

18.—Fire Losses, by Province, 1956-59

Province or Territory	1956			1957			1958			1959		
	Property Loss ¹						Fires Reported	Property Loss ¹	Loss per Capita			
	\$	\$	\$	No.	\$	\$						
Newfoundland.....	1,510,183	5,396,315	4,726,783	912	2,409,232	5.32						
Prince Edward Island.....	444,180	891,015	1,027,267	442	839,912	8.15						
Nova Scotia.....	4,024,029	3,436,728	3,714,389	2,383	4,571,624	6.36						
New Brunswick.....	3,918,448	4,448,217	3,191,935	2,438	3,726,872	6.26						
Quebec.....	36,900,300	48,408,380	44,776,995	35,794	40,989,820	8.10						
Ontario.....	29,189,908	43,439,433	35,655,789	25,078	40,819,944	6.77						
Manitoba.....	5,046,372	4,005,283	3,782,329	2,080	4,502,141	5.05						
Saskatchewan.....	2,956,382	2,063,809	3,980,048	2,038	3,280,579	3.62						
Alberta.....	6,840,901	6,532,451	6,490,742	4,674	7,102,221	5.62						
British Columbia.....	15,308,745	14,534,628	12,702,394	8,268	14,859,552	9.33						
Yukon and Northwest Territories.....	632,705	336,018	210,025	134	1,430,341	42.07						
Canada.....	106,772,153	133,492,277	120,258,696	84,241	124,532,238	7.06						

¹ Excludes forest fires and Federal Government property losses.

19.—Fire Losses, by Type of Property, 1957-59

Type of Property	1957		1958		1959	
	Fires Reported	Property Loss ¹	Fires Reported	Property Loss ^{1,2}	Fires Reported	Property Loss ¹
	No.	\$	No.	\$	No.	\$
Residential.....	61,099	30,667,492	66,464	27,797,073	63,294	28,654,218
Mercantile.....	7,937	43,902,473	8,480	51,169,929	6,553	35,408,540
Farm.....	5,099	9,445,788	5,141	10,165,959	5,906	11,926,439
Manufacturing.....	1,345	16,355,401	1,473	9,754,931	1,703	17,490,756
Institutional and assembly.....	1,042	7,863,917	1,016	6,287,605	1,050	8,143,459
Miscellaneous.....	5,566	25,257,206	4,345	12,823,916	5,735	22,908,826
Totals.....	82,088	133,492,277	86,919	120,258,696	84,241	121,532,238

¹ Excludes forest fires and Federal Government property losses.

² Addition not accurate; breakdown for Newfoundland not complete.

20.—Value of Property Loss, by Reported Cause of Fire, 1957-59

Reported Cause	1957		1958		1959	
	Fires Reported	Property Loss ¹	Fires Reported	Property Loss ¹	Fires Reported	Property Loss ¹
	No.	\$	No.	\$	No.	\$
Smokers' carelessness.....	31,425	6,022,515	36,052	5,656,205	34,028	5,914,818
Stoves, furnaces, boilers and smoke pipes.....	6,570	6,486,429	7,036	7,785,707	6,348	9,777,523
Electrical wiring and appliances.....	7,461	16,224,484	7,546	13,887,770	7,221	13,805,375
Matches.....	2,307	2,174,771	2,369	1,425,247	2,075	1,374,897
Defective and overheated chimneys and flues.....	3,633	2,628,501	3,372	2,956,795	3,144	3,427,013
Hot ashes, coals and open fires.....	2,014	2,058,806	1,764	1,267,018	1,484	1,455,764
Petroleum and its products.....	1,638	3,140,335	1,129	2,808,010	1,168	2,935,370
Lights, other than electric.....	2,183	6,647,468	1,668	2,841,953	1,497	1,788,180
Lightning.....	2,096	1,407,691	1,903	1,030,148	2,525	2,012,439
Sparks on roofs.....	553	641,494	557	497,647	442	710,105
Exposure fires.....	565	1,511,870	695	1,370,467	663	1,654,976
Spontaneous ignition.....	338	1,656,533	386	1,574,339	377	2,018,170
Incendiarism.....	454	2,019,602	466	2,895,650	501	3,337,622
Miscellaneous known causes (explosions, fireworks, friction, hot grease or metal, steam or hot water pipes, etc.).....	8,022	8,881,661	10,218	10,759,923	10,727	9,679,196
Unknown.....	12,829	71,990,127	11,758	63,501,818	12,041	64,640,790
Totals.....	82,088	133,492,277	86,919	120,258,696	84,241	121,532,238

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