

12.—Mothers' Allowances, by Province, as at Mar. 31, 1956-58

Province and Year	Families Assisted	Children Assisted	Benefits Paid
	No.	No.	\$
Newfoundland.....1956 <sup>1</sup>	386	1,001	718,259
Prince Edward Island.....	1956 285	734	78,613
	1957 238	668	78,729
	1958 266	712	88,740
Nova Scotia.....	1956 2,065	5,575	1,525,388
	1957 2,107	5,688	1,554,176
	1958 2,131	5,966	1,576,585
New Brunswick.....	1956 2,022	5,825	1,250,075
	1957 2,151	6,165	1,304,239
	1958 2,213	6,360	1,336,043
Quebec.....	1956 19,944	57,838	7,824,626
	1957 19,397	56,251	8,275,010
	1958 21,766	63,121	14,611,986
Ontario.....	1956 7,266	16,664	6,760,779 <sup>2</sup>
	1957 7,418	17,309	6,985,225
	1958 8,580	20,247	8,947,401
Manitoba.....	1956 1,188	2,868	1,148,874
	1957 1,128	2,700	1,147,851
	1958 1,121	2,680	1,091,629
Saskatchewan.....	1956 2,521	6,662	1,507,975
	1957 2,390	6,263	1,481,599
	1958 2,279	5,792	1,573,190
Alberta.....	1956 1,809	4,105	1,314,733
	1957 1,847	4,164	1,339,312
	1958 1,879	4,234	1,512,651
British Columbia.....	1956 323	742	184,688 <sup>2</sup>
	1957 284	652	159,769 <sup>2</sup>
	1958 243	584	143,000 <sup>2</sup>
<b>Canada.....</b>	<b>1956 57,809</b>	<b>102,011</b>	<b>22,314,010</b>
	<b>1957<sup>2</sup> 36,960</b>	<b>99,860</b>	<b>22,325,910</b>
	<b>1958<sup>3</sup> 40,478</b>	<b>109,696</b>	<b>30,881,225</b>

<sup>1</sup> Families receiving aid under the Mothers' Allowances Act which were not yet transferred to Social Assistance (see p. 274).

<sup>2</sup> Not including \$148,003, \$161,574, and an estimated \$144,000 paid as supplementation from social allowance funds in 1956, 1957 and 1958 respectively.

<sup>3</sup> Exclusive of Newfoundland (see p. 274).

Subsection 2.—Provincial Welfare Services

The care and protection of neglected and dependent children, care of the aged, social assistance or relief and other special welfare services are governed by provincial legislation although in many areas responsibility for services rests with municipal or voluntary organizations. The programs and the methods of financing vary considerably, but most provinces share the costs of some or all of the municipal services in organized areas and assume the total cost in unorganized territories.

**Newfoundland.**—Provincial welfare services are administered by the Department of Public Welfare through a number of regional welfare centres.

**Child Care and Protection.**—Child welfare has developed largely as a public service and is administered by the Child Welfare Division. Neglected children, made wards of the Director, are placed in foster or adoptive homes or in institutions. The Department pays for the maintenance of wards, grants subsidies for children admitted to orphanages administered by religious organizations, and contributes towards the cost of educating blind and deaf-mute children in institutions outside the province. The Division operates an Infants' Home providing short-term care.