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20 cents per copyTRAVEL BETWEEN CANADA AND THE UNITED STATESMAY, 1953I. HIGHWAY TRAFFIC - MAY, 1953

Highway traffic crossing the boundary between Canada and the United States was 12 per cent heavier in May than in the same month of last year. This represents a greater percentage increase than that experienced in May 1952, compared with the same month of 1951, and also a greater gain than that of the previous month; the proportionate increase being 10 per cent in each case. Canadian traffic returning from United States continued to account for a greater portion of the increase than American traffic to Canada. Total border crossings during the month amounted to 1,166,400, of which 697,400 were vehicles registered in United States and 469,000 were Canadian vehicles returning. Vehicles registered in United States consisted of 183,500 entering on customs permits; 482,500 were non-permit or local entries and 31,400 were commercial vehicles. Canadian traffic was made up of 56,400 units remaining over 24 hours abroad, 383,500 staying less than 24 hours and 29,100 commercial vehicles.

Foreign Vehicles

An increase of 8 per cent in the aggregate crossings of foreign vehicles was experienced in May compared with the same period of 1952. Entries on customs permits increased by 2 per cent, with gains and declines being unevenly distributed throughout the different regions. The five month cumulative data for the same type of traffic show a 9 per cent gain over the same period in 1952 with each province sharing in the increase during 1953.

Non-permit or local traffic from United States gained 9 per cent during the month, with a similar rate of increase appearing for the first five months of the year. All provinces registered an increase in the volume of this type of traffic for the cumulative period.

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Canadian Vehicles

The total number of Canadian vehicles returning from the United States increased by 18 per cent when compared with May 1952. Traffic remaining over 24 hours abroad accounted for a gain of 21 per cent, while the rate of advance for the first five months of 1953 is practically the same at 20 per cent. This is the same rate of increase as that experienced for the cumulative four month period. All provinces contributed to the increase for the month, and also for the five month period.

Traffic remaining less than 24 hours abroad advanced by 20 per cent for the month and 14 per cent during the five month period.

<u>May</u>	<u>Foreign Vehicles Entering on Traveller's Vehicle Permits</u>	<u>Returning Canadian Vehicles Abroad Over 24 Hours</u>
1937	110,124	(1)
1938	99,451	(1)
1939	97,544	(1)
1940	87,324	31,306
1941	100,469	4,535
1942	58,715	3,592
1943	20,888	2,297
1944	32,492	2,178
1945	46,999	2,978
1946	105,499	15,251
1947	114,875	15,287
1948	134,440	14,810
1949	153,988	23,462
1950	144,640	22,359
1951	148,286	34,450
1952	179,462	46,560
1953	183,509	56,357

(1) Comparable category unavailable.

II. TRAFFIC BY LONG DISTANCE COMMON CARRIER - APRIL, 1953

The pattern of travel between Canada and the United States was similar for residents and non-residents. The trend established for the first four months of the year also applies to the month of April. A greater number of persons travelled by boat and plane during April and the four month period, when compared with the previous year, but the increase was more than offset by declines in traffic by train and bus. In the aggregate the declines amounted to 5 per cent and 6 per cent for residents and non-residents for the four month period, and declines of 2 per cent and 4 per cent respectively for residents and non-residents in April.

MONTHLY STATEMENT BY PORTS OF HIGHWAY TRAFFIC AT CANADIAN BORDER POINTS

MAY, 1953

Port of Entry	Number of Foreign Vehicles Entering Canada			Number of Canadian Vehicles Returning to Canada		
	Non- Permit Class (Local Traffic)	Travel- er's Vehicle	Com- mercial Vehicles	Length of stay abroad 24 hours Over or less	24 hours	Com- mercial Vehicles
Newfoundland, Prince Edward Island, and Nova Scotia						
Number of vehicles transported by boat direct from United States ports (x)	-	55	-	-	-	-

New Brunswick

Andover	3,945	1,047	310	5,384	25	409
Beaconsfield	85	27	29	78	-	22
Belleville	69	52	34	218	2	36
Bloomfield	101	70	66	170	1	71
Campobello	98	14	42	386	-	91
Centreville	1,029	360	304	1,339	71	225
Clair	8,747	1,719	760	9,416	21	736
Edmundston	22,482	1,864	2,167	21,272	105	1,132
Forest City	295	11	8	166	-	28
Fosterville	305	43	10	433	-	85
Four Falls	117	118	9	249	-	26
Gillespie	1,090	704	147	1,096	8	218
Grand Falls	1,426	371	196	2,535	4	280
Lord's Cove	-	-	-	-	-	-
Mars Hill Road	105	85	9	134	2	26
Milltown	6,240	124	376	10,749	60	863
River de Chute	135	121	7	224	2	47

