

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 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.

6.—Out-Patient Departments of Public Hospitals, by Provinces, 1947

NOTE.—Figures of tuberculosis sanatoria and government and municipal clinics held in hospitals are not included.

Province	Out-Patient Departments	Patients	Treatments
New Brunswick.....	2	22,324	33,923
Quebec.....	29	508,466	1,027,341
Ontario.....	15	241,991	394,304
Manitoba.....	4	81,772	119,257
Alberta.....	1	991	3,661
British Columbia.....	2	14,597	37,206
Totals.....	53	870,141	1,615,632

Tuberculosis Institutions.—The statistics regarding institutions for the treatment of tuberculosis shown in Table 7, include special units for the treatment of tuberculosis in general hospitals and Federal hospitals as well as the specialized sanatoria shown separately in Table 1. Deaths in these institutions from tuberculosis in 1947 were 44.2 p.c. of the total deaths from the disease in Canada as shown in the Chapter on Vital Statistics at p. 215 of this edition. However, the death rate from this disease has shown an encouraging decline since 1926.

7.—Summary Statistics of Tuberculosis Hospitals, by Provinces, 1947

Item	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	B.C.	Totals
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
Hospitals—										
Sanatoria.....	1	4	5	13	13	4	3	1	1	45
Units in public hospitals.....	—	7	—	13	—	1	—	3	8	32
Units in Federal hospitals.....	—	1	1	4	3	5	—	1	3	18
Totals, Hospitals.	1	12	6	30	16	10	3	5	12	95
Bed Capacity—										
Sanatoria.....	145	676	847	2,580	3,739	825	803	288	780	10,683
Units in public hospitals.....	—	215	—	943	—	165	—	179	71	1,573
Units in Federal hospitals.....	—	250	111	521	284	163	—	320	450	2,099
Totals, Bed Capacity.....	145	1,141	958	4,044	4,023	1,153	803	787	1,301	14,355
Personnel—										
Salariated doctors....	3	18	17	105	70	10	15	5	34	277
Graduate nurses....	14	45	60	171	354	56	69	22	123	914
Totals, Personnel:	17	63	77	276	424	66	84	27	157	1,191
Hospital Facilities—										
X-ray.....	1	2	3	11	12	3	3	1	1	37
Clinical laboratories.....	1	2	5	13	13	3	3	1	1	42
Physio-therapy.....	—	1	5	9	6	2	1	—	1	25

For footnotes, see end of table, p. 258.