Organized Services in Public General Hospitals.—Organized services, which are analysed in Table 4, may be defined as specialized hospital departments or services in charge of specialists with up-to-date equipment and a technical staff specially devoted to problems in the indicated fields. Facilities available in a hospital merely for the use of general practitioners are not considered as organized services. Only organized services in public general hospitals are considered here and not such organized services in public hospitals other than general (as shown in the first part of Table 1) nor those in private, Dominion, tuberculosis and mental hospitals. It is, however, in the larger public general hospitals that the majority of such organized special services are to be found. Many of the smaller public general hospitals have facilities for study and treatment in the fields indicated here, but since they are not organized services as defined above, such facilities are not included in the figures. Table 1 indicates that, in 1939, there were 487 public general hospitals. Only 221 of these had organized medical staffs with 7,871 staff doctors.

4.—Organized Services and Staffs in Public General Hospitals, by Provinces, 1939
Note.—Dashes in this table indicate that no organized service has been reported in the case so indicated.

Service and Staff	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.	Canada
Service	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
General medicine Pædiatrics Cardiology Dermatology Neuro-psychiatry Tuberculosis Venerology Contagious diseases General surgery Orthopædics Neurology Dentistry Obstetrics Gynaecology Ophthalmology Oto-laryngology Urology Pathology Bacteriology Bacteriology A-ray Deep X-ray Radium Clinical laboratory Physio-therapy	1 2 1 1 1 1 1 2 1 -	5212133 52 43333594264	10 54 - 13 10 2 18 44 43 33 55 11 11 7	34 27 15 17 7 8 15 35 21 9 16 27 32 28 27 22 28 27 22 24 34 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8 8	45 34 21 12 7 9 13 6 45 24 11 14 46 37 29 29 30 29 31 36 36	77744313386339976657803296	105 314269411845554585176	13 9 4 4 2 1 4 4 2 2 2 1 3 3 1 3 7 3 3 4 5 6 6 4 4 4 4 4 1 3 6	13732114351243321164445567226396	138 97 53 42 21 33 42 30 138 45 127 100 84 81 75 92 153 66 92 153
Staff							!			
Organized staffsStaff doctors	3 37	19 404	14 270	39 1,689	74 3,134	11 548	26 462	18 703	17 624	7,87

Out-Patient Departments.—Out-patient departments are operated in connection with hospitals or other institutions, and treat patients who do not occupy beds in the hospital. The extension of out-patient services to patients of modest means has far-reaching and beneficial effects. It may replace admission to a hospital, or may serve to secure necessary and beneficial hospitalization. As a general rule out-patient departments are subsidized from the funds of the general hospital and separate records are not kept. Until a uniform system of accounting is adopted, it will not be possible to give the average cost per patient.