

13.—Canadian Assets Abroad by Location of Investment as at Dec. 31, 1954

NOTE.—See headnote to Table 12.

Location of Investment	Direct Investments	Portfolio Investment		Government Credits	Official Holdings of Exchange	Total Investments
		Stocks	Bonds	Bonds	Total	
	\$'000,000	\$'000,000	\$'000,000	\$'000,000	\$'000,000	\$'000,000
United States.....	1,256	490	89	—	840	2,675
United Kingdom.....	119	17	14	1,247	12	1,409
Other Commonwealth countries.....	138	6	7	—	—	151
Other foreign countries.....	131	210	93	458	—	892
Official gold holdings.....	—	—	—	—	1,036	1,036
Totals.....	1,644	723	203	1,705	1,888	6,163

Section 3.—Corporation Profits and Income to Shareholders

Data on corporation profits, taxes and dividends presented in Table 14 cover all corporations and are for calendar years. The data have been adjusted in order to conform to national accounts concepts. For the years 1944 to 1954 these figures are based on the Department of National Revenue annual report *Taxation Statistics*. Prior to 1944 corporate financial statistics are based on a study conducted in the Department of National Revenue.

From a peak of \$530,000,000 in 1929 corporation profits before taxes declined during the depression to a low of \$17,000,000 in 1932 and then rose gradually to a wartime high of \$1,292,000,000 in 1942. During the postwar period corporation profits gained steadily and reached an alltime record of \$2,810,000,000 in 1951; thereafter they showed small annual declines and were down by 14 p.c. from the 1951 peak to a figure of \$2,420,000,000 in 1954.

In 1954 corporation taxes took about 48 p.c. of total corporation profits before payment of dividends; yet, although corporation profits declined between 1953 and 1954, dividend payments to shareholders showed a gain of about 5 p.c.

14.—Profits, Taxes and Dividends of Canadian Corporations 1929-54

(Millions of dollars)

Item	1929	1932	1939	1942	1944	1946	1949	1951	1952 ^r	1953 ^r	1954
Corporation profits before taxes ¹	530	17	689	1,292	1,221	1,455	1,906	2,810	2,670	2,580	2,420
Deduct: income and excess profits taxes ²	48	32	115	629	598	654	731	1,429	1,378	1,226	1,164
Corporation profits after taxes.....	482	-15	574	663	623	801	1,175	1,381	1,292	1,354	1,256
Deduct: dividends paid and charitable donations.....	271	157	302	308	282	390	568	660	625	606	639
Undistributed corporation profits.....	211	-172	272	355	341	411	607	721	667	748	617

¹ Include depletion charges and charitable donations, and are adjusted for corporate losses, renegotiation of war contracts and conversion to a calendar-year basis. ² Includes elective tax on undistributed income of \$48,000,000 in 1951, \$10,000,000 in 1952, \$10,000,000 in 1953, and \$7,000,000 in 1954.