

Consumption of cigars.

323. The following is a statement of the number of cigars taken for consumption during the last eight years:—

	Number.
1885.....	78,869,878
1886.....	92,046,289
1887.....	85,974,823
1888.....	90,783,558
1889.....	92,599,820
1890.....	98,976,117
1891.....	101,142,481
1892.....	104,528,791
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Average for eight years.....	744,921,757 <hr/> 93,115,220

It will be seen that the consumption has steadily increased during the last six years, and the number consumed in 1892 was 11,413,571 above the average of eight years.

Consumption of spirits, etc., per head, since 1867.

324. According to the report of the Department of Inland Revenue, the following has been the annual consumption per head in the Dominion, since Confederation, of spirits, wine, beer and tobacco:—

ANNUAL CONSUMPTION PER HEAD IN CANADA OF SPIRITS, WINE, BEER AND TOBACCO, FROM 1868 TO 1892.

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 05
1887	0 74	0 09	3 08	2 06
1888	0 64	0 09	3 24	2 09
1889	0 77	0 09	3 26	2 15
1890	0 88	0 10	3 36	2 14
1891	0 74	0 11	3 79	2 29
1892	0 70	0 10	3 51	2 29
Average .....	1 13	0 14	2 73	2 13