Steamship Inspection.—The Steamship Inspection Service provided for under Part VII of the Canada Shipping Act, 1934, consists of a headquarters staff, at Ottawa, and staffs of inspectors at the principal ocean and inland ports. The Act provides for a Board, known as the Board of Steamship Inspection, which decides on questions arising out of the administration of the Act. The Steamship Inspection Service is responsible for the administration and carrying out of the provisions of the Act respecting the periodic inspection of power-driven ships and the issue of inspection certificates; the assignment of load lines; the conditions under which dangerous goods may be carried in ships; the protection against accident of workers employed in loading or unloading ships; and also for the administration and carrying out of the provisions relating to the certification and employment of marine engineers.

8.—Steamship Inspection, by Inspection Divisions, Year Ended Mar. 31, 1947

	Vessels Subject to Inspection when in Commission		Vessels Inspected				Vessels Not	
Port			Registered or Owned in Canada		Registered or Owned Elsewhere		Inspected	
-	No.	gross tonnage	No.	gross tonnage	No.	gross tonnage	No.	gross tonnage
Halifax	143	228,605	141	225,763	2	2,842	Nil	Nil
Saint John	107	300,767	45	109,923	Nil Wil	Nil "	62	190,843
Quebec	82	86, 147	78	85,306	"	"	4	842
Sorel	97	99,089	64	88,988	5,075		33	10, 101
Montreal	197	720, 222	122	370,770	3	9,499	55	113,611
Kingston	-	- 007 071	66	93,098	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
Toronto	233	387,371	230	383,228	27:1	2,482	$\begin{bmatrix} 2 \end{bmatrix}$	1,661
Midland	69	109,880	58	106, 199	Nil	Nil	11	3,681
Collingwood	56	48,650	50	46,599	NT:1	1,895	5	156
Port Arthur	151	31,814	54	25, 594	Nil	Nil	98	6,386
Vancouver	349	381,509	281	363,817	NT:1	5,841	68	17,693
Victoria	80	123,045	58	111,845	Nil	Nil	22	11,200
Totals	1,564	2,517,099	1,247	2,011,130	8	22,559	360	356,174

Pilotage.—This service functions under the provisions set forth in Part VI of the Canada Shipping Act, 1934. Qualified pilots may offer their services to the stranger in local and confined waters. At the same time, pilotage might also be considered as a method of insurance.

There are 42 pilotage districts in Canada, 9 of which (Sydney, Bras d'Or Lakes, Halifax, Saint John, Quebec, Montreal, St. Lawrence-Kingston-Ottawa, Churchill, and British Columbia) are under the Minister of Transport as pilotage authority. The other districts function under local pilotage authorities appointed by the Governor in Council under the provisions of the Canada Shipping Act.

Table 9 shows, by major ports, the number and aggregate tonnage of ships using pilots during the fiscal years 1945-46 and 1946-47. Corresponding statistics are not available for the St. Lawrence-Kingston-Ottawa district.

9.—Pilotage Service by Districts, Years Ended Mar. 31, 1946 and 1947

	1946	1947	
Ships	Tonnage	Ships	Tonnage
12	2,571	15	15,525
1,405	3,532,965	963	2,491,710 2,945,341
2,766	8,050,185	2,753	7,097,214 8,708,280
4,872 2,138	8,332,026	2,456	9,404,529 10,065,042 76,634
	12 2,220 1,405 3,269 2,766 4,872	Ships Tonnage 12 2,571 2,220 4,300,214 1,405 3,532,965 3,269 10,819,247 2,766 8,050,185 4,872 9,757,632	Ships Tonnage Ships 12 2,571 15 2,220 4,300,214 1,416 1,405 3,532,965 963 3,269 10,819,247 2,135 2,766 8,050,185 2,753 4,872 9,757,632 4,192 2,138 8,332,026 2,456