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## CHAINSTORESALES ANDSTOCKS

Sales During December and Stocks (At Cost) December 1, 1960 and 1961 (Including Final Monthly 1960 Figures and Revised Monthly 1961 Figures)

The estimates contained in this report are not adjusted for price changes, seasonal variations or number of shopping days; they are subject to revision on an annual basis.

| Kind of business | Sales |  | Change$1961 / 60$ | Stocks (at cost) |  | Change$1961 / 60$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Dec. } \\ & 1960 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline \text { Dec. } \\ & 1961 \end{aligned}$ |  | $\begin{gathered} \text { Dec. } 1 \\ 1960 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Dec. } 1 \\ 1961 \end{gathered}$ |  |
|  | \$'000 | \$'000 | \% | \$'000 | \$'000 | \% |
| Grocery and combination | 162,206 | 161,889 | - 0.2 | 89,492 | 93,072 | + 4.0 |
| Variety | 54,436 | 55,844 | + 2.6 | 62,661 | 65,544 | + 4.6 |
| Men's clothing | 4,366 | 4,409 | $+1.0$ | 10,363 | 11,628 | +12.2 |
| Family clothing | 9,592 | 10,429 | +8.7 | 15,963 | 15,149 | - 5.1 |
| Women's clothing | 13,515 | 13,341 | - 1.3 | 21,153 | 22,761 | $+7.6$ |
| Shoe | 11,316 | 10,688 | - 5.6 | 24,812 | 25,035 | + 0.9 |
| Hardware | 5,294 | 5,899 | +11.4 | 12,388 | 13,478 | $+8.8$ |
| Lumber and building material | 5,426 | 5,005 | - 7.8 | 21,424 | 20,396 | - 4.8 |
| Furniture, radio and appliance | 12,530 | 12,883 | + 2.8 | 21,035 | 23,686 | +12.6 |
| Drug | 6,873 | 6,647 | - 3.3 | 13,339 | 13,926 | + 4.4 |
| Jewellery | 11,473 | 11,900 | $+3.7$ | 16,381 | 17,364 | $+6.0$ |
| All other | 136,678 | 136,132 | - 0.4 | 174,754 | 186,737 | + 6.9 |
| Totals | 433,705 | 435,066 | +0.3 | 483, 765 | 508, 776 | $+5.2$ |

Although data from identical firms for the two monthly periods are used to produce the dollar estimates, the percentage change may be influenced by the difference in number of stores operated.

Number of Stores Operated by Reporting Firms

| Kind of business | Number of stores |  | Kind of business | Number of stores |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Dec. 1960 | Dec. 1961 |  | Dec. 1960 | Dec. 1961 |
| Grocery and combination | 1,410 | 1,442 | Lumber and building Material | 637 | 607 |
| Variety ....... | 645 | 693 | Furniture, radio \& |  |  |
| Men's clothing . | 176 | 182 | appliance | 536 | 538 |
| Family clothing | 165 | 165 | Drug | 279 | 274 |
| Women's clothing | 563 | 571 | Jewellery | 102 | 104 |
| Shoe | 820 | 864 | All other | 2,119 | 2,258 |
| Hardware | 131 | 134 | Totals | 7,583 | 7,832 |

[^0]Estimated Chain Store Sales during month
and Stocks (at cost) beginning of month
for Canada, 1960 and 1961
(thousands of dollars)

