

## Subsection 2.—Private Schools

**Private Elementary and Secondary Schools.**—Enrolment in private elementary and secondary schools in the eight provinces, other than Quebec, has increased during the past ten years at about the same rate as the total population. In 1938 there were 33,624 pupils enrolled, 8,679 of whom were in residence, while in 1945, 39,294 were enrolled and 11,494 were in residence. Girls were slightly in the majority in 1938 but were about one-third above the enrolment of boys in 1945. In 1938 there were 2,018 teachers, 570 of whom were males and in 1945 there were 2,230 teachers of whom 577 were males and 375 were classed as part-time teachers.

The age of the school population in private schools does not follow the usual pyramid form found in the public schools. It increases regularly from age 6 to age 15 where it is two and a half times as great. Almost 10 p.c. drop out at 16, 25 p.c. of the remainder at 17, 40 p.c. the following year and for ages 19 or over the number is about equal to attendance at age 6. In the publicly controlled schools attendance is at its peak from 9 to 13, then falls rapidly. At age 15 it is considerably below age 7 and total enrolment from 16 up is less than at 7.

The ratio of male teachers in private schools in 1945 was about one-quarter whereas in the publicly controlled schools it was about one-fifth.

### 7.—Enrolment in Private Elementary and Secondary Schools, by Provinces, Specified School Years Ended 1921-45

NOTE.—Figures for intervening years will be found in corresponding tables in the 1937, 1942 and 1946 Year Books.

Year	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.	Total
1921.....	682	3,047	2,607	54,671	9,961	3,149	1,608	2,274	3,159	81,158
1926.....	580	2,956	3,528	54,767	10,126	4,534	2,358	2,281	4,624	85,754
1931.....	570	2,746	3,625	57,320	12,214	5,864	2,853	2,944	5,276	93,412
1940.....	576	2,719	2,707	53,561	13,515	4,632	2,037	3,739	4,911	88,397
1941.....	638	2,986	2,935	55,847	13,458	4,509	1,985	3,813	5,003	91,174
1944.....	803	3,452	3,631	61,828	14,967	4,659	2,545	3,767	5,757	101,409
1945.....	754	3,913	2,843	<sup>1</sup>	15,911	4,593	3,544	2,032	5,704	<sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Figures for Quebec were not available at time of going to press.

**Business Colleges.**—Business colleges in 1938 (exclusive of Quebec) enrolled 18,576 pupils of whom 9,648 were full-time day students, 2,141 part-time day students, and 6,787 evening students. About one-third of the pupils were males. In 1945, enrolments numbered 23,226 including 10,386 full-time, 1,413 part-time, and 11,427 evening pupils. This increase is no more than should be expected considering the increase in population. The fact that in 1945 only one-quarter to one-third completed courses and most of them had many employment offers is indicative of conditions in business and industry at that time. In 1938, there were 441 teachers and in 1945, 526 teachers. The number of male teachers increased from 133 to 156 during the same period.