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Summary

Motion picture theatre attendance and box office receipts in Canada for 1945 reached an all-time high, according to statements received in the annual survey of motion picture houses conducted by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics. The 24 new theatres opened during the year, and the 8 houses which were re-opened, brought the total number of establishments up to 1323. Box office returns at these theatres amounted to \$69,485,732 from which Federal and Provincial Governments collected \$14,055,021 in amusement taxes, leaving net receipts of \$55,430,711. There were 215,573,267 paid admissions during the year, an increase of almost 4 per cent in the number of admissions over the previous year. In addition, there were 167 itinerant exhibitors operating in Canada, and these reported net receipts of over \$360,000, collected another \$93,195 in amusement taxes, and had admissions numbering 1,581,303. The per capita expenditure on motion picture entertainment, including both theatres and itinerant operators, averaged \$5.77 in 1945, figures for individual provinces standing at \$8.15 for British Columbia, \$7.16 for Ontario, \$6.56 for Nova Sectia, \$5.34 for Alberta, \$5.13 for Manitoba, \$4.76 for New Brunswick, \$4.36 for Quebec, \$3.83 for Saskatchewan, and \$3.31 for Prince Edward Island.

In addition to motion picture houses, there were 4 establishments operating in Canada as legitimate theatres. These 4 situations were open for 1,035 days during the year, had net receipts of \$873,341, and collected an additional \$239,179 in amusements taxes. There were 1,137,322 paid admissions to these performances.

Prince Edward Island and Nova Scotia reported declines in receipts between 1945 and 1944, while box office returns in Alberta gained less than 1 per cent between the two years. Receipts for the other provinces showed gains of between 2 and 9 per cent. The number of paid admissions fell off slightly in Nova Scotia while gains in admissions in the other provinces ranged up to 8 per cent. Percentage changes in receipts in 1945 compared with 1944 for the various provinces with corresponding results in admissions in brackets are as follows: Prince Edward Island, -2.5 per cent (+2.5 per cent); Nova Scotia, -0.9 per cent (-0.6 per cent); New Brunswick, +6.8 per cent (+6.8 per cent); Quebec, +4.6 per cent (+2.6 per cent); Ontario, +5.3 per cent (+4.7 per cent); Manitoba, +4.7 per cent (+2.0 per cent); Saskatchewan, +8.8 per cent (+7.4 per cent); Alberta, +0.3 per cent (+0.8 per cent); British Columbia, +2.1 per cent (+3.3 per cent).

Marked increases were recorded in both receipts and admissions for some of the larger cities in Canada. Revenue from the sale of tickets increased 21 per cent in Sherbrooke, 14 per cent in Winnipeg, 12 per cent in Saskatoon, 10 per cent in New Westminster, 9 per cent in Saint John and Quebec, and 8 per cent in Regina. Other

cities showed gains ranging from 1 per cent to 6 per cent. Receipts declined by 1 per cent in Brantford, 2 per cent in Halifax, 3 per cent in Kingston, 5 per cent in Moncton and Edmonton, and 9 per cent in St. Jean.

Motion picture theatre attendances in 1945 could have numbered 590,967,937 had each theatre played to a full house at each performance. Actually, the number of paid admissions reported for the year was 215,573,267, indicating that on the average only 36.5 per cent of the potential maximum seating capacity was utilized at every performance. Corresponding ratios for earlier years were 35.9 per cent for 1944, 35.7 per cent for 1943, 32.4 per cent for 1942, and 31.0 per cent for 1941. Results for the larger cities in Canada revealed that the highest proportion of average seating capacity utilized was recorded for Halifax, at 47.2 per cent. Edmonton followed closely, paid admissions numbering 46.0 per cent of the total possible seating capacity, while ratios for other cities include 43.6 per cent for Monoton, 32.3 per cent for Montreal, 41.7 per cent for Toronto, 31.9 per cent for Winnipeg, 35.1 per cent for Regime, and 39.1 per cent for Vancouver. These figures make no allowances for the heavier traffic to evening performances as compared with matinee exhibitions. The proportion of actual to potential admissions for evening performances alone would be considerably higher than that recorded in the total figures.

Double-feature bills continued to attract the largest number of theatregoers. The proportion of double - and single-feature programs shown during 1945 remained almost unchanged from the previous year, the ratios for 1945 standing at 59.4 per cent for double features and 40.6 per cent for single features compared with 59.6 per cent and 40.4 per cent for the previous year. Prince Edward Island alone showed no double-feature programs. Double-bill performances were most popular in Quebec, accounting for 75.3 per cent of all performances. The percentage of double-feature to total programs in 1945 for other provinces stand at 65.9 for Ontario, 60.1 for Manitoba, 58.7 for British Columbia, 42.0 for Alberta, 37.5 for New Bruns-wick, 34.7 for Nova Scotia, and 25.6 for Saskatchewan.

While some 27 per cent of the 1,523 motion picture theatres showed only double-feature programs, these houses accounted for 37 per cent of the total receipts and 41 per cent of the paid admissions for the year. On the other hand, approximately 26 per cent of the theatres exhibited one-feature performances only; such movie houses realized 25 per cent of the total in-take and 21 per cent of the attendance. There were 47 per cent of the theatres whose performances alternated between single- and double-feature programs and the houses falling into this category received 37 per cent of the theatre business of 1945, and catered to 38 per cent of the number of admissions.

The 1,323 motion picture houses operating in 1945 utilized the services of 10,350 employees whose total earnings for the year were \$9,663,718 with an average selary of \$954 per employee. Proprietors of independently owned theatres who were actively engaged in conducting their businesses numbered 1,103. Some 840 proprietors did not draw a stipulated salary while the remaining 263 proprietors withdrew salaries amounting to \$372,537.

