherbrooke	7,919	2,426	10,345	Victoriaville	1,763	490	2,253
Soulanges.....	1,951	583	2,534	Westmount	4,529	696	5,225
Stanstead	5,883	1,608	7,491				

1. Includes buses, motorcycles, taxis, private cars, ambulances and hearses.

**TABLE 4. Motor Vehicle Registration by Municipalities - Continued
1953**

County	ONTARIO						
	Passenger Cars	Commercial Vehicles	Total	County	Passenger Cars	Commercial Vehicles	Total
Algoma	10,883	4,170	15,053	Simcoe	25,379	6,317	31,696
Brant	18,039	3,554	21,593	Stormont	9,517	1,814	11,331
Bruce	11,582	2,672	14,254	Sudbury	18,584	6,052	24,636
Carleton	54,122	9,097	63,219	Thunder Bay	18,229	6,140	24,369
Cochrane	10,030	3,656	13,686	Temiskaming	10,091	4,063	14,154
Dufferin	4,068	1,053	5,121	Victoria	7,280	1,740	9,020
Dundas	4,560	1,104	5,664	Waterloo	32,807	6,192	38,999
Durham	7,096	1,677	8,773	Welland	32,179	6,710	38,889
Elgin	15,164	3,701	18,865	Wellington	22,452	3,700	26,152
Essex	50,959	11,340	62,299	Wentworth	67,233	12,242	79,475
Frontenac	14,735	3,332	18,067	York	306,174	67,526	373,700
Glengarry	4,595	867	5,462	Non-Residents	1,349	933	2,282
Grenville	4,745	1,048	5,793	Cities			
Grey	14,764	2,923	17,687	Belleville	5,855	1,034	6,889
Haldimand	7,228	2,211	9,439	Branford	11,516	2,006	13,522
Haliburton	1,754	792	2,546	Chatham	6,392	1,835	8,227
Halton	12,865	3,196	16,061	Cornwall	6,166	1,080	7,246
Hastings	19,247	4,580	23,827	Fort William	7,015	1,620	8,635
Huron	13,188	3,301	16,489	Galt	5,123	801	5,924
Kenora	4,933	2,514	7,447	Guelph	6,797	1,153	7,950
Kent	22,866	6,515	29,381	Hamilton	51,501	8,307	59,808
Lambton	20,555	4,300	24,855	Kingston	9,592	1,519	11,111
Lanark	8,636	1,987	10,623	Kitchener	12,261	2,294	14,555
Leeds	9,116	2,241	11,357	London	27,937	4,854	32,791
Lennox and Addington	4,946	1,512	6,458	Niagara Falls	11,132	1,918	13,050
Lincoln	24,264	5,470	29,734	North Bay	3,855	1,283	5,138
Manitoulin	1,705	848	2,553	Oshawa	11,168	2,023	13,191
Middlesex	41,722	8,632	50,354	Ottawa	41,995	6,908	48,903
Muskoka	5,106	2,100	7,206	Owen Sound	4,391	907	5,298
Nipissing	7,137	3,348	10,485	Peterborough	9,409	1,420	10,829
Norfolk	10,618	2,949	13,567	Port Arthur	6,819	1,621	8,440
Northumberland	7,131	2,096	9,227	St. Catharines	12,263	2,200	14,463
Ontario	21,859	4,358	26,217	St. Thomas	5,709	900	6,609
Oxford	16,786	4,562	21,348	Sarnia	9,402	1,624	11,026
Parry Sound	4,531	2,137	6,668	Sault Ste. Marie	7,110	2,016	9,126
Peel	15,312	3,789	19,101	Stratford	4,861	905	5,766
Perth	14,839	3,151	17,990	Sudbury	9,426	2,323	11,749
Peterborough	14,989	2,948	17,937	Toronto	272,560	58,788	331,348
Prescott	3,914	1,344	5,258	Waterloo	3,157	991	4,148
Prince Edward	4,603	1,355	5,958	Welland	6,271	1,118	7,389
Rainy River	3,270	1,493	4,763	Windsor	30,058	6,264	36,322
Renfrew	14,481	3,613	18,094	Woodstock	4,282	970	5,252
Russell	2,958	958	3,916				
				MANITOBA¹			
Principal Registration Offices	Passenger Cars	Commercial Vehicles	Principal Registration Offices	Passenger Cars	Commercial Vehicles		
Altona	668	327	Portage la Prairie	2,552	1,057		
Beausejour	571	252	Rivers	767	165		
Boissevain	500	233	Roblin	535	292		
Brandon	5,158	1,372	Russell	447	151		
Carman	706	390	Selkirk	1,176	418		
Dauphin	1,887	661	Souris	546	224		
Flin Flon	1,914	556	Steinbach	837	373		
Gimli	419	217	Stonewall	407	194		
Killarney	558	197	Swan River	823	411		
Minnedosa	775	284	The Pas	572	272		
Morden	851	452	Virden	812	339		
Morris	465	331	Winkler	926	521		
Neepawa	885	406	Winnipeg	65,511	13,008		

1. Courtesy Wiggins Systems Limited, Winnipeg.

**TABLE 4. Motor Vehicle Registrations by Municipalities - Concluded
1953**

Principal Registration Offices	SASKATCHEWAN ¹				
	Passenger Cars	Commercial Vehicles	Principal Registration Offices	Passenger Cars	Commercial Vehicles
Assiniboia	530	296	Moosomin	468	183
Biggar	638	380	Nipawin	735	541
Canora	487	193	North Battleford	1,979	618
Estevan	1,110	447	Prince Albert	3,543	1,070
Eston	521	451	Regina	17,239	4,997
Gravelbourg	353	266	Rosetown	725	592
Grenfell	487	182	Rosthern	466	197
Humboldt	670	211	Saskatoon	12,858	2,990
Indian Head	561	240	Shaunavon	512	348
Kamsack	773	340	Swift Current	2,020	817
Kindersley	650	456	Tisdale	636	342
Lloydminster	721	500	Unity	457	241
Maple Creek	620	418	Watrous	397	199
Meadow Lake	528	454	Weyburn	1,561	574
Melfort	830	452	Wilkie	530	303
Melville	1,116	293	Wynyard	502	265
Moose Jaw	5,875	1,514	Yorkton	1,947	611
ALBERTA¹					
Athabaska	346	382	Lacombe	1,107	571
Banff	655	339	Leduc	975	494
Barrhead	491	316	Lethbridge	6,356	2,051
Blairmore	480	183	Magrath	345	255
Bonnyville	296	307	Medicine Hat	4,221	1,150
Brooks	590	385	Olds	936	549
Calgary	40,260	11,272	Peace River	616	425
Camrose	1,386	601	Pincher Creek	556	378
Cardston	686	423	Ponoka	1,340	669
Claresholm	947	558	Raymond	568	398
Coleman	597	190	Red Deer	2,897	988
Didsbury	688	385	Redwater	441	190
Drumheller	1,052	624	Rocky Mtn. House	429	401
Edmonton	46,176	12,966	St. Paul	466	306
Edson	553	410	Stettler	1,026	427
Ft. McLeod	730	359	Taber	1,202	796
Ft. Saskatchewan	535	283	Three Hills	484	319
Grande Prairie	1,046	527	Vegreville	885	404
Hanna	603	457	Vermilion	820	477
High Prairie	324	294	Vulcan	627	513
High River	823	442	Wainwright	745	294
Innisfail	838	565	Westlock	513	309
Jasper	585	253	Wetaskiwin	1,552	592
BRITISH COLUMBIA					
Issuing Office					
Abbotsford	3,847	1,633	New Westminster	33,338	8,458
Alberni	3,450	885	Oliver	1,284	739
Ashcroft	441	321	Penticton	4,454	1,794
Burns Lake	669	760	Pouce Coupe	2,246	2,697
Chilliwack	6,249	2,297	Powell River	1,587	552
Clinton	245	287	Prince George	3,352	2,479
Cranbrook	3,346	1,798	Prince Rupert	1,395	656
Creston	1,141	913	Princeton	963	415
Courtenay	4,796	1,694	Quesnel	1,147	1,120
Duncan	4,231	1,548	Revelstoke	681	366
Fernie	1,163	624	Rosland	653	173
Golden	872	852	Salmon Arm	1,301	1,025
Grand Forks	907	719	Smithers	773	775
Kamloops	4,045	2,322	Terrace	479	466
Kelowna	4,536	2,021	Trail	4,689	1,428
Lillooet	524	322	Vancouver	94,681	19,294
Merritt	428	326	Vanderhoof	374	391
Mission	2,663	1,187	Vernon	4,625	2,795
Nanaimo	6,478	2,157	Victoria	44,962	14,121
Nelson	4,041	1,915	Williams Lake	650	821
New Denver	598	462	Others ²	636	457
NORTHWEST TERRITORIES					
Principal Registration Offices					
Fort Smith, N.W.T.	51	108	Yellowknife, N.W.T.	150	202
Hay River, N.W.T.	57	116			

