

5.23 Health professionals by selected categories of health manpower, for Canada, 1976<sup>1</sup> and 1977<sup>1</sup>

| Category                                  | Year    |        |
|---|---------|--------|
|   | 1976    | 1977   |
| Active audiologists and speech therapists | 1,048   | 1,203  |
| Biomedical engineers                      | 209     | 286    |
| Licensed chiropractors                    | 1,700   | 1,902  |
| Dental assistants                         | 2,928   | 3,001  |
| Licensed dental hygienists                | 1,684   | 2,003  |
| Active dentists                           | 9,401   | 10,058 |
| Registered dietitians                     | 2,654   | 2,814  |
| Electroencephalograph technologists       | 331     | 322    |
| Health record administrators              | 2,055   | 2,113  |
| Health service executives                 | 1,198   | 1,318  |
| Active laboratory technologists           | 13,976  | 14,573 |
| Medical radiation technologists           | ..      | 3,027  |
| Active nurses                             | 137,858 | ..     |
| Licensed nursing assistants               | 71,572  | 74,672 |
| Active occupational therapists            | 1,384   | 1,340  |
| Active opticians                          | 2,303   | 2,429  |
| Active optometrists                       | 1,764   | 1,841  |
| Active orderlies (1974)                   | 12,996  | ..     |
| Osteopaths                                | 67      | 61     |
| Licensed pharmacists                      | 14,887  | 15,328 |
| Active physicians                         | 40,130  | 41,398 |
| Active physiotherapists                   | 3,065   | 3,052  |
| Registered podiatrists                    | 150     | 152    |
| Public health inspectors                  | 807     | 815    |
| Registered radiological technicians       | 7,373   | ..     |
| Registered respiratory technologists      | 1,421   | 1,494  |
| Veterinarians                             | 2,975   | 3,483  |
| Total                                     | 335,936 | ..     |

<sup>1</sup>Excludes persons who are not active members of an occupational association nor included in a professional registry.