At the end of 1957, there were 84 companies registered by the Federal Government to transact casualty insurance but not fire insurance (17 Canadian, 6 British, and 61 foreign).

The figures in the preceding two paragraphs include 52 companies that were also registered to transact life insurance, 11 of which were registered for fire, life and casualty insurance and 41 for life and casualty but not fire insurance.

It should be noted that, in addition to the companies registered by the Federal Government to transact casualty insurance, there were 23 registered fraternal benefit societies transacting accident and sickness insurance, of which 20 also transacted life insurance.

As shown in Table 14, some fire and casualty insurance is transacted in Canada by companies that are provincially licensed only. These companies generally confine their operations to the province of incorporation but may be allowed to sell insurance in other provinces. Many of them are mutual organizations transacting only fire insurance on a county, municipal, or parish basis.

Table 14, summarizes net premiums written and net claims incurred for the years 1956 and 1957 in the fields of fire insurance and casualty insurance in Canada. These data are presented on the basis of the supervising government authorities for the companies concerned. The table relates only to insurance companies; no data are included with respect to fraternal benefit societies.

14.—Fire and Casualty Insurance Transacted in Canada, 1956 and 1957

	1956		1957	
Item	Net Premiums Written	Net Claims Incurred	Net Premiums Written	Net Claims Incurred
	\$	\$	\$	\$
Fire Insurance				
Federally registered companies	155, 506, 787	86,088,850	156, 246, 117	109,757,161
Provincial licensees. In province by which incorporated. Outside province by which incorporated.	16,068,792 15,212,026 856,766	9,790,651 9,182,170 608,481	19,779,452 18,532,188 1,247,264	12,402,752 11,438,077 964,675
Lloyds, London	7,929,385	7,224,404	8,119,973	8,268,767
Totals, Fire	179,504,964	103,103,905	184,145,542	130,428,680
Casualty Insurance				
Federally registered companies	415, 457, 714	267,131,048	474,636,221	327,864,405
Provincial licensees	24,423,092	14,412,804	39,772,031	25,217,348
In province by which incorporated Outside province by which incorporated	22,037,214 2,385,878	12,614,206 1,798,598	34,768,279 5,003,752	21,800,276 3,417,072
Lloyds, London	19,311,022	14,725,521	23,347,075	22,556,675
Totals, Casualty	459,191,828	296,269,373	537,755,327	375,638,428
Totals, Fire and Casualty	638,696,792	399,373,278	721,900,869	506,067,108

Subsection 1.—Fire Insurance Transacted in Canada by Companies under Federal Registration

The net premiums written have increased very rapidly in recent years, having almost tripled since the end of the World War II. The net claims incurred have kept pace with this increase in net premiums written.