

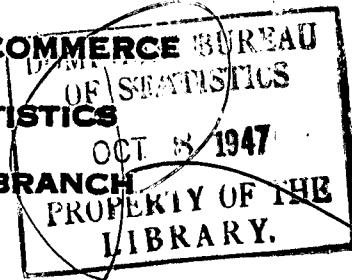
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HIGHWAY TRAFFIC AT CANADIAN BORDER POINTS

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Automobile traffic crossing the International Border into Canada during September continued at the high level regained in this first year of peace. A total volume of 763,130 vehicles which entered during the month compares with some 1,060,000 in August, the peak month, and 655,727 in September of 1945. Total traffic during the month included over 574,000 foreign entries and 189,000 vehicles of Canadian registry returning from a sojourn in the United States. Of the foreign cars inward 376,832 were non-permit or local category; 181,734 were entered on Tourist Permits and 15,558 as Commercial Vehicles.

Canadian cars returning in September comprised 154,289 on stays of less than 24 hours, 21,478 remaining abroad over one day, and 13,239 Commercial Vehicles.

Compared with September of last year, the current record shows an increase in the important tourist or E-50 class of 35,766 cars or 24.5 p.c., while the short term American traffic rose 9 p.c. in the same comparison.

The above is rather a gratifying increase, since Labor Day fell on the second of the month this year and considerable of the normally heavy volume of American entries for the holiday occurred on the last two days of August whereas, in 1945, the Saturday preceding Labor Day had been in September.

The Canadian motoring tourist still discouraged by the slow delivery of new cars, (42,765 for domestic use in the first nine months) and tire shortages, has not yet regained his pre-war stride in international travel. However, during September 21,478 Canadian cars remained abroad over 24 hours compared with 13,795 in September, 1945 an increase of nearly 56 p.c. The heavy week-end visiting between border cities is reflected in the large volume of local traffic which reached 154,289 cars compared with 124,660 Canadian cars in September of 1945.

During the first 9 months of the current year a total of nearly 4,271,000 foreign vehicles have been checked through Canadian ports of entry, an increase of about 1,220,000 over the same months of 1945, indicating that the year will likely establish a new high. Travellers Vehicle Permits reached 1,272,306, an advance of 85 p.c. or 584,000 over the first three quarters of last year. The table below gives the record from 1937.

Returning Canadian cars that had gone to the States for more than 24 hours totalled 132,509 in the first nine months up 141 p.c. over 1945.

Each province recorded an encouraging gain in September over the same month of last year in all classes of motor traffic and while percentage increases may tend to distort the relative significance in relation to the national total, they are a measure of the significant provincial recovery.

We are now happily, with September, comparing traffic in the current month with that of the preceding year on a peace time basis and the distortions caused by wartime restrictions are no longer such determining factors. A truer evaluation of post-war traffic is now becoming possible and the pattern of our tourist trade in this new era,

of so called "full employment" is beginning to take shape, freed from the shadows of war.

Comparing the nine month record by provinces in the important tourist class it is observed that the Maritimes doubled their reception of automobile tourists this year, while Quebec also was host to more than twice as many cars. Ontario, accounting for a large percentage of the increase in the national total accommodated 784,323 tourist cars compared with 455,450 in the three quarters of last year. Touring into Prairie Provinces which had been restricted to low levels during the war has recovered remarkably, while British Columbia entries rose to 147,643 tourist cars from 78,848 in the same months of last year.

This year Canadian travel authorities are endeavouring to encourage an extension of the tourist season into the fall months, featuring our second summer with the matchless beauty of the autumn woods and excellent hunting and fishing. Month to month traffic records will be of significance in reflecting some measure of the success of the experiment.

COMPARISON TOURIST CAR ENTRIES

FIRST NINE MONTHS

1937 - 1946.

First Nine Months	Travellers Vehicle Permits Foreign Vehicles Inward	Returning Canadian Cars Abroad Over 24 Hours
1937	1,194,253	(1)
1938	1,079,777	(1)
1939	1,098,030	(1)
1940	818,727	123,275
1941	1,014,308	41,499
1942	431,658	31,408
1943	236,942	20,837
1944	366,525	37,080
1945	688,210	54,951
1946	1,272,306	132,509

(1) Comparable category not available.

MONTHLY STATEMENT BY PORTS OF HIGHWAY TRAFFIC AT CANADIAN BORDER POINTS

SEPTEMBER, 1946.

