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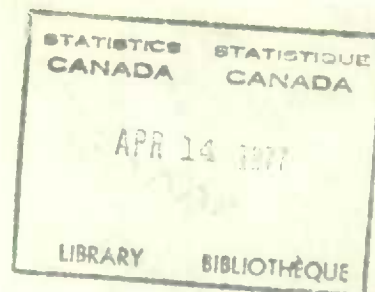
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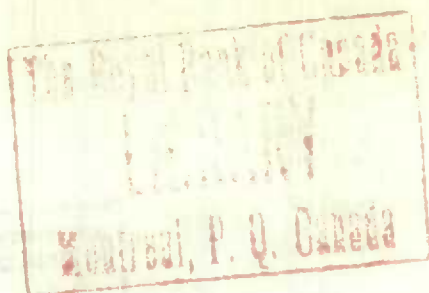
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Statistics of the warehousing industry in Canada are presented in the following tables and cover the operations of the majority of firms offering warehousing and storage facilities to the public. The 1955 statistics include returns from 195 operators as compared with 185 reporting in 1954.

These statistics are published on a regional basis showing the Maritime provinces as a group. Newfoundland is not yet represented because of organizational difficulties. Reports are included from both members and non-members of the Canadian Warehousemen's Association who conducted a public warehousing business during the year. 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 which are reported to other divisions of the Bureau. Many public warehousing companies also operate a local moving and cartage service and others a motor carrier business, including long distance moving. For some firms, revenues from motor carrier activities represent a large percentage of total receipts and these might better be classed as motor carrier rather than as warehousing firms; the following tables, however, indicate the amount of revenue derived from each segment of these businesses. The account "Other revenues" contains also some income from merchandising. Small food lockers are not included, except where they may be part of a general warehousing business.

Ten more firms reported in 1955, contributing to the rise of total capital investment to \$54,275,888 from \$47,649,107 in 1954, an increase of \$6,626,781. Depreciation accrued to December 31, 1955, amounted to \$22,140,712 as against \$20,032,179 a year ago.

Although revenue from merchandise storage decreased to \$4,990,067 from \$5,444,092 in 1954, total storage revenue for the year increased to \$13,423,170 from last year's total of \$12,987,959. Revenue from cartage and moving rose to \$15,470,320 from the previous year's total of \$13,506,767. Miscellaneous revenue increased to \$11,158,406 from \$8,769,871. Total revenue for 1955 rose to \$40,051,896 from \$35,264,597, an increase of \$4,787,299 or 13.6 per cent. Storage revenue accounted for only 33.5 per cent of total as compared with 37 per cent last year.

With rising costs for labour, equipment and materials, operating expenses were up from \$31,320,091 to \$36,013,753, an increase of \$4,693,662 or 15.0 per cent over 1954. The net operating revenue for 1955 was \$4,038,143, as against \$3,944,506 in 1954. After income tax payments of \$1,481,759, net income equalled \$2,411,583 for the year ending December 31, 1955, compared with a net income of \$2,446,178 for 1954.

Net occupiable space increased during the year for all three types of storage available for service. Comparable figures show 24,147,782 cubic feet for household storage as against 18,765,693 in 1954; 43,416,401 cubic feet for merchandise storage as opposed to 39,329,471, and 22,801,933 cubic feet for cold storage versus 20,864,851.

There was an increase of 760 persons employed during 1955 over 1954. This year 8,382 salaried employees and wage earners were occupied in the industry compared to 7,622 for the previous year. Total salaries and wages paid amounted to \$18,804,462 as against \$16,380,795 for 1954, an increase of \$2,423,667 or 14.8 per cent. The average earnings for all classes of employees were \$2,243, up from the \$2,149 average of the previous year.

For comparative purposes only, a special table is shown at the end of this report which summarizes the key statistics of 173 firms which reported for both 1955 and 1954. These should not be confused with the data shown in the main tables outlined above.