(x) 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	Number of Foreign Vehicles Entering Canada			Number of Canadian Vehicles Returning to Canada		
	Non Permit Class	Traveler's Vehicle	Commercial Vehicles	Length of stay abroad 24 hours or less	Over 24 hours	Commercial Vehicles
St. Croix	2,327	471	88	2,293	111	77
St. Leonard	9,238	1,668	1,118	10,173	99	498
St. Stephen	24,349	1,853	2,056	23,370	1,649	2,414
Union Corner	52	61	21	188	-	38
Upper Mills	538	6	29	626	-	21
Woodstock Road	2,204	1,163	98	5,863	268	412
Provincial Total	84,977	11,952	7,884	96,362	2,428	7,755

Quebec

Abercorn	2,025	928	150	2,884	110	129
Armstrong	292	1,106	79	1,237	554	420
Arnold Bog	-	-	-	-	-	-
Beebe	2,453	259	98	2,430	67	91
Chartierville	129	142	10	139	129	22
Clarenceville	153	109	5	631	27	25
Comins Mills	445	364	16	763	100	182
Covey Hill	102	61	7	237	8	34
Dundee	2,407	266	67	2,768	34	72
East Pinnacle	121	142	3	553	4	79
Estcourt	351	52	2	926	15	50
Franklin Centre ...	129	82	32	181	2	27
Freightsburg	442	281	158	552	31	66
Glen Sutton	299	728	187	643	12	106
Hemmingford	730	242	118	2,471	44	199
Herdman	703	208	104	1,734	53	119
Hereford Road	925	163	74	463	14	150
Highwater	1,716	1,704	311	2,608	411	166
Jamieson's Line ...	108	35	16	75	1	-
Lac Frontiere	2	52	-	-	5	2
Lacolle	1,140	8,539	1,303	21,358	4,127	1,146
Landry Siding	5	2	1	19	12	30
Leadville	30	11	15	108	-	26
Mansonville	31	4	1	34	-	-
Morses Line	53	245	42	125	10	21
Noyan	650	396	24	1,055	167	68
Philipsburg	560	5,844	431	4,412	1,700	413
Rock Island	13,882	3,079	724	13,838	1,165	527

Port of Entry	Number of Foreign Vehicles Entering Canada			Number of Canadian Vehicles Returning to Canada		
	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>Quebec - Con't.</u>						
St. Armand	2	98	-	49	1	1
St. Pamphile	102	13	8	122	1	-
St. Zacharie	22	8	1	111	81	21
Stanhope	253	1,712	185	2,817	709	364
Trout River	1,396	1,189	41	5,837	360	105
Woburn	418	276	20	602	89	136
Provincial Total	32,076	28,340	4,233	71,782	10,043	4,797

Ontario

Brockville	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cornwall	3,541	1,264	248	6,408	408	372
Courtright	603	213	-	192	40	2
Fort Erie	81,328	26,807	2,408	27,291	6,179	852
Fort Frances	4,817	3,826	158	5,574	255	1,225
Kingston	-	7	-	-	-	-
Kingsville	-	-	-	-	-	-
Lansdowne	2,490	6,500	246	5,052	2,152	340
Leamington	-	-	-	-	-	-
Midland	-	2	-	-	-	-
Morrisburg	69	144	2	221	87	6
Niagara Falls	50,333	21,357	2,254	69,354	5,600	2,838
Pele Island	-	22	-	-	-	-
Pigeon River	274	1,369	39	1,419	1,024	46
Port Lambton	643	317	-	632	127	14
Prescott	1,413	1,324	51	3,722	714	81
Rainy River	16	241	1	105	6	7
Sarnia	13,075	11,340	282	11,940	3,015	1,316
Sault Ste. Marie ..	2,470	3,222	96	4,303	801	192
Sombra	782	311	4	706	50	23
Walpole Island	422	145	-	213	9	1
Windsor	182,099	34,021	9,998	7,487	1,983	3,208
Provincial Total	344,375	112,432	15,787	144,619	22,450	10,523

