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Monthly Indexes of Retail Sales in Canada, June, 1945 (1935-1939 = 100)

The dollar volume of retail sales in Canada increased 10 per cent in June of this year over last and was 8 per cent greater than in May, 1945, according to reports from a sample number of firms representing 14 trades. June stands higher in sales volume than any other month of the year to-date, the unadjusted index (on the base, 1935-1939 = 100) moving to 196.3 from 182.0 for May, 1945 and comparing with an index of 178.1 in June, 1944. Sales in the first half of this year were 7 per cent above those for the same period in 1944. The occurrence in June this year of five Saturdays, conventional shopping day for many consumers, accounts for a portion of the increase over June, 1944 which contained only four Saturdays.

Purchases by service personnel returning from overseas, added to current high level expenditures of civilian consumers, brought about large increases in sales of apparel and gift merchandise. There was a strong demand for footwear and sales of shoe stores increased 23 per cent over June of last year. Family clothing stores and women's apparel shops reported gains of 15 and 14 per cent. Personal clothing requirements of returned men do not feature largely in June sales of men's specialty shops which were up 12 per cent over June a year ago. A marked upward trend in sales of furriers has been attributed to heavy gift demand by returned men. Sales of retail fur shops were 28 per cent greater in June of this year than last. Jewellery stores, benefitting from the removal of restrictions affecting styles and manufacture some months ago, have been able to secure a more diversified range of merchandise. This factor combined with continued heavy gift demand, led to a gain of 17 per cent in sales for this trade over June, 1944.

Furniture and hardware stores, under the impetus of an improved supply situation which began several months ago, continue to record sizeable gains in line with those shown for earlier months of this year. June increases amounted to 14 per cent for furniture stores and 12 per cent for hardware dealers. The 4 per cent increase in sales of radio and electrical stores may be attributed to the increased flow of small appliances to retail outlets, rather than to distribution of heavier gas and electrical household appliances. Although many of the restrictions imposed upon this type of merchandise were removed some time ago, output is delayed owing to the preoccupation of manufacturers with war contracts and the difficulty of securing materials and labour.

Food store sales were up 9 per cent over June a year ago. The greater part of this increase was due to the extra Saturday in June of this year. Factors which operated against even greater sales activity were shortages in meat and potato supplies which developed in June. Restaurant receipts were 6 per cent above those in June a year ago. Among three types of stores handling a general line of merchandise, department stores led with a 13 per cent gain. Variety store sales were 9 per cent higher, while country general stores did 8 per cent more business in June of this year compared with June, 1944. Drug stores increased their sales volume by 10 per cent between June of the two years.

The usual monthly survey of chain candy firms revealed that sales volume was only 1 per cent greater in June of this year than last, the small margin of increase reflecting the reduction in sugar allotments.

#### Maritime Provinces

An overall sales increase of 9 per cent over June, 1944 was recorded in the Maritime Provinces. The average gain over the first half of the year amounted to 7 per cent. The increases were most pronounced in the women's apparel and footwear trades, June results indicating sales gains of 21 per cent in each case. Jewellery, family clothing and variety store sales were also substantially higher, while sales of radio and electrical stores showed greater expansion than in other provinces. An increase of only 1 per cent in hardware sales contrasts with the marked gains recorded for this trade in other regions.

#### Quebec

Quebec retailers moved sales ahead of June last year to a greater extent than did those in any of the other four economic divisions, a gain of 12 per cent comparing with a 7 per cent increase in the semi-annual comparison. Shoe, department and family clothing stores all reported increases in the vicinity of 20 per cent. An increase of 12 per cent in restaurant receipts exceeded the upward trend recorded elsewhere in Canada.

#### Ontario

Retail merchants in Ontario enjoyed an 11 per cent sales increase in June, while sales for the year to-date averaged 8 per cent above the corresponding sixmonth period a year ago. As in other parts of Canada, footwear sales showed greatest expansion, sales being up 22 per cent. Jewellery, women's clothing and furniture stores were among other trades which made notable gains.

#### Prairie Provinces

In the Prairie Provinces, retail business increased but little over the results obtained in earlier months of the year, the June increase of 7 per cent comparing with a 6 per cent rise in sales for the first half of the year. Although footwear sales were up 23 per cent, other trades recorded comparatively moderate increases. In the case of apparel stores, rains were somewhat smaller than those recorded in other regions.

