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## DEATHS DUE TO MOTOR VEHICLE ACCIDENTS, 1939.

The Dominion Bureau of Statistics reports that deaths from motor vehicle accidents in Canada during the year 1939, numbered 1,584 (preliminary figures) as against 1,545 in 1938 and 1,633 in 1937. The death rate from this cause was 14.0 per 100,000 population as compared with 13.8 in 1938 and 14.7 in 1937. Over the period 1926-39 for which figures for all provinces of Canada have been compiled by the Bureau, the highest death rate from motor vehicle accidents was 14.7 in 1937.

The deaths from motor vehicle accidents by provinces in 1939 were as follows, with the figures for 1938 in parentheses: Prince Edward Island, 7 (6); Nova Scotia, 84 (75); New Brunswick, 92 (58); Quebec, 390 (413); Ontario, 682 (677); Manitoba, 63 (80); Saskatchewan, 65 (49); Alberta, 81 (77); British Columbia 120 (110); thus seven provinces showed a greater number of deaths in 1939 than in the preceding year, and two provinces a smaller number.

Saskatchewan had the lowest provincial death rate from motor vehicle accidents in 1939, namely 6.8 per 100,000 population and Prince Edward Island stood next with a rate of 7.4. The highest provincial rate was 20.4 in New Brunswick, followed by Ontario with a rate of 18.2.

The definition of motor vehicle accidents includes all accidents in which a motor vehicle was involved.

TABLE I.

Number of deaths from motor vehicle accidents in Canada (1),

by provinces, 1926-39.

P.E.I. Canada N.S. N.B. Ont. Sask. Que. Man. Alta. B.C. 1,082 1,300 1,290 1,316 1,120 1,115 1,224 1,316 1,633 1,545 1,584 

<sup>(1)</sup> Not including Yukon and the Northwest Territories.

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TABLE II.

Death rates per 100,000 population from motor vehicle accidents
in Canada (1), by provinces, 1926-39.

	Canada	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.
1926	6.4	1.1	5.4	2.8	7.0	7.6	4.2	2.6	5.4	9.9
1927	9.0	2.3	6.0	6.3	9.5	12.0	4.9	2.9	5.5	12.4
1928	11.0	2.3	7.8	7.7	10.3	13.3	8.0	8.6	11.4	14.2
1929	13.0	1.1	11.8	11.6	11.7	16.7	10.0	6.3	10.4	17.8
1930	12.7	11.4	10.5	17.7	12.0	15.3	8.7	5.6	10.9	16.4
1931	12.7	5.7	9.6	11.0	12.4	16.7	8.6	5.4	9.2	16.0
1932	10.7	1.3	9.8	11.9	10.7	14.3	5.9	3.8	6.6	12.1
1933	9.0	-2.2	9.0	5.2	8.6	11.7	5.4	3.4	8.6	11.0
1934	10.3	5.6	7.8	12.2	9.1	14.5	5.8	3.2	8.1	11.3
1935	11.2	2.2	10.8	9.3	10.3	15.5	7.5	4.3	5.9	13.9
1936	11.9	7.6	11.2	9.4	12.0	15.3	7.5	5.0	9.3	13.5
1937	14.7	7.5	16.2	15.2	12.9	20.9	9.2	5.0	7.1	16.5
1938	13.8	6.4	13.7	13.0	13.0	18.1	11.1	5.2	9.8	14.5
1939	14.0	7.4	15.2	20.4	12.1	18.2	8.7	6.8	10.3	15.5
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(1) Not including Yukon and the Northwest Territories.

## TABLE III.

Deaths from motor vehicle accidents in Canada (1), by provinces and months, 1939.

	Canada	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.
January	69	-	4	6	20	20	2	-	7	10
February	52	-	4	4	7	22	3	5	5	5
March	59	-	2	-	14	30	1	-	6	6
April	59	-	3	-	3	38		3	5	7
May	124	•	6	7	33	59	5	2	5	7
Jund	131	-	9	7	32	58	6	5	3	11
July	169	2	14	7	42	74.	7	6	9	8
August	181	-	10	13	55	73	8	10	4	8
September	181		4	16	49	75	9	6	7	15
October	219	2	10	19	67	87	6	7	8	13
November	171	1	6	5	37	78	8	13	12	11
December	169	2	12	8	31	68	8	11	10	19
	1,584	7	84	92	390	682	63	65	81	120

(1) Not including Yukon and the Northwest Territories.



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