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## RETAIL TRADE

MAY, 1951

A 13% increase in sales of Canada's retail stores raised the dollar volume of business to \$884,790,000 in May 1951 compared with the May 1950 total of \$780,200,000. This increase, similar to that for April, but a little short of the 19% gain recorded in the first quarter of 1951, keeps the course of consumer spending well above last year's level. Price increases, while they cannot be directly related to the sales gains which have occurred, account for much of the dollar volume expansion in sales. Sales to the end of May 1951 totalled \$3,861,310,000, some \$555 millions (or 17%) more than the January-to-May 1950 total of \$3,305,660,000.

### TOTAL RETAIL TRADE IN CANADA

	1950 \$'000	1951 \$'000	% Change 1951/1950
January	555,110	671,920	+ 21.0
February	565,350	668,370	+ 18.2
March	685,790	821,300	+ 19.8
April	719,210	814,930	+ 13.3
May	780,200	884,790	+ 13.4

All but three trades recorded gains in May 1951 compared with the same month last year. The 29% increase in motor vehicle dealers' sales, although the smallest monthly gain reported to date in 1951 for this trade, was substantial enough to bring the month's sales total to \$160 millions, only slightly below the all-time high of \$167 millions in April 1951. Food stores had a gain of 18% in sales volume; chain food stores, which account for approximately 40% of all food store sales, had a particularly large increase of 30%. Country general and meat store sales were up 16% in the apparel group reported



and 15% respectively. All trades

increased sales, ranging from 13% for men's clothing stores to 8% for family clothing stores. Other sizeable gains recorded were those for variety stores (14%), garages and filling stations (14%), hardware stores (13%), and lumber and building material dealers (11%).

Of the three declines in sales, the 10% decrease in furniture stores and the 7% decrease in appliance stores (compared with January-to-April increases of 13% and 26% respectively), may be attributed, in part at least, to credit regulation. Jewellery store sales dropped off 1%.

Sales were up by a marked 39% in Manitoba in May 1951 compared with May 1950. It should be noted that trade was adversely affected by flood conditions in the Red River valley in May last year, when sales were 6% below the May 1949 level. Saskatchewan had the second largest increase, a gain of 20%. Other increases, excepting the quite moderate 1% gain in the Maritime Provinces, ranged close to the overall increase of 13% for Canada.

