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MONTHLY INDEXES OF RETAIL SALES, OCTOBER, 1940

Further marked gains in Canadian retail trade were recorded in October, when composite figures for twelve lines of business were 12 per cent above October, 1939 and 16 per cent over September, 1940. Unadjusted indexes on the base 1930 equals 100 were as follows: 102.7 for October, 1940, 92.1 for October, 1939 and 88.9 for September, 1940.

Part of the increase over October, 1939 must be attributed to the extra day in October this year compared with last. After adjustment for the difference in the number of business days, and also for normal seasonal variations, the general index stood at 93.7, 8 per cent above the 86.9 recorded in October, 1939 and 3 per cent higher than the 91.0 shown for September of this year. Adjusted indexes for ten of the twelve individual lines of business included in this survey showed improvement in October, 1940 over September.

All lines of business for which statistics are available shared in the increase over October, 1939 but featured in the results are gains of 18 per cent in variety store sales, 24 per cent in candy store sales, 16 per cent in sales of both grocery and meat and drug stores. and 13 per cent in sales of women's clothing stores. Sales of hardware stores and music and radio stores were both up 10 per cent, while increases of 9 per cent were shown for sales of boot and shoe stores, men's clothing stores and restaurants. Department store sales were up 7 per cent and furniture store sales, 3 per cent over October a year ago.

Regional comparisons reveal that gains were generally widespread, with the Maritime Provinces continuing to report more substantial increases than those for other sections. Changes in the customary seasonal distribution of purchasing power in the Prairie Provinces resulting from the present regulations covering the marketing of grain are reflected to some degree in retail trade statistics for that region of the country. Department store sales in the Prairie Provinces were 8 per cent lower in October of this year than last; men's clothing store sales were down by 10 per cent while increases for other lines of business were generally smaller than those recorded elsewhere.

able for boot and shoe stores and for jewellery stores, and a summary appears on page 2 of this bulletin. Jewellery store sales were higher in all parts of the country, averaging 12 per cent greater in October, 1940 than in the same month a year ago. Sales of boot and shoe stores were down 3 per cent in the Prairie Provinces, but recorded substantial gains in all other regions.

Comparative figures for department stores on a departmental basis show that increases for departments dealing in durable goods were generally higher than those specializing in soft merchandise. Sales of the furniture department were 20 per cent above October a year ago; household appliances and electrical supplies were up 18 per cent and home furnishings, 17 per cent. Sales in the radio and musical instrument department did not follow the same general trend but declined by 8 per cent below October, 1939.

Women's and children's apparel gained 7 per cent, increases for subgroups within this department as a whole-ranging from 4 per cent to 13 per cent. Sales of the men's clothing and furnishings department were down by 4 per cent. It should be noted that a comparison of the trends in sales for specialty stores and for the corresponding departments of department stores is not altogether valid due to the diversity in content of the merchandise carried in the two types. It must also be remembered that the indexes of sales do not necessarily indicate the trend in business for individual commodities. For example, some of the stores in the radio and music classification sell items such as furniture or electrical appliances in addition to radios, pianos or other musical instruments.

Comparison of Retail Sales in Canada, for 1939 and 1940, by Kinds of Business

Kind of Business	+	Cumulative Indexes		
	October 1930	October 1939	September 1940	Jan Oct., 1940 Jan Oct., 1939
General Index Boots and Shoes Candy Men's Clothing Women's Clothing Departmental Drugs Furniture Groceries and Meats Hardware Music and Radio Restaurant Variety	- 4.4 - 13.4 - 26.0 - 3.0 + 6.6 - 8.1 + 9.5 + 1.0 + 2.5 - 35.5 - 28.0 + 13.0	+ 11.5 + 9.4 + 24.4 + 8.8 + 13.3 + 6.7 + 16.1 + 2.9 + 16.1 + 9.9 + 9.9 + 9.9 + 9.2 + 17.8	+ 15.5 - 0.5 + 13.8 + 33.9 + 30.0 + 23.7 + 10.5 + 8.4 + 11.7 + 7.0 + 6.0 + 16.1	+ 10.9 + 8.5 + 16.7 + 13.0 + 14.0 + 11.1 + 7.7 + 15.8 + 9.9 + 7.2 + 23.1 + 8.2 + 15.1

Comparison of Retail Sales of Boot and Shoe Stores and Jewellery Stores, October, 1939 and October, 1940

	Sales in October, 1940, compared with sales in October, 1939						
Region	Boot and Shoe Stores	Jewellery Stores					
Canada	+ 9.4	+ 11.9					
Paritime Provinces	+ 20.1 + 8.3 + 9.8 - 3.0 + 14.9	+ 21.7 + 10.3 + 11.6 + 9.3 + 17.0					

INDEX NUMBERS OF RETAIL SALES - (Average for 1930 = 100)

A. Unadjusted. B. Corrected for Number of Business Days. C. Adjusted for Number of Business Days and Seasonal Variations.

