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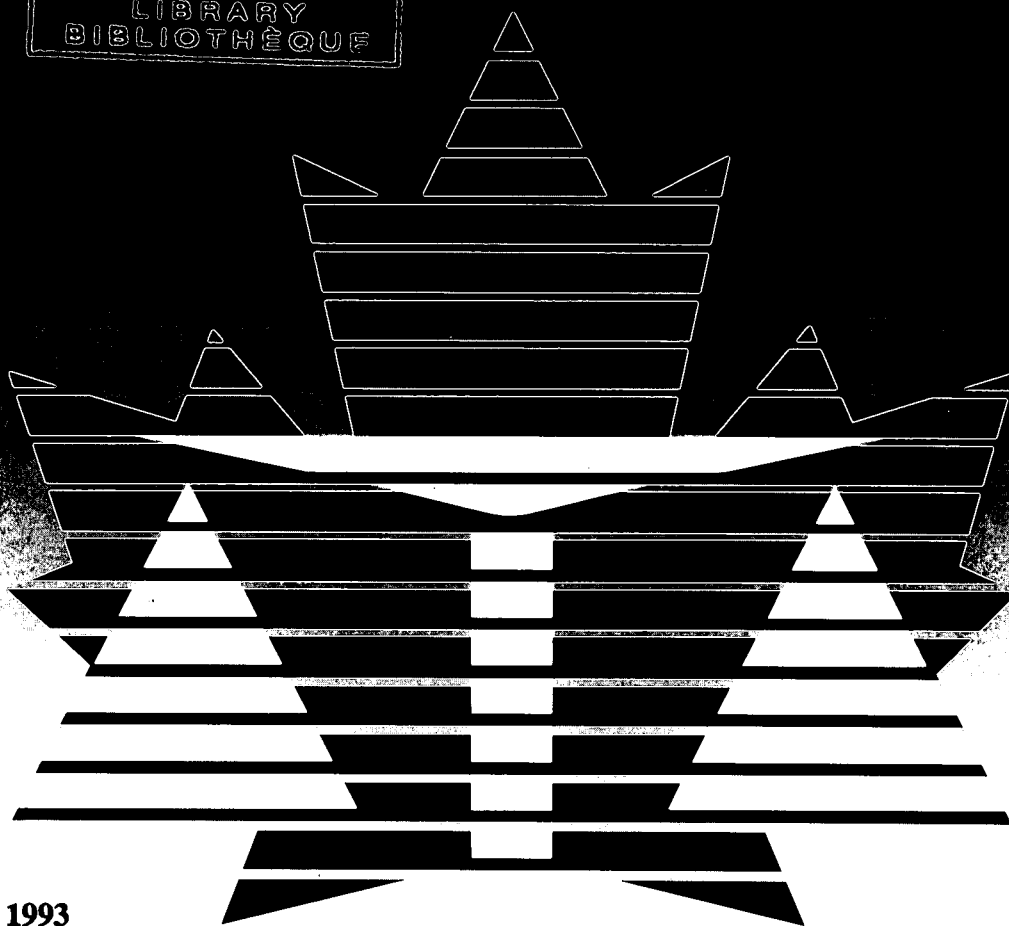
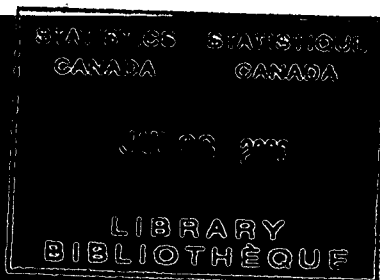
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INTRODUCTION

The Canadian Centre for Justice Statistics (CCJS) is the focal point of a federal-provincial/territorial initiative dedicated to the production of national statistics and information on the justice system in Canada. The objective of the Courts Program at CCJS is to collect and disseminate statistical information describing the operation of adult criminal courts and youth courts in Canada.

This report is one of a series of annual data releases produced by the Courts Program from the Adult Criminal Court Survey (ACCS). This report contains data collected to one of the two components of the ACCS - the caseload component. Provincial and territorial criminal court data for Nova Scotia, Quebec, and the Yukon are presented for fiscal years 1990-91 and 1991-92 and for Prince Edward Island from July 1991 to March 1992. The report is designed to provide information on the changing nature of caseload volume and backlog. The Introduction of the report describes the objective, methodology, units of count, and coverage of the Adult Criminal Court Survey. The Caseload Trends section of the report includes a number of tables and charts reporting the caseload volume and backlog trends as evidenced in the ACCS - Caseload database.

The report also includes a number of appendices providing additional information for the benefit of the reader. Contextual information on persons charged by law enforcement agencies, and population estimates are included in Appendix A. The Adult Criminal Court Survey standard definitions for the caseload component form Appendix B. Appendix C, Methodological Notes, provides more detailed information on data quality issues, and the error detection and correction procedures used in the ACCS.

Also available from the Courts Program is the Adult Criminal Court Statistics report which provides more detailed information on the characteristics of provincial/territorial criminal court. The report contains data reported to the case characteristics component of the Adult Criminal Court Survey. The report describes provincial court processes, charge characteristics and outcomes, and basic accused characteristics.

The following pages describe the concepts and methodology used in preparing the adult criminal court data for dissemination.

Adult Criminal Court Survey

1.1 Scope

The objective of the Adult Criminal Court Survey (ACCS) is to develop and maintain a national adult criminal court database of statistical information on appearances, charges, and cases. The survey is intended to be a census of completed federal and provincial/territorial statute charges and municipal by-law infractions heard in adult criminal courts in Canada. The Adult Criminal Court Survey has two components: Case Characteristics and Caseload. The Case Characteristics component collects data on charges, appearances, and cases for federal statute offences dealt with in provincial/territorial criminal court. The Caseload component, which is the focus of this report, collects aggregate data on charges, appearances and cases for federal and provincial statutes and municipal by-law offences dealt with in provincial or territorial adult criminal court.

1.2 Coverage

Prince Edward Island (5 courts), Nova Scotia (38 courts), Quebec (54 courts), and the Yukon (18 courts) are currently providing data to the ACCS. Together, they account for approximately 23 percent of the provincial/territorial adult criminal court caseload in Canada. Data for Halifax Municipal Court and Liverpool Provincial Court are not available at this time. Approximately 15 percent of Nova Scotia's federal statute charges are heard in these courts. Similarly, data for Quebec's 133 municipal courts are currently not included in the survey. Approximately 20 percent of federal statute charges in Quebec are heard in municipal court.

It is recognized that the absence of national coverage of provincial/territorial counts and the unavailability of data from municipal, superior and appeal courts represent major limitation for some data applications. Implementation of the ACCS at the provincial/territorial criminal court level is the current project priority due to the relatively large caseload at this court level and the extent of information system automation in the provincial and territorial courts. Municipal, superior and appeal courts may be added to the survey as local operational systems become automated and as survey development resources become available.

Currently, the ACCS collects indicators dealing with adult criminal activities at the provincial/territorial court level. Information related to youths raised to adult court under the *Young Offenders Act* and the summary offence tickets (SOT's) of youths is also included in this report.

1.3 Caseload Component

The Caseload Component of the ACCS is designed to collect aggregate information on charges, cases and appearances on a quarterly basis from all jurisdictions in Canada. Counts of cases and charges pending, initiated and disposed of during each quarter are collected by statute type. The total number of court appearances held during the reference period is also collected. All counts of charges are captured while case and case appearance counts are limited to the most serious statute dealt with at the initial appearance.

Data are extracted from the local court system by the ACCS system interface programs. The data are also received by the CCJS in the form of a standard aggregate report for each local court. The survey's reliance on machine readable data facilitates data processing with a minimum of respondent burden.

1.4 Units of Count

The data elements collected from provincial court systems are listed below under four unit of count categories (See Appendix B for detailed definitions).

<u>Charge</u>	<u>Charge - SOT's¹</u>	<u>Case</u>	<u>Appearance</u>
Pending at Start	Pending at Start	Pending at Start	Non-trial Hearings
Initiated	Initiated	Initiated	Trial Hearings
Disposed Of	Disposed Of	Disposed Of	
Pending at End	Pending at End	Pending at End	

The four caseload units of count are defined as follows:

Charge: An aggregate count of all charge counts dealt with during the reference period (fiscal year quarter). Charges are listed by statute type (federal statutes, provincial statutes, and municipal by-laws). Counts are collected under four categories: Pending at Start, Initiated, Disposed Of and Pending at End. Detailed descriptions of these categories are presented in Appendix B.

Charge - Summary Offence Tickets: An aggregate count of all charges listed on summary offence tickets (SOT's) for the reference period. SOT counts are collected under four categories: Pending at Start, Initiated, Disposed Of and Pending at End.

Case: An aggregate count of all cases dealt with in court during the reference period. A case is one or more charges against an accused where the charges are first presented in the same court on the same date. Each case is counted against the most serious statute (MSS) dealt with on the initial court appearance date and the most serious disposition (MSD).

¹ Charge - Summary Offence Tickets.

Appearance: An aggregate count of appearances, by most serious statute, dealt with during the reference period. An appearance is defined as a court appearance by an accused on any given date during the reference period.

1.5 Methodological Overview

The caseload component of the ACCS collects aggregate court data on volumes of charges, cases, and appearances from provincial and territorial automated operational systems. These data are extracted using computer interface software and are submitted to the CCJS quarterly. The data undergo assessment procedures on the operation systems in the provinces/territories. The ACCS also submits these caseload data to a limited number of edits, identifying duplicates or missing data, and logical inconsistencies in the relationships among data elements or between time periods. The results of this process form the basis of reports which are produced to monitor data quality.

Data quality procedures are also applied during interface development and data production to assess data limitations and comparability (definitions and units of count). These procedures include an initial data review to look at the relationship between variables and to uncover major problems in the record format or layout. A quantitative assessment of the data is then conducted to see how the values are distributed within the variables. Other manual assessment procedures include: consistency checks using other sources of the same information for example annual reports; and the examination of comparable units of count within the ACCS - Case Characteristics database.

For more detailed information on data quality issues, and the error detection and correction procedures employed in the ACCS, please refer to Appendix C: Methodological Notes.

1.6 Data Limitations

ACCS data must be interpreted as **indicators** of caseload and case characteristics rather than precise measures for several reasons.

Under-reporting -- that is, the degree to which all appearances, charges and cases have been reported to the survey -- is not known. Survey coverage and reporting is monitored and the provinces and territories inform the Courts Program of suspected reporting problems or anomalies wherever possible.

Case data presented in the tables are reported by most serious statute. This type of data representation results in an under-counting of less serious situations.

The ACCS counts a charge more than once for a province or territory under any of the following circumstances: a) if it is stayed and then restarted with different identifiers; b) if it

is waived from one court location to another; or c) if it is committed for trial in Superior Court and then returns to Provincial Court with different identifiers. Due to the aggregate nature of the Caseload counts, these charges cannot be isolated and therefore are included in this report.

The above-mentioned data limitations reduce the possibilities for making accurate links with data from other sectors of the justice system, such as police and corrections. Differences in sectoral policies, administration, definitions and data collection methods may also result in differences in counts. For these reasons, caution must be exercised when comparing ACCS data with data from other sectors of the criminal justice system.

1.7 Comparability of ACCS Caseload Data and Case Characteristics

Readers are cautioned that counts for completed charges and cases contained in this report are not directly comparable with similar counts presented in ACCS reports from the Case Characteristics component. The following technical differences should be noted when examining similar counts from the two survey components:

- a) The Caseload component considers bench warrants as final dispositions such that any subsequent appearances constitute the beginning of new charges or a new case. The Case Characteristics component, however, considers any appearances subsequent to a bench warrant as being related to the original charge or case. This results in higher counts for Caseload than for Case Characteristics.
- b) The Caseload component reflects aggregate data from the provincial and territorial case management databases while the Case Characteristics component processes the data to eliminate uninterpretable or duplicate records, corrects errors and imputes some missing data. This may cause the Caseload counts to differ from the Case Characteristics counts.
- c) The two ACCS components employ different rules for counting cases having multiple charges. While the Case Characteristics component employs a most serious offence rule for this purpose, the Caseload component uses a most serious statute rule.
- d) The data for both survey components may be extracted at different times from the provincial/territorial operational systems. While Case Characteristics data may be extracted on a monthly basis, Caseload data are generally extracted on a semi-annual basis. Counts for either component may be influenced by updates or corrections made at any time in the provincial and territorial databases.
- e) Charges committed for trial in Superior Court are included in this report but are not available in the 1991 Adult Criminal Court Statistics report.

