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# MONTHLY INDEXES OF RETAIL S.LES, SEPTAMBER, 1942 <br> $(1935-1939=100)$ 

September sales of retail trading establishments in Canada were up 3 per cent from ingust and were 21 per cent higher than in September a year ago. The 21 per cent increase over September, 1940 compares with increases of 18 per cent and 19 per cent for the two preceding months and was also greater than the spread betweon this year and last recorded during the first half of the year, cumulative figures for the first nine months of 1941 standing 17 per cent above the corresponding period of 1940 . Indexes of sales unadjusted for seasonal variations and on the base, 1935-1939 equels 100, stand at 137.4 for September, 1941, 134.1 for August and 113.9 for September. 1940.

On making adjustments for differences in number of business days and for normal seasonal movements, the adjusted index stands at 136.6 for September, compared with 146.5 for sugust, 134.9 for July and 134.3 for June. The dugust peak in the adjusted indexes is indicative of a ehift in the seasonal distribution of retail trede, a groeter proportion of the ennual business of the country being transccted in that month than was the case in earlier years. This shift is noticeable in most of tho lines of retail business for which figures aro availeble and is outstanding in the case of the grocery, hardware, clothing and footwear trades.

Major increases over Septombor, 1940 were recorded for all linos of businoss, porcontage changes in selos ranging from 13 por cant for furniture stores to 25 por cont for jowellory stores. Dopartment stores trensacted 22 per cont more business in Soptomber of this year then lest, rosults on a regional besis indicating incresscs of 31 por cont for the Meritime Provincos, 21 por cont for Quabec, 18 por cont for Ontario, 23 per cent for the Prairio Provincos and 28 per cont for British Columbis. Dopartmont store salos for the first 9 months of the current yoar stind 18 per cont above the corrosponding poriod of 1940 with increnses for the various territorial regions standing at 26 per cont for the Meritimo Provinces, 17 por cent for Queboc, 18 per cent for Ontcrio, 16 por cont for the Prairio Provincos and 18 por cont for British Columbia.

Variety storo salos daclinod by 4 por cont from nugust but were 22 por cont highor then in Soptember of 1940 , while sales for the year to date stend 21 per cont abovo the firgt nine months a year ago. Porcentago incroases betwoon Soptombor of tiais yesr and last for oach of the five acomomic divisions of tho country, with incroasos for the yoar to date in brackots, are $3 s$ follows: Naritime Provinces, 26 por cont ( 29 por cont); Quoboc, 27 per cent (24 por cont); Ontario, 20 por cont (21 por cont); Prairio Provinces, i6 por cont ( 15 per cont) and British Columbie., 14 por cont ( 11 por cent).

Drug stora selos avoragod 17 por cont higher in Soptombor, 1941 than 1940, whilo figuros for tho first nine months of the currant yaar stand 16 por cont above tho corrosponding poriod of last yoar on making allowanco for normal soasonal movomonts, tho soasonelly adjustod indox for Soptombor stands et 13l.2, practicclly unchangod from the immodiatoly procoding months. Figurgs on re rogional basis show tho Niaritime Provincos loeding in point of viow of incroasod businoss, both for tho month of Soptembar and also for the yoar to dato. Porcontago incracsos in srlos betwoon Soptomber of this
year and last for each of the economic divisions of the country with corresponding ratios for the first nine months of this year over last are as follows: haritime Provinces, 24 per cont ( 23 per cent); quoboc, 20 per cent ( 13 per cent); Ontario, 17 per cent (17 per cent); Prairie Provinces, 14 per cent ( 14 per cent); British Columbia, 10 por cont (ll per cent).

Sales of stores spocializing in men's clothing or furnishings gained 13 per cent between fugust and September, the September figure standing 20 per cent above the corresponding month of 1940, while cumulative figures for the first nine months of the current year ranged 22 per cent above tho corresponding period a year ago. The Septeraber increaso was greatest in quebec, while the liaritime Provinces stand highest for the yoar to date. Percentago increases in sales between Soptomber of this year and last for the various regions of the country with results for the nine month period in brackets are as follows: Maritimo Provinces, 19 per cont (29 per cent); Quebec, 26 per cent ( 21 por cont): Ontario, 16 por cont ( 23 por cent); Prairio Provinces, 24 per cent ( 19 per cont) and British Columbia, 18 per cont ( 12 per cont).

