

20.—Underwriting Account and Analysis of Surplus of Canadian Companies and Underwriting Account and Investment Income in Canada of British and Foreign Companies Transacting Fire and Casualty Insurance under Federal Registration, 1963 and 1964—concluded.

Item	1963	1964
	\$	\$
<b>British Companies</b>		
<b>Underwriting Account in Canada—</b>		
Underwriting income earned.....	183,485,552	196,047,928
Less disbursements:		
Claims incurred.....	126,689,766	124,428,836
Commissions and general expenses.....	76,847,284	82,490,780
Premium taxes, licences and fees.....	4,478,818	4,784,820
Dividends to policyholders.....	13,192	1,800
Underwriting gain or loss (—).....	-24,543,508	-15,658,308
Income taxes.....	-271,670	64,605
Investment income.....	10,845,854	10,943,710
<b>Foreign Companies</b>		
<b>Underwriting Account in Canada—</b>		
Underwriting income earned.....	335,016,874	363,692,723
Less disbursements:		
Claims incurred.....	224,328,325	241,573,050
Commissions and general expenses.....	115,056,453	119,436,460
Premium taxes, licences and fees.....	8,080,064	8,822,383
Dividends to policyholders.....	4,833,058	6,806,665
Underwriting gain or loss (—).....	-17,281,026	-12,945,835
Income taxes.....	157,338	1,250,689
Investment income.....	19,494,449	20,161,637

### Section 3.—Government Insurance

#### Federal Government Insurance

For more than fifty years the Federal Government has operated an annuity service, instituted to assist Canadians to make provision for old age; this service is described below. In addition, various insurance schemes have been adopted in recent years by the Federal Government or co-operatively by the federal and provincial governments. Information on unemployment insurance, health insurance, veterans insurance, export credits insurance, etc., will be found in the appropriate Chapters on Labour, Health and Welfare, Foreign Trade, etc.

**Government Annuities.\***—The Government Annuities Act (RSC 1952, c. 132) was passed in 1908 and is administered by the Minister of Labour.

A Canadian Government annuity is a fixed yearly income purchased from and paid by the Government of Canada. The annuity is payable in monthly instalments for life, or for life and guaranteed for a period of years. The minimum annuity is \$10 and the maximum \$1,200 a year or the actuarial equivalent if the annuity is to reduce by the amount of payments under the Old Age Security Act. Annuity contracts may be deferred or immediate. Deferred annuities are purchased by periodic or single premiums. Immediate annuity contracts provide immediate income. Annuities may be arranged to reduce by \$75 a month when payments under the Old Age Security Act begin.

The property and interest of the annuitant are neither transferable nor attachable. In the event of the death of the annuitant before a deferred annuity vests, all money paid is refunded with interest. Provision is made in the Act for group annuity contracts whereby employers may contract for the purchase of annuities on behalf of their employees, or associations on behalf of their members, the purchase money being derived partly from wages and partly from employer contributions or entirely from employer contributions.

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