

Prohibition in Canada

What is Prohibition?



Province	Year prohibition came into effect	Year prohibition was repealed (ended)
Prince Edward Island	1900	1948
Nova Scotia	1910 (Except Halifax when it went dry in 1916)	1930
Ontario	1916	1927
Manitoba	1916	1923
Alberta	1916	1924
New Brunswick	1917	1927
Saskatchewan	1917	1925
Yukon Territory	1917	1920
British Columbia	1917	1921
Quebec	In 1918 a law was passed stating that Quebec would stop selling alcohol in 1919 for the remaining years of World War One. Since the war ended in 1918, prohibition was never put into effect.	

* Remember: Newfoundland did not join Confederation until 1949.

Answer the following questions based on the chart above.



1. What problems do you think alcohol creates in a society?

2. Why do you think provinces across the country passed laws prohibiting the sale of alcohol?

3. Why do you think provinces allowed people/companies to continue making alcohol, but prohibited them from selling it to other Canadians?



4. How could you make a lot of money during the prohibition years?

5. Do you think prohibition increased or decreased the crime rate? Why?