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CHANGES IN THE VALUE OF RETAIL SALES

JANUARY, 1929 TO JANUARY, 1932.

Index Numbers of Retail Sales issued by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics for January, 1932, (base January, 1929=100) show decreased sales for all groups as compared with December, 1931. The combined index dropped from 141.7 to 79.2, mainly due to seasonal influences. Corresponding indexes for December, 1930, and January, 1931, were 154.5 and 92.1, respectively.

No correction of these numbers has been made for seasonal influences, nor is there any allowance for price changes.

These index numbers are based on returns from 83 chains, comprising approximately 2,700 stores, and 25 departmental stores. Index numbers for all groups behaved as follows:-

Boots and Shoes decreased from 125.5 in December, 1931, to 64.5 in January, 1932; Candy from 146.0 to 66.9; Clothing from 132.1 to 61.2; Drugs from 103.9 to 85.7; Dyers and Cleaners from 78.7 to 76.4, and Furniture from 88.6 to 48.3. General and Departmental dropped from 195.9 to 80.3; Groceries and Meats from 96.6 to 90.6; Hardware from 142.1 to 56.8; Music and Radio from 82.6 to 42.0, and Restaurants from 78.5 to 66.7.



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