Womon's clothing store salos gainod 13 per cent botwoon hugust and Soptombor and avoraged 18 por cont above the lovel of Soptember, 1940, whilo salos for tho yoar to dato stand 19 por cont abovo tho first nino months of last yoar. The rosults for womon's clothing stores zoro similar to thoso for stores spocializing in mon's clothing in that Quobec rogisterod tho groatost incroess in the Soptombor comparison, whilo tho Maritimo Provincos stand first in point of viaw of incroasod selos for tho yoar to dato. Incroasus betwoen Suptombor of this year and last by ragions, with ratios for tho first nino months of this yoar comparod with last in brackots are as follows: Waritimo Provincos, 22 por cont ( 25 por cont); Quoboc, 27 por cont ( 23 por cont): Ontrio, 11 por cont ( 21 por cont); Prairio Provincus, 25 por cont ( 13 por cont) and British Columbia, 21 per cont (12 por cont).

Grocery or grocery and meat store sales ranged 23 per cent higher in September, 1939 than in September, 1940, while figures for the first 9 months of the current year stand 14 per cent above the corresponding period a year ago. These results are besed on roturns submitted by practically all chain store companies in the foed retailing field, together with statements of sales secured from about l,000 independent grocery stores, the results for chains and independents being weighted in proportion to their relative importance in the total grocery trade. Increases in September of this year over last, with increases for the your to date, were more uniform for the various sections of the country then was the case for other lines of business for which figures are available. Soptembor incroasos for each region, with figures for the your to date in brackots, stand as follows: haritime Provinces, 24 por cont ( 13 per cent); ₹ucboc, 24 por cont ( 13 por cont); Onterio, 24 per cont ( 17 por cont); Prairio Frovinces, 19 por cont (11 por cont) and British Columbia, 22 por cunt ( 12 por cont).

Shoo store salos in Canada transacted 17 per cont moro business in Soptombor, 1941 than in 1940 , figures on a rogional basis ranging from 15 por cont in Ontario to 19 por cont in tho Maritimo and tho Prairio Provinces. Candy store salos woro up 23 por cont ovor Soptembor a yeer fogo, herdware store sales gainod 20 per cant and rostaurents wore up 17 por cont. Storos spcializing in tho salo of radios and oloctricel housohold applinncos or equipmont roportod a 18 por cont incroese in dollar volumo ovor Soptombor, 1940, whilo snlos \%ore up 19 por cont from tho innodiatoly procoding month of August. Tho incrocso over fugust wes considerably lower than the usucll sonsonel improvemont for this time of yoar, with the result thet the soesonally c.djustod indox doclinod to 135.1 for Soptombor comparod with 174.4 for hugust and 169.1 for July.

A pronounced incronso of 44 por cont in fowellory storo seles in tho Misritimo Provincos nnd British Columbia was modifiod by smallor gains of 21 por cont in quoboc, 25 por cent in Ontrorio and 16 por cont in tho Prairio Provincos, rosulting in in svornge incroaso of 25 per cont for the country as a wholo.

In comparison of depnrtmont store sales by departments for Soptomber of this year and list for 18 dopartmont store companios furnishing this informstion rovesl pronouncod incroc.sos for 1.11 m jor dapartrionts with tho arcoption of redios and musical instrumunts, in which ciss a minor gein of 5 por cont was rocordod. Tha hardwere and kitchon utonsil doportmont was up 29 por cont; food and kindrod products, 26 por cont; mon's and boys' clothing and furnishings, 26 por cent end womon's end childron's spparel, 23 por cont. Housohold appliancos and oloctrical supplias geinod 24 por cont; home furnishings woro up 17 por cont, whilo tho furnituro dopertmont incressed by 15 por cont. Rusults for othor dopartmonts are shown in tho attechud tr.blo.