When classified according to ownership, there were 618 individually owned theatres, or 46.7 per cent of the 1,323 houses, and these realized 18.8 per cent of the \$55,430,711 receipts, and 21.4 per cent of the admissions. In 1944, the corresponding ratios for singly operated units were 45.8 per cent of the number of theatres, 15.3 per cent of the receipts, and 21.8 per cent of the admissions. Multiple theatres (2 or 3 establishments operated under the same ewnership) accounted for 13.5 per cent of the motion picture houses in operation, 9.7 per cent of the bex office receipts, and 9.8 per cent of the tetal attendances reported. These ratios vary but fractionally from the position of multiple theatres in 1944. The third category into which theatres may fall is that of a chain - 4 or mere units being operated under one ewnership. There were 527 units operated by theatre chain companies in 1945 and 39.8 per

cent of the 1,323 theatres in Canada, and these accounted for 71.5 per cent of the motion picture revenue, and 68.8 per cent of the paid admissions. In 1944, theatre chains operated 40.4 per cent of the houses, did 74.6 per cent of the business, and provided entertainment for 68.0 per cent of the movie-goers. A further breakdown of chain activities reveals a shift between the 2 years from small chains operating from 4 to 19 units to lareg-size enterprises controlling over 20 houses. In 1944, the smaller chains operated 15.5 per cent of the theatres, transacted 17.4 per cent of the receipts and had 18.1 per cent of the admittances. In the year under review, the position of such chains declined to 11.8 per cent of the theatres, 11.4 per cent of the box office returns, and 12.2 per cent of the paid admissions. On the other hand, the large-size chains geined the ground lost by the smaller companies, indicating, to some extent, the absorption of small chains by the larger companies. The respective ratios for the larger chains to the grand totals for 1945, with 1944 percentages in brackets, are as follows: number of units, 28.0 per cent (24.9 per cent); receipts, 60.1 per cent (57.2 per cent); admissions, 56.6 per cent (49.9 per cent).

While the average price of admission for all theatres for 1945 stands at 25.7 cents, the average admission fee for individual theatres varied between those houses whose average charge was below 20 cents to establishments with an average admission of 50 cents and over. In compiling these figures no allowances are made for juvenile or matinee attendances. It is therefore obvious that the average evening price for motion picture entertainment for adults would be much higher. Approximately 45 per cent of the theatres had average prices of admission ranging between 30 and 40 cents. Another 41 per cent of the houses had average admission charges of between 20 and 30 cents, while 8 per cent fell in the 40-50 cent class; 4 per cent of the theatres averaged a less than 20 cents fee and 2 per cent had an average admission price exceeding 50 cents.

Exhibitors presenting motion pictures and employing portable equipment for such exhibitions, are classified as itinerant operators. There were 167 itinerant exhibitors operating in 1945 and they used both 16 mm. and 35 mm. equipment. Receipts from such entertainment amounted to over \$360,000 while another \$93,195 was collected in amusement taxes. Itinerant operators reported 1,581,303 paid admissions.

The 23 film exchange empanies operating in Canada maintained 86 distributing offices, and utilized the services of 530 male and 587 female employees. Total receipts for film rentals in 1945 amounted to \$17,490,264, of which \$1,198,016 was received from rental of 16 mm. film and \$16,292,248 for 35 mm. film. Film exchanges received \$358,250 revenue from advertising and another \$127,953 from other sources. The exchanges stated that 2,161 new films had been released during the year and they were comprised of 620 feature films, 345 cartoons, 381 new reels, and 815 films of a miscellaneous nature.

Per Capita Expenditure on Motion-Picture Entertainment Canada and the Provinces, 1937-1945

Province	(1) 1937	(1) 1938	(1) 1939	(1) 1940	(1) 1941	(1) 1942	(2) 1942	(2) 1943	(2) 1944	(2) 1945
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CANADA	2.93	3.02	3.03	3.35	3.63	4.01	5.01	5.61	5.61	5.77
Prince Edward Island	1.23	1.20	1.23	1.26	1.52	1.93	2.52	3.35	3.41	3.31
Nova Scotia	2.41	2.47	2.59	3.27	3.82	4.55	5.89	6.68	6.73	6.56
New Brunswick	1.86	1.95	1.84	2.21	2.41	2.88	3.75	4.53	4.51	4.76
Quebec	2.15	2.17	2.19	2.30	2.48	2.76	3.81	4.21	4.26	4.36
Ontario	3.90	4.07	4.08	4.63	5.07	5.44	6.53	6.97	6.84	7.16
Manitoba	3.07	3.20	3.03	3.23	3.41	3.60	4.39	4.81	4.93	5.13
Saskatchewan	1.48	1.45	1.57	1.76	1.92	2.08	2.56	3.31	3.54	3.83
Alberta	2.44	2.53	2.61	2.80	3.11	3.33	4.22	5.27	5.35	5.34
British Columbia	4,82	4.81	4.83	4.98	5.08	6.05	7.52	8.29	8.15	8.15
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⁽¹⁾ Based on total receipts of regular theatres and itinerant operators (Exclusive of amusement taxes). (2) Based on total receipts of regular theatres and itinerant operators. (Including amusement taxes).

NON-COMMERCIAL FILMS

All data contained in this publication relate to activities of motion picture houses and exhibitors in the commercial fields and are based on statements received from each theatre, or person, engaged in exhibiting or renting film for commercial purposes. Also active in the motion picture industry is the Government's National Film Board, but attendances to the Board's exhibits are free and films are of an educational or documentary nature. Through the courtesy of that Board the following statistics relating to its operation in 1945 are presented:

The National Film Board operated 85 rural curcuits, as well as trade union and industrial curcuits in Canada with an attendance of approximately 5,000,000. Moreover, there was an average of 926 performances per month held at schools for students.

The Board has established 83 regional film libraries situated in the nine provinces and these are maintained for the storage and distribution of 16 mm. films.

