

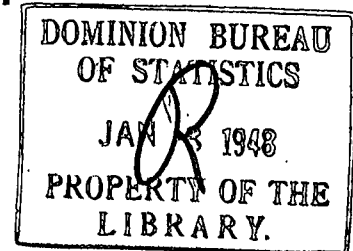
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Short term motor traffic across the International Boundary in November maintained the substantial increase over comparable data for the previous year which has been shown in all months of the current year to date. The gain in November was fairly evenly divided between American traffic entering Canada which increased 8 p.c. over November 1946 and Canadian traffic returning which showed a gain of 6 p.c. Longer term motor traffic when compared with similar data for 1946 showed a slight decrease in the number of American cars and an increase of 13 p.c. in the number of Canadian cars.

Total border crossings in November 1947 amounted to more than 540,000 vehicles, consisting of 377,846 foreign and 162,351 Canadian units. The foreign inflow comprised 292,881 local cars admitted without traveller's vehicle permits, 68,284 permit holding cars and 16,681 commercial vehicles. The Canadian traffic was composed of 136,791 cars remaining abroad for 24 hours or less, 11,791 staying for longer periods, and 13,769 commercial vehicles.

Canadian Cars

Reflecting the re-imposition of official restrictions on pleasure travel, the longer term Canadian motor traffic abroad which had amounted to 26,000 cars in September and to 24,000 in October dropped to less than 12,000 in November. This represents a decrease of 51 p.c. from the October figure, compared with seasonal decreases of 41 p.c. shown in the previous year and 34 p.c. in the year 1945. Canadian short term traffic at 136,791 vehicles showed a normal seasonal decline of 22 p.c. from the previous month.

However, figures for November have little effect upon cumulative totals from January through November. In this period of 11 months almost 205,000 Canadian cars remaining out of the country for more than 24 hours registered an advance of 27 p.c. over comparable data for the previous year, and short term motor traffic in the same period increased by 19 p.c.

The significance of the distinction between long and short term travel is seen when the expenditures resulting from each of the two types of travel are examined. In the year 1946 it is estimated that there were more than 13.5 million visits by Canadians to the United States by all means of travel. Of this huge total, 89 p.c. or 12 million visits were made by persons remaining abroad for two days or less. These short term travellers, however, although impressive in number accounted for only 20 p.c. of the total expenditures made by all Canadian travellers in the United States. Further details of this comparison are shown in the following table:

Estimated Expenditures of Canadian Travellers in the United States  
by Length of Stay, 1946

<u>Mode of Travel</u>	<u>No. of</u> <u>Persons</u>	<u>% of</u> <u>Grand Total</u>	<u>Expenditures</u>	<u>% of</u> <u>Grand Total</u>
<u>Short Term Traffic</u>				
Motorists -- One Day	4,452,015	32.90	5,285,866	4.07
Two Days	187,429	1.38	2,681,903	2.06
Rail (in transit)	12,124	.09	-	-
Other Travellers (pedestrians, local buses, ferries, etc.)	7,354,834	54.35	18,127,000	13.95
Total	12,006,402	88.72	26,094,769	20.08
<u>Long Term Traffic</u>				
Motorists -- Three Days & Over	327,425	2.42	13,741,631	10.58
Rail	592,599	4.38	49,623,000	38.19
Through Bus	442,386	3.27	28,469,000	21.91
Airplane	63,608	.47	8,832,000	6.80
Boat	100,835	.74	3,166,544	2.44
Total	1,526,853	11.28	103,832,175	79.92
GRAND TOTAL	13,533,255	100.00	129,926,944	100.00

Foreign Automobile Tourist Traffic Holding Traveller's Vehicle Permits

In November, for the first time in seven months, the volume of foreign automobile tourist traffic to Canada dropped below the corresponding figure for the previous year. The drop was small, being only 213 vehicles, but it provided a marked contrast to the gain of over 77,000 which was recorded at the peak of the season in August. This net decrease of 213 vehicles represents a balance between decreases totalling 2,620 in the Provinces of Quebec, Ontario and Manitoba, and increases of 2,407 in the remaining provinces and in the Yukon Territory. The largest decrease was shown in Quebec with 1,799 vehicles and the largest increase was attributable to British Columbia with 1,595. Changes in the other provinces were relatively unimportant.

