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BANK DEBITS TO INDIVIDUAL ACCOUNTS, NOVEMBER, 1942.

The amount of cheques cashed at the clearing house centres was \$4,967 million in November against \$3,427 million in the same month last year. The gain was nearly 45 per cent, a great part of the increase being due to heavy payments on the Third Victory Loan. Expansion was also shown in business activity and wholesale prices were on a somewhat higher level than in November last year.

Gains were general in the five economic areas. The increase in the Maritime Provinces was 26.6 per cent, the total rising from \$85 million to \$108 million. Each of the three centres in Quebec recorded advances, the total having been 46.6 per cent greater at \$1,413 million. The advance in Montreal was from \$866 million to \$1,295 million. The debits in Ontario were nearly double the amount in the same month last year. Toronto debits rose from \$957 million to \$1,249 million, the grand total for the province for November having been \$2,399 million. Increases were general in the ten centres of the Prairie Provinces, the gain of the aggregate for the area having been 34.6 per cent. The total in November was nearly \$763 million compared with \$567 million in the same month last year. Debits in British Columbia showed a further increase in November, advances having been general in the three clearing centres. The total was \$283 million against \$207 million last year.

Comparison with October after Seasonal Adjustment

Bank debits in November after seasonal adjustment showed an increase of nearly 21 per cent over the preceding month. Advances were recorded in each of the 5 centres, the relative gain in the Prairie Provinces having been greater than in any other economic area. The advance in the Maritime Provinces and in Quebec was 6.7 per cent and 20.2 per cent, respectively. The Toronto total showed a marked gain over the preceding month, the debits for Ontario having been 14 per cent greater. Winnipeg debits were \$455 million against \$377 million in the preceding month, a gain of nearly 47 per cent after seasonal adjustment. The total for the three Prairie provinces rose about 30 per cent. The bank debits of British Columbia were \$283 million against \$254 million in the preceding month, the increase after seasonal adjustment having been about 12 per cent.

Comparison with the first 11 months of 1941

Bank debits in the first ll months of the present year amounted to \$41,332 million against \$35,556 million in the same period of last year. The increase was 16.3 per cent or \$5,775 million. Gains were recorded in each of the 5 economic areas the greatest increase having been shown in Ontario. In that province the gain was from \$16,533 million to \$20,094 million. Gains of 15.8 per cent and 16.2 per cent were shown in the Maritime Provinces and in Quebec, respectively. The advance in the Prairie Provinces was of minor proportions. An increase of 16.6 per cent was recorded in British Columbia the total in the first 11 months of the present year having been \$2,587 million.

Comparisons with other factors

Cheques cashed against current accounts amounted to \$4,749 million in November compared with \$218 million cashed against savings accounts. As current deposits including Government balances were \$1,895 million, the turn-over was 2.51 times. Savings accounts at the beginning of the month equalled \$1,709 million, the turn-over having been .1273.

Circulating media in the hands of the public was \$676 million in November against \$489 million in the same month last year. Deposit liabilities rose from \$3,012 million to \$3,603.9 million. It was estimated that the sum of the cash and cheque payments amounted in November to \$6,809 million against \$4,585 million in November last year. During the same interval the money supply consisting of notes and subsidiary coin in the hands of the public and the deposit liabilities of the chartered banks rose from \$3,501 million to \$4,280 million.

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Table 1. - BANK DEBITS TO INDIVIDUAL ACCOUNTS AT THE CLEARING HOUSE CENTRES OF CANADA, November, 1942. WITH COMPARATIVE FIGURES FOR OCTOBER, 1942 AND NOVEMBER, 1941, AND BANK CLEARINGS, NOVEMBER, 1942.

