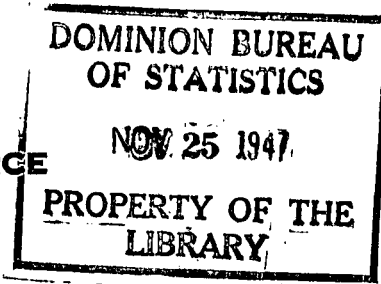


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HIGHWAY TRAFFIC AT CANADIAN BORDER POINTS

OCTOBER, 1947

Automobile traffic across the International Boundary into Canada continued active during October. In the east the weather was particularly favorable for motoring with Ontario recording an unprecedented average of seven hours sunlight daily throughout the month. The total of all border crossings reached nearly 730,000 vehicles representing 512,357 foreign and 217,619 returning Canadian cars compared with 452,910 and 176,796 respectively in October last year for gains of 13% and 23%. The foreign inflow consisted of 368,243 as non-permit or local traffic, 126,180 cars entering on tourist permits and 17,928 U. S. commercial vehicles. The returning Canadian cars were divided into 176,099 remaining less than 24 hours in the United States, 24,223 vehicles staying abroad over one day and 17,297 Canadian trucks and other commercial vehicles.

The important foreign tourist car entries at 126,180 compared with 111,696 cars in October, 1946 an increase of 14,484 cars or some 13% to register a new record for the month. The volume of short term visits was also encouraging, the total of 368,243 indicating an improvement of some 43,200 or 13.3% above October last year.

Tourist Cars by Regions

A more active hunting season, in addition to sunny weather in the east gave an impetus to tourist travel to Canada during October. All provinces shared in the advance over the same month last year. Entries into the Maritimes were 8,435 tourist cars compared with 7,663 in October 1946, an increase of over 10%. Traffic was principally through New Brunswick ports as the Boston-Yarmouth ferry service was suspended towards the end of September. Quebec tourist car entries were up nearly a thousand over October last year. Ontario, favored by a remarkable spell of uninterrupted sunshine was host to 73,549 tourist cars, a new record for October and some 19.3% better than the corresponding month of 1946. The Prairie region saw an increase in the number of game and field hunters, the total for the area reaching 3,378 cars up 615 or 22.3% in the month to month comparison with noteworthy improvement in Saskatchewan. British Columbia, despite some unfavorable weather, registered an advance of 270 cars or 2.1% above October, 1946.

First Ten Months

During the first ten months of the current year a total of 1,557,784 tourist cars have entered Canada, an advance of 12.6% or nearly 174,000 more cars above the same period in 1946. This has been the most active period on record and new monthly peaks were established from June onward.

Provincially all provinces except Saskatchewan have had a much more encouraging season. Nova Scotia to the end of October had welcomed 2,114 tourist cars principally through Yarmouth compared with only 79 in the first ten months of 1946.

The New Brunswick total at 83,379 was some 10% up over the previous year. Quebec traffic reached nearly 280,000 compared with 254,500 up over 10%. Ontario, with over 61% of all tourist car entries had the remarkable total of 951,216 compared with 845,975. The province will record its first 1,000,000 tourist car year in 1947.

The Prairies were host to 55,236 tourist cars to the end of October as against 46,646 last year with Manitoba and Alberta registering good improvement while Saskatchewan entries were down slightly.

British Columbia established new records in 1947, the ten month total approaching 185,200 tourist entries a 15% advance over the same period of 1946. Entries into the Yukon more than doubled in the same comparison.

#### Canadian Cars

Canadian cars returning from visits of longer than 24 hours in the United States totalled 24,223 during the month of October an increase of some 6,700 cars or 38.3 p.c. above the same month last year. Canadian short term travel to the States was up 30,000 cars in the same comparison.

In the first ten months nearly 193,000 Canadian cars have gone on extended trips to the United States an advance of 28.5 p.c. over the period January-October in 1946. Similarly short visits were 20.6 p.c. more numerous with 1,573,000 cars returning compared with 1,305,000 to the end of October last year.