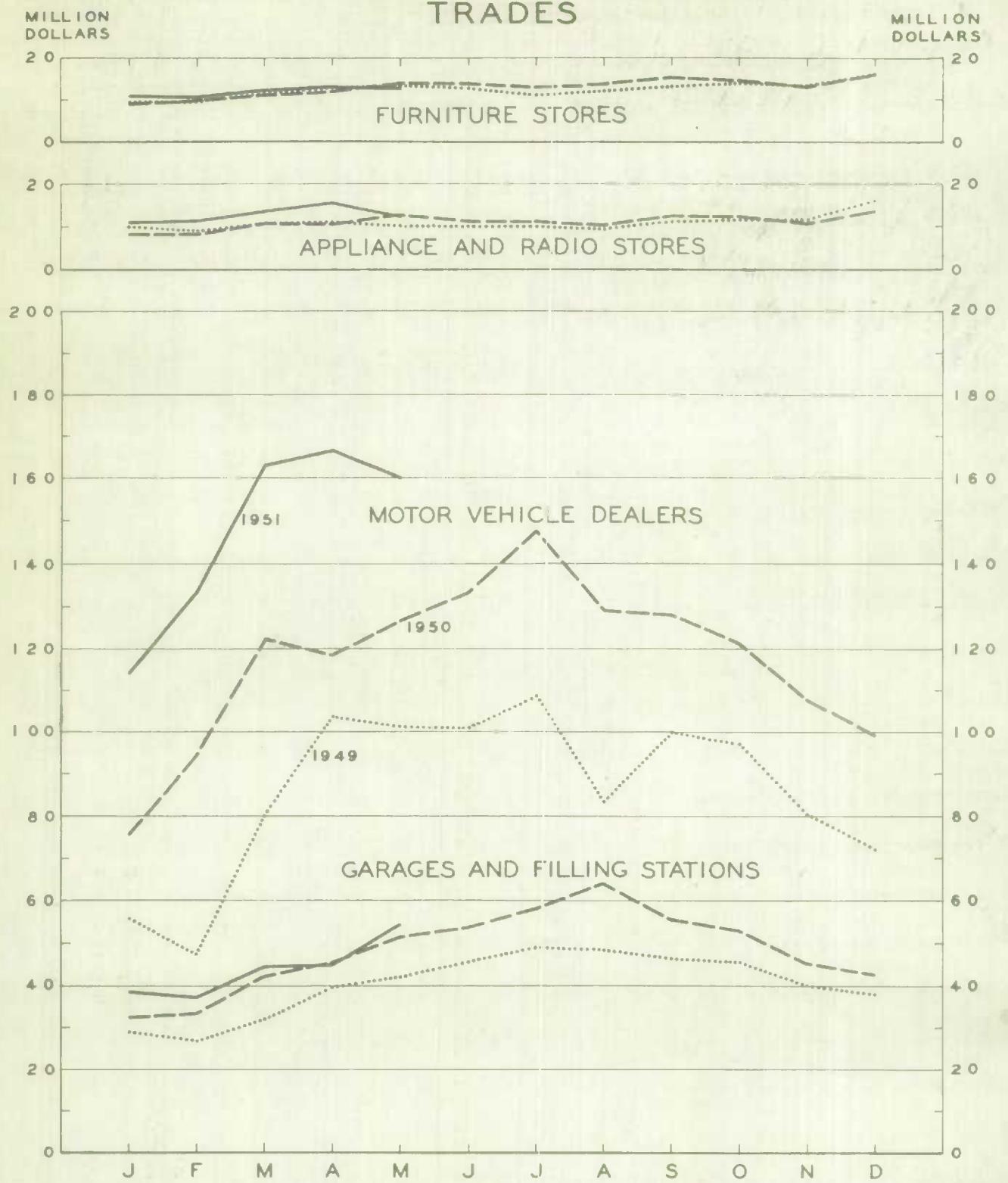
A comparison of department store sales for May 1950 and 1951 and of stocks for May 1951 are given in the table on Page 10. Total sales were up 4% in May 1951 compared with May 1950, nineteen of the 31 departments having increased sales volume. The 19% increase for women's and misses' dresses and the 17% increase in fur sales were the largest. Stocks of merchandise held by department stores at the beginning of May 1951 were valued at \$239,018,000, 23% higher than stock holdings of \$194,640,000 on the same date a year ago.

The following table gives estimates of chain office-and-store appliance dealers' sales, by provinces, for May 1950 and 1951.

Chain Office-and-Store Appliance Dealers' Sales

Province	May 1950 \$'000	May 1951 \$'000	% Change May 1951/May 1950
Canada	3,950	4,710	+ 19.2
Maritime Provinces	150	200	+ 33.3
Quebec	860	1,160	+ 34.9
Ontario	1,950	2,280	+ 16.9
Manitoba	200	300	+ 50.0
Saskatchewan	90	100	+ 11.1
Alberta	250	230	- 8.0
British Columbia	450	440	- 2.2

# MONTHLY SALES FURNITURE—APPLIANCE—AUTOMOTIVE TRADES



PERCENTAGE CHANGES IN RETAIL TRADE  
By Provinces and Kinds of Business

(Without Adjustment for Price Changes)

