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MOTOR VEHICLE TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS

(For Period April 1 to June 30, 1956)

During the months of April, May and June 1956, 43,726 accidents occurred in Canada. Nine provinces (excluding Quebec) and the Territories reported 424 fatal, 8,667 non-fatal and 21,217 property damage accidents. During the three months 491 persons were killed and 12,558 injured in these areas.

Newfoundland, Ontario, Saskatchewan, Alberta and British Columbia all showed increases in the number of accidents reported during the quarter as compared with the same period in 1955. Quebec reported 13,418 accidents occurred during the second quarter of 1956. Comparable figures for 1955 are not available.

The number of persons killed during the quarter dropped in Newfoundland (from 15 to 12) and in Manitoba (from 25 to 20). All other provinces showed an increase with the exception of Ontario, where the total remained stationary at 246 deaths. The Territories were fatality free for this period in 1956 and 1955. Prince Edward Island and Nova Scotia were the only provinces to record a decrease in the number of persons injured during the quarter as compared with 1955, while particularly sharp increases were noted in Newfoundland, Saskatchewan and British Columbia.

The first six months of 1956 resulted in a total of 101,109 accidents reported for Canada (67,269 excluding Quebec) as compared with 62,899 (excluding Quebec) for the same period in 1955. The number of persons killed was 862 as against 806 one year ago and persons injured increased to 22,398 from 20,185 in the January-June period of 1955.

COMPARATIVE SUMMARY (1)

Total Number of	Second Quarter	Second Quarter	Year to Date			
	1956	1955	1956	1955		
Accidents reported	43,726 (2)	(r) 27,353	101,109 (3)	62,899		
Persons killed	491	(r) 452	862	806		
Persons injured	12,558	(r) 11,132	22,398	20,185		

- (1) Excluding Quebec.
- (2) Includes 13,418 in Quebec.
- (3) Includes 33,840 in Quebec.
- (r) Revised.

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	Canada (Ex. Quebec)	Newfoundland	Prince Edward Island	Nova Scotia	New Brunswick			Quebec	Ontario	Manitoba	Saskatchewan	Alberta	British Columbia	Yukon and Northwest Territorie
NUMBER OF ACCIDENTS														
Fatal (Resulting in the death of one or more persons)	424	10	1	28	31				218	15	16	43	62	-
Non-Fatal -														
(a) Resulting in the injury of one or more persons	8,667	147	20	410	283			**	4,645	532	475	739	1,399	17
(b) Resulting in groperty damage only (1)	21,217	443	88	1,258	656				9,921	1,240	1,345	2,835	3,375	56
Total Number of Accidents Second Quarter, 1956 Second Quarter, 1955	(2) 43,726 (r) 27,353	600 (r) 388	109 126	1,696 2,103	970 981			13,418	14,784 12,598	1,787 2,319	1,836 1,506	3,617 3,157	4,836 4,092	73 83
PERSONS KILLED														
Drivers	161	3		13	7			- an	85	6	8	18	21	
Passengers	158	3	-	8	13				74	7	11	18	24	
Pedestrians	143	6	1	10	13			- Table	64	7	6	15	21	
Bicyclists)	(-	-	-)				12		1	1	1	-
Motor Cyclists (drivers and passengers)) 28	(-	-) 1				10	-			2	_
Others	1	-	-	-				6.4	1	-	-	-	-	**
Total Number Killed			S Terrison	-	Residence of				N L					
Second Quarter, 1956 Second Quarter, 1955	(r) 491 452	(r) 15	1	31 30	34 28				246 246	20 (r) 25	26 19	52 44	69 45	
PERSONS INJURED														
Drivers	3,863	44	11	172	112				2,067	222	252	346	630	7
Passengers	5,460	56	13	209	168				2,727	351	358	487	1,077	14
Pedestrians	2,207	72	3	137	99	1145			1,297	139	76	152	230	2
Bicyclists	599	6	1	24	27				334	47	18	43	99	
Motor Cyclists (drivers and passengers)	410	2		1					280	17	7	22	79	2
Others	19	-	-	3	-				8	4	3	-	1	
Total Number Injured														
Second Quarter, 1956 Second Quarter, 1955	12,558 (r) 11,132	180 96	28 32	546 566	406 384				6,713 6,220	780 (r) 711	714 492	1,050 951	2,116 1,656	25 24
TOTAL PROPERTY DAMAGE (1)							10							
Second Quarter, 1956 \$ Second Quarter, 1955 \$	12,436,356	248,980 145,743	35,042 53,300	551,926 485,588	366,915 371,401				6,594,431 5,102,253	504,700	660,820 495,967	1,353,387 968,824	2,079,406 1,624,205	40,749 42,345
(Totals of estimates of damage caused in reportable accidents)														

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

Nova Scotia - \$100 or over effective April 12, 1956, previously \$50. Yukon - \$100 or over effective May 1, 1956, previously \$75. New Brunswick - \$50 or over until May 1, 1955. Alberta - \$75 or over in 1955.

⁽²⁾ Includes Quebec.

^{..} Not available.

^{...} Incomplete.

⁻ Nil.

⁽r) Revised.