

It may be stated that during the forty-year period from 1900 to 1940 crimes increased from 5,768 to 46,723 or 710 p.c. The increase in the population during the same period was 115.5 p.c., revealing that the increase in the crime rate was over six times that of the population.

5.—Convictions of Adults for Indictable Offences, by Provinces, Years Ended Sept. 30, 1921-40

NOTE.—For figures for 1900-20, see p. 1016 of the 1933 Year Book.

Year	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.	Yukon	N.W.T.	Canada
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
1921.....	15	712	313	2,654	7,548	1,159	1,220	1,263	1,282	3	1	16,169
1922.....	27	701	322	2,885	7,021	1,188	1,391	1,171	1,004	10		15,720
1923.....	13	400	148	2,655	6,886	1,094	1,446	1,424	1,116	6		15,188
1924.....	25	595	224	2,729	7,180	1,160	1,647	1,423	1,265	10		16,258
1925.....	3	624	244	3,084	7,751	1,215	1,654	1,254	1,385	2		3
1926.....	14	752	222	3,053	7,248	1,383	2,052	1,463	1,252	3	6	17,448
1927.....	14	680	287	3,621	7,962	1,457	1,492	1,483	1,833	3	4	18,636
1928.....	43	891	365	4,299	9,052	1,672	1,761	1,701	1,931	5	Nil	21,720
1929.....	55	869	358	4,780	9,489	1,988	1,918	2,201	2,425	8	6	24,097
1930.....	59	875	354	5,540	11,774	2,272	2,355	2,525	2,694	6	3	28,457
1931.....	57	1,184	461	5,737	12,000	3,102	2,716	2,887	3,385	8	5	31,542
1932.....	78	1,072	514	7,086	12,428	2,982	1,893	2,241	3,072	6	11	31,383
1933.....	70	1,160	479	7,713	13,152	2,667	2,049	2,544	3,094	7	7	32,942
1934.....	88	992	525	7,687	11,761	2,571	2,396	2,708	2,946	3	7	31,684
1935.....	59	1,002	576	9,354	12,653	2,382	1,976	2,424	3,088	3	14	33,531
1936.....	75	1,147	744	9,497	13,594	2,631	2,194	3,138	3,021	8	10	36,059
1937.....	98	1,081	759	7,781	14,569	2,839	3,083	3,589	3,331	8	10	37,148
1938.....	225	1,269	912	10,277	17,248	3,041	2,555	3,619	4,443	7	3	43,599
1939.....	268	1,635	1,107	10,804	19,804	3,220	3,450	4,087	3,701	7	24	48,107
1940.....	251	1,573	1,131	12,152	17,558	3,353	2,886	4,411	3,392	3	13	46,723

¹ Included with Manitoba, since that part of the N.W.T. from which earlier returns were received was included in Manitoba by the Extension of Boundaries Act, 1912. Later figures are for the present area of the N.W.T.

Multiple Convictions.—The total number of convictions must not be confused with the total number of persons convicted in any one year since an increasing number of persons tried for indictable offences have been convicted for more than one offence at the same trial. The trend of such multiple convictions is interesting to students of sociology.

6.—Persons Convicted of More than One Crime at the Time of Trial Compared with Persons Convicted of One Crime, Years Ended Sept. 30, 1936-40

Persons Convicted of—	1936	1937	1938	1939	1940
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
2 offences.....	2,179	2,177	2,546	2,901	2,652
3 ".....	505	528	624	713	623
4 ".....	272	296	285	340	289
5 ".....	146	122	172	164	181
6 ".....	89	73	107	103	99
7 ".....	42	77	59	87	61
8 ".....	23	44	44	60	37
9 ".....	24	28	23	39	27
10 ".....	19	15	17	32	27
11 to 20 offences.....	51	61	73	68	87
21 offences or over.....	21	18	14	25	19
Totals, Convicted of more than One Crime.....	3,371	3,439	3,964	4,532	4,102
Totals, Convicted of One Crime.....	25,692	26,296	31,478	33,700	33,879
Grand Totals.....	29,063	29,735	35,442	38,232	37,981