Year and Month	Gene	ral Ind	ex(d)	Boot	s and S	noes	stade to a vicentical	Gandy(h		Mens	Clothin	g(c)(d)	Women	s Cloth	ing(d)
Tear and Monsh	A	В	C	A	В	G		В	C	A	В	C	À	В	C
October, 1929 October, 1930 October, 1931 October, 1933 October, 1934 October, 1935 October, 1936 October, 1937 October, 1938 October, 1938 October, 1939	1	122.8 103.0 85.2 72.9 72.2 75.4 78.3 83.7 89.2 86.1 94.8	113.6 95.7 79.6 68.2 67.6 70.5 73.2 77.1 82.4 79.3 86.9	121.4 97.8 90.0 74.2 67.5 68.1 70.7 83.8 76.6 77.4 84.7	113.6 94.8 82.2 69.8 67.7 66.6 69.1 75.5 80.4 85.6	122.3 77.0 97.0 97.0 97.0 97.0 97.0 97.0 97.0	109.8 86.8 66.2 62.5 57.2 56.4 57.4 60.6 59.3 52.9 52.6 64.2	108 · 7 85 · 3 80 · 7 59 · 7 58 · 6 56 · 8 56 · 8 57 · 1 51 · 3 52 · 9 65 · 3	114.4 87.8 85.0 62.8 61.7 58.9 59.8 59.8 59.8 50.1 54.0 55.7 68.8	186.5 118.5 87.8 75.6 73.2 90.2 93.9 110.1 113.1 94.8 105.7	1.81.3 113.9 80.5 72.4 74.0 88.4 91.3 100.9 106.7 92.9 109.4	146.2 91.9 64.9 58.4 59.7 71.3 73.6 85.4 74.3 87.5 91.9	106.7 99.2 87.5 64.2 60.1 66.1 69.9 94.6 98.2 87.4 93.3	103-7 95-3 80-2 61-5 60-7 64-7 67-9 86-7 92-6 96-5	108.0 99.3 83.5 64.1 63.2 57.4 70.7 70.5 75.3 69.6 78.5 85.8
n mber	88.5		83.7 87.9	68·3 108·1	69.4	73.6 73.9	43.7	49.6	59·0 59·4		100.9 136.3	80 · 1 82 · J.	84-1	84.0 115.7	75°2 76°1
January February Larch Lyril Lay Lune Luly August September Cotober	83-3 86-4 94-3 95-5 80-7 88-6 88-9	70.2 73.1 82.0 97.0 93.6 94.6 80.6 82.1 94.4 101.9	86.6 87.5 88.3 89.3 91.9(t) 89.4 93.6 91.0 93.7	53.0 41.1 62.8 60.3 83.5 108.4 76.1 73.5 85.1 84.7	53.6 42.3 61.0 00.8 88.7 105.4 76.9 67.3 90.6 85.6	76.6 79.8 75.3 76.2 75.0 77.5 80.1 92.2(f) 78.8 81.5	42.1 56.6 92.3 46.6 63.1 49.9 47.2 52.1 56.4	\$1.9 59.5 \$9.1 47.3 62.1 49.9 49.0 58.3 59.5	58.2 59.5 67.5 57.6 63.4 64.8 59.0 64.7 64.0(f)	62.3 53.5 71.: 60.2 65.2 93.6 75.0 77.0 85.9 115.0	62.4 55.1 70.0 81.0 85.0 91.7 75.2 70.6 91.5 114.8	83.3 87.5 83.3 61.0 86.5 91.7 96.7(f) 89.7 91.9	53.0 48.5 73.3 92.4 84.3 83.5 68.6 81.3 105.7	53.2 50.0 71.8 93.3 61.5 68.7 62.9 86.6 105.5	73.8 80.6 75.6 79.8 60.2 72.8 81.8 89.8(89.3

⁽c) Includes men's furnishings.
(d) Revised to census trend.
(f) Final figures.
(h) Candy indexes are based largely upon returns from retail candy chains.

