

enforcement statistics), known as the Uniform Crime Reporting Program, was started on January 1, 1962. The program was developed by the (then) Dominion Bureau of Statistics in co-operation with the Canadian Association of Chiefs of Police Committee on Uniform Crime Reporting.

As shown in Table 2.2, police personnel in Canada numbered 56,117 at the end of 1973, including 45,889 sworn-in police officers, 9,663 other full-time employees serving as clerks, technicians, artisans, commissionaires, guards, special constables, etc. and 565 cadets. The ratio of police personnel per 1,000 population was 2.5 and the ratio of police was 2.1. Provincial and territorial ratios for police personnel ranged from 1.3 to 3.7 per 1,000 persons and for police only from 1.3 to 2.4. Total municipal police personnel numbered 31,329 made up of 29,090 members of municipal forces; 2,191 Royal Canadian Mounted Police and 48 Ontario Provincial Police under municipal contracts.

Five policemen were killed by criminal action during 1973 and seven policemen lost their lives accidentally while on duty. Police transport facilities at the end of the year included 10,182 automobiles, 819 motorcycles, 361 other motor vehicles, 448 boats, 25 aircraft, 231 horses and 128 service dogs.

Table 2.3 shows the number of crimes dealt with by the police in 1973 including offences under the criminal code, federal statutes, provincial statutes and municipal by-laws other than traffic; offences cleared by charge and otherwise; and the number of adults and juveniles charged. Offences reported or known to police which investigation proved unfounded are not shown but numbered 110,520 including 89,895 under criminal code classifications; 11,894 under federal statutes; 6,684 under provincial statutes; and 2,047 under municipal by-laws.

During 1973, police reported 104,594 offences against the person including 474 murders, 483 attempted murders, 11,994 rape and other sexual offences, and 91,577 offences of wounding and other assaults (not indecent). All offences against the person resulted in the charging of 38,318 persons, 2,155 of them juveniles. During the year there were 846,314 cases of robbery, breaking and entering, theft, fraud and other offences against property resulting in 164,377 persons charged, 42,159 of them juvenile males and 5,540 juvenile females. There were 3,573 cases of prostitution, 3,009 gaming and betting, 8,949 offensive weapons and 332,112 other criminal code offences. In addition to 42,786 offences under various federal statutes, there were 46,451 under the Narcotic Control Act and 6,321 under the controlled and restricted drug parts of the Food and Drugs Act. These two classifications resulted in the charging of 45,876 persons including 2,112 juvenile males and 371 juvenile females.

Provincial and territorial fire marshals and commissioners reported 4,480 suspected or known incendiary offences of which 966 were proven unfounded after investigation; 731 cases were cleared by charge and 502 cleared otherwise. Charges were laid against 615 adults and 250 juveniles.

There were 69,838 motor vehicles stolen (an estimated 644.9 per 100,000 registered vehicles), 61,367 or 87.9% of these vehicles were recovered. Police were asked to locate 23,902 missing adults and 57,197 missing juveniles of whom 22,864 adults and 57,197 juveniles were located. Police reported investigating death by drowning of 1,440 persons.

During 1973, police departments reported 192,914 (185,013 in 1972) criminal code traffic offences resulting in 139,063 (132,920) persons charged, 4,527 (3,708) of them females. Total traffic charges under other federal statutes numbered 8,734 (5,425); 1,962,416 provincial statutes (other than the three selected offences almost identical to those under the criminal code that are shown separately in Table 2.4) (2,012,035 in 1972) and 401,833 (432,772) municipal by-laws excluding parking. Parking violations numbered 5,126,586 (5,960,530).

There were 664,033 (610,836) traffic accidents reported of which 5,319 (5,345) involved fatalities, 149,094 (139,825) resulted in injuries and 509,620 (465,666) involved property damage over \$200 (\$100 in Quebec). There were 6,404 (6,373) persons killed in traffic accidents including 4,877 (4,858) drivers and passengers, 1,216 (1,276) pedestrians, 222 (219) cyclists and 89 (20) others. Persons injured numbered 218,778 (204,587).

2.8 Crime and delinquency

2.8.1 Adult offenders and convictions

Offences may be classified under two headings, "indictable offences" and "offences punishable on summary conviction". Indictable offences are grouped in two main categories: