

Expenditures on roads and highways reached a new high in the year ended Mar. 31, 1958, at \$701,972,824. This figure was 7 p.c. higher than the expenditure in the previous fiscal year. Construction work was up 8 p.c. and maintenance down almost 6 p.c. Table 2 shows expenditure by provinces and federal-provincial-municipal distribution of such expenditure for the fiscal years ended 1954-58.

2.—Construction, Maintenance and General Expenditure on Rural Roads, Bridges and Ferries, by Province, Years Ended Mar. 31, 1954-58

Item and Province or Territory	1954	1955	1956	1957	1958
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Construction	234,334,349 ¹	229,087,011 ¹	294,436,957 ¹	421,146,178 ¹	454,997,084
Newfoundland.....	4,240,406	7,921,808	8,990,495	6,675,115	6,063,686
Prince Edward Island.....	1,788,675	2,995,081	2,911,560	3,746,085	3,378,621
Nova Scotia.....	7,584,863	6,190,534	8,615,147	12,378,093	15,508,597
New Brunswick.....	6,953,831	6,867,169	11,042,564	14,994,989	17,313,315
Quebec.....	57,945,075	58,153,492	76,496,786	84,053,328	87,248,853
Ontario.....	64,807,939	56,762,275	85,171,965	115,855,688	120,256,227
Manitoba.....	12,162,353	12,389,735	12,474,617	18,902,472	21,500,959
Saskatchewan.....	13,860,596	13,390,784	12,682,899	23,611,136	17,497,330
Alberta.....	40,105,154	40,240,306	39,800,420	50,630,485	52,984,501
British Columbia.....	23,433,190	22,128,045	33,283,542	83,598,882	109,098,346
Yukon and N.W.T.....	739,744	1,010,545	1,850,116	3,999,750	4,146,649
Maintenance	149,844,221	178,832,011	187,448,444	189,877,569	179,299,420
Newfoundland.....	2,267,335	2,696,832	2,932,427	2,854,937	4,115,203
Prince Edward Island.....	1,219,612	1,159,173	1,588,903	1,257,941	1,345,050
Nova Scotia.....	9,563,259	10,376,255	11,550,407	13,845,101	11,386,596
New Brunswick.....	8,235,747	10,281,339	10,855,460	11,123,134	11,282,258
Quebec.....	31,184,047	35,195,468	35,418,194	41,685,630	43,070,708
Ontario.....	52,667,538	57,464,175	60,591,398	57,649,342	59,330,704
Manitoba.....	2,648,689	3,314,421	3,642,016	4,162,996	4,319,627
Saskatchewan.....	4,939,826	15,517,577	17,159,558	14,429,203	6,613,988
Alberta.....	18,487,280	22,744,792	22,610,892	22,758,513	20,108,685
British Columbia.....	14,558,602	15,493,701	17,164,500	18,000,792	15,442,032
Yukon and N.W.T.....	4,072,286	4,588,278	3,904,689	2,109,980	2,284,569
Administration and General ²	12,889,589	21,552,986	31,966,869	40,775,633	48,655,732
Newfoundland.....	279,402	347,610	397,452	429,140	120,369
Prince Edward Island.....	73,115	73,268	81,709	62,089	91,212
Nova Scotia.....	792,148	798,905	960,176	961,299	1,243,849
New Brunswick.....	307,994	416,716	498,305	567,377	937,314
Quebec.....	2,727,669	3,383,708	3,524,851	3,353,079	2,571,576
Ontario.....	5,027,809	10,958,835	21,135,457	28,657,745	34,666,942
Manitoba.....	787,645	801,103	965,426	1,080,353	1,330,759
Saskatchewan.....	433,990	1,251,078	1,506,549	1,644,620	2,467,587
Alberta.....	75,647 ³	1,259,707	786,560	490,493	1,246,725
British Columbia.....	1,971,234	1,805,578	1,608,382	2,865,362	3,161,716
Yukon and N.W.T.....	13,102	25,476	39,402	496,076	582,683
Totals	397,068,159	429,172,008	513,852,270	653,567,078 ⁴	701,972,824 ⁵
Distribution of All Expenditure—					
Federal	26,759,571	32,775,800	36,644,143	59,887,876	69,812,100
Provincial	341,501,941	355,454,863	435,583,891	525,204,516	542,666,788
Municipal	27,505,913	37,173,083	40,213,328	48,948,407	51,278,877
Other	1,300,734	4,068,262	1,410,908	19,526,279	38,275,059

¹ Includes payments from railways and contributions from the Railway Grade Crossing Fund toward elimination of grade crossings, etc., amounting to \$712,523 in 1953-54, \$1,237,237 in 1954-55, \$1,116,876 in 1955-56 and \$2,700,155 in 1956-57. ² Includes federal administrative costs re Trans-Canada Highway amounting to \$399,834 in 1953-54, \$431,002 in 1954-55, \$462,600 in 1955-56, \$168,000 in 1956-57 and \$235,000 in 1957-58. ³ Federal administrative costs only.

⁴ Includes expenditures of \$1,767,698 by municipalities in Manitoba for which no breakdown is available. ⁵ Includes expenditures of \$2,573,262 by municipalities in Manitoba, of \$14,932,793 by the Saskatchewan Department of Municipal Affairs, and of \$1,514,533 by the British Columbia Department of Highways for which no breakdown is available.