

**Public and Private Hospitals.**—Table 3 indicates the substantial increases that occurred over the 1952-57 period in the amount of space available and the volume of care provided in public and private general and special hospitals. In 1957 there were 894 reporting hospitals, 117 more than in 1952; they had six beds for every five at the beginning of the 1952-57 period. They provided an in-patient bed at some time during 1957 for four out of each 25 Canadians, and gave on the average one and seven-tenths days of care during the year to every man, woman, child and infant in the country. The number of private hospitals reporting during those five years increased from 187 to 232, a higher rate of increase than for public hospitals. Similarly, there was a greater percentage increase in patient-days for private hospitals (49.7 p.c.) than for public institutions (26.9 p.c.).

### 3.—Summary Statistics of Reporting Public and Private General and Special Hospitals 1952-57

Item	1952	1953	1954	1955	1956	1957
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
<b>Public General and Special—</b>						
Hospitals reporting.....	777	810	817	858	872	894
Bed capacity <sup>1</sup> .....	78,666	81,752	87,401	95,431	99,484	102,074
Patients under care <sup>2</sup> .....	2,107,880	2,226,293	2,309,391	2,509,847	2,658,427	2,785,995
Patient-days during year <sup>2</sup> .....	22,331,887	23,075,013	24,278,433	26,047,445	27,328,693	28,340,344
<b>Private General and Special—</b>						
Hospitals reporting.....	187	143	169	175	204	232
Bed capacity <sup>1</sup> .....	3,884	3,271	3,977	4,231	4,638	5,443
Patients under care <sup>2</sup> .....	60,432	50,107	62,968	66,096	75,635	76,796
Patient-days during year <sup>2</sup> .....	992,425	853,324	996,097	1,014,898	1,301,803	1,485,936

<sup>1</sup> Includes bassinets.

<sup>2</sup> Includes newborn.

### 4.—Movement of Patients and Number of Personnel of Reporting Public Hospitals, by Province, 1956 and 1957

Item	Newfoundland	Prince Edward Island	Nova Scotia	New Brunswick	Quebec	Ontario
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.
<b>1956</b>						
Hospitals reporting.....	30	7	45	34	120	203
<b>Movement of Patients—<sup>1</sup></b>						
Admissions.....	45,154	16,731	108,814	94,808	557,744	892,303
Total under care.....	46,424	17,091	111,169	96,524	572,817	914,293
Discharges.....	44,285	16,357	106,350	92,877	544,305	868,746
Deaths.....	907	387	2,392	1,911	12,759	23,169
Patient-days during year.....	550,808	159,514	955,743	797,010	6,908,195	9,315,301
<b>Personnel—<sup>2</sup></b>						
Salaried doctors, full-time.....	53	2	23	12	213	206
Interns.....	18	—	72	22	813	733
Graduate nurses.....	281	109	984	690	4,485	10,579
Student nurses.....	225	162	962	641	3,960	6,001
Other personnel.....	1,390	323	2,470	2,165	18,996	28,658
<b>Totals, Personnel.....</b>	<b>1,967</b>	<b>596</b>	<b>4,511</b>	<b>3,530</b>	<b>28,467</b>	<b>46,177</b>

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