

10.—Motor-Vehicle Accidents, 1946—concluded

Item	P. E. I.	N. S.	N. B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B. C.	Total
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
Persons Injured										
Pedestrians.....	10	309	214	2,659	3,161	609	164	231	890	8,247
Motorcyclists (drivers and passengers).....	-	8	10	153	397	60	33	44	195	900
Drivers of other motor-vehicles.....	21	189	181	1,124	2,693	880	480	398	802	6,768
Passengers and attendants of other motor-vehicles.....	49	411	302	3,010	5,136	²	905	725	1,764	12,302
Drivers and other occupants of horse-drawn vehicles.....	1	10	9	195	130	30	36	6	23	440
Pedal cyclists.....	3	34	30	504	711	241	70	81	246	1,920
Other persons.....	1	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	39	12	50	Nil	102
Totals, Persons Injured.....	85	961	746	7,645	12,228	1,859	1,700	1,535	3,920	30,679
Property Damage... \$	23,839	327,374	246,616	³	3,345,384	465,504	622,276	650,834	1,352,671	7,034,498⁴

¹ Not segregated.² Included in "drivers of other motor-vehicles".³ No record.⁴ Total for provinces reporting.

Gasoline Consumption.—All provinces require retail sales of gasoline to be reported and a tax is imposed on all gasoline consumed by motor-vehicles using the highways and streets and also on that used for an increasing number of other purposes. However, the taxable gasoline is still largely consumed by motor-vehicles and indicates, in a general way, the increase or decrease in their use. Net sales are the differences between the total or gross sales reported and the quantities on which the tax is refunded in whole or in part, or on which the tax is not imposed at the time of sale.

Figures to the end of 1940 show a steady increase in gasoline sales since depression years. Later figures are, of course, materially affected by the conservation measures taken in 1941, and the system of gasoline rationing effective from April, 1942 to August, 1945.

11.—Sales of Gasoline, by Provinces, 1941-46

Province	1941	1942	1943	1944	1945	1946
	gal.	gal.	gal.	gal.	gal.	gal.
P. E. Island.....	5,174,759	6,628,067	7,881,403	9,295,639	4,715,743	5,945,412
Nova Scotia.....	41,354,887	40,885,976	42,465,349	43,462,061	37,727,413	44,570,328
New Brunswick.....	26,288,682	25,499,817	27,255,758	28,077,021	29,175,358	43,315,683
Quebec.....	165,839,507	149,918,783	147,048,452	178,879,214	168,304,460	217,542,507
Ontario.....	410,711,924	343,811,002	309,487,964	315,976,426	323,814,957	450,782,323
Manitoba.....	54,212,671	58,566,931	63,375,584	70,399,123	56,119,024	71,115,777
Saskatchewan.....	112,779,554	101,808,034	104,175,400	119,840,189	118,463,733	136,065,534
Alberta.....	93,068,504	97,502,012	114,969,882	120,159,267	102,753,583	77,650,355
British Columbia.....	70,995,551	73,186,336	86,932,371	84,383,083	74,621,447	96,645,879
Totals, Gross Sales..	980,426,039	897,806,958	903,592,163	970,472,023	915,695,718	1,143,633,798
Refunds and exemptions.....	233,017,682	286,087,504	373,747,304	395,615,510	253,079,186	210,998,783
Totals, Net Sales... .	747,408,357	611,719,454	529,844,859	574,856,513	662,616,532	932,635,015