

## 1.—Family Allowance Statistics, by Provinces, Years Ended Mar. 31, 1948-51—concluded

Province or Territory	Year Ended Mar. 31-	Families Receiving Allowance in March	Children for Whom Allowance Paid in March	Average Number of Children per Family in March	Average Allowance <sup>1</sup>		Net Total Allowances Paid During Fiscal Year
					per Family	per Child	
		No.	No.	No.	\$	\$	\$
Manitoba.....	1948	99,954	207,544	2.08	12.42	5.98	14,798,437
	1949	101,917	211,752	2.08	12.36	5.95	15,016,278
	1950	105,611	220,862	2.09	12.58	6.02	15,668,695
	1951	108,288	228,245	2.11	12.66	6.00	16,235,520
Saskatchewan.....	1948	114,613	257,611	2.25	13.45	5.98	18,561,330
	1949	115,170	258,370	2.24	13.37	5.96	18,527,408
	1950	116,917	261,623	2.24	13.56	6.06	18,953,600
	1951	118,276	264,582	2.24	13.59	6.08	19,237,071
Alberta.....	1948	119,739	255,848	2.14	12.78	5.98	18,181,663
	1949	124,173	266,133	2.14	12.75	5.95	18,695,325
	1950	130,686	280,780	2.15	12.89	6.00	19,822,387
	1951	135,864	292,104	2.15	12.91	6.01	20,762,273
British Columbia.....	1948	139,627	260,752	1.87	11.20	6.00	18,012,189
	1949	147,630	279,769	1.89	11.24	5.93	19,347,837
	1950	156,367	299,838	1.92	11.44	5.96	20,813,661
	1951	161,088	313,525	1.95	11.59	5.95	21,952,569
Yukon and Northwest Territories.....	1948	3,245	7,023	2.16	12.75	5.89	574,470
	1949	3,579	7,785	2.17	12.71	5.84	595,063
	1950	3,833	8,281	2.16	13.51	6.25	587,750
	1951	4,040	8,819	2.18	13.89	6.36	625,349
<b>Canada.....</b>	<b>1948</b>	<b>1,669,944</b>	<b>3,755,572</b>	<b>2.25</b>	<b>13.31</b>	<b>5.92</b>	<b>263,165,192</b>
	<b>1949</b>	<b>1,729,150</b>	<b>3,888,653</b>	<b>2.25</b>	<b>13.25</b>	<b>5.89</b>	<b>270,909,779</b>
	<b>1950</b>	<b>1,852,269</b>	<b>4,202,263</b>	<b>2.27</b>	<b>13.64</b>	<b>6.01</b>	<b>297,514,634</b>
	<b>1951</b>	<b>1,910,192</b>	<b>4,367,391</b>	<b>2.29</b>	<b>13.72</b>	<b>6.00</b>	<b>309,465,461</b>

<sup>1</sup> Based on gross payments for March.

<sup>2</sup> Payment of Family Allowances implemented in April 1949.

## Subsection 2.—Old Age Security

Under the Old Age Security Act of 1951, effective January 1952, a universal pension of \$40 per month is payable by the Federal Government to all persons aged 70 or over, subject only to a residence qualification. The resident requirement is 20 years immediately preceding commencement of pension with certain temporary absences allowed. Where the applicant has not so resided for the complete 20 years, the periods of absence may be made up by having been present in Canada, prior to the 20-year period, for double the periods of absence; for these persons, there is a further requirement of one year's residence immediately preceding the commencement of the pension.

Payment of the pension is suspended when the pensioner leaves Canada. On his return, the pension may be resumed and, in the case of absences not exceeding six months, payments may then be made for as much as three in any calendar year.

The program is financed on a pay-as-you-go basis. Payment of the pension is made from the Consolidated Revenue Fund and charged to the Old Age Security Fund account. The income of the Old Age Security Fund is derived from three sources. First, there is a 2 p.c. tax on personal taxable income, that is, on income less exemptions and deductions. The maximum tax per person is \$60 per annum; the tax became effective in July 1952, resulting in a maximum tax of \$30 for that year. The fund will also receive the amount collected by a 2 p.c. tax on corporate