Port and Province	Number of Foreign Vehicles Inward			Number of Canadian Vehicles Inward		
	Non-Traveler's Permit	Class	Vehicle	Come	Length of stay abroad	Commercial
(Local Traffic)	Permits	Vehicles	Permit's Vehicles	24 hours or less	over 24 hours	Commercial Vehicles
<u>Prince Edward Island (x)</u>						
Charlottetown	-	-	-	-	-	-
Summerside	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total, Prince Edward Island ..	-	-	-	-	-	-
<u>Nova Scotia (x)</u>						
Annapolis Royal	-	-	-	-	-	-
Halifax	-	7	-	-	-	-
Liverpool	-	-	-	-	-	-
North Sydney	-	5	-	-	-	-
Pictou	-	-	-	-	-	-
Truro	-	-	-	-	-	-
Yarmouth	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total, Nova Scotia	-	12	-	-	-	-
<u>New Brunswick</u>						
Andover	3,297	1,109	274	2,905	11	783
Aroostook Jct.	30	8	24	31	-	-
Belleville	220	20	24	315	4	48
Bloomfield	325	32	21	168	2	51
Brown Road	115	22	24	235	1	59
Campobello	-	12	-	-	-	-
Clair	5,905	1,051	603	3,974	2	547
Connors	-	-	-	-	-	-
Edmundston	21,791	1,240	2,475	6,595	11	1,389
Forêt City	387	8	5	140	1	232
Centreville	698	206	165	510	44	140

- (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	Over 24 hours	Com- mercial Vehicles
<u>New Brunswick - Cont'd</u>						
Fosterville	296	41	11	252	1	90
Four Falls	158	88	20	292	-	27
Gillespie	1,253	377	191	608	13	175
Grand Falls	743	139	110	354	5	49
Lord's Cove	-	-	-	-	-	-
McAdam Jct.	-	4	-	-	-	-
Milltown.....	4,963	122	91	3,775	13	257
River de Chute	472	150	57	163	3	71
St. Andrews	-	-	-	-	-	-
St. Croix	1,545	395	179	897	19	189
St. Hilaire	-	-	-	-	-	-
St. John	-	2	-	-	-	-
St. Leonard	7,391	1,176	428	6,751	18	354
St. Stephen	20,989	5,476	636	15,891	610	459
Union Corner	343	15	22	188	1	138
Upper Mills	645	11	51	636	3	81
Wilson's Beach	-	-	-	-	-	-
Woodstock Road	3,250	1,062	193	2,908	103	190
Total, New Brunswick	74,816	10,764	5,604	47,588	865	5,329
<u>Quebec</u>						
Abercorn	1,641	1,116	120	2,401	50	214
Armstrong	243	2,604	70	376	477	72
Beebe	1,485	179	44	752	44	39
Chartierville	38	343	-	11	24	1
Clarenceville	182	196	10	368	23	14
Comins Mills	544	983	57	724	182	292
Covey Hill	72	82	28	85	9	28
Dundee	1,891	179	106	1,114	12	63
East Pinnacle	-	-	-	-	-	-
Estcourt	-	7	46	-	-	359
Franklin Centre	21	179	-	46	6	-
Freightsburg	748	384	77	342	31	71
Glen Sutton	276	712	219	371	5	36
Hemmingford	263	550	68	786	33	44
Herdman	378	402	67	821	59	34
Hereford Road	1,227	280	50	429	16	87
Highwater	1,464	1,300	362	1,081	218	66
Jamieson's Line	44	38	2	14	-	2
Lac Frontiere	13	29	10	9	1	-
Lacolle	761	10,683	54	3,510	2,015	63
Montreal	-	-	-	-	-	-

Port and Province	Number of Foreign Vehicles Inward			Number of Canadian Vehicles Inward		
	Non- Permit Class (Local Traffic)	Travel- ler's Vehicles Permits	Com- mercial Vehicles	Length of stay abroad 24 hours or less	Over 24 hours	Com- mercial Vehicles
<u>Quebec - cont'd</u>						
Morses Line	250	354	24	238	15	35
Noyan	463	607	67	449	76	34
Philipsburg	962	6,845	78	1,399	1,227	171
Quebec	-	-	-	-	-	-
Rock Island	2,239	4,544	72	2,024	174	86
St. Armand	18	98	-	13	-	-
St. Pamphile	-	9	-	-	-	-
St. Zacharie	17	32	3	142	88	408
Stanhope	218	1,494	39	902	238	105
Trout River	1,235	1,389	17	2,381	191	59
Woburn	258	340	1	281	48	37
Total, Quebec	16,951	35,958	1,691	21,069	5,262	2,418
<u>Ontario</u>						
Brockville	288	383	3	236	80	26
Cobourg	-	16	-	-	-	-
Cornwall	2,770	1,125	155	3,349	336	136
Courtright	510	148	1	72	21	1
Fort Erie	75,766	22,638	933	11,508	1,145	287
Fort Frances	4,415	2,199	140	2,965	87	465
Fort William	-	2	-	-	-	-
Gananoque	-	-	-	-	-	-
Kingston	-	86	-	-	-	-
Kingsville	1	21	-	-	-	-
Lansdowne	540	10,179	159	1,932	837	121
Leamington	-	11	-	-	-	-
Midland	-	-	-	-	-	-
Morrisburg	235	308	8	267	95	10
Niagara Falls	40,932	25,077	407	19,820	1,579	138
Pigeon River	1,639	1,889	1	461	484	1
Port Arthur	-	30	-	-	-	-
Port Lambton	945	254	7	209	53	-
Prescott	825	1,352	63	1,020	232	91
Rainy River	14	154	1	44	3	16
Sarnia	7,564	9,834	62	2,987	1,079	113
Sault Ste. Marie ...	3,561	3,075	62	2,241	303	123
Sombra	501	119	4	162	20	10
Toronto	-	41	-	-	-	-
Walpole Island	445	69	2	342	15	8
West Dock	13	7	-	-	-	-
Windsor	129,089	29,748	4,418	5,471	1,720	1,028
Total, Ontario	269,851	108,765	6,426	53,086	8,138	2,574