1. Courtesy Wiggins Systems Limited, Winnipeg.
2. Issuance at Atlin, Barkerville, Ganges, and Kaslo.

Part II

REVENUES

Provincial governments obtain a large percentage of their revenues through the levying of various taxes and licences on users of public highways. **Table 5** gives Canada totals of provincial revenues from the registration of motor vehicles, licencing of drivers, chauffeurs, etc., and other miscellaneous operating fees, fines and licences. Gasoline tax revenues over the 32 year period from 1922 to the end of the 1953 licence year are also shown.

Details of 1953 revenues from registrations, licences, fines, etc., are given in **table 6**. These data, furnished by the provinces, are based on the nearest fiscal year with the actual ending dates for each province shown at the top of the table.

Data on gasoline tax revenues during the past ten years are contained in **table 7**. Table shows the amounts collected by the Federal authorities through the three cent wartime gasoline tax which was levied from April, 1941 to March 31, 1947. Also indicated are the amounts paid to the provinces from federal gasoline tax receipts during those years under a guaranteed minimum arrangement based on provincial revenues in 1940.

An historical summary of gasoline tax rates in force and exemptions granted therefrom is contained in **table 8**. Alberta was the first province to enter this taxation field with the introduction of a 2 cent tax per gallon on April 30, 1922. The other provinces rapidly took note of this expanding revenue source and Saskatchewan became the last to utilize

it in May of 1928. The Yukon Territory commenced charging a 3 cent tax in June, 1940 and the Northwest Territories initiated a tax of 6 cents in 1952. Present gasoline tax rates range from 1 cent per gallon in the Northwest Territories to 15 cents in Newfoundland, Nova Scotia and New Brunswick. Exemptions now in force limit the gasoline tax almost completely to motor vehicles using the public highways.

In terms of operating taxes and licences the average cost of operation for motor vehicles operated in Canada during the 1953 registration year amounted to almost \$90. This was slightly higher than in the 1952 period. Lower gasoline tax rates in the five provinces from Ontario westward helped bring the average in all five below the national average. Lowest of these provinces was Manitoba with an average of \$63; while Saskatchewan averaged \$76; Alberta \$82; Ontario \$80 and British Columbia \$78. Operating licences and taxes in the Yukon and Northwest Territories were an average \$63 per vehicle. In the east only Prince Edward Island at \$82 per vehicle was below the national average. Averages for the other four eastern provinces were Newfoundland \$107; Nova Scotia \$104; New Brunswick \$112 and Quebec highest in the country at \$129. Averages for five provinces, New Brunswick, Quebec, Manitoba, Saskatchewan and British Columbia were higher than in 1952. That for Ontario was unchanged, while those for Newfoundland, Prince Edward Island, Nova Scotia and Alberta were reduced.

TABLE 5. Provincial Revenues from Registrations of Motor Vehicles, Operators, etc., and Gasoline Taxes 1922-1953

CANADA

Year	Motor Vehicle Registrations etc.	Gasoline Taxes	Total
1922.....	\$ 9,222,057	\$ 185,118	\$ 9,407,175
1923.....	11,147,106	280,404	11,427,510
1924.....	11,264,016	1,417,705	12,681,721
1925.....	13,440,202	4,068,157	17,508,359
1926.....	15,434,494	6,360,690	21,795,184
1927.....	16,572,361	7,963,345	24,535,706
1928.....	19,004,276	12,373,429	31,377,705
1929.....	22,331,437	18,744,968	41,076,405
1930.....	20,166,283	22,655,225	42,821,508
1931.....	19,684,908	22,546,119	42,231,027
1932.....	21,126,271	27,083,316	48,209,587
1933.....	20,576,392	26,467,765	47,044,157
1934.....	21,567,830	29,054,853	50,622,683
1935.....	23,090,978	31,532,645	54,623,623
1936.....	26,493,922	34,532,436	61,026,358
1937.....	25,993,905	38,373,947	64,367,852
1938.....	26,227,699	41,247,346	67,475,045
1939.....	27,961,200	51,954,360	79,915,560
1940.....	29,300,720	56,179,173	85,479,893
1941.....	31,559,944	59,579,356 ¹	91,139,300
1942.....	28,498,676	56,824,411 ¹	85,323,087
1943.....	30,292,019	57,215,332 ¹	87,507,351
1944.....	30,746,992	57,953,962 ¹	88,700,954
1945.....	32,166,464	60,812,660 ¹	92,979,124
1946.....	39,787,935	73,683,205 ¹	113,471,140
1947.....	46,004,131	111,062,820 ¹	157,066,951
1948.....	51,287,732	124,330,987 ¹	175,618,719
1949.....	58,205,854	137,834,316 ¹	196,040,170
1950.....	67,185,528	155,146,585 ¹	222,332,113
1951.....	73,707,694	178,505,307	252,213,001
1952.....	81,119,360	196,885,566	278,004,926
1953.....	87,788,069	219,876,095	307,664,164
Total	1,038,956,455	1,922,731,603	2,961,688,058

1. In addition the Federal Government retained the following net amounts from the 3 cent Federal gasoline tax:

1941 \$ 17,445,398	1943 \$ 13,140,399	1945 \$ 26,854,135	1947 \$ 8,605,249
1942 \$ 15,525,335	1944 \$ 19,238,391	1946 \$ 34,889,990	

TABLE 6. Revenues from Motor Vehicle Registrations, etc., and Gasoline Taxes, 1953⁷