May 1951 Over May 1950

Kind of Business or Store	CANADA	Mar. Prov.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	Br. Col.
.	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
Total, All Trades .....	+ 13.4	+ 1.4	+ 15.4	+ 11.7	+ 28.5	+ 20.2	+ 16.3	+ 10.1
Grocery & Combination .....	+ 17.8	+ 8.8	+ 16.6	+ 21.8	+ 20.9	+ 13.2	+ 19.5	+ 11.9
Meat .....	+ 15.0	+ 19.4	+ 25.2	+ 9.7	+ 5.3	+ 12.7	+ 15.2	+ 8.7
Country General .....	+ 15.8	+ 7.9	+ 18.1	+ 16.7	+ 30.2	+ 14.4	+ 9.0	+ 22.1
Department .....	+ 4.1	- 8.4	+ 7.0	- 0.7	+ 17.0	+ 19.2	+ 7.4	+ 3.4
Variety .....	+ 14.3	- 1.4	+ 17.7	+ 14.5	+ 30.0	+ 13.9	+ 11.7	+ 20.0
Motor Vehicle .....	+ 28.9	- 3.1	+ 45.9	+ 22.1	+ 41.4	+ 29.3	+ 55.8	+ 24.8
Garage & Filling Station ....	+ 13.7	+ 10.3	+ 13.3	+ 9.2	+ 31.3	+ 28.5	+ 16.0	+ 12.7
Men's Clothing .....	+ 12.5	- 11.0	+ 14.6	+ 14.1	+ 53.8	+ 10.8	+ 5.4	+ 13.3
Family Clothing .....	+ 7.5	+ 5.7	+ 0.9	+ 6.4	+ 26.8	+ 29.0	+ 33.9	+ 5.6
Women's Clothing .....	+ 9.2	- 1.1	+ 10.6	+ 11.9	+ 40.5	+ 7.5	+ 8.2	(a)
Shoe .....	+ 12.2	- 9.1	+ 21.8	+ 6.3	+ 29.2	+ 23.5	+ 26.3	+ 7.0
Hardware .....	+ 13.1	- 9.0	+ 21.6	+ 7.4	+ 23.6	+ 16.7	+ 22.4	+ 4.9
Lumber & Building Material ..	+ 11.0	- 6.0	+ 1.0	+ 10.5	+ 79.3	+ 6.7	+ 1.7	- 1.0
Furniture .....	- 9.8	- 27.6	- 7.6	- 11.0	- 3.8	+ 20.0	+ 4.6	- 9.7
Appliance & Radio .....	- 6.7	- 16.1	- 9.7	- 11.8	+ 22.2	(b)	+ 45.8	- 12.2
Restaurant .....	+ 6.8	+ 19.6	+ 1.7	+ 9.3	+ 8.4	+ 4.3	- 1.9	+ 9.1
Coal & Wood .....	+ 0.3	+ 5.5	- 2.6	+ 3.0	+ 8.9	- 8.8	- 11.1	- 20.0
Drug .....	+ 9.4	+ 5.5	+ 12.9	+ 9.1	+ 5.2	+ 10.1	+ 9.7	+ 9.4
Jewellery .....	- 1.4	- 5.1	- 4.5	+ 2.6	+ 19.2	(a)	- 16.7	- 3.1
Tobacco .....	+ 5.5	+ 20.7	- 2.0	+ 6.4	+ 10.0	+ 26.3	+ 7.7	+ 9.7
All Others .....	+ 10.0	+ 2.2	+ 9.4	+ 9.6	+ 30.2	+ 24.8	+ 7.8	+ 1.6

(a) Unchanged

(b) Not available

PERCENTAGE CHANGES IN RETAIL TRADE  
By Provinces and Kinds of Business

(Without Adjustment for Price Changes)

