

Pilotage.—This service functions under the provisions set forth in Part VI of the Canada Shipping Act (c. 44, 1934). Qualified pilots may offer their services to the stranger in local and confined waters. At the same time, pilotage might also be considered as a method of insurance.

There are 40 pilotage districts in Canada, 8 of which (Sydney, Halifax, Saint John, Quebec, Montreal, St. Lawrence—Kingston—Ottawa, British Columbia, and Churchill) are under the Minister of Transport as Pilotage Authority. The Pilotage District of New Westminster, B.C., is under a local authority. The other districts function under local pilotage authorities appointed by the Governor in Council under the provisions of the Canada Shipping Act.

Table 8 shows the number and aggregate tonnage of ships using pilots for the major Canadian ports during the two latest fiscal years. Corresponding statistics are not available for the St. Lawrence—Kingston—Ottawa District.

8.—Details of Pilotage, by Districts, Fiscal Years 1939 and 1940

District	1939			1940		
	Pilots	Ships Piloted In and Out	Net Tonnage	Pilots	Ships Piloted In and Out	Net Tonnage
	No.	No.	tons	No.	No.	tons
Sydney.....	19	2,130	4,614,437	18	2,461	5,160,934
Halifax.....	20	2,057	7,545,185	26	4,311	16,315,929
Saint John.....	12	980	3,003,537	12	889	2,721,192
Quebec.....	61	3,882	15,124,634	57	2,961	9,636,390
Montreal.....	78	6,518	15,825,177	79	4,885	10,821,151
Churchill.....	1	8	20,598	1	4	3,664
British Columbia.....	35	3,675	14,572,084	34	3,612	13,604,924
New Westminster.....	7	1,034	3,638,646	7	948	3,249,234

Steamship Inspection.—The Steamship Inspection Service provided for under Part VII of the Canada Shipping Act, 1934, consists of a headquarters staff, at Ottawa, and staffs of inspectors at the principal ocean and inland ports. The Act provides for a Board, known as the Board of Steamship Inspection, which decides on questions arising out of the administration of the Act. The Steamship Inspection Service is responsible for the administration and carrying out of the provisions of Part VII of the Act respecting the periodic inspection of power-driven ships and the issue of inspection certificates, the assignment of load lines, the conditions under which dangerous goods may be carried in ships, and the protection against accident of workers employed in loading or unloading ships. The Steamship Inspection Service is also responsible for the administration and carrying out of the provisions of Part II of the Act relating to the certification and employment of marine engineers.