1.8 Comparisons Across Provinces and Territories

Inter-provincial and territorial differences may be observed in the data included in this report. These differences may in part be the result of variation in court operations and recording procedures, interpretation of statutes or legal concepts, sentencing practices and demographics. For this reason, caution should be exercised when comparing data for different provinces and territories.

1.9 Comparability of ACCS Data to Data for Other Sectors of the Criminal Justice System

Police counts from the Uniform Crime Reporting Survey(UCR) for offences cleared by charge are lower than counts for charges disposed of in provincial/territorial court contained in this report. This is the result of scoring rules applied in creating the counts of offences cleared by charge for the UCR Survey. Violent offences are counted by the UCR Survey in terms of the number of victims in the incident and non-violent offences are counted in terms of the number of separate incidents. Furthermore, the UCR Survey counts of offences do not rely on the number of persons charged. Therefore one UCR offence may result in more than one charge presented in court. For example, one UCR incident of break and enter involving two accused, would result in at least two charges of break and enter and could include more if other charges are laid for theft, possession of stolen property, etc. Since the ACCS does not use such scoring rules in creating charge counts, the charge counts reported for the courts tend to be higher than the counts from the Uniform Crime Reporting Survey.

Police counts for adult accused are generally higher than the counts of cases disposed of in provincial/territorial court contained in this report. This is in part explained by the fact that one or more charges for a case may be screened out of the system at the prosecutorial stage. Diversion and alternative dispute resolution activities may also reduce the number of cases heard in court. Finally, the time lag between the charging of an accused and the disposal of a case by the courts may result in differences in accused counts indicated in police statistics and courts statistics for cases disposed of in the same reference period.

Differences in indicators across sectors within a province or territory also result from definitional differences in counts being reported and differences in data collection, derivation, and tabulation methods.

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CASELOAD TRENDS

The number of elements captured by the Caseload Component of the ACCS permits the development of a wide range of data presentations. For the purpose of this report, selected volume indicators are presented at the provincial/territorial level. This section includes a review of the volume measures for initiated and disposed of charge and case counts as well as case-appearance counts. The text is accompanied by the relevant tables.

2.1 Volume Indicators

2.1.1 Initiated Charges and Cases - Tables 1 to 2(d)

Charge and case counts presented in this section are aggregate measures of criminal court workload initiated during the reference periods. The term "initiated" is used to describe charges and cases that have been introduced to the court process in a first appearance during the reference periods. Totals are also displayed by major statute type.

2.1.2 Disposed of Charges and Cases - Tables 3 to 5

Charge and case counts presented in this section are aggregate indicators of criminal court workload disposed of during the reporting periods. The term "disposed of" is used to describe charges and cases that have been processed (and have received a disposition) in court during the reference periods. This section presents the volume of counts disposed of at the provincial/territorial court level for charges, summary offence tickets (SOT's) and cases; the variation in counts over the available reference periods; and the types of dispositions handed down by the courts.

Case counts are tabulated using the most serious statute (MSS) rule whereby an individual is only counted once for the most serious of charges being heard at the first appearance. Therefore, the counts of actual charge dispositions will not match the case count distribution of dispositions.

2.1.3 Case-Appearances - Table 6

The term "case-appearance" refers to the number of court appearances made by an accused during the reference period. A person appearing in court on three different days during the same reference period would equal three case appearances. Case appearances are counted as trial or non-trial. Non-trial appearances include judicial interim release hearings, first appearances and sentencing hearings.

Information on case-appearances provides a measure of the actual utilization of court facilities (i.e., every appearance before the courts is captured).

This section reviews the case appearances in terms of the volume of appearances by hearing types and by statute types; and, the change in counts over time.

2.2 Process/Backlog Indicators

2.2.1 Difference in Initiated and Disposed of - Tables 7 to 8(d)

The absolute difference between initiated and disposed of counts in each reference period provides information on the state of caseload backlog. This process indicator measures in absolute terms the quarterly change in backlog (i.e., the caseload being added or removed from backlog). This information is presented by statute type.

2.2.2 Charges and Cases Pending at End - Table 9

This section examines the measurable backlog in the provincial/territorial criminal courts in Canada. The term "pending at end" is used in this section to refer to that workload which passes from one quarter to the next without being disposed. Table 9 presents the absolute volume of charges and cases pending at end of each reference period by province and by statute type.

TABLE 1: CHARGES AND CASES (1) INITIATED, SELECTED PROVINCES AND TERRITORIES IN CANADA, 1990-91 AND 1991-92

PROVINCE & QUARTER	CHARGES INITIATED		SOT CHARGES INITIATED		CASES INITIATED	
	#	% change year-to- year	#	% change year-to- year	#	% change year-to- year
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND (2)						
Apr. - June, 1990	..	..	..	..	..	..
July - Sept.	..	..	..	..	..	..
Oct. - Dec.	..	..	..	..	..	..
Jan. - Mar., 1991	..	..	..	..	..	..
Apr. - June	..	..	..	..	..	..
July - Sept.	3,670	..	188	..	2,776	..
Oct. - Dec.	2,742	..	121	..	2,029	..
Jan. - Mar., 1992	2,403	..	86	..	1,838	..
NOVA SCOTIA						
Apr. - June, 1990	9,765	..	20,463	..	12,456	..
July - Sept.	11,613	..	22,140	..	14,157	..
Oct. - Dec.	11,245	..	20,199	..	13,349	..
Jan. - Mar., 1991	10,015	..	17,394	..	11,664	..
Apr. - June	10,832	10.9%	22,354	9.2%	14,235	14.3%
July - Sept.	11,625	0.1%	20,793	-6.1%	14,405	1.8%
Oct. - Dec.	11,410	1.5%	17,989	-10.9%	12,948	-3.0%
Jan. - Mar., 1992	10,936	9.2%	15,752	-9.4%	11,251	-3.5%
QUEBEC						
Apr. - June, 1990	83,604	..	31,002	..	72,592	..
July - Sept.	77,588	..	37,307	..	74,997	..
Oct. - Dec.	83,207	..	56,267	..	96,673	..
Jan. - Mar., 1991	84,043	..	30,382	..	72,899	..
Apr. - June	90,083	7.7%	36,823	18.8%	80,943	11.5%
July - Sept.	88,664	14.3%	36,306	-2.7%	80,702	7.6%
Oct. - Dec.	90,286	8.5%	37,821	-32.8%	83,562	-13.6%
Jan. - Mar., 1992	97,462	16.0%	43,361	42.7%	90,399	24.0%
YUKON						
Apr. - June, 1990	1,519	..	3,319	..	3,335	..
July - Sept.	1,291	..	2,745	..	2,786	..
Oct. - Dec.	1,095	..	2,118	..	2,407	..
Jan. - Mar., 1991	975	..	2,128	..	2,448	..
Apr. - June	997	-34.4%	3,461	4.3%	2,944	-11.7%
July - Sept.	1,198	-7.2%	2,907	5.9%	2,871	3.1%
Oct. - Dec.	1,231	12.4%	2,421	14.3%	2,616	8.7%
Jan. - Mar., 1992	1,042	6.9%	2,804	31.8%	3,138	28.2%

(1) For all tables in this report, "Charges and Cases", refer to all types, i.e. Federal Statute, Provincial Statute and Municipal By-laws, unless otherwise indicated.

(2) For tables reporting Prince Edward Island data, Summary Offence ticket (SOT) data on Provincial Statute is not available, numbers under the SOT report Federal Statute only.

TABLE 2(A): CHARGES AND CASES INITIATED, BY STATUTE TYPE,
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND, 1990-91 AND 1991-92

UNITS OF COUNT BY QUARTERS	TOTAL	FEDERAL				PROVINCIAL			TOTAL	MUN.B-L
	OFFENCES	CCC	NCA/FDA	OTHER	TOTAL	TRAFFIC	LIQUOR	OTHER		TOTAL
CHARGES										
INITIATED:										
Apr. - June, 1990	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
July - Sept.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Oct. - Dec.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Jan. - Mar., 1991	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Apr. - June, 1991	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
July - Sept.	3,670	1,245	69	92	1,406	1,042	981	204	2,227	37
Oct. - Dec.	2,742	1,050	26	123	1,199	777	589	145	1,511	32
Jan. - Mar., 1992	2,403	937	22	49	1,008	704	483	152	1,339	56
TOTAL	8,815	3,232	117	264	3,613	2,523	2,053	501	5,077	125
CHARGES SOTS										
INITIATED:										
Apr. - June, 1990	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
July - Sept.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Oct. - Dec.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Jan. - Mar., 1991	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Apr. - June, 1991	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
July - Sept.	188	-	-	188	188	..	..	..	..	-
Oct. - Dec.	121	-	-	121	121	..	..	..	..	-
Jan. - Mar., 1992	86	-	-	86	86	..	..	..	..	-
TOTAL	395	-	-	395	395	..	..	..	..	-
CASES										
INITIATED:										
Apr. - June, 1990	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
July - Sept.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Oct. - Dec.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Jan. - Mar., 1991	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Apr. - June, 1991	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
July - Sept.	2,776	782	33	54	869	1,091	563	220	1,874	33
Oct. - Dec.	2,029	613	16	84	693	820	339	154	1,313	23
Jan. - Mar., 1992	1,838	574	14	12	600	730	313	150	1,193	45
TOTAL	6,643	1,969	63	130	2,162	2,641	1,215	524	4,380	101

TABLE 2(B): CHARGES AND CASES INITIATED, BY STATUTE TYPE,
NOVA SCOTIA, 1990-91 AND 1991-92

UNITS OF COUNT BY QUARTERS	TOTAL OFFENCES	FEDERAL				PROVINCIAL				MUN.B-L
		CCC	NCA/FDA	OTHER	TOTAL	TRAFFIC	LIQUOR	OTHER	TOTAL	TOTAL
CHARGES INITIATED:										
Apr. - June, 1990	9,765	7,148	360	1,086	8,594	874	54	95	1,023	148
July - Sept.	11,613	8,982	450	844	10,276	924	92	128	1,144	183
Oct. - Dec.	11,245	8,637	430	1,023	10,090	741	65	230	1,036	119
Jan. - Mar., 1991	10,015	7,842	446	668	8,956	770	52	140	962	97
TOTAL	42,638	32,609	1,686	3,621	37,916	3,309	263	593	4,165	557
Apr. - June, 1991	10,832	8,395	354	1,070	9,819	747	48	114	909	104
July - Sept.	11,625	9,259	297	1,045	10,601	688	80	176	944	80
Oct. - Dec.	11,410	9,272	467	748	10,487	565	66	201	832	91
Jan. - Mar., 1992	10,936	9,237	348	651	10,236	404	43	167	614	86
TOTAL	44,803	36,163	1,466	3,514	41,143	2,404	237	658	3,299	361
CHARGES SOTS INITIATED:										
Apr. - June, 1990	20,463	-	-	3,508	3,508	14,775	2,028	152	16,955	-
July - Sept.	22,140	-	-	3,474	3,474	15,896	2,594	176	18,666	-
Oct. - Dec.	20,199	-	-	2,338	2,338	15,333	1,982	546	17,861	-
Jan. - Mar., 1991	17,394	-	-	2,374	2,374	13,336	1,602	82	15,020	-
TOTAL	80,196	-	-	11,694	11,694	59,340	6,206	956	66,502	-
Apr. - June, 1991	22,354	-	-	2,408	2,408	17,081	2,632	233	19,946	-
July - Sept.	20,793	-	-	2,629	2,629	15,240	2,720	204	18,164	-
Oct. - Dec.	17,989	-	-	1,978	1,978	13,560	1,895	556	16,011	-
Jan. - Mar., 1992	15,752	-	-	1,475	1,475	12,756	1,417	104	14,277	-
TOTAL	76,888	-	-	8,490	8,490	58,637	8,664	1,097	68,398	-
CASES INITIATED:										
Apr. - June, 1990	12,456	3,812	256	451	4,519	6,209	1,483	146	7,838	99
July - Sept.	14,157	4,762	299	415	5,476	6,473	1,896	183	8,552	129
Oct. - Dec.	13,349	4,512	279	458	5,249	6,219	1,433	363	8,015	85
Jan. - Mar., 1991	11,684	4,267	206	360	4,833	5,452	1,179	126	6,757	74
TOTAL	51,626	17,353	1,040	1,684	20,077	24,353	5,991	818	31,162	387
Apr. - June, 1991	14,235	4,523	194	480	5,197	6,837	1,942	185	8,974	64
July - Sept.	14,405	5,054	211	514	5,779	6,357	2,033	179	8,569	57
Oct. - Dec.	12,948	4,856	268	347	5,471	5,651	1,406	367	7,424	53
Jan. - Mar., 1992	11,251	4,844	202	321	5,367	4,758	928	152	5,838	46
TOTAL	52,839	19,277	875	1,662	21,814	23,603	6,309	693	30,805	220