**TABLE 1. Selected Financial Statistics of the Warehousing Industry for the Year Ended December 31, 1955**

No.		Canada	Maritimes <sup>1</sup>	Quebec
1	Number of companies reporting .....	195	16	26
	<b>Property account</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>
2	Land and land rights .....	3,889,970	144,858	1,192,263
3	Warehouses, garages, shops, offices and other buildings .....	33,812,217	3,485,839	10,228,775
4	Warehouse, shop and garage equipment .....	6,387,307	548,713	986,958
5	Furniture and office equipment .....	927,073	43,629	191,374
6	Trucks, trailers, service cars and other vehicles .....	9,259,321	523,982	928,960
7	<b>Total gross cost</b> .....	<b>54,275,888</b>	<b>4,747,021</b>	<b>13,528,330</b>
8	Depreciation accrued to December 31, 1955 .....	22,140,712	1,770,202	5,254,076
9	Value at December 31, 1955 .....	32,135,176	2,976,819	8,274,254
10	Goodwill, organization and other expenses capitalized .....	1,215,460	1,735	154,075
11	<b>Total property account</b> .....	<b>33,350,636</b>	<b>2,978,554</b>	<b>8,428,329</b>
	<b>Operating revenues</b>			
12	Storage revenue — Household goods .....	2,625,179	108,619	530,847
13	Merchandise (dry) .....	4,990,067	273,112	1,071,273
14	Cold storage .....	5,807,924	427,104	1,768,060
15	Cartage — Railway and other local .....	10,596,533	108,342	458,294
16	Handling and extra labour service .....	4,745,241	209,891	603,525
17	Local moving .....	4,873,787	354,318	940,999
18	Other revenues including office rentals .....	6,413,165	530,389	1,118,367
19	<b>Total operating revenues</b> .....	<b>40,051,896</b>	<b>2,011,775</b>	<b>6,491,365</b>
	<b>Operating expenses</b>			
20	Administration and general expenses .....	6,235,154	247,273	1,105,565
21	Wages (including bonuses) to warehousemen, drivers, helpers, etc. ....	13,623,857	565,969	2,111,866
22	Maintenance and repairs (a) Warehouses and other buildings .....	1,032,274	98,617	263,879
23	(b) Motor vehicles (including garage expenses) .....	1,802,414	69,086	243,253
24	Gasoline, oil, motor fuel, etc. ....	1,293,188	83,364	99,519
25	Other transportation expenses .....	1,546,139	75,152	93,993
26	Power, light, heat and water .....	964,875	139,597	271,402
27	Sales and advertising .....	962,214	26,709	204,650
28	Insurance and safety expenses, claims, etc. ....	1,140,388	64,615	234,316
29	Depreciation for year on buildings, trucks, etc. ....	2,346,499	139,861	491,991
30	Operating taxes and licences .....	1,355,397	86,007	264,843
31	Other operating expenses (including rents) .....	3,711,354	230,617	321,289
32	<b>Total operating expenses</b> .....	<b>36,013,753</b>	<b>1,826,867</b>	<b>5,706,566</b>
	<b>Income account</b>			
33	Net operating revenue .....	4,038,143	184,908	784,799
34	Income from other sources .....	704,535	8,457	17,778
35	<b>Gross income</b> .....	<b>4,742,678</b>	<b>193,365</b>	<b>802,577</b>
36	Deductions — Interest on bank loans, mortgages, bonds, etc. ....	467,099	24,913	173,077
37	Other deductions .....	382,237	40,443	94,090
38	<b>Total deductions</b> .....	<b>849,336</b>	<b>65,356</b>	<b>267,167</b>
39	Net income before income tax .....	3,893,342	128,009	535,410
40	Income tax .....	1,481,759	51,687	222,201
41	Net income transferred to earned surplus .....	2,411,583	76,322	313,209

1. Includes Prince Edward Island, Nova Scotia and New Brunswick.



TABLE 1. Selected Financial Statistics of the Warehousing Industry for the Year Ended December 31, 1955