Port of Entry	Number of Foreign Vehicles Entering Canada			Number of Canadian Vehicles Returning to Canada		
	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>Manitoba</u>						
Boissevain	139	756	6	605	453	64
Cartwright	392	73	1	148	22	-
Coulter	290	191	6	901	130	37
Crystal City	337	49	10	81	13	15
Emerson	1,635	2,008	205	4,543	3,318	1,060
Goodlands	37	13	2	370	15	3
Gretna	1,656	84	82	1,819	27	95
Haskett	324	29	43	802	16	111
Lena	165	256	14	570	20	40
Lyleton	86	24	4	197	9	15
Middlebro	113	12	13	527	3	46
Piney	239	16	54	290	17	61
Snowflake	154	19	-	441	8	3
South Junction ..	208	11	30	529	16	26
Tolstoi	125	7	16	165	8	14
Windygates	122	43	6	312	10	7
Provincial Total ..	6,022	3,591	492	12,300	4,085	1,597
<u>Saskatchewan</u>						
Big Beaver	31	34	5	226	49	62
East Poplar River	35	23	7	102	30	19
Elmore	193	27	34	556	48	74
Estevan	303	90	3	334	51	4
Marienthal	77	89	11	222	20	36
Monchy	26	57	4	51	197	21
Northgate	380	285	13	589	93	39
North Portal	981	661	379	1,870	1,203	733
Oungre	11	166	3	236	146	6
Regway	48	251	54	384	371	153
Treelon	39	14	3	114	81	3
West Poplar River	19	15	1	75	69	1
Willow Creek	11	16	3	34	55	32
Provincial Total ..	2,154	1,728	520	4,793	2,413	1,183
<u>Alberta</u>						
Aden	9	5	-	40	2	10
Carway	108	320	2	138	441	9
Chief Mountain ..	2	46	-	31	15	1
Coutts	1,710	1,458	644	2,414	1,933	576
Del Bonita	74	24	3	92	15	18
Wild Horse	17	26	7	68	103	9
Provincial Total ..	1,920	1,879	656	2,783	2,509	623

Port of Entry	Number of Foreign Vehicles Entering Canada			Number of Canadian Vehicles Returning to Canada		
	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>British Columbia</u>						
Aldergrove	399	1,130	60	2,170	535	174
Boundary Bay	1,370	62	81	5,221	337	134
Carson	609	207	33	559	9	196
Cascade City	621	340	191	1,740	84	59
Huntingdon	1,875	3,520	98	7,372	590	260
Keremeos	9	15	-	33	13	5
Kingsgate	213	884	113	1,197	1,162	310
Midway	239	58	2	368	9	1
Nelway	207	427	6	416	289	40
Osoyoos	1,513	1,204	45	3,814	832	218
Pacific Highway ...	2,654	12,426	726	20,617	7,156	786
Paterson	231	565	131	4,603	487	195
Pleasant Camp	2	-	5	-	-	13
Powell River	-	-	-	-	-	-
Prince Rupert	-	12	-	-	-	-
Roosville	71	86	-	153	89	22
Rykerts	386	164	19	1,004	148	52
Silver Heights	6	-	-	173	-	97
Skagit	18	16	207	33	-	-
Stewart	246	-	2	961	-	43
Vancouver	-	1	-	-	-	-
Victoria	1	1,816	2	53	621	3
Waneta	28	29	2	309	52	-
Provincial Total ..	10,698	22,962	1,723	50,796	12,413	2,608
<u>Yukon Territory</u>						
Carcross	-	25	-	-	-	-
Snag Creek	239	545	141	39	16	16
Provincial Total ..	239	570	141	39	16	16
DOMINION TOTAL	482,461	183,509	31,436	383,474	56,357	29,102

Table 1 - SUMMARY BY PROVINCES OF HIGHWAY TRAFFIC AT CANADIAN BORDER POINTS
MAY, 1952 AND MAY, 1953

A - NUMBER OF FOREIGN VEHICLES ENTERING CANADA

Province of Entry	Non-Permit Class Local Traffic		Traveller's Vehicle Permits		Commercial Vehicles	
	1952	1953	1952	1953	1952	1953
Newfoundland	-	-	{ 43	{ 55	-	-
Nova Scotia	-	-			-	-
New Brunswick	79,230	84,977	11,011	11,952	8,522	7,884
Quebec	23,897	32,076	30,712	28,340	3,254	4,233
Ontario	318,764	344,375	107,841	112,432	10,829	15,787
Manitoba	6,859	6,022	3,449	3,591	483	492
Saskatchewan	2,661	2,154	1,844	1,728	277	520
Alberta	1,438	1,920	1,901	1,879	245	656
British Columbia	9,652	10,698	22,236	22,962	1,310	1,723
Yukon Territory .	385	239	426	570	206	141
TOTAL	442,886	482,461	179,463	183,509	25,126	31,436
Percentage Change		+ 8.9		+ 2.3		+ 25.1

