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Third Quarter, 1955

MOTOR VEHICLE TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS

(Period July 1 to September 30, 1955)

Motor vehicle traffic accidents reported by nine provinces, (excluding Quebec), and the Territories for July, August and September, 1955 numbered 36,601 of which 581 were fatal, 10,227 non-fatal injury accidents and those resulting in property damage only totalled 25,793. During the three months 677 persons were killed and 15,551 injured.

Nova Scotia, Ontario, Saskatchewan, Alberta and the Territories all showed increases in the number of accidents reported during the quarter compared with the same period in 1954. Ontario accidents increased to 16,666 from 14,567 one year ago.

Nova Scotia was the only province to record a decrease in the number of persons killed. This province reported 36 persons killed in the third quarter of 1955 as compared with 49 for the same period of 1954. Prince Edward Island and the Territories reported fewer persons injured during the quarter compared with 1954.

The first nine months of 1955 resulted in a total of 99,507 accidents reported by nine provinces and the Territories (excluding Quebec) compared with 100,563 in the same period of 1954. The number of persons killed was 1,475 as against 1,288 one year ago and persons injured increased to 35,736 from 32,585 in the January - September period of 1954.

COMPARATIVE SUMMARY (1)

Total Number of	Third Quarter 1955	Third Quarter 1954	Year to Date	
			1955	1954
Accidents Reported	36,601	34,783	99,507	100,563
Persons Killed	677	571	1,475	1,288
Persons Injured	15,551	13,739	35,736	32,585

(1) Excludes Quebec

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MOTOR VEHICLE TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS

Third Quarter, 1955

(for three months ended September 30, 1955)

	Canada	Newfoundland	Prince Edward Island	Nova Scotia	New Brunswick	
NUMBER OF ACCIDENTS						
Fatal (Resulting in the death of one or more persons)	581	16	4	34	35	
Non-Fatal -						
(a) Resulting in the injury of one or more persons	10,227	134	59	599	446	
(b) Resulting in property damage only (1)	25,793	392	177	2,147	988	
Total Number of Accidents						
Third Quarter, 1955	36,601	541	240	2,780	1,469	
Third Quarter, 1954	34,783	608	311	2,526	1,647	
PERSONS KILLED						
Drivers	244	5	2	11	12	
Passengers	249	3	5	14	14	
Pedestrians	148	7	1	11	12	
Bicyclists	13	1	-	-	-	
Motor Cyclists (drivers and passengers)	16	-	-	-	(2) 1	
Others	7	-	-	-	1	
Total Number Killed						
Third Quarter, 1955	677	16	8	36	40	
Third Quarter, 1954	571	6	2	49	26	
PERSONS INJURED						
Drivers	4,846	32	17	237	203	
Passengers	7,544	46	38	341	292	
Pedestrians	2,085	69	7	192	98	
Bicyclists	588	11	1	36	-	
Motor Cyclists (drivers and passengers)	447	3	-	-	(2) 39	
Others	41	1	-	-	2	
Total Number Injured						
Third Quarter, 1955	15,551	162	63	806	634	
Third Quarter, 1954	13,739	126	69	741	611	
TOTAL PROPERTY DAMAGE						
Third Quarter, 1955 \$	...	200,994	87,477	743,770	619,802	
Third Quarter, 1954 \$	...	189,299	102,351	630,961	522,359	
(Totals of estimates of damage caused in reportable accidents (1))						

(1) All reports are for accidents causing property damage estimated at \$100 or over except for the following:

Yukon - \$75 and over
Nova Scotia, Manitoba and B.C. - \$50 and over
Quebec - \$25 and over

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Third Quarter, 1955

(for three months ended September 30, 1955)

	Quebec	Ontario	Manitoba	Saskatchewan	Alberta	British Columbia	Yukon and Northwest Territories
	..	289	39	43	55	65	2
	..	5,227	696	685	936	1,427	18
	..	11,150	2,225	1,667	3,651	3,333	63
	..	16,668	2,960	2,395	4,642	4,825	83
	..	14,667	3,320	2,320	4,097	5,311	76
	..	114	23	20	25	31	1
	..	126	17	21	22	26	2
	..	83	3	3	13	15	-
	..	9	-	1	-	2	-
	..	10	(2) 1	-	1	3	-
	..	1	-	3	2	-	-
	..	342	44	48	63	77	3
	..	302	39	25	61	58	3
	..	2,499	345	374	486	639	14
	..	3,773	498	565	791	1,177	23
	..	1,134	117	67	169	232	-
	..	366	-	33	44	97	-
	..	240	(2) 65	14	26	60	-
	..	16	3	8	3	8	-
	..	8,028	1,028	1,061	1,519	2,213	37
	..	7,087	1,013	806	1,157	2,085	44
	..	7,647,705	..	993,512	1,729,845	2,088,306	75,339
	..	6,517,446	..	889,783	1,436,361	1,854,899	58,825

(2) Bicyclists included
- Nil
.. Not available
... Figures not complete



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CUMULATIVE TOTALS

<u>PROVINCE</u>	<u>NUMBER OF</u>					
	<u>Accidents</u>		<u>Deaths</u>		<u>Non-fatal Injuries</u>	
	<u>Jan.-Sept.</u> 1955	<u>Jan.-Sept.</u> 1954	<u>Jan.-Sept.</u> 1955	<u>Jan.-Sept.</u> 1954	<u>Jan.-Sept.</u> 1955	<u>Jan.-Sept.</u> 1954
Newfoundland	1,535	2,215	34	13	337	402
Prince Edward Island	610	879	8	4	138	103
Nova Scotia	7,387	6,980	86	110	1,858	1,801
New Brunswick	4,487	4,313	85	76	1,326	1,251
Quebec	..	..	..	..	..	..
Ontario	43,835	44,961	801	713	19,057	17,380
Manitoba	8,761	9,136	81	81	2,191	2,165
Saskatchewan	5,892	5,942	78	33	1,895	1,828
Alberta	12,056	11,091	152	121	3,354	2,627
British Columbia	14,677	14,784	148	134	5,500	4,937
Yukon and N.W. Territories	267	262	3	3	80	91
Canada (1)	99,507	100,563	1,475	1,288	35,736	32,585

(1) Excluding Quebec

.. Not available