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RETAIL SALES IN CANADA, JULY, 1937
(Indexes of Value)

A 12 per cent advance in the value of retail sales in Canada was shown in July as compared with the same month a year ago according to the unadjusted index numbers compiled by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics. The general index was 73.5 for July, 1937, and 65.6 for July, 1936. There was a decline of 10 per cent from June when the index stood at 81.7.

When adjustments were made for differences in number of working days and for normal seasonal variations, it was found that retail trade in July fell very slightly below that for June, the peak month for the year to date. The adjusted index numbers were 77.8 for July, 80.8 for June, 78.6 for May and 78.5 for April.

Advances over July, 1936, were shown for twelve out of the thirteen types of retail outlets covered by this report. The largest percentage gain, 18.5 per cent, was shown for sales of grocery and meat stores, while men's clothing sales were up 18.0 per cent. Very substantial increases were also shown by the following groups: Boots and shoes, 17.3 per cent; furniture, 15.5 per cent; hardware, 14.4 per cent; women's clothing, 14.3 per cent; variety, 14.2 per cent, and music and radio, 12.9 per cent. The following groups showed somewhat smaller advances as compared with last July: Drugs, 7.5 per cent; departmental, 6.6 per cent; candy, 3.4 per cent, and restaurants, 2.5 per cent. Dyeing and cleaning establishments reported a decline of 1.5 per cent in trade as compared with last year.

This report is based upon sales of 314 firms including a representative number of department stores, chain store companies and a number of independent firms in those lines of business where chains are of minor importance.

Departmental Store Sales in Canada by Selected Departments, July, 1937

Out of the 36 department store companies which report total sales figures, 25 also report their sales each month by departments. Aggregate sales for these 25 firms were 8.6 per cent higher in July, 1937, than in the corresponding month last year. For the second month in succession, radios, musical instruments and supplies was the only department to show a decline from last year. The most outstanding gains over last July were made by the following departments: Home furnishings, 15.9 per cent; hardware and kitchen utensils, 14.9 per cent; stationery, books and magazines, 14.6 per cent, and girls' and infants' wear, 14.4 per cent. Sales of household appliances and electrical supplies were up 11.8 per cent; furniture sales increased 10.0 per cent; the value of piece goods sold rose 9.9 per cent; a gain of 9.1 per cent was shown for shoes and other footwear, while hosiery and gloves advanced 8.7 per cent. Other departments showed smaller gains in value of sales compared with last July.

Index Numbers of Hardware Store Sales by Economic Divisions (Unadjusted)

This report presents, on page 7, a new series of index numbers of hardware store sales for each economic division by months from January, 1935, to July, 1937. It is shown that the value of hardware store sales in Quebec advanced 37.7 per cent during July compared with July, 1936. Sales in the Maritime Provinces were 34.6 per cent greater than last year and the value of sales in British Columbia increased by 32.3 per cent. Ontario hardware stores reported improvement of 12.0 per cent and a 3.6 per cent gain was recorded for the Prairie Provinces. The percentage change in hardware store sales for Canada as a whole was 14.4 per cent. When sales for the seven-month period January to July of this year are compared with those for the corresponding period a year ago, it is interesting to note that British Columbia sales advanced 29.9 per cent; Quebec, 24.3 per cent; the Maritime Provinces, 20.1 per cent; Ontario, 12.3 per cent; the Prairie Provinces, 11.1 per cent, while sales for Canada as a whole were up 14.8 per cent.

Index Numbers of Variety Store Sales by Economic Divisions (Unadjusted)

A new series of index numbers of variety store sales for each economic division by months from January, 1935, to July, 1937, is shown on page 8 of this report. It is pointed out that separate indexes for each of the three Prairie Provinces have been compiled. For Canada as a whole, variety store sales increased 14.2 per cent over last July. The best increases were evident in the Maritime Provinces, Quebec and Ontario, where there were percentage gains recorded of 20.6, 17.8 and 15.7 respectively, while Manitoba and British Columbia sales in this group both increased 12.0 per cent. Alberta variety store sales improved 7.9 per cent while Saskatchewan figures declined 0.7 per cent. Sales for the seven-month period January to July were 9.7 per cent greater than the same period last year for the Dominion as a whole. Every province reported increased sales volume, the gains ranging from 7.3 per cent for Alberta to 14.4 per cent for the Maritime Provinces.