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Table 1.--Motion Picture Theatre Receipts by Provinces, 1938 to 1945

Province				Receipt	s (1)			
110711100	1938	1939	1940	1941	1942	1943	1944	1945
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
CANADA	33, 346, 182	33,696,244	37,474,122	40,795,397	45,719,911	51,484,611	53,173,325	55,430,711
Prince Edward		STRUCK OF STREET	三 1 年 张					
Island	108,946	112,158	114,590	141,317	173,480	226, 302	230,550	224,697
Nova Scotia	1,341,902	1,420,395	1,323,185	2,195,599	2,634,353	3,086,785	3,141,049	3,112,340
New Brunswick	861,792	826,285	995,487	1,102,265	1,336,561	1,611,145	1,595,130	1,702,869
Quebec	6,755,413	6,879,509	7,336,334	8,047,022	8,959,885	10,187,152	10,983,139	11,490,406
Ontario	15,056,200	15,087,239	17,007,341	18,757,372	20,400,349	22,153,428	22,542,943	23,740,894
Manitoba	2,278,996	2,181,732	2,344,801	2,475,949	2,641,765	2,845,991	2,930,435	3,066,871
Saskatchewan	1,318,435	1,433,862	1,587,380	1,673,313	1,833,486	2,188,885	2,347,726	2,553,779
Alberta	1,959,134	2,013,514	2,183,842	2,257,115	2,665,063	3,218,683	3,383,994	3,394,488
British Columbia	3,665,264	3,741,550	3,966,162	4,145,945	5,069,969	5,965,640	6,018,359	6,144,367

⁽¹⁾ Receipts given do not include amusement taxes or receipts of itinerent shows.

Table 2Indexes	of Motion	Picture	Receipts,	by	Provinces,	1933	to	1945
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Province	1933	1934	1935	1936	1937	1938	1939	1940	1941	1942	1943	1944	1945
CAN ADA	64.9	65.8	70.6	77.0	84.5	87.4	88.4	98.4	107.5	120.7	136.6	141.1	147.0
Prince Edward Island	45.5	45.3	48.3	54.8	58.6	57.9	59.6	60.9	75.1	94.8	120.5	122.4	119.3
Nova Scotia	51.4	53.3	60.6	67.1	71.6	74.0	78.3	101.9	121.0	145.2	170.1	173.2	171.6
lew Brunswick	50.9	54.6	64.4	70.9	75.1	78.8	75.6	91.0	100.8	122.2	147.4	145.9	155.8
uebec	66.4	64.2	69.4	75.2	81.3	83.1	84.7	90.2	99,2	112.6	129.3	139.4	145.8
ntario	68.9	71.0	73.4	81.1	90.9	95.6	95.9	109.1	120.4	130.5	142.7	145.3	153.0
lanitoba	67.0	67.7	71.3	74.0	81.0	84.0	80.4	86.4	91.3	97.4	104.9	108.0	113.1
Saskatchewan	52.9	54.3	58.3	69.3	68.3	66.7	72.5	80.3	84.6	92.7	110.7	118.8	129.3
lberta	61,7	60.1	70.2	74.6	80.9	84.3	86.7	94.0	97.1	114.7	138.5	145.6	146.0
British Columbia	61.3	65.8	74.4	78.5	87.2	88.0	89.8	95.2	99.5	121.7	143.2	144.5	147.5

Table 3--Summary of Motion Picture Statistics, 1930 and 1933 to 1945

		L CARL TANK				Employee	es (2)
Year and Province	No. of	Receipts(1)	Amusement	Paid	7-11		Salaries ar
1041 4414 110 121100	Theatres	notozpos(z)	Taxes '	Admissions	Male	Female	Wages
		\$	\$	No.			\$
30	907	38,479,500		2	4,546	1,475	6,811,300
33	762	24,954,200		-	3,822	1,378	4,433,500
34	796	25,338,100	_	107,354,509	4,224	1,541	4,277,000
35	859	27,173,400	- 1	117,520,795	4,553	1,436	4,798,900
36	956	29,610,300	-	126,913,547	4,917	1,536	4,906,100
37	1,044	32,499,300		133,668,450	5,240	1,631	5,560,900
38	1,130	33,635,052	_======================================	137,381,280	5,354	1,813	5,621,505
9	1,183	34,010,115		137,898,668	5,502	1,890	5,908,140
40	1,229	37,858,955	_	151,590,799	5,691	1,979	6,330,982
11	1,240	41,369,259	ones .	161,677,731	6,121	2,487	6,173,553
2	1,247	46,461,097	11,557,262	182,845,765	5,655	2,990	8,205,140
13	1,265	52,567,989	13,159,883	204,677,550	5,904	3,765	8,882,425
14	1,298	53,173,325	13,555,730	208,167,180	6,098	4,017	9,380,731
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1945							
CANADA	1,523	55,430,711	14,055,021	215,573,267	6,330	4,020	9,663,718
ince Edward Island	7	224,697	70,223	853,923	27	19	. 26,910
a Scotia	64	3,112,340	916,746	12,510,936	331	225	470,175
Brunswick	41	1,702,869	522,277	7,201,930	165	148	251,420
ebec	228	11,490,406	3,987,307	43,720,321	1,416	645	1,886,759
tario	414	23,740,894	4,786,477	91,817,463	2,624	1,611	4,132,789
itoba	116	3,066,871	702,890	12,920,505	372	333	526,116
skatchewan	176	2,553,779	587,563	9,826,778	379	275	417,155
berta	149	3,394,488	949,754	12,931,257	413	246	647,390
itish Columbia (3)	128	6,144,367	1,531,784	23,790,154	603	518	1,305,004

⁽¹⁾ Not including amusement taxes.

⁽²⁾ Not including proprietors or firm members.

⁽³⁾ Includes Yukon

All figures previous to 1944 include legitimate theatres operating in Canada.

