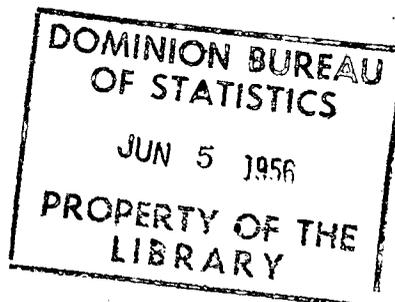




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1. Highway Traffic - April, 1956

More than one million vehicles crossed the international border into Canada from the United States during the month of April. This represents an increase of nearly 7 per cent or an additional 76,000 vehicles when compared with the same month of last year. Aggregate crossings amounted to 1,184,200 as against 1,107,900 in April, 1955 and were made up of 564,500 foreign vehicles and 619,700 units registered in Canada. Foreign vehicles entering Canada showed an increase of 6 per cent and Canadian vehicles re-entering an increase of between 7 and 8 per cent.

Foreign Vehicles

Entries of foreign vehicles advanced more than 33,000 crossings when compared with the same month of 1955. Non-resident traffic was comprised of 105,600 units entering on travellers' vehicle permits, 425,900 non-permit or local entries and 33,000 commercial vehicles.

The volume of traffic entering Canada on travellers' vehicle permits declined 11 per cent when compared with the corresponding month of 1955. The date of the Easter week-end, no doubt, contributed to this decline in 1956. The majority of foreign vehicles arriving for the Easter holiday were recorded in March this year, whereas in 1955 the Easter traffic was all recorded in April. Cumulative entries for the first four months were 1 per cent lower than last year.

Entries of non-permit or local traffic advanced over 40,000 vehicles in April and 208,100 units or nearly 18 per cent in the first four months. The number of commercial vehicles entering Canada was substantially higher in April and nearly 28 per cent higher in the first four months of 1956.

Canadian Vehicles

Re-entries of vehicles registered in Canada showed an increase of 43,000 in comparison with the previous year. Re-entries of Canadian vehicles were made up of 96,000 abroad more than 24 hours, 481,000 abroad for 24 hours or less and 42,700 commercial vehicles.

The volume of long-term Canadian traffic abroad over 24 hours was 5 per cent heavier in April. Cumulative re-entries for the first four months advanced 29 per cent. All provinces reported more re-entries in this classification during 1956 with the exception of Manitoba, Saskatchewan and the Yukon Territory.

Short-term traffic abroad 24 hours or less showed an increase of 8 per cent in April and nearly 25 per cent in the first four months when compared with 1955. Re-entries of commercial vehicles registered in Canada were 38 per cent higher than the first four months of 1955.

11. Traffic by Long Distance Common Carrier - March, 1956.

Traffic by rail, through bus, boat and plane advanced over 3 per cent in March when compared with the same month of last year. The number of foreign visitors entering Canada by these means of transportation advanced over 1 per cent and the number of Canadian residents returning from visits to the United States was nearly 5 per cent heavier.

Foreign Travellers

The number of non-residents entering Canada from the United States advanced from 55,000 to 55,600 or approximately 600 visits.

Although there was an increase in the number arriving by rail, boat and plane the 12 per cent decline in the number entering by bus was nearly sufficient to counter the gains made by other types of transportation. Cumulative data for the first quarter showed an advance of between 2 and 3 per cent with entries by bus being the only type to record a decline.

Canadian Travellers

Residents of Canada returning from visits to the United States in March numbered 90,500 compared with 86,500 in the same month of last year. Re-entries by rail were 4 per cent heavier and the number returning by boat and plane advanced 17 per cent and 22 per cent respectively, but the number returning by bus dropped nearly 11 per cent.

Cumulative data for the first quarter recorded a gain of nearly 3 per cent due mainly to a substantial increase in the number returning by plane. Re-entries by boat were practically unchanged from the previous year but the number returning by bus was 16 per cent lower.