#### British Columbia

Dollar sales in British Columbia were 11 per cent above June, 1944 figures and averaged 9 per cent higher for the first six months of this year over last. A 30 per cent gain in sales of shoe stores and a 25 per cent advance for hardware dealers featured the results for June. Sales of men's clothing and jewellery stores were also brisk.

#### - 3 -Departmental Analysis of Department Store Sales

Total sales of those departmental firms which provided figures for various departments were 13 per cent higher in June, 1945 compared with June a year ago. All departments for which separate figures are compiled also registered gains over June, 1944, ranging as high as 19 per cent for the furniture department and the shoe department. Increases for other important departments stood at 13 per cent for women's and children's wear, 11 per cent for men's and boys' clothing and furnishings, 9 per cent for the food department, 15 per cent for piece goods, 18 per cent for smallwares, 7 per cent for home furnishings and 18 per cent for hardware and kitchen utensils.

This bulletin contains a summary of the cumulative sales of departmental firms for the first six months of this year and last with sales broken down as between various departments. Total sales to the end of June are shown to be 9 per cent greater than in the similar six-month period of 1944. Radio and music departments were not quite able to maintain last year's volume, but increases of fairly uniform proportions occurred in all other departments. Significant deviations from the average trend were gains of 16 per cent for piece goods, 15 per cent for furniture, 13 per cent for hardware and 12 per cent for stationery and book departments.

(Comparisons are based on dollar value. No corrections have been made for higher prices.) Sales in June, 1945 Sales in Jan.-June, 1945 Compared With Sales In Compared With Sales In Kind of Business June, June, May, Jan.-June, Jan.-June, 1941 1944 1945 1941 1944 % % % % % GENERAL INDEX ..... +47.9 +10.2 + 7.9 + 7.2 +43.3 General Merchandise Group: Country General Stores..... +58.2 + 7.8 + 0.6 +53.3 + 5.4 Department Stores ..... +36.9 +12.5 + 4.0 +38.6 + 9.1 Variety Stores ..... +38.2 + 8.5 +10.8 +39.1 + 8.2 Food Group: Food Stores ..... +50.8 + 8.4 + 9.4 +42.0 + 6.2 Restaurants ..... +66.7 + 5.9 + 3.6 +67.9 + 2.3 Clothing Group: Family Clothing Stores ..... +57.8 +15.3 +15.0 +51.6 +10.4 Men's Clothing Stores ..... +53.5 +12.0 +25.3 +41.6 + 5.9 Women's Clothing Stores ..... +63.8 +13.5 + 9.5 +57.8 + 9.7 Shoe Stores ..... +62.7 +22.9 +36.8 +55.0 +11.9 Household and Personal Effects Group: Drug Stores .....+50.4 + 9.9 + 3.5 +47.8 + 6.3 Furniture Stores ..... +17.9 +13.8 - 4.9 + 9.9 +11.8 Hardware Stores ..... +37.6 + 5.9 +11.6 +13.1 +41.5 Jewellery Stores (b) ..... +68.5 +16.5 +15.3 +69.6 +12.7 Radio and Electrical Stores ..... -15.7 + 4.3 - 0.2 -18.3 + 1.7

Comparison of Retail Sales in Canada, for 1944 and 1945, by Kinds of Business

(b) Based on sales including the Federal tax introduced in June, 1942.

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Index Numbers of Retail Sales - (Average for 1935-1939 = 100) A. Unadjusted. B. Adjusted for Number of Business Days and Seasonal Variations. (Figures for the current year are subject to final revision)