Table 4.--Receipts, Amusement Taxes and Seating Capacity for Motion Picture Theatres,
by Provinces and for Selected Cities, 1944 and 1945

	No.	of	Seating	Re	eceipts (1)		Amusement
Province or City	Thea	tres	Capacity			%	Taxes
	1944	1945	1945	1944	1945	Change	1945
				\$	\$		\$
CANADA	1,298	1,323	721,700	53,173,325	55,430,711	+ 4.2	14,055,021
rince Edward Island	7	7	3,311	230,550	224,697	- 2.5	70,223
ova Scotia	64	64	36,064	3,141,049	3,112,340	- 0.9	916,746
Halifax	9	9	7,495	1,143,541	1,125,437	- 1.6	343,071
Sydney	5	5	3,602	323,068	326,038	+0.9	99,704
Other Places	50	50	24,967	1,674,440	1,660,865	- 0.8	473,971
ew Brunswick	41	41	21,009	1,595,130	1,702,869	+ 6.8	522,277
Saint John	6	6	5,083	504,898	551,746	+ 9.3	168,453
Moncton	4	4	2,929	373,641	355,271	- 4.9	104,601
Other Places	31	31	12,997	716,591	795,852	+11.1	249,223
uebec	225	228	142,447	10,983,139	11,490,406	+ 4.6	3,987,307
Montreal (2)	70	70	70,463	7,356,989	7,608,785	+ 3.4	2,664,292
Quebec	12	12	9,055	798,138	872,454	+ 9.3	313,630
Three Rivers	4	4	3,255	198,130	208,541	+ 5.3	73,101
Sherbrooke	3	3	2,655	194,088	234,214	+20.7	81,536
St. Jean	3	3	2,224	134,567	123,152	- 8.5	42,212
Other Places	133	136	54,815	2,301,227	2,443,260	+ 6.2	812,536
ntario	409	414	280,999	22,542,943	23,740,894	+ 5.3	4,786,477
	112	112					
Toronto	21		89,615 18,931	7,806,179	8,144,172	+ 4.3	1,635,399
Hamilton	15	21	13,810	1,614,388	1,687,065	+ 4.5	336,286 306,801
London	7	7	6,899	724,040	773,565	+ 6.8	154,798
Windsor	8	8	8,452	911,548	979,358	+ 7.4	196,578
Brantford	4	4	4,058	338,727	335,186	- 1.0	71,661
Kingston	5	5	4,372	501,169	484,805	- 3.3	96,953
Other Places	237	242	134,862	9,207,700	9,828,352	+ 6.7	1,988,001

See footnotes on page 9.

Table 4 .- Receipts, Amusement Taxes and Seating Capacity for Motion Picture Theatres, by Provinces and for Selected Cities, 1944 and 1945 - (Cont'd.)

	of tres	Seating Capacity	Re	ceipts (1)	a maria	Amusement
						Ph)
		1945	1944	1945	% Change	Taxes 1945
I DEST			\$	\$		\$
115	116	53,679	2,930,435	3,066,871	+ 4.7	702,890
43 72	43 73	32,453 21,226	2,076,060 854,375	2,360,228 706,643	+13.7	553,683 149,207
167	176	56,030	2,347,726	2,553,779	+ 8.8 +	587,563
6 6 155	6 6 164	5,141 4,936 45,953	572,629 443,445 1,331,652	615,955 495,990 1,441,834	+ 7.6 +11.8 + 8.5	160,517 137,436 289,610
144	149	53,087	3,383,994	3,394,488	+ 0.3	949,754
11 11 122	11 11 127	8,282 8,792 36,013	1,106,251 1,023,324 1,254,419	1,050,594 1,051,946 1,291,948	- 5.0 + 2.8 + 3.0	299,549 294,010 356,195
126	128	75,074	6,018,359	6,144,367	+ 2.1	1,531,784
42 5 3	44 5 3	38,635 3,419 2,162	3,375,344 274,531 91,330	3,562,154 300,657 95,742	+ 5.5 + 9.5 + 4.8	880,611 75,016 23,881
6 70	6 70	5,020 25,838	662,085	675,923	+ 2.1 - 6.5	168,947 383,329
	115 43 72 167 6 6 155 144 11 11 122 126 42 5 3 6	115 116 43 43 72 73 167 176 6 6 6 6 6 155 164 144 149 11 11 11 11 122 127 126 128 42 44 5 5 3 6 6 6	115 116 53,679 43 43 32,453 72 73 21,226 167 176 56,030 6 6 5,141 6 6 4,936 155 164 45,953 144 149 53,087 11 11 8,282 11 11 8,792 122 127 36,013 126 128 75,074 42 44 38,635 5 5 3,419 3 3 2,162 6 6 5,020	\$\begin{array}{c ccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc	\$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$	\$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$

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⁽¹⁾ Not including amusement taxes.
(2) includes Lachine, Verdun, Westmount and Outremont.

⁽³⁾ Includes St. James, Norwood, and St. Boniface.

⁽⁴⁾ Includes North Vancouver and West Vancouver.

