

faced a roadbed, to permit a continuous journey by car. The maximum grade in hill country is 10 p.c.; in foothill country, 5 p.c. The Dominion Government supplied the right-of-way and exempted all shipments of construction equipment and material from customs duty and the United States Government carried out the work. On Apr. 3, 1946, the Canadian section of the Highway, from Edmonton to the Alaska border, together with the Northwest Staging Route airfields, telephone system and other defence projects, was taken over by Canada from the United States under agreement between the two countries.

The Northwest Highway System as it is now called will, for the present, be operated by the Canadian Army, but will be opened for civilian traffic as soon as possible.

Subsection 2.—Motor-Vehicles

Registration.—The average population per vehicle registered was 8.0 in 1944. Total registrations numbered 1,502,567, a decrease of 9,278, or less than 1 p.c. as compared with 1943.

2.—Motor-Vehicles Registered in Canada, by Provinces, 1936-44

NOTE.—Registrations given here include passenger cars, trucks, buses, motorcycles, service cars, etc. but not trailers or dealer licences. Figures for 1904-35 are given at p. 668 of the 1937 Year Book.

Year	Prince Edward Island	Nova Scotia	New Brun- swick	Quebec	Ontario	Mani- toba	Saskat- chewan	Alberta	British Colum- bia	Total ¹
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
1936.....	7,632	46,179	33,402	181,628	590,226	74,940	102,270	97,468	106,079	1,240,124
1937.....	8,011	50,048	36,780	197,917	623,918	80,860	105,064	100,434	116,341	1,319,702
1938.....	7,992	51,214	37,110	205,463	669,088	88,219	109,014	107,191	119,220	1,394,853
1939.....	8,040	53,008	38,116	213,148	682,891	88,864	119,018	113,702	122,087	1,439,245
1940.....	8,070	57,873	39,000	225,152	703,872	90,932	126,970	120,514	128,044	1,500,829
1941.....	8,015	62,805	41,450	232,149	739,194	96,573	131,545	126,127	134,499	1,572,784
1942.....	7,537	58,872	37,758	222,622	715,380	93,147	130,040	125,482	132,893	1,524,153
1943.....	8,032	59,194	40,205	222,676	691,615	93,494	133,839	127,559	134,691	1,511,845
1944.....	8,412	57,933	39,570	224,042	675,057	93,297	140,992	127,416	135,090	1,502,567

¹ Totals include registrations in Yukon.

3.—Types of Motor-Vehicles Registered in Canada, by Provinces, 1944

Province	Passenger Cars ¹	Commercial Cars, Trucks, etc. ²	Buses	Motor- cycles	Total ³
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
Prince Edward Island.....	6,833	1,471	26	40	8,412
Nova Scotia.....	41,756	14,583	225	694	57,933
New Brunswick.....	29,177	9,103	233	306	39,570
Quebec.....	171,385	48,471	1,452	2,734	224,042
Ontario.....	568,223	99,190	1,743	5,901	675,057
Manitoba.....	70,643	21,660	105	738	93,297
Saskatchewan.....	98,412	41,512	276	777	140,992
Alberta.....	91,828	34,690	193	705	127,416
British Columbia.....	99,063	31,463	423	3,134	135,090
Yukon.....	238	468	Nil	16	758
Totals.....	1,177,558	302,611	4,676	15,045	1,502,567

¹ Includes taxis.

² Includes service cars, tractors, etc.