No hard and fast rule can be laid down for distinguishing between public and private warehouses. In general those owned and operated by firms trading in the goods stored in the warehouse are considered as private, though most of these places rent space to the public when it is not required for their own purposes.

Though the figures in Tables 28 and 29, compiled by the Department of Agriculture, give some idea of the cold storage warehouse capacity in Canada, it must be explained that it is not possible to secure completely accurate information on this subject and that the figures are approximations only.

28.—Cold Storage Warehouses by Province, Year Ended Mar. 31, 1955

Note.—Figures are approximate only.

Province	Subsidized Public Warehouses					All Warehouses	
	No.	Refrigerated Space	Cost	Total Subsidy	No.	Refrigerated Space	
		cu. ft.	8	8		cu. ft.	
Newfoundland					52	1,606,968	
Prince Edward Island Nova Scotia	10 22	300,397 4.991,885	216,004 4,027,185	65,165 1,199,462	25 78	435,000 5,661,911	
New Brunswick	8	1,545,429	1,029,760	308,928	47	2,089,40	
Quebec	43	4,514,184	3,695,648	1,161,964	258	18,111,96	
Ontario	61	9,260,543	6,222,668	1,864,343	884	30,466,098	
Manitoba	9	3,141,532	2,180,934	654,986	165	9,575,447	
Saskatchewan	21	668,381	834,526	253,606	248 202	4,338,490	
Alberta	6	655,501	566,192	172,453		6,871,334	
British Columbia	70	23,062,713	9,660,808	2,906,718	178	29,954,229	
Totals	250	48,140,565	28, 433, 725	8,587,625	2,137	109,110,84	

29.—Storage and Refrigerated Space by Province as at June 30, 1955

Note. - Figures are subject to revision.

Class of Storage	New- foundland	Prince Edward Island	Nova Scotia	New Brunswick	Quebec
Public— Warehouses		15 204,087 30,142	27 1,241,299 3,420,222	12 994,850 649,198	62 4,330,463 7,008,547
Locker"	::	43,520	15,668	20,706	17,694
Private— No. Warehouses. No. Refrigerated Space— cu. ft. Freezer. cu. ft. Cooler. " Locker. "	1,152,555 106,008	9 46,541 109,475	47 711,243 229,119 4,600	34 305,711 98,798 469	1,103,533 5,466,488
Locker Plants— No. Warehouses No. Refrigerated Space— Freezer	2 55,050	 ::	8,700 3,296 12,020	::	66,022 35,232 83,988
Bait Depots— Warehouses. No. Refrigerated Space— Freezercu. ft. Cooler	21 289,905 750 2,700	965 270	15,744 	1 15,053 4,617	
Totals, Warehouses No. Totals, Refrigerated Space	1,606,968	25 435,000	78 5,661,911	2,089,402	258 18,111,967