

5.—Old Age Pensions Statistics, including Federal Government Contributions, Years Ended Mar. 31, 1946-48

Province and Effective Date of Act	Year ¹	Average Pension	Number of Pensioners	Percentage of Pensioners to Population ²	Percentage of Persons Age 70 and Over to Population ²	Percentage of Pensioners to Population Age 70 and Over	Federal Contribution During Fiscal Year
		\$	No.	p.c.	p.c.	p.c.	\$
Prince Edward Island..... (July 1, 1933)	1946	18.99	1,980	2.15	6.52	33.00	322,441
	1947	19.36	2,112	2.25	6.38	35.20	350,808
	1948	24.82	2,417	2.57	6.60	38.98	478,924
Nova Scotia..... (Mar. 1, 1934)	1946	22.62	14,771	2.38	5.15	46.16	2,913,972
	1947	22.76	15,403	2.52	5.39	46.68	3,093,204
	1948	29.19	16,984	2.73	5.41	50.55	3,943,563
New Brunswick..... (July 1, 1936)	1946	22.40	12,663	2.71	4.49	60.30	2,498,871
	1947	22.68	13,360	2.78	4.58	60.73	2,649,020
	1948	29.37	14,524	2.96	4.50	65.72	3,634,260
Quebec..... (Aug. 1, 1936)	1946	23.91	51,567	1.45	3.23	44.84	10,823,345
	1947	24.01	54,489	1.50	3.28	45.79	11,466,940
	1948	29.08	59,204	1.59	3.33	47.86	14,714,437
Ontario..... (Nov. 1, 1929)	1946	24.48	60,831	1.52	5.02	30.26	13,129,816
	1947	24.52	65,085	1.58	5.06	31.29	13,886,364
	1948	29.71	70,765	1.69	5.24	32.27	17,999,870
Manitoba..... (Sept. 1, 1928)	1946	24.54	12,981	1.76	4.08	43.27	2,684,083
	1947	24.53	13,583	1.87	4.26	43.82	2,826,747
	1948	29.71	15,026	2.02	4.39	46.09	3,727,392
Saskatchewan..... (May 1, 1928)	1946	24.55	13,398	1.59	3.55	44.66	2,903,020
	1947	24.37	14,204	1.71	3.86	44.39	3,085,226
	1948	29.60	14,306	1.76	3.84	45.84	3,836,980
Alberta..... (Aug. 1, 1929)	1946	24.12	12,098	1.46	3.39	43.21	2,526,215
	1947	24.11	12,738	1.59	3.63	43.92	2,699,425
	1948	29.69	13,792	1.68	3.63	46.28	3,466,114
British Columbia..... (Sept. 1, 1927)	1946	24.34	16,637	1.75	4.95	35.40	3,485,885
	1947	24.22	18,039	1.80	5.08	35.37	3,767,623
	1948	29.54	21,621	2.07	5.31	39.03	5,171,017
Northwest Territories..... (Jan. 25, 1929)	1946	24.33	15	0.12	1.52	8.20	3,579
	1947	24.69	16	0.13	1.52	8.74	4,222
	1948	29.21	19	0.16	1.52	10.38	5,831
Totals.....	1946	23.98	196,941	1.63	4.21	38.58	41,291,227
	1947	24.03	209,029	1.70	4.31	39.39	43,829,579
	1948	29.41	229,158	1.82	4.42	41.27	56,978,388

¹ All figures except those in the last column refer to the month of March of the year indicated.

² Compiled on population estimate for preceding June (see p. 139).