Comparison of Roteil Salos in Canada, for 1940 and 1941, by Kinds of Buainoas


Comparison of Rotail Salos of 3not and Shou Stores and Jowallery Storos Soptorabor, 1940 , ind Soptombor, 1941

| Rusion | Salos in Soptomber, 1941 compared with Salos in Soptembor, 1940 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Boot and Shoo Stores | Jowellery Storos |
| CLNADA | $+16.5$ | $+25.3$ |
| Naritimo Provincos 0 , 00000 | $+19.1$ | + 43.8 |
| Quobsc. ...................... | $+37.9$ | $+21.2$ |
| Ontario .............. | $+15 \cdot 1$ | $+24.5$ |
| Prairio Frovincos .....e..... | $+19.3$ | $+16.3$ |
| British Coiumbia | $+16.2$ | $+44.0$ |

A. Unadjusted. B. Adjusted for Number of Business Days and Seasonal Variations.
(Figures for current year are subject to final revision)

| Year and Month | General Indax |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Bo } \\ & \text { and } \end{aligned}$ |  | $C_{\text {andy }}(h)$ |  |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Women's } \\ & \text { Clothing } \end{aligned}$ |  | Departmental |  | Drugs |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | A | B | A | B | A | B | A | B | A | B | h | B |  | B |
| Soptember, 1929 | 138.5 | 144.2 | 148.2 | 166.1 | 184.4 | 208.7 | 1.44 .8 | 167.8 | 126.4 | 149.7 | 140.7 | 243.9 | 116.9 | 124.j |
| September, 1930 | 122.2 | 123.8 | 119.0 | 130.1 | 150.7 | 165.9 | 107.1 | 120.6 | 124.1 | 142.8 | 130.8 | 128.9 | 107.9 | 112.4 |
| September, 1931 | 106.2 | 107.3 | 107.3 | 117.8 | 128.6 | 141.0 | 88.0 | 98.3 | 99.1 | $113 \cdot 1$ | 107.9 | 106.3 | 101.0 | 104.6 |
| September, 1932 | 88.3 | 88.2 | 90.7 | 97.4 | 102.7 | 111.7 | 75.5 | 83.3 | 79.2 | 89.3 | 89.8 | 87.8 | 90.1 | 93.0 |
| September, 1933 | 87.7 | 84.4 | 90.8 | 91.0 | 98.9 | 102.4 | 74.4 | 78.1 | 80.9 | 86.8 | 93.3 | 90.1 | 85.9 | 86.6 |
| Septembor, 1934 | 88.4 | 87.9 | 95.2 | 97.4 | 93.1 | 99.7 | 77.0 | 84.0 | 87.2 | 97.2 | 94.5 | 95.0 | 87.2 | 90.0 |
| September, 1935 | 89.3 | 92.6 | 91.5 | 97.4 | 90.3 | 102.2 | 82.2 | 95.2 | 82.1 | $97 \cdot 3$ | 93.5 | $95 \cdot 6$ | 87.5 | 93.1 |
| September, 1936 | 98.4 | 97.8 | 97.8 | 100.0 | 94.6 | 103.7 | 97.7 | 100.4 | 93.1 | 98.6 | 103.0 | 102.5 | 97.0 | 96.5 |
| Soptember, 1937 | 106.6 | 105,4 | 110.2 | 110.7 | 94.8 | 103.5 | 107.5 | 110.0 | 98.4 | 103.0 | $105 \cdot 6$ | 103.7 | 106.3 | 105.7 |
| September, 1938 | 103.0 | 101.2 | 107.0 | 107.1 | 88.9 | 96.7 | 98.9 | 98.4 | 95.3 | 99.7 | $10 ? \cdot 3$ | 100.0 | 103.8 | $102 \cdot 9$ |