No.		Canada	Newfoundland 31/3/54	Prince Edward Island 31/3/54	Nova Scotia 31/3/54	New Brunswick 31/3/54
		\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
1	Passenger Automobiles	36,998,737	346,890	207,840	1,607,634	1,254,531
2	Trucks.....	30,325,471	447,947	196,197	1,577,908	1,418,609
3	Buses	1,070,572	2	1,731	3	81,088
4	Motor Cycles	115,819	2,676	466	3	6,846
5	Other Motor Vehicles	1,108,120	2	2,508	133,296	115,116
6	Trailers.....	1,883,528	4,899	7,647	3	28,129
7	Chauffeur Licences.....	1,848,108	6	2,605	149,688	6
8	Driver Licences.....	4,337,230	117,169	25,393	135,378	228,357
9	Dealer Licences	248,702	2,339	2,910	16,169	625
10	Transfer of Motor Vehicles	1,492,132	9,202	1,929	139,443	32,665
11	Garage & Service Station Licences	209,015	6	3,941	—	586
12	Fines for infraction of Motor Vehicle Laws	851,351	50,754	—	47,285	29,047
13	Miscellaneous Revenues	993,571	36,412	2,969	16,416	11,143
14	Total	81,481,856	1,018,288	456,136	3,823,217	3,206,742
	Public Service Vehicles:					
15	Passenger.....	...	—	4,344	90,954	3
16	Freight .....	...	2	—	—	3
17	Total	6,306,213	2	4,344	90,954	3
18	Grand Total 1953	87,788,069	1,018,288	460,480	3,914,171	3,206,742
19	..... 1952	81,119,360	835,970	440,790	3,658,475	3,030,867
20	Gasoline	219,876,095	2,137,582	1,202,210	9,555,028	7,337,787
21	..... 1952	196,885,566	1,795,005	1,160,531	8,819,929	6,832,399 ⁶
22	Grand Total Revenues 1953	307,664,164	3,155,870	1,662,690	13,469,199	10,544,529
23	..... 1952	278,004,926	2,630,975	1,601,321	12,478,404	9,863,266
24	Per Cent Increase	+ 10.7	+ 20.0	+ 3.8	+ 7.9	+ 6.9
25	Commissions allowed gasoline Agents paid by Public — not included in Gasoline Tax above	2,710,651	21,576	15,331	63,927	120,089
26	Average Revenue Per Vehicle Registered 1953	90	107	82	104	112
27	..... 1952	88	111	86	109	110

1. Included with Passenger Automobiles.
2. Included with Trucks.
3. Included with other Motor Vehicles.
4. Included with drivers' licences.
5. Includes only new five year licences issued during 1953-54.

**TABLE 7. Federal and Provincial Government Receipts from Gasoline Taxes
Nearest Fiscal Years 1944-1953¹**

No.		Newfound- land	Prince Edward Island	Nova Scotia	New Brunswick
		\$	\$	\$	\$
1	1944 — Net Receipts from Public	—	290,731	2,839,367	1,763,299
2	Federal Subsidy to Provinces.....	—	19,021	606,654	359,013
3	Net Provincial and Dominion Total	—	309,752	3,446,021	2,122,312
4	1945 — Net Receipts from Public	—	364,663	2,642,334	2,017,488
5	Federal Subsidy to Provinces.....	—	—	264,305	83,584
6	Net Provincial and Dominion Total	—	364,663	2,906,639	2,101,072
7	1946 — Net Receipts from Public	—	465,648	3,498,181	2,832,391
8	1947 — " " " "	—	698,303	5,179,783	4,200,080
9	1948 — " " " "	—	783,913	5,859,246	5,191,864
10	1949 — " " " "	1,006,356	855,776	6,246,491	5,535,767
11	1950 — " " " "	1,251,928	960,238	6,590,526	5,731,589
12	1951 — " " " "	1,514,260	1,002,323	7,852,411	6,322,761
13	1952 — " " " "	1,795,005	1,160,531	8,819,929	6,832,399
14	1953 — " " " "	2,137,582	1,202,210	9,555,028	7,337,787

1. Exclusive of amounts deducted by agents as commissions.
2. Calendar Year.
3. January to March, 1947.

TABLE 6. Revenues from Motor Vehicle Registrations, etc., and Gasoline Taxes, 1953⁷

Quebec 31/3/54	Ontario 31/3/54	Manitoba 31/12/53	Saskat- chewan 31/3/54	Alberta 31/3/54	British Columbia 28/2/54	Yukon- N. W. T. 31/3/54	No.
\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	
10,207,505	10,466,609	2,120,636	2,127,775	2,757,415	5,879,235	22,667	1
8,527,171	9,815,642	1,169,469	1,149,765	2,922,487	3,077,349	22,927	2
670,905	316,348	1	2	2	2	2	3
40,844	25,099	6,783	4,840	6,964	21,279	22	4
102,501	-	30,618	721,415	2	2	2,666	5
111,254	1,513,343	31,887	60,578	2	125,606	185	6
608,080	712,059	148,047	4	154,961	64,530	8,138	7
1,266,445	1,232,875	394,944	343,541	339,358	247,529 ⁵	6,241	8
78,140	49,509	19,076	49,926	..	29,833	175 ⁸	9
396,863	438,852	46,424	203,050	65,327	157,644	733	10
78,805	95,261	..	15,940	13,312	..	1,170	11
70,455	363,237	..	57,708	231,024	..	1,841	12
132,078	110,559	169,061	70,220	197,634	247,079	-	13
22,291,046	25,139,393	4,136,945	4,804,758	6,688,482	9,850,084	66,765	14
-	514,079	53,989	67,437	183,192	58,668	2,766	15
805,225	1,193,968	389,123	595,612	1,988,782	337,942	20,132	16
805,225	1,708,047	443,112	663,049	2,171,974	396,610	22,898	17
23,096,271	26,847,440	4,580,057	5,467,807	8,860,456	10,246,694	89,663	18
20,863,802	25,490,765	3,870,006	4,810,733	8,754,563	9,280,834	82,555	19
56,589,501	86,238,934	8,279,262	14,087,699	17,315,100	16,936,040	196,952	20
50,517,560	77,647,918	7,422,949	11,758,528	15,378,525	15,364,145	188,077	21
79,685,772	113,086,374	12,859,319	19,555,506	26,175,556	27,182,734	286,615	22
71,381,362	103,138,683	11,292,955	16,569,261	24,133,088	24,644,979	270,632	23
+ 11.6	+ 9.6	+ 13.9	+ 18.0	+ 8.5	+ 10.3	+ 5.9	24
495,820	911,618	144,932	219,307	444,979	272,513	559 ⁹	25
129	80	63	76	82	78	63	26
124	80	60	70	83	77	64	27

- 6. No licence required.
- 7. Subject to revision.
- 8. Yukon only.
- 9. Northwest Territories only.
- Nil
- ... Figures not complete
- .. Not available

TABLE 7. Federal and Provincial Government Receipts from Gasoline Taxes Nearest Fiscal Years 1944-1953¹

Quebec	Ontario	Manitoba	Saskat- chewan	Alberta	British Columbia	Yukon- N. W. T.	Federal Government	Totals	No.
11,022,934	18,913,406	2,401,865	3,386,328	3,808,155	3,257,146	18,840	13,140,399	77,192,353	1
778,602	7,694,885	276,284	10,952	-	506,480	-	-	10,251,891	2
11,801,536	26,608,291	2,678,149	3,397,280	3,808,155	3,763,626	18,840	19,238,391	-	3
12,949,099	24,167,451	2,681,556	4,390,333	4,463,196	4,330,543	17,268	29,642,864	87,666,795	4
-	2,440,840	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,788,729	5
12,949,099	26,608,291	2,681,556	4,390,333	4,463,196	4,330,543	17,268	26,864,135²	-	6
16,468,731	31,260,377	3,320,949	4,724,071	5,403,921	5,682,094	26,842	34,889,990 ²	108,573,195	7
25,568,671	47,420,015	4,592,510	6,399,303	7,657,915	9,295,743	50,497	8,605,249 ³	119,668,069	8
29,590,885	52,566,951	4,890,086	6,641,867	8,577,567	10,146,654	71,954	-	124,330,987	9
30,908,312	58,228,133	5,291,780	7,882,783	10,635,059	11,163,046	80,813	-	137,834,316	10
37,156,111	65,040,229	5,997,075	8,331,276	11,609,189	12,400,167	78,257	-	155,146,585	11
47,635,063	71,382,060	6,679,830	9,388,465	12,766,293	13,843,038	118,803	-	178,505,307	12
50,517,560	77,647,918	7,422,949	11,758,528	15,378,525	15,364,145	188,077	-	196,885,566	13
56,589,501	86,238,934	8,279,262	14,087,699	17,315,100	16,936,040	196,952	-	219,876,095	14

Note: Public Accounts of Canada show gasoline tax subsidies of \$33,957,142.59 paid to provinces during fiscal years 1943-1946.