#### Automobile Production

New post-war records were established in the flow of passenger cars from American production lines during October. The preliminary total for the month at 316,400 compares with a revised 307,942 in September and 283,586 in October last year. In the first ten months of the current year new passenger car releases exceeded 2,885,000 of which about 92 p.c. or 2,663,000 were distributed to domestic dealers with the balance exported to Canada and other countries.

Canadian production was also encouraging in October to bring the ten months total of passenger car output to nearly 137,000 of which about 106,000 were delivered to Canadian motorists.

Comparison Tourist Car Movement  
October, 1937 - 1947

<u>October</u>	<u>Travellers Vehicle Permits</u> <u>Foreign Vehicles Inward</u>	<u>Returning Canadian Cars</u> <u>Abroad over 24 Hours</u>
1937	96,890	(1)
1938	90,493	(1)
1939	77,842	31,585
1940	71,578	4,283
1941	74,282	5,545
1942	31,840	3,137
1943	29,107	3,160
1944	38,036	5,569
1945	84,933	12,180
1946	111,696	17,512
1947	126,180	24,223

First Ten Months  
1937 - 1947

Jan. - Oct.

1937	1,291,143	(1)
1938	1,170,270	(1)
1939	1,175,872	(1)
1940	890,305	127,558
1941	1,088,590	47,044
1942	463,498	34,545
1943	266,049	23,997
1944	404,561	42,649
1945	773,143	67,131
1946	1,384,002	150,021
1947	1,557,784	192,786

(1) Comparable category unavailable.

MONTHLY STATEMENT BY PORTS OF HIGHWAY TRAFFIC AT CANADIAN BORDER POINTS

OCTOBER, 1947

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	
<u>Prince Edward Island (x)</u>						
Charlottetown.....	-	-	-	-	-	-
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Total, Prince Edward Island.	-	-	-	-	-	-
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<u>Nova Scotia (x)</u>						
Annapolis Royal....	-	-	-	-	-	-
Halifax.....	-	10	-	-	-	-
Liverpool.....	-	-	-	-	-	-
North Sydney.....	-	5	-	-	-	-
Pictou.....	-	-	-	-	-	-
Truro.....	-	-	-	-	-	-
Yarmouth.....	-	-	-	-	-	-
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Total, Nova Scotia.....	-	15	-	-	-	-
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<u>New Brunswick</u>						
Andover.....	3,940	904	270	3,496	16	544
Aroostook Jct.....	10	7	-	27	-	1
Belleville.....	88	15	33	252	6	64
Bloomfield.....	176	26	43	128	7	28
Brown Road.....	128	11	19	248	4	34
Campobello.....	47	2	3	134	1	46
Centreville.....	697	215	81	768	43	136
Clair.....	6,454	741	456	5,280	49	396
Connors.....	-	-	-	-	-	-
Edmundston.....	20,452	935	1,285	9,273	531	538
Forest City.....	300	10	1	101	1	99

(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	
<b>New Brunswick - Cont'd</b>						
Fosterville.....	351	45	38	315	-	190
Four Falls.....	236	117	-	222	-	39
Gillespie.....	1,625	452	158	800	21	163
Grand Falls.....	651	157	105	577	9	52
Lord's Cove.....	-	-	-	-	-	-
McAdam Jct.....	-	1	-	-	-	-
Milltown.....	5,652	107	174	4,701	14	342
River de Chute.....	486	168	28	177	3	63
St. Andrews.....	-	-	-	-	-	-
St. Croix.....	1,430	356	130	1,318	53	88
St. Hilaire.....	-	-	-	-	-	-
St. John.....	-	-	-	-	1	-
St. Leonard.....	9,516	877	487	7,471	34	331
St. Stephen.....	20,773	2,202	931	17,980	879	982
Union Corner.....	204	21	33	207	-	59
Upper Mills.....	623	5	124	741	4	82
Wilson's Beach.....	-	-	-	-	-	-
Woodstock Road.....	3,824	1,046	265	2,687	114	370
<b>Total, New Brunswick.....</b>	<b>77,663</b>	<b>8,420</b>	<b>4,664</b>	<b>56,903</b>	<b>1,790</b>	<b>4,647</b>
<b>Quebec</b>						
Abercorn.....	1,829	784	139	2,019	41	185
Armstrong.....	452	1,169	159	495	916	124
Beebe.....	1,507	180	30	716	13	23
Chartierville.....	180	223	20	109	67	36
Clarenceville.....	325	230	3	351	11	49
Comins Mills.....	644	640	79	549	119	254
Covey Hill.....	242	87	11	75	5	30
Dundee.....	1,633	138	56	1,224	3	103
East Pinnacle.....	53	51	3	135	2	59
Estcourt.....	10	17	45	4	51	84
Franklin Centre.....	155	85	14	97	3	3
Frelighsburg.....	675	398	81	363	24	52
Glen Sutton.....	417	873	429	400	-	156
Hemmingford.....	1,865	393	138	994	19	98
Herdman.....	702	217	70	1,091	39	46
Hereford Road.....	933	267	53	332	14	99
Highwater.....	1,270	1,284	559	950	98	105
Jamieson's Line.....	88	55	9	64	-	1
Lac Frontiere.....	36	30	22	17	-	4
Lacolle.....	1,131	8,251	86	5,452	2,309	167
Montreal.....	-	-	-	-	-	-