| Septomber, 1939 | 116.4 | 109.9 | 122.2 | 96.6 | 85.5 | 83.5 | 115.4 | 109.2 | $110 \cdot 2$ | 109.? | 117.3 | 113.3 | 104.4 | 101.1 |
| Septomber, 1940 | 113.9 | 116.5 | 113.2 | 98.0 | 96.8 | 109.6 | $107 \cdot 3$ | 112.1 | 114.0 | $125 \cdot 3$ | 114.1 | 116.7 | 112.3 | 114.8 |
| Soptombor, 1941 | $137 \cdot 4$ | 136.6 | 131.8 | 111.4 | 118.9 | 130.8 | 128.6 | $130 \cdot 6$ | 134.6 | $143 \cdot 7$ | 139.0 | 137.0 | 131.0 | 131.2 |
| 1940 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Septombor | 113.9 | 116.5 | 113.2 | 93.0 | 96.3 | 109.6 | 107.3 | 212.1 | 114.0 | $125 \cdot 3$ $120 \cdot 3$ | 114.1 | 116.7 120.9 | 112.3 124.1 | 114.8 119.5 |
| October | 131.9 | 120.1 | $113 \cdot 7$ | 104.4 | 109.5 | 114.0 | 145.5 | $115 \cdot 9$ | 148.6 | $120 \cdot 3$ | 141.1 | 120.9 | 124.1 | 119.5 |
| November | 135-7 | 123.0 | 128.6 | 130.4 | 105.1 | 120.5 | 160.3 | 120.1 | 146.8 | 124.9 | 150.9 | 128.5 | 116.9 | $115 \cdot 5$ |
| December | 174.1 | 130.9 | 146.8 | 107.0 | 226.5 | 124.0 | 199.7 | $125 \cdot 6$ | 193.6 | 133.0 | 210.2 | $132 \cdot 2$ | 161.9 | 131.6 |
| 1941 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 88.1 |  | 93.1 |  | 117.9 | 124.1 |
| January | 102.3 | 124.5 | 80.0 | 114.2 | 86.0 | 117.2 | 91.8 | 121.4 | 88.1 | 121.3 137.3 | 93.1 | 123.5 126.1 | 117.9 | 124.6 |
| February | 101.5 | 130.5 129.3 | 67.0 99.8 | 134.6 | 124.0 | 134.3 124.2 | 82.4 104.4 | 139.5 130.0 | 79.9 114.8 | 137.3 135.8 | 94.8 111.6 | 126.1 125.0 | 112.4 123.9 | 124.6 |
| March | 119.2 | 129.3 | 99.8 148.8 | 142.6 | 102.4 | 124.2 | 104.4 | 130.0 143.4 | 114.8 169.9 | 135.8 135.4 | 111.6 132.2 | 125.0 133.4 | 123.9 120.8 | 125.8 125.1 |
| April | 135.7 | 135.2 | 148.8 142.8 | 128.3 121.9 | 171.5 130.3 | 129.6 124.4 | 146.9 135.5 | 143.4 137.2 | 169.9 142.1 | 135.4 134.2 | 132.2 134.3 | 133.4 129.2 | 120.8 126.8 | $125 \cdot 1$ 126.5 |
| Lay. | 143.0 133.8 | 134.5 134.3 | 142.8 | 121.9 117.9 | 130.3 | 124.4 122.5 | 135.5 137.5 | 137.2 134.9 | $142 \cdot 1$ $133 \cdot 2$ | 134.2 123.7 | $134 \cdot 3$ $123 \cdot 7$ | 129.2 123.1 | 122.8 | 126.5 $133 \cdot 4$ |
| June | 133.8 122.4 | 134.3 134.9 | 15.5 114.7 | 119.9 | 101.9 | 121.4 | 111.8 | 136.2 | 111.0 | 132.1 | 102.2 | 132.5 | 128.0 | 130.9 |
| August | 134.1 | 146.5 | 114.1 | 147.4 | 128.6 | 137.6 | 114.1 | 147.6 | 119.2 | 160.8 | 120.4 | 146.1 | 132.2 | 131.6 |
| September | 137.4 | 136.6 | 131.8 | 111.4 | 118.9 | 130.8 | 128.6 | 130.6 | 134.6 | $143 \cdot 7$ | 139.0 | 137.0 | 131.0 | 131.2 |

