

Comme l'indiquent les chiffres au tableau 40, les grandes villes exercent un attrait de plus en plus fort sur la population. Il n'y a pas que les centres de plus de 500,000 habitants,—Montréal et Toronto,—qui accusent un accroissement proportionnel en raison du total; les villes dont la population varie entre 100,000 et 500,000 habitants ont vu augmenter leur population globale de 5.90 p.c. du total à 8.46 p.c., tandis que celles ayant 5,000 à 100,000 habitants sont montées de 17.68 à 19.29 p.c. au cours du décennat 1921-1931. Les localités de moins de 5,000 âmes ont subi de légères diminutions proportionnelles.

41.—Populations des cités et villes de plus de 5,000 âmes en 1931, avec juxtaposition des chiffres de 1871-81-91-1901-11-21.

NOTE.—Les cités et villes dotées d'un Board of Trade sont indiquées par un astérisque (*), tandis qu'une croix (†) dénote l'existence d'une Chambre de Commerce. Dans chaque cas la population des recensements antérieurs a été arrangée pour couvrir autant que possible le même territoire en 1931.

| Cité ou ville. | Province. | Population. | | | | | | |
|--------------------|-------------------|-------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| | | 1871. | 1881. | 1891. | 1901. | 1911. | 1921. | 1931. |
| *†Montréal. | Québec. | 130,833 | 177,377 | 256,723 | 328,172 | 490,504 | 618,506 | 818,577 |
| *Toronto. | Ontario. | 59,000 | 96,196 | 181,215 | 209,892 | 381,833 | 521,893 | 631,207 |
| *Vancouver. | Col. Britannique. | - | - | 13,709 | 29,432 | 120,847 | 163,220 | 246,593 |
| *Winnipeg. | Manitoba. | 241 | 7,985 | 25,639 | 42,340 | 136,035 | 179,087 | 218,785 |
| †Hamilton. | Ontario. | 26,880 | 36,661 | 48,959 | 52,634 | 81,969 | 114,151 | 155,547 |
| *Québec. | Québec. | 59,699 | 62,446 | 63,090 | 68,840 | 78,710 | 95,193 | 130,594 |
| *Ottawa. | Ontario. | 24,141 | 31,307 | 44,154 | 59,928 | 87,062 | 107,843 | 126,872 |
| *Calgary. | Alberta. | - | - | 3,876 | 4,392 | 43,704 | 63,305 | 83,761 |
| †Edmonton. | Alberta. | - | - | - | 4,176 | 31,064 | 58,821 | 79,197 |
| †London. | Ontario. | 18,090 | 27,867 | 31,977 | 37,976 | 46,300 | 60,959 | 71,148 |
| †Windsor. | Ontario. | 4,253 | 6,561 | 10,322 | 12,153 | 17,829 | 38,591 | 63,108 |
| †Verdun. | Québec. | - | 278 | 296 | 1,898 | 11,629 | 25,001 | 60,745 |
| *Halifax. | Nouv.-Ecosse. | 29,582 | 36,100 | 38,437 | 40,832 | 46,619 | 58,372 | 59,275 |
| *Regina. | Saskatchewan. | - | - | - | 2,249 | 30,213 | 34,432 | 53,209 |
| *Saint-Jean. | Nouv.-Brunswick. | 41,325 | 41,353 | 39,179 | 40,711 | 42,511 | 47,166 | 47,514 |
| *Saskatoon. | Saskatchewan. | - | - | - | 113 | 12,004 | 25,739 | 43,291 |
| †Victoria. | Col. Britannique. | 3,270 | 5,925 | 16,841 | 20,919 | 31,660 | 38,727 | 39,082 |
| †Trois-Rivières. | Québec. | 7,576 | 8,670 | 8,334 | 9,981 | 13,691 | 22,367 | 35,450 |
| *Kitchener. | Ontario. | 2,743 | 4,054 | 7,425 | 9,747 | 15,196 | 21,763 | 30,793 |
