

Summary statistics of estates closed under the Farmers' Creditors Arrangement Act are available in previous editions of the Year Book beginning with the 1947 edition. From the time the Act first came into effect on Sept. 1, 1934, to the end of 1949 there were 885 assignments and 39 receiving orders, or a total of 924 estates closed. No assignments or receiving orders were reported under the Act in 1951 or 1952 but one case was completed during 1952. During the year 1953, one new estate was reported and one case under administration was completed.

Section 2.—Returns under the Bankruptcy and Winding-Up Acts as Compiled by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics

As stated on p. 1017, the figures in this Section cover only the bankruptcies and insolvencies under federal legislation—the Bankruptcy Act and the Winding-Up Act—and include assignments of individuals such as wage-earners.

Under the Bankruptcy and Winding-Up Acts (R.S.C. 1952, cc. 14 and 296), certain documents relating to estates administered under these Acts have, since July 1920, been forwarded to the Dominion Statistician for statistical analysis. A statistical series began with 1923, except for the analysis by branches of business which began in 1924. However, changes in the administration of bankruptcies introduced by the Bankruptcy Act of 1949 (*see* p. 1018) affected the comparability of the series. In that Act, provision was made for proposals from insolvent persons and, since July 1950, agreements made under this method are not included with the statistics of bankruptcies. In Table 2 the number of proposals are shown so as to give a general impression of the trend.

2.—Bankruptcies and Insolvencies under Federal Legislation, by Province, 1944-53

NOTE.—Figures from 1923 are given in the corresponding table of previous Year Books beginning with the 1941 edition.

Year	Nfld.	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.	Total
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
1944.....	...	—	3	—	222	33	1	3	4	11	277
1945.....	...	1	3	1	225	27	3	—	4	8	272
1946.....	...	1	3	2	236	20	—	—	4	12	278
1947.....	...	2	6	7	422	72	4	2	6	24	545
1948.....	...	1	9	13	613	116	8	4	8	41	813
1949.....	..	3	4	12	827	131	16	5	13	55	1,066
1950.....	3	8	17	20	967	186	16	9	16	61	1,303
1951.....	5	3	12	24	1,022	227	15	13	14	64	1,399
1952.....	9	—	17	14	1,167	220	13	8	13	48	1,509
1953.....	4	1	9	16	1,221	255	27	19	33	72	1,657
Proposals— ¹											
1950.....	—	—	—	2	66	7	1	—	—	3	79
1951.....	—	—	1	3	160	8	—	—	—	4	176
1952.....	—	—	—	1	172	15	—	—	—	3	191
1953.....	—	—	—	—	158	9	2	—	1	1	171

¹ See text above.