

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, 1962-66

Item	1962	1963	1964	1965	1966
Companies reporting..... No.	104	138	152	152	145
Investment in land, warehouses, etc..... \$	65,173,924	83,930,051	90,680,374	91,210,700	97,682,008
Warehousing Facilities—					
General merchandise ¹ cu. ft.	53,723,491	77,108,607	83,047,067	86,493,705	79,915,420
Refrigerated goods..... “	34,918,978	45,259,631	44,620,942	44,058,489	40,241,832
Revenue—					
Storage..... \$	15,906,836	20,883,783	22,471,734	22,102,879	25,548,617
Cartage and moving..... \$	7,287,727	6,428,081	9,113,060	10,519,532	11,744,728
Miscellaneous..... \$	6,773,633	9,394,843	10,845,159	12,434,851	14,078,774
Total Revenue..... \$	29,968,196	36,706,707	42,429,953	45,057,262	51,372,119
Operating expenses..... \$	27,784,302	33,679,586	39,657,425	42,470,941	47,180,708
Net Operating Revenue..... \$	2,183,894	3,027,121	2,772,528	2,586,321	4,191,411
Employees, average..... No.	3,137	4,033	4,403	4,679	4,625
Salaries and wages..... \$	14,141,772	17,279,113	20,034,223	21,501,114	23,470,574
Motor Vehicles—					
Trucks..... No.	634	602	652	671	692
Tractors..... “	148	130	165	166	196
Trailers and semi-trailers..... “	206	158	253	296	311

¹ Includes storage space for household goods amounting to 997,900 cu. ft. in 1962; 900,000 cu. ft. in 1963; 1,047,090 cu. ft. in 1964; 969,586 cu. ft. in 1965; and 1,037,370 cu. ft. in 1966.

Section 4.—Co-operative Organizations*

For the year 1965, 2,615 local co-operatives reported a total business volume of \$1,851,800,000, assets of \$888,000,000 and membership of 1,615,000. A reduction in wheat sales brought the volume of business down slightly from the record levels of the previous year. Assets were up by \$70,000,000, with all provinces contributing to the increase. Reporting associations decreased by 28 but reported membership increased by

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