B - NUMBER OF CANADIAN VEHICLES RETURNING TO CANADA

Province of Entry	Length of stay abroad				Commercial Vehicles	
	24 hours or less	Over 24 hours	1952	1953	1952	1953
Nova Scotia	-	-	-	-	-	-
New Brunswick	89,848	96,362	2,242	2,428	7,469	7,755
Quebec	50,705	71,782	7,372	10,043	4,298	4,797
Ontario	118,298	144,619	19,773	22,450	12,945	10,523
Manitoba	10,826	12,300	3,075	4,085	1,127	1,597
Saskatchewan	5,412	4,793	2,134	2,413	1,272	1,183
Alberta	2,329	2,783	2,037	2,509	725	623
British Columbia	41,845	50,796	9,915	12,413	2,496	2,608
Yukon Territory .	20	39	12	16	12	16
TOTAL	319,283	383,474	46,560	56,357	30,344	29,102
Percentage Change		+ 20.1		+ 21.0		- 4.1

Table 2-CUMULATIVE SUMMARY BY PROVINCES OF HIGHWAY TRAFFIC AT CANADIAN BORDER POINTS
JANUARY-MAY, 1952: JANUARY-MAY, 1953

A. NUMBER OF FOREIGN VEHICLES ENTERING CANADA

Province of Entry	Non-Permit Class Local Traffic		Traveller's Vehicle Permits		Commercial Vehicles	
	1952	1953	1952	1953	1952	1953
Newfoundland	--	--	{ 277	{ 341	-	-
Nova Scotia	--	--			-	-
New Brunswick	334,218	359,198	28,817	31,565	36,388	35,843
Quebec	93,650	119,532	78,311	81,919	16,254	23,282
Ontario	1,138,364	1,223,502	238,936	261,894	49,967	78,779
Manitoba	25,712	24,773	7,539	7,630	3,679	3,155
Saskatchewan	7,250	8,337	3,121	3,837	1,511	3,502
Alberta	4,536	6,327	5,460	5,739	769	2,805
British Columbia ..	37,911	44,024	65,520	72,329	5,209	5,990
Yukon Territory ..	1,017	754	928	1,354	516	543
TOTAL	1,642,658	1,786,447	428,909	466,608	114,293	153,899
Percentage Change		+ 8.8		+ 8.8		+ 34.7

B. NUMBER OF CANADIAN VEHICLES RETURNING TO CANADA

Province of Entry	Length of stay abroad				Commercial Vehicles	
	24 hours or less	Over 24 hours	1952	1953	1952	1953
1952	1953	1952	1953	1952	1953	
Nova Scotia	-	-	-	-	-	-
New Brunswick	374,570	401,349	5,582	6,723	33,091	36,099
Quebec	172,550	227,455	24,903	31,878	33,306	44,305
Ontario	509,842	577,472	69,118	79,643	58,110	50,143
Manitoba	37,731	41,977	8,881	11,621	8,212	7,343
Saskatchewan	16,709	18,060	6,005	8,351	4,723	5,940
Alberta	9,003	9,428	6,171	7,808	2,525	2,753
British Columbia ..	153,792	182,602	34,581	40,804	10,014	11,567
Yukon Territory ..	40	126	26	43	27	51
TOTAL	1,274,237	1,458,469	155,267	186,871	150,008	158,201
Percentage Change		+ 14.5		+ 20.4		+ 5.5

Table 3. - NUMBER OF FOREIGN TRAVELLERS ENTERING CANADA FROM THE UNITED STATES BY RAIL, BUS, BOAT AND PLANE
BY PROVINCE OF ENTRY, APRIL, 1952 AND APRIL, 1953.

