

Population is shown in Table 17 to be increasingly attracted to the larger cities. Thus, not only have cities of over 500,000 population (Montreal and Toronto) increased their proportions to the total, but cities of from 100,000 to 500,000 have increased their aggregate population from 5.90 p.c. of the total to 8.46 p.c., and cities of between 5,000 and 100,000 from 17.68 p.c. to 19.29 p.c. in the decade 1921-31. As will be seen, the large absolute increases in the total population of municipalities of less than 1,000 persons for 1921 and 1931 were due almost entirely to the addition of newly incorporated places.*

* See also reference in text footnote (*) at top of p. 64.

17.—Urban Populations, Classified by Size of Municipality Groups, 1911, 1921, and 1931

Group	1911			1921			1931		
	Number of Places	Population	Per Cent of Total Pop.	Number of Places	Population	Per Cent of Total Pop.	Number of Places	Population	Per Cent of Total Pop.
Over 500,000.....	Nil	-	-	2	1,140,399	12.98	2	1,449,784	13.97
Between—									
400,000 and 500,000	1	490,504	6.81	Nil	-	-	Nil	-	-
300,000 and 400,000	1	381,833	5.30	"	-	-	"	-	-
200,000 and 300,000	Nil	-	-	"	-	-	2	465,378	4.48
100,000 and 200,000	2	236,436	3.28	4	518,298	5.90	3	413,013	3.98
50,000 and 100,000	3	247,221	3.43	5	336,650	3.83	7	470,443	4.53
25,000 and 50,000	7	272,071	3.78	7	239,096	2.72	10	339,521	3.27
15,000 and 25,000	11	193,977	2.69	19	370,990	4.22	23	457,292	4.41
10,000 and 15,000	18	225,423	3.13	18	224,033	2.55	23	275,944	2.66
5,000 and 10,000	44	313,100	4.34	54	382,762	4.36	68	458,784	4.42
3,000 and 5,000	59	222,274	3.08	72	272,720	3.10	71	273,276	2.63
1,000 and 3,000	250	428,250	5.94	293	492,116	5.60	324	557,466	5.37
500 and 1,000	241	174,781	2.43	290	215,648	2.45	322	231,375	2.23
Under 500.....	419	87,077	1.21	679	159,410	1.81	750	179,782	1.73
Totals.....	1,056	3,272,947	45.42	1,443	4,352,122	49.52	1,605	5,572,058	53.70

18.—Populations of Cities and Towns Having Over 5,000 Inhabitants, Decennial Censuses 1871-1931 and the Quinquennial Census of 1936¹

NOTE.—The cities and towns in which a Board of Trade exists are indicated by an asterisk (*), and those in which there is a Chamber of Commerce by a dagger (†). In all cases the populations for previous censuses have been rearranged as far as possible to cover the same area as in 1931.

City or Town	Province	Populations							
		1871	1881	1891	1901	1911	1921	1931	1936 ¹
*†Montreal.....	Que.....	130,833	177,377	256,723	328,172	490,504	618,506	818,577	-
*Toronto.....	Ont.....	59,000	96,196	181,215	209,892	381,833	521,893	631,207	-
*Vancouver.....	B.C.....	-	-	13,709	29,432	120,847	163,220	246,593	-
*Winnipeg.....	Man.....	241	7,985	25,639	42,340	136,035	179,087	218,785	215,814
†Hamilton.....	Ont.....	26,880	36,661	48,959	52,634	81,969	114,151	155,547	-
*Quebec.....	Que.....	59,699	62,446	63,090	68,840	78,710	95,193	130,594	-
*Ottawa.....	Ont.....	24,141	31,307	44,154	59,928	87,062	107,843	126,872	-
*Calgary.....	Alta.....	-	-	3,876	4,392	43,704	63,305	38,761	83,407
†Edmonton.....	Alta.....	-	-	-	4,176	31,064	58,821	79,197	85,774
†London.....	Ont.....	18,000	27,867	31,977	37,976	46,300	60,959	71,148	-
†Windsor.....	Ont.....	4,253	6,561	10,322	12,153	17,829	38,591	63,108	-
†Verdun.....	Que.....	-	278	296	1,898	11,629	25,001	60,745	-
*Halifax.....	N.S.....	29,582	36,100	38,437	40,832	46,619	58,372	59,275	-
*Regina.....	Sask.....	-	-	-	2,249	30,213	34,432	53,209	53,354
*Saint John.....	N.B.....	41,325	41,353	39,179	40,711	42,511	47,166	47,514	-
*Saskatoon.....	Sask.....	-	-	-	113	12,004	25,739	43,291	41,734
†Victoria.....	B.C.....	3,270	5,925	16,841	20,919	31,660	38,727	39,082	-
†Three Rivers.....	Que.....	7,570	8,670	8,334	9,981	13,691	22,367	35,450	-
*Kitchener.....	Ont.....	2,743	4,054	7,425	9,747	15,196	21,763	30,793	-

¹ The 1936 figures cover cities and towns of the Prairie Provinces only.