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

Foreign vehicles entering Canada on traveller's vehicle permits in August totalled 426,700, an increase of 5 per cent over the same month last year. There were increases in the number of entries into nearly all provinces, the Maritime and Prairie provinces continuing to show higher percentage gains than the Central provinces and British Columbia.

The number of entries for the first eight months was 10 per cent heavier than in 1948 with the greatest proportionate gain being in the Prairie provinces.

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

Province of Entry	AUGUST				FIRST EIGHT MONTHS			
	1947	1948	1949	% Change	1947	1948	1949	% Change
N. S.	611	676	674	- 0.3	1,664	1,760	1,643	- 6.7
N. B.	19,888	21,112	25,663	+21.5	63,867	72,217	86,624	+19.9
Que.	69,524	68,948	75,238	+ 9.1	213,065	229,685	252,362	+ 9.9
Ont.	264,079	263,250	265,583	+ 0.9	757,778	828,062	893,853	+ 7.9
Man.	5,346	5,539	6,711	+21.1	17,934	17,441	22,738	+30.4
Sask.	1,925	2,328	2,576	+10.6	7,207	8,518	10,500	+23.3
Alta.	7,155	8,003	9,932	+24.1	19,960	22,646	29,169	+28.8
B. C.	40,504	37,383	39,936	+ 6.8	150,450	137,969	154,998	+12.3
Y. T.	401	787	434	-44.9	814	1,572	1,183	-24.8
TOTAL	409,433	408,026	426,747	+ 4.6	1,232,739	1,319,870	1,453,070	+10.1

Data for Ont. Sask. Alta. & B. C. estimated on incomplete returns.

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

<u>New Brunswick:</u>		<u>Quebec:</u>		<u>Ontario:</u>	
Edmundston	2,943	Lacolle	26,198	Fort Erie	56,619
St. Leonard	2,542	Philipsburg	14,778	Niagara Falls	64,215
St. Stephen	11,674	Rock Island	10,363	Windsor	61,120
<u>Manitoba:</u>		<u>Saskatchewan:</u>		<u>Alberta:</u>	
Boissevain	687	Northgate	405	Carway	2,772
Coulter	243	North Portal	846	Chief Mountain	4,807
Emerson	5,010	Regway	446	Coutts	2,254
<u>British Columbia:</u>					
Kingsgate	3,265	Pacific Highway	20,618	Victoria	6,210

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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