

5.—Old Age Pensions Statistics for Years 1947-49

Province and Effective Date of Act	Year Ended Mar. 31	Average Pension ¹	Number of Pensioners ¹	Percentage of Pensioners ¹ to Population ²	Percentage of Persons Age 70 or Over to Population ²	Percentage of Pensioners ¹ to Population Age 70 or Over ²	Federal Contribution During Year Ended Mar. 31
		\$	No.	p.c.	p.c.	p.c.	\$
Prince Edward Island..... (July 1, 1933)	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
	1949	26.36	2,688	2.89	6.67	43.35	593,070
Nova Scotia..... (Mar. 1, 1934)	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
	1949	28.96	18,450	2.91	5.35	54.26	4,658,580
New Brunswick..... (July 1, 1936)	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
	1949	29.12	15,412	3.06	4.47	68.50	3,960,422
Quebec..... (Aug. 1, 1936)	1947	24.01	54,489	1.50	3.28	45.79	11,466,940
	1948	29.08	59,204	1.69	3.33	47.86	14,714,437
	1949	28.94	64,366	1.70	3.33	50.96	16,273,942
Ontario..... (Nov. 1, 1929)	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
	1949	29.50	78,413	1.82	5.33	34.26	20,292,451
Manitoba..... (Sept. 1, 1928)	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
	1949	29.61	16,110	2.13	4.61	46.16	4,127,098
Saskatchewan..... (May 1, 1928)	1947	24.37	14,204	1.71	3.86	44.39	3,085,226
	1948	29.60	14,806	1.76	3.84	45.84	3,836,980
	1949	29.19	15,785	1.85	4.03	45.89	4,115,290
Alberta..... (Aug. 1, 1929)	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
	1949	29.49	14,988	1.77	3.90	45.42	3,840,155
British Columbia..... (Sept. 1, 1927)	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
	1949	29.19	25,633	2.37	5.70	41.54	6,363,538
Northwest Territories..... (Jan. 25, 1929)	1947	24.69	16	0.13	1.52	8.74	4,222
	1948	29.21	19	0.16	1.52	10.38	5,831
	1949	28.75	20	0.17	1.52	10.93	7,664
Totals.....	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	56,978,368
	1949³	29.22	251,865	1.96	4.52	43.27	64,232,210

¹ For the month of March of the fiscal year indicated. ² Based on population estimate for preceding year.

³ Not including Newfoundland and Yukon which entered the Old Age Pension Scheme in 1949.