

10.—Persons Charged and Convicted of Indictable Crimes according to Trial Court, by Province, 1956 and 1957

Province or Territory and Item	1956					1957				
	Persons Charged and Convicted by—					Persons Charged and Convicted by—				
	Police Magistrate and Municipal Court	Juvenile or Family Court	County Court	Higher Court	Totals	Police Magistrate and Municipal Court	Juvenile or Family Court	County Court	Higher Court	Totals
No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
Newfoundland—										
Charged.....	503	48	—	14	565	635	72	—	16	723
Convicted.....	484	45	—	11	540	626	66	—	11	703
Prince Edward Island—										
Charged.....	64	—	4	—	68	70	—	10	—	80
Convicted.....	64	—	4	—	68	70	—	8	—	78
Nova Scotia—										
Charged.....	1,205	3	44	40	1,292	1,357	—	59	46	1,462
Convicted.....	1,058	3	38	19	1,118	1,172	—	40	22	1,234
New Brunswick—										
Charged.....	764	1	9	11	785	817	—	12	19	848
Convicted.....	751	1	5	7	764	804	—	10	13	827
Quebec—										
Charged.....	5,281	743	319	102	6,445	5,402	1,065	773	154	7,394
Convicted.....	4,685	739	217	69	5,710	4,963	1,047	559	109	6,678
Ontario—										
Charged.....	11,008	50	598	219	11,875	12,504	8	511	296	13,319
Convicted.....	9,523	47	351	205	10,126	10,921	8	371	195	11,495
Manitoba—										
Charged.....	1,565	127	48	39	1,779	2,047	168	32	62	2,309
Convicted.....	1,522	126	32	27	1,707	2,008	167	22	49	2,246
Saskatchewan—										
Charged.....	1,277	1	56	32	1,366	1,186	4	36	18	1,244
Convicted.....	1,234	1	44	21	1,300	1,139	3	22	12	1,176
Alberta—										
Charged.....	2,470	11	85	148	2,714	3,066	1	21	186	3,274
Convicted.....	2,334	11	71	124	2,540	2,892	1	17	135	3,045
British Columbia—										
Charged.....	3,295	360	106	139	3,900	4,158	296	133	149	4,736
Convicted.....	2,979	356	71	85	3,491	3,749	292	93	82	4,216
Yukon and Northwest Territories—										
Charged.....	42	—	4	3	49	58	—	1	10	69
Convicted.....	42	—	4	3	49	58	—	1	8	67
Canada—										
Charged.....	27,474	1,344	1,273	747	30,838	31,300	1,614	1,588	956	35,458
Convicted.....	24,676	1,329	837	571	27,413	28,402	1,584	1,143	636	31,765

Subsection 2.—Young Adult Offenders (16-24 Years)

Young men and women from 16 to 24 years of age form 47.8 p.c. of the criminal population who commit indictable offences but they comprise less than 21.9 p.c. of the total population 16 years of age or over. As this age group includes some of the most daring offenders who may be already experienced criminals as well as first offenders likely to be turned from crime by further education and training, it seems worthwhile to give consideration to offenders in this group as distinct from offenders in the older age groups.

Of the young offenders in 1957, 57.1 p.c. were still under 20 years of age and 70.9 p.c. were tried in three provinces—Ontario 36.4 p.c., Quebec 21.1 p.c., and British Columbia 13.4 p.c.