

There are 13 regional offices to facilitate administration: at Vancouver, Edmonton, Regina, Saskatoon, Winnipeg, Toronto, London, Brockville, North Bay, Montreal, Quebec, Saint John, Halifax, Charlottetown. Approximately 100 local offices have also been set up.

Nearly 75% of all buying in retail stores is done by women. To assure the success of price control the Wartime Prices and Trade Board has enlisted, through a multitude of women's organizations, the co-operation of women. A Consumer Branch operates under the Board as a clearing house for problems arising out of price control measures and affords consumers across the country direct representation in shaping Board policies and operations. Women's regional advisory committees are active.

To establish the priority of war needs the Wartime Industries Control Board of the Department of Munitions and Supply was set up to control certain basic materials particularly essential to war activities. It is the responsibility of the Wartime Prices and Trade Board to allocate what is left. The Wartime Prices and Trade Board has supreme authority in the field of price control and civilian supply.

Close co-operation between the Wartime Industries Control Board and the Wartime Prices and Trade Board is assured by an interlocking membership. The Chairman of each board is a permanent member of the other. All controllers under the Department of Munitions and Supply are members of the Wartime Industries Control Board, and any one of them may sit as a pro tem member of the Wartime Prices and Trade Board while any action affecting his field of control is under discussion. By diverting constituent materials to war uses, orders of the various controllers on the Wartime Industries Control Board have drastically reduced the merchandise which can be bought in stores and shops. The manufacture of automobiles and civilian trucks has been stopped for the duration of the war. The end uses to which steel, base metals and chemicals may be put are subject to strict surveillance. Almost the entire supply of silk and natural rubber

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