

TABLE 16.—Public museum buildings and additions completed in the biennium 1929 and 1930—Continued

Wyoming:
 Yellowstone National
 Park----- Yellowstone Museums¹ (1929) cost \$50,000, (1930)
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¹ A series of trailside museums is being created in the Yellowstone and 1 unit was completed in each of the indicated years. Costs, as given, represent a division of the approximate total amount expended for construction during the 2 years.

Table 17 shows capital outlay by years for the decade, in relation to the whole prior investment in museum buildings. Attention is called to the grand total of \$103,181,000. This is America's investment in bona fide public museum buildings. It does not include prices paid for makeshift buildings or costs of remodeled ones. Any such converted buildings as have been enlarged by addition of a wing actually designed for museum purposes, are represented in the table by the cost of the addition.

TABLE 17.—Investment, by years, in public museum buildings in use at the end of 1930¹

Year of opening	Cost of buildings by field					
	Art	Science	History	Industry	General	Total
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
1930-----	\$2,600,000	\$1,112,000	\$2,240,000	\$320,000	\$335,000	\$6,607,000
1929-----	2,439,000	2,029,000	830,000	5,000,000	2,519,000	12,817,000
1928-----	13,895,000	120,000	22,000		30,000	14,067,000
1927-----	5,710,000	35,000	200,000		8,000	5,953,000
1926-----	2,460,000	72,000	182,000		2,188,000	4,902,000
1925-----	750,000					750,000
1924-----	2,688,000		15,000		591,000	3,294,000
1923-----	1,125,000	692,000			400,000	2,217,000
1922-----		50,000				50,000
1921-----	175,000	8,530,000			165,000	8,870,000
Total for decade-----	31,842,000	12,640,000	3,489,000	5,320,000	6,236,000	59,527,000
Prior to 1921-----	20,127,000	9,522,000	3,946,000	1,150,000	8,909,000	43,654,000
Grand total-----	51,969,000	22,162,000	7,435,000	6,470,000	15,145,000	103,181,000

¹ This and the next table include some estimates of building costs, and also some approximations of museum shares in buildings designed only in part for museum purposes. A typical example is that of a State museum sharing a building equally with a State library and having half the total cost charged up in the table. There are only a few cases of this except for the buildings of historical societies which offered some difficulty and had to be treated more or less arbitrarily. Those costing more than \$50,000 and devoted to various society activities are represented by cost figures showing museum share roughly on the basis of proportionate floor area; those costing less than \$50,000 proved to be devoted principally or wholly to museum purposes, and were entered at full cost. However, all such special cases together contribute only a very small element. The table is essentially a record of the full cost of museum buildings.

This record of capital outlay covers 166 buildings, devoted to subjects as follows: Art 56, science 42, history 44, industry 4, and general 20. Table 18 shows how the cost is distributed throughout the country.