Year and	Gene		Cour Gene	ntry eral	Department		Var	iety
Month	A	В	A	В	A	B	A	B
June, 1939	109.8	105.4	102.4	98.0	98.9	94.3	116.2	112.7
June, 1941	132.7	134.4	115.8	116.1	123.7	123.1	154.0	154.8
June, 1942	154.0	152.1	133.1	129.2	139.6	134.1	180.7	176.7
June, 1943	161.0	158.9	153.9	150.6	136.8	130.9	184.3	181.6
June, 1944	178.1	173.0	170.0	164.4	150.5	143.4	196.1	189.5
1944								
July	155.1	170.9	170.6	160.1	116.8	157.0	181.1	186.8
August	160.9	172.7	174.6	161.1	139.4	165.3	172.4	184.4
September	178.1	170.5	170.4	152.9	183.8	179.7	191.4	191.2
October	182.3	174.4	173.2	159.9	193.0	171.3	199.9	199.1
November	190.4	181.8	165.9	160.3	225.3	194.7	217.0	217.2
December	237.1	172.7	196.5	163.3	253.9	158.4	372.3	184.1
1945								
January	143.0	174.9	127.0	166.0	122.5	163.1	139.6	221.5
February	146.7	185.6	127.3	172.0	136.2	181.0	151.0	223.6
March	194.3	201.8	158.2	179.7	200.5	215.5	208.6	234.4
April	174.6	179.7	160.1	178.2	164.8	171.7	179.5	212.9
May	182.0	175.9	182.1	168.5	162.8	157.3	192.0	194.9
June	196.3	183.9	183.2	172.4	169.3	160.8	212.8	194.3

Year and	Foc	bd	Restau	rants	Fam: Clot	-	Men's Cloth	
Month -	A	B	A	В	A	В	A	B
June, 1939	122.1	121.2	91.2	91.3	(a)	(a)	102.3	95.7
June, 1941	139.4	145.7	119.3	121.5	137.7	139.1	137.4	134.8
June, 1942	168.6	172.0	143.3	143.9	159.2	156.3	154.3	148.6
June, 1943	171.7	174.5	176.5	176.7	179.4	176.2	171.9	166.2
June, 1944	194.0	191.8	187.9	187.4	188.4	182.4	188.3	179.9
1944								
July	164.6	174.9	195.7	188.3	157.6	188.7	142.3	179.0
August	170.5	182.6	198.6	182.7	147.8	181.2	125.5	169.9
September	175.8	168.0	192.4	184.7	184.0	189.1	175.2	172.6
October	168.6	174.8	197.1	196.0	227.4	195.9	207.8	180.9
November	168.5	172.3	193.8	203.4	233.1	197.7	228.8	187.3
December	204.6	176.2	196.7	190.5	290.5	181.8	297.3 .	172.9
1945								
January	166.5	176.3	179.1	188.4	125.3	186.3	117.5	165.7
February	167.5	182.3	171.3	193.9	127.5	197.0	120.8	192.3
March	201.1	188.1	195.9	196.4	218.8	230.4	206.0	217.7
April	181.7	185.4	192.4	195.8	184.9	173.1	165.8	159.9
May	192.1	189.6	191.9	187.2	189.0	183.8	168.3	174.3
June	210.2	196.4	198.9	198.4	217.3	199.5	210.9	188.2
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(a) Not available.(c) Includes men's furnishings.

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Index Numbers of Retail Sales - (Average for 1935-1939 = 100) A. Unadjusted. B. Adjusted for Number of Business Days and Seasonal Variations. (Figures for the current year are subject to final revision)

Year and	Womer Cloth		She	bes	Drugs		Furn	iture
Mon th -	A	B	A	B	A	В	A	В
June, 1939	104.4	92.4	132.1	103.9	98.9	104.2	100.5	101.5
June, 1941	132.9	123.4	160.7	130.4	122.9	133.5	134.7	141.0
June, 1942	159.1	151.8	182.0	144.2	139.4	148.3	132.3	133.6
June, 1943	174.7	166.0	202.6	163.7	154.2	164.0	118.6	121.2
June, 1944	191.8	179.4	212.7	165.3	168.1	177.1	139.6	141.0
1944								
July	154.6	189.1	164.0	184.5	168.1	171.4	116.5	155.1
August	153.6	196.6	154.9	181.2	170.2	171.6	122.0	119.6
September	201.2	204.9	196.2	169.4	177.0	172.0	135.1	112.8
October	218.9	191.4	173.7	175.9	185.9	182.5	141.9	123.3
November	227.1	205.3	180.7	190.9	181.4	184.7	145.3	137.8
December	292.2	189.9	246.0	169.4	261.3	205.6	147.9	124.6
1945								
January	135.8	190.0	99.0	143.1	176.2	187.2	99.7	151.3
February	139.0	221.1	108.3	183.1	167.6	185.9	112.4	144.0
March	258.2	259.5	226.0	243.2	188.5	186.6	143.1	165.4
April	199.5	175.2	179.6	161.6	175.2	184.4	159.3	147.1
May	198.9	190.8	191.1	173.6	178.6	183.8	166.9	134.8
June	217.7	196.0	261.4	190.6	184.8	190.8	158.8	154.4

