

## Section 2.—Institutional Statistics\*

Under authority granted by the Dominion Government in 1930, the Dominion Bureau of Statistics has, since that date, co-operated with the provincial authorities through the Census of Institutions, and now collects, on a Dominion-wide basis, statistics for the following types of institutions: (1) *Hospitals*—institutions primarily engaged in the prevention and cure of physical sickness and disease, such as hospitals for the sick, sanatoria, and institutions for incurables; (2) *Mental and neurological institutions*—such as asylums for the insane, institutions for the feeble-minded, epileptic, etc., devoted to the treatment and care of mental ailments; (3) *Charitable and benevolent institutions*—caring for the poor and the destitute of all ages, such as homes for the aged, county refuges, orphanages, etc.; and (4) *Penal and corrective institutions*—having for their purpose the reclamation of criminals and the reformation and training of delinquent boys and girls. Institutional statistics, as summarized in Table 1, may, therefore, be regarded as dealing with the four main types of social pathology, viz., physical, mental, economic and moral.

**Historical.**—A brief historical sketch of the origin and growth of the several classes of institutions in Canada is given at pp. 1006-1009 of the 1936 Year Book.

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## 1.—Institutions Operating in Canada, by Provinces, 1939

Type of Institution	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.	Yukon and N.W.T.	Canada
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
Population (estimated, in thousands).....	95	554	451	3,210	3,752	727	949	789	774	14	11,315
<b>Hospitals (excluding mental)—</b>											
Public— <sup>1</sup>											
General.....	4	26	16	56	111	38	77	81	69	9	487
Women's.....	Nil	2	1	3	3	Nil	Nil	1	Nil	Nil	10
Pædiatric.....	"	1	Nil	3	2	1	1	1	1	"	10
Isolation.....	"	1	"	3	6	2	Nil	3	Nil	"	15
Convalescent.....	"	Nil	"	3	8	1	"	Nil	"	"	12
Red Cross.....	"	"	"	Nil	30	Nil	10	"	"	5	45
Incurable.....	"	"	1	4 <sup>2</sup>	8	1	2	3	1	"	20
Other.....	"	"	Nil	7	1	Nil	Nil	2	Nil	"	10
Totals, Public.....	4	30	18	79	169	43	90	91	76	9	609
Private.....	Nil	7	7	38	53	10	84	40	37	Nil	276
Dominion—											
Department of Pensions and National Health—											
War veterans.....	Nil	1	1	1	2	1	Nil	1	1	Nil	8
Quarantine and immigration.....	"	1	1	1	Nil	Nil	"	Nil	1	"	4
Leper.....	"	Nil	1	Nil	"	"	"	"	1	"	2
Marine.....	"	1	Nil	"	"	"	"	"	Nil	"	1
Department of Mines and Resources (Indians).....	"	Nil	"	"	1	3	1	4	"	"	9
Department of National Defence.....	5	14	8	25	43	14	10	18	12	"	149
Totals, Dominion...	5	17	11	27	46	18	11	23	16	Nil	173
Tuberculosis.....	1	3	3	11	13	4	3	1	1	Nil	40
<b>Totals, Hospitals...</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>57</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>155</b>	<b>281</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>188</b>	<b>155</b>	<b>129</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>1,098</b>

<sup>1</sup> Exclude mental and tuberculosis.<sup>2</sup> Includes one unit of 84 beds in a general hospital.