STATEMENT BY PORTS OF HIGHWAY TRAFFIC AT CANADIAN BORDER POINTS

APRIL

1956

Port of Entry	Foreign Vehicles Entering Canada			Canadian Vehicles Returning to Canada		
	Non-Permit Class (Local Traffic)	Travellers' Vehicle Permits	Commercial Vehicles	Length of Stay Abroad		Commercial Vehicles
				24 hours or less	Over 24 hours	
Vehicles transported by boat direct from the United States*	-	232	33	3	140	45
			Newfoundland Prince Edward Island Nova Scotia			
			New Brunswick			
Andover	3,509	831	74	6,509	112	416
Beaconsfield	102	8	50	112	-	55
Belleville	102	19	12	225	7	67
Bloomfield	117	31	56	226	6	102
Campobello	113	4	27	516	17	155
Centreville	1,319	324	175	1,784	170	209
Clair	5,788	967	413	7,942	123	348
Edmundston	26,627	1,431	2,688	28,539	710	1,632
Fairhaven	-	-	-	-	-	-
Forest City	121	11	12	154	-	54
Fosterville	175	14	2	492	4	20
Four Falls	64	26	6	224	4	57
Gillespie	1,909	511	130	1,224	26	180
Grand Falls	2,159	333	104	3,319	25	300
Mars Hill Road	94	43	34	148	1	47
Milltown	4,467	54	268	7,098	75	498
River de Chute	124	53	2	227	4	26
St. Andrews	-	-	-	-	-	-
St. Croix	3,327	443	213	3,510	586	256
St. Leonard ^b	11,300	1,559	892	10,534	188	874
St. Stephen	30,574	856	2,333	28,537	2,863	2,642
Union Corner	52	11	6	177	1	23
Union Mills	2,250	18	165	4,720	28	376
Upper Mills	456	2	49	563	20	89
Woodstock Road	5,221	819	158	11,691	641	734
Provincial Total	99,970	8,368	7,869	118,471	5,611	9,160

* As Newfoundland, Prince Edward Island, and Nova Scotia have no ports of entry adjacent to the United States boundary, vehicles proceeding to these provinces (with the exception of those transported direct from the United States by boat) enter through ports in other provinces and are recorded in the latter.

Port of Entry	Foreign Vehicles Entering Canada			Canadian Vehicles Returning to Canada		
	Non-Permit Class (Local Traffic)	Travellers' Vehicle Permits	Commercial Vehicles	Length of Stay Abroad		Commercial Vehicles
				24 hours or less	Over 24 hours	
			Quebec			
Abercorn	3,125	858	300	3,264	197	381
Armstrong	148	853	37	434	490	96
Arnold Bog	-	-	-	-	-	-
Beebe	6,134	140	308	4,946	273	352
Blackpool	1,875	4,398	1,955	13,165	8,976	2,123
Chartierville	111	98	39	201	185	38
Clarenceville	75	88	27	360	9	27
Comins Mills	1,177	193	57	1,264	46	112
Covey Hill	133	43	45	357	6	44
Daaquam	103	10	9	116	17	33
Dundee	1,809	252	69	2,316	277	134
East Pinnacle	78	51	5	408	4	55
Estcourt	1,074	18	54	1,690	115	109
Franklin Centre	246	76	16	177	7	24
Frelighsburg	305	176	158	319	22	16
Glen Sutton	441	560	173	951	21	176
Hemmingford	1,619	289	235	2,106	159	239
Herdman	1,475	130	118	2,157	100	109
Hereford Road	935	85	220	736	14	106
Highwater	1,965	1,056	667	2,664	787	469
Jamieson's Line	259	24	75	218	17	41
Lac Frontière	68	2	-	74	3	-
Lacolle	2,403	1,500	784	9,058	2,141	1,034
Landry Siding	-	-	-	-	-	-
Leadville	12	-	-	54	-	2
Mansonville	60	-	9	45	1	2
Morses Line	81	131	96	161	22	6
Noyan	653	240	53	817	178	60
Philipsburg	724	3,830	436	3,968	2,591	579
Rivière Bleue	-	-	-	-	-	-
Rock Island	8,458	2,088	784	9,381	1,565	953
Ste Aurélie	170	11	68	367	145	133
St Cyprien	18	-	-	186	97	36
St Pamphile	361	19	32	775	130	98
St Zacharie	6	5	1	110	50	7
Stanhope	775	1,345	297	3,387	1,784	365
Trout River	2,252	792	73	5,642	983	105
Woburn	534	177	25	417	90	19
Provincial Total	39,662	19,538	7,225	72,291	21,502	8,083