Table 5.- Admissions and Average Seating Capacity Utilized for Motion Picture Theatres, by Provinces and for Selected Cities, 1944 and 1945

and the second distribution of the second		Admissions		10.4.	Average	Average
Province or City	1944	1945	% Change	Potential Admissions 1945	Capacity Utilized 1945	Admission Price (1) 1945
					%	to the said dissertant over the first the day
CANADA	208,167,180	215,573,267	+ 3.6	590,967,937	36.5	25.7
Prince Edward Island	832,898	853,923	+ 2.5	2,036,336	41.9	26.3
Nova Scotia	12,581,578	12,510,936	- 0.6	29,945,171	41.8	24.9
Halifax	4,402,914	4,503,196	+ 2.3	9,546,072	47.2	25.0
Sydney	1,289,756	1,307,554	+ 1.4	3,142,656	41.6	24.9
Other Places	6,888,908	6,700,406	- 2.7	17,256,443	38.8	24.8
lew Brunswick	6,741,791	7,201,930	+ 6.8	17,466,734	41.2	23.6
Saint John	2,255,871	2,472,264	+ 9.6	5,769,316	42.8	22.3
Moneton	1,406,585	1,364,948	- 3.0	3,130,404	43.6	26.0
Other Places	3,079,335	3,364,718	+ 9.3	8,566,514	39.3	23.7
uebec	42,631,023	43,720,321	+ 2.6	137,236,933	31.9	26.3
Montreal (2)	28,161,261	28,627,542	+ 1.7	88,577,312	32.3	26.€
Quebec	3,413,968	3,592,043	+ 5.2	10,107,630	35.5	24.3
Three Rivers	784,832	821,300	+ 4.6	2,842,476	28.9	25.4
Sherbrooke	848,646	970,413	+14.3	2,679,664	36.2	24.1
St. Jean	478,950	453,200	- 5.4	1,983,800	22.8	27.2
Other Places	8,943,366	9,255,823	+ 3.5	31,046,081	29.8	26.4
ntario	87,722,281	91,817,463	+ 4.7	246,116,812	37.3	25.9
Toronto	30,079,368	30,708,520	+ 2.1	73,664,026	41.7	26.5
Hamilton	6,323,641	6,494,420	+ 2.7	18,228,028	35.6	26.0
Ottawa	5,905,055	6,167,857	+ 4.5	16,940,816	36.4	24.5
London	2,702,097	2,891,293	+ 7.0	7,517,796	38.5	26.8
Windsor	3,346,193	3,562,192	+ 6.5	10,635,866	33.5	27.5
Brantford	1,404,960	1,407,397	+ 0.2	4,081,896	34.5	23.8
Kingston	2,031,118	1,874,942	- 7.7	5,512,728	34.0	25.9
Other Places	35,929,849	38,710,842	+ 7.7	109,535,656	35.3	25.4

See footnotes on Page 11.

Table 5.--Admissions and Average Seating Capacity Utilized for Motion Picture Theatres, by Provinces and for Selected Cities, 1944 and 1945--(Cont'd.)

14401		Admissions		Potential	Average	Average
Province or City	1944	1945	% Change	Admissions 1945	Capacity Utilized 1945	Admission Price (1) 1945
	The matter of	See surf View		10110000000	%	100.50
Manitoba	12,664,720	12,920,505	+ 2.0	38,795,096	33.3	23.7
Winnipeg (3)	9,554,802 3,109,918	9,838,098 3,082,407	+ 3.0	30,831,814 7,963,282	31.9 38.7	24.0 22.9
Saskatcheral	9,145.555	9,826,778	+ 7.4	28,649,502	34.3	26.0
Regina	2,147,358 1,835,163 5,163,034	2,283,867 1,959,486 5,583,425	+ 6.4 + 6.8 + 8.1	6,502,716 6,826,872 15,319,914	35.1 28.7 36.4	27.0 25.3 25.8
Alberta	12,826,428	12,931,257	+ 0.8	32,148,597	40.2	26.3
Edmonton	4,250,178 3,659,102 4,917,148	4,128,576 3,811,849 4,990,832	- 2.9 + 4.2 + 1.5	8,979,360 10,884,176 12,285,061	46.0 35.0 40.6	25.4 27.6 25.9
British Columbia	23,020,906	23,790,154	+ 3.3	58,572,756	40.6	25.8
Vancouver (4) New Westminster Trail Victoria Other Places	13,265,727 1,163,570 425,441 2,434,853 5,731,315	13,900,657 1,258,964 456,860 2,532,203 5,641,470	+ 4.8 + 8.2 + 7.4 + 4.0 - 1.6	35,534,373 3,272,880 1,277,568 5,952,336 12,535,599	39.1 38.5 35.8 42.5 45.0	25.6 23.9 21.0 26.7 26.8

⁽¹⁾ Total receipts divided by number of admissions. No corrections are made for juvenile attendance, matinee and evening prices, etc.

⁽²⁾ Includes Lachine, Verdun, Westmount and Outremont.

⁽³⁾ Includes St. James, Norwood and St. Boniface.

⁽⁴⁾ Includes North Vancouver and West Vancouver.

Table 6.-- Employment in Motion Picture Theatres Classified According to Full-time and Part-time Operation,

