

For an unmarried person, total income including the allowance may not exceed \$1,140 a year. For a married couple the limit is \$1,980 a year except that if the spouse is blind within the meaning of the Blind Persons Act, income of the couple may not exceed \$2,340 a year. Allowances are not paid to a person receiving an allowance under the Blind Persons Act or the War Veterans Allowance Act, assistance under the Old Age Assistance Act, a pension under the Old Age Security Act, or a mother's allowance.

The allowance is not payable to a patient in a mental institution or tuberculosis sanatorium. A recipient who is resident in a nursing home, an infirmary, a home for the aged, an institution for the care of incurables, or a private, charitable or public institution is eligible for the allowance only if the major part of the cost of his accommodation is being paid by himself or another individual. When a recipient is required to enter a public or private hospital, the allowance may be paid for no more than two months of hospitalization in a calendar year, excluding months of admission and release, but for the period that a recipient is in hospital for therapeutic treatment for his disability or rehabilitation, the allowance may continue to be paid.

As in previous years, disabilities in the two medical classes—mental, psychoneurotic and personality disorders, and diseases of the nervous system and sense organs—were found to be the most prevalent among the persons becoming eligible for allowance in the year ended Mar. 31, 1962; diseases of the circulatory system was the third largest class. Mental deficiency, the most frequently occurring disability, accounted for over one quarter of all cases granted an allowance.

Recipients of disability allowances who are in need may receive supplementary aid under general assistance programs in the province. Where the amount of aid is determined through an individual assessment of need, which takes the recipient's requirements and resources into consideration, the Federal Government may share in it under the Unemployment Assistance Act.

6.—Statistics of Allowances for Disabled Persons, by Province, Year Ended Mar. 31, 1962 with Totals for 1958-62

NOTE.—Provincial figures for each year from the inception of the Act to 1961 are given in the corresponding table of previous Year Books beginning with the 1956 edition.

Province or Territory	Recipients in Month of March	Average Amount of Monthly Allowance	P.C. of Recipients to Population Age 20-69	Federal Government Contribution during Year
	No.	\$		\$
Newfoundland	1,292	54.51 ¹	0.616	413,676
Prince Edward Island.....	780	64.44 ²	1.529	258,995
Nova Scotia	2,776	64.02 ²	0.737	908,644
New Brunswick.....	2,000	64.54 ²	0.692	668,392
Quebec.....	22,528	54.09 ²	0.806	7,460,933
Ontario.....	13,762	63.47 ²	0.394	4,503,239
Manitoba.....	1,447	64.04 ²	0.290	477,943
Saskatchewan.....	1,502	54.33 ²	0.315	489,505
Alberta.....	1,762	53.22 ²	0.246	558,533
British Columbia.....	2,156	54.02 ¹	0.239	685,428
Yukon Territory.....	5	55.00 ²	0.060	1,760
Northwest Territories.....	19	55.00 ²	0.157	6,563
Canada	50,029	58.07⁴	0.509	16,433,611
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..... 1961	50,650	53.80	0.522	16,385,820
..... 1960	49,889	53.86	0.520	16,050,514
..... 1959	48,040	53.84	0.508	15,330,368
..... 1958 ⁵	41,840	53.88	0.450	11,091,661

¹ The increase in the maximum rate of allowance from \$55 to \$65 a month was effective in these provinces from Apr. 1, 1962.

² The effective date for the increase from \$55 to \$65 a month in the maximum rate of allowance was Feb. 1, 1962 in these jurisdictions but not all of them had made the adjustments by Mar. 31, 1962.

³ The effective date of the increase from \$55 to \$65 a month in the maximum rate of allowance was July 1, 1962.

⁴ The average monthly allowance was \$64.04 for June 1962, the first month for which an average based on the maximum of \$65 a month was computed.

⁵ Excluding Yukon Territory.