

The survey includes a geographical analysis of the service of individual libraries based on the population unit. This analysis includes such items as per capita circulation, volumes and expenditure; source of income and budgets; percentage of population that use the library; and types of reading material selected by home readers. In the latter case there is evidence of a consistent decrease in the demand for light reading.

A summarized review of the main features of provincial legislation governing the establishment of public libraries in Canada includes recent changes in Nova Scotia and Saskatchewan.

11.—Public Libraries, by Provinces, 1943, with Totals for Alternate Years 1931-43

Year and Province	Volumes	Circulation	Registered Borrowers	Expenditure on Books, Periodicals and Repairs	Total Expenditure
	No.	No.	No.	\$	\$
Totals, 1931	4,516,206	21,135,354	1	509,322	1
Totals, 1933	4,770,981	22,376,340	1,114,201	421,142	1
Totals, 1935	4,848,793	21,106,742	1,097,247	448,251	1
Totals, 1937	5,070,132	19,560,375	1,062,187	502,509	2,041,486
Totals, 1939	5,175,811	20,728,151	1,045,521	494,776	2,131,199
Totals, 1941	5,495,543	20,283,618	1,057,336	530,064	2,154,437
Totals, 1943	5,681,291	20,056,093	1,105,990	609,174	2,481,988
1943					
Prince Edward Island.....	60,805	227,239	20,889	5,452	17,251
Nova Scotia.....	128,746	167,797	12,159	6,502	19,679
New Brunswick.....	102,005	223,390	21,891	5,842	23,740
Quebec.....	699,937	805,445	44,485	44,809	202,540
Ontario.....	3,602,985	13,452,485	719,988	388,679	1,608,518
Manitoba.....	124,681	770,303	44,043	25,539	91,275
Saskatchewan.....	284,517	1,002,340	58,036	26,933	125,013
Alberta.....	292,805	1,557,572	69,225	37,557	140,242
British Columbia.....	371,932	1,836,906	114,995	67,250	251,578
Yukon.....	12,878	12,616	279	611	2,152

¹ Not available.

Section 4.—Museums and Art

At pp. 1025-1026 of the 1939 Year Book a list of the 37 museums (including art galleries) in Canada employing full-time staff is published, showing floor space and average daily attendance at each.

A complete directory of museums is available in a report, "Museums in Canada",* published in 1938 by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics. See list of Articles at the front of this volume for material previously published.

* This publication may be obtained on application to the Dominion Statistician, price 25 cents per copy.