TABLE 8. Gasoline Tax

Province and Effective Date	Tax per Gallon		Refund and Exemptions	
	Amount per Gallon	Cents	Cents	Uses
	Cents			
Newfoundland:				
Mar. 28, 1949	14	14	14	A tax of 14 cents on all gasoline except the following tax-exempt. (a) Gasoline of low octane classification, coloured with purple dye and used in the operation of a vessel, boat or tractor. (b) Used by a department of the Government or incorporated town or municipality. (c) Used by aircraft. (d) For direct export in bulk.
June 1, 1954.....	15	15	15	
Prince Edward Island:				
May 1, 1924	2	2	2	Fishing boats, farm tractors, stationary engines.
Mar. 31, 1926	3	3	3	" " " " " " " "
May 1, 1928	5	5	5	" " " " " " " "
May 2, 1932	6	6	6	" " " " " " " "
Apr. 15, 1933	8	8	8	" " " " " " " "
Apr. 23, 1937	10	10	10	Commercial boats and vessels (added).
Apr. 1, 1947	13	10	10	
Nova Scotia:				
Jan. 15, 1926	3	3	3	Fishing boats and farm services.
Mar. 7, 1928	5	5	5	" " " " " " " "
Dec. 18, 1930				Fishing boats, farm services and ferry and coastal boats.
Apr. 1, 1932	6	6	6	" " " " " " " "
Mar. 1933				" " " " " " " " " " " "
May 1, 1934	8	8	8	" " " " " " " " " " " "
June 2, 1937				Other than for operation of motor vehicles or for use in highway construction
Jan. 27, 1938				Other than for operation of motor vehicles on highways.
Mar. 15, 1938	10	10	10	Same as above.
July 28, 1938				Highway construction as above, defined as street work in towns and cities and work for Department of Highways.
May 1, 1942				Marked gasoline sold less the tax at time of purchase.
Apr. 1, 1947	13	10	10	Marked gasoline subject to 3 cents tax.
Apr. 15, 1949				Three cent tax on marked gasoline discontinued.
June 18, 1951	15	15	15	
New Brunswick:				
Apr. 30, 1926	3	3	3	Process of manufacturing and not for power.
Jan. 1, 1929	5	5	5	Other than in motor vehicles on public highways.
Apr. 1, 1932	7	7	7	Farmers and fishermen in connection with their calling as such.
Nov. 1, 1933	7	7	7	Other than in motor vehicles on public highways.
Apr. 1, 1934	8	8	8	" " " " " " " "
Mar. 20, 1938	10	10	10	" " " " " " " "
June 7, 1939				Other than in motor vehicles on public highways except on road and bridge contracts.
June 1, 1941				Exempt marked gasoline for use other than in motor vehicles on public highways except in repair and construction of bridges and roads.
Apr. 1, 1947	13	10	10	Marked gasoline pays 3 cent tax.
Apr. 1, 1954	15	12	12	" " " " 3 " "
Quebec:				
Apr. 1, 1924	2	2	2	Other than in motor vehicles on public highways.
Apr. 1, 1925	3	3	3	" " " " " " " "
Apr. 1, 1928	5	5	5	" " " " " " " "
Dec. 17, 1931	6	6	6	" " " " " " " "
May 1, 1935				Farm tractors, fishing boats, stationary engines, manufacturing processes and fire pumps.
Apr. 18, 1939	8	8	8	Same as above.
June 1, 1940				All aerial navigation.
Apr. 1, 1947	11	11	11	
Nov. 8, 1950	13	13	13	

