

**13.—Convictions of Adults for Non-Indictable Offences, by Provinces, Years Ended Sept. 30, 1931-43**

NOTE.—Figures for 1900-12 are given at p. 1020 of the 1933 Year Book and for 1913-30 at p. 913 of the 1942 edition.

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.
1931..	838	5,324	4,533	99,381	153,451	22,625	10,691	13,113	17,671	80	71	327,778
1932..	825	3,573	3,841	112,132	131,374	18,218	7,538	8,180	12,148	55	25	297,909
1933..	655	3,922	3,493	117,433	124,589	15,396	6,355	9,698	11,051	68	23	292,673
1934..	733	4,216	3,598	115,313	160,895	16,985	5,680	7,896	13,369	28	31	328,744
1935..	924	4,818	3,968	118,499	190,763	15,685	5,749	8,398	13,759	41	38	362,642
1936..	956	5,593	4,691	111,254	204,744	17,476	5,750	8,810	18,349	58	25	377,706
1937..	1,438	6,249	5,706	99,404	237,309	28,500	7,580	10,910	22,997	62	57	420,212
1938..	1,497	6,552	5,299	89,443	238,224	32,748	7,113	10,973	22,695	60	60	414,664
1939..	1,293	7,503	5,095	91,607	247,609	31,467	8,147	13,816	21,881	89	101	428,068
1940..	1,237	9,138	6,213	93,965	267,166	31,018	9,276	14,702	23,190	98	106	456,109
1941..	1,664	10,254	7,703	152,330	288,874	32,481	10,499	15,434	28,096	80	141	547,556
1942..	1,521	10,386	8,170	195,672	285,240	32,209	8,541	14,543	24,905	86	91	581,364
1943..	1,033	8,857	7,619	181,425	204,227	21,986	7,810	11,598	20,510	145	105	465,315

The marked increase in the past 20 years in non-indictable convictions has been due, almost entirely, to breaches of traffic regulations, which have risen from 60,063 in 1924 to 274,573 during 1943 or from 42 p.c. of the total in 1924 to 59.0 p.c. in 1943. Breaches of the radio licence laws have increased rapidly during the past two years, due, perhaps, to stricter enforcement. The decline in convictions for non-indictable offences from 1942 to 1943 was due to a decrease in convictions for breaches of traffic laws; the first since 1936.

**14.—Non-Indictable Convictions, by Type, Years Ended Sept. 30, 1939-43**

Offence	1939	1940	1941	1942	1943	Increase or Decrease 1942-43
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
Assault.....	3,112	2,865	2,790	3,004	3,148	+144
Fishery and game Acts, offences against.....	3,181	2,854	3,403	2,412	2,219	-193
Gambling Acts, offences against.....	11,106	16,318	30,486	21,129	19,996	-1,133
Liquor, prohibition and temperance Acts, offences against.....	13,513	12,946	15,369	16,898	15,099	-1,799
Non-payment of wages.....	1,436	1,272	1,380	364	186	-178
Breaches of traffic regulations.....	292,904	311,678	369,234	399,957	274,573	-125,384
Breaches of by-laws.....	25,852	30,030	36,102	34,541	37,601	+3,060
Non-support of family and neglecting children.....	2,211	2,238	2,546	2,403	2,099	-304
Contributing to delinquency of children.....	1,362	1,326	1,360	1,158	902	-256
Revenue laws, offences against.....	1,610	1,947	1,012	2,052	1,749	-303
Vagrancy.....	12,623	9,758	8,856	7,212	9,289	+2,077
Drunkenness.....	36,007	37,826	40,002	44,801	42,292	-2,509
Frequenting bawdy houses.....	2,580	1,170	1,208	1,192	852	-340
Loose, idle, disorderly conduct, and disturbing the peace.....	5,585	9,220	9,291	9,684	5,536	-4,148
Radios without licences.....	4,479	2,901	12,447	21,706	34,434	+12,728
Various other offences.....	11,047	11,760	12,070	12,851	15,340	+2,489
<b>Totals.....</b>	<b>428,608</b>	<b>456,109</b>	<b>547,556</b>	<b>581,364</b>	<b>465,315</b>	<b>-116,049</b>

**Convictions for Drunkenness.**—The number of convictions for drunkenness which has shown a fairly steady increase since 1933, decreased by 5.6 p.c. in 1943 as compared with 1942.