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For partial disablement, compensation in most provinces is a percentage of the difference in earnings before and after the accident, the percentage rate being the same as in total disablement. In New Brunswick and Alberta, the amount is determined by the Board according to the diminution of earning capacity, except in cases of temporary partial disablement in New Brunswick where compensation is two-thirds of the difference in earnings before and after the accident. In all provinces except British Columbia, if the impairment of earning capacity is 10 p.c. or less, a lump sum may be given.

The average earnings on which compensation is based are limited to \$4,000 a year in Ontario and Saskatchewan (in the latter case from Jan. 1, 1953), \$3,600 in British Columbia, \$3,000 in Newfoundland, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, Quebec, Manitoba and Alberta, and \$2,500 in Prince Edward Island. If the workman's earnings at the time of the accident are not considered a proper basis for compensation, the Board may use as a basis the average earnings of another person in the same grade of work. Compensation paid workmen under 21 years of age may be raised later, if it appears that their earning power would have increased had the injury not occurred. Workmen's compensation statistics by provinces are not on a comparable basis and are presented in Tables 32-40.

The Workmen's Compensation Board of Newfoundland commenced operations Apr. 1, 1951. Prior thereto, the number of cases reported since Confederation by the Registrar of the Supreme Court, under the Workmen's Compensation Act, 1948, are: Apr. 1-Dec. 31, 1949, 35; 1950, 41; Jan. 1-Mar. 31, 1951; 37. Industrial accidents reported to the Workmen's Compensation Board of Newfoundland, Apr. 1-Dec. 31, 1951, totalled 5,563.

32.—Operations of the Prince Edward Island Workmen's Compensation Board, 1949-51

Year	Compensation	Medical Aid	Total	Claims Reported
		\$	\$	No.
19491 1950. 1951.	43,523	5,984 21,455 19,882p	19,084 64,978 52,781	249 890 900

¹ Figures for 1949 cover the first six months of operation of Board.

33.-Operations of the Nova Scotia Workmen's Compensation Board, 1942-51

Note.—Estimates for outstanding claims are not included. Statistics from 1917-41 are given in previous Year Books beginning with the 1938 edition.

Year	Compensation	Medical Aid	Total	Accidents Compensated
	\$	\$	8	No.
1942 1943 1944 1945 1946 1947 1948 1948 1949 1950	2,693,483 1,243,148 1,181,207	211, 663 196, 511 185, 392 207, 000 194, 912 151, 896 168, 403 171, 082 335, 194 351, 686	1,941,832 3,094,229 2,878,875 1,450,148 1,376,119 1,226,295 1,223,057 1,268,928 1,651,932 1,650,049	17, 455 16, 926 19, 027 18, 396 19, 496 18, 890 19, 741 19, 423 15, 840 16, 601