

The federal-provincial program under which all classes and training projects are operated is known as 'Canadian Vocational Training'. In conducting this program, the Minister of Labour receives advice and co-operation from the Vocational Training Advisory Council which consists of representatives of provincial governments, employers, organized labour and other bodies concerned with vocational training in Canada. Problems regarding apprenticeship, including federal participation therein, are referred to the Apprenticeship Training Advisory Committee which reports to the Minister through the Council.

The established procedure is to have all training programs operated by or under the supervision of the appropriate provincial authority and to reimburse the provinces for provincial government expenditures in connection with such projects. Where classes or training programs are operated for federal government departments, the Armed Forces, or other federal agencies, the provinces are reimbursed for the full costs; otherwise they are reimbursed for one-half of such expenditures subject to the limitation of funds voted for such purpose by Parliament.

There are four federal-provincial agreements governing the nature and extent of the sharable expenditures for different types of training: the Vocational and Technical Training Agreement No. 2, the Apprenticeship Agreement, the Vocational Training Agreement, and the Vocational Correspondence Courses Agreement.

Assistance to Vocational and Technical Training.—Ten-year agreements for vocational and technical school assistance were signed by nine provinces and the Yukon and Northwest Territories in 1957. The agreements provide for a total of \$15,000,000 to be expended by the Federal Government over a five-year period for operating expenses of vocational schools and technical institutes of lower than college grade, and \$25,000,000 for capital assistance in building and equipping such schools, with preference given to trade schools and technical institutes.

The capital assistance is divided among the provinces and territories on the basis of number of persons in the 15-19 age group. Under the annual allotment an initial amount of \$30,000 is made available to each province and \$20,000 to each territory, the balance being distributed on the basis of the 15-19 age group. The total annual allotment for the first two years of the agreement is \$2,500,000, for the third year \$3,000,000 and for the fourth and fifth years \$3,500,000.

The Vocational Schools' Assistance Agreement, which had been in effect from 1945, expired on Mar. 31, 1957.

Apprenticeship Training.—Apprenticeship agreements covering a ten-year period commencing Apr. 1, 1944, were signed by all provinces except Quebec and Prince Edward Island. Newfoundland signed an agreement in 1950 for the remainder of the 1944-54 period. These agreements have been renewed for a further ten-year period expiring on Mar. 31, 1964. They provide for sharing, on a 50-50 basis, in provincial government expenditures on the training of indentured apprentices who are registered with the provincial Departments of Labour under the provisions of the apprenticeship Act of each province. Training is provided on the job and in specially organized classes which may be conducted on a full-time basis during the day or as part-time day or evening classes. As of Mar. 31, 1957, a total of 16,663 apprentices was registered. Federal Government expenditures for this purpose for the year ended Mar. 31, 1957, were as follows:—

<i>Province</i>	<i>Payment</i>	<i>Province</i>	<i>Payment</i>
	\$		\$
Newfoundland.....	38,242	Alberta.....	281,313
Nova Scotia.....	71,306	British Columbia.....	110,769
New Brunswick.....	69,460	Northwest Territories.....	2,176
Ontario.....	301,004		
Manitoba.....	62,330	TOTAL.....	1,033,979
Saskatchewan.....	97,378		