Canada and the Provinces, 1945

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Province and Number of		Loyed	Total	Propr	ietors,	Firm and	Family	Members	Proje	ctionists	
Weeks in Operation	Propri	En-	Payroll		With Sa	lary	Withou	t Salary	No.	Salaries	
CONTRACTOR OF THE CONTRACTOR O	etors	ployees	St. 45 HO AND SEA HERWINE ME AND AND AND AND AND	Male	Female	Salaries	Wale	Female	NO.	Dataries	
			\$			\$				\$	
1942	908	6,707	8,511,849	125	32	273,040		235	1,580	2,912,558	
1943	981	9,768	9,265,768	139	54	508,850		258	1,590	3,043,459	
1944	1,036	10,115	9,785,276	186	78	404,545	506	266	1,656	3,199,178	
1945				200			1,000	1 110			
Total, All Theatres	1,103	10,350	10,036,255	174	89	372,537	562	278	1,679	3,290,647	
Full-time(Theatres											
operated 300 days & over)			100								
Total	482	9,227	9,663,803	129	56	332,078	213	84	1,401	3,135,077	-
Prince Edward Island	1	37	24,730	-	-	-	1		3	5,118	
Nova Scotia	18	498	467,144	7	-	17,180	9	2	66	118,638	
New Brunswick	12	288	257,666	5	2	12,071		4	39	66,826	- 1
Quebec	106	1,930	1,938,525	37	15	100,123		12	273	440,961	12
Ontario	192	4,068	4,163,598	41	22	102,428	1	33	559	1,415,261	-
Manitoba	27	554	519,922	9	1	24,448		4	85	178,024	
Saskatchewan	31	357	373,752	7	-	11,100		6	68	135,334	
Alberta	65	531	655,259	15	5 11	27,476		20	120	242,239	
British Columbia	30	984	1,285,229	8	7.7	37,252	8	3	188	532,676	
Part-time(Theatres oper-									100		
ated less than 300 days)				THE N	To Date	12 750		2000		- Carrie	
Total	621	1,125	372,452	45	33	40,459	349	194	278	155,570	
Prince Edward Island	1	9	2,180	-	_		1	-	4	1,246	
Nova Scotia	24	58	22,759	3	3	2,548	12	6	9	5,514	
New Brunswick	19	25	7,573	2		1,748		7	8	2,503	
Quebec	84	131	55,363	4	4	7,004		27	37	21,491	
Ontario	52	167	81,000	7	3	9,381		14	31	30,200	
Manitoba	87	151	33,850	2	4	3,208		33	31	13,440	
Saskatchewan	198	317	60,532	14	10	6,029		64	78	25,165	
Alberta	116	128	48,694	6	3	7,067		35	42	26,640	
British Columbia	40	137	60,501	7	6	3,474	17	10	38	29,371	

Table 6. -- Employment in Motion Picture Theatres Classified According to Full-time and Part-time Operation,

Canada and the Provinces, 1945--(Cont'd.)

Province and Number of		stant tionists		s and Stage	A	ll Other E	mployees	Average
Weeks in Operation	Number	Salaries	Number	Salaries	Male	Female	Salaries and Wages	Salary per Employee
		\$		\$			\$	\$
1942	157	59,401	153	244,188	3,749	3,068	5,022,662	885
1943	150	50,298	121	245,446	4,102	3,805	5,617,715	917
1944	200	65,134	109	214,865	4,133	4,017	5,901,554	927
	1-7	2005	1000					
1945	Committee	W12.50	4		5		PETRICITY I	
Total, All Theatres	217	68,429	100	212,890	4,334	4,020	6,091,752	954
Full-time(Theatres oper-			1				T-1970 1.31	
ated 300 days and over)		A 1945					1	
Total	The second secon	54,241	94	211,988	3,94?	3,651	5,930,419	1,011
Prince Edward Island	1	367	1	2,389	15	17	16,856	668
Nova Scotia		5,266	2	5,161	211	208	320,899	904
New Brunswick	1	4,984	- 1	_	94	144	173,785	853 F
Quebec		16,444	36	69,274	960 :	630	1,311,721	1,004
Ontario		13,777	32	89,857	1,883	1,554	2,542,275	998
Manitoba	15	3,996	4	5,492	182	268	307,962	894
Saskatchewan		3,958	3	5,720	115	144	217,640	1,076
Alberta	14	4,975	- 1		179	218	358,549	1,141
British Columbia	4	474	16	34,095	308	468	680,732	1,268
Part-time(Theatres oper- ated less than 300 days)							4	
Total	83	14,188	6	902	387	369	161,333	296
Prince Edward Island	1	50	-	_	2	2	384	242
Nova Scotia	3	1,110	-	_	29	17	13,587	348
New Brunswick	6	1,332	_		7	4	1,990	233
Quebec	9	1,351	4	360	66	15	25,157	369
Ontario	12	3,226	1	480	66	57	37,713	429
Manitoba	10	1,488	_		45	65	15,714	203
Saskatchewan	28	3,721	1	62	79	131	25,555	172
Alberta	9	1,274			49	28	13,713	325
British Columbia	5	636	_		44	50	27,020	416

Table 7. --Motion Picture Theatres Classified According to Number of Theatres Under same Ownership, Canada, 1930, 1940, 1943, 1944 and 1945

Year and Number of Theatres	Theatr	res	Receipt	S	Admissions			
Under same Ownership	Number	%	Amount	1 %	Number	1 %		
			\$					
9 3 0 Total	915	100.0	38,130,100	100.0		0au _ 20		
One	656	71.7	15,772,000	41.4	_			
Two and Three	92	10.1	6,390,200	16.7		_		
Four and over	167	18.2	15,967,900	41.9	and the	PATRI TOLE		
9 4 0 Total	1,229	100.0	37,474,122	100.0	151,590,799	100.0		
One	576	46.9	9,319,659	24.9	43,084,387	28.4		
Two and three	212	17.3	4,085,878	10.9	19,366,119	12.3		
Four to nineteen	148	12.0	4,101,564	10.9	17,519,259	11.6		
Twenty and over	293	23.8	19,967,041	53.3	71,621,034	47.2		
9 4 3 Total	1,265	100.0	51,484,611	100.0	204,677,550	100.0		
One	557	44.0	12,420,533	24.1	47,796,984	23.4		
Two and three	195	15.4	5,731,819	11.1	23,419,261	11.4		
Four to nineteen	192	15.2	5,241,280	10.2	30,326,636	14.8		
Twenty and over	321	25.4	28,090,979	54.6	103,134,669	50.4		
9 4 4 Total	1,298	100.0	53,173,325	100.0	208,167,180	100.0		
One	595	45.8	8,138,855	15.3	45,363,046	21.8		
Two and three	179	13.8	5,346,022	10.1	21,256,784	10.2		
Four to nineteen	201	15.5	9,247,363	17.4	37,699,189	18.1		
Twenty and over	323	24.9	30,441,085	57.2	103,848,161	49.9		
9 4 5 — Total	1,323	100.0	55,430,711	100.0	215,573,267	100.0		
One	618	46.7	10,417,521	13.8	46,231,666	21.4		
Two and three	178	13.5	5,374,438	9.7	21,134,158	9.8		
Four to nineteen	156	11.8	6,329,831	11.4	26,332,493	12.2		
Twenty and over	371	28.0	33,3 08,921	60.1	121,874,950	56.6		

