

ANNUAL CONSUMPTION PER HEAD IN CANADA OF SPIRITS, WINE,
BEER AND TOBACCO, FROM 1868 TO 1886.

YEAR.	Spirits.	Wine.	Beer.	Tobacco.
	Galls.	Galls.	Galls.	Lbs.
1868.....	1·60	0·17	2·26	1·73
1869.....	1·12	0·11	2·29	1·75
1870.....	1·43	0·19	2·16	2·19
1871.....	1·57	0·25	2·49	2·05
1872.....	1·72	0·25	2·77	2·48
1873.....	1·68	0·23	3·18	1·99
1874.....	1·99	0·28	3·01	2·56
1875.....	1·39	0·14	3·09	1·91
1876.....	1·20	0·17	2·45	2·31
1877.....	0·97	0·09	2·32	2·05
1878.....	0·96	0·09	2·16	1·97
1879.....	1·13	0·10	2·20	1·95
1880.....	0·71	0·07	2·24	1·93
1881.....	0·92	0·09	2·29	2·03
1882.....	1·00	0·12	2·74	2·15
1883.....	1·09	0·13	2·88	2·28
1884.....	0·99	0·11	2·92	2·47
1885.....	1·12	0·10	2·63	2·62
1886.....	0·71	0·11	2·83	2·03
Average.....	1·24	0·15	2·54	2·11

429. According to the above figures the consumption of spirits is decidedly less than it was 19 years ago, and, with the exception of 1880, was less last year than in any other year in the table. The consumption of wine also has decreased, but that of beer and tobacco has increased. Decrease
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of spirits.

430. The average amount annually paid per head for duty on every gallon of spirits has been \$1; of wine, 6 cents; of beer, 9 cents; and on every pound of tobacco, 37 cents. The average quantity per head of spirits and tobacco consumed in Canada is larger than in the United Kingdom, but the quantity of wine and beer consumed here is considerably less than that consumed in the United Kingdom. It is not possible to give any particulars of the consumption of the above articles in the several Provinces, as the figures relate only to the amount entered for consumption without refe- Average
duty.