(c) Includes men's furnishings.
(h) Candy indexes are based largely upon returns from retail candy chains.
A. Unadjusted. B. Adjusted for Number of Business Days and Seasonal Variations.
(Figures for current year are subject to final reviaion)

| Year and Month | Furniture |  | Groceries and Meats |  | Hardware |  | Radio and Electrical |  | Restaurants |  | Variety |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | is | B | d | B | i | B | ds | B | 1 | B | h | B |
|  | 164.4 | 157.5 | $125 \cdot 0$ | 133.4 | 172.1 | 161.8 | 252.7 | 211.4 | 185.1 | 181.2 | 82.5 | 90.7 |
| Septamber, 1930 | 126.9 | 117.2 | 113.4 | 118.1 | 133.1 | 120.1 | 179.7 | 144.3 | 158.7 | 153.3 | 83.4 | 89.1 |
| Septamber, 1931 | 106.7 | 97.7 | $105 \cdot 7$ | 109.1 | 113.0 | 102.0 | 138.9 | 109.0 | 132.1 | 127.6 | 80.1 | 85.5 |
| September, 1932 | 80.4 | $69 \cdot 3$ | 90.6 | 91.7 | 85.3 | 76.3 | $100 \cdot 7$ | 76.6 | 100.6 | 96.9 | 72.6 | 76.9 |
| September, 1933 | 86.1 | 71.8 | 88.3 | 84.1 | 84.2 | 74.0 | 84.0 | 63.0 | 90.4 | 86.2 | 76.2 | 76.1 |
| Septenber, 1934 | $95 \cdot 3$ | 82.4 | 83.4 | 82.5 | 94.0 | 84.6 | 98.5 | 76.4 | 92.2 | 89.4 | 76.8 | 79.1 |
| September, 1935 | 101.0 | 89.5 | 84.6 | 90.3 | 99.1 | 88.5 | 99.6 | 77.2 | 99.0 | 96.9 | 79.2 88.3 | 87.0 |
| Septembar, 1936. | 114.6 | 97.9 | 91.8 | 94.8 | 109.9 | 93.4 | 115.5 | 99.0 | $105 \cdot 1$ | 101.5 104.2 | 88.3 | 94.3 105.6 |
| September, 1937. | 128.2 | 109.5 | 102.7 | 105.2 | 126.5 | 1.07 .5 | 126.0 | 108.0 | 107.9 | 104.2 97.5 | 99.3 101.1 | 105.6 107.1 |
| September, 1938. | 106.6 | 92.6 | 101.4 | 102.6 | 120.5 | 102.4 | 115.7 | 99.2 | 101.2 | 97.5 99.2 | 1115.2 | 115.1 |
| September, 1939. | 115.4 | 97.9 | 117.9 | 112.2 | 135.6 | 115.3 | 120.2 | 119.6 | 111.0 | 108.7 | 125.5 | 137.9 |
| September, 1940. | 124.0 | 111.8 | 108.9 133.9 | 116.2 | 135.2 156.7 | 115.3 133.2 | 133.9 157.6 | 119.6 135.1 | 111.0 129.9 | 108.7 125.5 | 125.5 152.5 | 137.9 162.9 |
| September, $1941 . . .$. | $139 \cdot 7$ | 121.4 | 133.9 | 139.4 | 156.7 | $133 \cdot 2$ | 157.6 | $135 \cdot 1$ | 129.9 | $125 \cdot 5$ | $152 \cdot 5$ | 162.9 |
| 1940 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| October | 135.2 | 113.4 | 120.8 | 120.8 | 141.6 | 120.8 | 148.2 | 115.4 | 112.5 | 110.4 | 146.9 |  |
| November | 122.9 | 112.1 | 126.1 | 119.0 | 126.0 | 123.6 | 146.2 | 114.7 | 109.2 | 113.9 | 153.8 276.2 | 143.8 146.0 |
| December. | 165.8 | 145.3 | 135.5 | 128.1 | 146.2 | 136.8 | 224.4 | $165 \cdot 9$ | 117.8 | $114 \cdot 9$ | 276.2 | 146.0 |
| 1941 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| January | $83 \cdot 1$ | 124.6 | 118.0 | 122.0 | 82.2 | 134.3 | 115.3 | 143.1 | 109.3 | 115.0 | 96.9 | 151-4 |
| February | 103.6 | 132.8 | 117.0 | 127.3 | 77.7 | 142.4 | 110.4 | 148.5 | 103.2 | 116.9 | 103.8 | 153.6 |
| March ... | 112.7 | 131.3 | 134.7 | 126.9 | 97.9 | 137.2 | 120.3 | 145.6 | 117.0 | 118.8 | 121.0 | 150.9 |
| April | 137.9 | 127.4 | 132.2 | 136.5 | 137.5 | 134.9 | 146.3 | 160.5 | 118.2 | 118.7 | 143.4 | 157.0 |
| May | 174.3 | 139.1 | 146.8 | 1\%1.4 | 169.0 | 125.6 | 167.4 | 144.0 | 119.2 | 115.6 | 159.8 | 159.7 |
| June | 131.5 | 137.6 | 139.4 | $145 \cdot 7$ | 153.6 | 131.6 | 138.9 | $155 \cdot 6$ | 114.4 | 116.5 | 154.0 | 154.8 |
| July | 115.3 | 148.1 | 133.0 | 136.3 | 149.3 | 133.1 | 134.5 | 169.1 | 124.9 | 119.1 | $152 \cdot 2$ | $152 \cdot 7$ |
| August | 138.8 | $135 \cdot 5$ | 146.1 | 148.4 | 149.6 | 142.4 | 136.9 | 174.4 | 134.4 | 124.4 | 158.9 | 163.1 |
| September | $139 \cdot 7$ | 121.4 | 133.9 | 139.4 | 156.7 | 133.2 | 157.6 | $135 \cdot 1$ | 129.9 | 125.5 | $152 \cdot 5$ | 162.9 |