INDEX NUMBERS OF RETAIL SALES - (Average for 1930 = 100)

A. Unadjusted. B. Corrected for Number of Business Days.
C. Adjusted for Number of Business Days and Seasonal Variations.

Very and lighth	I	epartment	al		Drugs(d)			Furniture		Groce	ries and	Meats
Year and kionth	A	В	C	A	В	C	A	В	C	i	В	G
October, 1929 October, 1930 October, 1931 October, 1932 October, 1933 October, 1934 October, 1935 October, 1936 October, 1937 October, 1938 October, 1939 October, 1939	117.1 94.4 81.2 81.2 83.9 87.6 94.7 94.0 87.9 100.8	122.7 111.3 88.4 79.2 80.5 80.4 83.6 88.7 91.4 88.9 103.6 106.3	106.7 96.8 76.9 68.9 70.0 69.9 72.7 77.2 79.5 77.3 90.0 92.4	106.5 98.3 91.0 81.4 73.3 77.5 80.4 89.9 94.9 94.2 92.7 107.6	104.5 96.0 87.0 80.1 73.8 76.5 78.8 85.9 92.7 92.7 93.4	105.6 97.0 87.9 80.9 74.5 77.3 79.6 84.2 90.7 90.9 91.6	148.3 106.3 101.8 65.5 63.1 77.3 89.2 104.2 103.8 93.8 104.4	141.9 101.7 95.2 63.3 62.4 74.0 85.4 97.4 100.4 94.0 107.2 106.5	122.4 87.7 82.1 54.6 55.7 66.1 76.2 87.0 89.7 79.6 90.9	114.6 98.4 91.2 76.6 71.6 75.3 77.5 86.0 93.2 86.3 86.9 100.9	112.0 94.7 82.5 72.7 72.8 74.4 75.6 77.9 86.9 83.6 90.2	112.0 94.7 82.5 72.7 72.8 74.4 75.6 77.9 86.9 83.6 90.2
November December	94.4 144.1	93·3 145·1	81.8 89.0	90.8	92·1 119·3	92.1 96.2	88.6	87.8	82.9 95.6	88.7 107.9	88.9 102.5	89.8 92.4
1940 January February March April May June July August September October	72.8 80.3 85.4 83.0 67.1 76.1 87.0	63.6 66.2 73.6 79.6 84.4 83.9 66.5 71.3 92.7 106.3	86.0 82.8 80.8 81.2 82.7 81.4 87.5 89.1(f) 89.2 92.4	88.4 86.7 94.7 39.9 92.9 91.0 93.5 100.0 97.4 107.6	87.3 90.9 92.3 91.8 90.9 92.0 92.3 95.6 101.5 105.6	93.9 92.8 95.2 93.7 94.7 95.8 96.1 97.6(f) 99.5	59.0 72.0 74.3 93.8 117.2 98.3 80.4 100.1 99.1	58.5 74.0 74.5 92.9 116.2 93.6 79.7 93.7 105.6 106.5	88.7 89.1 89.7 83.7 93.7 100.6 103.6 94.7(f) 89.5 90.2	87.4 90.5 104.5 97.6 103.9 110.8 92.1 103.3 90.3 100.9	88.3 93.3 101.2 99.4 104.2 107.3 93.0 93.6 96.1 100.7	92.0 95.2 100.2 97.5 101.1 107.3(f) 94.9 101.7 96.1 100.7

⁽d) Revised to census trend.(f) Final figures.

INDEX NUMBERS OF RETAIL SALES - (Average for 1930 = 100)

A. Unadjusted. B. Corrected for Number of Business Days.
C. Adjusted for Number of Business Days and Seasonal Variations.