| Month | Total, All Trades |  | Grocery and Combination |  | Variety |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Sales | Stocks | Sales | Stocks | Sales | Stocks |
| 1960(2) |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| January | 246,871 | 362,970 | 132,435 | 73,140 | 15,892 | 42,216 |
| February | 230,235 | 364,389 | 119,612 | 70,897 | 15,393 | $43,426$ |
| March .. | 252,700 | 380, 280 | 129,550 | 74,956 | 18,597 | 49,195 |
| April | 294,613 | 394,470 | 140,068 | 74,972 | 25,890 | 52,937 |
| May . | 273,276 | 388,810 | 126,823 | 76,911 | 23,184 | 55,309 |
| June | 292,425 | 391,575 | 132,473 | 77,548 | 23,970 | 54,465 |
| July | 295,354 | 391,517 | 138,869 | 76,151 | 23,312 | 53,072 |
| August | 271,833 | 430,111 | 120,636 | 79,388 | 22,062 | 50,613 |
| September | 296, 103 | 422,804 | 137,433 | 76,615 | 24,334 | 53,047 |
| October . | 297,453 | 405,634 | 135,467 | 80,620 | 24,941 | 56,043 |
| November | 283,844 | 441, 195 | 127,225 | 82,452 | 26, 144 | 60,252 |
| December | 433,705 | 483,765 | 162,206 | 89,492 | 54,436 | 62,661 |
| Total(1) | 3,468,413 |  | 1,602,797 |  | 298,157 |  |
| 1961(3) |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| January | 238,017 | 398,767 | 123,119 | 92,067 | 16,374 | 46,792 |
| February | 235,295 | 374,760 | 124,981 | 79,830 | 15,958 | 44,337 |
| March . . | 278,653 | 395,004 | 139,762 | 86,349 | 21,875 | 50,277 |
| April | 286, 265 | 404,834 | 139,887 | 86,143 | 24,616 | 54,367 |
| May . | 288,490 | 402,743 | 134,494 | 85,755 | 25,179 | 56,692 |
| June | 325, 132 | 402,867 | 154,726 | 86,001 | 26,458 | 54,737 |
| July | 287,735 | 396,183 | 127,038 | 80,263 | 25,059 | 52,594 |
| August | 292,618 | 438,952 | 130,559 | 84, 231 | 25,047 | 50,815 |
| September | 310,980 | 435,490 | 146,793 | 81,442 | 26,212 | 53,418 |
| October | 290,208 | 417,990 | 131,026 | 83,844 | 25,524 | 56,211 |
| November | 300,782 | 462,287 | 137,384 | 87,564 | 27,856 | 63,205 |
| December | 435,066 | 508,776 | 161,889 | 93,072 | 55,844 | 65,544 |
| Total(1) | 3,569,240 |  | 1,651,658 |  | 316,000 |  |

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and Stocks (at $\cos t$ ) beginning of month
for Canada, 1960 and 1961
(thousands of dollars)

