

Preface

The 1975 edition of the *Canada Year Book* continues the series of comprehensive annual reviews of social, economic and political developments in Canada published since 1905.

This edition maintains the pattern established in the last two editions. Several chapters, however, have been revised. The chapter on government, for example, covers more fully Canada's relations with the United Nations and its specialized institutions; a new section has been added to the education chapter to reflect the increased involvement of governments in the arts, and to describe the role of national museums; the chapter on scientific research has an expanded section describing government programs to aid industrial research. The chapters on energy and telecommunications have been rewritten to reflect developments in these rapidly evolving areas.

While the text and tables in the *Canada Year Book* are based on data available at the time of preparation, more recent and detailed information may be obtained from the sources listed at the end of each chapter.

Publication of a special edition of the *Canada Year Book*, covering 1976 and 1977, and carrying both metric and imperial units, is planned for the fall of 1977. It will serve as a standing reference work and guide as Canada continues its transition to the metric system.

We wish to thank the many outside contributors as well as our colleagues in Statistics Canada who, through their efforts and specialized knowledge, have made this volume possible.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'P. Kirkham', with a stylized flourish at the end.

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Ottawa, December 1975