

13.—Number of Excise Licences Issued during the fiscal years ended Mar. 31, 1923-1929.

Description.	1923.	1924.	1925.	1926.	1927.	1928.	1929.
Distillers.....	11	14	16	18	20	23	25
Brewers and maltsters.....	74	75	79	87	93	93	95
Tobacco manufacturers.....	76	73	70	65	56	58	57
Cigar manufacturers.....	140	126	113	110	106	90	83
Petroleum refineries.....	16	16	18	21	21	22	21
Manufacturers in bond—							
Vinegar distillers.....	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Perfumes, pharmaceutical preparations, etc.....	354	371	348	343	345	346	330
Chemical stills.....	163	166	164	156	151	152	144
Wood alcohol manufacturers.....	9	6	7	8	6	6	6
Malt vinegar brewers.....	3	3	3	3	3	3	4
Still manufacturers and importers.....	10	16	17	18	24	26	24
Acetic acid manufacturers.....	2	2	2	2	3	3	3
Bonded warehouses.....	49	50	46	41	42	62	51
Rectifiers.....	1	1	1	1	—	—	—
Compounders.....	—	2	2	2	3	3	4
Canadian leaf stemmers.....	—	—	—	—	8	9	10

14.—Statistics of Distillation for the fiscal years ended Mar. 31, 1924-1929.

Schedule.	1924.	1925.	1926.	1927.	1928.	1929.
Licences issued.....No.	14	16	18	20	23	25
Licence fees.....\$	3,375	4,125	4,500	5,000	6,125	6,625
Grain, etc., for distillation—						
Malt.....lb.	4,847,035	8,549,177	6,109,455	12,650,807	25,116,100	39,170,372
Indian corn.....“	25,969,850	48,524,438	37,496,955	62,478,906	78,871,584	106,112,316
Rye.....“	11,866,009	18,730,531	12,506,822	21,129,081	53,617,695	80,449,536
Oats and other grain..“	138,044	205,412	380,385	283,950	139,184	228,102
Wheat.....“	1,104,540	222,160	46,800	1,616,020	249,660	—
Rice.....“	—	—	—	—	—	84,523
Total grain used.....“	43,925,478	76,231,718	56,540,417	98,158,764	157,994,223	226,044,849
Molasses used.....“	38,894,109	56,277,470	45,051,831	68,847,431	49,801,495	78,099,601
Proof spirits manu- factured.....proof gal.	4,411,896	7,287,691	5,434,329	9,121,051	11,596,200	16,816,312
Duty collected ex-manu- factory on deficien- cies and assessment—						
Proof gallons.....	638	3,795	6,153	1,585	3,817	131
Amount.....\$	5,746	34,163	55,480	14,272	34,422	1,178
Total duty collected plus licence fees.....\$	9,121	38,288	59,980	19,272	40,547	7,803

Consumption of Alcohol and Tobacco.—In Tables 15 and 16 are shown the quantities of spirits, malt liquor, malt, cigars, cigarettes and tobacco taken out of bond for consumption in the fiscal years ended 1901 to 1929, and the annual consumption of spirits, beer, wine and tobacco per head of population, together with the duties paid in the same years.

Between 1920 and 1929, the consumption of cigars fell from 270,089,761 to 190,981,166 and of tobacco from 23,049,012 lb. to 21,973,221 lb. On the other hand, the consumption of cigarettes increased from 2,440,982,912 to 4,607,500,425.

Between 1923 and 1929 the consumption of spirits (exclusive of imported spirits) has risen from 729,678 gal. to 2,016,802 gal., and of malt liquor from 36,789,195 gal. to 65,719,129 gal.