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for the year ended

SEPTEMBER 30, 1924

TOTAL NUMBER OF CHARGES AND CONVICTIONS 1923-24

NUMBER OF CASES DEALT WITH BY THE DIFFERENT COURTS 1923-24

INDICTABLE OFFENCES BY PROVINCES 1924

NON-INDICTABLE OFFENCES BY PROVINCES 1924

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Criminal Statistics for the year ended
September 30th, 1924.

The total number of cases recorded in the Criminal Statistics for the year ended September 30, 1924, was 171,909 as compared with 164,131 for 1923. The returns from the different courts give the following results:-

How Tried	1923		1924	
	Convicted	Acquitted	Convicted	Acquitted
By Jury	822	538	607	508
Under the Speedy Trials Act without a Jury	2,158	1,046	2,428	1,052
Under the Summary Trials Act by Police or other Magistrates.....	12,205	2,967	13,223	2,849
Total indictable offences....	15,185	4,551	16,258	4,409
Summary convictions of non-indictable offences	137,493	-	143,999	-
Juvenile Courts, Major Offences.....	4,165	328	4,722	280
" " Minor Offences.....	2,406	-	3,240	-
Total for Canada	159,252	4,879	167,219	4,689

Juvenile Delinquency formed the subject of a previous bulletin and, therefore, is not further dealt with herein.

It is seen from the above table that convictions for indictable offences increased by 7 p.c. and that acquittals decreased by 6 p.c. Convictions for non-indictable offences increased by 4.7 p.c.

The following table shows the convictions by provinces for 1924 compared with 1923.

Convictions by Provinces

Indictable Offences	1923		1924		Increase No.	Decrease No.	Per cent
	No.	No.	No.	No.			
Prince Edward Island	13	25	12	-	-	-	92.3
Nova Scotia	400	595	195	-	-	-	48.7
New Brunswick	148	224	76	-	-	-	51.3
Quebec	2,655	2,729	74	-	-	-	2.8
Ontario	6,886	7,180	294	-	-	-	4.3
Manitoba	1,094	1,160	66	-	-	-	6.0
Saskatchewan	1,446	1,647	201	-	-	-	13.9
Alberta	1,424	1,423	-	1	-	-	-
British Columbia	1,116	1,265	149	-	-	-	13.3
Yukon and Other Territories.	6	10	4	-	-	-	66.6
CANADA	15,188	16,258	1,070	-	-	-	7.1
Non-Indictable Offences							
Prince Edward Island	321	232	-	89	-	-	27.7
Nova Scotia	3,033	3,355	322	-	-	-	10.6
New Brunswick	2,179	2,499	320	-	-	-	14.7
Quebec	27,563	22,803	-	4,760	-	-	17.5
Ontario	64,639	73,768	9,129	-	-	-	14.1
Manitoba	11,377	11,189	-	188	-	-	1.7
Saskatchewan	8,346	7,274	-	1,072	-	-	12.8
Alberta	8,359	8,342	-	17	-	-	0.2
British Columbia	11,639	13,508	1,869	-	-	-	16.1
Yukon	37	29	-	8	-	-	21.6
CANADA.....	137,493	142,999	5,506	-	-	-	4.0

Indictable Offences by Classes and Provinces, Number of Convictions, 1924, and Totals for 1923.