January to May 1951 Over January to May 1950

Kind of Business or Store	CANADA	Mar. Prov.	Que.	Ont.	Man.	Sask.	Alta.	Br. Col.
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
Total, All Trades .....	+ 16.8	+ 10.3	+ 16.4	+ 18.1	+ 23.3	+ 10.7	+ 17.2	+ 16.6
Grocery & Combination .....	+ 13.5	+ 9.7	+ 13.0	+ 19.1	+ 17.4	+ 8.6	+ 16.9	+ 8.2
Meat .....	+ 12.2	+ 4.4	+ 16.7	+ 10.4	+ 11.3	+ 11.2	+ 14.2	+ 8.9
Country General .....	+ 13.9	+ 12.3	+ 18.6	+ 15.0	+ 15.4	+ 9.4	+ 8.2	+ 19.5
Department .....	+ 10.6	- 1.2	+ 11.3	+ 9.1	+ 16.3	+ 9.1	+ 14.2	+ 13.3
Variety .....	+ 12.5	+ 5.5	+ 14.6	+ 12.7	+ 15.2	+ 5.3	+ 8.0	+ 19.2
Motor Vehicle .....	+ 39.8	+ 21.4	+ 41.2	+ 42.4	+ 48.4	+ 19.3	+ 49.0	+ 38.2
Garage & Filling Station ....	+ 15.0	+ 17.2	+ 13.4	+ 13.1	+ 20.3	+ 14.5	+ 10.9	+ 24.6
Men's Clothing .....	+ 11.0	+ 5.4	+ 15.1	+ 9.8	+ 21.7	+ 9.5	+ 2.3	+ 13.9
Family Clothing .....	+ 8.9	+ 7.0	+ 1.6	+ 10.4	+ 22.5	+ 11.6	+ 25.8	+ 14.6
Women's Clothing .....	+ 7.3	+ 0.9	+ 8.4	+ 11.0	+ 15.4	+ 3.5	+ 1.9	- 0.2
Shoe .....	+ 9.2	+ 1.7	+ 14.2	+ 6.6	+ 11.1	+ 4.9	+ 14.3	+ 8.0
Hardware .....	+ 17.3	+ 9.6	+ 25.9	+ 16.7	+ 19.8	+ 1.3	+ 10.9	+ 22.6
Lumber & Building Material ..	+ 19.6	+ 19.3	+ 24.3	+ 22.6	+ 45.8	+ 5.7	+ 9.4	+ 7.7
Furniture .....	+ 7.4	+ 11.0	+ 10.2	+ 6.8	+ 10.6	+ 18.0	+ 5.0	+ 13.2
Appliance & Radio .....	+ 17.2	+ 1.1	+ 23.6	+ 15.7	+ 19.1	(b)	+ 27.2	+ 13.2
Restaurant .....	+ 5.1	+ 5.0	+ 1.4	+ 10.3	+ 1.2	- 1.6	+ 1.6	+ 2.4
Coal & Wood .....	+ 1.3	- 1.4	+ 10.4	+ 1.5	- 3.8	- 2.4	- 28.1	- 22.7
Drug .....	+ 10.3	+ 11.3	+ 14.7	+ 8.6	+ 7.1	+ 11.4	+ 10.6	+ 10.5
Jewellery .....	+ 4.0	- 3.4	- 1.9	+ 9.0	+ 12.0	- 7.1	- 7.4	+ 11.9
Tobacco .....	+ 5.3	+ 13.1	- 2.0	+ 8.3	+ 12.5	+ 15.1	+ 3.5	+ 4.6
All Others .....	+ 13.4	+ 12.7	+ 13.4	+ 13.9	+ 23.1	+ 12.2	+ 13.5	+ 9.2

(b) Not available.

ESTIMATED RETAIL TRADE - BY PROVINCES AND KINDS OF BUSINESS

APRIL, 1951

(revised)

(in thousands of dollars)

Kind of Business or Store	* CANADA	Maritime Provinces	Quebec	Ontario	Manitoba	Saskatchewan	Alberta	British Columbia
TOTAL, ALL TRADES .....	814,930	57,130	187,750	313,280	55,010	42,610	66,020	93,250
Grocery & Combination .....	125,160	10,240	35,600	52,790	5,350	3,850	6,420	10,910
Meat .....	15,310	450	5,010	5,030	540	560	1,250	2,470
Country General .....	39,060	5,520	8,990	7,300	2,850	6,350	5,120	2,940
Department .....	75,210	4,990	12,340	27,840	11,440	3,820	5,240	9,540
Variety .....	13,200	1,240	3,980	6,100	330	340	600	610
Motor Vehicle .....	166,610	10,660	33,020	64,180	13,690	8,990	13,380	22,690
Garage & Filling Station .....	44,960	3,140	10,000	18,480	2,200	2,820	2,880	5,470
Men's Clothing .....	13,580	1,100	3,650	5,650	680	410	910	1,170
Family Clothing .....	12,490	1,330	3,470	3,890	480	720	630	1,990
Women's Clothing .....	15,310	730	4,960	5,430	520	690	1,060	1,910
Shoe .....	8,500	550	2,950	3,530	250	150	400	680
Hardware .....	17,140	920	4,100	5,820	950	1,100	2,200	2,060
Lumber & Building Material .....	23,090	520	2,930	9,600	2,510	1,570	3,270	2,700
Furniture .....	13,190	680	3,360	6,260	290	310	780	1,520
Appliance & Radio .....	15,680	830	5,140	6,840	430	(b)	1,080	980
Restaurant .....	25,920	1,190	5,050	10,670	2,010	1,240	2,370	3,400
Coal & Wood .....	11,380	790	2,900	5,800	790	480	60	560
Drug .....	16,680	1,280	3,460	7,280	1,070	810	1,080	1,720
Jewellery .....	4,660	340	1,150	1,770	320	90	280	710
Tobacco .....	7,590	320	1,870	4,190	(b)	190	240	660
All Others .....	150,210	10,310	33,820	54,830	8,190	7,730	16,770	18,560

\* Canada totals do not include Newfoundland, North West Territories and Yukon figures.

