Destinations and Occupations.—Upon arrival in Canada, immigrants are asked to state their intended destination. According to these records, Ontario absorbed by far the highest proportion of arrivals in the four-year period 1956-59—51.4 p.c. of all the males and 54.0 p.c. of all the females. Quebec was the second most important province of destination, receiving 20.8 p.c. of the males and 20.3 p.c. of the females. The proportions intending to settle in British Columbia were 11.9 p.c. and 11.5 p.c., respectively; in the Prairie Provinces 13.0 p.c. and 11.6 p.c., respectively; and in the Atlantic Provinces 2.0 p.c. and 2.0 p.c., respectively. The provincial distribution has changed little from year to year throughout the whole postwar period.

8.—Intended Destinations of Male and Female Immigrants Admitted to Canada, 1956-59

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Province	1956			1957		
	Males	Females	Total	Males	Females	Total
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
Newfoundland. Prince Edward Island. Nova Scotia. New Brunswick. Quebec. Ontario. Manitoba. Saskatchewan Alberta. British Columbia. Yukon and Northwest Territories.	212 61 889 488 16, 904 48, 232 3, 354 1, 234 5, 671 9, 870 55	214 51 750 364 14, 492 42, 430 2, 442 968 4, 288 7, 942 63	426 112 1,639 852 31,396 90,662 5,796 2,202 9,959 17,812 118	206 67 1,447 906 30,941 77,632 6,921 2,588 12,186 21,224 108	289 67 1,342 768 24,132 69,465 4,693 1,839 8,945 16,304 94	495 134 2,789 1,674 55,073 147,097 11,614 4,427 21,131 37,528 202
Canada	89,5411	75,3161	164,8571	154,226	127,938	282,164
	1958			1959		
	Males	Females	Total	Males	Females	Total
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
Newfoundland. Prince Edward Island Nova Scotia. New Brunswick Quebec. Ontario Manitoba. Saskatchewan Alberta British Columbia. Yukon and Northwest Territories.	190 38 933 547 13, 994 30, 542 2, 566 1, 343 4, 180 6, 235 62	183 40 853 484 14,449 33,311 2,166 1,252 4,249 7,165 69	373 78 1,786 1,031 28,443 63,853 4,732 2,595 8,429 13,400 131	175 47 523 307 12,253 26,657 1,839 877 3,554 5,177 67	170 44 564 333 12,563 29,319 1,771 938 3,869 5,823 58	345 91 1,087 640 24,816 55,976 3,610 1,815 7,423 11,000 125
Canada	60,630	64,221	124,851	51,476	55,452	106,928

¹ Includes 2,571 males and 1,312 females whose destination was unknown.

In like manner, immigrant arrivals are asked to record the occupations which they intend to follow in Canada. Approximately 50.1 p.c. of the persons admitted in 1959 declared that they would enter the labour force. The other 49.9 p.c. were wives, children and other dependants or were retired persons. Of the male workers, 13.9 p.c. were classed as professional and managerial, 13.3 p.c. were in agricultural occupations, 4.7 p.c. in service occupations, 31.4 p.c. in manufacturing, mechanical and construction trades, and 24.1 p.c. were general labourers. Almost 50 p.c. of the female immigrants entering the labour force were intending to follow service occupations. Details are given in Table 9.