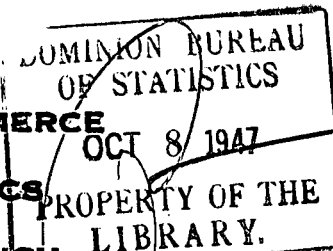


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In response to the revived interest in automobile traffic passing through Canadian border points, an analytical text has now been added to the monthly report. It is hoped thus to facilitate comparisons with statistics published in earlier years and to present a broader historical background.

The volume of international automobile traffic in June, 1946 approached record proportions with some 773,400 vehicles crossing the border into Canada, comprising 595,221 foreign vehicles and 178,166 returning Canadian cars. Of the foreign vehicles inward, 394,558 were non-permit or local traffic and 183,362 entered under Traveller's Vehicle Permits, usually as tourists. In addition there were 17,301 United States commercial vehicles. Canadian cars visiting the United States during June numbered 149,138 remaining 24 hours or less, while 15,959 remained abroad longer than one day. Some 13,069 Canadian commercial vehicles returned to Canada during the month, principally at Andover and St. Stephen, N. B. and Fort Frances and Windsor, Ontario.

Compared with June last year, the non-permit class of American automobile traffic registered an advance by no less than 32.6%, while the more important tourist category increased nearly 132% in the same comparison, from 79,143 to 183,362 cars. Canadian automobiles freed from tire and gasoline restrictions, journeyed to the United States in ever increasing numbers. The short term traffic in June registered an advance of 62% over June, 1945, while those cars remaining over 24 hours increased from 4,706 to 15,959, a gain of some 240%.

During the first six months of the current year a total of 2,014,192 foreign vehicles entered Canada, an increase of 716,903 cars or 44% over the same months of 1945. In the first half of 1937, total entries of foreign cars had been about 1,569,000 vehicles, indicating that immediate prewar levels have been well surpassed.

Traveller's Vehicle Permits in the period, January to June of 1946 totalled 457,530 compared with 204,020 last year, a percentage advance of no less than 124%, and more than five and a half times the low of 1943, when permit entries had declined to 81,120 in the first half of the year.

Canadian motor cars returning aggregated 713,063 in the six months compared with 406,718 in the same months of 1945, with some 55,682 cars remaining over 24 hours in the United States, compared with 15,433 in the similar period of last year, and 9,908 the low experienced in the first half of 1943.

On a provincial basis entries of foreign vehicles in both local and tourist classes show noteworthy increases in all provinces, the June total of local entries having been nearly 395,000, an increase of about a third over June last year. The

more important tourist class registered gains in all provinces during June with the largest percentage advance in Alberta, where the re-opening of the resort hotels at Banff and Jasper and elsewhere attracted many visitors. Ontario received over 60,000 more American tourist cars this June. At the same time the volume of Canadian cars returning from a motoring holiday in the United States more than tripled over June last year, at some 16,000.

Comparing the provincial records for the first six months of the current year, it is observed that local traffic of American cars increased nearly 32%, while the tourist class advanced over 124%. The gains were widespread in the latter classification, all provinces more than doubling the number of visitors entering in the same months of 1945. Automobile entries on Traveller's Vehicle Permits advanced no less than 400% in Alberta, 209% in Manitoba, 189% in Saskatchewan, 145% in Quebec, 133% in British Columbia, nearly 116% in Ontario and 104% in the Maritimes in the six months comparison.

These striking gains reflect both the advent of peace and the easing of wartime restrictions. They are an indication of what can be accomplished in welcoming to Canada a large volume of American tourists.

While it is anticipated that advances in the forthcoming months of 1946 will not be so striking over the same months of 1945, there is every indication that the year 1946 will establish new records in automobile travel. The volume of entries to date for July confirms the continuance of the sharp upward trend.

Automobile registrations in the United States and Canada are well below prewar levels, due to obsolescence and the non-production of civilian cars during the war period, in addition to the delayed output of the current year. American automobile registrations are now over three and one half million less than in 1941. It is therefore, remarkable that the number of American automobiles now entering Canada should continue at such high levels month by month.

