

In September, 1947, the Corporation also became responsible for the management of Housing Enterprises of Canada, Limited, and its operating companies. Thus, by the end of 1947, a single organization, the Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation, was administering most of the housing activities of the Federal Government.

Housing Legislation.—Since 1935, the Federal Government has administered legislation designed to assist in the financing and improvement of housing in Canada. This commenced with the Dominion Housing Act, 1935 (see pp. 473-474, 1938 Year Book), and has been followed by the Home Improvement Loans Guarantee Act, 1937 (see pp. 370-371, 1941 Year Book), the National Housing Act, 1938 (see pp. 469-470, 1940 Year Book) and the National Housing Act, 1944, under which current activity is authorized.

The following table shows the number of loans made, and the amounts approved under the housing legislation passed since 1935.

1.—Numbers and Amounts of Loans Approved Under Dominion Housing Legislation, by Provinces, 1935-47

NOTE.—This table is a combined statement of the net loans (cancellations and new loans) made under the three Acts named in the preceding text.

Province	1935-40	1941	1942	1943	1944	1945	1946	1947	Total
	LOANS								
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
Prince Edward Island....	18	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	4	10	32
Nova Scotia.....	656	72	14	4	6	59	100	248	1,159
New Brunswick.....	190	25	7	Nil	Nil	23	84	102	431
Quebec.....	1,798	425	91	246	-19	462	832	1,793	5,628
Ontario.....	8,016	2,458	686	1,170	772	2,067	3,253	3,442	21,864
Manitoba.....	851	602	61	164	218	634	1,004	1,188	4,722
Saskatchewan.....	61	22	1	Nil	18	94	215	146	557
Alberta.....	-	Nil	Nil	"	Nil	469	626	916	2,011
British Columbia.....	2,862	1,089	147	136	398	625	1,222	1,041	7,520
Totals.....	14,452	4,693	1,007	1,720	1,393	4,433	7,340	8,886	43,924
	AMOUNTS								
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Prince Edward Island....	97	-	-	-	-	-	21	170	288
Nova Scotia.....	2,745	248	49	13	20	266	532	1,364	5,237
New Brunswick.....	841	90	23	-	-	101	1,001	562	2,618
Quebec.....	14,180	1,428	328	816	-4	2,992	8,964	14,422	43,126
Ontario.....	34,275	7,568	2,017	3,696	2,718	10,254	26,163	19,116	105,807
Manitoba.....	3,810	1,994	188	516	778	3,030	5,017	6,577	21,910
Saskatchewan.....	334	79	4	-	62	403	1,771	735	3,388
Alberta.....	-	-	-	-	-	2,099	4,028	4,960	11,087
British Columbia.....	9,588	3,266	421	411	1,280	3,119	8,449	5,325	31,859
Totals.....	65,870	14,673	3,030	5,452	4,854	22,264	55,946	53,231	225,320

National Housing Act, 1944.—The features of this Act as originally proclaimed appear on pp. 455-457 of the 1946 Year Book. During 1947, amendments were made to the Act for the purpose of assisting individuals with moderate and low incomes to purchase homes, encouraging the construction of rental housing, and assisting in the construction of rural housing. An outline of the present status of the Act is given on pp. 606-607.