Port of Entry	Foreign Vehicles Entering Canada			Canadian Vehicles Returning to Canada		
	Non-Permit Class (Local Traffic)	Travellers' Vehicle Permits	Commercial Vehicles	Length of Stay Abroad		Commercial Vehicles
				24 hours or less	Over 24 hours	
			Ontario			
Brockville	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cornwall	4,399	1,135	657	9,130	566	845
Courtright	92	66	-	76	21	-
Fort Erie	67,508	16,618	4,190	35,993	8,694	2,507
Fort Frances	5,451	274	115	7,259	407	1,060
Kingston	-	9	2	6	-	5
Kingsville	-	-	-	-	-	-
Lansdowne	2,490	1,436	668	4,398	3,887	691
Leamington	-	-	-	-	-	-
Midland	-	-	-	-	-	-
Niagara Falls	51,410	11,826	1,417	83,269	12,874	1,962
Peelee Island	-	4	-	-	-	-
Pigeon River	287	316	95	1,761	1,374	51
Port Lambton	489	261	-	472	129	11
Prescott	1,309	450	31	3,072	663	89
Rainy River	4	2	-	2	1	-
Sarnia	12,470	7,044	1,806	13,880	3,629	595
Sault Ste. Marie	2,243	525	89	3,443	1,372	219
Sombra	502	194	4	437	86	38
Walpole Island	177	81	-	204	7	9
Windsor	118,218	18,986	4,452	59,231	9,358	11,112
Provincial Total	267,049	59,227	13,526	222,633	43,068	19,194

Port of Entry	Foreign Vehicles Entering Canada			Canadian Vehicles Returning to Canada		
	Non-Permit Class (Local Traffic)	Travellers' Vehicle Permits	Commercial Vehicles	Length of Stay Abroad		Commercial Vehicles
				24 hours or less	Over 24 hours	
			Manitoba			
Boissevain	149	106	79	486	705	47
Cartwright	52	12	48	67	8	5
Coulter	70	42	32	739	67	28
Crystal City	71	7	27	43	1	3
Emerson	1,716	940	429	3,560	2,778	1,385
Goodlands	66	7	19	363	27	13
Gretna	1,113	69	60	1,498	43	108
Haskett	43	13	-	259	3	18
Lena	93	23	44	462	23	8
Lyleton	50	10	11	259	9	6
Middlebro	42	20	15	391	14	24
North West Angle	-	-	-	-	-	-
Piney	83	32	15	323	15	64
Snowflake	22	2	-	89	4	-
South Junction	85	30	44	635	25	39
Tolstoi	141	7	8	190	26	9
Windygates	22	4	16	76	3	11
Provincial Total	3,818	1,324	847	9,440	3,751	1,768
			Saskatchewan			
Big Beaver	58	13	4	335	47	24
East Poplar River	64	37	22	238	41	41
Elmore	160	15	74	642	52	21
Estevan	248	56	6	539	73	36
Marienthal	92	11	29	375	27	8
Monchy	20	26	-	21	153	11
Northgate	325	32	70	663	76	23
North Portal	814	195	268	2,257	756	452
Oungre	16	73	14	200	104	17
Regway	140	118	32	496	300	153
Treelon	86	25	18	114	118	20
West Poplar River	24	27	2	119	72	4
Willow Creek	18	16	5	102	106	-
Provincial Total	2,065	644	544	6,101	1,925	810
			Alberta			
Aden	15	10	13	42	12	27
Carway	514	174	22	825	751	1
Chief Mountain	-	-	-	-	-	-
Coutts	2,010	945	601	4,446	3,168	1,178
Del Bonita	71	39	10	75	16	54
Wild Horse	47	31	8	66	87	10
Provincial Total	2,657	1,199	654	5,454	4,034	1,270

