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## KONTHLY FINANCING OF MOTOR VEHICLE SKLES IN CANADA, AFRIL, 1941

Sales of 25,285 new and used motor vehicles were financed in Canada during April, 1941, for an amount of $\$ 12,194,726$, up 28 per cent in number and 43 per cent in amount of financing over the 19,704 units financed for $\$ 8,518,094$ in April of last year. The total volume of financing in hpril, 1941, exceeded that recorded in any month in the records of the Bureau, which date from January, 1932. The increases for the month under review are larger than those recorded in corresponding comparisons for earlier months of this yoar, whilo a gain of 60 por cont ovor March, 1941, is groator than the usual soasonal movomont. Cumulative totals for the first four months of this yoar showed 61,400 units financod for $\$ 29,564,983,23$ por cont highor in numbor and 36 por cont groator in dollar volumo than tho 49,987 vohiclos financod for $\$ 21,744,597$ in the samo period a yoar ago.

Financing of now vohiclo salos incroasod 21 por cont in number and 35 por cont in dollor volumo, 6,874 now modols boing financod for $85,664,658$ in April, 1941, as comparod with 5,673 units financod for $34,201,659$ in April, 1940. Outstanding foature of tho rogional comparisons was a 54 per cont incroaso in hlborta ovor hpril last year. This sharp riso follows a sorios of doclinos which have charactorizod tho rosults for that provinco in rocont months. An incrcaso of 28 por cont in Qucboc was followod by gains of 27 por cont in Ontario and 21 per cont in tho Maritimo Provincos. British Columbie rocordod a gain of 10 por cont, whilo combinod figuros for Manitoba and Scskatchowan woro 6 por cont lowor than in ipril, 1940.

Incroasos in the usod vohiclo fiold continuod to oxcood thoso shown in now vohiclo financing and spril totals wero up 31 por cont in numbor and 51 por cont in dollar volumo ovor hpril a yoar ago. Thore woro 18,411 usod vohiclos financod for $\$ 6,530,068$ in April, 1941, as compared with 14,031 units financed to the extent of $\$ 4,316,435$ in the same month last year. All sections of the country recorded gains over last year, with Alberta's increase of 52 per cent surpassing that for all other regions in this field also. Ontario and Quebec reported gains of 42 and 37 per cont respectively. Increasos in othor regions were as follows: 16 por cont in British Columbia; 10 por cont

(Thsures for the cursent yoar are subject to final revision)


Used Vohicles


TOTAL - New and Used Vehicles(a)

(a) Includes passenger cars, trucks and buses.

APRIT, 1940 and 1941


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| Maritime Provinces. | 1,541 | 1,737 | + 12.7 | 655,206 | 872,550 | $+33.2$ |
| Quebec | 3,526 | 4,713 | + 33.7 | 1,756,370 | 2,652,281 | + 51.0 |
| Ontario | 8,740 | 12,071 | + 38.1 | 3,394,194 | 5,233,657 | + 54.2 |
| Man. and Sask. | 3,147 | 3,128 | - 0.6 | 1,456,833 | 1,591,058 | + 9.2 |
| Alborta | 1:283 | 1,959 | + 52.7 | 583,320 | 990,689 | + 69.8 |
| British Columbia | 1,467 | 1,677 | + 14.3 | 672,171 | 854,491 | + 27.1 |

(a) Includes passenger cars, trucks and buses.

