## D.B.S. MEMORANDUM



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## VOLUME OF HIGHWAY TRAFFIC ENTERING CANADA ON TRAVELLER'S VEHICLE PERMITS OCTOBER, 1949

Foreign vehicles entering Canada on traveller's vehicle permits in October totalled 141,000, an increase of 10 per cent over the same month last year. This is a greater proportionate gain than was made in August and September when comparable increases over the previous year were between 4 and 5 per cent. Regionally the best showing was in the Maritimes with a rise of more than 40 per cent. Totals for the first ten months show an improvement of 9 per cent with the greatest proportionate gains in the Maritimes and the Prairie Provinces.

TABLE 1 - NUMBER OF VEHICLES ENTERING CANADA ON TRAVELLER'S VEHICLES PERMITS IN OCTOBER AND IN FIRST TEN MONTHS, 1949, WITH COMPARATIVE DATA FOR PRECEDING YEARS.

| Province | OCTOBER |         |         |          | FIRST TEN MONTHS |               |           |               |
|----------|---------|---------|---------|----------|------------------|---------------|-----------|---------------|
| of Entry | 1947    | 1948    | 1949    | % Change | 194              | <u>7 1948</u> | 1949      | % Change      |
| N.S      | 15      | 22      | 20      | - 9.1    | 2,11             | 4 2,126       | 1,941     | + 8.7         |
| N.B.     | 8,420   | 9,613   | 13,671  | +42.2.   | 83,37            | 9 93,755      | 115,911   | +23.6         |
| Que 2    | 7,638   | 29,062  | 30,441  | + 4.7    | <b>27</b> 9,60   | 5 307,442     | 333,402   | + 8.4         |
| Ont 7    | -       | 72,134  | 78,892  | + 9.4    | 951,21           | 6 1,062,109   | 1,135,925 | + 6.9         |
| Man.     | 1,880   | 1,981   | 1,996   | + 0.7    | 23,10            | 23,020        | 28,815    | +25.2         |
| Sask     | 797     | 992     | 910     | - 8.3    | 9,25             | 9 11,190      | 13,350    | +19.3         |
| Alta     | 701     | 1,100   | 1,011   | - 8.1    | 22,87            | 6 26,587      | 33,400    | +25.6         |
| B.C 1    | 3,122   | 13,057  | 14,132  | + 8.2    | 185,16           | 8 173,226     | 194,458   | +12.3         |
| Y.T      | 58      | 160     | 146     | - 8.7    | 1,06             | 6 2,100       | 1,551     | <b>-</b> 26.1 |
| TOTAL12  | 6,180   | 128,121 | 141,219 | +10.2    | 1,557,78         | 4 1,701,555   | 1,858,753 | + 9.2         |

Data for Quebec. Ontario and British Columbia based on incomplete returns.

TABLE 2 - NUMBER OF VEHICLES ENTERING CANADA ON TRAVELLER'S VEHICLE PERMITS IN OCTOBER 1949. AT PRINCIPAL PORTS OF ENTRY IN EACH PROVINCE.

| New Brunswie | ck:   | Quebec:       |            | Ontario:      |         |
|--------------|-------|---------------|------------|---------------|---------|
| Edmundston   | 1,615 | Lacolle       | 8,689      | Fort Erie     | 17,107  |
| St. Leonard  | 2,141 | Philipsburg   | 5,544      | Niagara Falls | 435,435 |
| St. Stephen  | 3,011 | Rock Island   | 3,752      | Windsor       | 24,460  |
| Manitoba:    |       | Saskatche     | wan:       | Alberta:      |         |
| Boissevain   | 135   | North Portal  | <b>333</b> | Carway        | 164     |
| Emerson      | 1,426 | Oungre        | 82         | Coutts        | 786     |
| Gretna       | 87    | Regway        | 152        | Del Bonita    | 47      |
| ·            |       | British Col   | umbia:     |               |         |
| Huntingdon   | 1,056 | Pacific Highw | ay 8,901   | Victoria      | 1,000   |

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. No data are shown for Newfoundland.

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