(b) Not available.

## ESTIMATED RETAIL TRADE - BY PROVINCES AND KINDS OF BUSINESS

MAY, 1951

(in thousands of dollars)

Kind of Business or Store	CANADA *	Maritime Provinces	Quebec	Ontario	Manitoba	Saskatchewan	Alberta	British Columbia
TOTAL, ALL TRADES .....	884,790	60,840	206,340	334,110	57,610	58,140	69,610	98,200
Grocery & Combination .....	136,370	10,510	39,720	56,670	5,900	4,540	7,160	11,880
Meat .....	16,470	430	5,460	5,340	600	710	1,290	2,630
Country General .....	49,140	6,520	11,990	9,940	3,620	8,020	5,720	3,320
Department .....	76,610	5,670	13,450	28,280	10,830	4,040	4,910	9,430
Variety .....	15,820	1,450	5,060	7,180	390	410	670	660
Motor Vehicle .....	159,840	9,230	33,250	58,520	12,560	9,190	12,200	24,890
Garage & Filling Station .....	54,650	3,860	11,010	20,910	2,850	5,640	3,550	6,830
Men's Clothing .....	15,270	970	4,000	7,030	600	410	980	1,280
Family Clothing .....	13,910	1,670	4,340	4,330	520	980	750	1,330
Women's Clothing .....	16,240	880	4,810	6,100	520	720	1,190	2,050
Shoe .....	10,100	600	3,690	4,050	310	210	480	760
Hardware .....	21,370	1,010	5,740	7,380	1,100	1,470	2,950	1,720
Lumber & Building Material ...	29,560	630	4,100	11,820	3,640	2,860	3,640	2,870
Furniture .....	12,720	760	3,760	5,820	250	240	680	1,210
Appliance & Radio .....	12,340	990	3,620	5,210	330	(b)	1,050	860
Restaurant .....	29,330	1,340	5,450	12,290	2,330	1,460	2,520	3,960
Coal & Wood .....	10,720	770	2,660	5,810	610	310	80	480
Drug .....	17,770	1,350	3,770	7,710	1,210	870	1,130	1,740
Jewellery .....	4,950	370	1,280	1,940	310	130	300	630
Tobacco .....	7,720	350	1,940	4,130	110	240	280	680
All Others .....	173,890	11,480	37,240	63,650	9,020	15,410	18,080	19,010

\* Canada totals do not include Newfoundland, North West Territories and Yukon figures.

(b) Not available.

ESTIMATED RETAIL TRADE - CHAIN AND INDEPENDENT  
BY PROVINCES AND KINDS OF BUSINESS, MAY, 1951.  
 (in thousands of dollars)

