Motor Transport Traffic.*—Surveys of motor transport traffic in all provinces were placed on a continuing basis in 1957. Approximately 3 p.c. of total registrations were sampled for surveys of truck operations during each quarter of 1960. Each quarterly sample was spread over three survey weeks with one third of the sample being used for a seven-day period (Sunday through Saturday) per month.

Excluding vehicles that do not perform normal transportation services, such as cranes, tow trucks, road building equipment, etc., the average number of trucks licensed in Canada during the year 1961 was 942,900. Of these, 6.2 p.c. were for-hire carriers, 21.1 p.c. were private intercity trucks, 39.3 p.c. were private trucks operated predominantly within urban areas, and 33.4 p.c. were farm trucks. Almost one third of the total number were registered in Ontario and one half were registered in the two provinces of Ontario and Quebec.

For-hire trucks averaged 200,900 net ton-miles per vehicle and, although amounting to only 6.2 p.c. of total registrations, they accounted for 65 p.c. of the total net ton-miles performed by all commercial trucks in Canada, a result of the comparatively high average yearly milage of for-hire trucks and also of the heavier average load carried (10.8 tons as compared with an average of 5.2 tons for all trucks). The predominance of heavier vehicles in the for-hire group also explains the low milage per gallon of gasoline of 6.0 as compared with an average of 9.3 for all vehicles.

12.—Summary Statistics of Truck Population and Traffic, by Type of Operation, 1960 and 1961

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|---|--|---|--|---|---|
| Year and Item | For-Hire | Private | | | Total |
| | | Intercity | Urban | Farm | 1 Otal |
| 1960 | | | j | | |
| Average Truck Population No. Atlantic Provinces. " Quebec " Ontario " Manitoba " Saskatchewan " Alberta " British Columbia " | 55,016 2,075 13,700 20,741 1,500 1,600 9,400 6,000 | 185,919 36,262 29,353 61,956 2,700 8,618 18,760 28,270 | 361,845 21,971 86,947 137,550 23,700 12,782 25,340 53,555 | 306,620 11,692 35,500 62,253 32,600 81,400 71,000 12,175 | 909,400 72,000 165,500 282,500 60,500 104,400 124,500 100,000 |
| Miles Travelled. '000,000 Atlantic Provinces. " Quebec. " Ontario. " Manitoba. " Saskatchewan. " Alberta. " British Columbia. " | 1,348.4 28.9 288.7 526.3 77.3 60.3 255.4 111.5 | 1,861.9 267.1 401.2 662.1 40.2 95.2 170.9 225.2 | 2,104.4 108.8 642.6 753.4 171.8 62.5 126.5 238.8 | 963.3 43.2 122.7 189.7 81.2 227.7 255.7 43.1 | 6,278.1 448.0 1,455.2 2,131.5 370.6 445.7 808.5 618.6 |
| Miles per gallon of gasoline | 6.0 10.1 181,500 56.8 407,600 | 9.9 4.2 18,200 40.0 54,600 | 11.0 1.7 4,900 34.4 19,700 | 12.7 1.4 1,500 27.1 7,300 | 9.6 5.0 17,200 47.4 46,500 |
| 1961 | | | | | |
| Average Truck Population No. Atlantic Provinces " Quebec " Ontario " Manitoba " Saskatchewan " Alberta " British Columbia " | 58,306 2,001 14,800 21,305 1,600 1,700 10,700 6,200 | 198,804 37,013 34,684 69,283 2,900 9,542 19,664 25,718 | 370,942 22,326 87,816 139,398 25,700 12,558 24,536 58,608 | 314,848 11,360 40,400 62,314 33,300 83,900 72,200 11,374 | 942,900 72,700 177,700 292,300 63,500 107,700 127,100 101,900 6,760.5 |
| Miles Travelled | 1,486.2 30.2 301.1 587.9 | 2,126.4 293.5 468.9 785.2 | 2,224.0 121.7 657.2 797.5 | 923.9 45.0 123.6 186.7 | 490.4 1,550.8 2, 357.3 |

^{*} Statistics are given in more detail in DBS annual reports Motor Transport Traffic for Canada and the provinces (Catalogue Nos. 53-207—53-214).