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(Figures for the current year are subject to final rovision)

| Yoar and Month | CANADA | liaritime <br> Pruvincos | Quebec | Ontario | Prairio Provincos | British Columbia |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Hion's Clothins Stores (c) |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Soptember, $1936 \ldots$ | 97.7 | 88.6 | 92.5 | 92.4 | 123.0 | 111.3 |
| Soptembor, 1937. | 107.5 | 97.7 | 109.5 | 107.9 | 105.8 | 110.4 |
| Soptombor, 1938 . | 98.9 | 88.3 | 97.7 | 97.9 | 113.5 | 95.3 |
| September: 1939 . | 115.4 | 102.0 | 115.1 | 110.3 | 143.6 | 112.2 |
| Soptumber, 1940 | 107.3 | 130.8 | 99.8 | 106.9 | 109.9 | 106.7 |
| Soptombur, 1941 . | 128.6 | 156.2 | $125 \cdot 7$ | 124.1 | $135 \cdot 7$ | $125 \cdot 8$ |
| $\frac{1941}{\text { hpritil }}$ | 146.9 | 185.9 | 149.7 | 154.0 | 120.6 | 106.4 |
| Miay . . . . . . . . . | $135 \cdot 5$ | 174.7 | 142.8 | 133.5 | 122.7 | 110.4 |
| Juno . . . . . . . . . | 137.5 | 173.9 | 142.9 | 136.1 | 125.8 | 115.2 |
| July . . . . . . . . . | 111.8 | 164.6 | 114.6 | 102.4 | 106.4 | 115.6 |
| \&uguct. .......... | ?21.? | 156.3 | 120.6 | 108.0 | 93.8 | 121.9 |
| Soptumbor ...... | 128.6 | 156.2 | $125 \cdot 7$ | 124.1 | $135 \cdot 7$ | $125 \cdot 8$ |
| $\%$ Change, Suptombar, 1941 | +19.9 | +19.4 | +26.0 | +16.1 | +23.5 | $+17.9$ |
| Suptumbor, 1940 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| \% Chango, Trn.-Sopt. 2941 |  |  | + | $+23.3$ | +18.9 | +12.1 |
| Jari-Scpt , 1940 | . 8 | +28.7 | +21.2 | +23.3 | +18.9 | +12.1 |

