

The allowance is not payable to a patient in a mental institution or tuberculosis sanatorium. A recipient who is resident in a nursing home, an infirmary, a home for the aged, an institution for the care of incurables or a private, charitable or public institution is eligible for the allowance only if the major part of the cost of his accommodation is being paid by himself or his family. When a recipient is required to enter a public or private hospital the allowance may be paid for no more than two months of hospitalization in a calendar year, excluding months of admission and release. For the period that a recipient is in hospital for therapeutic treatment for his disability or rehabilitation, as approved by the provincial authority, the allowance may continue to be paid. The provincial authorities must suspend the payment of the allowance when in its opinion the recipient unreasonably neglects or refuses to comply with or to avail himself of training, rehabilitation or treatment facilities provided by or available in the province.

In the first two years of the program, over half of the persons granted an allowance had primary disabilities which were in two medical classes: (1) mental, psychoneurotic and personality disorders and (2) diseases of the nervous system and sense organs. The most frequently occurring primary disability was mental deficiency which was found in over 25 p.c. of all applicants granted an allowance.

As at October 1957, British Columbia made supplementary payments of \$20 per month to recipients of disability allowances who qualified under a residence test. In Ontario the government shared to the extent of 60 p.c. in the first \$20 per month paid by a municipality to a needy recipient. In some provinces and in the Yukon recipients in special need might also be eligible for relief.

**9.—Statistics of Allowances for Disabled Persons by Province, Years Ended Mar. 31, 1955-57**

Province and Year	Recipients in Month of March	Average Amount of Monthly Allowance	P.C. of Recipients to Population Age 20-69	Federal Government Contribution during Year
	No.	\$		\$
Newfoundland.....	1955 <sup>a</sup>	...	...	...
	1956	606	39.08	119,326
	1957	720	39.44	163,167
Prince Edward Island.....	1955 <sup>a</sup>	—	—	—
	1956	292	32.84	56,793
	1957	345	33.94	65,690
Nova Scotia.....	1955	285	33.39	12,141
	1956	1,172	34.86	254,326
	1957	1,465	35.69	290,339
New Brunswick.....	1955	177	39.46	8,183
	1956	947	39.13	218,644
	1957	1,262	39.43	281,859
Quebec.....	1955 <sup>a</sup>	—	—	—
	1956	12,128	38.81	2,561,941
	1957	15,856	38.97	3,593,395
Ontario.....	1955	6,623	39.36	389,061
	1956	7,501	39.24	1,712,426
	1957	8,065	39.27	1,853,110
Manitoba.....	1955	45	39.66	8,188
	1956	738	39.00	172,350
	1957	819	39.23	192,867
Saskatchewan.....	1955	36	37.52	1,806
	1956	788	38.20	162,884
	1957	988	38.68	221,966

For footnotes, see end of table.