The density of telephones in the different provinces is influenced by the urbanization of the population—the number of telephones used for business purposes is much greater in cities and towns than in rural areas.

4.—Telephones in Use by Province 1955 and 1956

Year and Province or Territory	On Individual Lines		On 2- and 4- Party Lines		On Rural Lines		Private Branch Exchanges and Extensions		Public Pay Sta-	Total	Tele- phones per 100 Popu-
	Busi- ness	Resi- dence	Busi- ness	Resi- dence	Busi- ness	Resi- dence	Busi- ness	Resi- dence	tions		lation
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
1955											
Nfld	7,547	5,614	175	11,341	50	892	5,330	1,999	348	33,296	8.1
P.E.I	1,588	2,467	133	3,433	291	3,860	1,684	634	89	14,179	13.1
N.S	12,008	41,626	630	31,468	1,882	22,410	18,207	8,419	1,728	138,378	20.3
N.B	8,206	19,518	1,109	31,624	1,495	17,248	14,538	5,317	1,306	100,361	18.0
Que	101,594	240,293	8,618	355,036	16,314	91,678	195,890	54,126	21,128	1,084,677	24.0
Ont	152,634	313,990	10,922	616,906	10,464	178,557	307,363	115,421	23,000	1,729,257	33.4
Man	19,643	57,173	300	64,690	4,687	26,485	30,744	8,080	2,314	214, 116	
Sask	20,607	75,363	881	4,767	4,339	55,291	17,657	4,106	1,055	184.066	200
Alta	39,642	125,665	17	385	1,613	26,452	42,082	10,894	1,587	248,337	23.3
B.C	42,754	11,245	378	172,569	5,300	83,469	69,502	14,697	4,890	404,804	31.0
Yukon	20	6	33	87	25	36	_	-	_	207	2.1
Totals,	406,243	892,960	23,196	1,292,306	46,460	506,378	702,997	223,693	57,445	4,151,678	26.6
1956											
Nfld	7.784	6,621	207	13,383	57	1,039	5,827	2,428	400	37,746	8.9
P.E.I	1,673	2,807	120	3,275	305	3,936	1,821	706	95	14,738	14.0
N.S	12,571	45,979	562	29,857	2,063	23,355	19,396	9,263	1,866	144,912	20.8
N.B	8,764	21,328	1,067	32,532	1,279	18,492	15,679	6,200	1,349	106,690	18 8
Que	108,304	275,954	8,134	377,559	14,096	97,093	216,915	67,984	21,403	1,187,442	25.6
Ont	162,007	390,995	9,5761	609,413	12,297	188, 134	336,929	134,772	24,043	1,868,166	35.2
Man	20,297	60,762	372	69,339	4,823	26,809	32,531	8,553	2,294	225,780	26.1
Sask	21,216		185	2,588	3,966	56,690	19,534	4,644	1,183	194,760	21.7
Alta	48,632		18	246	1,430	26,234	44,575	12,789	1,685	268,342	24.6
B.C	46,370	0 0000000000000000000000000000000000000	350	185,752	5,005	97,332	77,675	18,947	5,586	450,553	33.3
Yukon	25	6	34	82	28	21	_	-	-	196	1.8
Totals	437,643	1,035,475	20,625	1,324,026	45,349	539,135	770,882	266,286	59,904	4,499,325	28.2

¹Ontario four-party telephones included under Rural Lines.

Telephone Calls.—The major telephone systems make counts of completed calls on representative days throughout the year and on this basis estimate the number of local conversations which, added to the actual count of long-distance calls, give their total volume of business. Estimates are included for the small systems which do not count completed calls. The number of completed calls on all systems in 1956 was estimated at 7,764,805,000 compared with 6,961,476,000 calls in 1955, or an average of 1,726 calls per telephone and 483 calls per person compared with 1,677 calls per telephone and 446 per person in 1955