Port and Province	Number of Foreign Vehicles Inward			Number of Canadian Vehicles Inward		
	Non- Travel- Permit Class (Local Traffic)	Travel- Permit Vehicle Permits	Com- mercial Vehicles	Length of stay abroad 24 hours or less	Over 24 hours	Com- mercial Vehicles
<u>Manitoba</u>						
Boissevain	82	245	1	178	86	32
Cartwright	103	42	1	115	12	17
Coulter	69	50	12	182	30	47
Crystal City	122	26	4	81	10	14
Emerson	2,681	2,589	19	1,553	1,527	39
Goodlands	57	86	2	249	14	7
Gretna	1,512	87	62	1,421	48	259
Haskett	41	17	-	145	5	60
Lena	215	60	3	273	10	18
Lyleton	45	9	12	210	-	17
Middlebro	118	3	-	137	1	18
Piney	249	6	10	120	3	11
Snowflake	71	18	3	187	2	26
South Junction	173	11	62	96	-	23
Windygates	98	26	4	130	3	13
Total, Manitoba	5,636	3,275	195	5,077	1,751	601
<u>Saskatchewan</u>						
Big Beaver	55	24	15	60	26	51
East Poplar River ...	-	30	-	-	-	-
Elmore	225	40	15	583	12	73
Estevan	551	36	35	378	46	43
Marienthal	101	53	5	293	8	18
Monchy	15	73	-	33	124	1
Northgate	389	184	103	675	52	74
North Portal	514	276	190	1,000	194	98
Oungre	25	131	9	113	37	39
Regway	40	198	7	208	201	37
Treelon	27	25	-	59	10	75
West Poplar River ...	32	21	1	32	12	15
Willow Creek	1	28	-	18	43	45
Total, Saskatchewan	1,955	1,119	380	3,252	765	569
<u>Alberta</u>						
Aden	18	6	-	16	-	10
Carway	79	363	7	118	205	12
Chief Mountain	43	957	2	116	167	4
Coutts	976	360	152	1,506	87	417
Del Bonita	292	59	273	90	-	44
Wild Horse	11	12	2	28	19	6
Total, Alberta	1,419	1,757	436	1,874	478	493

Port and Province	Number of Foreign Vehicles Inward			Number of Canadian Vehicles Inward		
	Non- Travel- Permit Class (Local Traffic)	Permit's Vehicle Permits	Com- mercial Vehicles	Length of stay abroad 24 hours or less	Com- mercial Over 24 hours	Com- mercial Vehicles
<u>British Columbia</u>						
Aldergrove	573	876	96	1,201	241	111
Boundary Bay	680	127	48	2,355	176	97
Carson	265	240	19	303	39	8
Cascade City	315	295	16	373	41	22
Flathead	-	-	-	-	-	-
Huntingdon	1,416	849	34	2,483	231	90
Keremeos	2	7	-	4	7	1
Kingsgate	147	914	3	275	695	11
Midway	68	19	2	23	6	-
Nelway	107	138	-	60	97	51
New Westminster ..	-	-	-	-	-	-
Osoyoos	495	1,235	322	1,713	440	131
Pacific Highway .	1,218	12,268	172	11,354	1,477	86
Paterson	324	250	38	809	201	156
Pleasant Camp ..	-	14	-	-	-	-
Powell River	-	-	-	-	-	-
Prince Rupert ...	-	15	-	-	-	-
Roosville	48	100	2	113	40	11
Rykerts	391	123	5	842	96	34
Sidney	-	578	-	10	181	-
Silver Heights ..	-	-	4	86	-	81
Stewart	142	-	55	323	-	315
Vancouver	-	3	-	-	-	-
Victoria	-	1,945	-	18	268	-
Waneta	13	1	-	1	.13	-
Total, British Columbia ..	6,204	19,997	816	22,345	4,219	1,255
<u>Yukon Territory</u>						
Dawson	-	-	10	-	-	-
Whitehorse	-	87	-	-	-	-
Total, Yukon Territory....	-	87	10	-	-	-
<u>TOTAL,</u>						
CANADA	376,832	181,734	15,558	154,289	21,478	13,239