Offences	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.	Yukon & Territories	Canada 1924	Totals for 1923
CLASS I. Offences against the person -												
Murder	-	-	-	10	6	1	2	1	2	-	22	15
" attempt to commit.....	-	1	-	3	6	1	-	1	-	-	12	15
Manslaughter	-	4	-	2	9	2	2	2	3	1	25	38
Abortion and concealing birth.	-	-	1	4	8	1	1	2	3	-	20	12
Rape and other offences	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
against decency.....	1	12	15	33	199	20	45	34	26	-	385	365
Procuration	-	-	-	2	7	1	-	2	2	-	14	19
Bigamy	-	2	-	6	27	1	4	7	2	-	49	56
Shooting, stabbing and wounding	-	3	2	66	49	10	4	6	8	-	148	157
Assault on females and wife....	-	5	-	1	41	3	3	1	11	-	65	63
" aggravated.....	-	29	10	45	213	22	10	27	32	-	388	382
" on Police.....	3	24	9	130	136	14	61	49	16	-	442	217
" and battery.....	-	80	5	26	680	65	21	88	86	1	1,052	920
Non-support of family.....	-	8	-	-	178	2	3	6	4	-	201	212
Wife desertion	-	-	-	-	4	-	-	-	7	-	11	7
Other offences against the person	-	11	1	10	47	9	4	12	1	-	95	97
TOTALS.....												
1924	4	179	43	338	1,610	152	160	238	203	2	2,929	2,575
1923	2	107	29	267	1,445	1,555	88	240	237	5	-	-
CLASS II. Offences against property with violence -												
Burglary, house, warehouse and shopbreaking.....	1	93	21	225	678	137	45	100	258	-	1,558	1,175
Robbing and demanding with menaces	-	4	1	18	63	15	19	10	16	-	146	132
Highway robbery	-	-	-	7	4	-	-	3	-	-	14	14
TOTALS.....												
1924	1	97	22	250	745	152	64	113	274	-	1,710	1,321
1923	2	62	16	250	575	107	94	104	111	-	-	-

Indictable Offences by Classes and Provinces, 1924, and Totals for 1923-Continued

O f f e n c e s	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.	Yukon & Territories		Totals for 1923
										1924	1923	
CLASS III. Offences against property without violence -												
Bringing stolen goods into Canada	-	-	2	-	3	-	-	-	-	-	5	2
Embezzlement	-	1	-	-	2	-	-	1	-	-	4	14
False pretences	-	4	5	133	248	20	102	51	84	-	677	577
Feloniously receiving stolen goods	2	5	19	85	136	26	26	40	37	-	376	333
Fraud and conspiracy to defraud	-	3	2	41	290	94	42	42	36	-	550	472
Horse and cattle stealing	-	1	1	5	10	2	18	16	4	-	57	18
Theft	6	181	87	1,024	2,804	494	697	532	338	1	6,164	5,800
Theft of mail	-	3	1	-	8	1	4	11	6	-	34	22
Theft of automobile	2	4	2	6	136	52	20	44	14	-	200	65
T O T A L S	10	202	119	1,294	3,637	689	909	767	519	1	8,147	7,303
1923	7	163	65	1,068	3,312	652	868	670	497	1		
CLASS IV. Malicious offences against property -												
Arson	-	-	-	7	18	2	3	10	5	-	45	58
Malicious injury to horses, cattle and other property	1	8	1	49	75	20	9	21	5	-	189	217
T O T A L S	1	8	1	56	93	22	12	31	10	-	234	275
1924	-	9	4	60	127	21	13	18	23	-		
1923	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CLASS V. Forgery and other offences against currency -												
Offences against currency	-	-	-	2	1	-	-	-	1	-	4	10
Forgery and uttering forged documents	-	4	4	15	122	42	28	84	25	-	324	301
T O T A L S	-	4	4	17	123	42	28	84	26	-	328	311
1924	-	4	4	17	123	42	28	84	26	-		
1923	1	8	1	25	136	42	36	35	27	-		

