

Motor-Vehicle Accidents.—Motorists are required to report accidents but comprehensive statistics are not available for all provinces. The Vital Statistics Branch of the Bureau of Statistics compiles statistics on all deaths from motor-vehicle accidents and these are shown in Table 9. A direct comparison of such statistics between the provinces is of little value due to differences in size, population, motor-vehicle density, etc., but, to put them on somewhat the same basis, the average number of deaths per 10,000 registered motor-vehicles has also been tabulated. These data still give no weight to differences in use of motor-vehicles, differences in climate, roads, tourist cars, etc., all of which are factors in accidents.

Table 10 shows the number of persons killed or injured in automobile accidents as reported by the motor-vehicle branches of the Provincial Governments. It is quite possible that the latter reported some persons as injured who subsequently died from the injuries and these would be included in the fatalities of the vital statistics shown in Table 9, also accidents that occurred late in December and resulted in deaths would be charged to December by the provincial authorities but to January of the next year in the vital statistics. Consequently, the figures of fatalities of Tables 9 and 10 are not in complete agreement.

9.—Deaths Resulting from Motor-Vehicle Accidents in Canada, by Provinces, 1931-40

NOTE.—This table is compiled in the Vital Statistics Branch, Dominion Bureau of Statistics. Figures for the years 1926 to 1930 will be found at p. 578 of the 1941 Year Book.

Year	Prince Edward Island	Nova Scotia	New Brunswick	Quebec	Ontario	Manitoba	Saskatchewan	Alberta	British Columbia	Total
DEATHS										
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
1931.....	5	49	45	355	574	60	50	67	111	1,316
1932.....	1	51	49	311	497	42	35	49	85	1,120
1933.....	2	47	22	256	416	38	32	64	78	955
1934.....	5	41	52	275	528	41	30	61	82	1,115
1935.....	2	57	40	314	571	53	40	45	102	1,224
1936.....	7	60	41	371	564	53	47	72	101	1,316
1937.....	7	97	67	405	774	66	47	55	124	1,642
1938.....	6	75	58	413	677	80	49	77	110	1,545
1939.....	7	84	92	390	682	63	65	81	120	1,534
1940.....	10	104	81	434	746	87	59	72	116	1,709
DEATHS PER 10,000 REGISTERED MOTOR-VEHICLES										
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
1931.....	6.46	11.20	13.38	19.77	10.21	7.94	4.61	7.00	11.33	10.96
1932.....	1.43	12.39	17.47	18.77	9.35	5.87	3.83	5.64	9.34	10.05
1933.....	2.88	11.62	8.20	16.00	8.00	5.53	3.78	7.43	8.81	8.82
1934.....	6.94	9.78	17.87	16.62	9.74	5.82	3.28	6.83	8.91	9.82
1935.....	2.43	12.97	12.81	18.40	10.12	7.50	4.21	4.79	10.47	10.42
1936.....	9.17	12.99	12.27	20.43	9.56	7.07	4.60	7.39	9.52	10.61
1937.....	8.73	19.38	18.22	20.46	12.41	8.16	4.47	5.48	10.66	12.44
1938.....	7.51	14.64	15.63	20.10	10.12	9.07	4.49	7.18	9.23	11.08
1939.....	8.71	15.85	24.14	18.30	9.99	7.09	5.46	7.12	9.83	11.01
1940.....	12.39	17.97	20.77	19.28	10.60	9.57	4.65	5.97	9.06	11.39