

provincial authority must suspend the payment of the allowance when in its opinion the recipient unreasonably neglects or refuses to comply with or to avail himself of training, rehabilitation or treatment facilities provided by or available in the province.

In the fourth year of the program, disabilities in the two medical classes, mental, psychoneurotic and personality disorders, and diseases of the nervous system and sense organs were again found to be most prevalent among those persons becoming eligible for an allowance. These classes alone accounted for 47.5 p.c. of the new cases, an increase over the 41 p.c. in the year ended Mar. 31, 1958. Other classes, however, such as diseases of the bones and organs of movement, and diseases of the circulatory system, continued to decline. Mental deficiency, the most frequently occurring disability, rose from one-sixth to over one-fifth of all cases granted an allowance.

British Columbia pays a flat rate supplement of \$24 a month to recipients of disability allowances who qualify under a residence test. In Ontario, the government shares to the extent of 80 p.c. in the first \$20 a month paid by a municipality to a needy recipient. In Manitoba, the province is empowered to reimburse a municipality for 80 p.c. of the supplementary assistance it pays to needy recipients of disability allowances. In some provinces and in Yukon Territory, recipients in special need may also be eligible for relief.

9.—Statistics of Allowances for Disabled Persons, by Province, Years Ended Mar. 31, 1957-59

Province or Territory and Year	Recipients	Average	P.C. of	Federal
	in Month of March	Amount of Monthly Allowance	Recipients to Population Age 20-69	Government Contribution during Year
	No.	\$		\$
Newfoundland.....1957	720	39.44	0.363	163,167
.....1958	822	54.78 ¹	0.415	205,845
.....1959	980	54.69	0.475	302,224
Prince Edward Island.....1957	345	33.94	0.652	65,690
.....1958	460	52.12 ¹	0.950	113,222
.....1959	596	51.28	1.194	169,016
Nova Scotia.....1957	1,465	35.69	0.399	290,339
.....1958	1,790	52.56 ¹	0.491	456,948
.....1959	2,184	52.65	0.593	662,727
New Brunswick.....1957	1,262	39.43	0.440	281,859
.....1958	1,474	54.62 ¹	0.531	404,650
.....1959	1,734	54.24	0.603	552,338
Quebec.....1957	15,856	38.97	0.642	3,593,395
.....1958	22,920	53.75 ¹	0.905	6,048,901
.....1959	25,352	53.94	0.961	8,362,518
Ontario.....1957	8,065	39.27	0.262	1,853,110
.....1958	9,412	54.24 ¹	0.289	2,523,956
.....1959	11,469	53.88	0.339	3,485,924
Manitoba.....1957	819	39.23	0.169	192,867
.....1958	1,028	54.36 ¹	0.215	273,555
.....1959	1,230	54.14	0.255	381,004
Saskatchewan.....1957	988	38.68	0.200	221,966
.....1958	1,146	54.20 ¹	0.244	317,011
.....1959	1,248	54.15	0.264	405,443
Alberta.....1957	1,245	38.17	0.209	276,593
.....1958	1,492	53.59 ¹	0.235	396,826
.....1959	1,648	53.09	0.248	515,932
British Columbia.....1957	1,067	39.01	0.138	227,926
.....1958	1,281	54.18 ¹	0.150	349,100
.....1959	1,585	53.98	0.179	490,156
Yukon Territory.....1957
.....1958
.....1959	2	55.00	0.028	192
Northwest Territories.....1957	3	40.00	0.035	440
.....1958	6	55.00	0.058	1,651
.....1959	12	54.58	0.112	2,893
Canada.....1957²	31,835	38.84	0.361	7,167,352
.....1958²	41,840	53.88	0.459	11,091,664
.....1959	48,040	53.84	0.505	15,330,368

¹ During fiscal year maximum payment increased from \$40 to \$55 a month.

² Excluding Yukon Territory.