Assistance to Students.—Under the Youth Training Division of the Vocational Training Agreement with each province, assistance may be provided for nurses-in-training at hospitals and for university students in courses leading to a degree, who have good academic standing but who, without financial assistance, cannot continue training. At the discretion of the provincial authorities, assistance may be given in the form of a grant or loan, or a combination of the two.

The value of Federal Government assistance for such purposes may be assessed from the following approximate amounts paid to the provinces during the year ended Mar. 31, 1951:—

Province	Amount	Province	Amount
	\$		\$
Newfoundland	6,375	Ontario	60,000
Prince Edward Island	4,750	Manitoba	5,419
Nova Scotia	9,728	Saskatchewan	19,938
New Brunswick	13,856	Alberta	14,356
Quebec	74,000	British Columbia	25,363

During the year 1950-51, Federal Government expenditure for such assistance amounted to \$137,000 in the form of grants and \$97,000 in the form of loans. Financial help was given to 429 nurses-in-training and 2,162 students at universities. Included in the total number of university students were 502 taking courses in medicine, 72 in dentistry, 358 in engineering, 59 in agriculture and 704 in arts and science. Total federal payments in the past 12 years, amounting to \$2,083,820, have assisted 23,291 students.

Apprenticeship Training.—Apprenticeship agreements are in effect with all provinces except Newfoundland, Prince Edward Island and Quebec. Of the trades designated under the provincial Acts, emphasis is being given to the building and construction trades. In some provinces, certain categories of apprentices are given full-time training of a practical as well as a technical nature for a period of one to three months each year. For other categories, part-time training is given either in afternoon or evening classes for about seven months of the year. Provision is made with employers for adequate supervision of apprentices working on the job by the appointment of instructor-supervisors who instruct full-time classes for six to eight months and supervise for the remaining part of the year. Use is also made of trade advisory committees. Costs are shared equally by the province concerned and the Federal Government. The total number of apprentices registered was 10,850 in the seven provinces having agreements with the Federal Government on Mar. 31, 1951.

Training of Unemployed Persons.—The Canadian Vocational Training and Co-ordination Act provided for the training of unemployed persons in receipt of unemployment insurance benefits. An amendment passed in 1948 extended the provisions to include those not in receipt of unemployment insurance benefits. The schedule covering the training of unemployed persons was accepted by all provinces, but training has not been carried out in Newfoundland, Prince Edward Island, Quebec or Ontario, the need for it not having arisen. Approved costs are shared equally by the province concerned and the Federal Government, the province recommending to the Federal Minister of Labour the scale of training allowances that should be paid.