Province of Entry	Rail (1)		Bus (2)		Boat		Plane (3)	
	1952	1953	1952	1953	1952	1953	1952	1953
Newfoundland	-	-	-	-	{ 28	{ 10	92	44
Nova Scotia	-	-	-	-	-	-	17	42
Prince Edward Island	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-
New Brunswick	844	730	289	357	324	478	331	403
Quebec	10,600	8,928	1,262	1,279	-	5	3,254	3,924
Ontario	13,241	14,900	16,842	11,307	69	91	4,239	5,266
Manitoba	826	828	244	323	-	-	477	654
Saskatchewan	258	216	77	25	-	-	34	73
Alberta	87	140	141	179	-	-	1,405	849
British Columbia	3,984	3,124	1,846	1,904	1,900	4,354	2,081	2,044
Yukon Territory	168	186	9	3	-	-	517	476
TOTAL	30,008	29,052	20,710	15,377	2,321	4,938	12,449	13,775

Table 4. - NUMBER OF CANADIAN TRAVELLERS RETURNING FROM THE UNITED STATES BY RAIL, BUS, BOAT AND PLANE
BY PROVINCE OF ENTRY, APRIL, 1952 AND APRIL, 1953.

Province of Entry	Rail		Bus (4)		Boat		Plane	
	1952	1953	1952	1953	1952	1953	1952	1953
Newfoundland	-	-	-	-	{ 17	{ 22	60	30
Nova Scotia	-	-	-	-	-	-	23	38
New Brunswick	1,360	1,376	1,038	1,006	2,286	3,344	361	535
Quebec	18,602	15,498	4,086	4,248	-	2	4,619	6,199
Ontario	27,873	24,018	29,055	27,150	88	98	7,850	10,892
Manitoba	1,908	1,835	1,385	1,237	-	-	342	464
Saskatchewan	409	380	25	30	-	-	40	42
Alberta	24	1	429	356	-	-	508	466
British Columbia	8,767	6,817	7,506	7,287	1,892	3,874	1,928	2,209
Yukon Territory	96	67	-	7	-	-	54	63
TOTAL	59,039	49,992	43,524	41,321	4,283	7,340	15,785	20,938

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-APRIL, 1952 AND JANUARY-APRIL, 1953

Province of Entry	Rail (1)		Bus (2)		Boat		Plane (3)	
	1952	1953	1952	1953	1952	1953	1952	1953
Newfoundland	-	-	-	-	-	(94	(
Nova Scotia	-	-	-	-	-	59	59	31
Prince Edward Island	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	103
New Brunswick	3,068	2,547	919	1,083	1,078	1,359	1,024	51
Quebec	45,867	42,458	5,591	5,569	-	5	11,932	1,419
Ontario	55,012	53,942	44,576	34,629	232	110	13,678	882
Manitoba	3,451	3,478	861	1,004	-	-	1,762	17,973
Saskatchewan	1,031	822	89	51	-	-	1,07	2,061
Alberta	376	458	484	532	-	-	5,342	149
British Columbia	15,877	12,965	9,235	6,429	5,626	7,752	6,814	3,222
Yukon Territory	561	649	21	19	-	-	1,881	6,343
TOTAL	125,243	117,319	61,776	49,316	7,030	9,285	42,975	1,662

Table 6. - CUMULATIVE SUMMARY OF CANADIAN TRAVELLERS RETURNING FROM THE UNITED STATES BY RAIL, BUS, BOAT AND PLANE, BY PROVINCE OF ENTRY, JANUARY-APRIL, 1952 AND JANUARY-APRIL, 1953

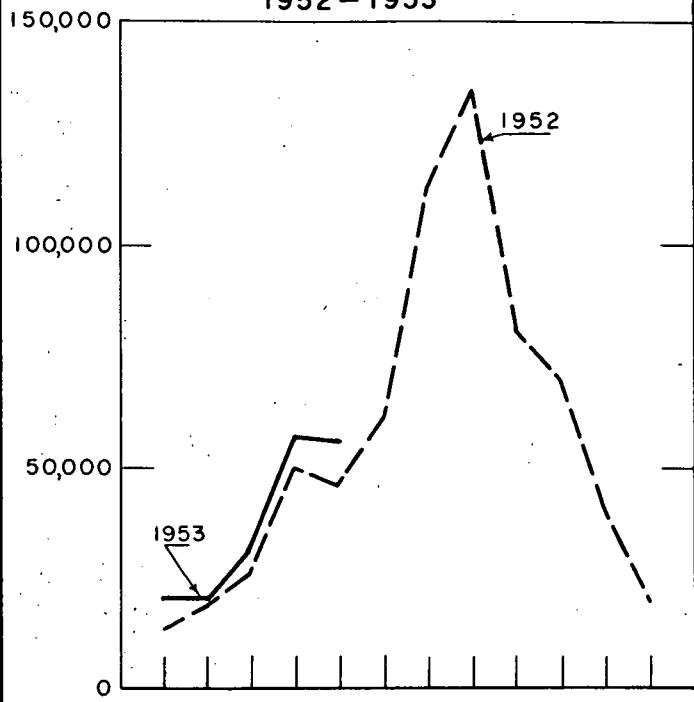
Province of Entry	Rail		Bus (4)		Boat		Plane	
	1952	1953	1952	1953	1952	1953	1952	1953
Newfoundland	-	-	-	-	(77	(139
Nova Scotia	-	-	-	-	73	73	55	151
Prince Edward Island	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	96
New Brunswick	4,818	4,673	2,971	2,989	8,862	14,064	1,158	59
Quebec	57,125	48,035	12,973	12,663	-	2	15,339	1,771
Ontario	82,656	75,405	102,681	86,389	217	113	25,385	20,868
Manitoba	6,910	7,001	4,368	4,007	-	-	1,333	34,432
Saskatchewan	1,820	1,654	136	129	-	-	94	1,603
Alberta	137	15	1,279	1,408	-	-	2,005	131
British Columbia	24,941	21,221	25,739	21,162	4,886	7,156	6,679	1,665
Yukon Territory	193	108	7	23	-	-	186	7,316
TOTAL	178,600	158,112	150,154	128,770	14,042	21,408	52,373	68,306