Port and Province	Number of			Number of		
	Foreign Vehicles Inward			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	
<b>Quebec - Cont'd</b>						
Morses Line.....	165	284	19	179	5	23
Noyan.....	618	549	35	632	164	477
Philipsburg.....	1,013	5,476	60	1,839	1,113	142
Quebec.....	-	-	-	-	-	-
Rock Island.....	4,038	3,440	263	3,422	333	123
St. Armand.....	-	-	-	-	-	-
St. Pamphile.....	-	14	-	-	-	-
St. Zacharie.....	33	12	1	91	112	33
Stanhope.....	417	1,212	99	889	313	93
Trout River.....	1,152	1,068	15	2,022	142	40
Woburn.....	446	211	25	330	77	37
Total, Quebec.....	22,029	27,638	2,523	24,839	5,993	2,646
<b>Ontario</b>						
Brockville.....	364	276	1	249	92	18
Cobourg.....	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cornwall.....	2,422	870	85	3,641	263	175
Courtright.....	734	125	-	44	32	-
Erieau.....	-	-	-	-	-	-
Fort Erie.....	66,051	15,018	1,343	11,007	1,857	432
Fort Frances.....	2,959	1,971	55	3,804	74	571
Fort William.....	-	1	-	-	-	-
Gananoque.....	-	-	-	-	-	-
Kingston.....	-	39	-	10	3	-
Kingsville.....	-	-	-	-	-	-
Lansdowne.....	438	5,769	235	2,277	876	171
Leamington.....	-	-	-	-	-	-
Midland.....	-	-	-	-	-	-
Morrisburg.....	122	165	4	180	66	18
Niagara Falls.....	41,403	15,374	137	20,768	2,000	1,854
Pele Island.....	-	-	-	-	-	-
Pigeon River.....	183	1,156	18	425	369	15
Port Arthur.....	-	-	-	-	-	-
Port Lambton.....	602	219	-	230	66	2
Prescott.....	792	710	14	958	291	84
Rainy River.....	11	151	-	45	5	20
Sarnia.....	8,596	7,743	100	3,282	1,170	332
Sault Ste. Marie..	2,586	1,949	10	2,705	330	97
Sombra.....	505	124	14	158	22	81
Toronto.....	-	-	-	-	-	-
Walpole Island....	697	83	-	427	10	3
West Dock.....	-	-	-	-	-	-
Windsor.....	124,863	21,806	6,610	8,195	2,322	1,082
Total, Ontario.....	253,328	73,549	8,626	58,405	9,848	4,955