Table 8.--Number of Single- and Double-Feature Performances in Motion Picture Theatres, by Provinces, 1944 and 1945

10		1944						9 4 5				
	Tot Perform			Single- Feature		ouble- Tota			Single- Feature		Doubl Featu	
gradulation for the state of th	Number	%	Number	%	Number	%	Number	%	Number	1 %	Number	. % .
CANADA	784,781	100.0	316,449	40.4	468,332	59.6	802,730	100.0	325,876	40.6	476,854	59.4
Prince Edward Island	3,098	100.0	3,098	100.0	20-12	-1 0	3,200	100.0	3,200	100.0	- 1	
Nova Scotia	44,364	100.0	28,929	65.2	15,435	34.8	44,025	100.0	28,745	65.3	15,280	34.7
New Brunswick	29,926	100.0	19,487	65.1	10,439	34.9	28,430	100.0	17,781	62.5	10,649	37.5
Quebec	164,540	100.0	38,403	23.3	126,137	76.7	168,324	100.0	41,637	24.7	126,687	75.3
Ontario	305,399	100.0	107,907	35.3	197,492	64.7	314,613	100.0	107,237	34.1	207,376	65.9
Manitoba	56,776	100.0	22,123	39.0	34,653	61.0	58,550	100.0	23,376	39.9	35,174	60.1
Saskatchewan	50,508	100.0	36,053	71.4	14,455	28.6	54,004	100.0	40,203	74.4	13,801	25.6
Alberta	52,801	100.0	29,385	55.7	23,416	44.3	55,905	100.0	32,404	58.0	23,501	42.0
British Columbia	77,369	100.0	31,064	40.2	46,305	59.8	75,679	100.0	31,293	41.3	44,386	58.7

Table 9.—Theatres Classified According to Proportions of Single- and Double-Feature Performances, by Economic Divisions, Canada, 1945

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Economic		All Theatr	es	All Sing	le	50%-99% Si	ngle	1% to 49% S	ingle	All Doub	le
Division		Number or Amount	%	Number or Amount	%	Number or Amount	%	Number or Amount	1/0	Number or Amount	%
CANADA								2 12 12 grap. b. A & & & & & &	Amor v y h 4		
Number	\$	1,323 55,430,711 215,573,267	100.0	341 13,796,920 44,445,819	25.8 25.0 20.6	436 12,199,675 44,775,267	33.0 22.1 20.8	195 8,5 63 ,883 37,372,926	14.7 15.5 17.3	351 20,690,235 88,979,255	26.5 37.4 41.3
Maritime Provinces			1								
Number	\$	5,039,906 20,566,789	100.0 100.0 100.0	45 1,869,319 6,915,989	40.2 37.1 33.6	43 1,675,532 6,727,683	38.4 33.2 32.7	828,239 4,028,278	13.4 16.4 19.6	9 668,816 2,89 4 ,839	8.0 13.3 14.1
Quebec -											1
Number	\$	228 11,490,406 43,720,321	100.0 100.0 100.0	35 1,798,125 5,012,411	15.4 15.6 11.5	55 1,019,428 4,011,365	24.1 8.9 9.2	38 1,879,956 6,620,691	16.7 16.4 15.1	100 6,792,897 29,075,854	43.8 5 59.1 1 64.2
Ontario								TEN SELECT			
Number	45	414 23,740,894 91,817,463	100.0 100.0 100.0	5,022,800 15,390,000	9.9 21.2 16.8	128 6,021,807 20,835,652	30.9 25.4 22.7		19.1 13.9 15.9	166 9,385,970 40,978,503	40.1 39.5 44.6
Prairie Provinces											Har.
Number	\$	9,015,138 35,678,540	100.0 100.0 100.0	188 3,358,427 11,429,522	42.6 37.3 32.0	172 2,326,496 8,956,201	39.0 25.8 25.0	29 840,236 4,176,367	6.6 9.3 11.8	52 2,489,979 11,136,450	11.8 27.6 31.2
British Columbia						100					
Number	\$	128 6,144,367 25,790,154	100.0 100.0 100.0	32 1,928,249 5,697,897	25.0 31.4 24.0	38 1,158,410 4,264,366	29.6 18.8 17 .9	34 1,705,135 7,934,282	26.6 27.8 33.4	24 1,352,573 5,893,609	18.8 22.0 24.7

Table 10.--Distribution of Theatres According to Average Price of Admission, Canada, 1938-1943, and by Provinces, 1944 and 1945

