

The following is a comparative statement of sea-going vessels arrived and departed from Canadian ports (exclusive of coasting vessels) in 1896 and 1897, distinguishing between British, Canadian and foreign vessels:—

SEA-GOING SHIPPING, ENTERED AND CLEARED AT CANADIAN PORTS
1896 AND 1897.

| NATIONALITIES. | Number of Vessels. | Tons Register. | FREIGHT. | | Number of Men. |
|----------------|--------------------|----------------|--------------|-------------------|----------------|
| | | | Tons Weight. | Tons Measurement. | |
| 1896. | | | | | |
| British..... | 3,226 | 4,385,055 | 1,686,661 | 1,011,095 | 111,187 |
| Canadian..... | 13,462 | 2,141,272 | 843,352 | 692,772 | 117,305 |
| Foreign..... | 13,114 | 4,932,497 | 1,112,574 | 884,089 | 217,378 |
| Total..... | 29,802 | 11,458,824 | 3,642,587 | 2,587,956 | 445,870 |
| 1897. | | | | | |
| British..... | 3,835 | 5,393,435 | 2,238,329 | 1,460,877 | 129,273 |
| Canadian..... | 11,123 | 1,888,172 | 76,770 | 634,621 | 102,042 |
| Foreign..... | 12,136 | 4,729,373 | 1,290,259 | 830,456 | 208,747 |
| Total..... | 27,094 | 12,010,980 | 4,296,358 | 2,945,954 | 440,062 |

ARRIVALS FROM, AND CLEARANCES FOR PRINCIPAL COUNTRIES
BY SEA-GOING VESSELS IN 1897.

VESSELS ENTERED INWARDS.

| COUNTRIES FROM WHICH ARRIVED. | BRITISH. | | CANADIAN. | | FOREIGN. | | TOTAL. | |
|-------------------------------|----------|-----------|-----------|---------|----------|-----------|--------|-----------|
| | No. | Tons. | No. | Tons. | No. | Tons. | No. | Tons. |
| Great Britain..... | 847 | 1,793,240 | 142 | 79,247 | 318 | 220,352 | 1,307 | 2,092,839 |
| British West Indies..... | 47 | 31,428 | 167 | 34,282 | 17 | 10,353 | 231 | 76,063 |
| Newfoundland..... | 432 | 76,345 | 332 | 84,072 | 24 | 8,196 | 788 | 168,613 |
| United States..... | 328 | 442,494 | 3,739 | 600,350 | 4,695 | 1,781,469 | 8,762 | 2,824,313 |
| France..... | 13 | 20,180 | 3 | 702 | 25 | 16,828 | 41 | 37,710 |
| Germany..... | 13 | 24,584 | 1 | 1,199 | 43 | 80,684 | 57 | 106,467 |
| China..... | 53 | 113,651 | .. | .. | .. | .. | 53 | 113,651 |
| Japan..... | 21 | 57,190 | 1 | 187 | 2 | 3,079 | 24 | 60,446 |
| Spanish West Indies..... | 6 | 6,714 | 69 | 10,741 | 16 | 18,030 | 91 | 35,485 |
| Other Countries..... | 196 | 241,524 | 1,131 | 103,539 | 1,020 | 230,783 | 2,347 | 575,846 |
| Total..... | 1,956 | 2,807,340 | 5,585 | 914,319 | 6,160 | 2,369,771 | 13,701 | 6,091,433 |