TABLE 8. Gasoline Tax -- Continued

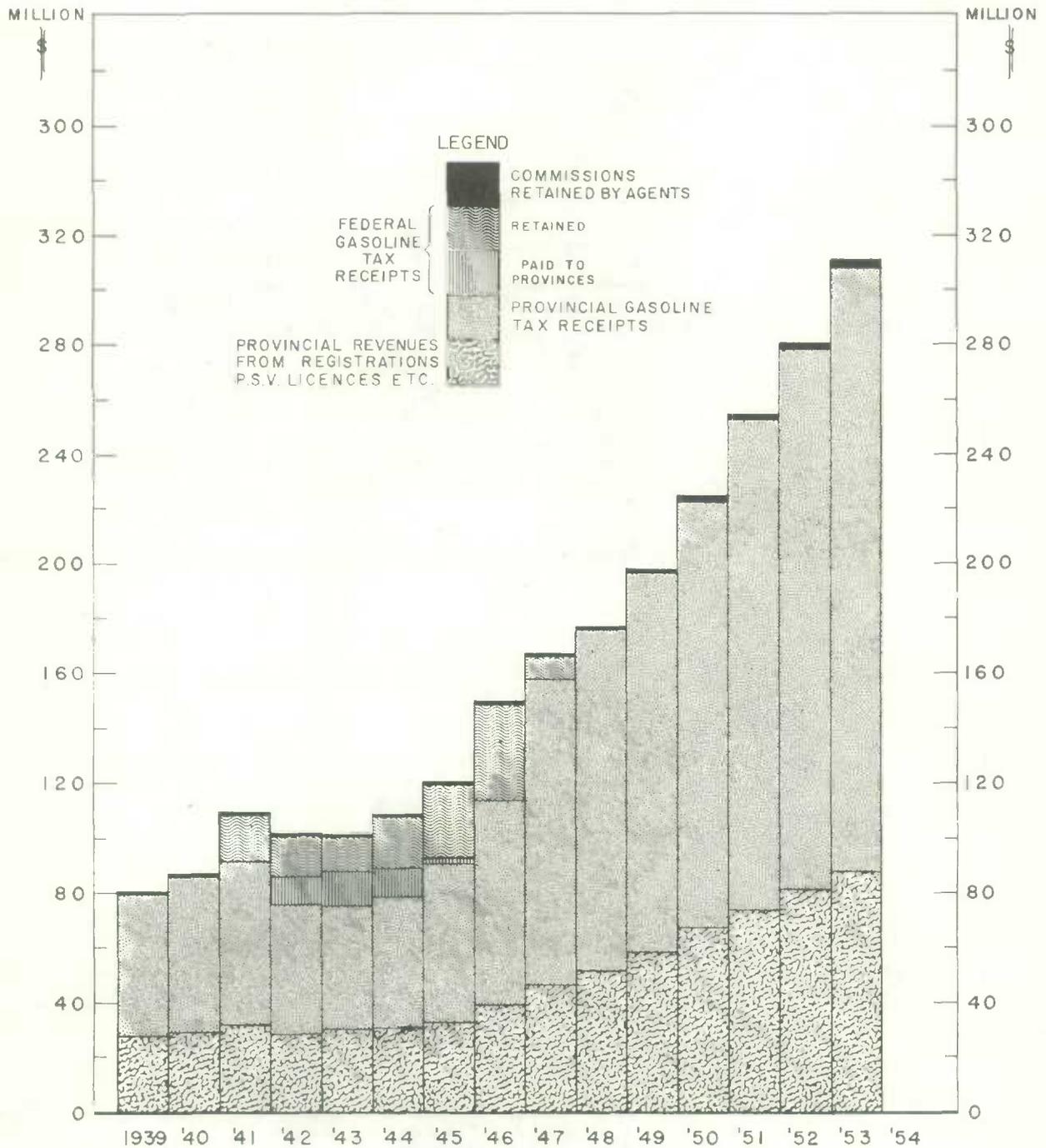
Province and Effective Date	Tax per Gallon	Refund and Exemptions	
		Amount per Gallon	Uses
	Cents	Cents	
Ontario:			
May 11, 1925	3	3	Refund allowed for purposes other than propelling a vehicle on any highway.
Mar. 28, 1929	5	5	Refunds granted to cities and separated towns on municipally-owned commercial vehicles. Application for refund must be made within 6 months from date of purchase.
May 29, 1929			
July 1, 1930	6	6	Refunds to contractors discontinued covering maintenance and construction on any highway. Applications for refund must be made within 6 months from date of payment of invoices.
Mar. 25, 1932			
Jan. 24, 1935			
Apr. 26, 1937	8	8	Tax exemption to farmers, fishermen, tourist guides and tourist outfitters. Discontinued tax exemption system. Refunds discontinued to cities and separated towns on gasoline used in municipally-owned commercial vehicles, also the maintenance and construction of streets, roads, highways.
Apr. 1, 1939			
July 1, 1943			
Oct. 1, 1945			
Jan. 1, 1947			
Apr. 1, 1947	11	11	
Manitoba:			
Apr. 27, 1923	1	-	Tractors, etc. in threshing, ploughing, grinding grain, lumbering, commercial fishing boats and any mining or manufacturing purpose other than in the operation of motor vehicles.
Mar. 5, 1925	3	2	
Mar. 31, 1926	5	2	All gasoline not used in operation of motor vehicles.
Apr. 14, 1930		5	5	All gasoline not used in operation of motor vehicles. Claim for refund must be made within 6 months.
May 7, 1932	7	5	Same as above.
Apr. 28, 1933		5	5	Fishing vessels to limit of 15 gallons per day operated; threshing machines and combines; municipal fire apparatus.
Mar. 31, 1939	7	7	Agricultural machinery, aircraft, fire apparatus. Motor on canoes for commercial trapping, prospecting, freighting and fishing. Claims for refunds must be made before March 15 following sale. Aviation gasoline for aircraft. Aviation gasoline can be purchased exempt of tax by obtaining a permit.
Apr. 5, 1940			
Mar. 30, 1943			
Apr. 1, 1947	9	9	Gasoline used during the winter commercial fishing season not exceeding five gallons per day per vehicle used for the transportation of fish over the surface of a frozen lake or stream.
May 1, 1952	9	9	
Saskatchewan:			
May 1, 1928	3	3	Other than in operation of motor vehicles on highways, provided claim is made for amount over \$3.00.
Apr. 1, 1930	5	5	Same as above
May 1, 1932	6	5	Same as above.
Jan. 1, 1935	6	-	No refund for these three months.
Apr. 1, 1935	7	7	Farm Services - Claim for refund only \$3.00 and over. Definition extended to include all petroleum liquid fuels except kerosene. Exemption uses in - farm machinery, generation of electricity, heating of buildings, direct heating in manufacturing processes.
Apr. 1, 1939			
May 22, 1939	7	7	Exemption - Aviation. Exemption - Road machines within municipality. Refund liquid fuel petroleum products used by a municipality
Apr. 8, 1941			
Mar. 22, 1945			
May 1, 1945	8	3	Extended to include gasoline used in manufacturing processes, well drilling and flour and grain elevator engines.
Apr. 1, 1947	10	10	
Apr. 1, 1948	10	10	Exemption for cold storage locker plants, metallic mineral and rock drilling engines, licensed commercial fishermen, destruction of weeds and grasshoppers.
Apr. 1, 1951			
Apr. 1, 1953	11	11	Exemption for coal mining equipment other than motor vehicles.

TABLE 8. Gasoline Tax - Concluded

Province and Effective Date	Tax per Gallon	Refund and Exemptions	
		Amount per Gallon	Uses
		Cents	
Alberta:			
Apr. 30, 1922	2		
July 1, 1927	3		
June 1, 1929	5	4	Other than in operation of motor vehicles on highways. Municipal motor vehicles operated solely within the municipality.
Apr. 1, 1933	6	5	Same as above.
Apr. 1, 1935	7	6	Same as above.
May 1, 1936			Fuel oil extended to include any petroleum product capable of being used for the generation of power in an internal combustion engine with the exception of lubricants, kerosene used for illuminating, fuel oil for creosoting, dust laying, domestic heating and for railway locomotives, shops, etc.
Apr. 1, 1947	9	8	
Apr. 1, 1951	10	10	Extended to include exemption of the tax on fuel oil used for agricultural and industrial purposes and for the operation of aircraft.
Apr. 1, 1952			Refunds discontinued for municipal motor vehicles operated solely within the municipality.
British Columbia:			
Dec. 21, 1923	3	3	(Other than in operation of motor vehicles on public highways.
Mar. 25, 1930	5	5	(Persons who have suffered loss of a limb as a result of service in
Apr. 13, 1932	7	5	(The Great War I and World War II are entitled to refund of gasoline tax
Oct. 1, 1934		6	paid by them.
Apr. 13, 1932			Gasoline extended to include all liquid petroleum products used to generate power by combustion in motor vehicle engines except kerosene.
Apr. 1, 1947	10	9	By Dominion Government (10 cent refund).
Apr. 3, 1947			One cent tax on coloured gas used - boats, farm tractors, etc.
Feb. 9, 1949			Nine cent refund to certain classes of war veterans, including those in receipt of a 100% disability pension.
			One cent tax on Aviation Gasoline, 9 cent refundable portion being waived at source on Aviation Gasoline sold for use in aircraft.
Yukon:			
June 15, 1940	3		
July 21, 1942		3	Stationary engines, dredging, drilling and dragline engines in mining, railway cars and rail motor cars. Heating purposes.
July 12, 1947	6	6	Tractors or aeroplanes.
Jan. 1, 1950			Any equipment owned or operated on behalf or for any department of the Government of Canada and the United States of America, or any equipment owned by a municipality within the territory.
Nov. 3, 1950			Exemption extended to service vehicles or other equipment of a visiting force as defined in the visiting forces "North Atlantic Treaty" Act of Canada.
Jan. 1, 1953			
N.W.T.:			
N.B. N.W.T. Ordinance only applies to the Mackenzie District. No refunds allowed.			
Apr. 1, 1952	6	6	Tax payable only on fuel used in motor vehicles. Exemptions for fuel used in vehicles owned by the Government of Canada.
July 10, 1952	6	6	Tax payable only on fuel used in motor vehicles. Exemptions for fuel used in vehicles owned by local Administrative Districts.
Apr. 1, 1953	1	1	Tax payable on all fuel oil except that used: (a) by hospitals; (b) for heating (unless used in internal combustion engines); (c) by the Government of Canada; (d) by visiting forces as defined in the Visiting Forces (North Atlantic Treaty) Act of Canada; (e) by a Municipal District; (f) for lubricating purposes; (g) for laying or sprinkling on roads or streets; and (h) as cleaning fluids or solvents.