Year and Month	Hardware			Husic & Radio(d)			Re	Restaurants(d)			Variety		
1641 SHU MOREIL	A	. B	С	h.	В	С	A	В	С	is	В	C	
October, 1929	137.5	130.5	113.4	206.6	195.8	136.0	118.1	115.9	115.0	205 4	100.0	22/	
October, 1930	119.7	113.6	98.8	139.8	132.5	92.0	98.5	96.3	115.9 96.3	125.4	122-2	116.4	
October, 1931	86.8	82.3	71.6	103.0	97.6	69.7	78.5	76.0	76-0	105.4	102-4	97-5	
October, 1932	71.4	70.4	61.2	62.2	61.2	45.3	59.4	58.5		107.7	98.6	93-9	
October, 1933	70.7	69.7	60.6	52.0	51.2	38.5	55.6		58.5	87.1	82.4	78.5	
October, 1934	84.7	80.4	69.9	67.4	63.9	48.4	58.9	55.3	55-3	80.8	81.2	77-3	
October, 1935	86.3	81.9	71.2	77.5	73.4	55.6	63.7	57.8	57.8	86.3	84.4	80.4	
October, 1936	94.6	89.4	77.8	87.4	82.8	65.7	65.2	62.5	62.5	90.4	88.1	84.8	
October, 1937	96.7	95-0	82.6	85.2	83.8	66.5	67.2	65.9	65.9	100.7	92.2	88.7	
October, 1938	100.8	103.0	89.5	79-1	80.9	64.2	62.3			102.5	96.6	92.9	
October, 1939	102.2	104.5	90.9	82-1	84.0	66.7	64.9	61.3	61-3	98.8	96.0	92-3	
October, 1940	112.3	110.5	96.1	90.2	88.7	70.4	70.9	69.6	64.6	101.1	104.6	100-6	
1, 1, 10			70.7	10.2	00.7	10.4	10.7	07.0	07.0	119.1	119.4	114.8	
1939											4		
November	89.4	88.0	88.0	79.3	78.0	62.4	63.0	63.9	66.6	300 0	300 3	303.0	
December	102.0	104.3	95.7	93.0	95.2	69.0	69.0	67.7	66.4	102.0	102.3	101.3	
	202.0	10,100	15.1	73.0	1).6	07.0	07.0	01.1	00.4	205-7	199-2	101.6	
1940													
January	59.2	58.3	97.1	57.5	56.5	71.6	60.0	58.9	63.3	67.1	67.5	105-5	
February	54.0	55.2	95.3	59.0	60.4	76.5	58.3	61.2	63.7	72.1	74.3	103.3	
March	64.3	65.8	94.0	62.5	63.9	78.9	63.3	62.1	64-1	93.9	91.3	108-7	
April	89.5	88.1	84.7	74.3	73.1	78-6	62.2	63.0	62.4	86.3	86.9	99.8	
May	120.5	118.6	89.8	95.6	94.1	82.5	65.1	63.7	63.7	103-1	103-3	103-3	
June	113.4	116-0		94.3	96.4	106.0	62.7	63.7	63.1(f)	109.4	106-4	103.3	
July	98.4	96.8	97.5 88.0	68.0	66.9	85.7	66.4	65.2	63.3	103.5	104-1	104.1	
August	102.5	97.1	94.3(f)	69.0	65.3	84.9(f)	71.4	69.2	65-3	110.9	101.5	110.4	
September	105.0	112.0	93.3	85.1	90.7	76.2	69.8	71.7	68-3	102.6	109-2	112.6	
October	112.3	110.5	96.1	90.2	88.7	70.4	70.9	69.6	69.6	119.1	119.4	114.8(

⁽d) Revised to census trend.
(f) Final figure.

UNADJUSTED INDEX NUMBERS OF RETAIL SALES--(AVERAGE FOR 1936 = 100)