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	General Index (314 Firms)			Boots and Shoes (17 Chains)			Candy (7 Chains)			Men's Clothing (18 Chains)			Women's Clothing (13 Chains)		
	A	B	C	A	B	C	A	B	C	A	B	C	A	B	C
July, 1929	103.2	102.9	114.3	117.2	118.2	115.9	104.9	104.3	122.7	104.2	104.3	122.7	115.7	115.6	124.3
July, 1930	90.3	89.6	89.6	96.9	96.9	95.0	86.7	85.9	101.1	86.4	86.1	101.3	96.9	96.4	103.7
July, 1931	79.9	78.8	87.5	93.0	92.7	90.8	70.4	69.2	81.4	65.4	64.7	76.1	71.2	70.3	75.6
July, 1932	63.6	62.7	69.7	82.6	80.1	78.5	63.2	61.0	71.7	52.7	51.5	60.6	58.5	57.2	61.4
July, 1933	59.1	60.7	67.4	69.7	71.6	70.2	50.0	48.5	57.1	47.8	49.5	58.3	53.1	55.0	59.2
July, 1934	60.6	62.2	69.1	68.6	71.1	69.7	46.8	47.9	56.4	52.1	52.8	63.3	55.5	57.2	61.5
July, 1935	62.5	62.3	69.3	70.0	70.6	69.2	44.0	43.6	51.5	57.7	57.7	67.9	56.3	56.3	60.5
July, 1936	65.6	64.7	71.9	69.5	69.3	67.9	49.9	49.1	57.7	54.0	53.4	62.8	61.5	60.7	65.3
July, 1937	73.5	70.0	77.8	81.5	76.7	75.2	51.6	48.3	56.9	63.7	60.0	70.6	70.3	66.0	71.0
<u>1936</u>															
July	65.6	64.7	71.9	69.5	69.3	67.9	49.9	49.1	57.7	54.0	53.4	62.8	61.5	60.7	65.3
August	67.1	64.9	74.6	69.7	57.1	68.8	58.3	56.6	57.8	48.2	46.3	65.0	51.2	48.8	64.2
September	75.2	77.1	75.6	73.5	76.6	78.9	55.1	56.2	60.4	67.5	69.1	75.2	56.9	58.2	64.6
October	67.5	81.1	75.8	83.0	75.9	78.2	60.6	56.8	59.3	104.6	95.6	77.1	67.5	61.6	64.2
November	77.6	80.2	75.6	83.9	86.3	79.9	46.9	49.5	57.5	93.1	96.5	77.2	59.1	61.2	65.8
December	107.8	107.6	80.9	110.6	111.5	77.1	114.7	113.5	61.0	109.9	110.7	86.5	130.4	131.2	70.9
<u>1937(a)</u>															
January	62.8	63.9	73.7	44.0	42.7	64.7	43.2	41.7	55.6	52.7	51.5	78.0	43.3	42.2	61.2
February	61.6	65.7	75.5	43.4	46.2	72.1	55.3	60.0	65.2	45.9	48.8	78.6	44.1	46.8	68.8
March	73.4	73.8	75.3	62.8	63.3	71.9	85.3	84.7	65.2	70.0	71.2	71.2	59.5	60.4	65.7
April	79.5	78.5	78.5	81.2	80.9	77.8	47.7	48.4	56.9	82.9	81.9	71.3	71.8	70.9	65.6
May	83.4	82.5	78.6	97.7	94.8	81.0	62.0	60.3	61.5	85.0	83.1	71.0	71.3	69.6	63.3
June	81.7	81.6	80.8	113.1	114.0	85.7	45.0	45.9	59.6	82.6	82.6	71.2	76.4	76.3	63.6
July	73.5	70.0	77.8	81.5	76.7	75.2	51.6	48.3	56.9	63.7	60.0	70.6	70.3	66.0	71.0

(a) Subject to final revision.