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 24 hours or less	Over 24 hours	Com- mercial Vehicles
<b>Manitoba</b>						
Boissevain.....	60	121	3	148	104	103
Cartwright.....	53	22	13	99	18	88
Coulter.....	70	24	13	216	32	119
Crystal City.....	-	-	-	-	-	-
Emerson.....	2,174	1,435	88	1,743	1,367	110
Goodlands.....	51	53	-	345	8	16
Gretna.....	1,854	117	155	1,830	60	559
Haskett.....	201	14	41	772	17	339
Lena.....	131	35	2	407	27	21
Lyleton.....	74	12	49	260	14	175
Middlebro.....	57	3	32	156	2	49
Piney.....	155	4	43	134	2	16
Snowflake.....	63	10	-	283	5	-
South Junction.....	128	2	106	126	-	8
Windygates.....	91	28	4	212	4	108
<b>Total, Manitoba.....</b>	<b>5,162</b>	<b>1,880</b>	<b>549</b>	<b>6,731</b>	<b>1,660</b>	<b>1,711</b>
<b>Saskatchewan</b>						
Big Beaver.....	36	26	34	78	32	93
East Poplar River..	86	26	51	206	50	21
Elmore.....	105	23	59	244	17	119
Estevan.....	359	72	11	352	60	74
Marienthal.....	104	31	13	272	16	110
Monchy.....	35	69	1	31	108	6
Northgate.....	291	84	71	758	92	124
North Portal.....	398	160	316	1,217	183	259
Oungre.....	13	71	7	206	91	77
Regway.....	32	163	62	127	119	69
Treelon.....	42	26	2	62	33	36
West Poplar River..	28	19	-	28	6	-
Willow Creek.....	-	27	-	-	-	-
<b>Total, Saskatchewan.....</b>	<b>1,529</b>	<b>797</b>	<b>627</b>	<b>3,581</b>	<b>807</b>	<b>968</b>
<b>Alberta</b>						
Aden.....	20	7	-	29	6	3
Carway.....	98	208	12	82	190	2
Chief Mountain.....	-	-	-	-	-	-
Coutts.....	1,306	444	258	1,353	431	713
Del Bonita.....	157	26	105	71	8	41
Wild Horse.....	17	16	2	19	16	-
<b>Total, Alberta.....</b>	<b>1,598</b>	<b>701</b>	<b>377</b>	<b>1,554</b>	<b>651</b>	<b>759</b>

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	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	
<b>British Columbia</b>						
Aldergrove.....	310	636	33	1,429	223	157
Boundary Bay.....	768	58	83	1,274	87	138
Carson.....	348	145	10	403	19	24
Cascade City.....	316	191	11	377	68	28
Flathead.....	-	-	-	-	-	-
Huntingdon.....	1,644	893	78	4,420	420	352
Keremeos.....	6	10	-	8	5	-
Kingsgate.....	179	414	8	348	410	15
Midway.....	97	7	4	48	1	4
Nelway.....	128	102	-	145	115	14
New Westminster...	-	8	-	-	-	-
Osoyoos.....	941	985	42	1,985	555	145
Pacific Highway...	1,356	8,197	204	11,362	722	54
Paterson.....	238	173	12	568	193	72
Pleasant Camp.....	-	-	-	-	-	-
Powell River.....	-	-	-	-	-	-
Prince Rupert.....	-	7	-	-	-	-
Roosville.....	81	57	1	108	23	6
Rykerts.....	378	89	1	862	219	174
Sidney.....	-	159	-	20	133	-
Silver Heights....	6	-	5	206	-	144
Skagit.....	-	-	-	-	-	-
Stewart.....	109	-	52	496	-	281
Vancouver.....	-	21	-	-	-	-
Victoria.....	-	963	-	15	270	-
Waneta.....	29	7	1	12	11	3
Total, British Columbia....	6,934	13,122	545	24,086	3,474	1,611
<b>Yukon Territory</b>						
Dawson.....	-	-	17	-	-	-
Whitehorse.....	-	58	-	-	-	-
Total, Yukon Territory.....	-	58	17	-	-	-
<b>TOTAL,</b>						
CANADA.....	368,243	126,180	17,928	176,099	24,223	17,297

