

The majority of the current recipients are veterans of the First World War. However, there are 75 orphans, 6,606 widows, 60 veterans of the North West Field Force, 336 veterans of the South African War, 1,145 veterans of the Second World War and 337 dual-service veterans included in total recipients.

As a result of the amendments made to this legislation during the Parliamentary Session of 1950, the adjudication of applications for War Veterans' Allowances has been delegated to district authorities appointed under its amended provisions; the War Veterans' Allowance Board at Ottawa will continue to function as the Administrative Board and Board of Appeal and Reviews.

Section 5.—War Disability Pensions

The Pension Act and the Civilian War Pensions and Allowances Act are administered by the Canadian Pension Commission, which has its Head Office in the Daly Building, Ottawa. The Commission is attached to the Department of Veterans Affairs and reports to Parliament through the Minister of that Department.

In each District Office of the Department of Veterans Affairs there is a District Pension Medical Examiner and his staff. He is the local representative of the Commission.

A summary of the development of Canadian pensions legislation following the First World War is outlined at pp. 758-760 of the 1943-44 Year Book. A further review of the procedure and summary of the changes made after the Second World War may be found at pp. 1146-1149 of the 1948-49 Year Book.

As at Mar. 31, 1950, there were in force 195,907 pensions with an annual liability of \$93,965,639; statistics from 1941 are provided in Table 7.

7.—Pensions in Force as at Mar. 31, 1941-50

NOTE.—Figures for the years 1918-40 are given at p. 871 of the 1945 Year Book.

Year Ended Mar. 31—	To Dependants		For Disability		Totals	
	Pensions	Liability	Pensions	Liability	Pensions	Liability
	No.	\$	No.	\$	No.	\$
First World War—						
1941.....	17,941	10,539,876	79,204	29,058,304	97,145	39,598,180
1942.....	17,730	10,484,192	77,971	28,194,967	95,701	38,679,159
1943.....	17,549	10,457,012	76,625	27,354,865	94,174	37,811,877
1944.....	17,243	10,389,778	75,244	26,595,094	92,487	36,984,872
1945.....	17,221	10,597,308	73,863	26,543,361	91,084	37,140,669
1946.....	16,982	10,606,770	72,396	26,523,887	89,378	37,130,657
1947.....	16,799	10,647,524	70,803	25,957,054	87,602	36,604,578
1948.....	16,510	10,592,877	69,390	25,507,254	85,900	36,100,131
1949.....	16,272	12,839,080	67,821	31,335,621	84,093	44,174,701
1950.....	16,414	13,152,373	67,387	31,234,342	83,801	44,386,715
Second World War—						
1941.....	319	262,592	319	76,682	638	339,274
1942.....	929	695,465	1,291	409,556	2,220	1,105,021
1943.....	2,748	1,949,128	3,917	1,362,110	6,665	3,311,238
1944.....	5,332	3,794,258	7,231	2,693,855	12,563	6,488,113
1945.....	11,419	8,333,406	15,506	5,382,842	26,925	13,716,248
1946.....	16,839	11,982,717	36,454	11,402,255	53,293	23,384,972
1947.....	17,600	12,027,726	70,633	20,676,689	88,233	32,704,415
1948.....	17,654	11,564,311	86,309	25,316,487	103,963	36,880,798
1949.....	17,693	13,123,054	90,838	34,325,935	108,531	47,454,989
1950.....	17,989	12,969,823	94,117	36,609,101	112,106	49,578,924