

The most important single project in the Northwest Territories is the extension of the Mackenzie Highway some 280 miles around the west end of Great Slave Lake to Yellowknife. This will give access to the highly mineralized area around Great Slave Lake and provide, as well, an overland route to Yellowknife. In the Yukon, development roads will give improved access to mineralized areas including access to the Eagle Plain oil reservation where a major oil discovery was made in 1959 and large-scale exploration is being conducted.

**Urban Roads.**—Information on urban roads is obtained from urban authorities in places with populations of over 1,000. Brief statistical data are given in Table 3; more detail may be obtained from DBS annual report *Road and Street Mileage and Expenditure* (Catalogue No. 53-201).

**3.—Statistics of Urban Roadways, 1956-58**

Item		1956	1957	1958
<b>Authorities Reporting</b> .....	<b>No.</b>	<b>799</b>	<b>806</b>	<b>826</b>
<b>Total Expenditure Reported</b> .....	<b>\$</b>	<b>106,117,610</b>	<b>124,827,755</b>	<b>135,000,705</b>
New construction.....	\$	45,543,596	52,208,448	52,928,897
Reconstruction, repair, cleaning, sanding and snow removal	\$	60,574,014	72,619,307	82,071,808
<b>Total Urban Mileage</b> .....	<b>No.</b>	<b>22,823</b>	<b>24,841</b>	<b>25,652</b>
Rigid pavement.....	"	6,049	5,239	5,659
Flexible pavement.....	"	5,507 <sup>r</sup>	8,121	8,504
Gravel and other surfaces.....	"	9,132 <sup>r</sup>	9,581	9,741
Earth.....	"	2,135	1,900	1,748

**Section 3.—Motor Vehicles**

**Registration.**—Motor vehicle registrations continue to increase year by year, reaching a record of 4,719,474 in 1958 compared with 4,497,091 in 1957 and 2,034,943 in 1948. Of the total in 1958, 3,572,963 were for passenger cars—one for every five Canadians. Registrations by province are given in Table 4 and types of vehicles registered by province in Table 5.

**4.—Motor Vehicles Registered, by Province, 1949-58**

**Notz.**—Registrations given here include passenger cars, trucks, buses, motorcycles, service cars, etc., but not trailers or dealer licences. Figures for 1904-48 are given in the corresponding table of previous Year Books beginning with the 1937 edition.

Year	Nfld.	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.	Total <sup>1</sup>
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
1949.....	13,981	13,211	83,443	67,280	384,733	970,137	139,836	185,027	200,428	230,008	2,290,628
1950.....	16,375	15,383	94,743	74,415	433,701	1,104,080	157,788	199,866	230,624	270,312	2,600,511
1951.....	20,058	16,896	105,262	83,023	500,729	1,205,098	171,265	215,450	259,841	291,417	2,872,420
1952.....	23,630	18,717	114,982	89,839	574,974	1,291,753	187,881	237,014	291,469	321,482	3,155,824 <sup>r</sup>
1953.....	29,576	20,286	129,564	93,914	617,855	1,406,119	203,652	257,504	318,812	348,830	3,430,672
1954.....	34,423	20,848	133,087	99,058	674,114	1,489,980	210,471	267,373	338,541	371,711	3,644,589
1955.....	39,766	22,145	149,841	106,648	743,682	1,617,853	222,474	274,950	356,839	409,343	3,948,652
1956 <sup>r</sup> .....	45,997	23,373	157,544	111,315	844,827	1,710,240	240,008	291,265	381,153	454,217	4,265,437
1957 <sup>r</sup> .....	47,982	23,725	164,286	116,712	901,065	1,793,499	246,188	300,326	405,229	491,884	4,497,091
1958.....	51,575	25,504	164,954	121,715	968,058	1,868,922	256,064	314,423	430,081	510,893	4,719,474

<sup>1</sup> Includes registrations in the Yukon and Northwest Territories.