Kind of Business or Store	All Stores	Chain	Independent	All Stores
				CANADA
				MARITIME
Total, All Trades .....	884,790	153,030	731,760	60,840
Grocery & Combination .....	136,370	52,650	83,710	10,510
Meat .....	16,470	480	15,990	430
Country General .....	49,140	1,360	47,780	6,520
Department .....	76,610	-	76,610	5,670
Variety .....	15,820	13,670	2,150	1,450
Motor Vehicle .....	159,840	2,790	157,050	9,230
Garage & Filling Station ....	54,650	300	54,350	3,860
Men's Clothing .....	15,270	1,780	13,490	970
Family Clothing .....	13,910	2,600	11,300	1,670
Women's Clothing .....	16,240	3,600	12,650	880
Shoe .....	10,100	3,320	6,780	600
Hardware .....	21,370	(1)	(1)	1,010
Lumber & Building Material ..	29,560	5,950	23,620	630
Furniture .....	12,720	2,960	9,760	760
Appliance & Radio .....	12,340	2,140	10,210	990
Restaurant .....	29,330	1,850	27,490	1,340
Coal & Wood .....	10,720	(1)	(1)	770
Drug .....	17,770	2,310	15,460	1,350
Jewellery .....	4,950	1,830	3,120	370
Tobacco .....	7,720	1,340	6,390	350
All Others .....	173,890	50,650	123,240	11,480
			MANITOBA	SASKAT- CHEWAN
Total, All Trades .....	57,610	7,210	50,400	58,140
Grocery & Combination .....	5,900	2,290	3,610	4,540
Meat .....	600	-	600	710
Country General .....	3,620	-	3,620	8,020
Department .....	10,830	-	10,830	4,040
Variety .....	390	390	-	410
Motor Vehicle .....	12,560	(1)	(1)	9,190
Garage & Filling Station ....	2,850	(1)	(1)	5,640
Men's Clothing .....	600	(1)	(1)	410
Family Clothing .....	520	60	450	980
Women's Clothing .....	520	150	370	720
Shoe .....	310	50	260	210
Hardware .....	1,100	(1)	(1)	1,470
Lumber & Building Material ..	3,640	870	2,770	2,860
Furniture .....	250	-	250	240
Appliance & Radio .....	330	(1)	(1)	280
Restaurant .....	2,330	110	2,220	1,460
Coal & Wood .....	610	-	610	310
Drug .....	1,210	(1)	(1)	870
Jewellery .....	310	(1)	(1)	130
Tobacco .....	110	(1)	(1)	240
All Others .....	9,020	2,310	6,710	15,410

(1) Indicates figures withheld to avoid disclosing individual operations, but are included in totals. Any slight differences between the totals and their components are due to the rounding of the figures.

ESTIMATED RETAIL TRADE - CHAIN AND INDEPENDENT  
BY PROVINCES AND KINDS OF BUSINESS, MAY, 1951.  
 (in thousands of dollars)

Chain	Independent	All Stores	Chain	Independent	All Stores	Chain	Independent
PROVINCES							
		QUEBEC		ONTARIO			
10,980	49,860	206,340	32,140	174,200	334,110	70,570	263,540
1,840	8,670	39,720	10,570	29,150	56,670	29,120	27,550
-	430	5,460	-	5,460	5,340	430	4,910
280	6,240	11,990	450	11,540	9,940	370	9,570
-	5,670	13,450	-	13,450	28,280	-	28,280
1,290	160	5,060	3,950	1,110	7,180	6,460	720
(1)	(1)	33,250	(1)	(1)	58,520	(1)	(1)
(1)	(1)	11,010	(1)	(1)	20,910	(1)	(1)
(1)	(1)	4,000	240	3,770	7,030	1,220	5,800
(1)	(1)	4,340	1,050	3,290	4,330	710	3,620
90	790	4,810	830	3,980	6,100	1,630	4,470
(1)	(1)	3,690	940	2,750	4,050	1,870	2,180
(1)	(1)	5,740	(1)	(1)	7,380	(1)	(1)
-	630	4,100	-	4,100	11,820	(1)	(1)
(1)	(1)	3,760	1,440	2,320	5,820	990	4,830
(1)	(1)	3,620	700	2,910	5,210	800	4,410
(1)	(1)	5,450	530	4,910	12,290	850	11,440
-	770	2,660	-	2,660	5,810	(1)	(1)
130	1,220	3,770	240	3,530	7,710	1,240	6,470
(1)	(1)	1,280	(1)	(1)	1,940	780	1,160
(1)	(1)	1,940	420	1,520	4,130	(1)	(1)
5,320	6,160	37,240	9,310	27,930	63,650	21,270	42,380
SASKAT-		ALBERTA		BRITISH COLUMBIA			
SCHUMAN							
6,760	51,380	69,610	9,540	60,070	98,200	15,850	82,350
(1)	(1)	7,160	(1)	(1)	11,880	4,850	7,030
(1)	(1)	1,290	-	1,290	2,630	(1)	(1)
(1)	(1)	5,720	(1)	(1)	3,320	(1)	(1)
-	4,040	4,910	-	4,910	9,430	-	9,430
400	10	670	590	70	660	600	60
(1)	(1)	12,200	(1)	(1)	24,890	(1)	(1)
-	5,640	3,550	-	3,550	6,830	(1)	(1)
(1)	(1)	980	(1)	(1)	1,280	(1)	(1)
260	720	750	(1)	(1)	1,330	(1)	(1)
120	600	1,190	200	990	2,030	570	1,460
(1)	(1)	480	80	390	760	170	580
-	1,470	2,950	(1)	(1)	1,720	(1)	(1)
1,690	1,170	3,640	1,860	1,790	2,870	(1)	(1)
(1)	(1)	680	-	680	1,210	370	840
(b)	(b)	1,050	170	880	860	140	720
(1)	(1)	2,520	40	2,480	3,960	290	3,670
-	310	80	-	80	480	-	480
(1)	(1)	1,130	130	1,000	1,740	480	1,260
(1)	(1)	300	(1)	(1)	630	(1)	(1)
(1)	(1)	280	(1)	(1)	680	(1)	(1)
2,220	13,180	18,080	3,150	14,930	19,010	7,070	11,940