Ontario	Manitoba	Saskatchewan	Alberta	British Columbia	No.
72	19	12	15	35	1
\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	
1,108,187	279,619	89,525	393,964	681,554	2
7,406,273	3,947,015	1,442,872	2,691,570	4,609,873	3
1,835,435	648,299	117,219	312,073	1,938,610	4
269,403	94,044	68,895	122,736	136,992	5
3,107,668	1,029,686	605,745	1,280,844	1,782,436	6
<b>13,726,966</b>	<b>5,998,663</b>	<b>2,324,256</b>	<b>4,801,187</b>	<b>9,149,465</b>	7
6,588,324	2,403,822	1,082,274	1,587,727	3,454,287	8
7,138,642	3,594,841	1,241,982	3,213,460	5,695,178	9
714,317	40,884	41,153	44,273	219,023	10
<b>7,852,959</b>	<b>3,635,725</b>	<b>1,283,135</b>	<b>3,257,733</b>	<b>5,914,201</b>	11
1,157,068	189,289	85,506	219,455	334,395	12
1,649,219	511,789	197,342	401,143	886,189	13
1,957,875	534,450	185,175	160,224	775,036	14
3,153,686	1,890,383	550,105	1,472,326	2,963,397	15
1,534,220	590,735	207,588	382,420	1,216,862	16
1,861,091	331,913	108,544	251,846	1,025,076	17
2,274,578	523,895	172,565	963,361	830,010	18
<b>13,587,737</b>	<b>4,572,454</b>	<b>1,506,825</b>	<b>3,850,775</b>	<b>8,030,965</b>	19
2,120,184	682,475	284,110	639,056	1,156,491	20
4,516,962	1,496,378	634,696	1,186,988	3,110,998	21
341,775	98,510	21,491	41,730	166,272	22
743,820	138,975	42,605	189,874	374,801	23
543,534	117,235	44,619	179,265	225,652	24
345,031	258,398	16,612	438,587	318,366	25
257,132	70,562	44,457	40,103	141,622	26
395,290	52,239	32,326	101,364	149,636	27
428,161	129,385	33,691	98,659	151,561	28
664,923	225,561	113,773	286,878	423,512	29
463,572	140,456	61,120	122,683	216,716	30
1,244,171	723,171	167,694	230,573	793,839	31
<b>12,064,555</b>	<b>4,133,345</b>	<b>1,497,194</b>	<b>3,555,760</b>	<b>7,229,466</b>	32
1,523,182	439,109	9,631	295,015	801,499	33
50,521	360,307	100,980	75,376	91,116	34
<b>1,573,703</b>	<b>799,416</b>	<b>110,611</b>	<b>370,391</b>	<b>892,615</b>	35
90,090	29,514	14,910	50,956	83,639	36
41,899	203,917	—	1,808	80	37
<b>131,989</b>	<b>233,431</b>	<b>14,910</b>	<b>52,764</b>	<b>83,719</b>	38
1,441,714	565,985	95,701	317,627	808,896	39
492,364	222,273	15,151	151,736	326,347	40
949,350	343,712	80,550	165,891	482,549	41

TABLE 2. Employees and their Earnings in the Warehousing Industry, 1955

No.		Canada	Maritimes	Quebec
1	Owners or working partners..... No.	35	1	1
2	Withdrawals..... \$	128,260	5,200	6,454
3	Salaried employees..... No.	1,672	71	236
4	Amount of salaries..... \$	5,047,055	218,171	846,108
Wage earners:				
5	Regular..... No.	5,830	219	786
6	Casual..... No.	880	15	51
Amount of wages:				
7	Regular..... \$	13,379,969	549,583	2,130,118
8	Casual..... \$	377,438	11,466	18,066
9	Total withdrawals, salaries and wages..... \$	18,932,722	784,420	3,000,746

