

TOTAL NUMBER OF VESSELS (SEA-GOING AND INLAND) ARRIVED AT AND DEPARTED FROM CANADIAN PORTS (EXCLUSIVE OF COASTING VESSELS) IN EACH YEAR SINCE 1867.

Year.	BRITISH.		CANADIAN.		FOREIGN.		Total Tonnage.
	No.	Tons Register.	No.	Tons Register.	No.	Tons Register.	
1868.	*40,593	8,283,893			15,537	4,698,932	12,982,825
1869.	*39,278	7,388,272			14,022	3,072,772	10,461,044
1870.	*40,421	7,973,160			14,764	3,442,710	11,415,870
1871.	*43,120	8,985,153			18,517	4,140,885	13,126,038
1872.	*37,656	8,154,802			16,269	4,653,358	12,808,160
1873.	*39,361	7,449,582			18,688	4,299,415	11,748,997
1874.	*31,470	6,760,476			18,295	4,639,381	11,399,857
1875.	*26,400	5,807,632			16,412	3,719,823	9,527,455
1876.	*26,641	5,715,726			16,806	4,195,473	9,911,199
1877.	2,963	2,216,516	24,386	4,104,926	19,364	4,769,802	11,091,244
1878.	2,954	2,294,688	26,850	4,883,862	18,223	4,876,340	12,054,890
1879.	2,618	2,155,444	27,418	5,051,139	17,805	4,440,229	11,646,812
1880.	2,990	2,642,935	33,077	6,779,963	16,809	4,154,947	13,577,845
1881.	3,707	3,526,005	31,595	5,894,639	18,149	4,381,788	13,802,432
1882.	3,335	3,164,839	33,607	5,722,399	18,678	4,492,644	13,379,882
1883.	3,403	3,001,071	31,332	5,836,858	20,095	4,932,806	13,770,735
1884.	3,327	3,257,219	31,260	5,939,731	20,569	5,162,076	14,359,026
1885.	3,219	3,007,314	29,438	6,438,750	18,494	4,638,648	14,084,712
1886.	2,960	3,101,285	30,011	5,943,341	19,357	4,924,606	13,969,232
1887.	2,679	2,657,619	30,960	6,245,632	24,296	5,187,747	14,090,998
1888.	3,316	3,326,417	33,395	6,182,697	27,592	5,708,194	15,217,308
1889.	3,305	3,333,079	34,564	6,636,032	27,188	6,085,110	16,054,221
1890.	3,671	3,617,013	38,222	7,709,133	30,532	7,119,954	18,446,100
1891.	3,483	3,523,238	35,667	7,516,645	30,179	7,763,765	18,803,648
1892.	3,402	3,586,335	32,944	7,631,430	28,997	7,474,690	18,692,455
1893.	3,271	3,780,915	33,034	7,298,151	26,876	7,460,468	18,539,534
1894.	3,381	4,146,645	34,719	8,251,226	27,906	7,955,210	20,353,081
1895.	3,206	3,994,224	29,784	7,250,835	27,299	7,855,904	19,100,963
1896.	3,226	4,385,055	31,597	7,464,532	30,161	10,020,886	21,870,473
1897.	3,835	5,393,435	25,294	6,801,315	31,260	11,179,183	23,373,933
1898.	4,121	5,777,068	28,116	8,234,862	31,810	10,734,186	24,746,116
1899.	4,855	6,625,698	31,454	9,309,282	30,508	9,485,130	25,420,110
1900.	4,707	6,728,799	32,516	9,517,386	34,217	10,667,910	26,914,095
1901.	4,319	6,694,133	30,211	8,540,089	33,302	10,795,586	26,029,808
1902.	4,363	6,865,924	33,202	9,654,528	40,148	13,504,952	30,025,404

* Canadian vessels not distinguished.

The coasting trade of Canada is regulated by the Act, Chap. 83, Revised Statutes of Canada, which provides that no goods or passengers can be carried by water from one port in Canada to another except in British ships. This provision, however, may be declared by the Governor General in Council not to be applicable to the vessels of any country that allows British vessels to participate in its coasting trade on the same footing as its own national vessels. By different Orders in Council the ships of the following countries have been admitted to the coasting trade of Canada, viz., Italy, Germany, the Netherlands, Sweden and Norway, Austria-Hungary, Denmark, Belgium and the Argentine Republic.