During the first eleven months of the current year more than 1,626,000 tourist cars entered Canada, an increase of almost 12 p.c. over the same period in 1946. The gain has been shared by all provinces except Saskatchewan which recorded a small decrease. Nova Scotia received 2,118 tourist cars compared with only 82 in the first eleven months of 1946. Yukon entries were more than doubled, rising from 560 to 1,383. Alberta showed an improvement of 42 p.c. followed by British Columbia with 15 p.c., Ontario with 12 p.c., New Brunswick with 10 p.c., Quebec with 9 p.c. and Manitoba with 7 p.c.

Official Restrictions on Canadian Travel

As of November 18, 1947, regulations of the Foreign Exchange Control Board provide that the maximum amount of U.S. dollars which any Canadian resident may obtain for pleasure travel is \$150 per year. In the case of children of eleven years and under the amount is \$100. There is no restriction on the number of trips as long as this annual allotment is not exceeded. Any U.S. dollars obtained for one trip and not used on that trip must be brought back to Canada and exchanged for Canadian dollars at a bank immediately on return. No credit for these funds can be allowed against the annual ration for subsequent trips.

A Canadian resident wishing to make visits on which he will not be taking out of Canada more than a total of \$25 of which not more than \$10 is in U.S. dollars, may purchase from his bank for this purpose up to a total of \$10 in any calendar month. This is in addition to the annual travel ration.

At the discretion of the Foreign Exchange Control Board reasonable amounts of U.S. dollars may be obtained for business travel and for travel for health or education.

Comparison Tourist Car Movement  
November, 1937 - 1947

<u>November</u>	<u>Travellers Vehicle Permits</u> <u>Foreign Vehicles Inward</u>	<u>Returning Canadian Cars</u> <u>Abroad over 24 Hours</u>
1937	59,429	(1)
1938	53,168	(1)
1939	52,696	19,225
1940	43,502	2,854
1941	51,733	3,913
1942	23,660	2,256
1943	18,660	2,102
1944	27,994	3,153
1945	53,330	8,068
1946	68,497	10,399
1947	68,284	11,791

First Eleven Months  
1937 - 1947

Jan. - Nov.

1937	1,350,572	(1)
1938	1,223,438	(1)
1939	1,228,568	(1)
1940	933,807	130,412
1941	1,140,323	50,957
1942	487,158	36,801
1943	284,709	26,099
1944	432,555	45,802
1945	826,473	75,199
1946	1,452,499	160,420
1947	1,626,068	204,577

(1) Comparable category unavailable.

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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
<u>Prince Edward Island (x)</u>						
Charlottetown .....	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total, Prince Edward Island.	-	-	-	-	-	-
<u>Nova Scotia (x)</u>						
Annapolis Royal .....	-	-	-	-	-	-
Halifax .....	-	3	-	-	-	-
Liverpool .....	-	-	-	-	-	-
North Sydney .....	-	1	-	-	-	-
Pictou .....	-	-	-	-	-	-
Truro .....	-	-	-	-	-	-
Yarmouth .....	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total, Nova Scotia .....	-	4	-	-	-	-
<u>New Brunswick</u>						
Andover .....	2,868	749	421	2,258	4	460
Aroostook Jct. ....	-	-	-	-	-	-
Belleville .....	84	8	51	185	3	44
Bloomfield .....	171	21	50	130	3	71
Brown Road .....	126	12	10	160	-	14
Campobello .....	74	3	3	304	-	75
Centreville .....	626	153	66	492	40	137
Clair .....	4,673	441	523	3,648	1	457
Connors .....	-	-	-	-	-	-
Edmundston .....	14,282	586	1,767	7,067	164	468
Forest City .....	291	7	6	84	-	97

