

Under the Bankruptcy Act of 1919 (9-10 George V, c. 36) which went into force on July 1, 1920, certain documents relative to all failures coming under the Act are forwarded to the Dominion Statistician. Statistics based upon these documents have been duly compiled in the Dominion Bureau of Statistics, and are published in Table 99. In the consolidation of these statistics it should be remembered that recent changes in the Act going into force October 1, 1923, may affect the comparability of the figures. It may, however, be pointed out that since the early months of 1923 there has been a decided decrease in the number of failures.

99.—Assignments under the Bankruptcy Act, by Months, 1920-1923.

Months.	1920. ¹	1921.	1922.	1923. ²
January.....	—	228	374	387
February.....	—	170	340	355
March.....	—	171	340	368
April.....	—	132	245	324
May.....	—	155	309	291
June.....	—	156	288	271
July.....	49	169	300	209
August.....	73	186	272	242
September.....	68	214	332	320
October.....	97	228	364	200
November.....	117	267	410	259
December.....	169	288	351	232
Totals.....	573¹	2,364	3,925	3,458

¹Six months. ²Subject to revision.

By provinces, the failures in 1921, 1922 and 1923 have been in order as follows, the figures for 1923 being provisional:—Prince Edward Island, 11, 15, 16; Nova Scotia, 108, 121, 156; New Brunswick, 56, 131, 67; Quebec, 928, 1,589, 1,236; Ontario, 650, 1,058, 970; Manitoba, 147, 284, 252; Saskatchewan, 177, 272, 280; Alberta, 189, 299, 323; British Columbia, 98, 156, 158.