| *Brantford. | Ontario. | 8,107 | 9,616 | 12,753 | 16,619 | 23,132 | 29,440 | 30,107 |
| †Hull. | Québec. | 3,800 | 6,890 | 11,264 | 13,993 | 18,222 | 24,117 | 29,433 |
| *Sherbrooke. | Québec. | 4,432 | 7,227 | 10,097 | 11,765 | 16,405 | 23,515 | 28,933 |
| †Outremont. | Québec. | - | 387 | 795 | 1,148 | 4,820 | 13,249 | 28,641 |
| *Fort William. | Ontario. | - | 690 | 2,176 | 3,633 | 16,499 | 20,541 | 26,277 |
| †St. Catharines. | Ontario. | 7,864 | 9,631 | 9,170 | 9,946 | 12,484 | 19,881 | 24,753 |
| †Westmount. | Québec. | 200 | 884 | 3,076 | 8,856 | 14,579 | 17,593 | 24,235 |
| †Kingston. | Ontario. | 12,407 | 14,091 | 19,263 | 17,961 | 18,874 | 21,753 | 23,439 |
| *Oshawa. | Ontario. | 3,185 | 3,992 | 4,066 | 4,394 | 7,436 | 11,940 | 23,439 |
| *Sydney. | Nouv.-Ecosse. | 1,700 | 2,180 | 2,427 | 9,909 | 17,723 | 22,545 | 23,089 |
| *Sault Ste-Marie. | Ontario. | 879 | 780 | 2,414 | 7,169 | 14,920 | 21,092 | 23,082 |
| †Peterborough. | Ontario. | 4,611 | 6,812 | 9,717 | 12,886 | 18,360 | 20,994 | 22,327 |
| *Moose Jaw. | Saskatchewan. | - | - | - | 1,558 | 13,823 | 19,285 | 21,299 |
| *Guelph. | Ontario. | 6,878 | 9,890 | 10,537 | 11,496 | 15,175 | 18,128 | 21,075 |
| *Glace Bay. | Nouv.-Ecosse. | - | - | 2,459 | 6,945 | 16,562 | 17,007 | 20,706 |
| *Moncton. | Nouv.-Brunswick. | 600 | 5,032 | 8,762 | 9,026 | 11,345 | 17,488 | 20,689 |
| †Port Arthur. | Ontario. | - | 1,275 | 2,698 | 3,214 | 11,220 | 14,886 | 19,818 |
| †Niagara Falls. | Ontario. | 1,610 | 2,347 | 3,349 | 5,702 | 9,248 | 14,764 | 19,046 |
| †Lachine. | Québec. | 2,689 | 3,248 | 4,819 | 6,365 | 11,688 | 15,404 | 18,630 |
| *Sudbury. | Ontario. | - | - | - | 2,027 | 4,150 | 8,621 | 18,518 |
| †Sarnia. | Ontario. | 2,929 | 3,874 | 6,692 | 8,176 | 9,947 | 14,877 | 18,191 |
| *Stratford. | Ontario. | 4,313 | 8,239 | 9,500 | 9,959 | 12,946 | 16,094 | 17,742 |
| *New Westminster. | Col. Britannique. | - | 1,500 | 6,678 | 6,499 | 13,199 | 14,495 | 17,524 |
| *Brandon. | Manitoba. | - | - | 3,778 | 5,620 | 13,839 | 15,397 | 17,082 |
| *St-Boniface. | Manitoba. | 817 | 1,283 | 1,553 | 2,019 | 7,483 | 12,821 | 16,305 |
| *North Bay. | Ontario. | - | - | 1,848 | 2,530 | 7,737 | 10,692 | 15,528 |
| †St-Thomas. | Ontario. | 2,197 | 8,367 | 10,366 | 11,485 | 14,054 | 16,026 | 15,430 |
| †Shawinigan Falls. | Québec. | - | - | - | - | 4,265 | 10,625 | 15,345 |
| *Chatham. | Ontario. | 5,873 | 7,873 | 9,052 | 9,068 | 10,770 | 13,256 | 14,569 |
| *Windsor Est. | Ontario. | - | - | - | - | - | 5,870 | 14,251 |
| *Timmins. | Ontario. | - | - | - | - | - | 3,843 | 14,200 |
| *Galt. | Ontario. | 3,827 | 5,187 | 7,535 | 7,866 | 10,299 | 13,216 | 14,006 |
| †Belleville. | Ontario. | 7,305 | 9,516 | 9,916 | 9,117 | 9,876 | 11,096 | 13,790 |
| *Lethbridge. | Alberta. | - | - | - | 2,072 | 9,035 | 11,207 | 13,489 |
| †St-Hyacinthe. | Québec. | 3,746 | 5,321 | 7,016 | 9,210 | 9,797 | 10,859 | 13,448 |