

### Subsection 1.—Elementary and Secondary Schools

**Control.**—Direct control and operation of public schools is by school boards, which operate under school laws and regulations, and the members of which are elected or appointed usually for terms of two or three years. Through amalgamations and consolidations, schools are now operated by boards of larger units, local boards within larger units, independent boards for rural schools, towns or cities, and some by official trustees appointed by the province in lieu of a board. As their designations imply, private schools are administered by private organizations and federal schools by federal authorities.

Table 4 gives the number of active public school boards in each province in the school year ended in 1962 and indicates the type of board, the number of official trustees and the number of board members elected or appointed to these boards.

#### 4.—Active School Boards and School Trustees, by Province, School Year 1961-62

Province or District	Boards of Larger Units	Local Boards within Larger Units	Independent Local Boards	Total Boards	School Boards Composed of Trustees who are—			School Trustees
					All Elected	Some Appointed Some Elected	All Appointed	
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
Newfoundland.....	288	—	—	288	—	—	288	3,079
Prince Edward Island.....	14	—	457	471	469	2	—	1,516
Nova Scotia.....	35	42	1,261	1,338	1,261	—	77	4,311
New Brunswick.....	14	409	82	505	475	16	14	2,474
Quebec—								
Roman Catholic.....	9	72	1,407	1,488	1,486	—	2	7,452
Protestant.....	9	64	147	220	218	1	1	934
Ontario.....	906	11 <sup>1</sup>	3,007	3,924	3,582	62	280	17,855
Manitoba.....	61	38	1,353	1,452	1,452	—	—	4,533
Saskatchewan.....	56	4,789	369	5,214	5,214	—	—	16,073
Alberta <sup>2</sup> .....	59	—	143	202	202	—	—	889
British Columbia <sup>3</sup> .....	83	—	17	100	87	13	—	565
Mackenzie District.....	—	—	3	3	3	—	—	11
<b>Totals.....</b>	<b>1,534</b>	<b>5,425</b>	<b>8,246</b>	<b>15,205</b>	<b>14,449</b>	<b>94</b>	<b>662</b>	<b>59,692</b>

<sup>1</sup> Boards of Education, members of Toronto Metropolitan Board.      <sup>2</sup> Ten school districts are under an official trustee or trustees.

<sup>3</sup> In addition, five school districts are under an official trustee or trustees.

**Enrolment.**—Table 5 shows enrolment of all elementary and secondary pupils in Canada and in Department of National Defence schools overseas, and classifies them by grade. Private schools and schools for Indian and Eskimo children are included in these figures. Enrolment in private schools accounted for 4 p.c. of the total 1961-62 enrolment at the elementary and secondary levels. Schools operated by Federal Government departments, that is, schools for Indian children, schools in the Territories and overseas schools for children of Service personnel, accounted for about 1 p.c. of the total.

School enrolment has been increasing in recent years much more rapidly than the general population. Annual rates of increase in total school enrolment for the four most recent years ranged from 4.7 p.c. to 4.9 p.c., while the country's population during the same period increased annually by amounts varying from 1.8 p.c. to 2.2 p.c.