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	Departmental (36 Firms)			Drugs (24 Chains)			Dyers and Cleaners (8 Chains)			Furniture (26 Firms)			Groceries and Meats (34 Chains)		
	A	B	C	A	B	C	A	B	C	A	B	C	A	B	C
July, 1929	91.9	91.1	113.8	106.8	105.4	108.7	104.4	102.8	104.9	102.6	101.7	145.3	106.2	107.1	109.3
July, 1930	83.1	82.0	102.5	99.0	97.1	100.1	93.6	92.1	94.0	70.3	69.6	99.4	96.6	96.7	98.6
July, 1931	71.7	70.5	88.2	89.9	87.9	90.6	88.5	87.2	88.9	58.7	58.1	83.0	90.4	89.4	91.2
July, 1932	54.5	55.0	68.8	75.6	73.6	75.9	64.0	65.4	66.8	40.0	40.0	55.6	75.9	73.3	74.8
July, 1933	52.8	54.2	67.7	68.0	66.9	68.9	60.9	62.3	63.6	41.5	42.5	56.0	68.9	71.8	73.2
July, 1934	54.2	55.6	69.5	68.9	69.3	71.5	72.4	74.1	75.6	50.0	51.3	65.8	67.9	70.4	71.8
July, 1935	55.4	54.9	68.6	71.4	70.4	72.5	77.6	76.3	77.9	55.5	54.9	70.4	69.9	70.5	71.9
July, 1936	57.7	56.8	71.0	75.1	73.3	75.6	82.7	81.3	82.9	62.5	61.8	79.3	74.2	73.3	74.7
July, 1937	61.5	59.8	74.8	80.7	77.1	79.5	81.5	80.1	81.7	72.2	69.9	89.6	87.9	81.7	83.3
<u>1936</u>															
July	57.7	56.8	71.0	75.1	73.3	75.6	82.7	81.3	82.9	62.5	61.8	79.3	74.2	73.3	74.7
August	62.8	61.3	76.6	73.3	72.0	73.5	76.6	75.2	78.3	79.8	79.9	79.9	74.8	70.9	77.0
September	78.8	80.9	77.8	73.4	74.2	75.8	87.0	88.9	73.4	91.6	93.9	78.3	74.9	77.0	77.0
October	94.7	88.7	77.2	80.7	77.0	77.8	84.4	79.9	72.0	104.2	97.4	87.0	83.4	75.4	75.4
November	85.0	87.3	76.6	73.5	76.5	76.5	56.9	58.2	64.6	84.6	86.8	85.9	73.4	76.3	77.1
December	126.8	125.7	82.7	93.6	91.6	80.4	69.7	68.5	88.9	100.4	99.4	89.5	88.4	89.7	83.9
<u>1937(a)</u>															
January	57.2	57.8	72.3	78.3	76.2	79.4	48.5	49.6	69.8	58.5	58.6	88.8	79.8	77.0	79.4
February	58.6	62.4	74.3	75.6	82.0	81.1	49.4	52.6	75.1	68.2	72.5	87.4	74.4	79.0	80.6
March	70.8	70.5	72.7	81.1	80.0	79.2	70.5	69.2	69.2	78.1	77.3	88.9	82.5	84.7	84.7
April	77.6	76.3	80.3	77.1	77.7	78.5	96.7	95.0	73.1	99.3	98.5	84.0	84.5	83.4	81.0
May	79.9	80.8	79.2	76.5	75.2	78.3	105.6	107.9	86.3	111.2	111.3	88.4	86.9	83.8	79.1
June	80.6	79.9	82.3	77.6	78.5	77.7	109.4	107.5	96.9	93.3	92.3	93.3	82.7	83.2	83.2
July	61.5	59.8	74.8	80.7	77.1	79.5	81.5	80.1	81.7	72.2	69.9	89.6	87.9	81.7	83.3

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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 (96 Firms)			Music and Radio (9 Chains)			Restaurants (14 Chains)			Variety (12 Chains)		
	A	B	C	A	B	C	A	B	C	A	B	C
July, 1929	119.4	117.6	121.2	83.3	82.1	136.8	122.1	119.8	116.3	122.1	122.8	122.8
July, 1930	99.5	98.0	101.1	56.8	55.9	93.2	105.4	103.4	100.4	95.9	96.0	96.0
July, 1931	86.2	85.0	86.7	48.5	47.7	78.3	90.3	88.3	85.7	91.9	91.7	91.7
July, 1932	62.8	64.4	65.0	24.1	24.7	39.2	63.2	62.0	60.2	83.5	81.1	81.1
July, 1933	61.3	62.8	61.6	22.5	23.1	35.5	56.4	55.5	53.9	76.1	78.7	78.7
July, 1934	71.8	73.6	70.1	24.7	25.3	38.9	54.1	53.8	52.2	79.2	81.9	81.9
July, 1935	78.1	76.9	71.9	26.6	26.2	40.4	51.2	50.2	48.8	82.8	83.3	83.3
July, 1936	83.2	81.7	74.3	34.1	33.6	51.7	55.8	54.6	53.0	88.8	88.7	88.7
July, 1937	95.2	93.5	85.0	38.5	38.0	58.5	57.2	55.4	53.8	101.4	95.6	95.6
<u>1936</u>												
July	83.2	81.7	74.3	34.1	33.6	51.7	55.8	54.6	53.0	88.8	88.7	88.7
August	82.5	81.0	78.6	31.9	31.5	41.5	57.3	56.4	53.2	87.1	82.5	89.6
September	89.3	91.1	76.0	63.3	64.9	47.4	55.3	56.1	53.4	85.5	88.4	91.1
October	94.6	89.4	77.8	69.8	66.3	50.3	54.6	52.9	52.9	100.7	92.2	87.8
November	79.2	80.9	80.9	60.9	62.6	44.4	52.9	54.3	56.6	90.5	93.7	92.7
December	86.4	84.8	75.7	77.8	76.8	48.6	59.9	58.8	57.6	183.0	184.1	99.5
<u>1937(a)</u>												
January	44.4	45.3	82.4	46.2	47.4	57.1	52.9	51.9	55.8	61.7	59.9	89.4
February	42.2	44.9	80.2	47.1	50.4	57.9	50.7	55.1	57.3	62.8	66.9	90.3
March	61.4	60.3	86.2	46.7	46.1	56.2	57.1	56.1	57.8	79.6	80.4	96.9
April	92.1	90.4	87.0	50.9	50.3	62.1	56.2	56.7	56.2	80.1	79.9	89.8
May	113.9	116.3	85.5	54.0	55.5	63.8	54.5	53.6	53.6	98.6	95.8	92.1
June	104.2	102.3	85.9	44.4	43.8	61.7	53.4	54.2	53.6	100.4	101.0	98.1
July	95.2	93.5	85.0	38.5	38.0	58.5	57.2	55.4	53.8	101.4	95.6	95.6