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Year and	Hard	ware	Jewel	lery <sup>(b)</sup>	Radio Elect	and rical
Month	A	B	A	В	A	В
June, 1939	128.3	105.7	92.2	(a)	96.3	103.8
June, 1941	157.7	135.1	134.8	147.8	136.6	148.2
June, 1942	169.6	139.8	174.4	184.0	131.4	137.1
June, 1943	168.9	141.9	167.1	176.3	106.4	111.0
June, 1944	194.5	160.9	195.1	205.8	110.4	115.1
1944						
July	176.3	162.8	176.2	216.5	91.9	110.2
August	178.7	166.9	190.8	198.0	94.8	104.1
September	182.3	153.1	201.2	223.1	112.2	100.4
October	184.4	164.2	200.2	224.4	113.9	99.3
November	181.1	180.4	249.3	244.5	119.0	104.2
December	191.5	177.1	592.6	233.4	137.7	108.0
1945						
January	120.2	200.4	149.7	209.8	99.0	118.4
February	119.2	218.4	169.6	243.4	93.8	121.5
March	168.4	231.5	204.9	268.0	110.5	129.0
April	190.6	186.2	187.6	227.8	110.5	112.7
May	204.9	155.2	197.1	219.7	115.4	99.3
June	217.0	176.1	227.2	239.6	115.2	120.2

(a) Not available.

(b) Based on sales including the Federal tax introduced in June, 1942.

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Year and Month	General Index	Country General	Depart- ment	Variety	Food	Restau- rant	Family Clothing
		Marit	ime Provi	nces			
June, 1942	175.4	128.1	168.9	229.2	174.9	210.6	167.2
June, 1943	191.0	154.7	166.3	235.4	190.1	240.1	204.6
June, 1944	213.1	178.1	181.5	252.6	218.6	254.1	223.1
1945							
	218.7	210.5	202.7	237.2	211.3	250.8	227.1
June	231.5	192.5	197.4	283.7	231.6	257.6	257.3
% Change,							
June, 1945	+ 8.6	+ 8.1	+ 8.8	+12.3	+ 5.9	+ 1.4	+15.3
June, 1944							
% Change,							
JanJune, 1945	+ 6.5	+ 7.0	+ 7.0	+ 7.5	+ 5.8	+ 1.7	+ 8.8
JanJune, 1944							A CONTRACTOR
			Quebec				
June, 1942	167.6	160.5	152.5	208.7	175.9	137.9	184.3
June, 1943	172.4	177.7	146.7	216.7	180.7	161.8	197.2
June, 1944	188.5	198.5	157.8	232.2	199.3	173.9	199.2
1945							
May	193.6	206.6	183.2	229.2	193.2	193.4	210.6
June	210.2	210.6	190.4	251.8	218.8	195.5	235.6
% Change,							
June, 1945	+11.5	+ 6.1	+20.7	+ 8.4	+ 9.8	+12.4	+18.3
June, 1944							
% Change,							
JanJune, 1945	+ 7.3	+ 4.0	+11.4	+ 8.5	+ 5.7	+ 8.5	+ 9.9
JanJune, 1944							
			Ontario	in taile			
June, 1942	149.8	131.8	137.2	167.4	160.6	142.5	139.5
June, 1943	151.1	142.3	131.8	166.7	158.0	176.4	151.5
June, 1944	166.1	147.4	141.1	176.0	180.6	188.8	159.1
1945							
May	170.7	163.8	152.9	174.6	186.6	191.8	152.4
June	184.4	166.0	161.6	193.5	193.9	196.6	180.8
% Change,							
June, 1945	+11.0	+12.6	414.5	+ 9.9	+ 7.4	+ 4.1	+13.6
June, 1944			0.000				
% Change,							
JanJune, 1945	+ 7.8	+ 5.4	+10.5	+ 9.5	+ 6.4	+ 0.2	+12.4
JanJune, 1944							

