

21.—Value of Property Loss by Reported Cause of Fire 1954-56

Reported Cause	1954 ¹		1955		1956	
	Fires Reported	Property Loss	Fires Reported	Property Loss	Fires Reported	Property Loss
	No.	\$	No.	\$	No.	\$
Smokers' carelessness	27,156	5,637,005	29,202	4,583,118	30,974	5,150,175
Stoves, furnaces, boilers and smoke pipes	6,385	5,672,214	7,408	6,541,011	5,401	5,452,350
Electrical wiring and appliances	6,074	10,388,088	6,563	10,825,587	6,955	12,897,828
Matches	2,514	834,381	2,236	1,147,372	2,295	1,543,228
Defective and overheated chimneys and flues	2,519	2,414,627	2,937	2,222,319	4,632	3,179,316
Hot ashes, coals and open fires	2,178	1,651,821	2,099	1,426,240	1,986	1,477,492
Petroleum and its products	2,047	3,063,351	1,985	3,403,713	1,805	5,332,913
Lights, other than electric	1,316	1,462,033	1,434	1,298,240	1,480	1,989,111
Lightning	2,045	1,750,257	2,076	1,513,405	2,186	2,765,426
Sparks on roofs	470	364,170	476	474,312	475	558,156
Exposure fires	495	1,102,622	555	1,557,258	600	1,640,376
Spontaneous ignition	298	1,142,136	327	2,434,512	339	1,128,670
Incendiarism	299	1,556,006	307	1,910,512	317	2,011,855
Miscellaneous known causes (explosions, fireworks, friction, hot grease or metal, steam and hot water pipes, etc.)	6,591	8,461,258	7,863	8,060,188	10,448	6,229,181
Unknown	8,251	45,940,509	10,628	55,369,989	10,853	55,416,096
Totals	68,638	91,440,478	76,096	102,767,776	80,746	106,772,153

¹ Excludes Newfoundland.

Subsection 3.—Casualty Insurance Business Transacted by Companies under Federal Registration

The various classes of casualty insurance are shown in Table 22. These figures relate only to companies registered by the Federal Government.

22.—Net Casualty Premiums Written, Premiums Earned and Claims Incurred in Canada, 1955 and 1956

NOTE.—Excluding marine insurance (see p. 1186). Less all reinsurance for Canadian companies and registered or licensed reinsurance only for British and foreign companies.

Class of Business	Premiums Written				Premiums Earned	Claims Incurred
	Canadian Companies	British Companies	Foreign Companies	Total	All Companies	All Companies
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
1955						
Accident—						
Personal	1,477,130	1,674,352	5,491,400	8,642,882	8,362,008	3,593,008
Public liability	5,686,809	5,710,111	4,879,445	16,276,365	14,820,753	7,529,426
Employers liability	1,619,927	1,952,021	985,237	4,557,185	4,347,582	1,700,166
Combined accident and sickness	40,808,580	1,091,357	54,312,461	95,212,398	94,766,855	70,726,065
Aircraft	53,668	1,179,018	691,483	1,924,169	1,824,954	2,647,631
Automobile	78,869,157	43,924,307	56,410,302	179,203,766	172,639,957	99,191,842
Boiler—						
(a) Boiler	1,905,714	479,037	683,745	3,068,496	2,634,388	1,393,969
(b) Machinery	891,676	410,196	787,639	2,089,511	1,738,368	2,964,685