Characteristics of Persons Granted Citizenship Certificates in 1956.—Comparable detailed statistics showing the characteristics of persons granted citizenship certificates are available since 1953; such characteristics include age, marital status, occupation, period of immigration, residence and previous nationality.

Of the total of 55,404 persons granted citizenship in 1956 only 2 p.c. had immigrated to Canada before 1921, 5 p.c. from 1921 to 1940, 64 p.c. in the period 1941 to 1950 and 29 p.c. since 1950. Regionally these new citizens were distributed as follows: 1.0 p.c. in the Atlantic Provinces, 17.2 p.c. in Quebec, 60.1 p.c. in Ontario, 12.5 p.c. in the Prairie Provinces and 8.9 p.c. in British Columbia. Just over 84 p.c. of them resided in urban centres as compared with 62 p.c. of the total population of Canada at the time of the 1951 Census.

Almost 60 p.c. of the persons naturalized during 1956 were males. Young persons under 20 years of age constituted 13 p.c. of the total, persons 20 to 44 accounted for 63 p.c., those 45 to 64 for 22 p.c. and those 65 or over for 2 p.c. Over 13 p.c. of those naturalized in 1956 formerly had been citizens of Poland. Italy had been the country of allegiance for 11 p.c., Commonwealth countries for 10 p.c. and the Netherlands for 9 p.c. Of the 8,181 who reported themselves as stateless when applying for Canadian citizenship, more than half had been born within the present boundaries of the U.S.S.R.—about 15 p.c. in Poland and 7 p.c. in each of Czechoslovakia, Hungary and Yugoslavia.

Of all the males granted citizenship certificates in 1956, 25 p.c. were employed in manufacturing and mechanical occupations, 12 p.c. were labourers in other than primary industries, 10 p.c. were employed in construction, 8 p.c. in professional occupations, 7 p.c. in service, 6 p.c. in agriculture and 5 p.c. in proprietary and managerial occupations. Of all the females granted certificates, 56 p.c. were homemakers. Among those employed outside the home, 9 p.c. were in manufacturing and mechanical occupations, 7 p.c. in clerical jobs and 6 p.c. in service occupations.

3.—Persons Granted Citizenship Certificates in 1955 and 1956 by Period of Immigration to Canada and by Province of Residence

	Period of Immigration					Born	
Residence	Before 1921	1921- 1930	1931- 1940	1941- 1950	1951- 1955	in Canada ¹	Total
1955	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
Residing in Canada Newfoundland Prince Edward Island Nova Scotia New Brunswick Quebee Ontario Manitoba Saskatchewan Alberta British Columbia Yukon and N.W.T Residing outside Canada	353 598 200 200 286 596 1	3,674 3 1 35 17 621 1,342 320 267 563 495 10	1,199 6 12 1 184 511 104 53 162 162 4	48,854 50 24 244 244 69 8,611 30,033 2,943 627 2,648 3,555 50 23	2,431 13 2 39 14 262 1,263 57 157 141 481 2 7	209 	58,649 75 30 369 115 10,057 33,824 3,646 1,315 3,829 5,322 67 62
Totals Naturalized, 1955	2,283	3,675	1,199	48,877	2,438	239	58,711
Residing in Canada Newfoundland Prince Edward Island Nova Scotia New Brunswick Quebec Ontario Manitoba Saskatchewan Alberta British Columbia Yukon and N.W.T Residing outside of Canada	158 318 78 75	2,089 2 14 6 307 803 199 152 323 277 6	791 1 19 2 109 365 51 26 122 91 5	35,286 56 20 179 63 5,555 21,762 1,904 549 2,243 2,900 55 15	15,878 40 8 80 32 3,357 10,010 334 190 453 1,348 26 11	176 4 2 31 67 13 12 20 27 32	55,345 100 28 313 112 9,517 33,325 2,579 1,004 3,332 4,940 95 59
Totals Naturalized, 1956	1,126	2,089	791	35,301	15,889	208	55,404

¹ Canadian born who lost their citizenship by marriage; this applies to females only.