

17.—Seasons of Open Navigation on the St. Lawrence Ship Channel, 1934-53

NOTE.—Figures from 1882 are given in the corresponding table of previous Year Books, beginning with the 1934-35 edition.

Year	Channel Open, Quebec to Montreal ¹	First Arrival from Sea, Montreal Harbour	Last Departure for Sea, Montreal Harbour	Year	Channel Open, Quebec to Montreal ¹	First Arrival from Sea, Montreal Harbour	Last Departure for Sea, Montreal Harbour
1934.....	Mar. 28	Apr. 26	Dec. 8	1944.....	Apr. 20	Apr. 21	Dec. 9
1935.....	" 30	" 15	" 9	1945.....	" 1	" 9	" 3
1936.....	" 28	" 13	" 11	1946.....	" 1	" 12	" 18
1937.....	Apr. 9	" 19	" 8	1947.....	" 16	" 19	" 5
1938.....	" 12	" 18	" 4	1948.....	" 10	" 19	" 10
1939.....	" 29	" 29	" 12	1949.....	" 7	" 7	" 15
1940.....	" 23	" 24	" 5	1950.....	" 18	" 18	" 7
1941.....	" 14	" 19	" 17	1951.....	" 11	" 13	" 13
1942.....	" 17	May 2	" 16	1952.....	" 12	" 13	" 10
1943.....	" 29	" 24	" 13	1953.....	Mar. 30	" 2	" 21

¹ "Channel Open" means the route can be navigated although there may be floating ice in the river.

Subsection 5.—Marine Services of the Federal Government

The services covered in this Subsection are those dealing with steamship inspection, pilotage service, sea-faring personnel, and the operations of the Canadian Government Merchant Marine Limited and the Canadian National (West Indies) Steamships Limited.

Steamship Inspection.—The Steamship Inspection Service, provided for under Part VII of the Canada Shipping Act, 1934, consists of a headquarters staff at Ottawa and staffs of inspectors at the principal ocean and inland ports. The Board of Steamship Inspection decides on questions arising out of the administration of the Act. The Service is responsible for the administration and carrying out of the provisions of the Act respecting the periodic inspection of power-driven ships and the issue of inspection certificates; the assignment of load lines; the conditions under which dangerous goods may be carried in ships; the protection against accident of workers employed in loading or unloading ships; and also for the administration and carrying out of the provisions relating to the certification and employment of marine engineers.

18.—Summary Statistics of Steamship Inspection, Year Ended Mar. 31, 1952

Port	Vessels Subject to Inspection when in Commission		Vessels Inspected				Vessels Not Inspected	
			Registered or Owned in Canada		Registered or Owned Elsewhere			
	No.	gross tonnage	No.	gross tonnage	No.	gross tonnage	No.	gross tonnage
St. John's, Nfld.....	82	34,391	82	34,391	—	—	—	—
Halifax, N.S.....	190	317,394	176	270,604	4	43,201	10	3,589
Saint John, N.B.....	42	48,423	41	39,721	1	8,702	—	—
Quebec, Que.....	100	108,237	97	108,039	—	—	3	198
Sorel, Que.....	82	30,584	61	25,058	—	—	21	5,526
Montreal, Que.....	162	335,294	92	227,212	—	—	70	108,082
Kingston, Ont.....	111	88,829	111	88,829	—	—	—	—
Toronto, Ont.....	181	319,936	178	317,605	1	1,620	2	711
St. Catharines, Ont.....	65	177,394	65	177,394	—	—	—	—
Collingwood, Ont.....	52	83,070	50	83,004	—	—	2	66
Midland, Ont.....	107	117,809	84	116,178	—	—	23	1,631
Port Arthur, Ont.....	133	35,964	68	29,987	—	—	75	5,977
Vancouver, B.C.....	434	184,132	398	177,958	—	—	36	6,174
Victoria, B.C.....	81	109,457	69	95,597	—	—	12	13,860
Totals.....	1,822	1,994,914	1,562	1,791,577	6	53,523	254	145,814