

The number and net tonnage of the vessels on the registry of Canada, as at the end of each of the calendar years from 1914 to 1923, are given by provinces in Table 59.

59.—Number and net Tonnage of Vessels on the Registry of Shipping of Canada, by Provinces, Dec. 31, 1914-1923.

NOTE.—The census of registered vessels made by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics recorded, on Jan. 1, 1919, only 5,849 vessels of 893,865 tons, in comparison with the 8,568 vessels of 1,016,778 tons shown below. Further details may be found in the Census of Registered Vessels in Canada, 1918.

| Provinces. | 1914. | | 1915. | | 1916. | | 1917. | | 1918. | |
|-------------------|--------------|----------------|--------------|----------------|--------------|----------------|--------------|----------------|--------------|------------------|
| | No. | Tonnage. | No. | Tonnage. | No. | Tonnage. | No. | Tonnage. | No. | Tonnage. |
| P. E. Island..... | 149 | 10,029 | 158 | 11,518 | 155 | 10,652 | 157 | 10,955 | 158 | 10,805 |
| Nova Scotia..... | 2,098 | 135,053 | 2,087 | 125,567 | 2,064 | 123,058 | 2,010 | 119,805 | 1,948 | 124,517 |
| New Brunswick.. | 1,052 | 55,522 | 1,068 | 56,219 | 1,074 | 49,817 | 1,074 | 49,883 | 1,043 | 49,483 |
| Quebec..... | 1,663 | 259,143 | 1,590 | 267,897 | 1,452 | 273,770 | 1,391 | 283,942 | 1,318 | 275,235 |
| Ontario..... | 2,100 | 314,660 | 2,111 | 312,971 | 2,116 | 328,531 | 2,079 | 311,283 | 2,064 | 312,865 |
| Manitoba..... | 103 | 7,999 | 84 | 7,480 | 95 | 8,953 | 90 | 9,834 | 96 | 9,791 |
| Saskatchewan.... | 5 | 529 | 5 | 530 | 5 | 530 | 5 | 530 | 5 | 529 |
| British Columbia | 1,591 | 147,192 | 1,643 | 144,835 | 1,687 | 145,525 | 1,734 | 183,002 | 1,928 | 231,513 |
| Yukon Territory | 11 | 2,295 | 11 | 2,295 | 11 | 2,295 | 10 | 2,204 | 8 | 2,040 |
| Total..... | 8,772 | 932,422 | 8,757 | 929,312 | 8,659 | 943,131 | 8,559 | 971,438 | 8,568 | 1,016,778 |

| Provinces. | 1919. | | 1920. | | 1921. | | 1922. | | 1923. | |
|-------------------|--------------|------------------|--------------|------------------|--------------|------------------|--------------|------------------|--------------|------------------|
| | No. | Tonnage. | No. | Tonnage. | No. | Tonnage. | No. | Tonnage. | No. | Tonnage. |
| P. E. Island..... | 158 | 10,726 | 143 | 9,993 | 137 | 9,560 | 138 | 9,615 | 133 | 9,600 |
| Nova Scotia..... | 1,965 | 158,100 | 1,709 | 152,130 | 1,550 | 153,461 | 1,523 | 146,329 | 1,505 | 140,641 |
| New Brunswick.. | 1,018 | 42,050 | 917 | 38,634 | 859 | 40,456 | 866 | 39,107 | 873 | 38,798 |
| Quebec..... | 1,340 | 342,424 | 1,321 | 409,442 | 1,252 | 449,817 | 1,314 | 459,207 | 1,298 | 443,177 |
| Ontario..... | 1,986 | 320,065 | 1,793 | 313,875 | 1,681 | 306,944 | 1,693 | 316,524 | 1,677 | 317,850 |
| Manitoba..... | 89 | 9,160 | 83 | 9,119 | 86 | 9,599 | 91 | 10,340 | 93 | 10,207 |
| Saskatchewan.... | 5 | 529 | 4 | 393 | 5 | 447 | 4 | 813 | 6 | 486 |
| British Columbia | 2,006 | 207,708 | 1,930 | 217,481 | 1,908 | 252,876 | 2,006 | 259,103 | 2,101 | 268,489 |
| Yukon Territory. | 6 | 1,133 | 4 | 813 | 4 | 813 | 6 | 486 | 8 | 1,632 |
| Total..... | 8,573 | 1,091,895 | 7,904 | 1,151,880 | 7,482 | 1,223,973 | 7,641 | 1,241,524 | 7,694 | 1,230,880 |

6.—The Department of Marine and Fisheries.

Administration of the general shipping interests of Canada is in the hands of the Department of Marine and Fisheries. Its more important functions include:— (1) administration of the Canada Shipping Act and other Acts of the Dominion Government relating to marine transportation; (2) pilotage; (3) the construction and maintenance of lighthouses, lightships, fog alarms, buoys and beacons; (4) ports, harbours, piers, wharves and breakwaters; (5) the Meteorological Service of Canada; (6) sick and distressed seamen, and the establishment, regulation and management of marine and seamen's hospitals; (7) river and harbour police; (8)