COMPARISON FIRST SIX MONTHS

1938 - 1946

Foreign and Canadian Vehicles

1st Six months	Foreign Automobiles Inward Traveller's Vehicle Permits	Returning Canadians Abroad over 24 hrs.
1937	379,294	(1)
1938	357,611	(1)
1939	352,464	(1)
1940	339,536	102,992
1941	357,261	19,546
1942	213,597	18,347
1943	81,120	9,908
1944	131,410	12,464
1945	204,020	15,433
1946	457,530	55,682

(1). Comparable category not available.

MONTHLY STATEMENT BY PORTS OF HIGHWAY TRAFFIC AT CANADIAN BORDER POINTS

JUNE, 1946

	Number of Foreign Vehicles Inward			Number of Canadian Vehicles Inward		
	Non- Permit Class (Local Traffic)	Travel- ler's Vehicle Permits	Com- mercial Vehicles	Length of stay abroad 24 hours or less	over 24 hours	Com- mercial Vehicles
<hr/>						
<u>Prince Edward Island (x)</u>						
Charlottetown	-	-	-	-	-	-
Summerside	-	-	-	-	-	-
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Total, Prince Edward Island ...	-	-	-	-	-	-
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<u>Nova Scotia (x)</u>						
Annapolis Royal	-	-	-	-	-	-
Halifax	1	5	-	-	-	-
North Sydney	-	-	-	-	-	-
Pictou	-	-	-	-	-	-
Truro	-	-	-	-	-	-
Yarmouth	-	1	-	-	-	-
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Total Nova Scotia	1	6	-	-	-	-
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<u>New Brunswick</u>						
Andover	3,227	1,219	152	2,712	12	879
Aroostook Jct.	36	6	18	22	-	2
Belleville	216	5	38	247	2	37
Bloomfield	308	40	39	184	1	61
Brown Road	92	31	14	172	1	38
Campobello	-	6	-	-	-	-
Centreville	731	258	165	480	49	202
Clair	5,483	927	753	3,611	-	1,375
Connors	-	-	-	-	-	-
Edmundston	14,232	950	1,901	5,557	5	631
Forest City	413	9	-	154	-	22

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

Port and Province	Number of Foreign Vehicles Inward			Number of Canadian Vehicles Inward		
	Non- Permit Class (Local Traffic)	Travel- ler's Vehicle Permits	Com- mercial Vehicles	Length of stay abroad		Com- mercial Vehicles
				24 hours or less	Over 24 hours	
New Brunswick - cont'd						
Fosterville	433	22	8	305	-	80
Four Falls	201	113	32	310	1	44
Gillespie	1,081	421	136	575	7	163
Grand Falls	682	156	131	339	2	73
Lord's Cove	-	-	-	-	-	-
McAdam Jct.	-	13	-	-	-	-
Milltown	5,855	78	148	3,858	11	257
River de Chute	544	145	52	179	-	191
St. Andrews	-	1	-	-	-	-
St. Croix	1,683	308	196	793	22	171
St. Hilaire	-	-	-	-	-	-
St. John	-	-	-	-	-	-
St. Leonard	7,578	997	634	6,212	4	524
St. Stephen	23,200	3,721	1,057	19,727	405	657
Union Corner	360	14	18	161	-	40
Upper Mills	795	8	41	671	-	33
Wilson's Beach	-	-	-	-	-	-
Woodstock Road	3,171	992	233	2,580	87	335
Total,						
New Brunswick	70,321	10,440	5,766	48,849	609	5,815
Quebec						
Abercorn	1,266	765	100	1,920	35	202
Armstrong	269	2,084	106	167	402	24
Beebe	1,862	375	95	732	15	73
Chartierville	76	296	9	29	28	1
Clarenceville	164	211	6	322	7	33
Comins Mills	506	943	67	737	150	324
Covey Hill	82	85	18	83	7	24
Dundee	2,041	190	88	1,287	11	70
East Pinnacle	-	-	-	-	-	-
Estcourt	-	1	-	-	-	-
Franklin Centre	18	160	-	39	3	2
Frelighsburg	569	501	60	312	17	14
Glen Sutton	359	675	189	300	8	161
Hemmingford	281	541	114	671	34	54
Herdman	450	360	89	639	36	75
Hereford Road	1,480	279	195	387	9	135
Highwater	1,715	1,310	324	952	120	22
Jamieson's Line	8	31	-	1	-	-
Lac Frontiere	36	47	18	11	1	9
Lacolle	831	7,416	66	3,821	1,265	199
Montreal	-	-	-	-	-	-