TABLE 2(C): CHARGES AND CASES INITIATED, BY STATUTE TYPE,
QUÉBEC, 1990-91 AND 1991-92

UNITS OF COUNT BY QUARTERS	TOTAL OFFENCES	FEDERAL				PROVINCIAL				MUN.B-L
		CCC	NCA/FDA	OTHER	TOTAL	TRAFFIC	LIQUOR	OTHER	TOTAL	TOTAL
CHARGES INITIATED:										
Apr. - June, 1990	83,604	59,664	3,739	3,763	67,166	1,495	477	12,850	14,822	1,616
July - Sept.	77,588	60,239	2,589	3,338	66,166	1,216	315	8,585	10,116	1,306
Oct. - Dec.	83,207	61,342	3,013	4,850	69,205	1,468	456	10,631	12,555	1,447
Jan. - Mar., 1991	84,043	61,033	3,409	4,226	68,668	1,260	190	12,140	13,590	1,785
TOTAL	328,442	242,278	12,750	16,177	271,205	5,439	1,438	44,206	51,083	6,154
Apr. - June, 1991	90,083	63,082	4,299	5,215	72,596	1,332	358	14,139	15,829	1,658
July - Sept.	88,664	65,353	3,539	5,002	73,894	1,275	242	11,934	13,451	1,319
Oct. - Dec.	90,288	64,776	3,581	4,735	73,092	1,129	266	14,482	15,887	1,307
Jan. - Mar., 1992	97,462	70,770	3,866	4,892	79,528	1,869	272	14,254	16,395	1,539
TOTAL	366,495	263,981	15,285	19,844	299,110	5,605	1,138	54,819	61,562	5,823
CHARGES SOTS INITIATED:										
Apr. - June, 1990	31,002	-	-	-	-	30,922	-	-	30,922	80
July - Sept.	37,307	-	-	-	-	37,281	-	19	37,300	7
Oct. - Dec.	56,267	-	-	-	-	56,009	-	11	56,017	247
Jan. - Mar., 1991	30,382	-	-	-	-	30,222	-	2	30,223	158
TOTAL	154,958	-	-	-	-	154,434	-	32	154,462	482
Apr. - June, 1991	36,823	-	-	-	-	36,570	-	-	36,570	253
July - Sept.	36,306	-	-	-	-	35,820	-	-	35,820	485
Oct. - Dec.	37,821	-	-	-	-	37,513	-	-	37,513	308
Jan. - Mar., 1992	42,361	-	-	-	-	42,326	-	-	42,326	34
TOTAL	153,311	-	-	-	-	152,229	-	-	152,229	1,080
CASES INITIATED:										
Apr. - June, 1990	72,592	29,970	1,849	1,698	33,517	29,146	387	7,926	37,459	1,616
July - Sept.	74,997	30,199	1,484	2,167	33,850	34,624	249	5,013	39,886	1,261
Oct. - Dec.	96,673	30,510	1,695	3,267	35,482	52,770	271	6,587	59,628	1,553
Jan. - Mar., 1991	72,699	30,439	1,832	2,430	34,701	28,846	130	7,565	36,341	1,857
TOTAL	317,161	121,118	6,860	9,582	137,560	145,186	1,037	27,091	173,314	6,287
Apr. - June, 1991	80,943	32,306	2,213	2,064	36,583	34,284	231	7,981	42,496	1,864
July - Sept.	80,702	33,237	1,991	2,723	37,951	34,654	180	6,140	40,974	1,777
Oct. - Dec.	83,562	32,890	1,946	3,244	38,080	36,479	113	7,437	44,029	1,453
Jan. - Mar., 1992	90,399	34,443	1,975	2,691	39,109	42,178	149	7,517	49,844	1,446
TOTAL	335,606	132,876	8,125	10,722	151,723	147,595	673	29,075	177,343	6,540

TABLE 2(D): CHARGES AND CASES INITIATED, BY STATUTE TYPE,
YUKON, 1990-91 AND 1991-92

UNITS OF COUNT BY QUARTERS	TOTAL OFFENCES	FEDERAL				PROVINCIAL				MUN.B-L
		CCC	NCA/FDA	OTHER	TOTAL	TRAFFIC	LIQUOR	OTHER	TOTAL	TOTAL
CHARGES INITIATED:										
Apr. - June, 1990	1,519	1,048	44	37	1,127	15	18	13	46	346
July - Sept.	1,291	1,153	61	29	1,243	21	1	25	47	1
Oct. - Dec.	1,095	960	48	30	1,038	25	5	26	56	1
Jan. - Mar., 1991	975	901	31	10	942	27	5	1	33	0
TOTAL	4,880	4,060	184	106	4,350	88	29	65	182	348
Apr. - June, 1991	997	896	44	25	965	25	3	4	32	-
July - Sept.	1,198	1,043	94	31	1,168	11	3	16	30	-
Oct. - Dec.	1,231	1,096	55	16	1,167	30	7	27	64	-
Jan. - Mar., 1992	1,042	940	51	14	1,005	13	3	21	37	-
TOTAL	4,468	3,975	244	86	4,305	79	16	68	163	-
CHARGES SOTS INITIATED:										
Apr. - June, 1990	3,319	-	-	-	-	1,498	149	13	1,660	1,659
July - Sept.	2,745	-	-	-	-	1,312	253	9	1,574	1,171
Oct. - Dec.	2,118	-	-	-	-	765	95	25	885	1,233
Jan. - Mar., 1991	2,128	-	-	-	-	642	80	6	728	1,400
TOTAL	10,310	-	-	-	-	4,217	577	53	4,847	5,463
Apr. - June, 1991	3,461	-	-	-	-	1,849	178	4	2,031	1,430
July - Sept.	2,907	-	-	-	-	1,482	258	13	1,733	1,174
Oct. - Dec.	2,421	-	-	-	-	1,089	135	17	1,241	1,180
Jan. - Mar., 1992	2,804	-	-	-	-	679	86	5	770	2,034
TOTAL	11,593	-	-	-	-	5,079	657	39	5,775	5,818
CASES INITIATED:										
Apr. - June, 1990	3,335	740	33	17	790	536	107	20	663	1,882
July - Sept.	2,766	820	51	13	884	572	154	22	748	1,154
Oct. - Dec.	2,407	648	39	10	697	384	66	31	481	1,229
Jan. - Mar., 1991	2,448	640	27	7	674	312	66	3	381	1,393
TOTAL	10,978	2,848	150	47	3,045	1,804	393	76	2,273	5,658
Apr. - June, 1991	2,944	643	39	14	696	698	121	8	827	1,421
July - Sept.	2,671	763	74	20	857	659	164	20	843	1,171
Oct. - Dec.	2,616	717	38	5	760	546	102	32	680	1,176
Jan. - Mar., 1992	3,138	616	40	5	661	369	67	12	448	2,029
TOTAL	11,569	2,739	191	44	2,974	2,272	454	72	2,798	5,797

TABLE 3:

CHARGES AND CASES DISPOSED OF, SELECTED PROVINCES AND,
TERRITORIES IN CANADA, 1990-91 AND 1991-92

PROVINCE & QUARTER	CHARGES DISPOSED OF		SOT CHARGES DISPOSED OF		CASES DISPOSED OF	
	#	% change year-to- year	#	% change year-to- year	#	% change year-to- year
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND						
Apr. - June, 1990	..	..	..	..	..	..
July - Sept.	..	..	..	..	..	..
Oct. - Dec.	..	..	..	..	..	..
Jan. - Mar., 1991	..	..	..	..	..	..
Apr. - June	..	..	..	..	..	..
July - Sept.	3,341	..	188	..	2,590	..
Oct. - Dec.	2,898	..	121	..	2,194	..
Jan. - Mar., 1992	2,545	..	89	..	1,977	..
NOVA SCOTIA						
Apr. - June, 1990	8,860	..	19,301	..	11,383	..
July - Sept.	9,542	..	21,833	..	12,971	..
Oct. - Dec.	10,648	..	20,890	..	13,401	..
Jan. - Mar., 1991	10,476	..	17,673	..	12,465	..
Apr. - June	10,619	19.9%	20,571	6.6%	13,354	17.3%
July - Sept.	10,574	10.8%	22,052	1.0%	14,566	12.3%
Oct. - Dec.	11,187	5.1%	18,796	-10.0%	13,640	1.8%
Jan. - Mar., 1992	11,466	9.5%	15,730	-11.0%	12,438	-0.2%
QUEBEC						
Apr. - June, 1990	93,714	..	42,937	..	81,982	..
July - Sept.	64,065	..	28,008	..	53,785	..
Oct. - Dec.	89,946	..	38,827	..	78,471	..
Jan. - Mar., 1991	91,156	..	46,523	..	84,124	..
Apr. - June	96,802	3.3%	47,066	9.6%	84,904	3.6%
July - Sept.	77,404	20.8%	29,575	5.6%	62,868	16.9%
Oct. - Dec.	91,508	1.7%	39,348	1.3%	78,775	0.4%
Jan. - Mar., 1992	101,849	11.7%	36,497	-21.6%	81,584	-3.0%
YUKON						
Apr. - June, 1990	1,457	..	3,334	..	3,342	..
July - Sept.	1,241	..	2,742	..	2,737	..
Oct. - Dec.	1,242	..	2,130	..	2,534	..
Jan. - Mar., 1991	1,181	..	2,133	..	2,599	..
Apr. - June	964	-33.8%	3,436	3.1%	2,908	-13.0%
July - Sept.	962	-22.5%	2,895	5.6%	2,697	-1.5%
Oct. - Dec.	1,252	0.6%	2,435	14.3%	2,650	4.6%
Jan. - Mar., 1992	1,182	0.1%	2,818	32.1%	3,233	24.4%

TABLE 4(A).