(a) Subject to final revision.

Corresponding-Month Comparison of Retail Sales in Canada by Kinds of Business

	June, 1937			July, 1937		
	+ or - p.c. compared with			+ or - p.c. compared with		
	June, 1930	June, 1936	May, 1937	July, 1930	July, 1936	June, 1937
General Index	- 16.1	+ 10.6	- 2.0	- 18.6	+ 12.0	- 10.0
Boots and Shoes	- 4.6	+ 5.7	+ 15.8	- 15.9	+ 17.3	- 27.9
Candy	- 41.0	- 1.7	- 27.4	- 40.5	+ 3.4	+ 14.7
Men's Clothing	- 24.2	+ 13.5	- 2.8	- 26.3	+ 18.0	- 22.9
Women's Clothing	- 34.0	+ 8.8	+ 7.2	- 27.5	+ 14.3	- 8.0
Departmental	- 15.4	+ 9.8	+ 0.9	- 26.0	+ 6.6	- 23.7
Drugs	- 20.7	+ 7.0	+ 1.4	- 18.5	+ 7.5	+ 4.0
Dyers and Cleaners ..	- 4.8	+ 20.4	+ 3.6	- 12.9	- 1.5	- 25.5
Furniture	- 2.7	+ 22.3	- 16.1	+ 2.7	+ 15.5	- 22.6
Groceries and Meats .	- 12.3	+ 11.6	- 4.8	- 9.0	+ 18.5	+ 6.3
Hardware	- 1.5	+ 13.6	- 8.5	- 4.3	+ 14.4	- 8.6
Music and Radio	- 29.1	+ 27.2	- 17.8	- 32.2	+ 12.9	- 13.3
Restaurants	- 47.3	+ 1.9	- 2.0	- 45.7	+ 2.5	+ 7.1
Variety	+ 5.9	+ 7.8	+ 1.8	+ 5.7	+ 14.2	+ 1.0

DEPARTMENTAL STORE SALES IN CANADA BY SELECTED DEPARTMENTS (x)

Department	July, 1936	July, 1937	% Change, 1937/1936
	\$	\$	
TOTAL SALES, ALL DEPARTMENTS	13,689,228	14,873,004	+ 8.6
1. Women's dresses, coats and suits	1,090,750	1,137,276	+ 4.3
2. Girls' and infants' wear	308,862	353,271	+ 14.4
3. Hosiery and gloves	514,955	559,875	+ 8.7
4. Lingerie and corsets	711,350	756,838	+ 6.4
5. Millinery	135,353	135,575	+ 0.2
6. Women's and children's apparel - (Total 1 - 5) .	2,731,370	2,942,835	+ 6.6
7. Men's and boys' clothing and furnishings	1,483,634	1,597,563	+ 7.7
8. Drugs and toilet articles and preparations	488,296	524,898	+ 7.5
9. Piece goods	1,115,462	1,225,400	+ 9.9
10. Small wares	466,453	489,969	+ 5.0
11. Food and kindred products	1,554,990	1,595,754	+ 2.6
12. Furniture	813,217	894,393	+ 10.0
13. Home furnishings	870,866	1,009,623	+ 15.9
14. Household appliances and electrical supplies ...	349,047	390,086	+ 11.8
15. Hardware and kitchen utensils	574,531	660,218	+ 14.9
16. Radios, musical instruments and supplies	206,579	154,382	- 25.3
17. Shoes and other footwear	971,832	1,060,286	+ 9.1
18. Stationery, books and magazines	161,849	185,547	+ 14.6
19. All other departments, total	1,871,202	2,142,050	+ 14.5

(x) Based on sales of 25 firms.