| Men's Clothing |  | Family Clothing |  | Women's Clothing |  | Shoe |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Sales | Stocks | Sales | Stocks | Sales | Stocks | Sales | Stocks |
| 2,045 | 8,011 | 4,446 | 10,310 | 5,465 | 13,717 | 4,162 | 19,601 |
| 1,729 | 7,872 | 2,896 | 11,628 | 4,260 | 12,704 | 3,334 | 21,106 |
| 1,832 | 6,554 | 3,720 | 12,476 | 5,249 | 12,348 | 4,313 | 21,272 |
| 2,684 | 7,827 | 5,659 | 13,857 | 7,213 | 13,505 | 7,811 | 23,457 |
| 2,268 | 7,596 | 4,765 | 12,918 | 7,192 | 12,524 | 6,842 | 23,398 |
| 2,432 | 8,600 | 4,930 | 13,949 | 7,565 | 13,329 | 7,410 | 23,041 |
| 1,917 | 8,189 | 4,617 | 14,195 | 6,899 | 12,753 | 6,207 | 22,350 |
| 1,602 | 8,379 | 5,198 | 14,791 | 5,518 | 11,209 | 5,385 | 21,486 |
| 2,120 | 7,969 | 6,100 | 15,091 | 6,883 | 13,621 | 6,918 | 22,717 |
| 2,751 | 8,767 | 6,994 | 15,627 | 7,538 | 15,068 | 6,437 | 23,489 |
| 2,783 | 9,541 | 6,375 | 15,880 | 6,971 | 17,241 | 6,379 | 25,099 |
| 4,366 | 10,363 | 9,592 | 15,963 | 13,515 | 21,153 | 11,316 | 24,812 |
| 28,529 |  | 65,291 |  | 84,269 |  | 76,514 |  |
| 1,887 | 7,864 | 4,932 | 13,618 | 5,700 | 12,988 | 4,095 | 21,243 |
| 1,784 | 7,557 | 3,108 | 13,372 | 4,494 | 13,555 | 3,333 | 19,460 |
| 2,299 | 6,030 | 4,744 | 15,371 | 5,882 | 13,175 | 5,590 | 21,846 |
| 2,194 | 7,694 | 5,629 | 15,076 | 6,535 | 14,166 | 6,438 | 24,090 |
| 2,313 | 7,505 | 5,429 | 13,886 | 7,453 | 15,242 | 6,965 | 24,146 |
| 2,562 | 8,325 | 5,790 | 14,451 | 8,087 | 15,156 | 7,963 | 24,285 |
| 2,183 | 8,213 | 4,981 | 13,628 | 7,210 | 14,131 | 6,197 | 23,378 |
| 1,886 | 8,002 | 5,635 | 14,022 | 5,862 | 13,753 | 5,951 | 22,624 |
| 2,117 | 7,666 | 6,361 | 14,246 | 6,828 | 16,127 | 7,070 | 23,308 |
| 2,669 | 8,924 | 6,793 | 14,580 | 7,016 | 16,620 | 5,968 | 23,489 |
| 2,888 | 10,094 | 6,841 | 14,911 | 7,089 | 19,361 | 7,251 | 25,677 |
| 4,409 | 11,628 | 10,429 | 15,149 | 13,341 | 22,761 | 10,688 | 25,035 |
| 29,191 |  | 70,672 |  | 85,497 |  | 77,510 |  |

Estimated Chain Store Sales during month and Stocks (at cost) beginning of month
for Canada, 1960 and 1961
(thousands of dollars)

| Month | Hardware |  | Lumber and Building Material |  | Furniture, Appliance \& Radio |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Sales | Stocks | Sales | Stocks | Sales | Stocks |
| 1960(2) |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| J anuary | 2,882 | 12,861 | 5,948 | 24,988 | 8,213 | 23,508 |
| February | 2,587 | 11,608 | 5,254 | 25,506 | 7,568 | 16,840 |
| March | 3,327 | 13,070 | 4,732 | 27,408 | 8,838 | 19,802 |
| April | 4,241 | 13,292 | 5,776 | 27,758 | 9,142 | 20,245 |
| May . | 4,279 | 13,099 | 7,416 | 28,388 | 9,593 | 20,024 |
| June | 4,440 | 13,253 | 9,659 | 27,333 | 9,592 | 19,988 |
| July | 4,126 | 13,815 | 9,841 | 26,743 | 8,028 | 18,884 |
| August | 4,324 | 13,758 | 10,554 | 25,174 | 8,588 | 17,892 |
| September | 4,221 | 13,618 | 10,071 | 23,700 | 10,464 | 19,213 |
| October. | 4,570 | 13,847 | 10,958 | 23,580 | 9,942 | 18,118 |
| November | 4,294 | 13,727 | 9,327 | 21,190 | 9,727 | 23,052 |
| December | 5,294 | 12,388 | 5,426 | 21,424 | 12,530 | 21,035 |
| Total(1) | 48,584 |  | 94,961 |  | 112,228 |  |
| 1961(3) |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| January | 2,964 | 14,243 | 5,935 | 23,103 | 7,595 | 21,603 |
| February | 2,650 | 13,047 | 5,331 | 21,017 | 7,054 | 17,548 |
| March . | 3,569 | 14,651 | 5,195 | 22,803 | 9,152 | 20,416 |
| April | 4,180 | 14,209 | 6,456 | 22,844 | 8,372 | 19,759 |
| May. | 4,671 | 14,527 | 7,976 | 21,972 | 10,015 | 21,726 |
| June | 4,989 | 15,042 | 9,747 | 21,538 | 9,976 | 21, 227 |
| July | 4,107 | 15,556 | 9,417 | 21,956 | 8,764 | 18,204 |
| August | 4,447 | 15,532 | 9,840 | 21,800 | 9,496 | 19,646 |
| September | 4,600 | 14,884 | 9,560 | 20,998 | 10,255 | 18,868 |
| October. | 4,593 | 14,442 | 10,244 | 21,387 | 10,202 | 20,148 |
| November | 4,661 | 14,386 | 8,887 | 19,918 | 10,156 | $22,891$ |
| December | 5,899 | 13,478 | 5,005 | 20,396 | 12,883 | 23,686 |
| Total (1) | 51,329 |  | 93,593 |  | 113,921 |  |