					Aver	age Pr	rice of	Admis	sion	(1)			
Province	Total	Less	20¢	22¢	24¢	26¢	28¢	30¢	32¢	35¢	40¢	45¢	50¢
ared Park and Carlot	Theatres	than	to	to	to	to	to	to	to	to	to	to	and
		20¢	21¢	23¢	25¢	27¢	29¢	31¢	34¢	39¢	44¢	49¢	Over
938	1,130	202	138	150	182	133	90	16	60	34	27	6	8
939	1,183	207	138	150	170	161	125	15	52	43	25	6	6
940	1,229	221	162	150	185	155	122	16	4	40	18	5	7
941	1,240	178	158	161	195	142	128	19	2	48	24	8	6
942	1,247	65	54	77	137	144	130	33	3	198	69	21	19
943	1,265	56	62	67	139	155	129	138	217	178	83	20	21
1944	Test Test	601			L RE								
CANADA	1,298	55	57	76	127	159	138	163	198	197	85	20	23
rince Edward Island	7	1	-	_	-	1	2	1	-		2	_	-
ova Scotia	64	2	1	3	3	7	6	9	19	12	2	-	-
ew Brunswick	41	2	-	2	3	7	9	6	7	4	1		-
uebec	225	8	6	10	9	10	23	27	27	57	28	9	11
ntario	409	24	21	35	49	71	37	33	67	48	15	5	4
anitoba	115	9	7	12	27	22	17	10	3	3	4	-	1
askatchewan	167	5	10	9	12	15	23	31	32	23	5	-	2
lberta	144	-	4	-	11	6	16	33	31	25	16	2	-
ritish Columbia	126	4	8	5	13	20	5	13	12	25	12	4	5
1945												3	
CANADA	1,323	52	52	78	139	136	143	156	206	230	86	25	20
rince Edward Island	7	_	_	_	_	2	3	_ 8	_	2	-	P <u>L</u> 11	-
ova Scotia	64	1	2	1	- 4	5	10	10	16	14	1	-	-
ew Brunswick	41	-	2	3	3	3	10	6	8	5	1	-	-
uebec	228	2	7	11	10	6	27	22	28	61	32	11	11
ntario	414	23	20	31	63	58	37	37	58	61	16	6	4
anitoba	116	11	6	17	29	18	17	7	3	4	4	-/-	-
askatchewan	176	8	8	5	10	15	21	35	35	29	8	1	1
lberta	149	3	3	2	8	10	10	28	41	28	12	4	-
ritish Columbia	128	4	4	8	12	19	8	11	17	26	12	3	4

⁽¹⁾ Total receipts divided by number of admissions. No correction is made for matinee or juvenile attendance.

⁺ Includes 7-day week operation in the Province of Quebec.

Table 12.--Itinerant Motion Picture Operators, Classified According to Size of Projection Equipment Used, and by Provinces, Canada, 1945

Province	FIT		s using 35 M uipment	M -	Operators using 16 MM. Equipment					
Printing Company to be a	No.	Receipts(1)	Amusement Taxes	Admissions	No.	Receipts(1)	Amusement Taxes	Admissions		
		\$	\$	No.		\$	\$	No.		
CANADA	5	(x)	4,566	49,958	162	345,334	dd,629	1,531,345		
Prince Edward Island	2	(x)	1,489	12,435			177	- 1		
Nova Scotia	1 - 1	- 1	14 17	37 -10 6	9	22,460	19,219	141,156		
New Brunswick	-	The Ta	25 20	-4	3	1,946	606	8,655		
Quebec	-	105 3	8 4	-1	22	35,285	9,136	126,223		
Ontario	2	NOT THE	pag sop	70 120 0	45	98,510	23,698	459,750		
Manitoba	-		-	A Emil	8	6,904	1,327	27,778		
Saskatchewan	-31	14 (M) 187		HALLEY O	37	83,191	15,504	382,148		
Alberta		NAME OF TAXABLE PARTY.	122= 100.2	30 120	25	58,207	11,939	290,032		
British Columbia	3	12,315	3,077	37,523	13	38,853	7,200	95,603		
221 - 1 - 1 - 1 - 1 - 1 - 1 - 1 - 1 - 1	4-17	COLVERS COLUMN					The same of the	KINT OF THE PARTY		

⁽¹⁾ Excluding amusement taxes.

⁽x) Indicates figures are withheld to avoid disclosing individual operations. These figures are, however, included in the totals.

Table 13.—Number of New Picture Theatres, Theatres Remodelled and Re-opened, and Theatres Closed and Vacant, by Provinces, Canada, 1944 and 1945

		1944	1		1 9 4 5					
Province	New(1) Theatres	Theatres Remodelled and Re-opened	Theatres Closed	Net + Increase or - Decrease	New(1) Theatres	Theatres Remodelled and Re-opened	Theatres Closed	Net + Increase or - Decrease		
CANADA	46	5	22	+ 29	24	8	7	+ 25		
Prince Edward Island .	1		-	+ 1	_	_	-	_		
ova Scotia	1	-	7 7 3	+ 1	-		_	-		
ew Brunswick	_	2	-	<u> </u>		_	-	-		
uebec	10	1	8	+ 3	5	_	2	+ 3		
ntario	4	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	7	- 3	2	5	2	+ 5		
lanitoba	2		2	0	2	_	1	+ 1		
Saskatchewan	13	2	3	+ 12	9	1	1	+ 9		
lberta	13	2	2	+ 13	4	1	_	+ 5		
British Columbia	2	-	500	+ 2	2	1	1	+ 2		

⁽¹⁾ Includes community halls in Quebec and the Prairie Provinces in which permanent projection equipment was installed during the year.

Table 14. -- Principal Statistics for Film Exchange in Canada, 1930 and 1933 to 1945

	37	No. of Employe Male			Salaries	& Wages	I	Total Receipts				
	Year	Exchange Offices	Male	Female	Male	Female	Film Rentals	Advertising	Other Sources			
					\$. \$	\$	\$			
1930		59	372	291	1,074	,700		9,536,200				
1933		59	331	243	855	,800		6,797,600				
1934		60	344	230	923	,400		7,370,200				
1935	*****	61	358	249	953	700		7,404,500				
1936		66	377	265	1,011	,200		8,358,900				
1937	* * * * * * *	63	380	256	1,062	900		9,471,100				
1938		62	385	263	1,081	,900		10,218,700				
1939		67	414	275	1,125	,800		10,315,500				
1940		72	442	296	810,407	413,095	11,445,167	385,504	50,224			
1941		69	415	347	832,400	434,281	12,368,446	373,349	6,157			
1942		78	414	381	1,072,289	410,654	13,892,093	370,740	51,071			
1943		87	409	498	1,070,014	614,247	15,163,355	339,891	48,031			
1944		88(1)	420	490	1,189,821	654,376	16,516,073	346,636	95,765			
1945		86(1)	530	587	1,303,009	688,667	17,490,264	358,250	127,953			

⁽¹⁾ Operated by 23 film exchange companies.



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