

Canadian Registry.—Under Part I of the Canada Shipping Act, ships in excess of 15 tons net register and pleasure yachts in excess of 20 tons net are required to be registered; ships of lower tonnage may be registered voluntarily, otherwise they are required to be operated under a Vessel Licence if powered by a motor of 10 hp. or more. Sect. 6 of the Act restricts ownership to British subjects or bodies corporate incorporated under the law of a country of the Commonwealth or of the Republic of Ireland, and having their principal place of business in those countries. Under the British Commonwealth Merchant Shipping Agreement, all Commonwealth ships are given the general designation 'British Ship', and a ship that should be but is not registered is not entitled to the privileges accorded to British ships. Ships in the planning stage or in course of construction may be recorded before registry by a Registrar of Shipping at one of the 73 Ports of Registry in Canada.

1.—Vessels on the Canadian Shipping Registry, by Province, as at Dec. 31, 1961-63

NOTE.—Figures from 1935 are given in the corresponding table of previous Year Books beginning with the 1941 edition.

Province or Territory	1961		1962		1963	
	Ships	Gross Tonnage	Ships	Gross Tonnage	Ships	Gross Tonnage
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
Newfoundland	808	73,034	809	77,194	810	82,784
Prince Edward Island	668	17,376	752	20,250	779	20,219
Nova Scotia	6,055	123,386	6,326	148,198	6,600	155,388
New Brunswick	1,983	74,188	2,126	78,856	2,232	91,936
Quebec	2,546	816,325	2,678	814,444	2,780	892,466
Ontario	2,376	890,574	2,425	888,440	2,462	917,653
Manitoba	107	16,761	105	16,808	109	17,586
Alberta	11	531	12	681	12	681
British Columbia	6,499	617,330	6,755	653,433	7,006	678,598
Yukon Territory	6	1,435	6	1,435	6	1,435
Totals	21,659	2,630,940	21,994	2,699,739	22,796	2,858,746

Shipping Traffic.—Before 1952 the only information available on shipping activity in Canada was the number and registered net tonnage of vessels operating in and out of Canadian customs ports and the tonnage of cargoes loaded and unloaded at these ports destined for or arriving from foreign countries. In 1952 the coastwise movement of cargo in and out of customs ports was reported for the first time and in January 1957 the coverage was extended to include tonnage of vessels and tons of cargo in and out of non-customs ports. Reports are not required for vessels of less than 15 registered net tons, for naval vessels, or (commencing with 1962) for fishing vessels.

2.—Vessels Entered at Canadian Ports, 1953-62

NOTE.—Figures from 1929 are given in the corresponding table of previous Year Books beginning with the 1941 edition.

Year	In Foreign Service ¹		In Coasting Service		Totals	
	Vessels	Net Tons Registered	Vessels	Net Tons Registered	Vessels	Net Tons Registered
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
1953	34,400	56,589,078	88,675	67,417,391	123,075	124,006,469
1954	34,079	54,767,687	84,890	64,291,085	118,969	119,058,772
1955	34,432	58,018,365	86,010	67,228,840	120,442	125,247,205
1956	35,315	63,105,100	88,640	75,220,366	123,955	138,325,466
1957	35,352	66,149,552	104,079	76,535,160	139,431	142,684,712
1958	30,710	57,738,034	100,234	76,197,625	130,944	133,935,659
1959	33,251	67,526,464	110,702	85,536,408	143,953	153,062,872
1960	33,397	74,805,002	120,125	88,493,116	153,522	163,298,118
1961	31,832	77,140,524	115,339	91,157,708	147,171	168,298,232
1962	30,269	81,942,501	112,325	87,767,018	142,594	169,709,519

¹ Sea-going and inland international.