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HOTEL OPERATIONS IN NOVA SCOTIA, 1930

A preliminary report for the Census of Merchandising and Service Establishments, covering the operations of hotels in Nova Scotia during the year 1930, shows that 151 hotels which operated the entire year had receipts of \$1,976,906 and 64 hotels which operated only part of the year (most of them in the summer months) had receipts of \$468,941.

The hotels operating the entire year are classified on the basis of plan of operation, as European, American and mixed (European and American) plan hotels. For European plan hotels, receipts are shown separately for rooms and meals, while for American and mixed plan hotels the receipts from these sources are combined. Of the total receipts of \$1,976,906 reported for all hotels in operation during the entire year, \$298,381 were secured from the sale of meals in European plan hotels, and it is estimated that \$697,677 were secured from the same source in American and mixed plan hotels. Thus, receipts from the sale of meals provided slightly more than half the entire revenue of hotels in Nova Scotia in 1930. Receipts from other sources - such as tobacco counters, news-stands, etc. - totalled \$143,393.

The total number of employees was given by each hotel as at the time the report was made, and the number of employees for the months of January, April, July, October and December, in 1930. The average number of employees for these five months in hotels operated the entire year was 281, of which 393 are taken as male employees and 588 as female employees. The total amount of salaries and wages paid to these employees was \$476,800. The value of board and room furnished hotel employees is not included in this figure.

Proprietors and firm members receiving a stated salary were requested to report the amounts so received during the year. Figures based on these replies are shown in the tables, but it is realized that such data contain some errors and omissions and are based upon various interpretations of the question.

The number of guest rooms in hotels operating the entire year was 3,602 and the seating capacity of dining rooms was 4,940.

Separate particulars are given for hotels operating the entire year in the city of Halifax.

Hotels Operating Part of the Year

Combined figures are shown for hotels operating only part of the year as it is impossible to give figures by plan of operation for these hotels without revealing the operations of individual establishments. As the majority of seasonal hotels operate on the American plan, separate figures are not shown for room receipts. However, on the basis of particulars submitted by some hotels, it is estimated that receipts from meals amounted to \$293,775. The total receipts from all sources for hotels operating only part of the year were \$468,941.

The average number of employees for hotels operating only part of the year has not been computed as the most of the employees, as is shown in the table, are employed for the summer months only. The salaries and wages reported cover only the period of employment and do not include any estimate of the value of board and lodgings furnished to employees.

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TABLE 1.--Statistics of Hotels Operating the Entire Year 1930, by Plan of Operation.

	Total	Plan of Operation		
		European	American	Mixed American and European
Number of hotels	151	22	99	30
Number of guest rooms	3,602	776	1,999	827
Seating capacity of dining rooms	4,940	1,117	2,804	1,019
Receipts, total	\$ 1,976,906	\$ 715,947	\$ 886,295	\$ 374,664
Rooms	341,884	341,884
Meals	298,381	298,381
Room and meals	(1)1,193,248	846,044	347,204
Other sources	143,393	75,682	40,251	27,460
All employees:				
January	964	334	386	244
April	964	327	393	244
July	1,042	356	436	250
October	964	320	409	235
December	973	303	437	233
Average of five months ..	981	323	412	241
Male	393	184	125	84
Female	588	144	287	157
Salaries and wages	\$ 476,800	\$ 225,609	\$ 161,079	\$ 90,112
Dining and lunch room, and kitchen employees --				
Average of five months ..	501	145	230	126
Male	153	90	38	25
Female	348	55	192	101
Salaries and wages	\$ 232,188	\$ 105,062	\$ 82,866	\$ 44,260
All other employees --				
Average of five months ..	480	183	182	115
Male	240	94	87	59
Female	240	89	95	56
Salaries and wages	\$ 244,612	\$ 120,547	\$ 78,213	\$ 45,852
Proprietors and firm members, total	213	30	145	38
Number of proprietors and firm members reporting a stated salary	11	1	10	...
Salaries reported by proprietors and firm members	\$ 9,460	(X)	(X)	...

(1) It is estimated that, of this amount, \$697,677 were received for meals.

(X) An (X) indicates that the figures are withheld to avoid disclosing individual operations. The amounts, however, are included in the totals.

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TABLE II.--Statistics of Hotels Operating Part of the
Year 1930.

	Total
Number of hotels	64
Number of guest rooms	1,600
Seating capacity of dining rooms	2,977
Receipts, total	\$ 468,941
Rooms	
Meals	(1) 443,333
Room and meals	
Other sources	25,608
Employees (number):	
January	8
April	28
July	643
Dining and lunch room, and kitchen ...	364
All other	279
October	63
December	12
Salaries and wages, total, all employees	\$ 39,881
Dining and lunch room, and kitchen ...	45,636
All other	44,245
Proprietors and firm members, total	88

(1) It is estimated that, of this amount, \$293,775
were received for meals.

TABLE III.--Statistics of Hotels Operating the Entire Year
1930 in Halifax.

	Total
Number of hotels	15
Number of guest rooms	1,066
Seating capacity of dining rooms	1,433
Receipts, total	\$ 925,147
Rooms	(1) 831,719
Meals	
Room and meals	
Other sources	
	93,428
All employees:	
January	507
April	500
July	522
October	478
December	466
Average of five months	495
Male	241
Female	254
Salaries and wages	\$ 282,927
Dining and lunch room, and kitchen employees --	
Average of five months	218
Male	97
Female	121
Salaries and wages	\$ 127,253
All other employees --	
Average of five months	277
Male	144
Female	133
Salaries and wages	\$ 155,674
Proprietors and firm members, total	12

(1) It is estimated that, of this amount, \$398,937 were received for meals.

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