Province and Clearing		October, 1942	November, 1941	Bank Clearings					
House Centres		\$	\$	\$					
Maritime Provinces -									
Halifax	62,206,007	53, 794, 132	50,127,250	17,605,196					
Moncton	16,330,409	16,952,365	15,124.535	5,340,016					
Saint John	29,308,705	26,714,184	19,918,327	10,902,873					
Total - Maritime Province	ces 107,845,121	97,460,681	85,170,112	33,848,085					
Quebec -			0(= (== ==(FOL 057 700					
Montreal	1,294,534,894	1,026,078,301	865,650,936	594,953,386					
Quebec	105,625,878	105,585,870	88,688,721	28,653,492					
Sherbrooke	12,840,542	12,492,303	9,798,010	4,582,517					
Total - Quebec	1,413,001,314	1,144,156,474	964,137,667	628,189,395					
Ontario -		-011	2). === 0	\. O== \.o0					
Brantford	19,935,632	18,314,934	14,370,078	4,857,498					
Chatham	12,148,966	10,432,904	12,174,989	3,486,778					
Fort William	12,863,720	10, 168, 777	9,874,775	4,973,093					
Hamilton	132,569,718	116,905,424	97,168,825	32,638,060					
Kingston	13,210,744	13,180,015	9,264,560 18,776,914	3,439,721 5,355,480					
Kitchener	33,850,642	42.044.782	40, 214, 048	14,827,094					
London	62, 5 64,825 718,748,498	602, 361, 717	337,659,207	511,157,578					
Ottawa	12,070,955	13,538,755	9,798,525	3,474,934					
St. Catharines	24, 295, 510	22,925,735	16,808,743	6,299,911					
Sarnia	12,809,310	13,366,036	11,000.714	2,432,477					
Sudbury	8,908,455	9,236,652	8, 443, 245	4,921,267					
Toronto	1,248,864,880	912,989,788	957,022,266	637,311,678					
Windsor	86,458,042	101,211,312	60,967,870	19,749,899					
Total - Ontario	2,399,299,897	1,906,969,630	1,603,544,759	1,254,925,468					
Prairie Provinces -									
Brandon	6,780,535	7,300,722	5,480,251	2,727,636					
Calgary	102, 197, 532	93,074,771	79,810,307	34,417,693					
Edmonton	76,856,707	66,928,079	55,987,496	30,396,209					
Lethbridge	8,110,002	8,085,348	6,853,133	4,707,078					
Medicine Hat	4,877,780	6, 198, 317	3,819,442	1,975,629					
Moose Jaw	11,231,208	10,770,758	10,605,099 4,521,012	4,132,691 2,720,815					
Prince Albert	5,515,386 74,820,248	5,623,942 78,097,788	46,791,671	36,092,626					
Regina	17,949,309	17,381,594	15, 236, 470	8,906,615					
Winnipeg	454,585,789	377, 360, 065	337,571,744	272,339,775					
Total - Prairie Province		670,821,384	566,676,625	398, 416, 767					
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British Columbia - New Westminster	13.448.263	13,725,745	10,209,423	4,367,085					
Vancouver	225,049,439	198, 783, 246	164,530,311	110,117,928					
Victoria	44,989,568	41, 473, 377	32,636,908	8,711,163					
Total - British Columbia	283, 487, 270	253,982,368	207,376,642	123, 196, 176					
GRAND TOTAL FOR CANADA.	. 4,966,558,098	4,073,390,537	3,426,905,805	2,438,575,891					

