

15.—Convictions for Non-indictable Offences, by Province, Years Ended Sept. 30, 1943-50, and Dec. 31, 1951-52

NOTE.—Figures for years before 1951 are for the 12 months ended Sept. 30; 1951 and 1952 figures are for the calendar year. Statistics for the intervening months, October-December 1950, are given in DBS report, *Statistics of Criminal and Other Offences*. Figures for 1900-42 are given in the corresponding table 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.	No.
1943.....	...	1,033	8,857	7,619	181,425	204,227	21,986	7,810	11,598	20,510	145	105	465,315
1944.....	...	1,287	8,760	9,533	146,593	199,938	22,602	7,788	11,950	21,866	336	74	430,727
1945.....	...	1,394	9,786	9,818	158,580	209,713	22,820	8,996	11,576	22,887	312	36	455,918
1946.....	...	2,715	12,915	13,925	176,996	354,154	36,014	13,985	16,289	32,203	234	242	659,672
1947.....	...	2,806	12,019	14,097	188,835	407,334	47,170	15,263	18,696	45,585	328	325	752,458
1948.....	...	2,696	13,699	12,189	228,502	445,911	52,783	15,488	19,748	85,006	385	238	876,645
1949.....	...	3,118	12,617	13,131	232,132	510,837	72,023	16,465	25,551	94,326	232	57	980,489
1950.....	...	2,095	13,137	21,732	280,868	617,565	79,079	22,717	28,344	117,729	553	172	1,183,991
1951.....	5,022	2,195	14,850	25,660	267,648	671,893	118,217	22,467	39,956	139,304	950	304	1,308,466
1952.....	6,191	2,578	14,977	31,905	312,892	819,253	135,034	31,618	50,443	158,967	1,342	507	1,565,707

In considering statistics of summary convictions, it should be remembered that such convictions are greatly influenced by the customs of the people and by the application and degree of enforcement of municipal regulations. These differ from place to place and from year to year and affect non-indictable offences more than they do indictable crimes.

In 1952 marked increases appeared in offences against the Merchant Seamen's Act, the Immigration Act, the Weights and Measures Act and the Income Tax Act. Misdemeanours against public health, revenue laws and public morals also increased. Offsetting these increases were decided decreases in convictions for offences against the Excise Act (35.8 p.c.), the Wartime Prices and Trade Board Act (35.3 p.c.) which should decline yearly, gambling Acts (26.5 p.c.), provincial Acts (22.5 p.c.).

16.—Convictions for Non-indictable Offences, by Type, Years Ended Sept. 30, 1948-50, and Dec. 31, 1951-52

NOTE.—See headnote to Table 15.

Type of Offence	1948	1949	1950	1951	1952	Increase or Decrease 1951-52
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	p.c.
Assault (common).....	4,416	4,607	3,906	4,046	4,546	+12.4
Disturbing the peace.....	7,544	11,018	10,568	12,210	12,760	+4.5
Drunkenness.....	70,542	75,931	75,935	83,898	85,682	+2.1
Vagrancy.....	9,051	8,576	8,967	6,893	6,956	+0.9
Damage to property.....	1,537	1,675	1,720	1,678	2,143	+27.7
Gambling Acts, offences against.....	5,523	6,360	4,818	3,613	2,656	-26.5
Bawdy houses (frequenting).....	1,111	586	480	273	434	+59.0
Non-support and neglecting children.....	4,524	4,217	4,459	4,609	5,178	+12.3
Contributing to delinquency.....	1,272	1,087	1,126	932	1,349	+44.7
Traffic regulations.....	649,599	761,467	938,549	1,065,426	1,311,022	+23.1
Provincial and Federal Acts—						
Game and Fishing Acts.....	4,753	5,854	6,144	5,996	5,839	-2.6
Indian Act.....	1,570	2,386	2,426	2,213	2,549	+15.2
Liquor Control and Temperance Acts.....	27,744	28,259	31,738	28,405	33,335	+17.4
Lord's Day Act.....	1,428	1,014	2,072	749	666	-11.1
Radio without a licence.....	10,693	12,235	10,642	12,418	11,273	-9.2
Railway Acts.....	1,735	1,827	2,278	1,266	1,427	+12.7
Revenue Laws.....	2,690	2,704	3,175	5,292	6,259	+18.3
Other provincial and federal Acts.....	23,006	13,240	20,399	18,908	17,446	-8.1
Municipal by-laws, breaches of.....	40,552	30,387	44,349	40,621	44,258	+9.0
Exercising various callings without licence.....	1,178	1,359	2,580	2,349	2,433	+3.6
Other offences.....	6,177	5,700	7,660	6,599	7,496	+13.6
Totals, Convictions.....	876,645	990,439	1,183,991	1,308,466	1,565,707	+19.7

1 Includes Excise and Income Tax Acts.