Port of Entry	Foreign Vehicles Entering Canada			Canadian Vehicles Returning to Canada		
	Non-Permit Class (Local Traffic)	Travellers' Vehicle Permits	Commercial Vehicles	Length of Stay Abroad		Commercial Vehicles
				24 hours or less	Over 24 hours	
British Columbia						
Aldergrove	741	1,028	234	3,006	867	194
Boundary Bay	1,009	80	119	6,060	319	186
Carson	581	115	31	448	14	5
Cascade City	575	115	25	1,571	112	158
Chopaka	14	36	2	61	18	1
Flathead	-	-	-	-	-	-
Huntingdon	1,978	1,300	230	6,233	854	406
Kingsgate	120	387	114	1,150	1,644	349
Midway	229	40	-	162	9	1
Nelway	154	196	52	467	315	22
Osoyoos	1,930	474	130	4,224	900	223
Pacific Highway	1,768	9,979	1,073	16,470	9,557	436
Paterson	375	334	128	3,954	489	198
Pleasant Camp	23	-	33	72	8	1
Port Alberni	-	-	-	-	-	-
Powell River	-	-	-	-	-	-
Prince Rupert	-	4	-	-	-	-
Roosville	120	34	-	214	55	10
Rykerts	621	124	37	1,373	241	56
Skagit	9	-	40	-	7	19
Stewart	371	-	-	892	-	71
Vancouver	-	4	-	-	-	-
Victoria	-	607	-	22	501	-
Waneta	40	19	-	88	27	6
Provincial Total	10,658	14,876	2,248	46,467	15,937	2,342
Yukon Territory						
Carcross	-	-	-	-	-	-
Little Gold Creek	-	-	-	-	-	-
Snag Creek	59	224	12	144	20	10
Provincial Total	59	224	12	144	20	10
Dominion Total	425,938	105,632	32,958	481,004	95,988	42,682

TABLE 1. SUMMARY BY PROVINCES OF HIGHWAY TRAFFIC AT CANADIAN BORDER POINTS

APRIL
1955 and 1956

A - Foreign Vehicles Entering Canada

Province of Entry	Non-Permit Class Local Traffic		Travellers' Vehicle Permits		Commercial Vehicles	
	1955	1956	1955	1956	1955	1956
Newfoundland	(-	(-	(53	(232	(-	(33
Nova Scotia	(-	(-	(53	(232	(-	(33
New Brunswick	82,480	99,970	8,598	8,368	7,747	7,869
Quebec	38,956	39,662	20,418	19,538	5,629	7,225
Ontario	243,072	267,049	69,745	59,227	9,699	13,526
Manitoba	5,651	3,818	1,876	1,324	804	847
Saskatchewan	2,408	2,065	724	644	408	544
Alberta	2,338	2,657	1,272	1,199	705	654
British Columbia	10,694	10,658	15,885	14,876	1,640	2,248
Yukon Territory	95	59	215	224	50	12
Total	385,694	425,938	118,786	105,632	26,682	32,958
<i>Percentage Change</i>		+ 10.4		- 11.1		+ 23.5

B - Canadian Vehicles Returning to Canada

Province of Entry	Length of Stay Abroad				Commercial Vehicles	
	24 hours or less		Over 24 hours			
	1955	1956	1955	1956	1955	1956
Nova Scotia	-	3	-	140	-	45
New Brunswick	101,025	118,471	4,809	5,611	9,945	9,160
Quebec	69,574	72,291	16,698	21,502	6,443	8,083
Ontario	204,432	222,633	43,991	43,068	18,910	19,194
Manitoba	13,769	9,440	5,016	3,751	1,770	1,768
Saskatchewan	5,494	6,101	2,095	1,925	852	810
Alberta	4,105	5,454	3,987	4,034	928	1,270
British Columbia	45,667	46,467	14,907	15,937	2,126	2,342
Yukon Territory	108	144	36	20	6	10
Total	444,174	481,004	91,539	95,988	40,980	42,682
<i>Percentage Change</i>		+ 8.3		+ 4.9		+ 4.2

