

have had the effect of confining the failure records more to industrial and commercial lines of activity, and liabilities are reduced more in proportion to the number of failures since the companies eliminated usually ran high in indebtedness.

1.—Industrial and Commercial Failures in Canada, by Classes, 1934-44, and by Provinces, 1945

(From Dun and Bradstreet, Incorporated)

Year and Province	Manu- facturing		Wholesale Trade		Retail Trade		Con- struction		Commercial Service		Totals	
	No.	Lia- bilities	No.	Lia- bilities	No.	Lia- bilities	No.	Lia- bilities	No.	Lia- bilities	No.	Lia- bilities
		\$'000		\$'000		\$'000		\$'000		\$'000		\$'000
Totals, 1934.....	303	6,056	82	2,518	1,068	8,767	63	950	84	751	1,600	19,042
Totals, 1935.....	285	5,044	65	1,249	879	5,202	58	689	80	910	1,367	13,094
Totals, 1936.....	260	4,459	63	1,454	806	4,331	37	574	72	496	1,238	11,314
Totals, 1937.....	190	2,875	51	925	630	3,041	33	228	48	357	952	7,426
Totals, 1938.....	225	4,760	55	1,229	699	4,464	39	267	31	316	1,049	11,036
Totals, 1939.....	234	3,829	77	1,293	874	4,946	53	793	61	774	1,299	11,635
Totals, 1940.....	197	3,482	72	1,128	774	3,949	56	569	59	450	1,158	9,578
Totals, 1941.....	130	2,419	42	539	614	3,118	55	519	41	364	882	6,959
Totals, 1942.....	87	3,630	33	516	393	2,499	61	526	35	173	609	7,344
Totals, 1943.....	36	2,357	7	137	96	500	32	519	15	121	186	3,634
Totals, 1944.....	33	1,042	12	242	33	514	15	265	3	56	96	2,119
1945												
P.E. Island.....	Nil		Nil		1	13	Nil		Nil		1	13
Nova Scotia.....	"		"		1	1		5	"		2	6
New Brunswick.....	"		"		2	7	Nil		"		2	7
Quebec.....	25	825	4	157	16	181	15	166	4	38	64	1,367
Ontario.....	7	286	2	84	2	13	2	2	1	20	14	425
Manitoba.....	2	26	Nil		1	30	1	9	Nil		4	65
Saskatchewan.....	Nil				3	5	Nil		"		3	5
Alberta.....	2	350	"		Nil		"		"		2	350
British Columbia...	1	24	1	5			1	38	"		3	67
Totals, 1945.....	37	1,511	7	246	26	250	20	240	5	58	95	2,305

In 1945 Quebec and Ontario accounted for 67 p.c. and 15 p.c., respectively, of the total failures in the Dominion. As regards liabilities, Quebec accounted for 59 p.c. of the total as compared with 18 p.c. registered for Ontario.

2.—Industrial and Commercial Failures in Canada, by Provinces, 1943-45

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NOTE.—Comparable figures for 1934-42 are given in the corresponding table of previous Year Books.

Province	Failures			Liabilities		
	1943	1944	1945	1943	1944	1945
	No.	No.	No.	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Prince Edward Island.....	Nil	Nil	1			13
Nova Scotia.....	4	2	2	53	55	6
New Brunswick.....	3	1	2	80	19	7
Quebec.....	100	61	64	1,149	1,369	1,367
Ontario.....	42	18	14	1,750	280	425
Manitoba.....	8	2	4	180	210	65
Saskatchewan.....	20	3	3	63	7	5
Alberta.....	1	3	2	7	57	350
British Columbia.....	8	6	3	352	122	67
Totals.....	186	96	95	3,634	2,119	2,305