

The next table gives the tonnage of vessels trading to and from some of the principal foreign countries. It will be seen that, including the United Kingdom, Canada ranked fourteenth in 1899 among the countries of the world as regards the magnitude of her shipping trade.

SHIPPING IN FOREIGN COUNTRIES, 1895 TO 1899, EXCLUSIVE OF COASTING TRADE.

COUNTRIES.	TONNAGE OF VESSELS ENTERED AND CLEARED.				
	1895.	1896.	1897.	1898.	1899.
	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.	Tons.
France.....	27,909,379	30,026,932	31,488,753	33,563,852	36,692,812
*United States.....	33,748,992	35,271,758	39,881,044	43,592,049	44,141,890
Spain.....	25,922,486	28,023,337	28,765,414	26,843,144	29,140,330
Germany.....	23,953,464	24,086,632	25,762,511	27,536,990	28,179,826
† Austria.....	20,492,296	22,670,007	23,418,703	24,618,194	25,543,667
Italy.....	16,829,468	17,005,287	<i>a</i> 35,643,803	<i>a</i> 36,622,635	38,957,254
Russia in Europe.....	16,225,550	18,862,501	18,066,576	17,471,914	17,366,619
Argentine Republic.....	13,261,453	15,208,853	12,877,812	14,170,560	15,307,452
Sweden.....	12,383,747	14,119,804	14,877,813	15,373,091	16,384,747
Holland.....	13,531,245	15,611,910	16,897,809	17,325,827	18,825,920
Belgium.....	13,670,002	14,971,182	15,899,475	16,517,610	17,153,957
Portugal.....	12,424,936	14,525,623	17,806,171	17,904,563	17,128,715
Denmark.....	8,425,804	9,318,858	10,561,982	11,204,876	11,322,092
<i>b</i> China.....	8,507,107	9,504,935	9,600,102	9,924,620	10,992,715
Norway.....	5,339,150	5,850,787	6,131,717	6,297,606	6,376,600
Chile.....	5,771,152	7,277,422	6,084,274	6,111,792	6,498,551
Uruguay.....	3,366,453	3,934,415	3,701,155	4,069,870	4,494,530
Japan.....	5,270,537	6,723,602	7,354,006	7,406,239	7,840,415
Mexico.....	4,985,657	5,551,681	5,055,667

* Exclusive of lake trade between the United States and Canada. United States vessels engaged in this trade are not allowed to engage in sea-going voyages.

† Including coasting trade. Exclusive of Hungary.

a Including coasting trade. *b* Vessels of foreign type only.