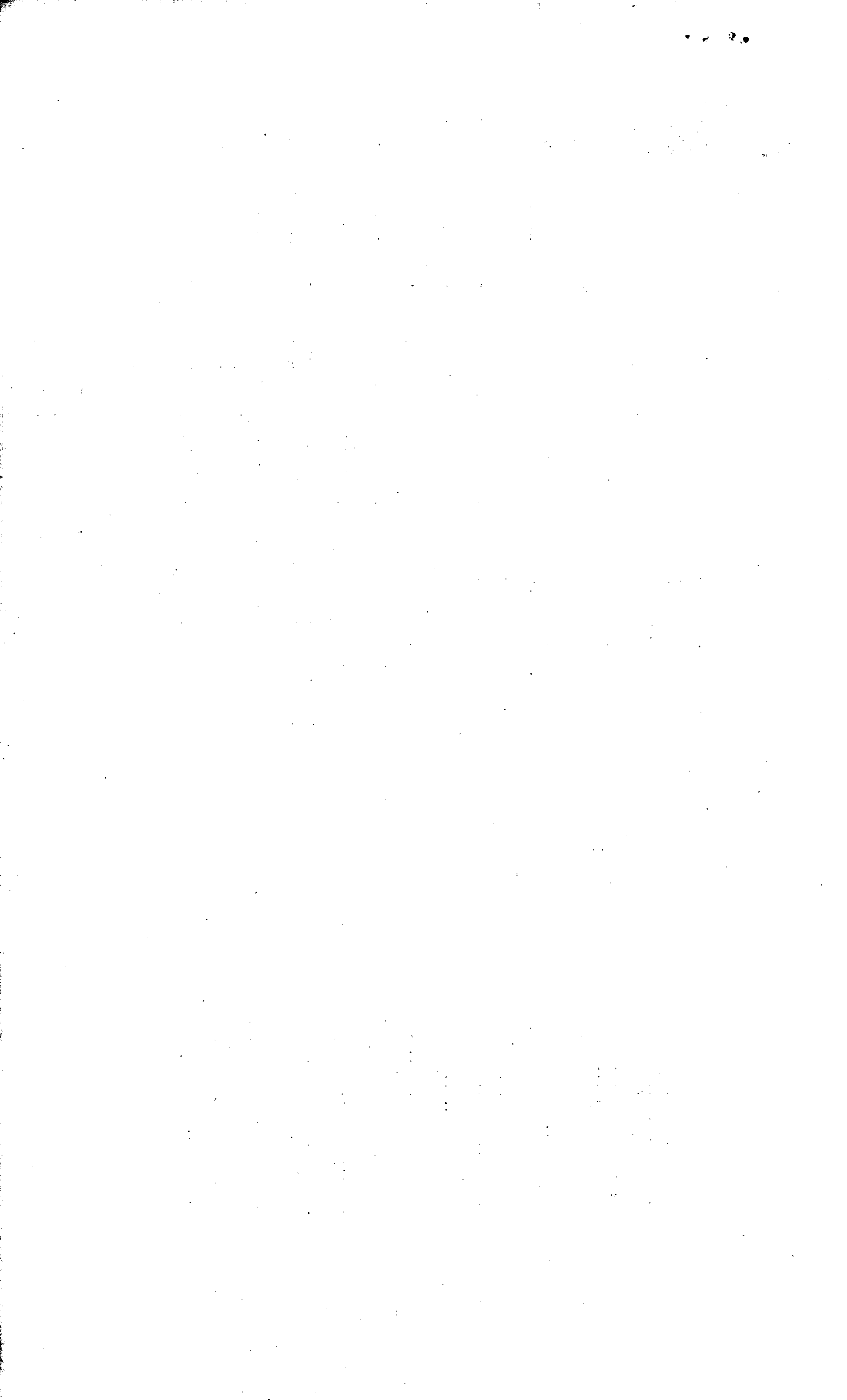
Indictable Offences by Classes and Provinces. Number of Convictions, 1924, and Totals for 1923.-Continued

Offences	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.	Yukon & Territories	Canada 1924	Totals for 1923
CLASS VI. Various Offences -												
Breach of Trade-marks Act.....	-	-	-	28	3	-	-	-	-	-	31	41
Carrying unlawful weapons.....	-	2	2	2	67	5	1	3	5	-	87	141
Conspiracy	-	-	-	13	4	2	1	-	1	-	21	30
Criminal negligence.....	-	-	-	-	44	1	-	-	-	-	45	45
Breach of Gambling and lottery acts	-	25	-	93	146	10	8	29	37	-	348	434
Illicit stills	6	-	23	187	300	50	300	83	4	2	955	1,068
Keeping bawdy house and inmates thereof	-	5	-	380	150	12	12	18	124	-	701	666
Perjury and subornation of perjury.....	-	2	-	22	32	8	6	7	1	-	78	53
Offences against public morals...	-	2	-	17	50	1	8	5	2	-	85	149
Prison breach, and escape from custody.....	3	9	1	5	74	9	8	8	6	-	123	134
Breach of revenue laws	-	31	8	7	30	1	123	22	14	5	241	33
Riot and affray	-	25	-	-	3	-	-	1	23	-	52	127
Attempt to commit suicide.....	-	1	1	3	14	-	1	2	8	-	30	27
Sodomy	-	3	-	5	33	-	-	3	5	-	49	52
Various and miscellaneous.....	-	-	-	9	21	4	6	9	3	-	56	403
TOTALS	9	105	35	774	972	103	474	190	233	7	2,902	3,403
GRAND TOTALS.....	1	51	33	985	1,291	117	347	357	221	-	16,258	15,188
	25	595	224	2,729	7,180	1,160	1,647	1,423	1,265	10	16,258	15,188
	13	400	148	2,655	6,886	1,094	1,446	1,424	1,116	6	16,258	15,188

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Non-Indictable Offences, Convictions by Provinces, 1924, and Totals for 1923.