TABLE 2. CUMULATIVE SUMMARY BY PROVINCES OF HIGHWAY TRAFFIC AT CANADIAN BORDER POINTS

JANUARY - APRIL

1955 and 1956

A - Foreign Vehicles Entering Canada

Province of Entry	Non-Permit Class Local Traffic		Travellers' Vehicle Permits		Commercial Vehicles	
	1955	1956	1955	1956	1955	1956
Newfoundland	((((((
Nova Scotia	-	-	211	653	-	99
New Brunswick	280,021	353,987	20,782	21,322	28,082	32,075
Quebec	94,021	135,449	53,005	56,273	23,083	33,795
Ontario	731,735	819,646	161,155	156,986	46,801	58,753
Manitoba	15,591	14,600	7,014	5,782	5,728	8,400
Saskatchewan	6,240	6,894	1,773	1,627	1,689	2,601
Alberta	5,975	8,952	3,468	3,344	2,005	2,598
British Columbia	33,796	35,933	47,363	45,908	7,060	7,906
Yukon Territory	211	215	869	811	190	250
Total	1,167,590	1,375,676	295,640	292,706	114,638	146,477
<i>Percentage Change</i>		+ 17.8		- 1.0		+ 27.8

B - Canadian Vehicles Returning to Canada

Province of Entry	Length of Stay Abroad				Commercial Vehicles	
	24 hours or less		Over 24 hours			
	1955	1956	1955	1956	1955	1956
Nova Scotia	-	33	-	254	-	92
New Brunswick	335,468	414,641	7,970	19,472	31,508	41,158
Quebec	164,052	229,228	29,825	58,233	37,472	70,725
Ontario	637,930	802,460	96,201	102,718	65,462	74,260
Manitoba	31,728	28,179	9,059	8,555	7,075	11,462
Saskatchewan	14,310	16,711	4,374	4,034	2,716	3,627
Alberta	8,168	17,305	6,793	8,744	2,282	4,284
British Columbia	128,026	138,080	30,499	35,917	8,877	9,037
Yukon Territory	199	364	55	34	13	37
Total	1,319,881	1,647,001	184,776	237,961	155,405	214,682
<i>Percentage Change</i>		+ 24.8		+ 28.8		+ 38.1

TABLE 3. FOREIGN TRAVELLERS ENTERING CANADA FROM THE UNITED STATES BY RAIL, BUS, BOAT AND PLANE,
BY PROVINCE OF ENTRY, MARCH, 1955 AND MARCH, 1956

Province of Entry	Rail ¹		Bus ²		Boat		Plane ³	
	1955	1956	1955	1956	1955	1956	1955	1956
	Newfoundland	-	-	-	-	((231	146
Nova Scotia .....	-	-	-	-	(	(	149	68
Prince Edward Island	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	-
New Brunswick	702	641	122	464	202	193	303	312
Quebec	7,748	8,613	980	1,474	-	-	4,614	5,040
Ontario	10,739	10,455	9,562	7,456	-	-	6,366	7,877
Manitoba	663	715	415	294	-	-	1,002	745
Saskatchewan	167	64	2	9	-	-	89	38
Alberta	135	135	89	146	-	-	774	594
British Columbia	2,475	2,718	2,422	2,207	1,413	1,575	2,571	2,800
Yukon Territory	147	167	5	-	-	-	858	665
Total	22,776	23,508	13,597	12,050	1,650	1,793	16,964	18,285

TABLE 4. CANADIAN TRAVELLERS RETURNING FROM THE UNITED STATES BY RAIL, BUS, BOAT AND PLANE,
BY PROVINCE OF ENTRY, MARCH, 1955 AND MARCH, 1956

