

(1) if the person were tried on several charges, the offence selected is that for which proceedings were carried to the farthest stage—conviction and sentence; (2) if there were several convictions, the offence selected is that for which the heaviest punishment was awarded; (3) if the final result of proceedings on two or more charges were the same, the offence selected is the more serious one, as measured by the maximum penalty allowed by the law; (4) if a person were prosecuted for one offence and convicted of another—for example, charged with murder and convicted of manslaughter—the offence selected is the one for which the person was convicted.

In 1965 there were 46,662 adults charged with 83,796 indictable offences, of whom 41,832 were found guilty of 75,300 offences. In the previous year there were 46,551 adults charged with 84,546 indictable offences, of whom 42,097 were found guilty of 76,310 offences.

**1.—Persons Charged and Persons Convicted of Indictable Offences, with Ratio per 100,000 Population 16 Years of Age or Over, by Province, 1964 and 1965**

Province or Territory	Persons Charged		Persons Convicted				Persons Convicted per 100,000 Population 16 Years of Age or Over	
	1964	1965	1964		1965		1964	1965
	No.	No.	No.	p c.	No.	p.c.	No.	No.
Newfoundland.....	859	784	825	96.0	761	97.1	296	267
Prince Edward Island.....	51	183	48	94.1	178	97.3	72	262
Nova Scotia.....	1,656	1,625	1,470	88.8	1,446	89.0	304	297
New Brunswick.....	1,246	1,065	1,199	96.2	1,034	97.1	320	271
Quebec.....	9,559	10,130	8,670	90.7	9,095	89.8	246	251
Ontario.....	16,122	16,392	14,063	87.2	14,393	87.8	324	323
Manitoba.....	2,902	2,906	2,757	95.0	2,643	90.9	438	417
Saskatchewan.....	2,210	2,028	2,099	95.0	1,890	92.2	349	310
Alberta.....	4,860	4,526	4,608	94.8	4,234	93.5	514	465
British Columbia.....	6,903	6,789	6,188	89.6	5,941	87.5	530	493
Yukon and Northwest Territories.....	182	234	170	93.4	217	92.7	726	969
<b>Canada.....</b>	<b>46,551</b>	<b>46,662</b>	<b>42,097</b>	<b>90.4</b>	<b>41,832</b>	<b>89.6</b>	<b>340</b>	<b>330</b>

Table 2 classifies indictable offences by type of offence for 1964 and 1965. Class I covers offences against the person and in 1965 there were 6,072 males and 313 females convicted in this category, mostly for assaults of various kinds. Classes II to IV deal with offences against property. Thefts predominate among the offences in these classes, and breaking and entering and robbery, serious crimes which involve acts of violence, are the next most numerous. Class V deals with offences relating to currency and Class VI with miscellaneous offences; among the latter, the most numerous convictions are for offences connected with gaming, betting and lotteries. In 1965 there were 279 men and 124 women convicted under federal statutes of whom 225 men and 119 women were offenders under the Narcotic Control Act.