

Alberta.—Alberta's commodity output in 1953 represented over 8 p.c. of the national total and was 60 p.c. higher than in 1949. Because of the rapid advance in the value of mineral production and in construction activity, agriculture has progressively declined in relative importance since 1949 when it accounted for 48 p.c. of the provincial total as compared with 36 p.c. in 1953. The net value of the mining industry more than doubled in the five year comparison and in 1953 represented over 19 p.c. of the Province's output. Manufacturing, particularly petroleum refining, meat packing, sawmilling and brewing, also advanced considerably, amounting to 17 p.c. of the 1953 total. Construction stood second among the Province's industries in the five year period and in 1953 accounted for 25 p.c. of the total commodity production compared with 19 p.c. in 1949.

British Columbia.—The net value of output in British Columbia, which represents about 9 p.c. of the national commodity production, increased from \$884,000,000 in 1949 to \$1,320,000,000 in 1953, a gain of more than 49 p.c. It is the third ranking province in value of net output. Manufacturing is the leading industry and accounted for nearly 47 p.c. of the provincial total in 1953, a proportion little changed since 1949. The principal manufacturing industries are sawmilling, pulp and paper, veneers and plywoods, fish processing, fertilizers and shipbuilding. Construction ranked second in value of output in the Province and represented 23·5 p.c. of the total in 1953; forestry accounted for 12 p.c. and mining for 6 p.c. The considerable decline in the mining industry from 9 p.c. in 1952 reflected the sharp drop in the price of zinc and lead, two of the Province's most important metals.

3.—Net Value of Production by Province 1949-53

Province or Territory	1949	1950	1951	1952	1953
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Newfoundland ¹	79,682,122	97,238,222	136,110,998	150,017,395	153,778,875
Prince Edward Island.....	30,740,835	30,819,330	36,505,157	41,885,507	33,871,395
Nova Scotia.....	263,590,743	259,731,738	296,791,447	315,862,673	329,809,293
New Brunswick.....	214,942,563	242,111,904	268,285,055	266,679,144	262,819,872
Quebec.....	2,567,996,801	2,816,309,229	3,337,598,876	3,608,148,129	3,803,737,287
Ontario.....	4,082,002,159	4,534,265,812	5,277,350,439	5,478,804,812	5,982,280,163
Manitoba.....	481,862,653	483,805,980	569,952,272	580,423,733	573,342,004
Saskatchewan.....	641,086,461	546,960,335	891,151,432	968,227,491	886,956,343
Alberta.....	731,033,750	734,148,363	1,002,712,967	1,059,383,938	1,170,494,277
British Columbia ²	884,820,749	995,233,672	1,240,224,661	1,239,008,819	1,319,826,559
Yukon and Northwest Territories ²	12,638,957	17,040,972	18,113,875	19,409,115	20,976,428
Canada.....	9,990,397,793	10,757,665,557	13,074,797,179	13,727,850,756	14,537,892,496

¹ Newfoundland data exclude agriculture, fisheries, trapping and fish processing in 1949 and 1950 but include fisheries and fish processing in 1951, 1952 and 1953 and trapping in 1952 and 1953. ² Forestry and construction figures for the Yukon and Northwest Territories are included with British Columbia.

4.—Percentages of Total Net Production by Province 1949-53

Province	1949	1950	1951	1952	1953
	p. c.	p. c.	p. c.	p. c.	p. c.
Newfoundland ¹	0·8	0·9	1·0	1·1	1·1
Prince Edward Island.....	0·3	0·3	0·3	0·3	0·2
Nova Scotia.....	2·6	2·4	2·3	2·3	2·3
New Brunswick.....	2·2	2·2	2·0	2·0	1·8
Quebec.....	25·7	26·2	25·5	26·3	26·2
Ontario.....	40·9	42·1	40·4	39·9	41·1
Manitoba.....	4·8	4·5	4·4	4·2	3·9
Saskatchewan.....	6·4	5·1	6·8	7·1	6·1
Alberta.....	7·3	6·8	7·7	7·7	8·1
British Columbia ²	8·9	9·3	9·5	9·0	9·1
Yukon and Northwest Territories ²	0·1	0·2	0·1	0·1	0·1
Totals.....	100·0	100·0	100·0	100·0	100·0

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