(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 .....	299	55	22	265	-	160
Four Falls .....	195	80	5	144	-	13
Gillespie .....	1,519	348	172	619	9	167
Grand Falls .....	611	117	133	385	3	41
Lord's Cove .....	-	-	-	-	-	-
McAdam Jct. ....	-	-	-	-	-	-
Milltown .....	5,547	93	236	3,826	9	283
River de Chute .....	350	109	45	138	-	70
St. Andrews .....	-	-	-	-	-	-
St. Croix .....	1,557	305	114	1,060	27	80
St. Hilaire .....	-	-	-	-	-	-
St. John .....	-	-	-	-	-	-
St. Leonard .....	9,100	566	501	6,653	9	313
St. Stephen .....	17,387	1,221	946	14,487	403	854
Union Corner .....	213	18	35	149	1	104
Upper Mills .....	584	13	61	612	1	87
Wilson's Beach .....	-	-	-	-	-	-
Woodstock Road .....	3,111	675	267	1,625	30	278
<b>Total,</b>						
New Brunswick .....	63,668	5,580	5,434	44,291	707	4,273
<b>Quebec</b>						
Abercorn .....	1,645	525	166	1,658	18	85
Armstrong .....	207	284	52	283	325	67
Beebe .....	1,101	99	26	624	6	19
Chartierville .....	57	37	7	46	22	14
Clarenceville .....	221	131	-	218	8	51
Comins Mills .....	711	237	89	550	68	200
Covey Hill .....	318	58	20	90	10	32
Dundee .....	876	88	37	908	5	28
East Pinnacle .....	58	21	-	116	-	42
Estcourt .....	-	21	7	9	18	17
Franklin Centre .....	127	63	16	38	1	3
Frelighsburg .....	457	228	102	332	28	66
Glen Sutton .....	332	626	214	303	3	43
Hemmingford .....	1,371	264	127	754	16	62
Herdman .....	504	153	40	650	22	41
Hereford Road .....	745	96	73	304	6	142
Highwater .....	994	796	283	695	47	61
Jamieson's Line .....	86	33	1	30	1	8
Lac Frontiere .....	15	16	11	19	-	3
Lacolle .....	1,024	3,712	137	3,831	868	135
Montreal .....	-	-	-	-	-	-

