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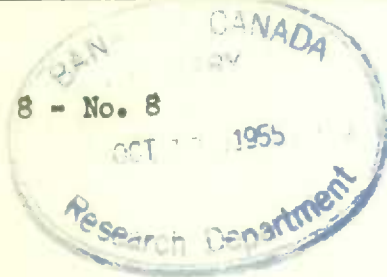


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CHAIN STORE SALES AND STOCKS

SALES DURING AUGUST AND STOCKS (at cost) AUGUST 1, 1954 and 1955

Trade	SALES		Change 1955/54 %	STOCKS (at cost)		Change 1955/54 %
	August 1954 \$'000	August 1955 \$'000		August 1, 1954 \$'000	August 1, 1955 \$'000	
TOTAL, ALL TRADES	161,150	175,966	+ 9.2	246,314	252,737	+ 2.6
Grocery & Combination	65,570	72,677	+ 10.8	40,559	42,833	+ 5.6
Variety	13,861	14,893	+ 7.4	32,056	33,317	+ 3.9
Men's Clothing	974	1,104	+ 13.3	7,216	6,809	- 5.6
Family Clothing	2,653	2,621	- 1.2	8,548	9,031	+ 5.7
Women's Clothing	3,182	3,486	+ 9.6	4,793	5,283	+ 10.2
Shoe	2,859	3,043	+ 6.4	14,699	14,356	- 2.3
Hardware	1,099	1,194	+ 8.6	3,550	3,672	+ 3.4
Lumber & Bldg. Materials	10,327	10,475	+ 1.4	22,547	24,959	+ 10.7
Furniture, Radio & Appliance	6,473	8,040	+ 24.2	22,154	21,022	- 5.1
Drug	2,633	2,750	+ 4.4	6,610	6,570	- 0.6
Jewellery	2,442	2,932	+ 20.1	9,817	8,469	- 13.7

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