

SUMMARY OF THE DENTAL FEE SURVEY IN
SEATTLE
and immediate district
(Not including Tacoma)
JANUARY-1929

The Cameron-Henderson Company desires to express to the ethical profession of Seattle and District sincere thanks for their prompt reply to over 235 questionnaires.

The first 235 received have been summarized and we hope to place in the hands of each dentist the facts contained in this survey. They will prove both interesting and instructive and most assuredly point out the need of a better understanding of the principles of sane Dental Economics and fee determination in the present day practice.

We are pleased to be able to render this service to the local dental profession.

Yours very truly

CAMERON-HENDERSON COMPANY

1. How many years have you practiced dentistry?
1 to 5--62; 6 to 12--50; 13 to 19--26; 20 to 30--57; Over 30--6.
2. Do you have an office assistant?
Yes--146; No--108; Part time--3.
3. Do you take a regular vacation?
Yes--107; No--71; All day Saturday--11.
4. Do you send out statements?
Yes--190; No--16.
5. How often?
Monthly--185; Semi-monthly--8; Every 2 months--2; Cash business--3; Once in a while--9.
6. Do you recall your patients periodically for examination?
Yes--115; No--93; Few--14.
7. How?
Letter--21; Phone and card--33; Phone--43.
8. Fee for pyorrhea treatments -- 61 do not treat.
\$1.00--14; \$2.00--24; \$2.50--8; \$3.00--26; \$4.00--8; \$5.00--27;
\$6.00--8.
9. Fee for pyorrhea treatments--complete case.
\$10.00--9; \$15.00--1; \$25.00--4; \$30.00--3; \$75.00--1;
\$100.00--5; \$150.00--2; \$200.00--1.
10. Fees Root Canal treatment.
\$1.00--5; \$1.50--4; \$2.00--9; \$3.00--16; \$4.00--10; \$5.00--30;
\$10.00--21; \$15.00--6; \$25.00--2.
11. Do you charge for examination?
Yes--37; No--170; Sometimes--16.
12. Do you charge for broken appointments?
In all cases--11; Sometimes--24; No--149.
13. Do you use an X-Ray machine in office?
Yes--37; No--166.
14. X-Ray fees per film.
50¢--4; \$1.00--23; \$1.50--3; \$2.00--7.
15. X-Ray fees full mouth.
\$5.00--12; \$7.50--7; \$8.00--2; \$10.00--15; \$15.00--1.
16. Please state your fees for extractions--per tooth.
\$1.00--37; \$1.50--26; \$2.00--76; \$2.50--15; \$3.00--18;
\$3.50--3; \$4.00--1; \$5.00--8.
17. Do you administer gas?
Yes--32; No--176.

18. If so, give fees.
 \$2.00--1; \$5.00--1; \$4.00--9; \$5.00--12; \$6.00--1; \$8.00--1;
 \$10.00--3.
19. Fees for extraction--full mouth.
 \$5.00--5; \$10.00--2; \$20.00--1.
20. Do you charge for post-operative treatments?
 Yes--53; No--155; Sometimes--28.
21. Amalgam Fillings, 1 surface. Fees:
 \$1.00--17; \$1.50--21; \$2.00--61; \$2.50--29; \$3.00--45;
 \$3.50--6; \$4.00--9; \$5.00--6; \$6.00--2.
22. 2 Surfaces:
 \$1.50--3; \$2.00--10; \$2.50--28; \$3.00--49; \$4.00--38;
 \$5.00--32; \$6.00--5; \$10.00--11; \$15.00--1.
23. 3 Surfaces:
 \$3.00--3; \$4.00--7; \$5.00--8; \$6.00--7; \$8.00--5; \$10.00--18;
 \$12.00--16; \$15.00--53; \$20.00--30; \$25.00--12; \$30.00--1.
24. Synthetic Fillings--Fees:
 \$1.00--3; \$2.00--7; \$2.50--18; \$3.00--49; \$4.00--36; \$5.00--32;
 \$6.00--9; \$7.00 to \$10.00--3.
25. Bridge work (plain) per tooth--Fees:
 \$7.00--2; \$7.50--5; \$8.00--15; \$10.00--82; \$12.00--18;
 \$18.00--3; \$20.00--5; \$30.00--1; \$50.00--1.
26. Bridge--Porcelain tips, per tooth. Fees:
 \$8.00--11; \$9.00--2; \$10.00--7; \$15.00--34; \$20.00--48;
 \$25.00--28; \$35.00--4; \$50.00--5.
27. Three-quarter gold crowns--Fees:
 \$7.00--1; \$8.00--4; \$9.00--1; \$10.00--28; \$12.00--21;
 \$15.00--57; \$20.00--37; \$25.00--12; \$50.00--3.
28. Gold crowns--Fees:
 \$7.00--2; \$8.00--19; \$10.00--66; \$15.00--37; \$20.00--15;
 \$25.00--9; \$30.00--3; \$35.00--2; \$50.00--1.
29. Porcelain Jacket Crowns--Fees:
 \$20.00--4; \$25.00--12; \$30.00--8; \$35.00--45; \$40.00--17;
 \$50.00--46; \$75.00--6; \$100.00--1.
30. Gold Inlays--1 Surface:
 \$3.00--2; \$4.00--4; \$5.00--30; \$6.00--10; \$7.00--11;
 \$8.00--33; \$10.00--61; \$15.00--12; \$25.00--1.
31. Gold Inlays--2 Surfaces:
 \$5.00--2; \$6.00--2; \$7.00--5; \$8.00--12; \$10.00--47;
 \$12.00--37; \$15.00--42; \$20.00--5; \$25.00--5.

32. Gold Inlays--3 Surfaces:
\$6.00--1; \$7.00--2; \$10.00--13; \$12.00--16; \$15.00--46;
\$16.00--3; \$18.00--18; \$20.00--31; \$25.00--15; \$35.00--5;
33. Dentures--Vulcanite, Single--Fees:
\$15.00--2; \$20.00--1; \$25.00--48; \$30.00--17; \$35.00--26;
\$37.50--1; \$40.00--17; \$50.00--64; \$60.00--2; \$75.00--9;
\$100.00--4; \$125.00--3; \$150.00--1.
34. Dentures--Rubber Substitutes, Single--Fees:
\$25.00--2; \$30.00--1; \$35.00--2; \$37.50--4; \$40.00--10;
\$50.00--29; \$60.00--8; \$65.00--13; \$75.00--45; \$100.00--21;
\$125.00--8; \$150.00--1; \$200.00--2.
35. Gold Dentures--Fees:
\$75.00--2; \$80.00--1; \$90.00--1; \$100.00--15; \$125.00--6;
\$150.00--35; \$175.00--2; \$200.00--8; \$250.00--13; \$300.00--3.
36. Denture Repairing--Fees:
\$1.50--5; \$2.00--10; \$2.50--32; \$3.00--45; \$3.50--20;
\$4.00--10; \$5.00--34; \$6.00--4; \$7.00--2; \$10.00--7.
37. Denture Relining--Fees:
\$3.00--1; \$4.00--3; \$5.00--27; \$6.00--4; \$7.00--3; \$8.00--7;
\$9.00--1; \$10.00--57; \$12.00--7; \$15.00--29; \$20.00--6;
\$25.00--10; \$45.00--1.
38. Fee per hour:
\$3.50--1; \$4.00--6; \$5.00--8; \$6.00--20; \$8.00--11;
\$9.00--2; \$10.00--20; \$15.00--1.