CHARGES AND CASES DISPOSED OF, BY STATUTE TYPE,
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND, 1990-91 AND 1991-92

UNITS OF COUNT BY QUARTERS	TOTAL OFFENCES	FEDERAL				PROVINCIAL				MUN.B-L TOTAL
		CCC	NCA/FDA	OTHER	TOTAL	TRAFFIC	LIQUOR	OTHER	TOTAL	
CHARGES DISPOSED OF:										
Apr. - June, 1990	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
July - Sept.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Oct. - Dec.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Jan. - Mar., 1991	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Apr. - June, 1991	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
July - Sept.	3,341	1,000	21	66	1,087	1,053	981	204	2,218	36
Oct. - Dec.	2,898	1,072	22	128	1,222	822	663	153	1,638	38
Jan. - Mar., 1992	2,545	971	46	70	1,087	773	479	170	1,422	36
TOTAL	8,784	3,043	89	264	3,396	2,648	2,103	527	5,278	110
CHARGES SOTS DISPOSED OF:										
Apr. - June, 1990	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
July - Sept.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Oct. - Dec.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Jan. - Mar., 1991	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Apr. - June, 1991	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
July - Sept.	188	..	..	188	188	..	..	..	..	..
Oct. - Dec.	121	..	..	121	121	..	..	..	..	..
Jan. - Mar., 1992	89	..	..	89	89	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	398	..	..	398	398	..	..	..	..	..
CASES DISPOSED OF:										
Apr. - June, 1990	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
July - Sept.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Oct. - Dec.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Jan. - Mar., 1991	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Apr. - June, 1991	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
July - Sept.	2,580	631	13	34	678	1,104	556	218	1,878	34
Oct. - Dec.	2,194	649	15	74	738	883	392	153	1,428	28
Jan. - Mar., 1992	1,977	610	25	23	658	814	316	163	1,293	26
TOTAL	6,761	1,890	53	131	2,074	2,801	1,264	534	4,599	88

TABLE 4(B): CHARGES AND CASES DISPOSED OF, BY STATUTE TYPE,
NOVA SCOTIA, 1990-91 AND 1991-92

UNITS OF COUNT BY QUARTERS	TOTAL OFFENCES	FEDERAL				PROVINCIAL				MUN.B-L
		CCC	NCA/FDA	OTHER	TOTAL	TRAFFIC	LIQUOR	OTHER	TOTAL	TOTAL
CHARGES DISPOSED OF:										
Apr. - June, 1990	8,860	6,176	348	1,215	7,739	843	33	119	995	126
July - Sept.	9,542	7,160	363	811	8,334	839	83	121	1,043	165
Oct. - Dec.	10,648	8,273	313	1,020	9,606	704	67	140	911	131
Jan. - Mar., 1991	10,476	8,296	383	676	9,355	801	65	144	1,010	111
TOTAL	39,526	29,905	1,407	3,722	35,034	3,187	248	524	3,959	533
Apr. - June, 1991	10,619	8,099	396	1,043	9,538	749	44	189	982	99
July - Sept.	10,574	8,186	440	971	9,597	673	66	155	894	83
Oct. - Dec.	11,187	9,185	372	756	10,313	572	69	147	788	86
Jan. - Mar., 1992	11,466	9,748	293	665	10,706	460	50	153	663	97
TOTAL	43,846	35,218	1,501	3,435	40,154	2,454	229	644	3,327	365
CHARGES SOTS DISPOSED OF:										
Apr. - June, 1990	19,301	-	-	3,509	3,509	13,976	1,683	133	15,792	-
July - Sept.	21,833	-	-	3,474	3,474	15,577	2,631	151	18,359	-
Oct. - Dec.	20,890	-	-	2,338	2,338	16,151	2,018	383	18,552	-
Jan. - Mar., 1991	17,673	-	-	2,374	2,374	13,350	1,747	202	15,299	-
TOTAL	79,697	-	-	11,695	11,695	59,054	8,079	669	68,002	-
Apr. - June, 1991	20,571	-	-	2,408	2,408	15,746	2,164	253	18,163	-
July - Sept.	22,052	-	-	2,629	2,629	16,251	2,953	219	19,423	-
Oct. - Dec.	18,796	-	-	1,978	1,978	14,305	2,106	407	16,818	-
Jan. - Mar., 1992	15,730	-	-	1,475	1,475	12,460	1,555	240	14,255	-
TOTAL	77,149	-	-	8,490	8,490	58,762	8,778	1,119	68,659	-
CASES DISPOSED OF:										
Apr. - June, 1990	11,383	3,506	249	490	4,245	5,725	1,167	157	7,049	89
July - Sept.	12,971	3,964	273	403	4,640	6,199	1,881	149	8,229	102
Oct. - Dec.	13,401	4,478	223	475	5,176	6,412	1,480	244	8,136	89
Jan. - Mar., 1991	12,465	4,726	250	347	5,323	5,586	1,260	207	7,053	89
TOTAL	50,220	16,674	995	1,715	19,384	23,922	5,788	757	30,467	369
Apr. - June, 1991	13,354	4,658	221	462	5,341	6,156	1,549	240	7,945	68
July - Sept.	14,566	4,676	225	485	5,386	6,748	2,186	190	9,124	56
Oct. - Dec.	13,640	5,095	273	368	5,736	5,990	1,601	257	7,848	56
Jan. - Mar., 1992	12,438	5,490	205	335	6,030	5,037	1,100	225	6,362	46
TOTAL	53,998	19,919	924	1,650	22,493	23,931	6,436	912	31,279	226

TABLE 4(C): CHARGES AND CASES DISPOSED OF, BY STATUTE TYPE,
QUÉBEC, 1990-91 AND 1991-92

UNITS OF COUNT BY QUARTERS	TOTAL OFFENCES	FEDERAL			TOTAL	PROVINCIAL			TOTAL	MUN.B-L TOTAL
		CCC	NCA/FDA	OTHER		TRAFFIC	LIQUOR	OTHER		
CHARGES DISPOSED OF:										
Apr. - June, 1990	83,714	55,416	3,009	5,082	63,507	1,472	500	26,663	28,635	1,572
July - Sept.	64,065	47,914	2,374	3,934	54,222	1,222	287	7,005	8,514	1,329
Oct. - Dec.	89,946	60,695	3,191	5,111	68,997	1,472	353	17,784	19,609	1,340
Jan. - Mar., 1991	91,156	66,823	3,305	4,843	74,971	1,718	317	12,070	14,105	2,080
TOTAL	338,881	230,848	11,879	18,970	261,697	5,884	1,457	63,522	70,863	6,321
Apr. - June, 1991	96,802	68,003	3,648	4,950	76,601	1,798	396	16,215	18,409	1,792
July - Sept.	77,404	56,529	3,269	4,695	64,493	1,257	263	10,080	11,600	1,311
Oct. - Dec.	91,508	66,377	3,634	5,657	75,668	1,153	307	13,211	14,671	1,169
Jan. - Mar., 1992	101,849	73,889	4,555	4,952	83,396	1,570	336	14,859	16,765	1,688
TOTAL	367,563	264,798	15,106	20,254	300,158	5,778	1,302	54,365	61,445	5,960
CHARGES SOTS DISPOSED OF:										
Apr. - June, 1990	42,937	-	-	-	-	42,269	-	10	42,277	658
July - Sept.	28,008	-	-	-	-	27,859	-	5	27,864	144
Oct. - Dec.	38,827	-	-	-	-	38,542	-	12	38,553	273
Jan. - Mar., 1991	46,523	-	-	-	-	46,042	-	7	46,048	474
TOTAL	156,295	-	-	-	-	154,712	-	34	154,742	1,549
Apr. - June, 1991	47,066	-	-	-	-	46,789	-	12	46,801	264
July - Sept.	29,575	-	-	-	-	29,428	-	3	29,431	143
Oct. - Dec.	39,348	-	-	-	-	38,925	-	4	38,929	418
Jan. - Mar., 1992	36,497	-	-	-	-	36,258	-	-	36,258	237
TOTAL	152,486	-	-	-	-	151,400	-	19	151,419	1,062
CASES DISPOSED OF:										
Apr. - June, 1990	81,982	26,906	1,708	1,919	30,533	30,796	404	18,186	49,386	2,063
July - Sept.	53,785	23,812	1,396	1,745	26,953	20,824	230	4,401	25,455	1,377
Oct. - Dec.	78,471	30,538	1,647	3,101	35,286	28,740	257	12,674	41,671	1,514
Jan. - Mar., 1991	84,124	33,681	1,844	2,812	38,337	35,680	226	7,722	43,608	2,179
TOTAL	298,362	114,937	6,595	9,577	131,109	116,020	1,117	42,983	160,120	7,133
Apr. - June, 1991	84,904	34,275	1,986	2,283	38,544	35,981	256	8,221	44,458	1,902
July - Sept.	62,668	28,911	1,797	2,296	33,004	22,909	176	5,410	28,495	1,369
Oct. - Dec.	78,775	33,965	1,983	3,211	39,159	30,566	131	7,556	38,253	1,363
Jan. - Mar., 1992	81,584	37,177	2,368	3,009	42,554	29,179	171	8,029	37,379	1,651
TOTAL	308,131	134,328	8,134	10,799	153,261	118,635	734	29,216	148,585	6,285

TABLE 4(D): CHARGES AND CASES DISPOSED OF, BY STATUTE TYPE,
YUKON, 1990-91 AND 1991-92

UNITS OF COUNT BY QUARTERS	TOTAL OFFENCES	FEDERAL				PROVINCIAL				MUN.B-L TOTAL
		CCC	NCA/FDA	OTHER	TOTAL	TRAFFIC	LIQUOR	OTHER	TOTAL	
CHARGES DISPOSED OF:										
Apr. - June, 1990	1,457	951	81	22	1,034	23	7	17	47	378
July - Sept.	1,241	1,088	52	31	1,169	18	14	39	71	1
Oct. - Dec.	1,242	1,087	80	47	1,194	21	6	20	47	1
Jan. - Mar., 1991	1,181	1,088	39	21	1,128	28	5	22	55	0
TOTAL	5,121	4,190	212	121	4,523	90	32	98	220	378
Apr. - June, 1991	984	844	59	18	921	30	3	6	39	4
July - Sept.	982	870	53	14	937	11	4	10	25	-
Oct. - Dec.	1,252	1,085	81	23	1,199	26	7	20	53	-
Jan. - Mar., 1992	1,182	1,074	52	19	1,145	16	3	18	37	-
TOTAL	4,380	3,883	245	74	4,202	83	17	54	154	4
CHARGES SOTS DISPOSED OF:										
Apr. - June, 1990	3,334	-	-	-	-	1,512	153	9	1,674	1,680
July - Sept.	2,742	-	-	-	-	1,314	247	13	1,574	1,168
Oct. - Dec.	2,130	-	-	-	-	768	106	26	898	1,232
Jan. - Mar., 1991	2,133	-	-	-	-	652	80	6	738	1,395
TOTAL	10,339	-	-	-	-	4,244	586	54	4,884	5,455
Apr. - June, 1991	3,436	-	-	-	-	1,826	173	4	2,003	1,433
July - Sept.	2,895	-	-	-	-	1,450	253	13	1,716	1,179
Oct. - Dec.	2,435	-	-	-	-	1,100	138	17	1,255	1,180
Jan. - Mar., 1992	2,818	-	-	-	-	690	90	5	785	2,033
TOTAL	11,584	-	-	-	-	5,066	654	39	5,759	5,825
CASES DISPOSED OF:										
Apr. - June, 1990	3,342	685	50	14	749	558	111	20	689	1,904
July - Sept.	2,737	784	41	18	841	571	150	24	745	1,151
Oct. - Dec.	2,534	758	46	15	819	383	79	25	487	1,228
Jan. - Mar., 1991	2,589	760	33	14	807	323	65	16	404	1,388
TOTAL	11,212	2,987	170	59	3,216	1,835	405	85	2,325	5,671
Apr. - June, 1991	2,908	613	49	13	675	679	116	10	805	1,428
July - Sept.	2,697	640	48	11	697	646	160	18	824	1,176
Oct. - Dec.	2,650	725	56	8	789	554	105	26	685	1,178
Jan. - Mar., 1992	3,233	688	38	10	736	383	71	15	469	2,028
TOTAL	11,488	2,666	189	42	2,897	2,262	452	69	2,783	5,808

