

Table 2. AMOUNTS MADE AVAILABLE TO PROVINCES UNDER NATIONAL HEALTH PROGRAM, 1948

Province	Total Amount	Per Capita Amount(a)
	\$000	\$
P.E.I.	294	3.13
N.S.	1,542	2.48
N.B.	1,226	2.50
Que.	8,985	2.42
Ont.	9,668	2.31
Man.	1,806	2.43
Sask.	2,002	2.38
Alta.	1,968	2.39
B.C.	2,529	2.42
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>30,020(b)</b>	<b>2.39</b>

(a) Based on intercensal estimate of population for 1947.

(b) Exclusive of Public Health Research Grant which is not allocated on a per capita basis.

The provinces are allowed wide discretion in the manner in which the grants may be employed. As in the United States there is a great variation between the kind and quality of services offered, both between different provinces and between areas in any province. These differences, apart from the problem they present through the necessity of bringing badly serviced areas up to the general level, preclude any strict uniformity in the manner of expenditure of the grants. It is recognized that different approaches to particular problems are essential, and will inevitably lead to the trial and exploration which are necessary if the best long-range results are to be obtained.

The Health Survey Grant

In order that the provinces themselves may be able to survey their problems, and to ensure that they be given all possible assistance in drawing up an integrated program of development and extension, the first of the new grants is devoted entirely to enabling them to determine existing needs, and the priority with which they should be met.

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