

Statistics of Licences and Distillation.—As a by-product of the collection of excise duties, statistics are compiled of excise licences issued and of distillation; figures for recent years are given in Tables 13 and 14.

13.—Number of Excise Licences Issued, fiscal years ended Mar. 31, 1926-32.

Description.	1926.	1927.	1928.	1929.	1930.	1931.	1932.
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
Distillers.....	18	20	23	25	28	27	27
Brewers and maltsters.....	87	93	93	95	94	98	92
Tobacco manufacturers.....	65	56	58	57	56	56	60
Cigar manufacturers.....	110	106	90	83	83	76	79
Petroleum refiners.....	21	21	22	21	22	22	27
Manufacturers in Bond—							
Perfumes, pharmaceutical preparations, etc.....	343	345	346	330	338	337	337
Chemical stills.....	156	151	152	144	135	133	141
Wood alcohol manufacturers.....	6	6	6	6	3	6	6
Malt vinegar brewers.....	3	3	3	4	4	5	5
Still manufacturers and importers.....	18	24	26	24	29	26	23
Acetic acid manufacturers.....	2	3	3	3	3	3	—
Bonded warehouses.....	41	42	62	51	49	48	62
Rectifiers.....	1	—	—	—	—	—	—
Compounders.....	2	3	3	4	6	6	6
Canadian leaf stemmers.....	—	8	9	10	10	9	14

14.—Statistics of Distillation, fiscal years ended March 31, 1927-32.

Schedule.	1927.	1928.	1929.	1930.	1931.	1932.
Licences issued..... No.	20	23	25	28	27	27
Licence fees..... \$	5,600	6,125	6,625	7,750	6,125	7,125
Grain, etc., for Distillation—						
Malt..... lb.	12,650,807	25,116,100	39,170,372	42,064,219	19,519,949	10,802,254
Indian corn..... "	62,478,996	78,871,584	106,112,316	114,942,991	35,879,402	19,657,775
Rye..... "	21,129,081	53,617,695	80,449,536	78,075,195	47,421,646	27,121,120
Oats and other grain..... "	283,950	139,184	228,102	257,510	64,150	189,080
Wheat..... "	1,616,020	249,660	—	—	—	—
Rice..... "	—	—	84,523	58,330	—	—
Totals, grain used..... "	98,158,764	157,994,223	226,044,849	235,398,245	102,885,147	57,770,220
Molasses used..... "	68,847,431	49,801,495	78,099,601	61,036,607	70,804,701	71,988,200
Wine and other materials lb.	—	—	—	—	—	15,917,061
Proof spirits manufactured..... proof gal.	9,121,051	11,596,200	16,816,312	16,813,433	9,286,780	7,099,637
Duty Collected Ex-manufactory on Deficiencies and Assessment—						
Amount..... proof gal.	1,585	3,817	181	312	965	9,643
Value..... \$	14,272	34,422	1,178	2,813	8,677	87,061
Totals, duty collected plus licence fees..... \$	19,272	40,547	7,803	10,563	14,802	94,186

Alcohol and Tobacco Taken out of Bond.—In Table 15 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 1932.

Between 1920 and 1932 the number of cigars taken out of bond fell from 270,089,761 to 152,159,301 and the quantity of tobacco, which was 23,049,012 lb. in 1920, had fallen to 20,870,651 lb. by 1925, since when there has been a steady