TABLE 5:
CHARGES DISPOSED OF BY DISPOSITION TYPE(1), SELECTED PROVINCES AND
TERRITORIES IN CANADA, 1990-91 AND 1991-92

PROVINCE & QUARTER	STAYED		WITHDRAWN		DISMISSED/ DISCHARGED		GUILTY PLEA		FOUND GUILTY		FOUND NOT GUILTY		BENCH WARRANT		OTHER	
	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND																
Apr. - June, 1990	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
July - Sept.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Oct. - Dec.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Jan. - Mar., 1991	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Apr. - June	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
July - Sept.	123	3.7%	215	6.4%	31	0.9%	1,967	58.9%	26	0.1%	18	0.5%	916	27.4%	45	1.3%
Oct. - Dec.	154	5.3%	196	6.8%	44	1.5%	1,785	61.6%	47	1.6%	34	1.2%	597	20.6%	41	1.4%
Jan. - Mar., 1992	156	6.1%	122	4.8%	40	1.6%	1,548	60.8%	43	1.7%	35	1.4%	469	18.4%	132	5.2%
NOVA SCOTIA																
Apr. - June, 1990	185	2.1%	1,508	17.0%	800	9.0%	4,110	46.4%	469	5.3%	223	2.5%	1,180	13.3%	385	4.3%
July - Sept.	262	2.7%	1,820	19.1%	878	9.2%	4,252	44.6%	492	5.2%	169	1.8%	1,450	15.2%	219	2.3%
Oct. - Dec.	457	4.3%	2,077	19.5%	892	8.4%	4,500	42.3%	569	5.3%	268	2.5%	1,504	14.1%	381	3.6%
Jan. - Mar., 1991	379	3.6%	1,946	18.6%	1,156	11.0%	4,373	41.7%	597	5.7%	272	2.6%	1,312	12.5%	441	4.2%
Apr. - June	406	3.8%	1,952	18.4%	1,122	10.6%	4,514	42.5%	559	5.3%	303	2.9%	1,386	13.1%	377	3.6%
July - Sept.	389	3.7%	1,983	18.8%	1,047	9.9%	4,557	43.1%	484	4.6%	204	1.9%	1,500	14.2%	410	3.9%
Oct. - Dec.	476	4.3%	2,481	22.2%	1,143	10.2%	4,297	38.4%	554	5.0%	211	1.9%	1,540	13.8%	485	4.3%
Jan. - Mar., 1992	692	6.0%	2,366	20.6%	1,223	10.7%	4,437	38.7%	447	3.9%	219	1.9%	1,542	13.4%	540	4.7%
QUEBEC																
Apr. - June, 1990	4,061	4.3%	7,330	7.8%	4,674	5.0%	35,841	38.2%	7,099	7.6%	13,842	14.8%	7,276	7.8%	13,591	14.5%
July - Sept.	3,817	6.0%	5,017	7.8%	2,910	4.5%	29,939	46.7%	4,768	7.4%	2,784	4.3%	6,178	9.6%	8,652	13.5%
Oct. - Dec.	5,977	6.6%	6,528	7.3%	4,231	4.7%	38,620	42.9%	6,792	7.6%	10,273	11.4%	6,515	7.2%	11,010	12.2%
Jan. - Mar., 1991	7,092	7.8%	7,399	8.1%	4,827	5.3%	40,004	43.9%	7,248	8.0%	5,902	6.5%	5,546	6.1%	13,138	14.4%
Apr. - June	7,186	7.4%	8,812	9.1%	4,615	4.8%	41,510	42.9%	7,862	8.1%	6,514	6.7%	6,072	6.3%	14,231	14.7%
July - Sept.	5,006	6.5%	5,280	6.8%	3,827	4.9%	35,292	45.6%	6,153	7.9%	4,453	5.8%	6,508	8.4%	10,885	14.1%
Oct. - Dec.	5,933	6.5%	7,506	8.2%	4,424	4.8%	41,722	45.6%	7,419	8.1%	4,801	5.2%	5,782	6.3%	13,921	15.2%
Jan. - Mar., 1992	6,638	6.5%	8,646	8.5%	4,734	4.6%	46,382	45.5%	7,517	7.4%	6,145	6.0%	5,443	5.3%	16,344	16.0%
YUKON																
Apr. - June, 1990	268	18.4%	410	28.1%	31	2.1%	386	26.5%	104	7.1%	9	0.6%	133	9.1%	116	8.0%
July - Sept.	310	25.0%	10	0.8%	73	5.9%	423	34.1%	72	5.8%	17	1.4%	186	15.0%	150	12.1%
Oct. - Dec.	270	21.7%	12	1.0%	65	5.2%	479	38.6%	52	4.2%	5	0.4%	174	14.0%	185	14.9%
Jan. - Mar., 1991	314	26.6%	54	4.6%	45	3.8%	392	33.2%	44	3.7%	22	1.9%	154	13.0%	156	13.2%
Apr. - June	212	22.0%	31	3.2%	37	3.8%	346	35.9%	41	4.3%	14	1.5%	161	16.7%	122	12.7%
July - Sept.	204	21.2%	25	2.6%	21	2.2%	349	36.3%	34	3.5%	11	1.1%	181	18.8%	137	14.2%
Oct. - Dec.	403	32.2%	16	1.3%	31	2.5%	403	32.2%	48	3.8%	15	1.2%	151	12.1%	185	14.8%
Jan. - Mar., 1992	330	27.9%	51	4.3%	39	3.3%	334	28.3%	66	5.6%	17	1.4%	125	10.6%	220	18.6%

TABLE 6: CASE APPEARANCES BY HEARING TYPE, SELECTED PROVINCES AND TERRITORIES IN CANADA, 1990-91 AND 1991-92

JURISDICTION & QUARTER	FEDERAL			PROVINCIAL			MUNICIPAL		
	NON-TRIAL	TRIAL	TOTAL	NON-TRIAL	TRIAL	TOTAL	NON-TRIAL	TRIAL	TOTAL
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND									
Apr. - June, 1990	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
July - Sept.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Oct. - Dec.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Jan. - Mar., 1991	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Apr. - June	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
July - Sept.	628	130	758	2,161	-	2,161	34	-	34
Oct. - Dec.	520	216	736	1,621	-	1,621	34	-	34
Jan. - Mar., 1992	655	151	806	1,435	-	1,435	26	-	26
NOVA SCOTIA									
Apr. - June, 1990	7,190	1,706	8,896	7,486	718	8,204	121	13	134
July - Sept.	8,796	1,814	10,610	8,796	720	9,516	169	19	188
Oct. - Dec.	8,925	2,166	11,091	8,610	822	9,432	132	34	166
Jan. - Mar., 1991	8,806	2,348	11,154	7,395	917	8,312	97	32	129
Apr. - June	8,296	2,088	10,384	8,209	901	9,110	83	21	104
July - Sept.	9,117	2,012	11,129	9,407	942	10,349	76	18	94
Oct. - Dec.	8,860	2,212	11,072	8,139	825	8,964	67	18	85
Jan. - Mar., 1992	8,841	2,294	11,135	6,395	939	7,334	58	18	76
QUEBEC									
Apr. - June, 1990	39,356	64,912	104,268	16,251	53,882	70,133	279	2,143	2,422
July - Sept.	33,108	62,587	95,695	9,612	28,692	38,304	312	1,415	1,727
Oct. - Dec.	43,504	69,053	112,557	15,168	46,247	61,435	491	1,550	2,041
Jan. - Mar., 1991	44,503	68,575	113,078	16,523	47,883	64,406	607	2,132	2,739
Apr. - June	44,657	71,401	116,058	19,705	47,849	67,554	312	1,877	2,189
July - Sept.	36,514	70,135	106,649	12,430	31,374	43,804	246	1,477	1,723
Oct. - Dec.	44,319	75,376	119,695	18,342	41,844	60,186	404	1,442	1,846
Jan. - Mar., 1992	49,139	76,842	125,981	19,798	39,320	59,118	352	1,627	1,979
YUKON									
Apr. - June, 1990	1,681	395	2,076	729	84	813	1,889	36	1,925
July - Sept.	2,063	437	2,500	830	79	909	1,155	19	1,174
Oct. - Dec.	1,518	412	1,930	513	63	576	1,235	5	1,240
Jan. - Mar., 1991	1,387	394	1,781	430	68	498	1,394	24	1,418
Apr. - June	1,398	276	1,674	864	49	913	1,421	33	1,454
July - Sept.	1,728	317	2,045	879	67	946	1,167	23	1,190
Oct. - Dec.	1,676	470	2,146	737	93	830	1,166	20	1,186
Jan. - Mar., 1992	1,546	456	2,002	504	92	596	2,025	10	2,035

TABLE 7: INITIATED AND DISPOSED OF COUNTS, ABSOLUTE AND PERCENTAGE DIFFERENCE, SELECTED PROVINCES AND TERRITORIES IN CANADA, 1990-91 AND 1991-92

	CHARGES				CHARGES (SOTs)				CASES			
	INIT.	DISP.	# DIFF.	% DIFF.	INIT.	DISP.	# DIFF.	% DIFF.	INIT.	DISP.	# DIFF.	% DIFF.
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND												
Apr. - June, 1990	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
July - Sept.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Oct. - Dec.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Jan. - Mar., 1991	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Apr. - June	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
July - Sept.	3,670	3,341	329	9.0%	188	188	0	0.0%	2,776	2,590	186	6.7%
Oct. - Dec.	2,742	2,898	-156	-5.7%	121	121	0	0.0%	2,029	2,194	-165	-8.1%
Jan. - Mar., 1992	2,403	2,545	-142	-5.9%	86	89	-3	-3.5%	1,838	1,977	-139	-7.6%
NOVA SCOTIA												
Apr. - June, 1990	9,765	8,860	905	9.3%	20,463	19,301	1162	5.7%	12,456	11,383	1073	8.6%
July - Sept.	11,613	9,542	2071	17.8%	22,140	21,833	307	1.4%	14,157	12,971	1186	8.4%
Oct. - Dec.	11,245	10,648	597	5.3%	20,199	20,890	-691	-3.4%	13,349	13,401	-52	-0.4%
Jan. - Mar., 1991	10,015	10,476	-461	-4.6%	17,394	17,673	-279	-1.6%	11,664	12,465	-801	-6.9%
Apr. - June	10,832	10,619	213	2.0%	22,354	20,571	1783	8.0%	14,235	13,354	881	6.2%
July - Sept.	11,625	10,574	1051	9.0%	20,793	22,052	-1259	-6.1%	14,405	14,568	-161	-1.1%
Oct. - Dec.	11,410	11,187	223	2.0%	17,989	18,796	-807	-4.5%	12,948	13,640	-692	-5.3%
Jan. - Mar., 1992	10,936	11,466	-530	-4.8%	15,752	15,730	22	0.1%	11,251	12,438	-1187	-10.6%
QUEBEC												
Apr. - June, 1990	83,604	93,714	-10110	-12.1%	31,002	42,937	-11935	-38.5%	72,592	81,982	-9390	-12.9%
July - Sept.	77,588	84,065	13523	17.4%	37,307	28,008	9299	24.9%	74,997	53,785	21212	28.3%
Oct. - Dec.	83,207	89,946	-6739	-8.1%	56,267	38,827	17440	31.0%	96,673	76,471	18202	18.8%
Jan. - Mar., 1991	84,043	91,156	-7113	-8.5%	30,382	46,523	-16141	-53.1%	72,699	84,124	-11225	-15.4%
Apr. - June	90,083	96,802	-6719	-7.5%	36,823	47,066	-10243	-27.8%	80,943	84,904	-3961	-4.9%
July - Sept.	88,664	77,404	11260	12.7%	36,306	29,575	6731	18.5%	80,702	62,868	17834	22.1%
Oct. - Dec.	90,286	91,508	-1222	-1.4%	37,821	39,348	-1527	-4.0%	83,562	78,775	4787	5.7%
Jan. - Mar., 1992	97,462	101,849	-4387	-4.5%	43,361	36,497	6864	15.8%	90,399	81,584	8815	9.8%
YUKON												
Apr. - June, 1990	1,519	1,457	62	4.1%	3,319	3,334	-15	-0.5%	3,335	3,342	-7	-0.2%
July - Sept.	1,291	1,241	50	3.9%	2,745	2,742	3	0.1%	2,786	2,737	49	1.8%
Oct. - Dec.	1,095	1,242	-147	-13.4%	2,118	2,130	-12	-0.6%	2,407	2,534	-127	-5.3%
Jan. - Mar., 1991	975	1,181	-206	-21.1%	2,128	2,133	-5	-0.2%	2,448	2,599	-151	-6.2%
Apr. - June	997	964	33	3.3%	3,461	3,436	25	0.7%	2,944	2,908	36	1.2%
July - Sept.	1,198	962	236	19.7%	2,907	2,895	12	0.4%	2,871	2,697	174	6.1%
Oct. - Dec.	1,231	1,252	-21	-1.7%	2,421	2,435	-14	-0.6%	2,616	2,650	-34	-1.3%
Jan. - Mar., 1992	1,042	1,182	-140	-13.4%	2,604	2,618	-14	-0.5%	3,138	3,233	-95	-3.0%

TABLE 8(A).

INITIATED AND DISPOSED OF CHARGES, ABSOLUTE AND PERCENTAGE DIFFERENCE,
BY STATUTE TYPE, PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND, 1990-91 AND 1991-92

UNITS OF COUNT BY QUARTERS	TOTAL OFFENCES	FEDERAL				PROVINCIAL				MUN.B-L
		CCC	NCA/FDA	OTHER	TOTAL	TRAFFIC	LIQUOR	OTHER	TOTAL	TOTAL
INITIATED CHARGES:										
Apr. - June, 1990	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
July - Sept.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Oct. - Dec.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Jan. - Mar., 1991	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Apr. - June, 1991	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
July - Sept.	3,670	1,245	69	92	1,408	1,042	981	204	2,227	37
Oct. - Dec.	2,742	1,050	26	123	1,199	777	589	145	1,511	32
Jan. - Mar., 1992	2,403	937	22	49	1,008	704	483	152	1,339	56
TOTAL	8,815	3,232	117	264	3,613	2,523	2,053	501	5,077	125
DISPOSED OF CHARGES:										
Apr. - June, 1990	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
July - Sept.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Oct. - Dec.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Jan. - Mar., 1991	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Apr. - June, 1991	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
July - Sept.	3,341	1,000	21	66	1,087	1,053	961	204	2,218	36
Oct. - Dec.	2,898	1,072	22	126	1,222	822	633	153	1,638	38
Jan. - Mar., 1992	2,545	971	46	70	1,087	773	479	170	1,422	36
TOTAL	8,784	3,043	89	264	3,396	2,648	2,073	527	5,278	110
ABSOLUTE DIFFERENCE:										
Apr. - June, 1990	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
July - Sept.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Oct. - Dec.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Jan. - Mar., 1991	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Apr. - June, 1991	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
July - Sept.	329	245	48	26	319	(11)	20	0	9	1
Oct. - Dec.	(156)	(22)	4	(5)	(23)	(45)	(44)	(8)	(127)	(6)
Jan. - Mar., 1992	(142)	(34)	(24)	(21)	(79)	(69)	4	(18)	(83)	20
TOTAL	31	189	28	0	217	(125)	(20)	(26)	(201)	15
PERCENTAGE DIFFERENCE:										
Apr. - June, 1990	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
July - Sept.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Oct. - Dec.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Jan. - Mar., 1991	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
TOTAL	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Apr. - June, 1991	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
July - Sept.	9.8%	24.5%	228.6%	39.4%	29.3%	-1.0%	2.1%	0.0%	0.4%	2.8%
Oct. - Dec.	-5.4%	-2.1%	18.2%	-3.9%	-1.9%	-5.5%	-7.0%	-5.2%	-7.8%	-15.8%
Jan. - Mar., 1992	-5.6%	-3.5%	-52.2%	-30.0%	-7.3%	-8.9%	0.8%	-10.6%	-5.8%	55.6%
TOTAL	0.4%	6.2%	31.5%	0.0%	6.4%	-4.7%	-1.0%	-4.9%	-3.8%	13.6%

TABLE 8(B).

INITIATED AND DISPOSED OF CHARGES, ABSOLUTE AND PERCENTAGE DIFFERENCE,
BY STATUTE TYPE, NOVA SCOTIA, 1990-91 AND 1991-92

UNITS OF COUNT BY QUARTERS	TOTAL OFFENCES	FEDERAL				PROVINCIAL				MUN.B-L
		CCC	NCA/FDA	OTHER	TOTAL	TRAFFIC	LIQUOR	OTHER	TOTAL	TOTAL
INITIATED CHARGES:										
Apr. - June, 1990	9,765	7,148	360	1,088	8,594	874	54	95	1,023	148
July - Sept.	11,813	8,982	450	844	10,276	924	92	128	1,144	183
Oct. - Dec.	11,245	8,637	430	1,023	10,090	741	65	230	1,036	119
Jan. - Mar., 1991	10,015	7,842	448	668	8,956	770	52	140	962	97
TOTAL	42,638	32,609	1,688	3,621	37,916	3,309	263	593	4,165	557
Apr. - June, 1991	10,832	8,395	354	1,070	9,819	747	48	114	909	104
July - Sept.	11,625	9,259	297	1,045	10,601	688	80	176	944	80
Oct. - Dec.	11,410	9,272	467	748	10,487	565	68	201	832	91
Jan. - Mar., 1992	10,936	9,237	348	651	10,236	404	43	167	614	86
TOTAL	44,803	36,163	1,466	3,514	41,143	2,404	237	658	3,299	361
DISPOSED OF CHARGES:										
Apr. - June, 1990	8,860	6,176	348	1,215	7,739	843	33	119	995	126
July - Sept.	9,542	7,160	363	811	8,334	839	83	121	1,043	165
Oct. - Dec.	10,648	8,273	313	1,020	9,606	704	67	140	911	131
Jan. - Mar., 1991	10,478	8,296	383	676	9,355	801	65	144	1,010	111
TOTAL	39,528	29,905	1,407	3,722	35,034	3,187	248	524	3,959	533
Apr. - June, 1991	10,619	8,099	396	1,043	9,538	749	44	189	982	99
July - Sept.	10,574	8,186	440	971	9,597	673	68	155	894	83
Oct. - Dec.	11,187	9,185	372	758	10,313	572	69	147	788	86
Jan. - Mar., 1992	11,466	9,748	293	665	10,706	460	50	153	663	97
TOTAL	43,846	35,218	1,501	3,435	40,154	2,454	229	644	3,327	365
ABSOLUTE DIFFERENCE:										
Apr. - June, 1990	905	972	12	(129)	855	31	21	(24)	28	22
July - Sept.	2,071	1,822	87	33	1,942	85	9	7	101	28
Oct. - Dec.	597	364	117	3	484	37	(2)	90	125	(12)
Jan. - Mar., 1991	(461)	(454)	63	(8)	(399)	(31)	(13)	(4)	(49)	(14)
TOTAL	3,112	2,704	279	(101)	2,882	122	15	69	206	24
Apr. - June, 1991	213	296	(42)	27	281	(2)	4	(75)	(73)	5
July - Sept.	1,051	1,073	(143)	74	1,004	15	14	21	50	(3)
Oct. - Dec.	223	87	95	(8)	174	(7)	(3)	54	44	5
Jan. - Mar., 1992	(530)	(511)	55	(14)	(470)	(56)	(7)	14	(49)	(11)
TOTAL	957	945	(35)	79	989	(50)	8	14	(28)	(4)
PERCENTAGE DIFFERENCE:										
Apr. - June, 1990	10.2%	15.7%	3.4%	-10.6%	11.0%	3.7%	63.6%	-20.2%	2.8%	17.5%
July - Sept.	21.7%	25.4%	24.0%	4.1%	23.3%	10.1%	10.8%	5.8%	9.7%	17.0%
Oct. - Dec.	5.6%	4.4%	37.4%	0.3%	5.0%	5.3%	-3.0%	64.3%	13.7%	-8.2%
Jan. - Mar., 1991	-4.4%	-5.5%	18.4%	-1.2%	-4.3%	-3.9%	-20.0%	-2.8%	-4.8%	-12.6%
TOTAL	7.9%	9.0%	19.8%	-2.7%	8.2%	3.8%	6.0%	13.2%	5.2%	4.5%
Apr. - June, 1991	2.0%	3.7%	-10.6%	2.6%	2.9%	-0.3%	9.1%	-39.7%	-7.4%	5.1%
July - Sept.	9.9%	13.1%	-32.5%	7.6%	10.5%	2.2%	21.2%	13.5%	5.6%	-3.6%
Oct. - Dec.	2.0%	0.9%	25.5%	-1.1%	1.7%	-1.2%	-4.3%	38.7%	5.6%	5.8%
Jan. - Mar., 1992	-4.6%	-5.2%	18.8%	-2.1%	-4.4%	-12.2%	-14.0%	9.2%	-7.4%	-11.3%
TOTAL	2.2%	2.7%	-2.3%	2.3%	2.5%	-2.0%	3.5%	2.2%	-0.8%	-1.1%

TABLE 8(C).

INITIATED AND DISPOSED OF CHARGES, ABSOLUTE AND PERCENTAGE DIFFERENCE,
BY STATUTE TYPE, QUÉBEC, 1990-91 AND 1991-92

UNITS OF COUNT BY QUARTERS	TOTAL OFFENCES	FEDERAL				PROVINCIAL				MUN.B-L TOTAL
		CCC	NCA/FDA	OTHER	TOTAL	TRAFFIC	LIQUOR	OTHER	TOTAL	
INITIATED CHARGES:										
Apr. - June, 1990	83,604	59,664	3,739	3,783	67,166	1,495	477	12,650	14,822	1,616
July - Sept.	77,588	60,239	2,589	3,338	66,166	1,216	315	8,585	10,116	1,306
Oct. - Dec.	83,207	61,342	3,013	4,850	69,205	1,468	456	10,631	12,555	1,447
Jan. - Mar., 1991	84,043	61,033	3,409	4,226	68,668	1,260	190	12,140	13,590	1,785
TOTAL	328,442	242,276	12,750	16,177	271,205	5,439	1,438	44,206	51,083	6,154
Apr. - June, 1991	90,083	63,082	4,299	5,215	72,596	1,332	358	14,139	15,829	1,658
July - Sept.	88,664	65,353	3,539	5,002	73,894	1,275	242	11,934	13,451	1,319
Oct. - Dec.	90,266	64,776	3,581	4,735	73,092	1,129	266	14,492	15,887	1,307
Jan. - Mar., 1992	97,482	70,770	3,866	4,892	79,528	1,869	272	14,254	16,395	1,539
TOTAL	366,495	263,961	15,285	19,844	299,110	5,605	1,138	54,819	61,562	5,823
DISPOSED OF CHARGES:										
Apr. - June, 1990	93,714	55,416	3,009	5,082	63,507	1,472	500	26,663	28,635	1,572
July - Sept.	84,065	47,914	2,374	3,934	54,222	1,222	287	7,005	8,514	1,329
Oct. - Dec.	89,946	60,695	3,191	5,111	68,997	1,472	353	17,784	19,609	1,340
Jan. - Mar., 1991	91,156	66,823	3,305	4,843	74,971	1,718	317	12,070	14,105	2,080
TOTAL	338,881	230,848	11,879	18,970	261,697	5,884	1,457	63,522	70,863	6,321
Apr. - June, 1991	96,802	68,003	3,648	4,950	76,601	1,798	396	16,215	18,409	1,792
July - Sept.	77,404	56,529	3,269	4,695	64,493	1,257	263	10,080	11,600	1,311
Oct. - Dec.	91,508	66,377	3,634	5,657	75,668	1,153	307	13,211	14,671	1,169
Jan. - Mar., 1992	101,849	73,889	4,555	4,952	83,396	1,570	336	14,859	16,765	1,688
TOTAL	367,563	264,798	15,106	20,254	300,158	5,778	1,302	54,365	61,445	5,960
ABSOLUTE DIFFERENCE:										
Apr. - June, 1990	(10,110)	4,248	730	(1,319)	3,659	23	(23)	(13,813)	(13,813)	44
July - Sept.	13,523	12,325	215	(596)	11,944	(6)	28	1,580	1,602	(23)
Oct. - Dec.	(6,739)	647	(178)	(261)	208	(4)	103	(7,153)	(7,054)	107
Jan. - Mar., 1991	(7,113)	(5,790)	104	(617)	(6,303)	(458)	(127)	70	(515)	(295)
TOTAL	(10,439)	11,430	871	(2,793)	9,508	(445)	(19)	(19,316)	(19,780)	(167)
Apr. - June, 1991	(6,719)	(4,921)	651	265	(4,005)	(466)	(38)	(2,076)	(2,580)	(134)
July - Sept.	11,260	8,824	270	307	9,401	18	(21)	1,854	1,851	8
Oct. - Dec.	(1,222)	(1,601)	(53)	(922)	(2,576)	(24)	(41)	1,281	1,216	138
Jan. - Mar., 1992	(4,387)	(3,119)	(689)	(60)	(3,868)	299	(64)	(605)	(370)	(149)
TOTAL	(1,068)	(817)	179	(410)	(1,048)	(173)	(164)	454	117	(137)
PERCENTAGE DIFFERENCE:										
Apr. - June, 1990	-10.6%	7.7%	24.3%	-26.0%	5.6%	1.6%	-4.6%	-51.8%	-48.2%	2.8%
July - Sept.	21.1%	25.7%	9.1%	-15.1%	22.0%	-0.5%	9.8%	22.6%	18.6%	-1.7%
Oct. - Dec.	-7.5%	1.1%	-5.6%	-5.1%	0.3%	-0.3%	29.2%	-40.2%	-36.0%	8.0%
Jan. - Mar., 1991	-7.8%	-8.7%	3.1%	-12.7%	-8.4%	-26.7%	-40.1%	0.6%	-3.7%	-14.2%
TOTAL	-3.1%	5.0%	7.3%	-14.7%	3.6%	-7.6%	-1.3%	-30.4%	-27.9%	-2.6%
Apr. - June, 1991	-6.9%	-7.2%	17.8%	5.4%	-5.2%	-25.9%	-9.6%	-12.8%	-14.0%	-7.5%
July - Sept.	14.5%	15.6%	8.3%	6.5%	14.6%	1.4%	-8.0%	18.4%	16.0%	0.6%
Oct. - Dec.	-1.3%	-2.4%	-1.5%	-16.3%	-3.4%	-2.1%	-13.4%	9.7%	8.3%	11.8%
Jan. - Mar., 1992	-4.3%	-4.2%	-15.1%	-1.2%	-4.6%	19.0%	-19.0%	-4.1%	-2.2%	-8.8%
TOTAL	-0.3%	-0.3%	1.2%	-2.0%	-0.3%	-3.0%	-12.6%	0.8%	0.2%	-2.3%

TABLE 8(D).