Port and Province	Number of Foreign Vehicles Inward			Number of Canadian Vehicles Inward		
	Non-Permit Class (Local Traffic)	Traveler's Vehicle Permits	Commercial Vehicles	Length of stay abroad		Commercial Vehicles
				24 hours or less	Over 24 hours	
Quebec - cont'd						
Morses Line	156	372	15	155	7	28
Noyan	384	655	52	356	38	22
Philipsburg	1,049	7,263	125	1,132	622	162
Quebec	-	-	-	-	-	-
Rock Island	3,828	4,765	135	2,593	115	88
St. Armand	55	77	-	26	3	-
St. Pamphile	-	5	-	-	-	-
St. Zacharie	26	21	76	96	80	342
Stanhope	178	1,508	72	535	235	33
Trout River	1,505	1,318	13	2,238	80	60
Woburn	287	341	1	271	48	21
Total, Quebec	19,481	32,595	2,033	19,812	3,376	2,178
Ontario						
Brockville	291	410	3	222	55	6
Cobourg	-	28	-	-	4	-
Cornwall	2,515	927	171	3,078	162	149
Courtright	562	169	-	45	7	-
Fort Erie	107,516	25,416	1,404	8,174	746	268
Fort Frances	5,274	3,169	109	2,821	99	1,069
Fort William	-	-	-	-	-	-
Gananoque	-	-	-	-	-	-
Kingston	-	2	-	-	-	-
Kingsville	-	37	-	2	-	-
Lansdowne	564	7,755	164	1,775	486	98
Leamington	-	-	-	-	-	-
Midland	-	-	-	-	-	-
Morrisburg	138	210	-	261	50	1
Niagara Falls	35,870	26,591	570	18,440	733	154
Pigeon River	505	1,824	4	283	260	13
Port Arthur	-	1	-	-	-	-
Port Lambton	820	220	11	212	34	1
Prescott	651	994	90	859	132	80
Rainy River	18	213	-	27	8	4
Sarnia	7,622	9,678	112	2,399	508	137
Sault Ste. Marie ...	2,737	3,157	69	1,949	149	67
Sombra	488	99	4	88	13	1
Toronto	-	15	-	-	-	-
Walpole Island	333	107	-	131	8	-
West Dock	-	29	-	-	-	-
Windsor	123,187	31,637	5,650	8,813	3,160	662
Total, Ontario	289,091	112,688	8,361	49,579	6,614	2,710

Port and Province	Number of Foreign Vehicles Inward			Number of Canadian Vehicles Inward		
	Non-Permit Class (Local Traffic)	Travel-ler's Vehicle Permits	Com-mercial Vehicles	Length of stay abroad		Com-mercial Vehicles
				24 hours or less	Over 24 hours	
Manitoba						
Boissevain	160	316	2	118	54	1
Cartwright	240	32	4	129	10	11
Coulter	113	77	8	241	19	26
Crystal City	343	21	12	72	5	3
Emerson	2,410	2,555	36	1,649	1,023	27
Goodlands	116	86	-	309	8	19
Gretna	1,784	95	9	1,392	16	66
Haskett	229	38	3	409	4	39
Lena	241	50	1	214	12	6
Lyleton	47	46	-	139	1	2
Middlebro	120	8	-	198	-	-
Piney	152	25	38	70	1	6
Snowflake	102	22	4	250	2	31
South Junction	195	7	132	118	-	3
Windygates	153	34	8	171	6	10
Total, Manitoba	6,405	3,412	257	5,479	1,161	250
Saskatchewan						
Big Beaver	72	54	17	97	14	69
East Poplar River ..	47	50	2	166	27	5
Elmore	132	16	3	433	7	67
Estevan	695	82	28	411	40	52
Marienthal	141	80	7	266	5	25
Monchy	24	99	-	38	105	-
Northgate	533	577	76	782	54	78
North Portal	587	457	80	1,214	192	53
Oungre	36	188	-	180	62	29
Regway	59	323	-	181	121	14
Treelon	60	34	-	59	5	60
West Poplar River ..	35	60	2	90	23	-
Willow Creek	-	32	-	18	40	8
Total, Saskatchewan	2,421	2,052	215	3,935	695	460
Alberta						
Aden	15	4	-	27	2	20
Carway	149	603	26	167	102	24
Chief Mountain	197	1,141	7	322	60	8
Coutts	630	508	176	1,230	79	520
Del Bonita	69	20	11	20	2	11
Wild Horse	10	11	1	17	8	3
Total, Alberta	1,070	2,287	221	1,783	253	586

Port and Province	Number of Foreign Vehicles Inward			Number of Canadian Vehicles Inward		
	Non- Permit Class (Local Traffic)	Travel- ler's Vehicle Permits	Com- mercial Vehicles	Length of stay abroad		Com- mercial Vehicles
				24 hours or less	Over 24 hours	
British Columbia						
Aldergrove	322	773	91	916	120	112
Boundary Bay	662	254	46	3,029	241	77
Carson	225	110	22	194	16	16
Cascade City	433	167	10	373	43	30
Flathead	24	-	-	-	-	-
Huntingdon	1,106	909	72	2,333	171	107
Keremeos	6	9	-	6	-	-
Kingsgate	207	1,489	18	258	508	14
Midway	46	16	-	9	2	-
Nelway	79	187	-	79	35	4
New Westminster ..	-	-	-	-	-	-
Osoyoos	536	1,310	10	1,612	305	82
Pacific Highway ..	1,297	11,723	76	9,056	1,313	66
Paterson	249	232	11	620	125	140
Powell River	-	-	-	-	-	-
Prince Rupert	-	2	-	-	-	-
Roosville	51	80	-	96	31	3
Rykerts	377	98	16	705	59	59
Sidney	1	583	-	5	106	-
Silver Heights ...	1	-	7	67	-	74
Stewart	128	1	65	326	-	284
Vancouver	-	7	-	-	-	-
Victoria	12	1,894	-	7	172	-
Waneta	6	2	-	10	4	2
Total, British Columbia ...	5,768	19,846	444	19,701	3,251	1,070
Yukon Territory						
Dawson	-	-	4	-	-	-
Whitehorse	-	36	-	-	-	-
Total, Yukon Territory	-	36	4	-	-	-
TOTAL, CANADA	394,558	183,362	17,301	149,138	15,959	13,069

SUMMARY BY PROVINCES OF HIGHWAY TRAFFIC AT CANADIAN BORDER POINTS

JUNE, 1945 and JUNE, 1946

NUMBER OF FOREIGN VEHICLES INWARD

Province	Non-Permit Class Local Traffic		Traveller's Vehicle Permits		Commercial Vehicles	
	1945	1946	1945	1946	1945	1946
Prince Edward Island	-	-	-	-	-	-
Nova Scotia	-	1	-	6	-	-
New Brunswick	55,855	70,321	4,572	10,440	5,152	5,766
Quebec	13,247	19,481	12,747	32,595	1,991	2,033
Ontario	217,472	289,091	51,350	112,688	7,670	8,361
Manitoba	4,712	6,405	956	3,412	239	257
Saskatchewan	1,972	2,421	688	2,052	201	215
Alberta	683	1,070	206	2,287	107	221
British Columbia	3,654	5,768	8,612	19,846	588	444
Yukon Territory	-	-	2	36	-	4
TOTAL	297,595	394,558	79,133	183,362	15,948	17,301

SUMMARY BY PROVINCES OF HIGHWAY TRAFFIC AT CANADIAN BORDER POINTS

JUNE, 1945 and JUNE, 1946

NUMBER OF CANADIAN VEHICLES INWARD

Province	Length of stay abroad				Commercial Vehicles	
	24 hours or less		Over 24 hours		1945	1946
	1945	1946	1945	1946		
Prince Edward Island ...	-	-	-	-	-	-
Nova Scotia	-	-	-	-	-	-
New Brunswick	33,052	48,849	176	609	5,005	5,815
Quebec	12,546	19,812	1,414	3,376	2,006	2,178
Ontario	30,492	49,579	1,691	6,614	3,039	2,710
Manitoba	3,169	5,479	95	1,161	320	250
Saskatchewan	3,189	3,935	155	695	253	460
Alberta	957	1,783	39	253	481	586
British Columbia	8,811	19,701	1,136	3,251	1,022	1,070
Yukon Territory	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	92,216	149,138	4,706	15,959	12,126	13,069

CUMULATIVE SUMMARY BY PROVINCES OF HIGHWAY TRAFFIC AT CANADIAN BORDER POINTS

JANUARY - JUNE 1945: JANUARY - JUNE 1946.

