8.—Summary of Highway Traffic at Canadian Border Points, by Province, 1951 and 1952

	Foreign Vehicles Inward					
Province or Territory	Non-Permit Class Local Traffic		Travellers' Vehicle Permits		Commercial Vehicles	
	1951	1952	1951	1952	1951	1952
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
Atlantic Provinces	890,596 287,626 3,670,008 65,060 21,390 17,029 105,542 992	967,478 289,369 3,806,941 71,783 25,655 19,847 109,917 2,263	151,219 384,156 1,343,083 35,480 16,786 37,454 247,801 3,622	152, 421 393, 507 1, 362, 363 38, 040 19, 288 42, 743 262, 550 7, 253	84, 394 45, 307 108, 366 6, 990 4, 769 3, 924 14, 707 333	89,951 43,110 138,571 6,801 5,658 3,988 14,606 1,051
Totals	5,058,243	5,293,253	2,219,601	2,278,165	268,790	303,736
Percentage increase, 1952 over 1951	+4.6		+2.6		+13.0	
	CANADIAN VEHICLES RETURNING					
	After Stay of 24 Hours or Less		After Stay of Over 24 Hours		Commercial Vehicles	
	1951	1952	1951	1952	1951	1952
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
Atlantic Provinces. Quebec. Ontario. Manitoba. Saskatchewan. Alberta. British Columbia. Yukon Territory.	902, 396 457, 655 1, 177, 829 88, 115 41, 741 25, 868 351, 087	1,071,888 589,205 1,368,502 115,966 55,101 28,146 465,460 212	28,780 109,660 219,886 32,649 20,929 19,451 107,313 20	31,698 141,396 263,158 44,498 31,011 32,260 141,238	83,786 61,866 118,984 12,424 10,396 7,000 23,609	91,690 68,751 136,040 16,975 13,731 8,418 28,471
Totals	3,044,701	3,694,480	538,688	685,426	318,080	364,171
Percentage increase, 1952	+21·3		+27 · 2		+14.5	

Tourist Information.—Tourist information generally is supplied by the Canadian Government Travel Bureau, Ottawa, while detailed information on the National Parks and Historic Sites is available from the Department of Northern Affairs and National Resources, Ottawa. For advice regarding specific provinces or particular cities or resorts, the tourist may apply to the provincial or municipal bureau of information concerned. (See Directory of Sources of Official Information in Chapter XXVIII under the heading "Tourist Trade".)

PART IV.—THE GOVERNMENT AND FOREIGN TRADE

Section 1.—Foreign Trade Service and Associated Agencies concerned with the Development of Foreign Trade*

Foreign trade contributes substantially to the welfare and prosperity of Canadians, largely because of the fact that the productive capacity of Canada is greater than the ability of its population to consume the output of farms, factories, forests, fisheries and mines. Every effort is made, therefore, to establish and maintain close commercial relations with other countries whose markets are essential to the

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