INITIATED AND DISPOSED OF CHARGES, ABSOLUTE AND PERCENTAGE DIFFERENCE,
BY STATUTE TYPE, YUKON, 1990-91 AND 1991-92

UNITS OF COUNT BY QUARTERS	TOTAL OFFENCES	FEDERAL				PROVINCIAL				MUN.B-L TOTAL
		CCC	NCA/FDA	OTHER	TOTAL	TRAFFIC	LIQUOR	OTHER	TOTAL	
INITIATED CHARGES:										
Apr. - June, 1990	1,519	1,048	44	37	1,127	15	18	13	46	348
July - Sept.	1,291	1,153	61	29	1,243	21	1	25	47	1
Oct. - Dec.	1,095	960	48	30	1,038	25	5	26	56	1
Jan. - Mar., 1991	975	901	31	10	942	27	5	1	33	-
TOTAL	4,880	4,060	184	106	4,350	88	29	65	182	348
Apr. - June, 1991	997	896	44	25	965	25	3	4	32	-
July - Sept.	1,198	1,043	94	31	1,168	11	3	16	30	-
Oct. - Dec.	1,231	1,098	55	18	1,167	30	7	27	64	-
Jan. - Mar., 1992	1,042	940	51	14	1,005	13	3	21	37	-
TOTAL	4,468	3,975	244	86	4,305	79	16	68	163	-
DISPOSED OF CHARGES:										
Apr. - June, 1990	1,457	951	61	22	1,034	23	7	17	47	378
July - Sept.	1,241	1,086	52	31	1,169	18	14	39	71	1
Oct. - Dec.	1,242	1,087	60	47	1,194	21	6	20	47	1
Jan. - Mar., 1991	1,181	1,066	39	21	1,126	28	5	22	55	-
TOTAL	5,121	4,190	212	121	4,523	90	32	98	220	378
Apr. - June, 1991	964	844	59	18	921	30	3	6	39	4
July - Sept.	962	870	53	14	937	11	4	10	25	-
Oct. - Dec.	1,252	1,095	81	23	1,199	26	7	20	53	-
Jan. - Mar., 1992	1,182	1,074	52	19	1,145	16	3	16	37	-
TOTAL	4,360	3,883	245	74	4,202	83	17	54	154	4
ABSOLUTE DIFFERENCE:										
Apr. - June, 1990	62	95	-17	15	93	-8	11	-4	-1	-30
July - Sept.	50	67	9	-2	74	3	-13	-14	-24	-
Oct. - Dec.	-147	-127	-12	-17	-156	4	-1	6	9	-
Jan. - Mar., 1991	-208	-165	-8	-11	-184	-1	-	-21	-22	-
TOTAL	-241	-130	-28	-15	-173	-2	-3	-33	-38	-30
Apr. - June, 1991	33	52	-15	7	44	-5	-	-2	-7	-4
July - Sept.	238	173	41	17	231	-	-1	6	5	-
Oct. - Dec.	-21	1	-26	-7	-32	4	-	7	11	-
Jan. - Mar., 1992	-140	-134	-1	-5	-140	-3	-	3	-	-
TOTAL	108	92	-1	12	103	-4	-1	14	9	-4
PERCENTAGE DIFFERENCE:										
Apr. - June, 1990	4.3%	10.0%	-27.9%	68.2%	9.0%	-34.8%	157.1%	-23.5%	-2.1%	-8.0%
July - Sept.	4.0%	6.2%	17.3%	-6.5%	6.3%	16.7%	-82.9%	-35.9%	-33.8%	...
Oct. - Dec.	-11.8%	-11.7%	-20.0%	-38.2%	-13.1%	19.0%	-16.7%	30.0%	19.1%	...
Jan. - Mar., 1991	-17.4%	-15.5%	-20.5%	-52.4%	-16.3%	-3.6%	...	-95.5%	-40.0%	...
TOTAL	-4.7%	-3.1%	-13.2%	-12.4%	-3.8%	-2.2%	-9.4%	-33.7%	-17.3%	-7.9%
Apr. - June, 1991	3.4%	6.2%	-25.4%	38.9%	4.8%	-16.7%	...	-33.3%	-17.9%	-100.0%
July - Sept.	24.5%	19.9%	77.4%	121.4%	24.7%	...	-25.0%	60.0%	20.0%	...
Oct. - Dec.	-1.7%	0.1%	-32.1%	-30.4%	-2.7%	15.4%	...	35.0%	20.8%	...
Jan. - Mar., 1992	-11.8%	-12.5%	-1.9%	-28.3%	-12.2%	-18.8%	...	16.7%	...	...
TOTAL	2.5%	2.4%	-0.4%	18.2%	2.5%	-4.8%	-5.9%	25.9%	5.8%	-100.0%

TABLE 9:

CHARGES AND CASES PENDING AT END, SELECTED PROVINCES AND TERRITORIES IN CANADA, 1990-91 AND 1991-92

PROVINCE & QUARTER	CHARGES		CHARGES SOTS		CASES	
	PENDING END		PENDING END		PENDING END	
	#	% change year-to-year	#	% change year-to-year	#	% change year-to-year
PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND						
Apr. - June, 1990	..	..	..	..	..	..
July - Sept.	..	..	..	..	..	..
Oct. - Dec.	..	..	..	..	..	..
Jan. - Mar., 1991	..	..	..	..	..	..
Apr. - June	..	..	..	..	..	..
July - Sept.	1,417	..	-	..	1,077	..
Oct. - Dec.	1,222	..	-	..	917	..
Jan. - Mar., 1992	1,686	..	-	..	1,071	..
NOVA SCOTIA						
Apr. - June, 1990	5,494	..	7,533	..	6,826	..
July - Sept.	7,560	..	7,837	..	8,197	..
Oct. - Dec.	8,155	..	7,148	..	8,371	..
Jan. - Mar., 1991	7,693	..	6,867	..	7,818	..
Apr. - June	7,904	43.9%	8,674	15.1%	8,896	30.3%
July - Sept.	8,950	18.4%	7,412	-5.4%	8,988	9.6%
Oct. - Dec.	9,173	12.5%	6,602	-7.6%	8,517	1.7%
Jan. - Mar., 1992	8,642	12.3%	6,620	-3.6%	7,710	-1.4%
QUEBEC						
Apr. - June, 1990	107,308	..	72,320	..	126,194	..
July - Sept.	121,062	..	81,599	..	138,834	..
Oct. - Dec.	114,501	..	99,036	..	151,741	..
Jan. - Mar., 1991	107,604	..	82,870	..	133,243	..
Apr. - June	101,054	-5.8%	72,627	0.4%	121,780	-3.5%
July - Sept.	112,636	-7.0%	79,352	-2.8%	131,949	-5.0%
Oct. - Dec.	111,493	-2.6%	77,564	-21.7%	131,468	-13.4%
Jan. - Mar., 1992	106,657	-0.9%	83,226	0.4%	133,505	0.2%
YUKON						
Apr. - June, 1990	1,109	..	220	..	954	..
July - Sept.	1,155	..	220	..	999	..
Oct. - Dec.	1,008	..	208	..	874	..
Jan. - Mar., 1991	802	..	203	..	728	..
Apr. - June	448	-59.6%	54	-75.5%	329	-65.5%
July - Sept.	684	-40.8%	66	-70.0%	506	-49.3%
Oct. - Dec.	663	-34.2%	52	-75.0%	473	-45.9%
Jan. - Mar., 1992	523	-21.1%	38	-21.1%	388	-21.1%

APPENDIX A: CONTEXTUAL DATA: CRIME AND POPULATION, 1990 and 1991

Jurisdiction	Year	Adult Population (1) (,000)	UCR: Adults Charged (2) (3)					
			Crim code	NCA/FDA	Other Fed.	Prov.	Mun.	TOTAL
Newfoundland	1990	407.8	11,159	543	276	5,081	44	17,103
	1991	411.8	11,465	405	226	5,227	36	17,359
Prince Edward Island	1990	94.6	2,175	104	22	2,750	51	5,105
	1991	94.6	2,456	61	24	2,863	297	5,700
Nova Scotia	1990	669.7	18,592	1,408	161	13,947	1,105	35,413
	1991	676.8	20,389	944	195	13,112	919	35,559
New Brunswick	1990	535.6	13,075	690	156	8,277	145	22,343
	1991	540.3	13,557	605	211	6,275	133	20,781
Quebec	1990	5,140.1	124,570	6,700	831	5,271	14,457	149,829
	1991	5,193.4	131,062	7,476	1,279	2,426	13,277	155,520
Ontario	1990	7,361.9	207,618	17,156	4,052	126,506	11,372	366,704
	1991	7,489.6	218,634	14,351	4,373	114,165	9,764	361,287
Manitoba	1990	802.3	25,522	1,551	1,008	5,124	185	33,390
	1991	807.4	27,130	1,315	848	5,153	302	34,748
Saskatchewan	1990	714.6	32,708	1,190	279	20,372	1,141	55,690
	1991	712.8	32,717	819	295	15,056	1,049	49,936
Alberta	1990	1,781.3	69,549	4,934	227	18,281	868	93,859
	1991	1,819.9	80,641	4,293	240	19,718	1,105	105,997
British Columbia	1990	2,377.4	59,926	6,486	772	9,835	2,719	79,738
	1991	2,439.2	67,283	10,259	770	8,932	790	88,034
Northwest Territories	1990	33.7	4,042	195	5	3,125	54	7,421
	1991	34.0	4,328	202	19	4,755	66	9,370
Yukon	1990	18.1	1,541	114	7	2,037	2	3,701
	1991	19.0	1,363	134	2	1,620	0	3,119
TOTAL	1990	19,936.1	570,780	41,071	7,796	218,506	32,143	870,296
	1991	20,243.8	611,025	40,864	8,482	199,301	27,738	887,410

(1) Statistics Canada, 1990 & 1991, Population Data, Demography Division

(2) Statistics Canada, 1990 & 1991, Canadian Crime Statistics, Catalogue #85-205

(3) Uniform Crime Report (UCR) data include Youths charged with Criminal Code Traffic Offences

APPENDIX B:

ACCS-CASELOAD COMPONENT DEFINITIONS

ELEMENT DEFINITIONS

Federal Statutes: Acts and regulations, including the Criminal Code, enacted by Parliament and relating to matters within the authority of the federal government under the Constitution Act. Federal statutes will be classified according to four headings; Criminal Code, Narcotic Control Act, Food and Drugs Act and Other Federal Statutes.

Provincial Statutes: Acts, ordinances and regulations enacted by a provincial or territorial legislature relating to matters within the authority of the provincial or territorial government, excluding Municipal By-Laws. The statutes for display are Traffic, Liquor and Other Provincial Statutes. Specific to each jurisdiction, all related Acts, Ordinances and Regulations will need to be determined for the Traffic and Liquor categories.

Municipal By-Laws: Acts and Regulations enacted by a municipal council relating to matters within the authority of the municipal government.

Reference Periods - Quarters: The four quarters within a year with a span of three consecutive months. The four quarters commence with the months of January, April, July and October.

