

Section 2.—Travel between Canada and Other Countries

During 1957 new records were established in the number of visits to Canada by residents of other countries and the number of visits to other countries by residents of Canada; however, the expansion of travel to other countries by Canadians was the more moderate. Visits to Canada by residents of other countries numbered 28,656,000, a substantial gain over the 27,700,000 visits recorded in 1956. Canadians reciprocated with 27,329,300 visits to other countries in comparison with 27,200,000 in 1956. The total of all travel amounted to 55,985,300 visits as compared with 54,900,000 in 1956, an increase of about 2 p.c.

Nearly 1,000,000 more persons visited Canada in 1957 than in 1956. Entries direct from overseas countries increased by 6,000 and visits by residents of the United States by 952,900. Travel to other countries by Canadians, however, levelled off during 1957. Re-entries of Canadians returning from visits to the United States were up by 132,700 or about 0.5 p.c. and re-entries direct from overseas advanced 13,800 or 13 p.c.

Estimates of receipts and payments were also higher. Visitor expenditures in Canada advanced from \$337,000,000 in 1956 to \$363,000,000 in 1957, visitors from the United States contributing \$325,000,000 and residents of overseas countries \$38,000,000. Payments for travel in other countries advanced by approximately the same amount, from \$498,000,000 in 1956 to \$525,000,000 in 1957. During 1957 Canadians spent \$403,000,000 on travel in the United States and \$122,000,000 on travel to overseas countries, the deficit amounting to \$162,000,000 compared to \$161,000,000 in 1956.