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				24 hours or less	Over 24 hours	
<u>Quebec - Cont'd</u>						
Morses Line .....	102	169	13	129	1	35
Noyan .....	487	222	40	372	36	33
Philipsburg .....	822	3,172	109	1,998	460	162
Quebec .....	-	-	-	-	-	-
Rock Island .....	4,738	1,579	307	3,989	284	196
St. Armand .....	-	-	-	-	-	-
St. Pamphile .....	-	9	-	-	-	-
St. Zacharie .....	26	7	3	124	80	16
Stanhope .....	623	687	96	1,097	273	110
Trout River .....	897	545	24	1,623	75	52
Woburn .....	213	105	3	213	39	37
<b>Total, Quebec .....</b>	<b>18,757</b>	<b>13,983</b>	<b>2,003</b>	<b>21,003</b>	<b>2,720</b>	<b>1,760</b>
<u>Ontario</u>						
Brockville .....	281	116	1	172	43	5
Cobourg .....	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cornwall .....	2,248	394	111	2,464	94	179
Courtright .....	261	57	-	36	16	-
Erieau .....	-	-	-	-	-	-
Fort Erie .....	44,014	8,413	714	8,896	633	503
Fort Frances .....	2,645	255	183	2,502	45	687
Fort William .....	-	-	-	-	-	-
Gananoque .....	-	-	-	-	-	-
Kingston .....	-	12	-	2	1	-
Kingsville .....	-	-	-	-	-	-
Lansdowne .....	296	1,656	160	1,001	340	261
Leamington .....	-	1	-	-	-	-
Midland .....	-	1	-	-	-	-
Morrisburg .....	69	73	4	58	17	4
Niagara Falls .....	31,573	6,708	54	17,774	880	1,533
Peelee Island .....	-	-	-	-	-	-
Pigeon River .....	144	204	16	333	292	22
Port Arthur .....	-	7	-	-	-	-
Port Lambton .....	606	152	4	161	28	1
Prescott .....	597	316	23	539	103	81
Rainy River .....	1	23	-	18	1	1
Sarnia .....	6,748	4,054	90	2,463	581	204
Sault Ste. Marie ..	1,233	597	18	1,545	109	46
Sombra .....	319	75	9	86	22	48
Toronto .....	-	-	-	-	-	-
Walpole Island ....	133	29	3	323	7	6
West Dock .....	-	-	-	-	-	-
Windsor .....	106,577	12,532	5,615	7,098	1,127	861
<b>Total, Ontario .....</b>	<b>197,745</b>	<b>35,675</b>	<b>7,005</b>	<b>45,471</b>	<b>4,339</b>	<b>4,442</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	
<u>Manitoba</u>						
Boissevain .....	15	39	34	62	31	14
Cartwright .....	40	23	13	59	12	23
Coulter .....	21	10	12	86	7	25
Crystal City .....	228	37	12	165	16	48
Emerson .....	1,819	591	294	930	662	36
Goodlands .....	27	37	3	143	10	2
Gretna .....	1,044	55	250	764	22	158
Haskett .....	109	1	9	163	7	108
Lena .....	94	25	4	173	12	1
Lyleton .....	33	2	18	181	11	61
Middlebro .....	51	4	18	78	-	27
Piney .....	159	8	46	123	1	25
Snowflake .....	59	2	-	129	17	-
South Junction ....	109	1	54	71	3	-
Windygates .....	83	21	9	72	3	20
Total, Manitoba .....	3,891	856	776	3,199	814	548
<u>Saskatchewan</u>						
Big Beaver .....	29	14	9	101	17	51
East Poplar River .	41	20	10	143	31	29
Elmore .....	134	1	35	219	23	122
Estevan .....	355	36	16	275	70	57
Marienthal .....	58	13	1	165	7	26
Monchy .....	39	26	-	50	81	5
Northgate .....	185	17	29	697	44	67
North Portal .....	360	52	357	1,068	163	145
Oungre .....	14	40	2	146	50	15
Regway .....	17	62	62	129	97	37
Treelon .....	38	7	-	75	18	34
West Poplar River .	1	15	33	31	2	-
Willow Creek .....	-	6	-	-	-	-
Total, Saskatchewan .....	1,271	309	554	3,099	603	588
<u>Alberta</u>						
Aden .....	12	4	-	10	-	5
Carway .....	34	27	13	17	59	-
Chief Mountain ....	-	-	-	-	-	-
Coutts .....	884	247	224	916	316	438
Del Bonita .....	107	16	33	66	3	39
Wild Horse .....	15	9	-	17	6	6
Total, Alberta .....	1,052	303	270	1,026	384	488

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				24 hours or less	Over 24 hours	
<u>British Columbia</u>						
Aldergrove .....	297	643	39	1,000	128	99
Boundary Bay .....	751	70	79	875	57	119
Carson .....	349	151	17	278	11	27
Cascade City .....	371	172	16	437	46	31
Flathead .....	57	7	17	6	-	7
Huntingdon .....	1,752	725	62	3,078	351	326
Keremeos .....	5	5	-	6	5	-
Kingsgate .....	70	163	13	199	219	11
Midway .....	80	11	3	38	3	8
Nelway .....	97	34	-	106	86	5
New Westminster ...	-	7	-	-	-	-
Osoyoos .....	648	669	22	1,577	373	286
Pacific Highway ...	1,476	7,853	244	9,508	404	53
Paterson .....	132	71	44	468	136	96
Pleasant Camp .....	-	8	-	-	-	-
Port Alberni .....	-	1	-	-	-	-
Powell River .....	-	-	-	-	-	-
Prince Rupert .....	-	10	-	-	-	-
Roosville .....	17	11	13	28	7	20
Rykerts .....	252	36	2	522	187	177
Sidney .....	-	-	-	-	-	-
Silver Heights .....	6	-	6	134	-	115
Skagit .....	-	-	-	-	-	-
Stewart .....	121	-	60	411	-	289
Vancouver .....	-	12	-	-	-	-
Victoria .....	-	596	2	11	200	-
Waneta .....	16	2	-	20	11	1
Total, British Columbia .....	6,497	11,257	639	18,702	2,224	1,670
<u>Yukon Territory</u>						
Dawson .....	-	-	-	-	-	-
Whitehorse .....	-	317	-	-	-	-
Total, Yukon Territory .....	-	317	-	-	-	-
<u>TOTAL,</u>						
CANADA .....	292,881	68,284	16,681	136,791	11,791	13,769