TABLE 3. Storage Space and Trucking Equipment of the Warehousing Industry, 1955

No.		Canada	Maritimes	Quebec
<b>Warehousing facilities</b>				
Storage space (net occupiable space):				
1	Household goods..... cubic feet	24,147,782	1,298,650	4,657,000
2	Merchandise..... " "	43,416,401	3,594,490	8,959,620
3	Cold storage..... " "	22,801,933	2,127,152	6,978,876
<b>Trucking equipment</b>				
Trucks - Capacity:				
4	2 tons and under..... No.	694	24	36
5	2½ - 4 tons..... " "	582	52	61
6	4½ - 6 tons..... " "	269	1	11
7	6½ - 8 tons..... " "	33	-	-
8	8½ - 10 tons..... " "	15	-	-
9	10½ - 12 tons..... " "	1	-	-
10	Over 12 tons..... " "	1	-	-
11	Total..... " "	1,595	77	108
12	Tractors..... No.	432	29	44
Semi-trailer units - Capacity:				
13	2 tons and under..... No.	2	-	-
14	2½ - 4 tons..... " "	59	1	1
15	4½ - 6 tons..... " "	203	4	4
16	6½ - 8 tons..... " "	66	3	6
17	8½ - 10 tons..... " "	86	-	32
18	10½ - 12 tons..... " "	24	15	-
19	Over 12 tons..... " "	34	-	-
20	Total..... " "	474	23	43
Trailers - Capacity:				
21	2 tons and under..... No.	1	1	-
22	2½ - 4 tons..... " "	12	-	1
23	4½ - 6 tons..... " "	8	-	-
24	6½ - 8 tons..... " "	26	5	-
25	8½ - 10 tons..... " "	25	-	-
26	10½ - 12 tons..... " "	3	-	-
27	Over 12 tons..... " "	17	-	3
28	Total..... " "	92	6	4

TABLE 2. Employees and their Earnings in the Warehousing Industry, 1955

Ontario	Manitoba	Saskatchewan	Alberta	British Columbia	No.
22	2	4	3	2	1
79,401	8,000	13,415	12,790	3,000	2
512	224	197	164	268	3
1,697,390	693,966	211,160	493,340	886,920	4
1,666	632	1,030	484	1,013	5
355	90	38	276	55	6
4,406,071	1,465,351	607,857	1,130,199	3,090,790	7
214,547	19,244	27,492	50,284	36,339	8
6,397,409	2,186,561	859,924	1,686,613	4,017,049	9

TABLE 3. Storage Space and Trucking Equipment of the Warehousing Industry, 1955

Ontario	Manitoba	Saskatchewan	Alberta	British Columbia	No.
10,071,964	2,379,856	706,520	1,189,200	3,844,592	1
14,207,780	5,776,700	1,309,064	1,948,300	7,620,447	2
6,495,795	2,635,470	358,240	395,600	3,810,800	3
135	207	60	111	121	4
295	34	19	26	95	5
57	1	5	5	189	6
5	—	—	—	28	7
2	2	1	—	10	8
—	—	—	—	1	9
—	—	—	—	1	10
494	244	85	142	445	11
187	42	22	62	46	12
—	—	—	2	—	13
18	27	1	6	5	14
152	10	4	29	—	15
30	1	3	16	7	16
43	—	4	7	—	17
2	—	6	—	1	18
27	—	3	1	3	19
272	38	21	61	16	20
—	—	—	—	—	21
3	—	1	—	7	22
2	1	1	2	2	23
3	—	—	—	18	24
7	3	11	—	4	25
3	—	—	—	—	26
—	—	2	—	12	27
18	4	15	2	43	28