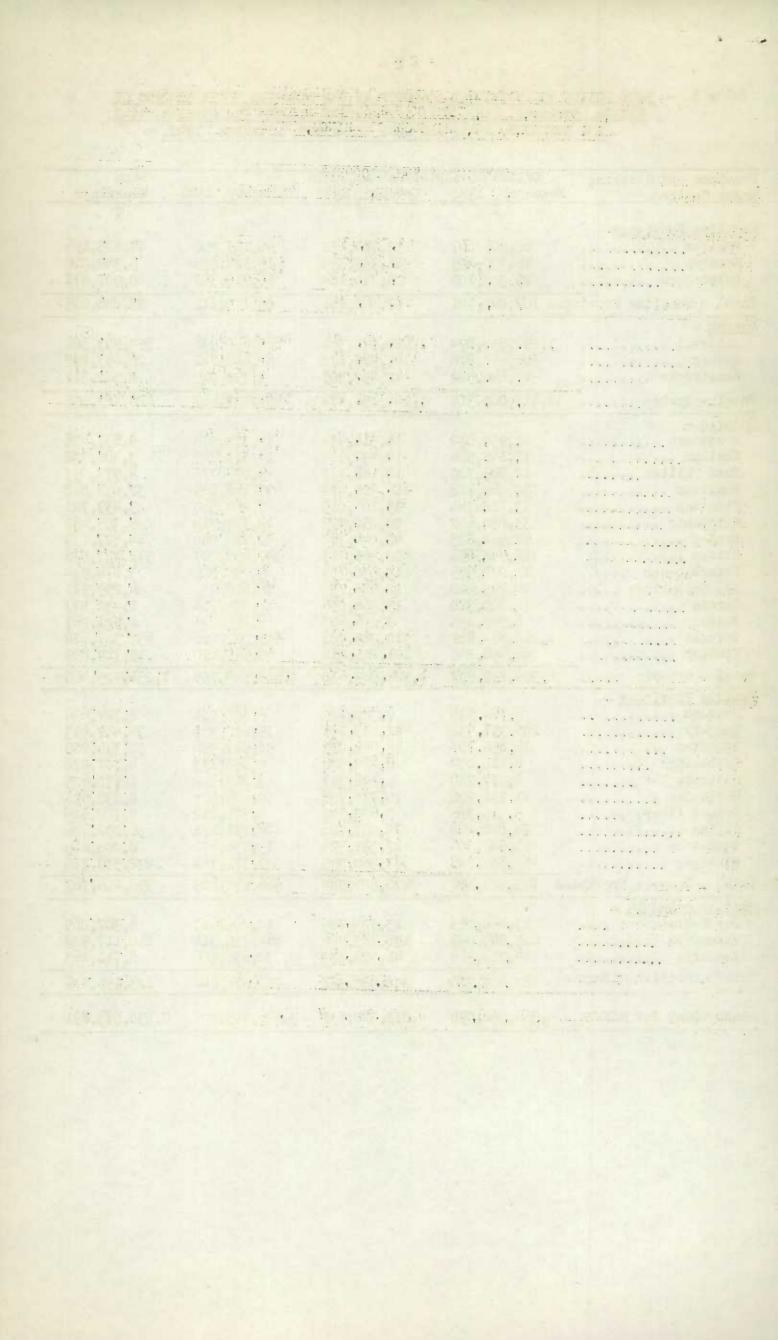


Table 2. RELATION OF BANK DEBITS TO OTHER FACTORS

	CURRENT ACCOUNTS			SAVINGS ACCOUNTS					
ECONOMIC AREAS	Novemb	per, 1942	Octob	er, 1942	2 No	ovember:	1942 0	ctober, 1942	
		\$		\$		\$		\$	
		310,074	91,7	93,447		5.035,0		,667,234	
		333,853	1,078,9	352,733		68,667,4		,203,741	
Ontario	2,296,		1,819,1	.66,517		02,959,2		,825,221 ,654,867	
Prairie Provinces British Columbia		084,629		73,183		20,079,3		809.185	
GRAND TOTAL FOR CANADA		977,122	3,870,230,289			217,580,97			
	First		First					Percentage	
BANK DEBITS	Eleven Months		Eleven Months of 1941		Increase (+ Decrease (-		to 1941		
	of 1942								
Quebec 11,598,		342,077		45,543		34, 196, 5		115.8	
			9,981,238,572 16,533,311,318			16,954,5		116.2	
Ontario Prairie Provinces	20,093,	393,511	5,972,1			60,682,1 95,811,3		121.5	
British Columbia	2.586	522,526	2,218,9			67,585,1		116.6	
GRAND TOTAL FOR CANADA	41,331,		35,556,1			75, 229, 8		116.3	
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED			1941		1948	2			
ECONOMIC INDEXES		November	June	July A	ugust S	eptember	Octobe	r November	
	-39=100	113-2	127.7	135.0	136.0	134.5	135.7	164.0	
Physical Volume of Business "		183.7	200.0		205.7	206,1	207.2	(7.	
Cost of Living		68,8				62.6	65.0	67.6 118.6	
Cost of Living Employment in		116.3	116.7	117.9	117.7	117.4	117.8	110.0	
	26=100	185.9	201.9	205.2	207.6	209.5	211.3	-	
Wholesale Prices	ŧf	94.0	95.8			96.0	96.8	97.1	
CIRCULATING MEDIA Millions of Dollars									
Bank of Canada Notes		448.9	528.6	541.2	563.8	592,6	625.4	657.6	
Circulation of Bank Note	es	82.2		74.5	75.0	73.4		70.1	
Total Notes in Hands of	Public	489.3	507.1	514.2	546.3	563.7	71.3 581.8	623.5	
Subsidiary Coin in Hand: Public	s of	46.8	50.3	50.8	51.3	51 S	52.3	52.8	
Circulating Media in Har	nds of								
Public (m)		489.3	557.4	565.0	597.6	615.5	634.1	676.3	
EQUATION OF EXCHANGE									
Notice								2 1,708.7	
Demand								8 1,609.1	
Dominion Government Provincial Government		611.5	58 2	101 5	08	0 08 0	94.	9 185.0 2 101.1	
Total Deposits (M1)								2 3,603.9	
Ratio of Bank Debits to			, , ,	, , , , ,	, , ,	3,0 0 -	7,	- 5150	
Deposits P.C.	.777- \							8 137.8	
Bank Debits + 12 p.c.(1 Velocity of Bank Deposition Bank Debits less 5 large	ts (V1)	3,855	1,38	1.3	3,915	23 1.1	9 1.	31 1.55	
centres			827				956	1,025	
Cash Payments (MV)	(::: V]	730	883	882	856	853	968	1,221	
Cash & Cheque Payments Index of Cash and Cheque		4,585	5,121	5:040	4,771	4,809	5,551	6,809	
ments		133.2	148.8	146.7	138.	6 139.7	161.	3 197.8	
Money Supply (Ml+M)		3,501	3,675	3,686	3,772	3927	4,120	4,280	



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