SUMMARY BY PROVINCES OF HIGHWAY TRAFFIC AT CANADIAN BORDER POINTS

OCTOBER, 1946 and OCTOBER, 1947

NUMBER OF FOREIGN VEHICLES INWARD

Province	Non-Permit Class Local Traffic		Traveller's Vehicle Permits		Commercial Vehicles	
	1946	1947	1946	1947	1946	1947
Prince Edward Island..	-	-	-	-	-	-
Nova Scotia.....	-	-	6	15	-	-
New Brunswick.....	70,874	77,663	7,657	8,420	5,337	4,664
Quebec.....	17,553	22,029	26,669	27,638	2,311	2,523
Ontario.....	223,917	253,328	61,652	73,549	6,729	8,626
Manitoba.....	4,653	5,162	1,648	1,880	122	549
Saskatchewan.....	1,739	1,529	551	797	645	627
Alberta.....	1,084	1,598	564	701	459	377
British Columbia.....	5,194	6,934	12,852	13,122	597	545
Yukon Territory.....	-	-	97	58	-	17
TOTAL.....	325,014	368,243	111,696	126,180	16,200	17,928

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NUMBER OF CANADIAN VEHICLES INWARD

Province	<u>Length of stay-abroad</u> 24 hours or less		Over 24 hours		Commercial Vehicles	
	1946	1947	1946	1947	1946	1947
Prince Edward Island..	-	-	-	-	-	-
Nova Scotia.....	-	-	-	-	-	-
New Brunswick.....	44,986	56,903	812	1,790	4,376	4,647
Quebec.....	19,222	24,839	4,027	5,993	1,933	2,646
Ontario.....	54,992	58,405	7,513	9,848	3,425	4,955
Manitoba.....	4,497	6,731	1,190	1,660	475	1,711
Saskatchewan.....	3,069	3,581	650	807	546	968
Alberta.....	1,344	1,554	251	651	454	759
British Columbia.....	18,456	24,086	3,069	3,474	1,509	1,611
Yukon Territory.....	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL.....	146,566	176,099	17,512	24,223	12,718	17,297

CUMULATIVE SUMMARY BY PROVINCES OF HIGHWAY TRAFFIC AT CANADIAN BORDER POINTS

JANUARY - OCTOBER, 1946: JANUARY - OCTOBER, 1947

NUMBER OF FOREIGN VEHICLES INWARD

Province	Non-Permit Class Local Traffic		Traveller's Vehicle Permits		Commercial Vehicles	
	1946	1947	1946	1947	1946	1947
Prince Edward Island..	-	-	-	-	-	-
Nova Scotia.....	4	-	79	2,114	-	-
New Brunswick.....	628,939	693,487	75,794	83,379	55,233	51,831
Quebec.....	146,585	167,331	254,509	279,605	18,121	21,257
Ontario.....	2,285,837	2,594,626	845,975	951,216	68,909	73,902
Manitoba.....	45,849	47,959	21,129	23,101	1,473	2,768
Saskatchewan.....	17,521	16,972	9,349	9,259	3,072	2,877
Alberta.....	10,574	15,758	16,168	22,876	2,531	3,946
British Columbia.....	50,152	64,371	160,495	185,168	4,871	5,037
Yukon Territory.....	-	16	504	1,066	54	84
TOTAL.....	3,185,461	3,600,520	1,384,002	1,557,784	154,264	161,702
Percentage Change.....		+ 13.0%		+ 12.6%		+ 4.8%

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JANUARY - OCTOBER, 1946: JANUARY - OCTOBER, 1947

NUMBER OF CANADIAN VEHICLES INWARD

Province	Length of stay abroad 24 hours or less		Over 24 hours		Commercial Vehicles	
	1946	1947	1946	1947	1946	1947
Prince Edward Island..	-	-	-	-	-	-
Nova Scotia.....	-	3	-	66	-	-
New Brunswick.....	416,117	499,699	5,366	9,258	48,685	51,594
Quebec.....	168,037	208,953	34,066	48,028	22,864	24,240
Ontario.....	462,776	525,254	58,351	65,956	28,737	48,086
Manitoba.....	40,071	49,253	10,645	16,519	3,588	6,547
Saskatchewan.....	30,170	31,726	6,577	8,946	4,774	6,453
Alberta.....	14,867	17,110	3,334	7,812	5,509	6,172
British Columbia.....	172,585	241,295	31,682	36,201	11,528	12,798
Yukon Territory.....	-	-	-	-	-	4
TOTAL.....	1,304,623	1,573,293	150,021	192,786	125,685	155,894
Percentage Change.....		+ 20.6%		+ 28.5%		+ 24.0%

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 (E.50)

Travellers'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.

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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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