Court Level: Level of court at which hearings take place. The current focus is on provincial/territorial courts which hear criminal matters, but future project development could include all other levels of court.

Court Location: Location of provincial/territorial court at which the appearance takes place, or in the case of summary offence tickets, the court location from which the ticket is issued.

Units of Count

This aggregate survey is an adult criminal court survey and the units of count, with two exceptions, deal with adult criminal activities at the provincial/territorial court level. Youths raised to adult court under the Young Offenders Act, by virtue of the seriousness of their crimes, are counted as this represents workload for the adult provincial court within the scope of this survey. The second exception involves charge counts for summary offence tickets.

These are counted for both young offenders and adults.

Charges:

The Caseload component includes an aggregate total of all charges dealt with during the reference period. Charges are listed by statute type (federal statutes, provincial/territorial statutes, and municipal by-laws) and by court location. Charges not resulting in a court appearance are excluded from the survey.

By way of example, twenty break and enter charges against person A result in twenty charges being recorded by the survey under the federal statute category. Further, five criminal code charges and two provincial statute charges against person B result in five federal statute and two provincial statute charges being recorded by the survey.

"Charges" are collected under four separate headings: Pending at Start; Initiated; Disposed Of; and Pending at End. These are described below.

Pending at Start: Charges resulting in a court appearance in any previous reference period, but not yet disposed of at the beginning of the current reference period. Charges stayed or bench warranted in a previous reference period are not included in Pending at Start counts.

Initiated: Charges having a first court appearance taking place during the reference period. It also includes initial appearances for charges transferred from another court or court level (i.e. superior court) within the province, charges transferred from outside the province/territory and charges which, after being stayed or bench warranted in a previous or current reference period, have been restarted during the reporting period.

Disposed Of Counts: A charge is considered as being disposed of for the purposes of the caseload component of ACCS if it contains any one of the disposed of types listed below within the reference period.

The **disposed of** category is sub-categorized as follows:

1. Stayed (includes adjourned sine die);
2. Withdrawn;
3. * Dismissed/Discharged at preliminary hearing;
4. ** Guilty plea;

5. *** Found guilty;
6. Found not guilty (acquitted of offence charged,
acquitted on account of insanity);
7. Bench warrant;
8. Other (committed for trial in superior court,
waived out of province,
waived in province,
quashed,
nullity,
unfit to stand trial,
defence raises Charter argument).

* "Discharged" under the 3. Dismissed/Discharged sub-category refers only to charges discharged at preliminary inquiry. Absolute or conditional discharge occurring after the finding of guilt would be counted under the 5. Found guilty sub-category.

** "Guilty Plea" indicates the accused pleaded guilty and the court accepted the plea.

*** "Found Guilty" indicates the accused's guilt is based on the facts against him and not on plea information.

Pending at End: Charges initiated in the current or any previous reference period but which have not been disposed of by the end of the current reference period. Pending at End is derived by adding all Pending at Start plus Initiated charges, and subtracting all charges Disposed of during the reference period.

Charges: Summary Offence Tickets

The Caseload component also includes an aggregate count of all offences listed on summary offence tickets (SOTs) dealt with during the reference period. SOTs will be collected under four separate headings described below.

Pending at Start: Charges initiated with the issuance of a SOT in any previous reference period, but not yet disposed of at the beginning of the current reference period. Charges stayed

or bench warranted in a previous reference period are not included in pending at start counts. SOTs issued to an accused near the end of the preceding reference period, for which the scheduled court date falls in the reporting period, are also counted under Pending at Start.

Initiated: SOTs issued to accused during the reference period based on date of issuance to the accused. Initiated includes charges stayed or bench warranted in a previous or current reference period that are restarted during the reporting period.

Disposed Of: A SOT is considered as being disposed of for the purposes of ACCS if it contains any one of the disposed of types listed below and if it has no subsequent provincial court appearances in the court location at which it received the disposition.

The **disposed of** category is sub-categorized as follows:

1. Voluntary payment (voluntary payment, effort or agreement to pay prior to the appearance date);
2. Deemed guilty (automatic conviction);
3. Found guilty (includes guilty plea);
4. Found not guilty (acquitted of offence charged);
5. Bench warrant;
6. Other (stayed, withdrawn, dismissed, discharged, waived out of province, waived in province, quashed, nullity, cancelled).

Pending at End: Charges initiated in the current or any previous reference period but which have not been disposed of at the end of the current reference period. Pending at End is derived by adding all Pending at Start plus Initiated charges, and subtracting all charges Disposed Of during the reference period.

Cases:

An aggregate count of all cases dealt with in court during the reference period.

In order to properly tabulate the cases and case appearances units of count, a **Most Serious Statute (MSS)** rule and a **Most Serious Disposition (MSD)** rule are used.

The first rule entails identifying the **Most Serious Statute** where two or more related charges are involved, and counting the case against the most serious statute. Charges including SOT charges, are considered related if they have the same accused identification, court location and first appearance date. For example, a case may involve several related charges, all having the same initial court date. The case will be counted only once against the most serious statute. Further, the case will be counted only once during the reference period regardless of the number of court appearances.

The statute hierarchy from most to least serious is as follows:

1. Federal Statutes
 - a. Criminal Code
 - b. Narcotic Control Act
 - c. Food and Drugs Act
 - d. Other
2. Provincial Statutes
 - a. Traffic
 - b. Liquor
 - c. Other
3. Municipal By-laws (all).

The second rule entails identifying the **Most Serious Disposition** when two or more related charges have the same most serious statute. The case is counted against the appropriate disposition category based on the seriousness of the disposition and is used **after** the Most Serious Statute category has been determined. For example, a case involves three charges, a robbery (CCC) charge, an assault (CCC) charge and a possession of drugs (NCA) charge. The disposition for the robbery charge is found not guilty, but there is a disposition of guilty for the assault and the drug offence. In applying the MSS rule, the case is counted under CCC statute. The MSD rule is needed because there were two CCC offences with different dispositions (found not guilty for the robbery charge and found guilty for the assault charge). Based on the MSD rule, the disposition found guilty is more serious than found not guilty and therefore the case disposition is to be counted under found guilty.

The complete hierarchy from most to least serious is as follows:

1. Found Guilty (335)
2. Guilty Plea (334)
3. Other (338)
4. Stayed (331)
5. Found Not Guilty (336)
6. Dismissed/Discharged (333)
7. Withdrawn (332)
8. Bench Warrant (337).

Pending at Start: Cases for which the first appearance occurred in a previous reference period and for which related charges have not all been disposed of by the start of the current reference period. Pending at start does not include counts of cases where the most serious statute was stayed or bench warranted prior to the reference period.

Initiated: Cases for which the first appearance occurred in the current reference period. Initiated charges include charges that were stayed or bench warranted in previous or current reference period and restarted during the current reference period. Cases Initiated count derived from a SOT, is calculated the same way as if it is derived from a Charge. However, if the SOT charge is disposed of by "Voluntary Payment" prior to the first appearance date, then no Cases Initiated count is included.

Disposed Of: Cases for which the first appearance occurred in the current or any previous reference period and the last of the cases's related charges has received a final disposition during the current reference period. Disposition types are the same eight as those listed under the Charges unit of count. Again if a SOT is disposed of by "Voluntary Payment" prior to the first appearance date, then no Cases Disposed of count is included.

Pending at End: Cases for which the first appearance occurred in the current or any previous reference period and all related charges have not been disposed of by the end of the current reference period. Pending at End is derived by adding all Pending at Start plus Initiated cases, and subtracting all cases Disposed Of during the reference period.

Case Appearances:

An aggregate count of case appearances, by most serious statute, during the reference period. A case appearance is defined as a court appearance by an accused on any given date during the

reference period. For example, an accused appearing in court on three different days during the same reference period would equal three case appearances. Similarly, if two accused involved in similar charges having the same first appearance date appeared in court on three different days during the same reference period, a count of six case appearances would be registered by the survey.

Non-trial: Includes appearances for all judicial interim release (bail) hearings, preliminary hearings, fitness hearings, and first appearances or subsequent appearances which are not trial appearances. This includes appearances held for sentencing purposes.

Trial: Includes appearances for all trial hearings. One person appearing in a given calendar day for a trial hearing will count as one trial appearance. Two persons appearing in the same calendar day for the same trial will count as two trial appearances.

APPENDIX C

METHODOLOGICAL NOTES

Stages of Data Flow and Sources of Error

The ACCS caseload data contained in this and other similar reports have undergone numerous types of processing since the original data collection took place in the court room. Each process may have introduced the possibility for error, or a difference between the original court event and the final tabulated data.

The following is a description of the three basic stages of data flow for the ACCS and the types of errors which may be introduced at each stage.

Stage 1. Collection of the Original Data

The initial stage involves the recording of court proceedings in some form of docket.

Response and Measurement Error: Provinces and territories or court locations within the same province or territory may differ in terms of court operations and recording procedures, interpretation of statutes or legal concepts and sentencing practices.

Non-response Error: Data pertaining to some ACCS variables may not be collected if it is not required for operational and administrative purposes.

Data Coding Errors: There may be clerical errors in the recording of court proceedings.

Stage 2. Jurisdictional Processing of the Original Data

Data from court dockets are captured into the provincial and territorial automated operational systems. From there they are loaded into the automated management information system files of the provinces and territories.

Coverage Error: Data for certain court locations may not be captured for inclusion in the automated files.

Non-response Errors: Data pertaining to some ACCS variables may not be captured for inclusion in the automated operational systems, even though they exist in the court dockets.

Data coding and capture Errors: There may be clerical errors or delays in the coding of data on the docket or in the transformation of data from the docket into a machine-readable format.

Edit and Imputation Errors: The edit and imputation rules may be misinterpreted or they may be too strict or too lax.

System Errors: Processing of operational system files or management information system files may introduce some error.

Stage 3. Transcription of Information into ACCS Format

Interface software selects the applicable records from automated court operational systems or management information systems in the provinces and territories. Then the records are transcribed into the ACCS format and sent to CCJS for processing.

System Errors: ACCS interface software specifications may be incorrect or misinterpreted or the interface software itself may be incorrect.

Coverage Errors: The ACCS interface software could extract unwanted records or miss records that should be covered by the survey.

ACCS Tools for Assuring Data Quality

A number of tools have been developed by the ACCS to minimize or correct the errors identified above.

ACCS Edit System

The edit system is the main tool developed by the ACCS to identify and correct errors in the data and to guide interface software development. Erroneous data processed by the ACCS Edit System may result in any one of the following outcomes:

a) Data are Rejected

Three types of errors cause data to be rejected: missing units of count; invalid units of count, court level or court identifier; duplicate records.

b) A Warning is Issued

This occurs when there are inconsistencies in the combination of data elements, data missing in optional secondary fields or incorrect coding.

Data quality reports, which describe the nature and extent of these errors, are sent to each province/territory. Follow-up conversations are held to discuss the issues and problems identified and to find possible solutions.

Interface Software Development Methodology

It has been identified above that system error may be introduced during the extraction and transcription of provincial or territorial data into ACCS format. The ACCS has attempted to minimize this possibility by implementing a standard interface development methodology which requires a complete testing of the software by both the ACCS and the province or territory before implementation of the software. Interface development must proceed through the following stages:

- a) The feasibility of developing interface software is investigated. A test environment is established in the operational system of the province or territory to assist in the feasibility investigation and in the development of interface software.
- b) Provincial or territorial data elements are mapped to the ACCS data requirements.
- c) The interface software is run in the test environment using test data and the results are verified by both the ACCS and the province or territory. Any differences between actual and expected results are identified and the required corrections are made.
- d) The interface software is run in the production environment and the results are verified by both the province or territory and ACCS. Any errors are identified and the required corrections are made.
- e) An evaluation exercise is undertaken to assess the extent to which the data extracted by the interface match the data contained in the original provincial or territorial court files and automated operational system files. The results of the evaluation exercise will fulfil the additional function of permitting the investigation of response errors, or discrepancies between the final published data and the original recording of the court event.

Data Quality Issues Arising from Provincial and Territorial Systems

Certain limitations are imposed on the quality of ACCS data due to the fact that they are by-products of provincial and territorial automated operational systems. Errors in the design, development, and implementation of provincial and territorial systems may diminish the quality of the ACCS data.

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