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Year and Month	CANADA	Provinces	Quebec	Chiario	Provinces	Columbia				
Men's Clothing Stores(c)										
October, 1936	139.5	116.1	128.6	137.1	175.5	136.0				
October, 1937	143.3	123.8	135.9	150.4	143.3	131.3				
October, 1938	120.2	103.0	104.7	113.9	173.0	114.9				
October, 1939	134.0	122.2	114.4	131.6	192.3	126.0				
October, 1940	145.7	174.9	133.3	143.1	174.0	127.6				
1940										
May	107.9	133.1	119.5	101.0	100.8	99.9				
June	118.6	142.8	128.1	115.1	105.4	108.2				
July	95-0	136.0	91.7	92.7	87.1	93.2				
August	97.6(f)	138.3	92.0	94.9	86.8	109.7				
September	108.9	138.8	99.9	107.7	115.3	105.3				
October	145.7	174.9	133.3	143.1	174.0	127.6				
% Change,		-1117	200.0	1,0.						
October, 1940	0.0									
October, 1939	+ 8.8	+43.1	+16.5	+ 8.7	- 9.5	+ 1.3				
% Change,										
Jan Cct., 1940	+13.0	+37 - 3	+10.9	+14.1	+ 2.8	+ 7.2				
Jan Oct., 1939										
Women's Clothing Stores										
permitted desirable attractive at	the state of the s				244 0	120 4				
October, 1936	132.9	127.4-	130.1	134.8	144.7	117.4				
October, 1937	137.9	137.4	134.7	144.6	133.5	120.9				
October, 1938	122.7	122.5	114.8	118.6	145.0	118.2				
October, 1939	131.0	136.9	119.2	131.3	151.5	129.3				
October, 1940	148.4	187.6	143.6	146.7	155.9	141.8				
_940										
Nay	118.4	176.3	123.2	108.5	118.9	130.2				
June	116.8	151.4	121.2	111.0	108.7	131.9				
July	96.3	127.2	91.1	94.5	93.7	110.8				
August	96.4(1)	137.1	84.2	95.7	93-1	121.9				
September	114.1	141.3	101.5	119.4	107.1	122.4				
October	148.4	187.6	143.6	146.7	155.9	141.8				
Catober, 1940			.00	. 22 0						
October, 1939	+13.3	+37.0	+20.5	+11.7	+ 2.9	+ 9.7				
% Cleange.	•									
% Grangost., 1940	+14.0	+30.4	+11.3	+15.5	+ 7.6	+16.4				
Jan Oct., 1939	12.70	130		12/1/						
ethodological and the second s		Gracery	and Meat Sto	res						
		COMPANY AND STREET, ST. CO.	t attache an est assemblement from the ti-	I amount of consideration on a sign	222 (204 5				
October, 1936		(a)	105.4	109.7	113.6	104.5				
October, 1937	117.5	(a)	113.5	117.5	124.8	120.6				
October, 1938	108.8	(a)	110.9	109.5	107.2	99.8				
October, 1939	109.5	(a)	109.6	108.0	115.4	107.5				
October, 1940	127.2	(a)	121.3	128.4	136.3	127.9				
1940						222.0				
May	131-1	(a)	131.0	129.8	134-0	133.2				
June	139.8(f)	(a)	139.2	134.9	151.7	149.3				
July	116.1	(a)	105.9	115.3	134.3	130.0				
August	130-2	(a)	115.9	128.9	158.0	146.7				
September	113.8	(a)	107.9	112.6	130.3	115.5				
October	127.2	(a)	121.3	128.4	136.3	127.9				
, hange,										
October, 1940 .	+16.1	(a)	+10.7	+18.9	+18.1	+19.0				
October, 1939	710.1	(a)	710.1	710.7	,10.1	117.0				
% Change,										
JanOct., 1940	+ 9.9	(a)	+ 6.4	+ 9.4	+15.4	+18.1				
JanOct., 1939	7 7.7									
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⁽a) Figures for Maritime Provinces are withheld to avoid disclosing individual operations.
(c) Includes men's furnishings.
(f) Final figures.

UNADJUSTED INDEX NUMBERS OF RETAIL SALES--(AVERAGE FOR 1936 - 100)