Unadjusted Index Numbers of Hardware Store Sales in Canada by Economic Divisions

(Base - Average for 1930 = 100)

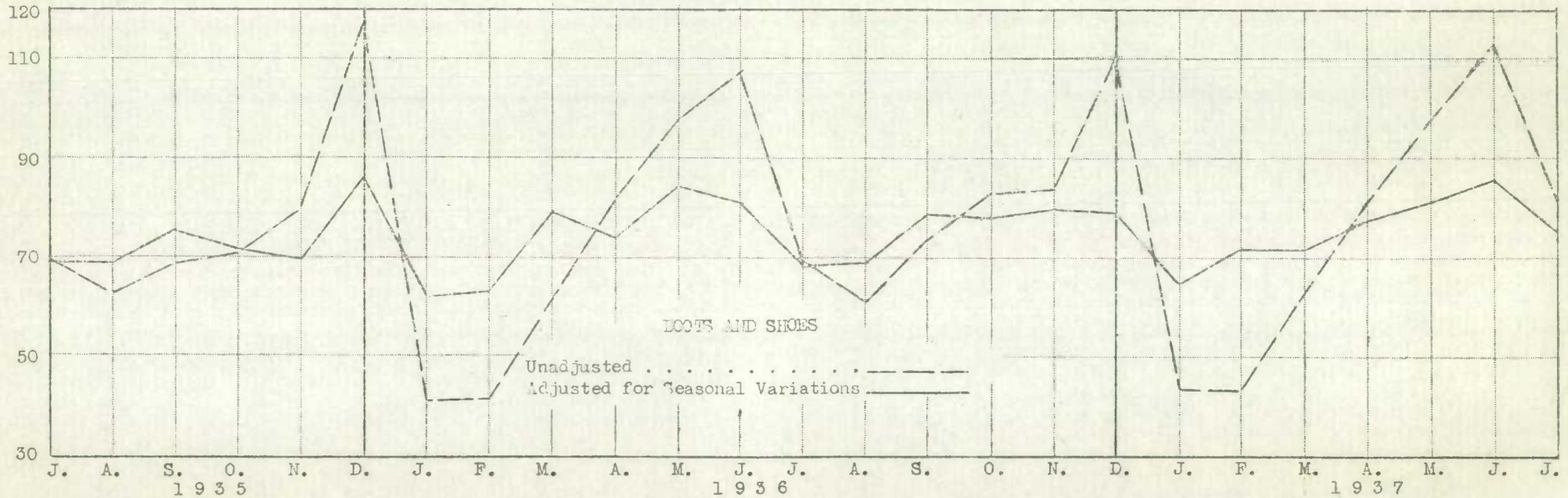
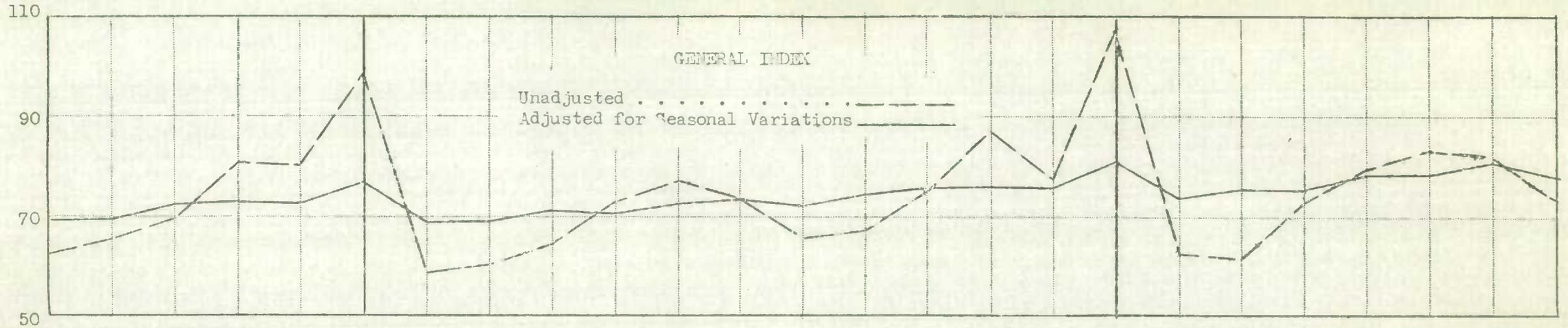
Year and Month	CANADA (96 Firms)	Maritime Provinces (11 Firms)	Quebec (18 Firms)	Ontario (21 Firms)	Prairie Provinces (33 Firms)	British Columbia (13 Firms)
<u>1935</u>						
January	39.1	38.0	31.1	44.8	36.2	49.2
February	37.3	35.1	31.6	39.4	36.0	51.5
March	49.4	40.7	43.3	55.0	44.4	75.8
April	73.7	75.5	74.7	77.2	65.5	79.4
May	93.0	94.9	101.2	101.8	75.8	88.8
June	82.6	83.4	71.3	95.9	73.5	83.5
July	78.1	83.0	71.7	87.6	68.4	74.2
August	78.2	81.2	73.1	77.8	76.7	85.4
September	80.5	80.9	72.8	77.9	82.7	91.3
October	86.3	91.4	66.2	83.5	94.5	103.2
November	72.4	79.6	56.6	71.8	75.4	95.5
December	79.6	84.9	56.3	81.2	83.3	115.9
Yearly Average	70.9	72.8	62.5	74.5	67.7	82.8
<u>1936</u>						
January	39.0	41.9	29.4	42.0	37.7	55.6
February	38.3	32.8	33.9	38.9	38.1	49.5
March	52.9	50.7	47.7	52.6	50.4	75.6
April	76.4	82.6	66.1	80.6	70.5	96.4
May	100.4	93.0	90.0	116.8	86.8	106.5
June	91.7	96.8	72.6	111.6	80.0	96.7
July	83.2	89.4	65.0	100.8	72.4	93.1
August	82.5	84.9	70.8	88.8	78.0	92.6
September	89.3	79.7	71.7	93.0	92.3	112.4
October	94.6	88.4	66.4	104.2	99.3	117.9
November	79.2	86.9	59.1	84.1	78.9	107.9
December	86.4	90.8	55.2	94.3	92.2	116.7
Yearly Average	76.2	76.5	60.7	84.0	73.1	93.4
<u>1937</u>						
January	44.4	47.4	34.6	51.0	38.8	62.2
February	42.2	45.1	38.8	43.1	39.0	52.2
March	61.4	59.8	54.7	63.4	55.3	98.4
April	92.1	94.3	83.6	88.4	89.3	133.6
May	113.9	109.5	109.8	122.4	96.9	146.0
June	104.2	108.8	92.2	128.1	90.2	129.3
July	95.2	120.3	89.5	112.9	75.0	123.2
% Change, July, 1937 July, 1936	+14.4	+34.6	+37.7	+12.0	+3.6	+32.3
% Change, Jan.-July, 1937 Jan.-July, 1936	+14.8	+20.1	+24.3	+12.5	+11.1	+29.9