TOTAL GASOLINE TAXES REGISTRATION FEES, ETC. PAID BY MOTOR VEHICLE OPERATOR

1939-1953



Part III
GASOLINE SALES

"Gasoline" under the provincial acts includes all petroleum oils used as fuel in internal combustion engines. Gasoline, so defined, is taxed in all provinces when used by motor vehicles on the highway and, in some provinces, gasoline used for other purposes is also subject to tax. Propane gas, now used to an increasing extent in motor buses, is considered under the general classification as a "gasoline".

Net sales of gasoline during the past 10 years are shown in **table 10** and are calculated by deducting from the gross sales (1) exports (2) tax free sales and (3) gasoline on which refunds have been paid. In computing net sales all sales of aviation gasoline have been deducted from the gross sales and are shown in exempt sales or in refunds. The chart on page 27 illustrates the vast growth in the consumption of gasoline in Canada during the past 14 years as indicated by the increases in both gross and net sales. Rationing and the diversion of fuel to the armed forces accounts for the sharp decline which occurred during the war years especially from 1942 to 1945.

Newfoundland net sales for 1949, 1950 and 1951 were estimated on the basis of revenue collected as data on net sales were not available until September, 1951. The gross total shown for 1951 in Newfoundland represents the last four months of the year only and includes sales of motor and tractor grades only for those months and for 1952 and 1953.

Net sales of gasoline in Alberta were not fully comparable with other provinces during the years 1946 to 1951. Marked gasoline in the province was taxable at one cent a gallon at the time of sale from April 1, 1946 until April 30, 1951. This marked gasoline has been excluded from Alberta net sales for those years in order that the pattern of sales of gasoline subject to the full tax might remain comparable throughout.

Amounts of marked gasoline excluded from totals of net sales were:

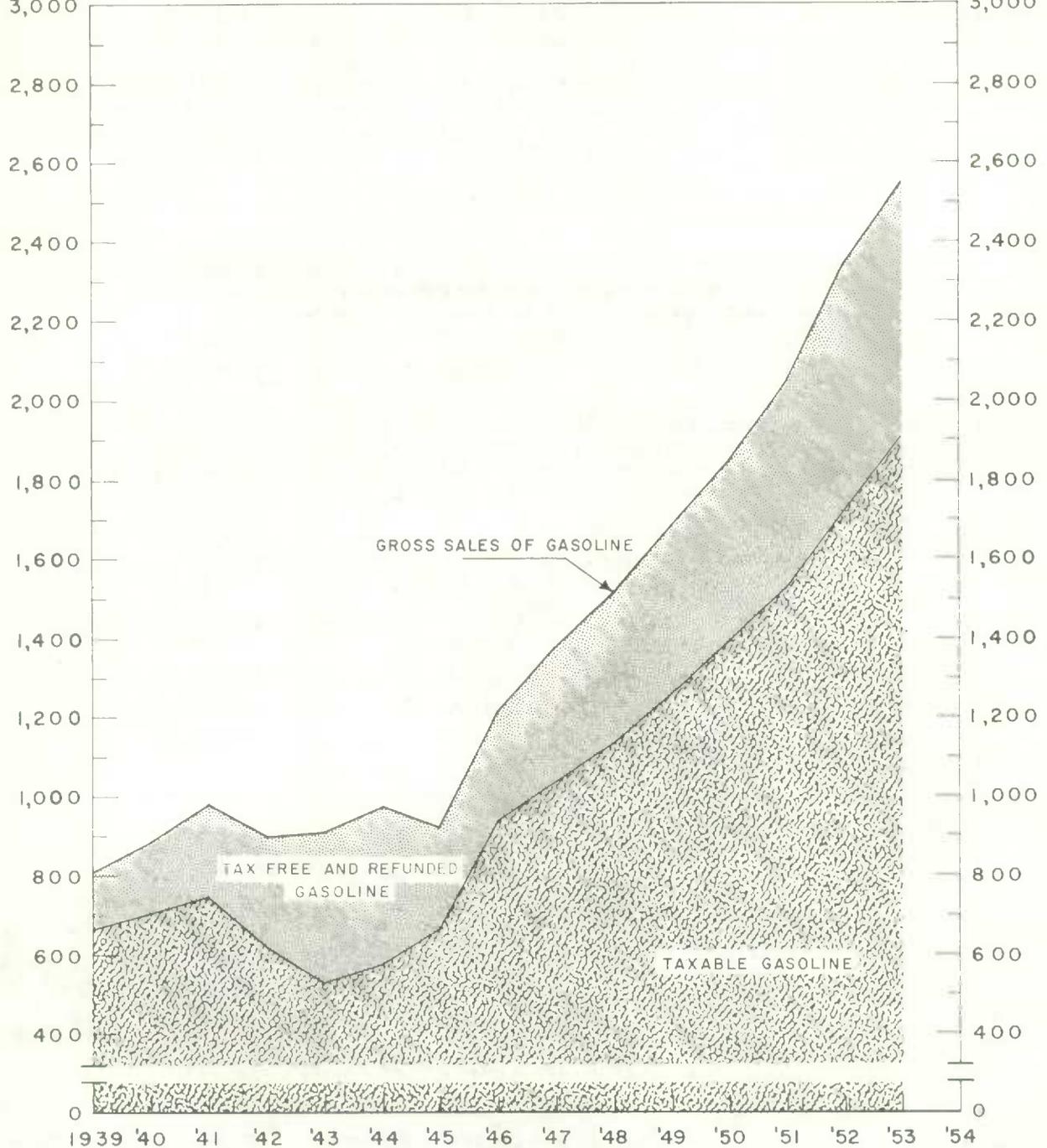
Alberta			
Year	Gallons	Year	Gallons
1946	64,465,410	1949	109,109,731
1947	88,446,293	1950	118,601,139
1948	97,501,680	1951	25,124,203

GROSS SALES OF GASOLINE IN CANADA SHOWING TAXABLE AMOUNTS PURCHASED

1939-1953

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GASOLINE SALES 1944-1953

TABLE 9. Gross Sales by Provinces

No.	Province	1944	1945	1946	1947
Gallons					
1	Newfoundland ¹	—	—	—	—
2	Prince Edward Island	9, 295, 639	4, 715, 743	5, 945, 412	6, 347, 756
3	Nova Scotia	43, 462, 061	37, 727, 413	44, 571, 678	51, 347, 756
4	New Brunswick	28, 077, 021	29, 175, 358	43, 320, 383	49, 385, 462
5	Quebec	178, 879, 214	168, 304, 460	218, 008, 872	247, 377, 357
6	Ontario	315, 976, 426	323, 814, 957	451, 251, 989	501, 488, 196
7	Manitoba	70, 399, 123	56, 119, 024	72, 402, 422	83, 115, 966
8	Saskatchewan	119, 840, 189	118, 463, 733	136, 065, 534	142, 368, 203
9	Alberta	120, 159, 267	102, 753, 583	143, 650, 095	171, 112, 339
10	British Columbia	84, 383, 083	74, 621, 447	97, 383, 294	117, 497, 212
11	Canada	970, 472, 023	915, 695, 718	1, 212, 599, 679	1, 371, 571, 683