Nen's (a) Clothing	Women's Clothing	Shoes	Drugs	Furniture	Hardware	(b) Jewellery	Radio and Electrica
			Maritim	e Provinces			
215.2	201.5	200.2	163.3	181.8	168.0	253.7	169.0
235.3	213.1	241.7	182.4	198.1	184.2	282.1	139.3
257.7	244.5	248.8	198.0	215.3	223.5	297.1	136.4
232.3	300.1	221.6	210.3	244.6	219.8	309.4	135.7
280.2	295.8	301.0	219.4	237.4	225.4	349.1	151.9
+ 8.7	+21.0	+21.0	+10.8	+10.3	+ 0.9	+17.5	+11.4
+ 4.6	+12.9	+11.3	+ 5.6	+ 6.5	+ 4.6	+10.5	+ 5.6
			Q	uebec			
164.1	173.6	172.0	137.5	130.9	194.4	167.7	148.0
175.1	185.0	191.0	145.3	115.3	184.2	141.5	130.1
186.9	196.4	195.9	159.5	138.2	214.9	175.6	127.8
175.6	190.9	175.5	175.5	180.7	236.7	164.8	155.4
206.5	217.6	239.4	178.4	155.4	238.5	201.7	133.8
+10.5	+10.8	+22.2	+11.8	+12.4	+11.0	+14.9	+ 4.7
+ 2.0	+ 5.8	+12.3	+ 7.2	+11.4	+15.4	+15.7	+ 3.0
			On	tario			
145.8	154.1	190.6	137.9	128.9	159.1	170.0	117.3
162.8	168.8	204.2	149.0	106.2	152.6	155.1	82.7
178.0	183.8	214.3	159.6	123.8	169.5	181.9	89.5
154.6	188.8	181.4	168.3	149.5	174.8	194,9	86.9
204.1	215.6	261:5	175.0	144.0	192.1	380.9	94.5
+14.7	+17.8	+22.0	+ 9.6	+18.8	+18.3	+21.4	+ 5.6
+ 9.0	+12.4	+10.9	+ 5.8	+12.8	+13.5	+15.4	- 0.8

(a) Includes men's furnishings.

(b) Based on sales including the Federal tax introduced in June, 1942.

	General	ment	Variety	Food	Restau- rant	Family Clothing					
Prairie Provinces											
une, 1942 138.8 117.5 125.3 163.3 171.5 137.3 138.4 une, 1943 156.3 147.6 128.3 178.9 179.8 177.4 187.6											
156.3	147.6	128.3	178.9	179.8	177.4	187.6					
175.2	162.0	145.0	190,2	205.4	190.2	206.1					
174.6	166.4	151.3	178.3	196.4	183.3	195.3					
187.9	171.7	155.5	192.4	223.1	198.8	230.6					
+ 7.2	+ 6.0	+ 7.2	+ 1.2	+ 8.6	+ 4.5	+11.9					
+ 5.6	+ 4.3	+ 6.8	+ 2.8	+ 6.1	+ 1.8	+ 8.8					
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						194.3					
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Men's(a) Clothing	Women's Clothing	Shoes	Drugs	Furniture	Hardware	(b) Jewellery	Radio and Electrical
			Prairie	Provinces			
134.5	130.1	165.0	136.0	108.5	160.6	165.2	126.1
168.5	155.7	193.2	160.2	118.4	174.9	183.7	131.0
194.7	181.4	206.2	177.8	135.3	203.6	221.0	144.7
165.1	195.5	203.6	181.4	139.8	209.7	204.2	152.2
202.8	195.9	254.5	189.2	151.7	222.3	230.3	147.3
+ 4.2	+ 8.0	+23.4	+ 6.4	+12.1	+ 9.2	+ 4.2	+ 1,8
+ 0.5	+ 7.2	+11.0	+ 5.1	+12.6	+10.5	+ 1,9	+ 3.6
			Britis	n Columbia			
147.6	169.7	168.9	139.8	138.6	174.1	167.9	150.2
161.3	188.9	205.1	168.2	125.6	170.6	179.3	113.8
176.8	213.1	232.7	191.9	160.8	202.8	193.7	108.7
169.1	235.0	253.4	213.8	157.4	229.7	196.2	99.7
211.7	227.6	303.5	218.4	184.0	254.3	227.3	108.9
+19.7	+ 6.8	+30.4	+13.8	+14.4	+25.4	+17.3	+ 0.2
+12.7	+ 8.1	+16.9	+10.4	+14.0	+17.3	+12.0	+ 1.7

(a) Includes men's furnishings.