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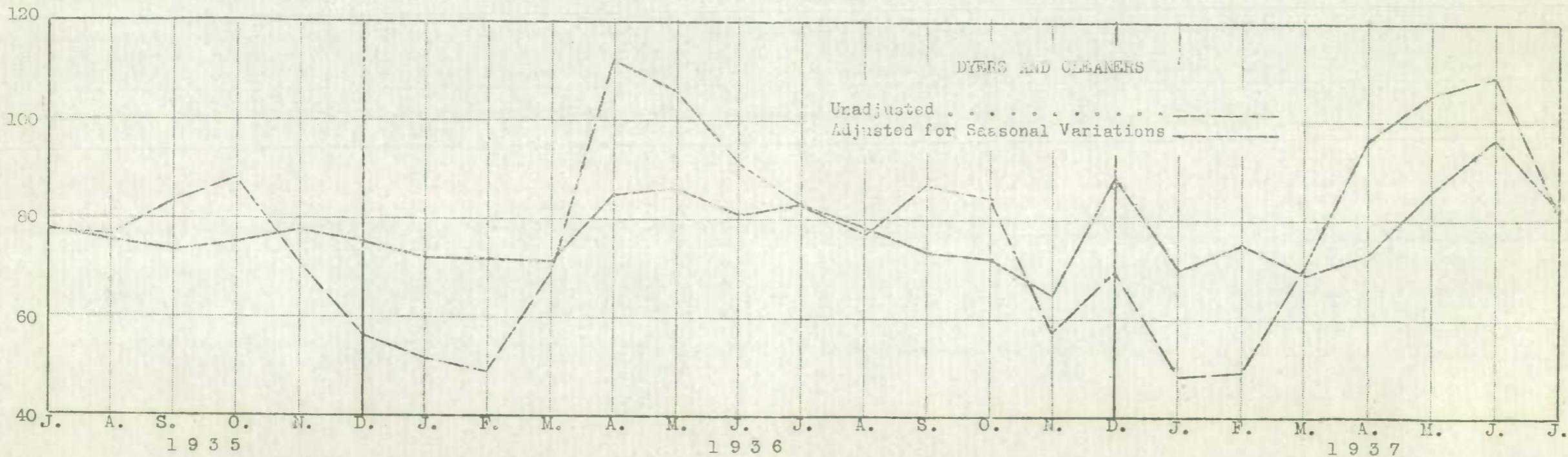
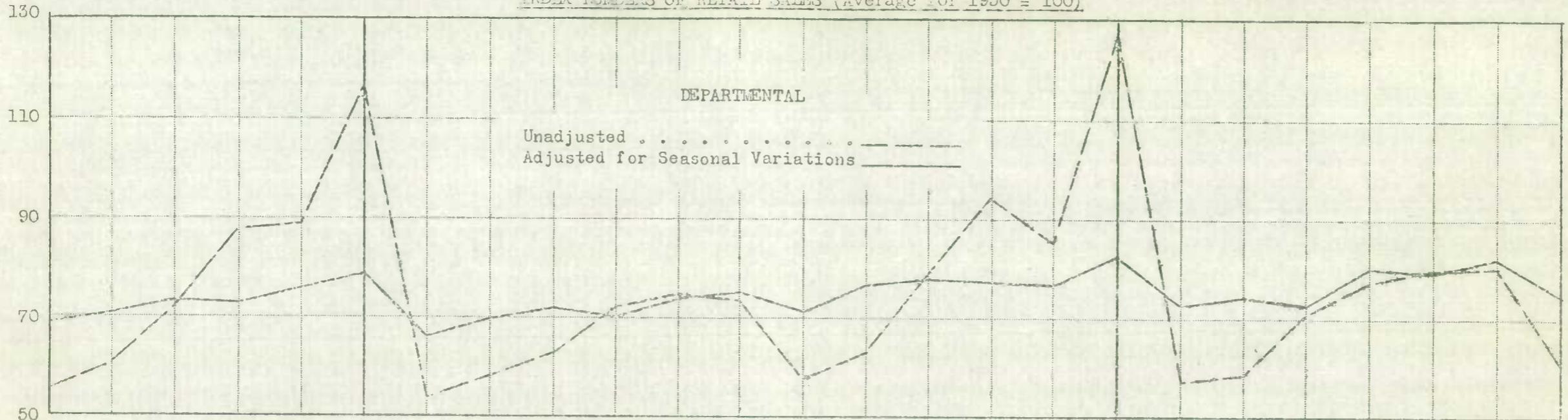
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Year and Month	CANADA	Maritime Provinces	Quebec	Ontario	Manitoba	Saskatchewan	Alberta	British Columbia
<u>1935</u>								
January	53.2	51.8	49.3	56.2	52.0	39.0	58.3	49.5
February	57.7	54.7	55.5	59.1	59.9	47.9	71.7	58.6
March	67.5	66.4	62.2	71.6	64.0	48.3	77.0	62.4
April	77.9	75.9	72.8	80.8	84.1	59.9	85.5	72.8
May	79.5	78.8	79.8	80.8	85.0	59.3	83.2	70.7
June	88.6	92.4	91.2	89.5	97.4	69.0	85.8	73.9
July	82.8	91.8	78.5	81.1	93.3	77.3	87.5	76.6
August	83.7	92.6	79.6	83.8	83.7	70.7	94.2	81.7
September	77.9	81.6	75.0	77.9	82.5	70.0	87.6	73.3
October	90.4	93.1	83.3	90.4	100.9	103.1	106.3	77.5
November	91.5	93.4	81.8	94.9	97.6	79.8	108.3	84.3
December	164.0	179.9	137.6	138.8	171.1	142.4	194.0	171.9
Yearly Average	84.5	87.7	78.7	86.2	89.3	72.2	95.0	79.4
<u>1936</u>								
January	55.4	50.4	48.1	55.7	30.1	40.8	65.5	55.1
February	60.8	58.7	58.3	62.5	55.4	47.3	68.3	61.5
