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BIBLIOTHÈQUECHAIN STORE SALES AND STOCKSSALES DURING MAY AND STOCKS (at cost) MAY 1, 1961 and 1962

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 1962/61	Stocks (at cost)		Change 1962/61
	May 1961	May 1962		May 1, 1961	May 1, 1962	
	\$'000	\$'000	%	\$'000	\$'000	%
Grocery and combination	134,494	143,132	+ 6.4	85,755	87,385	+ 1.9
Variety	25,179	25,668	+ 1.9	56,692	58,903	+ 3.9
Men's clothing	2,313	2,378	+ 2.8	7,505	6,852	- 8.7
Family clothing	5,429	6,029	+11.1	13,886	14,303	+ 3.0
Women's clothing	7,453	7,644	+ 2.6	15,242	16,446	+ 7.9
Shoe	6,965	7,231	+ 3.8	24,146	24,315	+ 0.7
Hardware	4,671	5,682	+21.6	14,527	14,818	+ 2.0
Lumber and building material	7,976	8,816	+10.5	21,972	23,862	+ 8.6
Furniture, radio and appliance	10,015	9,831	- 1.8	21,726	20,140	- 7.3
Drug	4,412	4,326	- 2.0	11,947	12,544	+ 5.0
Jewellery	3,737	3,617	- 3.2	14,435	15,460	+ 7.1
All other	75,846	83,813	+10.5	114,910	126,861	+10.4
Totals	288,490	308,167	+ 6.8	402,743	421,889	+ 4.8

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	
	May 1961	May 1962		May 1961	May 1962
Grocery and combination	1,402	1,419	Lumber and building material	515	522
Variety	681	716	Furniture, radio & appliance	538	535
Men's clothing	86	84	Drug	287	275
Family clothing	157	164	Jewellery	123	128
Women's clothing	572	546	All other	2,131	2,252
Shoe	784	817	Totals	7,408	7,597
Hardware	132	139			

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