SUMMARY BY PROVINCES OF HIGHWAY TRAFFIC AT CANADIAN BORDER POINTS
SEPTEMBER, 1945 and SEPTEMBER, 1946

Province	<u>NUMBER OF FOREIGN VEHICLES INWARD</u>						
	Non-Permit Class		Traveller's		Commercial		
	Local Traffic	1945	Vehicle Permits	1946	Vehicles	1945	1946
Prince Edward Island	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Nova Scotia	-	-	5	12	-	-	-
New Brunswick	66,617	74,816	7,328	10,764	5,514	5,604	
Quebec	14,079	16,951	25,562	35,958	1,336	1,691	
Ontario	253,520	269,851	92,511	108,765	6,262	6,426	
Manitoba	3,858	5,636	1,611	3,275	229	195	
Saskatchewan	1,742	1,955	720	1,119	357	380	
Alberta	766	1,419	583	1,757	275	436	
British Columbia	4,261	6,204	17,643	19,997	354	816	
Yukon Territory	-	-	5	87	4	10	
TOTAL	344,843	376,832	145,968	181,734	14,331	15,558	

SUMMARY BY PROVINCES OF HIGHWAY TRAFFIC AT CANADIAN BORDER POINTS
SEPTEMBER, 1945 and SEPTEMBER, 1946.

Province	<u>NUMBER OF CANADIAN VEHICLES INWARD</u>							
	Length of stay abroad		Over		Commercial			
	24 hours or less	1945	Over 24 hours	1945	1946	Vehicles	1945	1946
Prince Edward Island	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Nova Scotia	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
New Brunswick	43,054	47,588	734	865	4,880	5,329		
Quebec	16,864	21,069	4,274	5,262	2,281	2,418		
Ontario	43,871	53,086	4,185	8,138	2,777	2,574		
Manitoba	4,673	5,077	781	1,751	463	601		
Saskatchewan	3,284	3,252	487	765	361	569		
Alberta	1,125	1,874	266	478	423	493		
British Columbia	11,789	22,343	3,068	4,219	945	1,255		
Yukon Territory	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	124,660	154,289	13,795	21,478	12,130	13,239		

CUMULATIVE SUMMARY BY PROVINCES OF HIGHWAY TRAFFIC AT CANADIAN BORDER POINTS
JANUARY - SEPTEMBER, 1945: JANUARY - SEPTEMBER, 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	-	4	23	73	-	-
New Brunswick	418,949	558,065	34,220	68,137	40,683	49,896
Quebec	99,036	129,032	107,090	227,840	13,645	15,810
Ontario	1,639,547	2,061,920 ^x	455,450	784,523	60,920	62,180
Manitoba	30,182	41,196	6,655	19,481	1,451	1,351
Saskatchewan	13,920	15,782	3,582	8,798	2,753	2,427
Alberta	5,252	9,490	2,336	15,604	1,187	2,072
British Columbia	31,093	44,958	78,848	147,643	4,307	4,274
Yukon Territory	-	-	26	407	9	54
TOTAL	2,237,979	2,860,447 ^x	688,210	1,272,306	124,955	138,064
Percentage Change		+27.8%		+84.9%		+10.5%

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JANUARY - SEPTEMBER, 1945: JANUARY - SEPTEMBER, 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	260,406	371,131	2,131	4,554	37,008	44,309
Quebec	102,996	148,815	16,369	30,039	16,179	20,931
Ontario	274,010	407,784 ^x	18,745	50,838 ^x	27,104	25,312
Manitoba	25,478	35,574	2,043	9,455	2,907	3,113
Saskatchewan	24,883	27,101	1,858	5,927	2,431	4,228
Alberta	7,658	13,523	759	3,083	3,858	5,055
British Columbia	70,730	154,129	13,046	28,613	9,610	10,019
Yukon Territory	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	766,141	1,158,057 ^x	54,951	132,509 ^x	99,097	112,967
Percentage Change		+51.2%		+141.1%		+14.0%

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

The following notes 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 (E.49)

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 (E50)

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 (E.60A)

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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