(1) Any differences between the annual totals and their monthly components are due to the rounding of the figures.
(2) Final 1960 sales - based upon annual census of all chains (see catalogue 63-210 "Retail Chain Stores 1960 " which will be published shortly).
(3) Revised 1961 sales - based upon the final 1960 sales figures.

## Estimated Chain Store Sales during month

and Stocks (at cost) beginning of month
for Canada, 1960 and 1961
(thousands of dollars)

| Drug |  | Jewellery |  | All Other |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Sales | Stocks | Sales | Stocks | Sales | Stocks |
| 4,357 | 11,593 | 2,670 | 11,260 | 58,356 | 111,765 |
| 4,010 | 12,250 | 2,561 | 13,030 | 61,031 | 117,522 |
| 4,240 | 11,785 | 3,005 | 13,250 | 65,297 | 118,164 |
| 4,681 | 11,871 | 3,252 | 13,995 | 78,196 | 120,754 |
| 4,047 | 11,621 | 3,500 | 14,851 | 73,367 | 112,171 |
| 4,350 | 11,818 | 3,840 | 14,890 | 81,764 | 113,361 |
| 4,413 | 12,003 | 3,070 | 14,738 | 84,055 | 118,624 |
| 4,245 | 11,665 | 3,360 | 14,934 | 80,361 | 160,822 |
| 4,487 | 11,759 | 4,216 | 14,796 | 78,856 | 150,658 |
| 5,064 | 11,696 | 3,766 | 14,532 | 79,025 | 124,247 |
| 4,364 | 12,586 | 4,568 | 15,625 | 75,687 | 144,550 |
| 6,873 | 13,339 | 11,473 | 16,381 | 136,678 | 174,754 |
| 55,130 |  | 49,280 |  | 952,674 |  |
| 4,460 | 12,284 | 2,714 | 12,701 | 58,242 | 120,260 |
| 4,057 | 12,544 | 2,292 | 13,969 | 60,253 | 118,524 |
| 4,700 | 11,997 | 2,977 | 13,648 | 72,908 | 118,441 |
| 4,770 | 12,037 | 3,056 | 14,163 | 74,132 | 120,286 |
| 4,412 | 11,947 | 3,737 | 14,435 | 75,846 | 114,910 |
| 4,764 | 12,232 | 3,749 | 14,324 | 86,321 | 115,549 |
| 4,365 | 12,459 | 3,150 | 14,370 | 85,264 | 121,431 |
| 4,284 | 12,248 | 3,805 | 14,351 | 85,806 | 161,928 |
| 4,685 | 12,382 | 3,768 | 14,263 | 82,731 | 157,892 |
| 4,965 | 12,234 | 3,491 | 14,779 | 77,717 | 131,332 |
| 4,354 | 13,266 | 4,548 | 16,250 | 78,867 | 154,764 |
| 6,647 | 13,926 | 11,900 | 17,364 | 136,132 | 186,737 |
| 56,464 |  | 49,187 |  | 974,218 |  |




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