Womon's Clothing Stores

| Soptembur 1.936 | 93.1 | 77.3 | 92.4 | 91.5 | 99.6 | 100.9 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Soutambar, 1937. | 98.4 | 93.1 | 96.8 | 99.5 | 94.6 | 105.0 |
| Soptembur, 1938 . | 95.3 | 91.1 | 91.6 | 97.7 | 92.7 | 99.5 |
| Soptomber, 1939 : | 110.2 | 99.6 | 104.2 | 111.0 | 118.0 | 115.6 |
| Soptambur, 2740 .0 | 114.0 | 130.1 | 103.1 | 119.1 | $106 \cdot 3$ | 123.3 |
| Soptomber, 1942.. - 941 | 134.6 | 159.0 | 131.1 | $132 \cdot 3$ | 132.8 | 148.7 |
| - 91 | 169.9 | 200.9 | 173.3 | 175.2 | 145.6 | 156.5 |
| Iiay | 142.1 | 193.2 | 147.8 | $137 \cdot 7$ | 129.5 | 145.7 |
| Juno | 133.2 | 163.4 | 142.7 | 129.8 | 215.6 | 137.0 |
| July $0 . . . . . . .$. | 111.0 | 133.5 | 108.0 | 108.9 | 105.6 | 129.2 |
| sugust . . . . . . . | 119.2 | 157.0 | 119.4 | 119.8 | $105 \cdot 1$ | 120.7 |
| Soptombor ..... | 134.6 | 159.0 | 131.1 | 132.3 | 132.8 | 148.7 |
| \% Chango, ${ }_{\text {\% }}^{\text {Sontombor, } 1941}$ | +18.1 | +22.2 | +27.2 | +11.1 | +24.9 | +20.6 |
| \% Crango, $\frac{J_{01}-\text { Sapt. }}{J_{\text {Jan. }}-\text { Supt. }} 1941$ | +19.4 | +24.7 | +23.0 | +20.6 | +12.8 | +11.9 |



[^0](g) Not availablo.



(Figures for the current year are subject to final revision)

| Year and lionth | CANADA | liaritime Provinces | Quebec | Ontario | Prairio Provincea | British Columbia |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Department Stores |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| September, 1936 .. | 103.0 | 92.4 | 98.5 | 97.7 | 116.0 | 101.7 |
| Soptember, 1937 .. | 105.6 | 99.9 | 112.4 | 104.4 | 103.9 | 108.8 |
| Soptember, 1938 .. | 102.3 | 90.8 | 107.4 | $105 \cdot 9$ | 97.8 | 101.9 |
| September, 1939. | 117.3 | 100.1 | 118.7 | 117.4 | $120 \cdot 6$ | 117.7 116.6 |
| September, 1940 .. | 114.1 | 114.8 | 116.8 | 117.2 138.2 | 107.3 131.9 | 116.6 148.9 |
| September, 1941 .. | 139.0 | 150.6 | 141.0 | 138.2 | 131.9 | 148.9 |
| $\frac{1941}{\text { April }}$.......... | 132.2 | 144.2 | 143.0 | $137 \cdot 3$ | 121.4 | 121.7 |
| Miay . . . . . . . . . . | 134.3 | 155.9 | 143.1 | 138.2 | 122.4 | 126.6 |
| June . . . . . . . . . | 123.7 | 147.0 | 129.0 | 125.2 | 114.5 | 120.8 |
| July . . . . . . . . . | 102.2 | 127.5 | 97.4 | 97.9 | 97.1 | 119.1 |
| August ......... | 120.4 | 137.2 | 120.3 | 121.6 | 107.0 | 138.0 |
| September ...... <br> \% Change, | 139.0 | 150.6 | 141.0 | 138.2 | 131.9 | 148.9 |
| $\frac{\text { September, } 2941}{\text { September, } 1940}$ | +21.8 | +31.2 | +20.7 | +17.9 | +22.9 | +27.7 |
| \% Change, Jan. -Sept., 1941 | +17.8 | +26.4 | +16.5 | +18.2 | +15.9 | +17.5 |
| Jane-Sopte, 1940 |  |  |  |  |  |  |


