

**Persons with Multiple Convictions.**—Table 5 shows the number of persons having more than one conviction at a court appearance for the years 1946-50. Multiple convictions occur most often in cases of forgery and uttering, false pretences, theft, receiving stolen goods and burglary.

**5.—Persons Convicted of More than One Offence at the Time of Trial compared with Persons Convicted of One Offence, Years Ended Sept. 30, 1946-50**

(Exclusive of Newfoundland)

Item	1946	1947	1948	1949	1950
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
Persons Convicted of—					
2 offences.....	2,387	2,364	2,260	2,593	1,769
3 ".....	627	646	590	814	507
4 ".....	304	308	332	363	275
5 ".....	129	157	154	195	174
6 ".....	111	111	98	120	108
7 ".....	68	46	56	63	70
8 ".....	51	47	47	63	50
9 ".....	34	41	42	46	46
10 ".....	17	26	27	56	31
11 to 20 offences.....	73	83	93	107	88
21 offences or over.....	16	33	25	30	14
Totals, Convicted of More than One Offence.....	3,817	3,862	3,724	4,450	3,132
Totals, Convicted of One Offence.....	34,886	31,271	28,959	26,472	28,253
<b>Grand Totals.....</b>	<b>38,703</b>	<b>35,133</b>	<b>32,683</b>	<b>30,922</b>	<b>31,385</b>

**Disposition of Cases and Recidivism.**—Of all suspects before the courts for indictable crimes, 86 p.c. were adjudged guilty in 1950; the convictions against males (86.3 p.c.) constituted a higher percentage than those against females (81.7 p.c.) and varied greatly as between provinces. New Brunswick showed the highest percentage (95.7 p.c.) of convicted persons and Nova Scotia the lowest percentage (74.5 p.c.).

In 1950, 60.2 p.c. of the convicted persons were first offenders, 9.1 p.c. had previously been found guilty of one offence and 20.7 p.c. had two or more earlier convictions. Court records for the remaining 10.0 p.c. were not obtained. These proportions were much the same in 1949 when 57.7 p.c. of those convicted were first offenders, 8.5 p.c. were second offenders and 20.2 p.c. third offenders; information for the remaining 13.6 p.c. was not stated.

**6.—Persons Charged, Acquitted and Convicted of Indictable Offences, Years Ended Sept. 30, 1949 and 1950**

(Exclusive of Newfoundland)

Item	1949	1950
	No.	No.
Charges.....	36,134	36,477
Acquittals <sup>1</sup> .....	5,212	5,092
Convictions.....	30,922	31,385
Males.....	29,086	29,442
Females.....	1,836	1,943
First convictions.....	17,856	18,893
Second convictions.....	2,634	2,855
Reiterated convictions.....	6,244	6,512
Not given.....	4,188	3,125

<sup>1</sup>Includes dismissals, disagreement of jury, stay of proceeding, no bill and detained because of insanity.