

16.—Convictions for Summary Conviction Offences, by Type, 1956 and 1957—concluded

Type of Offence	1956	1957	Increase or Decrease 1956-57
	No.	No.	p. c.
Provincial Statutes—			
Deserted Wives and Children's Maintenance.....	5,610	3,638	-35.2
Game and Fisheries.....	5,872	6,349	+ 8.1
Traffic.....	565,483	552,953	- 2.2
Liquor Control—Intoxication.....	81,387	87,060	+ 7.0
Other.....	46,290	49,280	+ 6.5
Other provincial statutes.....	17,875	25,730	+43.9
Municipal By-laws—			
Intoxication.....	7,592	9,503	+25.2
Traffic.....	587,177	165,680	-71.8
Other.....	39,602	37,878	- 4.4
Prohibited parking.....	954,182	1,424,377	+49.3
Totals, Convictions.....	2,401,730	2,466,762	+ 2.7

17.—Convictions for Breaches of Traffic Regulations, by Province, 1948-57

NOTE.—See headnote to Table 15, p. 316.

Year	Nfld.	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.	Yukon and N.W.T.	Canada
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
1948.....	..	393	4,607	2,469	174,021	352,253	41,074	6,300	7,984	60,493	5	649,599
1949.....	..	519	4,084	3,729	188,003	417,016	60,127	7,274	11,112	69,545	58	761,467
1950.....	..	366	4,265	11,909	227,857	508,010	67,832	12,362	13,772	92,038	138	938,549
1951.....	1,773	580	5,802	15,641	215,222	570,895	106,262	13,325	22,923	112,738	265	1,065,426
1952.....	2,565	765	5,109	20,358	266,835	714,810	122,647	19,749	25,693	132,123	368	1,311,022
1953.....	2,719	760	6,014	21,296	309,064	857,117	122,370	21,957	30,846	133,295	493	1,505,931
1954.....	3,048	1,214	7,040	21,804	390,701	954,749	125,346	32,666	28,690	120,281	272	1,685,811
1955.....	3,977	1,637	7,982	28,080	390,502	1,102,183	92,514	32,667	29,463	148,809	..	1,837,814
1956.....	3,454	2,199	12,167	24,964	452,882	1,285,303	42,998	48,356	45,031	210,041	342	2,127,737
1957.....	10,629	1,585	11,493	35,004	438,331	1,268,616	41,646	77,808	55,238	227,533	298	2,168,181

For the year 1957, Ontario, with 40.2 p.c. of the registrations of motor vehicles in Canada, had 58.5 p.c. of the total convictions for breaches of traffic regulations; Quebec in the same year had 19.8 p.c. of the registered vehicles and 20.2 p.c. of the convictions. In interpreting the figures in this way, however, it should be pointed out that traffic regulations are by no means uniform throughout Canada and no account is taken of the differences in the degrees of urbanization in the provinces. These two provinces have large urban centres but in provinces with lower degrees of urbanization, such as the Atlantic Provinces, Saskatchewan and Alberta, convictions are lower when considered in proportion to the number of motor vehicles registered.