Offences	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.	Yukon	Total 1924	Totals for 1923
Assaults.....	10	208	143	695	783	157	752	385	142	2	3,277	3,119
Breach of peace	-	4	-	36	37	1	5	14	3	-	100	124
Carrying firearms and unlawful weapons.	-	9	9	107	151	29	78	45	64	-	492	529
Contempt of court.....	-	6	-	-	38	1	1	7	1	-	54	18
Cruelty to animals	-	3	2	50	218	7	44	36	11	-	371	445
Disturbing religious and like meetings.	-	3	1	10	6	-	2	-	-	-	22	62
Fishery and Game Acts, offences against	3	8	52	61	646	20	248	114	190	4	1,346	1,343
Gambling Acts, offences against.....	-	21	24	518	1,784	107	89	136	1,835	-	4,514	4,173
Immigration Act, offences against.....	-	-	5	2	4	13	1	22	14	-	61	71
Inspection and Sales Acts, offences against	7	3	-	101	72	-	1	28	5	-	217	45
Adulteration of food - (Food and Drug Acts)	-	2	-	72	78	-	-	-	-	-	152	195
Weights and Measures - Acts, offences against	-	-	1	23	42	3	3	9	-	-	81	122
Liquor, Prohibition and Temperance Acts, offences against.....	29	293	375	1,549	4,678	452	966	817	1,286	4	10,449	10,088
Malicious or wilful damage to property	2	65	10	140	252	47	107	64	44	-	731	608
Masters' and Servants' Acts, offences against	-	-	-	15	9	15	179	36	7	-	259	193
Non-payment of wages.....	-	-	-	277	234	50	227	248	1	-	1,037	1,075
Municipal Acts and By-Laws, breach of various.....	61	736	316	6,278	44,844	7,181	2,952	3,418	5,729	2	71,517	68,810
Non-support of family and neglecting children	-	5	11	246	478	37	32	39	58	-	906	1,101
Contributing to delinquency of children.....	-	5	-	54	282	30	8	23	10	-	412	250



Non-indictable Offences, Convictions by Provinces, 1924, and totals for 1923 - Concluded.

O f f e n c e s	P.E.I.	M.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.	Yukon	Total 1924	Total for 1923
Opium and Narcotic Drug Act, various offences against.....	-	1	4	234	114	5	20	18	600	-	996	1,297
Profanation of the Lord's Day	-	36	-	120	371	4	30	60	21	-	642	782
Railway Acts, various offences against	-	11	8	12	49	78	11	129	57	-	355	308
Trespass on railway	-	10	11	179	355	38	5	39	32	-	669	535
Stealing ride on railway	-	3	11	55	350	3	28	8	6	-	464	461
Revenue Laws, offences against.....	-	8	21	165	146	66	43	44	25	-	518	763
Trespass	-	10	8	43	568	14	18	4	18	-	683	762
Vagrancy	8	107	65	1,054	1,260	501	442	464	582	-	4,483	3,774
Drunkenness	94	1,456	1,176	6,146	12,993	1,948	505	1,464	1,545	11	27,338	25,565
Insulting, abusive and profane language	3	59	24	164	298	25	34	48	35	-	690	631
Frequenting bawdy houses.....	-	-	54	2,209	335	21	73	266	999	-	3,957	3,772
Loose, idle, disorderly.....	12	253	122	1,706	1,811	256	270	172	83	3	4,688	4,844
Various other offences.....	3	30	46	482	482	82	100	165	105	3	1,518	1,623
T O T A L S.....	232	3,355	2,499	22,803	73,768	11,189	7,274	8,342	13,508	29	142,999	137,493
	321	3,033	2,179	27,563	64,639	11,377	8,346	8,359	11,639	37		

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