

VOLUME OF HIGHWAY TRAFFIC ENTERING CANADA  
ON TRAVELLER'S VEHICLE PERMITS

The number of foreign vehicles entering Canada on traveller's vehicle permits in August 1948, was 0.3 per cent lower than in the same month last year, and 22.7 per cent higher than in August 1946. When compared to August 1947, decreases were recorded in Quebec, Ontario and British Columbia, and increases in all other provinces. Labour Day week-end in the current year fell on September 4, 5, and 6, whereas in the preceding year it fell on August 30, 31, and September 1. Hence the heavy flow of traffic entering Canada for the holiday occurred in August in 1947 and in September in 1948. Had it not been for this fact, volume of traffic in August would have been higher in 1948 than in 1947. Traffic in the first eight months of the current year was 7.1 per cent higher than in the corresponding period in 1947.

TABLE 1 - NUMBER OF VEHICLES ENTERING CANADA ON TRAVELLER'S VEHICLE PERMITS IN AUGUST AND IN FIRST EIGHT MONTHS, 1948, WITH COMPARATIVE DATA FOR PRECEDING YEARS

Province of Entry	AUGUST			FIRST EIGHT MONTHS		
	1946	1947	1948	1946	1947	1948
Prince Edward Island	-	-	-	-	-	-
Nova Scotia .....	30	611	676	61	1,664	1,760
New Brunswick .....	17,201	19,888	21,112	57,373	63,867	72,217
Quebec .....	59,026	69,524	68,948	191,882	213,065	229,685
Ontario .....	211,280	264,079	263,250	675,558	757,778	828,062
Manitoba .....	4,931	5,346	5,539	16,206	17,934	17,441
Saskatchewan .....	2,024	1,925	2,328	7,679	7,207	8,518
Alberta .....	5,012	7,155	8,003	13,847	19,960	22,646
British Columbia ...	32,784	40,504	37,383	127,646	150,450	137,969
Yukon Territory ....	119	401	787	320	814	1,572
TOTAL .....	332,407	409,433	408,026	1,090,572	1,232,739	1,319,870
% change from preceding year		+23.2	-0.3		+13.0	+7.1

TABLE 2 - NUMBER OF VEHICLES ENTERING CANADA ON TRAVELLER'S VEHICLE PERMITS IN AUGUST, 1948, AT PRINCIPAL PORTS OF ENTRY IN EACH PROVINCE

<u>New Brunswick:</u>		<u>Quebec:</u>		<u>Ontario:</u>	
Edmundston	1,701	Lacolle	26,598	Fort Erie	54,972
St. Stephen	10,058	Philipsburg	9,960	Niagara Falls	63,673
Woodstock Road	1,868	Rock Island	9,781	Windsor	61,810
<u>Manitoba:</u>		<u>Saskatchewan:</u>		<u>Alberta:</u>	
Boissevain	358	Northgate	420	Carway	2,201
Emerson	4,454	North Portal	641	Chief Mountain	4,004
Lena	162	Regway	370	Coutts	1,697
<u>British Columbia:</u>					
Kingsgate	3,078	Pacific Highway	19,835	Victoria	5,476

NOTE: Traveller's vehicle permits are issued to foreign vehicles which remain in Canada longer than 48 hours or which leave at a point other than that of entry. Figures shown above refer almost exclusively to automobiles. They include a small number of taxis, motorcycles and bicycles, but exclude buses, trucks and other commercial vehicles.

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