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#### CREDIT STATISTICS

(Selected Holders) NOVEMBER, 1957

From a high of \$825.4 million at August 31, consumer credit outstanding on the books of Sales Finance Companies has continued to decline and, at November 30, 1957, amounted to \$800.5 million. However, consumer balances outstanding held by Licensees under the Small Loans Act showed a net increase of 0.9 per cent compared with those at October 31.

Department Stores' accounts receivable amounted to \$237.4 million at November 30, a net increase of 4.5 per cent since October 31.

#### PERSONAL LOANS AND INSTALMENT CREDIT

held by Licensees under the Small Loans Act. (in millions of dollars)

	Small Loans/2	Large Loans	Instalment Credit	Total 1957	Total 1956	Net Change 1957/1956
						%
Balances Outstanding						
(end of month)						
April	137.1	198.9	14.1	350.1	307.0	+ 14.0
May	150.8	187.0	14.3	352.1	316.8	+ 11.1
June	165.4	176.5	14.3	356.2	326.5	+ 9.1
July	179.3	163.7	14.4	357.4	334.1	+ 7.0
August	190.1	155.4	14.5	360.0	340.4	+ 5.8
September	197.0	145.6	14.4	357.0	339.9	+ 5.0
October	204.4	135.9	14.6	354.9	338.9	+ 4.7
November (p) .	216.3	126.9	14.8	358.0	344.6	+ 3.9

#### (p) Preliminary

- /L By D.B.S. definition "Sales Finance Companies" include, in addition to credit companies not licensed under the Small Loans Act, licensed companies whose instalment credit amounts to more than 50 per cent of their total credit.
- /2 As of January 1, 1957, loans of \$1,500 or less; prior to that date, \$500 or less. (Amendment to the Small Loans Act).

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### INSTALMENT CREDIT HELD BY SALES FINANCE COMPANIES

### Retail

	Consume				r Goods				
The small of the	Passenger Cars				Other		Total,		
	New	New Used		Total, New + Used		Consumer Goods		Consumer Good 3	
	1957	1957	1957	1956	1957	1955	1957	1956	Change 1957/56
Number of Con- tracts Financed NOVEMBER									%
CAMADA  Atlantic Provinces. Quebec Ontario Manitoba Saskatchewan Alberta British Columbia	11,227 640 2,933 4,608 425 515 1,127 979	22,424, 1,946 4,956 9,151 1,000 1,023 2,345 2,003	33,651 2,586 7,889 13,759 1,425 1,538 3,472 2,982	39,169 3,238 8,501 16,848 1,315 1,649 3,858 3,760					
Value of Contracts Financed NOVEMBER			(in mill	ions of	dollars	;)			
CANADA Atlantic Provinces. Quebec Ontario Manitoba Saskatchewan Alberta British Columbia	25.0 1.3 6.9 9.9 1.0 1.1 2.5 2.3	21.1 1.6 5.1 8.4 0.9 0.8 2.2 2.1	46.1 2.9 12.0 18.3 1.9 1.9 4.7	50.8 3.6 12.1 21.8 1.6 1.8 4.8 5.1	12.3	16.1	58 . l.,	66.9	-12.7
Balances Out- standing (end of month) CANADA									
April May June July August			659.7	571.6	135.9	131.8	756.5 780.8 795.6 815.4 825.4	626.8 565.2 703.4 733.6 761.3	+20.7 +17.2 +13.1 +11.2 + 8.4
September October November			683.3	637.4	137.8	137.1	821.1 824.1r 800.5	774.5 781.2 778.5	+ 6.0 + 4.2 + 2.8

## INSTALMENT CREDIT HELD BY SALES FINANCE COMPANIES

Retail

	Commerc:				ial Goods				
	Commercial Vehicles			Other		Total,			
	New	Used	Total, New + Used		Commercial Goods		Commercial Goods		
	1957	1957	1957	1956	1957	1956	1957	1956	Change 1957/56
Number of Con- tracts Financed NOVEMBER									%
CANADA Atlantic Provinces. Quebec Ontario Mamitoba Saskatchewan Alberta British Columbia	1,766 143 449 515 94 88 281 196	4,351 564, 937 1,142 173 297 692 546	6,117 707 1,386 1,657 267 385 973 742	7,541 812 1,814 2,078 270 458 1,197 912					
Value of Contracts Financed			(in mill:	ions of	dollars)				
CANADA Atlantic Provinces. Quebec Ontario Manitoba Saskatchewan Alberta British Columbia	5.0 0.3 1.4 1.6 0.2 0.2 0.8 0.5	4.2 0.3 0.8 1.0 0.2 0.2 0.9 0.8	9.2 0.6 2.2 2.6 0.4 1.7 1.3	14.1 0.9 4.1 3.9 0.4 0.6 2.5 1.7	9.6	12.6	18.8	26.7	-29.6
Balances Out- standing (end of month)  CANADA April May June July August September October November			145.6	124.1	147.0	111.5	274.3 283.6 292.6 294.1 293.0 289.2 284.5 278.9	201.1 219.6 235.6 252.4 264.5 265.8 269.7 277.3	+16.5 +10.8 + 8.8

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(in millions of dollars)

	Instalment.		Regular	Total	Total	Net Change	
	C.S.A. 2	Other/L	Charge Accounts	1957	1956	1957/1956	
						8	
(end of month)							
April	151.1	27.7	40.7	219.5	202.3	+ 8.5	
May	151.0	27.8	41.2	220.0	205.0	+ 7.3	
June	150.3	28.5	41.9	220.7	206.0	♦ 7.1	
July	149.0	27.7	36.1	212.8	200.8	+ 6.0	
August	149.6	27.0	36.6	213.2	199.9	+ 6.7	
September	153.2	27.4 r	41.2 r	221.8	209.5	+ 5.9	
October	156.4	28.0	42.7 r	227.1	214.5	+ 5.9	
November (p).	163.3	29.2	44.9	237.4	221.0	+ 7.4	

<sup>(</sup>r) Revised

<sup>(</sup>p) Preliminary

<sup>/2</sup> Conditional-sale agreements

Deferred payment plans, such as revolving credit and budgeted charge accounts (included in the "charge" component before recent re-definition of the "instalment" component).