

Sales during the war years 1939-45 were, of course, materially affected by rationing, and large increases have followed the removal of restrictions and have resulted in a wide advance of registrations.

7.—Sales of Gasoline, by Provinces, 1946-50

Province	1946	1947	1948	1949	1950
	gal.	gal.	gal.	gal.	gal.
Newfoundland.....	1	1
Prince Edward Island.....	5,945,412	6,963,412	7,288,125	8,240,105	9,085,340
Nova Scotia.....	44,571,678	51,647,756	53,136,982	57,443,469	61,348,662
New Brunswick.....	43,320,383	49,935,462	54,186,447	56,685,862	58,814,989
Quebec.....	218,008,872	247,467,957	280,857,736	304,139,386	340,621,374
Ontario.....	451,251,989	501,433,196	562,530,157	623,684,828	687,729,936
Manitoba.....	72,402,422	83,145,966	90,601,589	104,023,413	112,495,837
Saskatchewan.....	136,065,534	142,368,203	147,446,058	168,266,743	176,118,129
Alberta.....	143,650,095	171,112,439	190,608,360	218,935,855	241,387,708
British Columbia.....	97,383,294	117,497,292	130,909,076	142,297,406	155,423,743
Totals, Gross Sales.....	1,212,599,679	1,371,571,683	1,517,564,530	1,683,717,067	1,843,025,718
Refunds and exemptions.....	277,780,170	338,664,239	384,330,757	436,022,855	461,777,271
Totals, Net Sales.....	934,819,509	1,032,907,444	1,133,233,773	1,254,882,212	1,390,090,447 ¹

¹ Estimated net sales for Newfoundland, amounting to 7,188,000 gal. in 1949 and 8,842,000 gal. in 1950, are included in net totals; gross sales are not available.

Motor-Carriers.*—The lack of statistical information regarding commercial traffic on the highways led to the institution, in 1941, of a census of motor-carriers. The carriers are divided into two classes: passenger and freight. Each of these is subdivided into (a) carriers with annual revenue of \$20,000 or over; (b) carriers with revenue of \$8,000 to \$20,000; and (c) carriers with revenue under \$8,000. Bus companies handling urban traffic, exclusively, are compiled as a class. Many street-railway systems operate motor-buses, but the statistics of such systems are not included here; they are included in electric-railway statistics. Licensed carriers doing highway construction work, building air-fields, etc., are excluded from the compilations. Taxi operators and urban delivery trucks are also excluded, except where their operations include interurban business. Carriers operating as both passenger and freight carriers are classed as passenger or freight according to the preponderance of the revenue. The passenger revenue of trucking companies and the freight revenue of bus companies are small percentages of their respective total revenue.

* Statistics are given in more detail in the annual report, *Motor Carriers, Freight-Passenger*, published by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics.