

applicant has not so resided for the 10 years, he must have been physically present in Canada prior to the 10 years for a total period equal to twice the total of the absences during the 10 years.

The program became effective in January 1952 in all provinces and in the Yukon and Northwest Territories. Administrative responsibility is vested in the province but the provincial plan must be approved by the Governor in Council. The allowances are paid by the province with federal reimbursement.

In Alberta, British Columbia, Saskatchewan and the Yukon Territory, the provincial or territorial governments make supplementary payments.

#### 8.—Statistics of Allowances for the Blind by Province, Years Ended Mar. 31, 1954 and 1955

NOTE.—Figures for 1952 and 1953 are given in the 1955 Year Book, p. 267.

| Province or Territory and Year   | Recipients<br>in Month<br>of March | Average<br>Amount<br>of<br>Monthly<br>Assistance | P.C. of<br>Recipients<br>to<br>Population<br>Age 20-69 <sup>1</sup> | Federal<br>Government<br>Contribution<br>During<br>Year |
|----------------------------------|------------------------------------|--|---|---|
|                                  | No.                                | \$   | p.c.  | \$  |
| Newfoundland.....1954            | 336                                | 39.49  | 0.177   | 121,952   |
| .....1955                        | 338                                | 39.70  | 0.174   | 119,970   |
| Prince Edward Island.....1954    | 90                                 | 37.12  | 0.166   | 28,126  |
| .....1955                        | 95                                 | 37.65  | 0.171   | 30,516  |
| Nova Scotia.....1954             | 718                                | 38.35  | 0.201   | 250,567   |
| .....1955                        | 706                                | 38.57  | 0.195   | 247,788   |
| New Brunswick.....1954           | 731                                | 39.49  | 0.265   | 263,726   |
| .....1955                        | 706                                | 39.49  | 0.251   | 256,748   |
| Quebec.....1954                  | 2,949                              | 38.96  | 0.124   | 1,057,842   |
| .....1955                        | 2,866                              | 39.18  | 0.118   | 1,028,750   |
| Ontario.....1954                 | 1,710                              | 38.70  | 0.057   | 602,041   |
| .....1955                        | 1,731                              | 38.73  | 0.057   | 607,709   |
| Manitoba.....1954                | 411                                | 38.92  | 0.086   | 148,244   |
| .....1955                        | 405                                | 39.13  | 0.084   | 145,014   |
| Saskatchewan.....1954            | 366                                | 38.73  | 0.075   | 125,796   |
| .....1955                        | 374                                | 38.58  | 0.076   | 132,670   |
| Alberta.....1954                 | 400                                | 38.57  | 0.069   | 135,586   |
| .....1955                        | 409                                | 38.59  | 0.069   | 140,149   |
| British Columbia.....1954        | 488                                | 39.20  | 0.066   | 174,964   |
| .....1955                        | 474                                | 39.02  | 0.063   | 170,796   |
| Yukon Territory.....1954         | 2                                  | 40.00  | 0.035   | 720   |
| .....1955                        | 2                                  | 40.00  | 0.035   | 900   |
| Northwest Territories ... ..1954 | 13                                 | 39.23  | 0.157   | 4,537   |
| .....1955                        | 16                                 | 40.00  | 0.188   | 5,175   |
| <b>Canada.....1954</b>           | <b>8,214</b>                       | <b>38.88</b>                                     | <b>0.096</b>  | <b>2,914,101</b>  |
| <b>.....1955</b>                 | <b>8,122</b>                       | <b>38.99</b>                                     | <b>0.094</b>  | <b>2,886,185</b>  |

<sup>1</sup> Estimated population as at June 1 of each year for the Provinces and 1951 Census data for the Territories.