

There is general interest in the relation of alcoholism to crime but when examining statistics to support the assumption that some crimes are associated with the consumption of liquor it should be observed that accurate interpretation would necessitate allowance for population variables such as age and sex distribution and other classifications according to social and economic status, etc.

19.—Convictions for Offences against the Liquor Acts, by Province, Years Ended Sept. 30, 1942-50 and Dec. 31, 1951

NOTE.—See headnote to Table 1, p. 280. Figures for 1900-41 are given in the corresponding tables of previous Year Books beginning with the 1933 edition.

Year	Nfld.	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.	Yukon	N. W. T.	Canada
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	
1942.....	...	188	1,323	477	3,037	6,901	1,130	982	1,294	1,508	24	34	16,898
1943.....	...	118	1,369	473	2,070	6,751	1,086	1,099	1,106	944	47	36	15,099
1944.....	...	56	2,240	814	1,287	8,332	1,057	1,010	1,108	1,047	119	23	17,093
1945.....	...	155	2,324	911	2,626	10,655	1,429	1,416	1,454	1,215	39	13	22,237
1946.....	...	374	3,436	1,411	2,274	15,779	2,059	2,697	2,514	2,615	57	146	33,362
1947.....	...	354	2,503	1,742	1,494	12,889	2,229	2,712	2,623	1,741	46	153	28,486
1948.....	...	329	2,274	1,274	1,519	13,891	1,921	2,311	2,670	1,443	39	73	27,744
1949.....	...	439	2,053	1,278	1,969	14,339	1,574	2,418	3,081	1,098	—	10	28,259
1950.....	...	268	2,192	1,172	3,121	15,761	1,980	2,478	3,504	1,164	64	34	31,738
1951.....	371	266	2,273	818	1,467	14,104	1,961	2,005	3,757	1,251	88	44	28,405

20.—Convictions of Females for Non-indictable Offences, by Province, Years Ended Sept. 30, 1947-50 and Dec. 31, 1951

NOTE.—See headnote to Table 1, p. 280.

Province or Territory	Numbers of Convictions					Percentages of Convictions of Females to Total Convictions				
	1947	1948	1949	1950	1951	1947	1948	1949	1950	1951
	Newfoundland.....	206
Prince Edward Island.....	43	65	66	67	40	1.5	2.5	2.1	3.2	1.8
Nova Scotia.....	383	469	349	389	471	3.2	3.5	2.8	3.0	3.2
New Brunswick.....	480	348	373	446	501	3.4	2.9	2.8	2.1	2.0
Quebec.....	6,738	6,803	7,404	10,398	9,056	3.6	3.7	3.2	3.7	3.4
Ontario.....	20,581	33,360	42,022	56,225	57,135	5.1	8.1	8.2	9.1	8.5
Manitoba.....	1,715	1,812	2,135	1,684	1,745	3.6	3.6	3.0	2.1	1.5
Saskatchewan.....	526	513	476	595	592	3.5	3.4	2.9	2.6	2.6
Alberta.....	1,057	1,156	1,224	1,194	1,208	5.7	6.2	4.8	4.2	3.0
British Columbia.....	2,936	7,254	7,216	9,972	13,596	6.4	9.3	7.7	8.5	9.8
Yukon and N.W.T.....	49	76	16	42	51	7.5	13.9	5.5	5.8	4.1
Canada.....	34,598	51,856	61,281	81,012	84,601	4.6	6.3	6.3	6.8	6.5

Conviction of Females.—The number of convictions against females for non-indictable offences has increased steadily each year since 1944; the increase in the calendar year 1951 over the year ended Sept. 30, 1950, amounted to 4.4 p.c. Only three provinces, Prince Edward Island, Quebec and Saskatchewan recorded decreases in 1951 from the previous reporting year. British Columbia, Nova Scotia and New Brunswick showed the largest percentage increases in summary convictions against females—36.3 p.c., 21.1 p.c. and 12.3 p.c., respectively.

Total traffic offences for which women were responsible increased in 1951 over 1950 by 9.5 p.c. and were the cause of 82.7 p.c. of the summary convictions against them.