In the more detailed analyses of fire insurance dealt with in Table 2, the statistics cover only the operations of companies with Dominion registration; as shown in Table 1, such companies account for approximately 90 p.c. of the insurance in force.

1.—Fire Insurance	in	Canada,	1946
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Item	Gross Insurance Written	Net in Force at End of Year	Net Premiums Written	Net Claims Incurred	
	\$	\$	\$	\$	
Dominion Licensees	16,783,391,679	17, 376, 429, 865	68, 825, 470	35, 379, 627	
Provincial Licensees— (a) Provincial companies within provinces by which they are incorporated	859, 583, 318	1,548,452,588	6, 315, 660	3,338,565	
which they are incorporated	154, 257, 648	151,097,642	1,038,831	550 , 620	
Totals, Provincial Licensees	1,013,840,966	1, 699, 550, 230	7, 354, 491	3, 889, 185	
Lloyds, London	222, 031, 733	248, 241, 211	1,575,942	906, 394	
Grand Totals	18,019,264,378	19,324,221,306	77,755,903	40,175,206	

Subsection 2.—Operational Statistics of Dominion Registered Fire Insurance Companies

The trend in the average rate payable for fire insurance has been generally downward, although the increases in fire losses experienced in the years from 1941 to 1946 have had the effect of checking that tendency. The increase in value of insurable buildings and their contents tends to increase fire insurance premiums in spite of the trend of the average rate.

2.—Fire Insurance, by Companies Operating under Dominion Registration, 1880-1947

Note.—Figures for the years 1869-1899 are given at p. 973 of the 1939 Year Book, and figures for 1901-39 at p. 847 of the 1942 edition.

Year	Amount in Force at End of Year	Net Premiums Received During Year	Claims Paid During Year	Percentage of Claims to Premiums	Gross Amount of Risks Taken During Year	Premiums Charged Thereon	Average Cost per \$100 of Insurance
	\$	\$	\$	p.c.	\$	\$	\$
1880	2,034,276,740 5,969,872,278 9,672,996,973 10,737,568,226	3,479,577 5,836,071 8,331,948 18,725,531 50,527,937 52,646,520 ¹ 41,922,312 ¹ 49,305,539 ¹ 47,272,440 ¹ 47,153,094 ¹	1,666,578 3,266,567 7,774,293 10,292,393 21,935,387 30,427,968 ² 15,444,927 ² 17,814,322 ² 20,360,534 ² 22,181,244 ²	47.90 55.97 93.31 54.96 43.41 57.71 36.84 36.13 43.07 47.04	384, 051, 861 620, 723, 945 803, 428, 654 1, 817, 055, 685 6, 790, 670, 610 10, 311, 193, 608 12, 072, 174, 014 13, 345, 610, 185 12, 759, 419, 939 12, 838, 807, 204	3, 958, 437 7, 019, 319 10, 031, 735 24, 684, 296 71, 143, 917 82, 700, 147 72, 682, 679 85, 877, 389 84, 168, 663 84, 047, 821	1.03 1.13 1.25 1.36 1.05 0.80 0.60 0.64 0.66 0.65
1944 1945 1946 1947	17, 376, 429, 865	55, 027, 051 ¹ 58, 335, 728 ¹ 68, 825, 470 ¹ 86, 770, 603 ¹	28, 921, 930 ² 30, 585, 357 ² 35, 379, 627 ² 39, 475, 711 ²	$51 \cdot 40$	14,572,876,024 10,096,447,893 ³ 11,744,234,245 ³ 15,452,832,219 ³	82, 696, 662	0·66 0·72 0·70 0·69

¹ Net premiums written. ² Net claims incurred. ³ Not comparable with 1944 and previous years since this figure indicates "Gross direct written", disregarding all reinsurance, assumed or ceded.