

**11.—Young Adult Offenders, by Age Groups and Provinces, Year Ended
Sept. 30, 1950**

(Exclusive of Newfoundland)

Age Groups and Sex	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.	Yukon and N.W.T.	Canada
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
16-17 years.....M.	10	105	59	638	1,064	166	101	182	419	1	2,745
F.	—	6	1	18	54	49	9	14	28	2	181
18-19 "M.	9	146	80	652	1,226	129	122	200	349	6	2,919
F.	—	4	1	19	83	18	10	29	23	1	188
20-24 "M.	21	284	159	1,487	2,599	288	243	493	710	21	6,305
F.	2	8	8	85	171	27	13	37	59	1	411
Totals.....	42	553	308	2,899	5,197	677	498	955	1,588	32	12,749

Among all male offenders, the young men aged 16 to 24 years were responsible for 33.4 p.c. of the assaults (including obstructing the police). They represented 55.0 p.c. of the total who attempted and committed rape; 66.5 p.c. of the male robbery and burglary convictions; 44.9 p.c. of those guilty of damage to property without violence, which includes all thefts; 75.5 p.c. of those who stole motor-vehicles; and 42.4 p.c. and 48.4 p.c., respectively, of those who maliciously damaged property and were found with offensive weapons.

Young male offenders within the age groups 16 to 24 years were convicted of 171 more crimes in 1950 than in 1949, an increase of 1.4 p.c. The only classes of crime showing decreases were forgery and uttering and malicious damage to property. Thefts and receiving stolen goods accounted for 41.0 p.c. of the total young male offenders, burglaries and robberies 23.8 p.c., and common and aggravated assault 11 p.c.

Of the total females convicted of indictable offences, 40.1 p.c. fell within this group of young offenders. Over 50 p.c. of the females committed for forgery and uttering were in this group, as were 46 of the 47 women found guilty of offences against public morals.

Young women were convicted of 106 more offences in 1950 than in 1949, an increase of 15.8 p.c. While there was a decided decrease in the number convicted of burglary and robbery in 1950, and a slight decrease in those guilty of malicious damage to property, these decreases did not counterbalance the increases in other classes of offence. Thefts and receiving stolen goods brought over one-half of these young women to court.