TABLE 10. Net Sales² by Provinces

No.	Province	1944	1945	1946	1947
Gallons					
1	Newfoundland ³	—	—	—	—
2	Prince Edward Island	3, 006, 068	3, 576, 210	4, 738, 330	5, 280, 264
3	Nova Scotia	22, 820, 263	27, 189, 827	36, 055, 857	49, 339, 587
4	New Brunswick	17, 715, 663	22, 942, 631	36, 511, 660	42, 399, 860
5	Quebec	127, 810, 908	143, 267, 630	200, 805, 277	227, 276, 054
6	Ontario	228, 469, 200	262, 633, 909	399, 326, 911	427, 725, 772
7	Manitoba	38, 009, 264	39, 039, 425	48, 663, 839	56, 537, 325
8	Saskatchewan	46, 924, 476	53, 751, 883	63, 279, 777	62, 108, 641
9	Alberta	47, 473, 986	56, 723, 040	68, 116, 852	75, 495, 058
10	British Columbia	42, 626, 685	53, 491, 977	77, 321, 006	86, 744, 883
11	Canada	574, 856, 513	662, 616, 532	934, 819, 509	1, 032, 907, 444

TABLE 11. Gross Sales by Months

No.	Month	1944	1945	1946	1947
Gallons					
1	January	57, 214, 797	45, 707, 658	63, 072, 377	70, 379, 609
2	February	55, 329, 258	40, 146, 368	55, 974, 395	63, 445, 273
3	March	72, 346, 394	58, 248, 797	76, 602, 755	72, 746, 515
4	April	64, 214, 219	59, 657, 170	88, 764, 971	87, 716, 065
5	May	95, 684, 881	87, 189, 926	121, 551, 638	141, 299, 765
6	June	94, 506, 048	89, 768, 488	112, 327, 754	136, 463, 487
7	July	93, 398, 346	92, 984, 930	132, 911, 584	150, 726, 829
8	August	104, 205, 688	103, 926, 921	137, 129, 720	148, 269, 207
9	September	99, 735, 866	92, 859, 643	125, 834, 265	146, 208, 000
10	October	100, 596, 901	98, 916, 891	120, 515, 711	146, 519, 382
11	November	74, 504, 678	80, 257, 509	97, 661, 975	110, 979, 655
12	December	58, 734, 947	66, 031, 417	80, 252, 534	96, 817, 896
13	Total	970, 472, 023	915, 695, 718	1, 212, 599, 679	1, 371, 571, 683

1. Gross sales of motor and tractor grades only. First reported September 1951.
 2. Gross sales less gasoline exempt from tax or on which tax was refunded.

GASOLINE SALES 1944-1953

TABLE 9. Gross Sales by Provinces

1948	1949	1950	1951	1952	1953	No.
Gallons						
—	—	—	(4, 523, 306)	13, 820, 200	16, 504, 200	1
7, 288, 125	8, 240, 105	9, 085, 340	10, 245, 817	10, 832, 264	12, 388, 599	2
53, 136, 982	57, 443, 469	61, 348, 662	65, 776, 919	69, 174, 476	75, 772, 354	3
54, 186, 447	56, 685, 862	58, 814, 989	63, 615, 057	67, 361, 022	77, 108, 360	4
280, 857, 736	304, 139, 386	340, 621, 374	372, 853, 122	430, 671, 283	456, 460, 906	5
562, 530, 157	623, 684, 828	687, 729, 936	766, 491, 887	844, 162, 648	928, 515, 728	6
90, 601, 589	104, 023, 413	112, 495, 837	127, 658, 248	148, 274, 072	159, 554, 101	7
147, 446, 058	168, 266, 743	176, 118, 129	192, 585, 333	238, 663, 980	250, 698, 689	8
190, 608, 360	218, 935, 855	241, 387, 708	272, 991, 830	329, 255, 018	361, 665, 017	9
130, 909, 076	142, 297, 406	155, 423, 743	173, 070, 142	191, 444, 793	210, 028, 255	10
1, 517, 564, 530	1, 683, 717, 067	1, 843, 025, 718	2, 049, 811, 661	2, 343, 659, 756	2, 548, 696, 209	11

TABLE 10. Net Sales² by Provinces

1948	1949	1950	1951	1952	1953	No.
Gallons						
—	5, 591, 000	8, 942, 000	10, 816, 000	12, 745, 008	15, 438, 364	1
5, 600, 023	6, 177, 566	6, 553, 993	8, 609, 987	8, 730, 466	8, 581, 941	2
51, 763, 551	49, 282, 291	50, 845, 301	54, 352, 236	57, 229, 451	63, 466, 769	3
46, 840, 751	48, 408, 463	51, 284, 773	55, 635, 766	58, 787, 203	67, 972, 302	4
257, 632, 179	274, 670, 932	307, 432, 970	337, 259, 132	390, 593, 105	411, 417, 799	5
469, 684, 082	522, 606, 261	582, 211, 964	642, 536, 853	695, 348, 290	783, 785, 074	6
53, 900, 639	60, 280, 512	70, 068, 145	73, 448, 822	83, 111, 191	88, 368, 659	7
64, 841, 701	77, 843, 613	81, 215, 345	89, 512, 916	113, 260, 494	128, 262, 275	8
85, 030, 392	102, 150, 227	113, 361, 394	126, 108, 471	153, 544, 654	175, 149, 960	9
97, 940, 455	106, 274, 347	118, 274, 562	130, 625, 675	144, 761, 957	160, 071, 674	10
1, 133, 233, 773	1, 253, 285, 212	1, 390, 190, 447	1, 528, 905, 858	1, 718, 111, 819	1, 902, 514, 817	11

TABLE 11. Gross Sales by Months

1948	1949	1950	1951	1952	1953	No.
Gallons						
81, 527, 448	86, 373, 059	97, 093, 460	121, 365, 107	136, 053, 379	150, 402, 355	1
72, 698, 443	82, 420, 953	93, 662, 930	109, 428, 644	129, 917, 298	140, 817, 140	2
86, 654, 234	99, 522, 927	110, 887, 087	120, 542, 496	137, 401, 143	161, 337, 812	3
97, 751, 632	130, 507, 515	116, 338, 549	134, 105, 737	170, 171, 269	183, 905, 477	4
139, 451, 893	168, 771, 293	188, 091, 681	217, 687, 505	252, 327, 366	236, 105, 122	5
163, 198, 323	168, 029, 210	188, 583, 505	205, 338, 945	214, 798, 005	246, 948, 887	6
160, 919, 597	170, 113, 872	188, 047, 460	212, 033, 212	246, 948, 390	267, 328, 297	7
170, 572, 441	193, 762, 573	212, 826, 803	224, 070, 485	242, 307, 334	261, 984, 527	8
165, 708, 603	180, 475, 690	189, 049, 300	199, 364, 037	236, 403, 403	259, 591, 845	9
147, 727, 252	155, 865, 324	178, 909, 621	200, 855, 464	230, 939, 397	248, 481, 771	10
126, 020, 390	133, 769, 440	154, 633, 722	161, 983, 446	176, 687, 460	200, 698, 184	11
105, 334, 274	114, 105, 211	124, 901, 600	143, 036, 583	169, 705, 312	191, 094, 792	12
1, 517, 564, 530	1, 683, 717, 067	1, 843, 025, 718	2, 049, 811, 661	2, 343, 659, 756	2, 548, 696, 209	13