| September, 1936 .. | 88.3 | 88.6 | 86.7 | 86.4 | 97.7 | 89.8 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Septeriber, 1937 .. | 99.3 | 99.5 | 102.5 | 98.1 | 97.5 | 98.3 |
| Soutombor, 1939 . | 101.1 | 100.2 | 102.8 | 99.8 | 102.4 | 102.2 |
| September, 1939 .. | 115.2 | 132.7 | 121.8 | 109.0 | 117.7 | 107.2 |
| Septeraber, 1940 .. | 125.5 | 160.2 | 128.1 | 118.2 | 128.6 | $115 \cdot 9$ |
| Soptember, 1941.. | 152.5 | 201.7 | 162.9 | 141.8 | 148.7 | $132 \cdot 3$ |
| $\underline{1241}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| April ........... | 143.4 159.8 | 184.1 200.5 | 149.2 181.1 | 137.6 151.4 | 140.0 |  |
| Wey . . . . . . . . . | 159.8 | 200.5 196.7 | 181.1 172.3 | 151.4 144.5 | 144.9 | 118.1 |
| June . ........... | 154.0 | 196.7 | 1720.7 | 144.5 | 152.0 | 128.6 |
| July | 152.2 | 196.2 | $160 \cdot 7$ | 143.1 | 141.8 |  |
| August .......... | 158.9 | 207.4 | 170.9 | 150.5 141.8 | 141.8 | 132.3 |
| Septamber . ..... | 152.5 | 201.7 | 162.9 | 141.8 | 148.7 | $132 \cdot 3$ |
| \% Change, $\frac{\text { September, }}{} \frac{1941}{\text { Soptember, }} 1940$ | +21.5 | +25.9 | +27.2 | +20.0 | +15.6 | +14.2 |
|  | +21.3 | +29.3 | +23.9 | +21.4 | +15.1 | +10.8 |

Drug Stores

| Soptembor, $1936 .$. | 97.0 | 94.8 | 93.5 | 94.0 | 108.0 | 100.2 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| September, 1937 .. | 106.3 | 104.2 | 104.4 | 104.4 | 111.4 | 112.4 |
| Septamber, 1938.. | 103.8 | 97.2 | 100.2 | 101.5 | 113.5 | 109.6 |
| Septomber, 1939 .. | 104.4 | 103.7 | 100.5 | 101.9 | $113 \cdot 7$ | 108.2 |
| September, 1940 .. | 112.3 | 115.0 | 107.8 | 111.2 | 117.0 | 116.4 |
| Scptombor, 1941 .. | 131.0 | 142.1 | 129.0 | 130.0 | 133.0 | 127.7 |
| 1241 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| April .......... | 120.8 | 140.7 | 117.5 | 120.5 | 119.9 | $115 \cdot 3$ |
| Nay | 126.8 | 140.7 | 121.1 | 128.7 | 125.8 | 119.6 |
| Juno | 122.8 | 133.7 | 118.7 | 125.6 | 120.2 | 112.6 |
| July ........... | 128.0 | $145 \cdot 5$ | 122.2 | 128.8 | 126.6 | 124.9 |
| August ........ | 132.2 | 149.3 | 126.4 | 132.5 | 132.7 | 128.2 |
| Soptembor ...... | 131.0 | 142.1 | 129.0 | 130.0 | 133.0 | 127.7 |
| $1 . C^{\text {ChanES, }}$ Jani-Sunt., 1941 |  | +22.6 |  | +17.0 | +14.4 |  |
| Jano-Sept., 1940 | +15.7 | +22.6 | +13.0 |  |  |  |

## SEPTEIABER, 1940 AND SEPTEMBER, 1241

(Based on sales of 18 firms)



[^0]:    (c) Includes men's furnishings.