(b) Not available.



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## DEPARTMENT STORES SALES AND STOCKS

May 1950 and May 1951

These figures are estimates of total department store sales and stocks.  
Stocks are at selling value.

Department	SALES			STOCKS	
	May 1950	May 1951	Change 1951/50	April 30 1951	Stock/Sales Ratio May 1951
	(\$000)	(\$000)	%	(\$000)	
TOTAL, All Departments .....	73,581	76,613	+ 4.1	239,018	3.1
1. Women's and Misses' Dresses .....	3,311	3,926	+ 18.6	6,154	1.6
2. Women's and Misses' Coats and Suits .....	2,761	2,536	- 8.1	5,199	2.1
3. Women's and Misses' Sportswear .....	1,991	2,187	+ 9.8	6,780	3.1
4. Furs .....	230	270	+ 17.4	4,609	17.1
5. Girls' and Infants' Wear .....	2,653	2,916	+ 9.9	8,687	3.0
6. Lingerie and Corsets .....	2,785	2,981	+ 7.0	8,416	2.8
7. Aprons, Housedresses and Uniforms ..	825	777	- 5.8	1,441	1.9
8. Millinery .....	790	850	+ 7.6	1,098	1.3
9. Hosiery and Apparel Accessories ....	2,868	3,048	+ 6.3	8,519	2.8
10. Women's, Misses' and Children's Shoes .....	3,721	4,205	+ 13.0	13,021	3.1
11. Ladies' Apparel and Accessories,					
TOTAL 1 - 10 .....	21,935	23,696	+ 8.0	63,924	2.7
12. Men's Clothing .....	2,526	2,568	+ 1.7	8,269	3.2
13. Men's Furnishings .....	2,812	3,148	+ 11.9	12,029	3.8
14. Boys' Clothing and Furnishings .....	1,868	1,976	+ 5.8	6,862	3.5
15. Men's and Boys' Shoes .....	1,339	1,475	+ 10.2	5,168	3.5
16. Food and Kindred Products .....	4,572	4,896	+ 7.1	5,124	1.0
17. Toiletries, Cosmetics, and Drugs ...	1,484	1,622	+ 9.3	4,992	3.1
18. Photographic Equipment and Supplies..	186	206	+ 10.8	1,005	4.9
19. Piece Goods .....	2,042	2,038	(a)	9,641	4.7
20. Linens and Domestics .....	2,375	2,302	- 3.1	9,912	4.3
21. Smallwares .....	1,443	1,382	- 4.2	6,529	4.7
22. China and Glassware .....	888	946	+ 6.5	6,455	6.8
23. Home Furnishings .....	5,404	5,618	+ 4.0	23,157	4.1
24. Furniture .....	5,103	4,730	- 7.3	15,879	3.4
25. Major Appliances .....	3,230	2,582	- 20.1	9,467	3.7
26. Radio and Music .....	750	729	- 2.8	4,857	6.7
27. Hardware and Housewares .....	5,450	5,776	+ 6.0	15,049	2.6
28. Jewellery .....	1,130	1,325	+ 17.3	8,741	6.6
29. Sporting Goods and Luggage .....	2,477	2,459	- 0.7	10,126	4.1
30. Stationery, Books and Magazines ....	864	778	- 10.0	3,483	4.5
31. All Other Departments .....	5,703	6,361	+ 11.5	8,349	1.3

NOTE: Canada totals do not include Newfoundland figures.

(a) Change of less than .05 per cent.

Stock Sales Ratio - are obtained by dividing Stocks at Selling Value as at the beginning of the month by Sales made during the month.