SUMMARY BY PROVINCES OF HIGHWAY TRAFFIC AT CANADIAN BORDER POINTS

NOVEMBER, 1946 and NOVEMBER, 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 .....	-	-	3	4	-	-
New Brunswick .....	63,604	63,668	5,171	5,580	4,944	5,434
Quebec .....	14,891	18,757	15,782	13,983	1,832	2,003
Ontario .....	180,821	197,745	36,191	35,675	6,533	7,005
Manitoba .....	4,006	3,891	1,161	856	113	776
Saskatchewan .....	1,573	1,271	283	309	465	554
Alberta .....	876	1,052	188	303	404	270
British Columbia .....	4,559	6,497	9,662	11,257	532	639
Yukon Territory .....	-	-	56	317	-	-
TOTAL .....	270,330	292,881	68,497	68,284	14,823	16,681

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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 .....	-	-	-	-	-	-
New Brunswick .....	42,296	44,291	477	707	4,258	4,273
Quebec .....	16,959	21,003	2,306	2,720	1,874	1,760
Ontario .....	47,152	45,471	4,639	4,339	3,706	4,442
Manitoba .....	3,213	3,199	639	814	256	548
Saskatchewan .....	2,813	3,099	497	603	442	588
Alberta .....	1,208	1,026	107	384	446	488
British Columbia .....	14,899	18,702	1,734	2,224	1,416	1,670
Yukon Territory .....	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL .....	128,540	136,791	10,399	11,791	12,398	13,769

CUMULATIVE SUMMARY BY PROVINCES OF HIGHWAY TRAFFIC AT CANADIAN BORDER POINTS

JANUARY - NOVEMBER, 1946: JANUARY - NOVEMBER, 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	-	82	2,118	-	-
New Brunswick .....	692,543	757,155	80,965	88,959	60,177	57,265
Quebec .....	161,476	186,088	270,291	293,588	19,953	23,260
Ontario .....	2,466,658	2,792,371	882,166	986,891	75,442	80,907
Manitoba .....	49,855	51,850	22,290	23,957	1,586	3,544
Saskatchewan .....	19,094	18,243	9,632	9,568	3,537	3,431
Alberta .....	11,450	16,810	16,356	23,179	2,935	4,216
British Columbia .....	54,711	70,868	170,157	196,425	5,403	5,676
Yukon Territory .....	-	16	560	1,383	54	84
TOTAL .....	3,455,791	3,893,401	1,452,499	1,626,068	169,087	173,383
Percentage Change ....		+12.7%		+11.9%		+5.5%

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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 .....	-	3	-	66	-	-
New Brunswick .....	458,413	543,990	5,843	9,965	52,943	55,867
Quebec .....	184,996	229,956	36,372	50,748	24,738	26,000
Ontario .....	509,928	570,725	62,990	70,295	32,443	52,528
Manitoba .....	43,284	52,452	11,284	17,333	3,844	7,095
Saskatchewan .....	32,983	34,825	7,074	9,549	5,216	7,041
Alberta .....	16,075	18,136	3,441	8,196	5,955	6,660
British Columbia .....	187,484	259,997	33,416	38,425	12,944	14,468
Yukon Territory .....	-	-	-	-	-	4
TOTAL .....	1,433,163	1,710,084	160,420	204,577	138,083	169,663
Percentage Change ....		+ 19.3%		+ 27.5%		+ 22.9%

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)

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 period 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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