

Sales of Gasoline.—Sales during the war years were, of course, materially affected by rationing; the yearly increases since that period have resulted from the removal of restrictions and the great increase in motor-vehicle registrations.

7.—Sales of Gasoline, by Province, 1947-51

Province	1947	1948	1949	1950	1951
	gal.	gal.	gal.	gal.	gal.
Newfoundland.....	1	1	1
Prince Edward Island.....	6,963,412	7,288,125	8,240,105	9,085,340	10,245,817
Nova Scotia.....	51,647,756	53,136,982	57,443,469	61,348,662	65,776,919
New Brunswick.....	49,935,462	54,186,447	56,685,862	58,814,989	63,615,057
Quebec.....	247,467,957	280,857,736	304,139,386	340,621,374	372,853,122
Ontario.....	501,433,196	562,530,157	623,684,828	687,729,936	766,491,887
Manitoba.....	83,145,966	90,601,589	104,023,413	112,495,837	127,658,248
Saskatchewan.....	142,368,203	147,446,058	168,266,743	176,118,129	192,585,333
Alberta.....	171,112,439	190,608,360	218,935,855	241,387,708	272,991,830
British Columbia.....	117,497,292	130,909,076	142,297,406	155,423,743	173,070,142
Totals, Gross Sales.....	1,371,571,683	1,517,564,530	1,683,717,067	1,843,025,718	2,045,288,355
Refunds and exemptions.....	338,664,239	384,330,757	436,022,855	461,777,271	527,198,497
Totals, Net Sales.....	1,032,907,444	1,133,233,773	1,254,882,212¹	1,390,090,447¹	1,528,905,858¹

¹ Estimated net sales for Newfoundland, amounting to 7,188,000 gal. in 1949, 8,842,000 gal. in 1950, and 10,816,000 gal. in 1951, are included in net totals; gross sales are not available.

Motor-Carriers.*—The lack of statistical information regarding commercial traffic on the highways led to the institution, in 1941, of a census of motor-carriers. The carriers are divided into two classes: passenger and freight. Each of these is subdivided into (a) carriers with annual revenue of \$20,000 or over; (b) carriers with revenue of \$8,000 to \$20,000; and (c) carriers with revenue under \$8,000. Bus companies handling urban traffic, exclusively, are compiled as a class. Many street-railway systems operate motor-buses, but the statistics of such systems are not included here; they are included in electric-railway statistics. Licensed carriers doing highway construction work, building air-fields, etc., are excluded from the compilations. Taxi operators and urban delivery trucks are also excluded, except where their operations include inter-urban business. Carriers operating as both passenger and freight carriers are classed as passenger or freight according to the preponderance of the revenue. The passenger revenue of trucking companies and the freight revenue of bus companies are small percentages of their respective total revenue.

* Statistics are given in more detail in DBS annual report, *Motor Carriers, Freight-Passenger*.