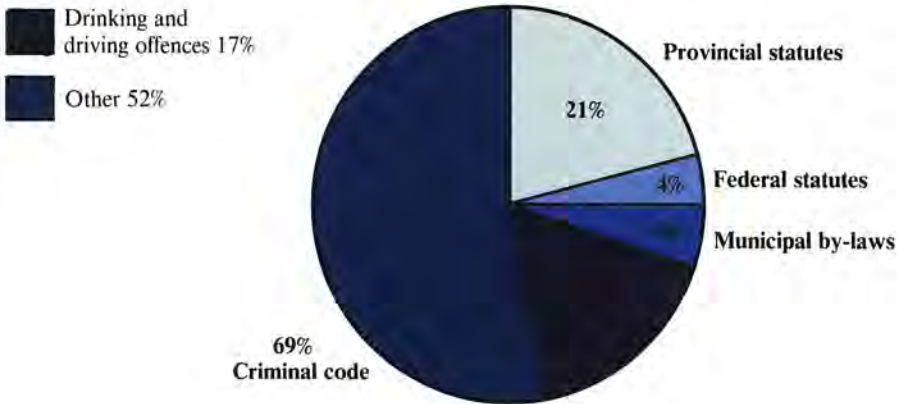


Chart 20.2

Sentenced admissions to provincial custody ⁽¹⁾ by major offence, 1982-83

Major offences: 131,291 admissions



(1) Includes offenders who are subsequently admitted to federal custody after a 30-day appeal period.

provides police services to 188 municipalities, assuming enforcement responsibility of municipal as well as criminal and provincial laws. Yukon and Northwest Territories are policed exclusively by the RCMP so criminal offences, federal statutes and all ordinances of the territories fall within RCMP responsibility. The force maintains liaison officers in London, Paris, Bonn, Rome, Hong Kong, Washington, Sydney, Vienna, Buenos Aires, Brussels, Santiago, Bogota, New Delhi, Abidjan, Tel Aviv, Kingston, Tokyo, Nairobi, Beirut, Mexico City, The Hague, Lima, Manila, Stockholm, Berne, Bangkok and Port of Spain, and represents Canada in the International Criminal Police Organization with headquarters in Paris.

The force has 13 operational divisions across Canada: they comprise two districts and 48 subdivisions which include 716 detachments. The headquarters division, as well as the office of the commissioner, is in Ottawa. Divisional headquarters, for the most part, are located in provincial or territorial capitals.

A national police information centre at RCMP headquarters is staffed and operated by the force. Law enforcement agencies throughout Canada have access via remote terminals to information on stolen vehicles, licences, wanted persons and stolen property.

The RCMP operates the Canadian Police College at which force members and selected representatives of other Canadian and foreign forces may study crime prevention and detection.

As of December 31, 1983 the force had a total authorized strength of 19,577 including regular members, special constables, civilian members and public service employees.

Ontario Provincial Police, a Crown force, is the third largest deployed force in North America, with an authorized strength of 5,315 (1983) uniformed and civilian personnel.

The force operates under the ministry of the solicitor general for Ontario and is administered by a commissioner from general headquarters at Toronto. Operational and administrative responsibility is maintained by three deputy commissioners in the areas of field, investigations and administration. At the next level, chief superintendents administer seven divisions: field operations, field support, investigation, investigation support, personnel management, supply and planning and technology.

The mandate of the force is set out under the Ontario Police Act (RSO 1980). The Ontario Provincial Police Force enforces federal and provincial statutes in areas not required to maintain their own police departments, maintains a traffic