March	65.1	60.8	59.9	67.4	65.1	50.9	77.8	64.4
April	80.4	77.6	76.3	81.8	86.8	63.6	92.5	79.3
May	91.2	88.5	91.2	92.7	100.2	73.1	92.7	79.8
June	93.1	93.1	93.7	92.1	102.9	77.0	93.5	83.3
July	88.8	97.9	81.9	87.5	97.6	80.3	103.5	89.3
August	87.1	93.9	80.9	85.5	91.6	76.4	94.2	92.0
September	85.5	91.8	79.7	83.2	101.3	90.1	95.5	83.5
October	100.7	107.2	91.1	101.0	115.3	105.9	119.0	91.5
November	90.5	95.6	79.7	90.9	98.8	96.9	109.4	89.5
December	183.0	205.2	153.2	186.9	194.6	163.8	200.1	204.8
Yearly Average	90.0	94.2	82.8	90.6	96.6	80.5	101.0	89.5
<u>1937</u>								
January	61.7	62.1	57.8	64.4	57.3	46.5	64.9	60.5
February	62.8	61.5	59.0	64.4	60.9	54.8	69.8	63.2
March	79.6	78.8	74.5	81.0	81.4	65.9	92.4	83.3
April	80.1	78.3	78.1	80.0	84.7	68.0	96.4	79.9
May	98.6	104.8	102.7	98.1	103.2	83.1	102.3	90.0
June	100.4	105.2	101.3	100.0	112.6	83.7	99.6	92.4
July	101.4	113.1	96.5	101.2	109.3	79.7	111.7	100.0
% Change, July, 1937 July, 1936	+14.2	+20.6	+17.8	+15.7	+12.0	-0.7	+7.9	+12.0
% Change, Jan.-July, 1937 Jan.-July, 1936	+9.7	+14.4	+11.9	+9.2	+9.2	+11.2	+7.3	+11.0

