

### Subsection 2.—The Public Warehousing Industry

The summary statistics of the warehousing industry presented in Table 27 cover the operations of the majority of firms offering general merchandise and refrigerated storage facilities to the public. Associations and organizations such as co-operatives operating warehouses or storages for their own members are not included nor are packing houses and other firms operating storage facilities in connection with their respective businesses. Small food lockers are not included except where they may be part of a general warehousing business.

#### 27.—Summary Statistics of Warehousing of General Merchandise and Refrigerated Goods, 1959-63

Item	1959 <sup>1</sup>	1960	1961	1962	1963
Companies reporting..... No.	204	111	108	104	138
Investment in land, warehouses, etc..... \$	68,834,854	64,896,124	68,178,081	65,173,924	83,930,051
Warehousing Facilities—					
General merchandise <sup>2</sup> ..... cu. ft.	76,995,721	50,485,820	55,527,385	53,723,491	77,108,607
Refrigerated goods..... “	32,550,680	30,653,893	32,058,659	34,918,978	45,259,631
Revenue—					
Storage..... \$	17,841,405	16,335,325	15,931,824	15,906,836	20,883,783
Cartage and moving..... \$	15,499,509	9,883,741	8,953,590	7,287,727	6,428,081
Miscellaneous..... \$	14,748,085	6,028,315	6,547,492	6,773,633	9,394,843
Total Revenue..... \$	48,088,999	32,247,381	31,432,906	29,968,196	36,706,707
Operating expenses..... \$	43,262,593	29,496,885	29,314,749	27,784,302	33,679,586
Net Operating Revenue..... \$	4,826,406	2,750,496	2,118,157	2,183,894	3,027,121
Employees, average..... No.	6,441	3,734	3,560	3,137	4,033
Salaries and wages..... \$	22,880,612	15,418,560	14,573,924	14,141,772	17,277,613
Motor Vehicles—					
Trucks..... No.	1,570	969	783	634	602
Tractors..... “	353	173	158	148	130
Trailers and semi-trailers..... “	477	228	221	206	158

<sup>1</sup> Includes household goods storage operators, compiled separately from 1960 (see p. 783). <sup>2</sup> Includes storage space for household goods amounting to 21,601,800 cu. ft. in 1959; 1,574,600 cu. ft. in 1960; 1,608,700 cu. ft. in 1961; 997,900 cu. ft. in 1962; and 900,000 cu. ft. in 1963.

### Section 4.—Co-operative Organizations\*

Canadian co-operative activities continued to be dominated by marketing and purchasing associations, which did a volume of business, including other revenue, amounting to \$1,372,605,000 during the year ended July 31, 1962. Other revenue, which included payment for services provided by the co-operatives such as grinding, chopping, trucking and revenue for rent, interest dividends and commissions, accounted for \$20,801,000.

Membership in marketing and purchasing associations showed a slight rise in 1962 but the number of associations decreased from 1,914 in the previous year to 1,877, mostly through amalgamations, and the number of places of business declined from 5,473 to 5,165. Total sales of farm products was the lowest since 1958 but sales of supplies were at a record high. However, the increase in sales of supplies was not sufficient to counteract the drop in sales of products and the total business therefore was down by 4 p.c. Most of the decrease in the sales of products took place in Ontario, although lower sales were also reported in Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Prince Edward Island. Saskatchewan accounts for the greatest value of farm products marketed co-operatively; sales in that province

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