

Section 3.—Control and Sale of Alcoholic Beverages

The retail sale of alcoholic beverages in Canada is controlled by provincial and territorial government liquor control authorities. Alcoholic beverages are sold directly by most of these liquor control authorities to the consumer or to licensees for resale. However, in some provinces beer and wine are sold directly by breweries and wineries to consumers or to licensees for resale. During the year ended Mar. 31, 1962, provincial government liquor control authorities operated 950 retail stores.

Table 1 shows revenue from administration of liquor control by provincial and territorial governments. Details are given in DBS report, *The Control and Sale of Alcoholic Beverages in Canada* (Catalogue No. 63-202).

1.—Provincial Revenue from Administration of Liquor Control, Years Ended Mar. 31, 1961 and 1962

NOTE.—Figures include revenue collected directly by the provincial and territorial governments as well as revenue of the liquor authorities, but exclude revenue resulting from a general retail sales tax on alcoholic beverages levied by eight provinces.

Year and Province or Territory	Net Income from Sales ¹	Sales Tax	Licences and Permits ²	Fines and Confiscations ²	Total
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
1961					
Newfoundland.....	2,377	...	2,000 ³	26	4,403
Prince Edward Island.....	1,305	392	33	15	1,745
Nova Scotia.....	11,710	...	294	61	12,065
New Brunswick.....	8,220	...	16	33	8,269
Quebec.....	32,583	2,010	14,144	326	49,063
Ontario.....	55,269	...	26,373	145	81,787
Manitoba.....	11,657	...	2,752	177	14,586
Saskatchewan.....	13,673	...	19	148	13,840
Alberta.....	19,940	...	934	332	21,206
British Columbia.....	27,898	...	514	..	28,412
Yukon Territory.....	861	79	10	9	959
Northwest Territories.....	670	...	57	—	727
Canada, 1961.....	186,163	2,481	47,146	1,272	237,062
1962					
Newfoundland.....	2,431	...	2,183 ³	26	4,640
Prince Edward Island.....	1,397	422	26	18	1,863
Nova Scotia.....	12,317	...	315	49	12,681
New Brunswick.....	9,534	...	7	35	9,576
Quebec.....	37,031	140 ⁴	16,878	432	54,481
Ontario.....	56,802	...	26,996	159	83,957
Manitoba.....	11,989	...	2,896	158	15,043
Saskatchewan.....	13,858	...	102	192	14,152
Alberta.....	21,117	...	965	383	22,465
British Columbia.....	28,866	...	526	..	29,392
Yukon Territory.....	874	80	11	8	973
Northwest Territories.....	734	...	74	—	808
Canada, 1962.....	196,950	642	50,979	1,460	250,031

¹ After provision for depreciation on fixed assets and capital expenditure met out of operating income; includes commission on general sales tax collections.

² Before deducting any payments to municipalities out of liquor control authority revenue.

³ Includes \$1,897,000 in 1961 and \$2,068,000 in 1962 commission on beer sold direct from local breweries to the public through licensed outlets under controlled prices.

⁴ The unemployment tax on sales of alcoholic beverages was repealed on Apr. 13, 1961.

Specified revenue of the Government of Canada from alcoholic beverages comprising excise duties, excise taxes, customs duties and certain fees and licences in that connection are shown in Table 2.