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

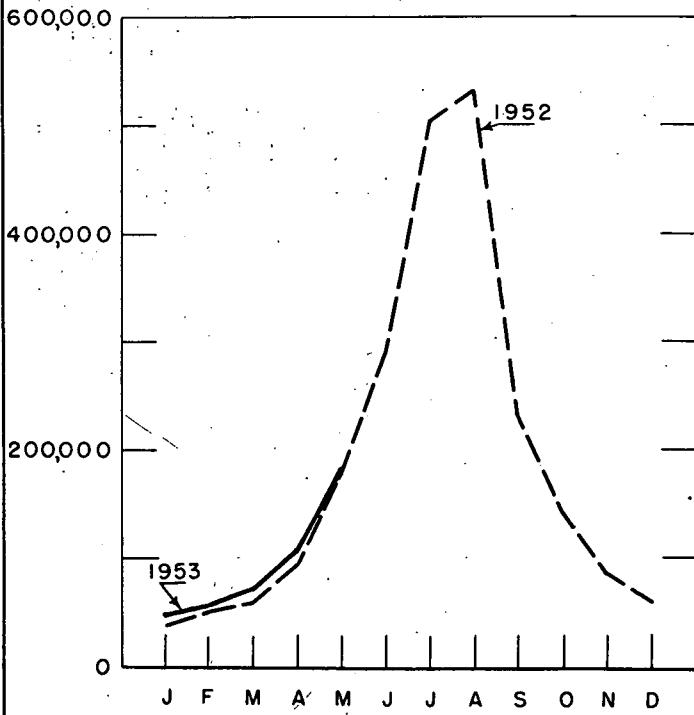
EXPLANATORY NOTES

NUMBER OF CANADIAN VEHICLES
RETURNING TO CANADA AFTER FOREIGN
VISITS LASTING MORE THAN 24 HOURS

1952 - 1953



NUMBER OF FOREIGN VEHICLES
ENTERING CANADA ON TRAVELLER'S PERMITS



Data in this report consist of visits between Canada and the United States by vacationists, summer residents, commuters, businessmen and all other types of travellers except migrants. They include repeat visits by commuters and others who cross the border more than once during the period covered by the report. They also include people whose only purpose in crossing the border is to take the most direct route between two points in their own country.

The report is divided into two sections, the first showing the number of vehicles classified as highway traffic, and the second the number of passengers proceeding by long-distance common carrier. Due to lack of current detail it has not been possible to include a residual group consisting principally of pedestrians and passengers on local bus services connecting border communities. In the highway traffic data, commercial vehicles or trucks are separated from other vehicles. Highway traffic not classified as commercial vehicles consists almost exclusively of automobiles but includes a comparatively small number of taxis, motorcycles and bicycles.

Foreign highway traffic other than commercial vehicles is divided into two groups: one requiring and the other not requiring traveller's vehicle permits. Drivers must apply for traveller's vehicle permits if they intend to travel beyond the jurisdiction of the port of entry or if they intend to remain in Canada longer than 48 hours irrespective of their destination. More than half the permits issued each year are used for visits of less than 48 hours. Commuters and others who cross the border frequently may also apply for permits. The initial visit of such persons, on which the permit is issued, appears under the heading "Traveller's Vehicle Permits"; subsequent visits are included with the non-permit group.

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