

Steamboat Inspection.—The Steamboat Inspection Service of Canada, maintained under the authority of the Department of Marine, comprises the Board of Steamboat Inspection, together with staffs of inspectors at the principal ocean and inland ports. The Board decides on the standards required of all vessels coming under its jurisdiction. These must be attained by all ships given official warrant as to their seaworthiness and mechanical condition. Further, the Board grants certificates of competency to engineers of steamboats.

A table showing the number and tonnage of steamboats inspected during the fiscal year ended Mar. 31, 1931, follows:—

63.—Steamboat Inspection, fiscal year ended Mar. 31, 1931.

Division.	Vessels Inspected.				Vessels not Inspected.	
	Vessels Registered or Owned in the Dominion.		Vessels Registered or Owned Elsewhere.			
	No.	Gross Tonnage.	No.	Gross Tonnage.	No.	Gross Tonnage.
Halifax.....	133	119,785	16	64,250	9	20,719
Saint John.....	71	72,291	2	7,652	40	25,167
Quebec.....	73	35,210	—	—	8	2,241
Sorel.....	103	60,111	—	—	20	8,157
Montreal.....	109	175,422	15	48,279	165	10,749
Kingston.....	104	124,204	4	377	8	8,872
Toronto.....	203	290,979	53	79,106	25	41,727
Midland.....	73	83,527	3	65	20	8,473
Collingwood.....	90	34,944	—	—	21	10,739
Port Arthur.....	88	76,435	—	—	73	4,563
Vancouver.....	262	148,103	14	126,405	92	30,955
Victoria.....	74	78,794	14	32,644	16	13,077
Totals.....	1,353	1,299,805	121	355,778	437	185,439

Division.	Vessels Subject to Inspection when in Commission.		Vessels Added to the Dominion Register.		Vessels Lost, Broken Up or Destroyed.	
	No.	Gross Tonnage.	No.	Gross Tonnage.	No.	Gross Tonnage.
Halifax.....	158	204,754	2	3,847	2	4,803
Saint John.....	113	105,110	4	5,238	2	753
Quebec.....	81	37,451	7	4,173	4	623
Sorel.....	123	68,268	3	379	1	73
Montreal.....	229	234,450	10	19,315	—	—
Kingston.....	116	133,453	5	9,551	—	—
Toronto.....	281	411,812	1	149	4	1,555
Midland.....	96	92,065	3	12,928	5	138
Collingwood.....	111	45,733	6	6,557	—	—
Port Arthur.....	161	80,998	5	304	6	2,490
Vancouver.....	368	305,463	10	14,460	4	573
Victoria.....	104	124,515	3	11,093	2	100
Totals.....	1,941	1,544,972	59	87,994	30	11,408

Fees collected during the year on account of inspections totalled \$134,719 and those on account of examinations of engineers amounted to \$1,866, giving a combined total revenue collected by inspectors of \$136,585.