

Section 6.—Control and Sale of Alcoholic Beverages

The retail sale of alcoholic beverages in Canada is controlled by provincial and territorial government liquor control authorities. Alcoholic beverages are sold directly by most of these liquor control authorities to the consumer or to licensees for resale. However, in some provinces beer and wine are sold directly by breweries and wineries to consumers or to licensees for resale. During the year ended Mar. 31, 1956, provincial government liquor control authorities operated 715 retail stores.

Table 6 shows revenue from administration of liquor control by provincial and territorial governments. Details are given in DBS report, *The Control and Sale of Alcoholic Beverages in Canada*.

6.—Provincial Revenue from Administration of Liquor Control, Years Ended Mar. 31, 1955 and 1956

NOTE.—Figures include revenue collected directly by the provincial and territorial governments as well as revenue of the liquor authorities, but exclude revenue resulting from a general retail sales tax on alcoholic beverages imposed by five provinces.

Province or Territory	Net Income from Sales ¹	Sales Tax	Licences and Permits ²	Fines and Confiscations ²	Commission on General Sales Tax Collections	Total
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
1955						
Newfoundland.....	2,104,834	...	1,005,898 ³	16,555	3,312	3,130,599
Prince Edward Island.....	888,152	272,987	26,072	15,716	...	1,202,927
Nova Scotia.....	9,547,746	...	279,817	86,222	...	9,913,785
New Brunswick.....	6,288,563	...	15,022	15,667	15,956	6,335,208
Quebec.....	22,493,418	1,553,015	11,548,703	238,922	34,556	35,868,614
Ontario.....	33,443,665	...	14,510,304	111,755	...	48,065,724
Manitoba.....	6,116,934	...	2,113,449	80,800	...	8,311,183
Saskatchewan.....	10,236,351	...	53,126	81,363	45,084	10,415,924
Alberta.....	14,317,037	...	858,708	191,156	...	15,366,901
British Columbia.....	20,968,699	...	213,467	...	80,471	21,262,637
Yukon Territory.....	701,860	75,950	7,300	7,319	...	792,429
Northwest Territories.....	263,406	...	4,367	608	...	268,381
Canada, 1955.....	127,370,665	1,901,952	30,636,233	846,083	179,379	160,934,312
1956						
Newfoundland.....	1,979,476	...	1,244,848 ³	20,065	3,566	3,247,955
Prince Edward Island.....	880,369	275,550	29,760	14,522	...	1,200,201
Nova Scotia.....	10,247,881	...	281,519	58,391	...	10,587,791
New Brunswick.....	7,017,419	...	14,848	22,092	17,731	7,072,090
Quebec.....	25,047,090	1,723,043	12,510,689	223,144	35,334	39,539,300
Ontario.....	38,559,862	...	15,026,761	108,380	...	53,695,003
Manitoba.....	6,565,402	...	2,185,918	83,210	...	8,834,530
Saskatchewan.....	10,085,031	...	53,328	76,513	44,249	10,259,121
Alberta.....	15,085,287	...	973,195	201,449	...	16,259,931
British Columbia.....	22,373,721	...	358,048	...	87,306	22,819,075
Yukon Territory.....	774,287 ⁴	74,111	7,537	5,212	...	861,147
Northwest Territories.....	363,691	...	23,467	555	...	387,713
Canada, 1956.....	138,979,516	2,672,704	32,709,918	813,533	188,186	174,763,857

¹ After provision for depreciation on fixed assets or for capital expenditure met out of operating income. ² Before deducting any payments to municipalities out of liquor control authority revenue. ³ Includes \$931,884 in 1955 and \$1,164,235 in 1956 commission on beer sold direct from local provincial breweries to public through licensed outlets under controlled price. ⁴ Includes \$30,720 applicable to previous year as a result of change in inventory valuation as at Mar. 31, 1955.