NUMBER OF FOREIGN VEHICLES INWARD

Province	Non-Permit Class		Traveller's		Commercial	
	Local Traffic		Vehicle Permits		Vehicles	
	1945	1946	1945	1946	1945	1946
Prince Edward Island	-	-	-	-	-	-
Nova Scotia	-	4	2	14	-	-
New Brunswick	223,545	327,315	11,713	23,880	25,557	33,492
Quebec	51,457	73,869	32,346	79,147	8,248	10,740
Ontario	795,306	1,005,711 ^x	128,233	276,495	38,558	40,319
Manitoba	16,688	21,853	2,079	6,419	815	738
Saskatchewan	7,575	8,393	1,183	3,418	1,866	1,377
Alberta	2,830	4,500	694	3,517	623	1,161
British Columbia	17,214	24,889	27,752	64,549	2,987	2,297
Yukon Territory	-	-	18	91	-	4
TOTAL	1,114,615	1,466,534 ^x	204,020	457,530	78,654	90,128
Percentage Change		31.6%		124.3%		14.6%

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JANUARY - JUNE 1945: JANUARY - JUNE 1946.

NUMBER OF CANADIAN VEHICLES INWARD

Province	Length of stay abroad				Commercial	
	24 hours or less		Over 24 hours		Vehicles	
	1945	1946	1945	1946	1945	1946
Prince Edward Island ...	-	-	-	-	-	-
Nova Scotia	-	-	-	-	-	-
New Brunswick	136,851	220,018	447	1,802	21,149	28,189
Quebec	48,524	80,529	3,390	11,128	9,876	13,880
Ontario	145,284	238,598 ^x	6,189	23,618 ^x	17,846	16,505
Manitoba	11,267	18,186	357	3,374	1,778	1,393
Saskatchewan	14,136	15,998	565	2,217	1,416	2,068
Alberta	4,358	6,952	152	1,020	2,266	3,396
British Columbia	30,865	77,100	4,333	12,523	6,499	6,338
Yukon Territory	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	391,285	657,381 ^x	15,433	55,682 ^x	60,830	71,769
Percentage Change		68.0%		260.8%		18.0%

^x May entries for Windsor (E-60's & E-49's) Revised.

CLASSIFICATIONS

The following note define briefly the classifications used in the tables:

1. "Commercial Vehicles" are trucks, used for commercial purposes.
2. Vehicles not classified as commercial vehicles consist of automobiles, taxis, motorcycles and bicycles.
3. Through buses, local buses, horse-drawn vehicles, and military trucks, or other military vehicles, are not included in any of the classifications.

4. Foreign Vehicles Inward

(a) Non-Permit Class

Local vehicles which are not required to make out formal Customs permits. They are restricted to travel within the jurisdiction of the port and may not remain in Canada more than 48 hours.

Also included are the repeat trips of commuters and others who cross the border frequently on commuting permits. (See below).

(b) Traveller's Vehicle Permits

Traveller's vehicle permits are issued to all non-commercial vehicles which -

1. Travel beyond the jurisdiction of the port of entry, or
2. remain in Canada more than 48 hours, or
3. leave the country by another port than the one by which they entered.

These permits are usually issued for periods of 60 days or 6 months, but a considerable number is issued to vehicles which are in Canada less than 48 hours.

Also included in this class are commuting permits which entitle the holders to cross the border frequently during the tenure of their permits. Repeat trips after the first, however, are included in the non-permit class, as mentioned above.

5. Canadian Vehicles Inward

Canadian vehicles returning to Canada are classified by length-of-stay depending upon whether they are abroad for more or less than 24 hours.

Statistics on volume of highway traffic have been published annually from 1923 to 1937, and have been published annually and monthly from January 1938 to date. Certain changes in classification instituted in April, 1941 do not permit exact comparisons between data published before and after that date. Particulars of changes in classification can be found on page 4 of the annual statement for the year 1944.

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