large urban centres but in provinces with lower degrees of urbanization, such as the Atlantic Provinces, Saskatchewan and Alberta, convictions are lower when considered in proportion to the number of motor vehicles registered.

Convictions for Drunkenness and Offences against the Liquor Acts.—In considering these convictions it should be noted that the same person may and often does appear before the courts on such charges more than once within a year and that the number of convictions may thus be well above the number of persons convicted.

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Year	Nfld.	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.	Yukon	N.W.T.	Canada
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
1950 1 1951 1952 1953 1954	844 786 1,045 866	1,049 1,007	3,931 4,432 5,457 6,378 5,941	6,036 6,550	10,942 10,222 10,702 9,103 10,663	38,577 36,344 38,108	3,098 3,272	2,264 2,728	4,691 5,141 7,753	13,007 13,479 13,987	213 462 403	104 176 229	83,898 85,682 91,182
1955 1956 1957 1958	1,015 622 1,706 1,155 1,123	1,181 1,493 1,231	6,527 8,953 7,263 6,254 6,443	6,067 6,307 6,941 7,255 6,229	9,786 4,843 5,499 7,932 8,332	39,465 41,237 43,181 41,550 41,251	3,616 4,726 5,342 5,531 5,814		8,833	16,214 19,485 21,717 20,511 19,780	690 1,021 692	1,113 803	101,812 110,162 106,990

17.-Convictions for Drunkenness, by Province, 1950-59

There is general interest in the relation of alcoholism to crime but, when examining statistics to support the assumption that some crimes are associated with the consumption of liquor, it should be observed that accurate interpretation would necessitate allowance for population variables such as age and sex distribution and other classifications according to social and economic status, etc.

18.—C	onvictions	for	Offences	against	the	Liquor	Acts,	by	Province,	1950-59	

Year	Nfld.	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.	Yukon	N.W.T.	Canada
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
1950 1 1951 1952 1953 1954	371 475	280	2,192 2,273 2,236 2,124 2,285	818 1,172 1,221	1,467	14,104 15,050 17,137	1,980 1,961 2,314 2,013 2,501	2,478 2,005 2,527 3,146 3,484	3,757 6,782 5,445	1,508	64 88 243 285 251	94	33,335 34,972
1955 1956 1957 1958	571 431 546 583 481	472 467 522	2,056 2,027 1,893 2,049 2,143	1,032 1,661 2,322	1,322 2,783 1,670 3,206 2,310	22,430 22,527 24,052	4,513 4,097	3,480 4,539 4,286 3,210 4,304	6,867 8,961 9,281	1,545 2,628 2,622 2,576 2,723	116 62 122	72 137	49,280

¹ See footnote to Table 14, p. 318.

Convictions of Females.—The number of convictions against females for summary conviction offences was greater in 1959 than in 1958 by 1.9 p.c. Newfoundland, Saskatchewan, Ontario and Alberta recorded decreases of 36.5 p.c., 23.3 p.c., 7.8 p.c. and 0.4 p.c., respectively. Traffic offences were the cause of 85.8 p.c. of all summary convictions against women in 1959; such convictions rose by 0.8 p.c. as compared with 1958.

¹ See footnote to Table 14, p. 318.