Province of Entry	Rail		Bus ⁴		Boat		Plane	
	1955	1956	1955	1956	1955	1956	1955	1956
	Newfoundland	-	-	-	-	((51	63
Nova Scotia .....	-	-	-	-	(	(	140	142
Prince Edward Island	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
New Brunswick	856	996	499	455	1,638	1,175	437	376
Quebec	11,552	12,465	2,514	2,616	-	-	6,997	8,539
Ontario	15,548	15,864	17,159	13,746	11	5	10,967	13,727
Manitoba	1,692	1,684	1,138	1,310	-	-	665	762
Saskatchewan	363	207	11	26	-	-	17	30
Alberta	-	-	327	625	-	-	540	311
British Columbia	4,212	4,355	4,853	4,944	1,177	2,155	2,944	3,799
Yukon Territory	51	9	3	-	-	-	96	108
Total	34,274	35,580	26,504	23,722	2,864	3,360	22,854	27,857

Travellers by rail and bus destined to Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island enter Canada through ports in other provinces and are recorded in the latter.

TABLE 5. CUMULATIVE SUMMARY OF FOREIGN TRAVELLERS ENTERING CANADA FROM THE UNITED STATES BY RAIL, BUS, BOAT AND PLANE, BY PROVINCE OF ENTRY, JANUARY - MARCH, 1955 AND JANUARY - MARCH, 1956

Province of Entry	Rail ¹		Bus ²		Boat		Plane ³	
	1955	1956	1955	1956	1955	1956	1955	1956
Newfoundland .....	-	-	-	-	(	-	476	440
Nova Scotia .....	-	-	-	-	(	-	467	236
Prince Edward Island	-	-	-	-	-	-	22	1
New Brunswick	1,910	1,966	510	1,098	680	751	812	792
Quebec	26,119	27,962	3,688	4,257	-	-	13,549	14,964
Ontario	35,117	34,373	25,593	21,371	-	2	16,971	22,194
Manitoba	2,517	2,620	874	717	-	-	2,388	2,352
Saskatchewan	487	167	15	20	-	-	141	142
Alberta	386	390	328	361	-	-	2,421	1,747
British Columbia	7,340	7,437	6,295	5,779	3,163	3,820	6,264	7,011
Yukon Territory	441	476	5	-	-	-	2,227	1,845
Total	74,317	75,391	37,308	33,603	3,934	4,634	45,738	51,724

TABLE 6. CUMULATIVE SUMMARY OF CANADIAN TRAVELLERS RETURNING FROM THE UNITED STATES BY RAIL, BUS, BOAT, AND PLANE, BY PROVINCE OF ENTRY, JANUARY - MARCH, 1955 AND JANUARY - MARCH, 1956

Province of Entry	Rail		Bus ⁴		Boat		Plane	
	1955	1956	1955	1956	1955	1956	1955	1956
Newfoundland.....	-	-	-	-	(	-	139	140
Nova Scotia .....	-	-	-	-	(	60	346	340
Prince Edward Island	-	-	-	-	-	-	16	1
New Brunswick	2,552	3,074	1,684	1,354	5,685	3,888	1,110	921
Quebec	34,304	38,070	7,561	8,427	-	-	18,535	22,920
Ontario	46,270	47,808	48,198	34,347	19	5	28,990	36,164
Manitoba	4,603	4,917	3,242	3,442	-	-	1,601	2,145
Saskatchewan	929	563	87	148	-	-	82	69
Alberta	2	-	812	1,308	-	-	1,277	914
British Columbia	12,728	11,751	13,181	13,993	3,524	5,235	7,767	10,187
Yukon Territory	70	38	3	5	-	-	151	185
Total	101,458	106,221	74,768	63,024	9,298	9,188	60,014	73,986

1. After deducting intransit passengers travelling across Southern Ontario. 2. Exclusive of local bus traffic between border communities, but including intransit traffic. 3. Yukon passengers are practically all intransit to and from Alaska. 4. Exclusive of local bus traffic between border communities.

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