3. Net sales from April 1, 1949 to December 31, 1951 estimated from gasoline tax revenues.

TABLE 12. Gross Sales of Gasoline, 1953

No.	Month	Canada	New-foundland ¹	Prince Edward Island	Nova Scotia	New Brunswick
1	January	150,402,355	1,080,647	652,897	4,683,572	4,402,882
2	February	140,817,140	910,477	581,071	4,247,692	3,982,863
3	March	161,337,812	1,074,153	582,103	4,775,263	4,547,688
4	April	183,905,477	1,059,041	805,212	5,677,339	4,652,623
5	May	236,105,122	1,308,922	1,375,383	6,799,348	7,076,561
6	June	246,948,887	1,578,491	1,256,312	7,188,585	7,846,880
7	July	267,328,297	1,654,900	1,378,043	8,004,061	8,431,919
8	August	261,984,527	1,637,552	1,329,743	8,055,073	8,549,394
9	September	259,591,845	1,640,396	1,305,618	7,263,774	7,912,396
10	October	248,481,771	1,626,180	1,201,204	6,785,255	7,430,841
11	November	200,698,184	1,455,984	1,067,436	6,185,634	6,435,724
12	December	191,094,792	1,477,457	853,577	6,106,758	5,838,589
13	Total	2,548,696,209	16,504,200	12,388,599	75,772,354	77,108,360

TABLE 13. Net Sales of Diesel Oil for Motor Vehicles 1944-1953

No.	Year	Canada	New-foundland ²	Prince Edward Island	Nova Scotia	New Brunswick
1	1944	3,654,642	—	3	12,842	14,238
2	1945	6,091,266	—	3	3,163	70,752
3	1946	10,213,300	—	3	3	220,667
4	1947	14,627,564	—	3	3	537,096
5	1948	17,282,143	—	3	3	837,169
6	1949	16,570,319	—	3	3	948,499
7	1950	19,314,263	—	3	3	1,168,797
8	1951	27,338,017	—	3	3	929,425
9	1952	31,868,218	—	3	3	985,142
10	1953	36,436,126	—	3	3	1,007,326

1. Gross sales of motor and tractor grades only.

2. Not available.

TABLE 12. Gross Sales of Gasoline, 1953

Quebec	Ontario	Manitoba	Saskatchewan	Alberta	British Columbia	No.
28,248,315	58,848,126	7,969,675	9,908,850	21,289,727	13,317,664	1
25,883,537	55,904,585	7,063,996	8,420,336	20,111,829	13,710,754	2
29,440,878	64,191,159	8,683,066	10,199,538	22,085,506	15,758,458	3
31,907,452	74,191,692	12,125,456	16,208,510	21,427,945	15,850,207	4
40,613,852	81,352,019	15,020,385	29,102,183	35,849,134	17,607,335	5
43,810,787	87,517,144	16,493,056	28,704,424	33,699,364	18,853,844	6
48,081,330	95,972,686	17,070,997	28,506,343	36,221,395	22,006,623	7
46,286,073	92,186,382	18,427,713	29,498,832	35,009,715	21,004,050	8
44,424,666	87,663,593	17,552,814	32,951,080	38,702,031	20,175,477	9
44,197,542	85,096,990	16,818,449	26,878,271	39,764,338	18,682,701	10
37,463,510	73,579,547	11,803,346	16,629,145	29,576,056	16,501,802	11
36,102,964	72,011,805	10,525,148	13,691,177	27,927,977	16,559,340	12
456,460,906	928,515,728	159,554,101	250,698,689	361,665,017	210,028,255	13

TABLE 13. Net Sales of Diesel Oil for Motor Vehicles 1944-1953

Quebec	Ontario	Manitoba	Saskatchewan	Alberta	British Columbia	No.
1,506,850	794,865	3	1,161,638	23,106	141,103	1
3,324,787	1,018,619	3	1,489,858	104,000	80,087	2
5,239,215	2,283,427	3	1,787,287	142,556	540,148	3
7,636,734	3,746,033	3	1,756,541	241,209	709,951	4
9,076,315	4,458,989	3	1,262,754	394,577	1,252,339	5
8,769,297	4,282,635	3	924,443	581,104	1,064,341	6
9,838,351	5,855,762	3	901,256	607,583	942,514	7
15,507,689	7,648,014	3	1,320,655	411,318	1,520,916	8
17,087,777	9,257,579	3	2,032,320	707,264	1,798,136	9
19,550,676	10,647,815	3	2,145,004	985,930	2,099,375	10

3. Not taxed.

Part IV

TOURIST TRAFFIC

Foreign tourist cars travelled on Canadian highways in greater numbers than ever before during the year 1953. Entries on travellers' vehicle permits increased from 2,278,165 in 1952 to 2,506,114 in 1953 while vehicles crossing the border for short visits rose in number from 5,293,253 to 5,729,199 in the same period. Foreign commercial vehicles entering Canada numbered 372,489 in 1953 up 23 p.c. from the 303,736 recorded the previous year.

There were fewer long distance buses which crossed from the United States at 56,665 in 1953 compared with 61,978 a year earlier. Besides these long distance trips a considerable volume of local bus traffic not recorded in these tables flows across the Canadian-United States boundary every day between such neighbouring cities as Fort Erie-Buffalo and Windsor-Detroit.

TABLE 14. Summary of "Long Distance" or "Through"¹ Motor Bus Traffic Across Canadian-United States Boundary

Crossing to	1953		
	Number of Buses	Passengers	
		Foreign	Returning Canadians
Atlantic Provinces	1,917	8,806	17,840
Quebec	6,308	41,961	82,359
Ontario	39,636	264,541	333,135
Manitoba	1,387	5,440	21,823
Saskatchewan	363	463	580
Alberta	532	3,161	5,300
British Columbia	6,403	27,569	77,069
Yukon	119	264	116
Total	56,665	352,205	538,222
	1952		
Atlantic Provinces	2,040	8,771	18,815
Quebec	6,301	41,540	87,071
Ontario	44,042	285,928	364,492
Manitoba	1,436	5,015	23,186
Saskatchewan	381	406	756
Alberta	571	2,898	5,767
British Columbia	7,093	30,000	87,853
Yukon	114	493	58
Total	61,978	375,051	587,998

1. Excludes local bus traffic between border communities, but includes intransit such as Detroit-Buffalo.

TABLE 15. Summary of Motor Vehicle Traffic Across Canadian—United States Boundary

Crossing to	1953					
	Foreign Cars Inward			Canadian Cars Returning		
	Non-Permit Class-Local Traffic	Travellers' Vehicle Permits	Commercial Vehicles	Length of stay abroad		Commercial Vehicles
				24 hours or less	Over 24 hours	
Atlantic Provinces ¹	1,009,549	161,286	83,707	1,128,197	44,816	93,575
Quebec	348,679	413,016	59,019	704,508	160,510	90,117
Ontario	4,127,205	1,534,135	190,197	1,488,384	281,225	112,547
Manitoba	71,334	39,971	7,218	125,330	51,059	20,222
Saskatchewan	25,493	21,155	7,927	57,265	35,461	14,702
Alberta	23,254	44,450	6,013	28,036	34,529	7,172
British Columbia	122,165	283,846	17,232	513,797	153,443	32,910
Yukon Territory	1,520	8,255	1,176	405	212	121
Total	5,729,199	2,506,114	372,489	4,045,922	761,255	371,366
	1952					
Atlantic Provinces ¹	967,478	152,421	89,951	1,071,888	31,698	91,690
Quebec	289,369	393,507	43,110	589,205	141,396	68,751
Ontario	3,806,941	1,362,363	138,571	1,368,502	263,158	136,040
Manitoba	71,783	38,040	6,801	115,966	44,498	16,975
Saskatchewan	25,655	19,288	5,658	55,101	31,011	13,731
Alberta	19,847	42,743	3,988	28,146	32,260	8,418
British Columbia	109,917	262,550	14,606	465,460	141,238	28,471
Yukon Territory	2,263	7,253	1,051	212	167	95
Total	5,293,253	2,278,165	303,736	3,694,480	685,426	364,171

1. Entries into the Atlantic Provinces are principally through New Brunswick ports.

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