

9.—Charges, Acquittals, Convictions, and Sentences in respect of Indictable Offences, years ended Sept. 30, 1931-37.

Note.—Juvenile delinquencies not included.

Item.	1931.	1932.	1933.	1934.	1935.	1936.	1937.
	No.						
Charges.....	38,189	37,621	38,927	37,408	39,506	42,541	43,968
Acquittals.....	6,580	6,206	5,942	5,695	5,934	6,381	6,768
Persons detained for lunacy.....	58	32	43	29	41	101	52
Convictions.....	31,542	31,383	32,942	31,684	33,531	36,059	37,148
Males.....	28,935	28,181	29,465	28,539	30,195	32,689	33,365
Females.....	2,607	3,202	3,477	3,145	3,336	3,370	3,783
First convictions.....	23,474	23,841	24,576	22,805	23,844	24,109	24,291
Second convictions.....	3,159	2,895	3,584	3,219	3,163	3,864	4,273
Reiterated convictions.....	4,909	4,647	4,782	5,660	6,524	8,086	8,584
Sentences—							
Option of a fine.....	8,036	8,143	8,973	8,014	9,374	9,593	9,310
Under one year in gaol.....	8,794	9,307	10,128	10,492	10,631	11,319	12,224
One year or over in gaol.....	2,728	2,760	2,656	2,391	2,357	1,651	1,506
Indeterminate.....	7	7	4	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
Two years and under five in penitentiary.....	2,551	2,347	2,018	1,902	2,191	2,371	2,434
Five years or over in penitentiary.....	568	536	451	353	462	528	644
For life in penitentiary.....	10	9	15	5	3	6	2
Death.....	25	23	24	19	15	22	13
Committed to reformatories.....	597	376	168	297	467	2,572	2,519
Other sentences.....	8,226	7,875	8,505	7,611	8,031	7,997	8,496

Convictions of Females.—Over 10 p.c. of all convictions for indictable offences during 1937 were those of females. This is a slight increase over the 9·4 percentage shown in 1936. Numerically, convictions of females increased from 3,370 in 1936 to 3,783 in 1937. All provinces and territories, with the exception of British Columbia, contributed to this increase.

Women comprised a greater percentage of total convictions for 1937 than for 1936 in Prince Edward Island, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, Quebec, Ontario, Saskatchewan, and Yukon and Northwest Territories. Percentage figures for Manitoba, Alberta, and British Columbia showed declines.

10.—Females Convicted of Indictable Offences, by Provinces, years ended Sept. 30, 1933-37.

Province.	Numbers of Convictions.					Percentages of Totals.					
	1933.	1934.	1935.	1936.	1937.	1933.	1934.	1935.	1936.	1937.	
Prince Edward Island.....	Nil	Nil	2	1	5				3·4	1·3	5·1
Nova Scotia.....	62	66	67	67	78	5·3	6·7	6·7	5·8	7·2	
New Brunswick.....	29	45	39	50	52	6·1	8·2	6·8	6·7	6·8	
Quebec.....	1,353	1,240	1,533	1,466	1,652	17·5	16·1	16·4	15·4	21·2	
Ontario.....	979	955	965	947	983	7·5	8·1	6·8	6·2	6·7	
Manitoba.....	280	233	252	270	273	10·5	9·1	10·6	10·3	9·6	
Saskatchewan.....	83	140	76	86	167	4·1	5·8	3·9	3·9	5·4	
Alberta.....	201	214	140	229	246	10·3	7·9	5·8	7·3	6·8	
British Columbia.....	430	252	362	354	325	10·6	10·1	11·7	11·7	9·7	
Yukon and N.W.T.....	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	2					11·1	
Totals.....	3,477	3,145	3,336	3,370	3,783	10·6	9·9	9·9	9·4	10·2	