TABLE 4. Storage Space of the Warehousing Industry Occupied Each Month of 1955

	Household goods storage		Merchandise storage		Cold storage	
	P.c. net occupiable space occupied	Cubic feet	P.c. net occupiable space occupied	Cubic feet	P.c. net occupiable space occupied	Cubic feet
On January 1 .....	75.5	18,232,504	80.8	35,089,034	70.5	16,079,482
" February 1 .....	75.8	18,302,918	80.3	34,850,360	67.9	15,488,673
" March 1 .....	76.8	18,554,733	78.8	34,198,417	62.9	14,336,734
" April 1 .....	78.9	19,052,497	79.0	34,297,779	61.1	13,936,117
" May 1 .....	80.0	19,327,097	79.0	34,303,492	61.6	14,050,369
" June 1 .....	81.3	19,638,688	79.5	34,534,648	63.7	14,526,698
" July 1 .....	81.7	19,739,760	78.9	34,234,284	66.9	15,244,794
" August 1 .....	81.9	19,777,726	78.1	33,887,136	68.3	15,576,206
" September 1 .....	82.2	19,859,493	79.5	34,529,307	71.8	16,365,153
" October 1 .....	80.9	19,538,149	81.1	35,222,352	74.1	16,903,728
" November 1 .....	79.9	19,288,218	82.2	35,698,034	75.3	17,166,480
" December 1 .....	78.4	18,921,244	82.6	35,843,689	75.0	17,096,695

TABLE 5. Accidents in the Warehousing Industry, 1955

	Number of persons	
	Killed	Injured
Employees .....	1	652
Other persons .....	—	9
<b>Total</b> .....	<b>1</b>	<b>661</b>

TABLE 6. Comparative Summary of the Warehousing Industry, 1955 and 1954

		1955	1954
Number of companies reporting .....		195	185
Investment in land, warehouses, etc. ....	\$	54,275,888	47,649,107
Revenue:			
Storage .....	\$	13,423,170	12,987,959
Cartage and moving .....	\$	15,470,320	13,506,767
Miscellaneous .....	\$	11,158,406	8,769,871
<b>Total revenue</b> .....	<b>\$</b>	<b>40,051,896</b>	<b>35,264,597</b>
Expenses—Operating .....	\$	36,013,753	31,320,091
<b>Net operating revenue</b> .....	<b>\$</b>	<b>4,038,143</b>	<b>3,944,506</b>
Employees—salaries and wages:			
Owners or working partners .....	No.	35	35
Number of salaried employees .....		1,672	1,452
Number of wage earners—Regular .....		5,830	5,480
Casual .....		880	690
Owners' or working partners' withdrawals .....	\$	128,260	146,538
<b>Total salaries and wages paid</b> .....	<b>\$</b>	<b>18,804,462</b>	<b>16,380,795</b>
Warehousing facilities:			
Storage—Dry (net) .....	Cubic feet	67,564,183	58,095,164
Cold .....	" "	22,801,933	20,864,851
Motor vehicles:			
Trucks .....	No.	1,595	1,525
Tractors .....	"	432	1
Semi-trailer units .....	"	474	477
Trailers .....	"	92	94

1. Tractors included with Semi-trailer units in 1954.



TABLE 7. Comparison of Principal Statistics for 173 Firms of the Warehousing Industry Reporting in Both 1954 and 1955

	1955	1954	Increase + Decrease - 1955 over 1954
<b>Finances:</b>			
Total revenue .....	\$ 34,292,629	34,238,115	+ 54,514
Total operating expenses .....	\$ 30,616,169	30,401,851	+ 214,318
Net operating revenue .....	\$ 3,676,460	3,836,264	- 159,804
Net income .....	\$ 2,188,830	2,406,598	- 217,768
<b>Employees:</b>			
Number — Regular .....	5,009	5,389	- 380
Casual .....	614	651	- 37
Wages — Regular .....	\$ 11,556,945	11,380,154	+ 176,791
Casual .....	\$ 238,763	347,996	- 109,233
Salaried employees .....	No. 1,463	1,423	+ 40
Salaries .....	\$ 4,388,213	4,290,486	+ 97,727
<b>Total salaries and wages .....</b>	<b>\$ 161,83,921</b>	<b>16,018,636</b>	<b>+ 165,285</b>

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