(b) Based on sales including the Federal tax introduced in June, 1942.

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# DEPARTMENT STORE SALES IN CANADA, BY SELECTED DEPARTMENTS

June, 1944 and June, 1945 (Based on dollar sales of 17 firms including mail order houses)

		June, 1944	June, 1945	% Change, 1945/1944
		\$	\$	The sector
	TOTAL SALES, ALL DEPARTMENTS	26,865,419	30,455,406	+13.4
1.	Women's dresses, coats and suits	3,068,997	3,629,380	+18.3
2.	Girls' and infants' wear	944,036	1,088,098	+15.3
3.	Hosiery and gloves	1,000,864	1,089,984	+ 8.9
4.	Lingerie and corsets	1,326,870	1,339,086	+ 0.9
5.	Millinery	283,981	332,714	+17.2
6.	Women's and children's apparel- (Total, 1-5)	6,624,748	7,479,262	+12.9
7.	Men's and boys' clothing and furnishings	3,039,712	3,377,589	+11.1
8.	Drugs and toilet articles and preparations	818,668	923,238	+12,8
9.	Piece goods	2,118,025	2,439,604	+15.2
10.	Smallwares	882,112	1,038,390	+17.7
11.	Food and kindred products	2,332,937	2,552,579	+ 9.4
12.	Furniture (including mattresses and springs)	1,680,072	2,001,107	+19.1
13.	Home furnishings	2,061,001	2,205,802	+ 7.0
14.	Household appliances and electrical supplies	459,601	534,901	+16.4
15.	Hardware and kitchen utensils	1,166,689	1,381,930	+18.4
16.	Radios, musical instruments and supplies	190,263	191,308	+ 0.5
17.	Shoes and other footwear	2,136,621	2,534,409	+18.6
18.	Stationery, books and magazines	360,621	415,409	+15.2
19,	All other departments, total	2,994,349	3,379,878	+12.9

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### DEPARTMENT STORE SALES IN CANADA, BY SELECTED DEPARTMENTS

### January-to-June, 1944 and January-to-June, 1945

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		Janto- June, 1944	Janto- June, 1945	% Change, 1945/1944
		\$	\$	
	TOTAL SALES, ALL DEFARTMENTS	158,794,010	173,705,200	+ 9.4
1.	Wemen's dresses, coats and suits	18,999,596	20,826,196	+ 9.6
2.	Girls' and infants' wear	6,416,054	7,058,980	+10.0
3.	Hosiery and gloves	6,494,234	6,678,526	+ 2.8
4.	Lingerie and corsets	7,424,547	7,485,017	+ 0.8
5.	Millinery	1,977,290	2,236,312	+13.1
6.	Women's and children's apparel-(Total, 1-5)	41,311,721	44,285,031	+ 7.2
7.	Men's and boys' clothing and furnishings	17,117,257	18,297,909	+ 6.9
8.	Drugs and toilet articles and proparations	4,730,461	8,181,593	+ 9.5
9.	Piece goods	13,179,534	15,301,127	+16.1
10.	Smellwares	5,635,412	6,123,276	+ 8.7
11.	Food and kindred products	14,360,788	15,536,526	+ 8.2
12.	Furniture (including mattresses and springs) .	9,813,925	11,238,876	+14.5
13.	Home furnishings	11,708,285	12,504,435	+ 6.8
-4.	Household appliances and electrical supplies .	2,768,942	2,965,395	+ 7.1
15.	Hardware and kitchen utensils	6,582,943	7,431,310	+12.9
16.	Radios, musical instruments and supplies	1,181,010	1,172,783	- 0.7
17.	Shoes and other footwear	11,351,347	12,635,386	+11.3
18.	Stationery, books and magazines	2,385,132	2,672,132	+12.0
19.	All other departments, total	16,667,253	18,359,421	+10.2