ক্ষা-ব্যক্তি নাজ্য বিদ্যাপত্তি পাত্তা। ক্ষা-ক্ষা-ক্ষা-ব্যক্তা আল্পান্ত নাজ্য বিজ্ঞান ক্ষা-ব্যক্তা ক্ষা-ক্ষা-ক্ ক্ষা-ব্যক্তি এক। ক্ষ্য-ব্যক্তা ক্ষ্য-ব্যক্তা ব্যক্তা ব্যক্তা ব্যক্তা ব্যক্তা ব্যক্তা ব্যক্তা ব্যক্তা ব্যক্তা	AND THE PROPERTY OF THE PROPER	Maritime	লাকিবজনজনকী জালকী ও কে জাজে কলক নাকিবজনকাত জালে। কলক জালিক কালি		Prairie	British
Year and Month	CANADA	Provinces	Quebec	Ontario	Provinces	Columbia
		tran par i de mis valoritarista de l'estre d				
		Depar	tment Stores			
October, 1936	126-1	116.5	118.0	118.0	146.8	121.0
October, 1937	125.2	123.0	124.1	123.7	130.5	121.2
October, 1938	117.1	102.8	116.5	109.1	131.9	117.0
October, 1939	134.4	125.2	128.1	122.3	161.9	122.6
October, 1940	143.5	154.5	143.3	138.2	149.6	140.5
1940		77/0			200 -	300 7
May	113.9	126.8	129.4	115.0	103.5	109.1
June	110.6	119.1	124.0	111.9	99.8	111.2
July	89.5 101.5(f)	105.1	88.1	86.2	89.7	124.0
September	116.0	115.8	123.1	118.9	107.4	119.0
October	143.5	154.5	143.3	138.2	149.6	140.5
% Change,	2.3.7	4.,,,,	247.7	230.2		2.0.7
October, 1940 ·	1 6 17	107.1	133 0	122.0	7.4	+14.6
October, 1939	+ 6.7	+23.4	+11.9	+13.0	- 7.6	714.0
% Change,						
Jan Oct. , 1940	+11.1	+20.6	+11.0	+12.7	+ 6.5	+11.4
Jan Oct. , 1939						
		Vari	ety Stores			
October, 1936	111.9	113.8	109.9	111.5	122.9	102.3
October, 1937		119.7	115.6	113.7	115.1	105.6
October, 1938	109.8	111.6	118-9	103.6	122.3	107.9
October, 1939	112.3	111.6	118.5	106.9	121.4	111.7
October, 1940	132.3	153.0	139.6	124.5	137.9	122.7
1940					The state of	
May	114.5	120.2	134.4	106.2	104.1	109.6
June	121.6	131.6	141.8	113.9	106.7	114-1
July	115.0	132.1	123.4	107.7	109.9	119.1
August	114.0	133.0	122.0	106.5	107.4	120.4
October	132·3(f)	153.0	139.6	124.5	137-9	122.7
% Change,	-3- 3(1)	-,5				
October, 1940	+17.8	+37.1	+17.8	+16.5	+13.6	+ 9.8
October, 1939	121.0	121.7	127.0	110.)	123.0	. , . 0
% Change,						
Jan Oct. , 1940	+15.1	+26.8	+13.8	+14.1	+11.8	+11.1
Jan Oct., 1939						
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October, 1936		104.4	105.9	104.2	118.6	112.7
October, 1937	113.8	116.0	111.9	110.8	118.4	123.6
October, 1938		108.1	111.9	108.2	126.0	119.1
October, 1939		108.5	113.0	105.1	123.7	116.4
October, 1940	129.0	137.1	126.3	123.2	141.1	135.4
1940 May	111.4	115.4	111.2	110.5	114.0	108.5
June	109.1	111.5	109.0	110.7	104.4	108.8
July		119.5	108.4	114.1	106.0	115.6
August	119.9(f)	135.4	114.8	119.5	118.5	123.9
September	116.8	122.8	112.3	115.8	120.0	121.2
October	129.0	137.1	126.3	123.2	141.1	135.4
% Change,						
October, 1940	+16.1	+26.4	+11.8	+17.2	+14.1	+16.3
October, 1939						
% Change,						
Jan Oct., 1939	+ 7 - 7	+14.1	+ 5.3	+ 8.1	+ 6.3	+ 7.9
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⁽f) Final figures.

DEPARTMENT STORE SALES IN CANADA, BY SELECTED DEPARTMENTS

OCTOBER, 1939 AND OCTOBER, 1940

(Based on sales of 21 firms)

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		October 1939	October 1940	% Change 1940/39
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	TOTAL SALES, ALL DEPARTMENTS	24,622,978	26,102,684	+ 6.0
1.	Women's dresses, coats and suits	2,790,988	3,012,326	+ 7.9
2.	Girls and infants wear	1,085,751	1,227,994	+ 13.1
3.	Hosiery and gloves	1,202,580	1,245,321	+ 3.6
4.	Lingerie and corsets	1,083,073	1,130,836	+ 4.4
5.	Millinery	371,917	399,801	+ 7.5
6.	Women's and children's apparel (Total, 1-5)	6,534,309	7,016,278	+ 7.4
7.	Men's and boys' clothing and furnishings	3,690,461	3,546,602	- 3.9
8.	Drugs and toilet articles and preparations	536,734	584,375	+ 8.9
9.	Piece goods	1,950,106	1,993,546	+ 2.2
10.	Smallwares	820,065	874,554	+ 6.6
11.	Food and kindred products	1,820,105	1,957,023	+ 7.5
12.	Furniture (including mattresses, springs)	1,195,926	1,435,652	+ 20.0
13.	Home furnishings	1,594,635	1,857,233	+ 16.5
14.	Household appliances and electrical supplies .	709,693	838,812	+ 18.2
15.	Hardware and kitchen utensils	686,437	789,995	+ 15.1
16.	Radios, musical instruments and supplies	431,281	396,038	- 8.2
17.	Shoes and other footwear	1,945,871	1,911,763	- 1.8
18.	Stationery, books and magazines	272,033	312,801	+ 15.0
19.	All other departments, total	2,435,322	2,588,012	+ 6.3



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