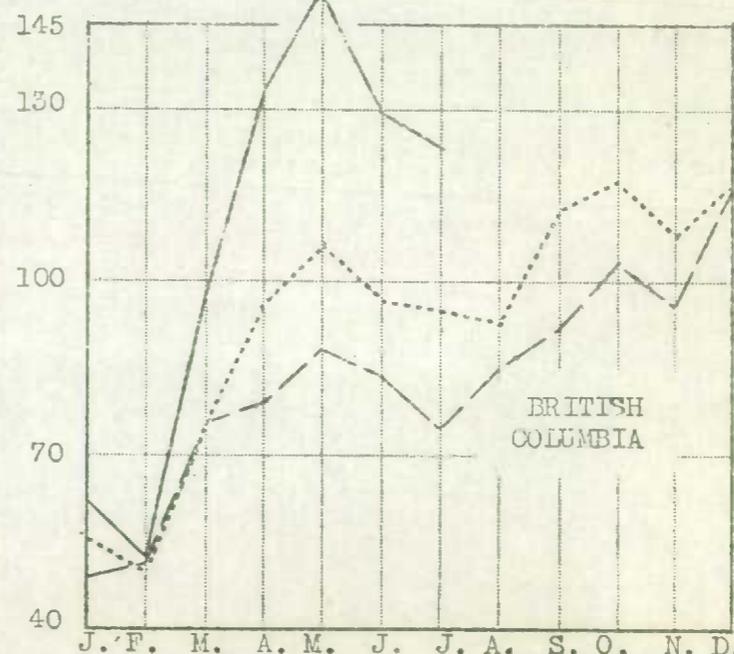
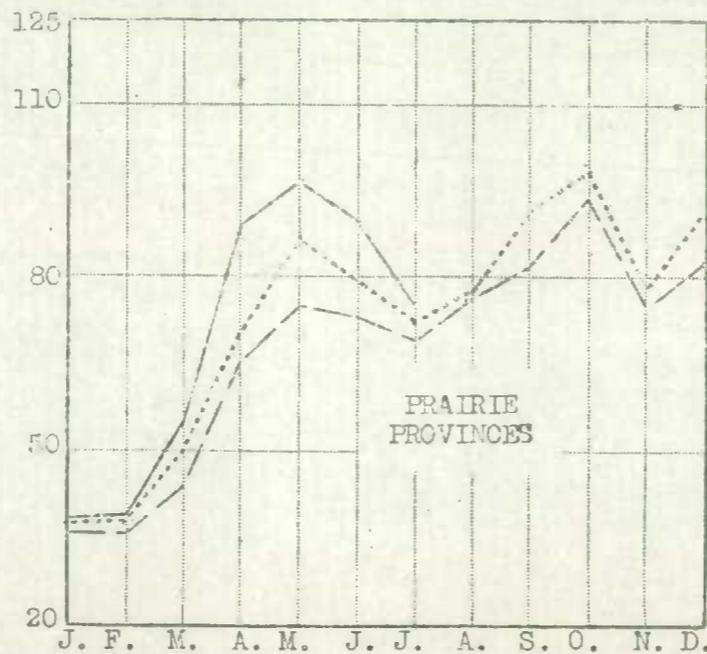
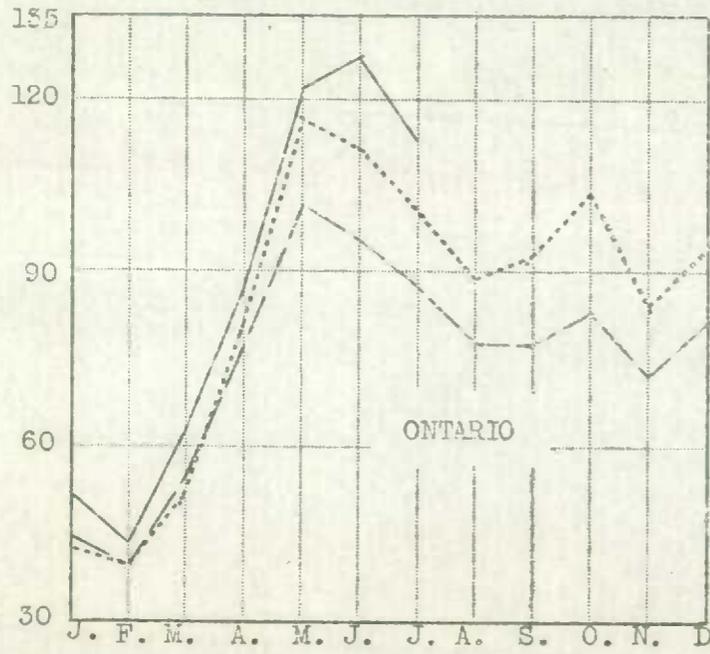
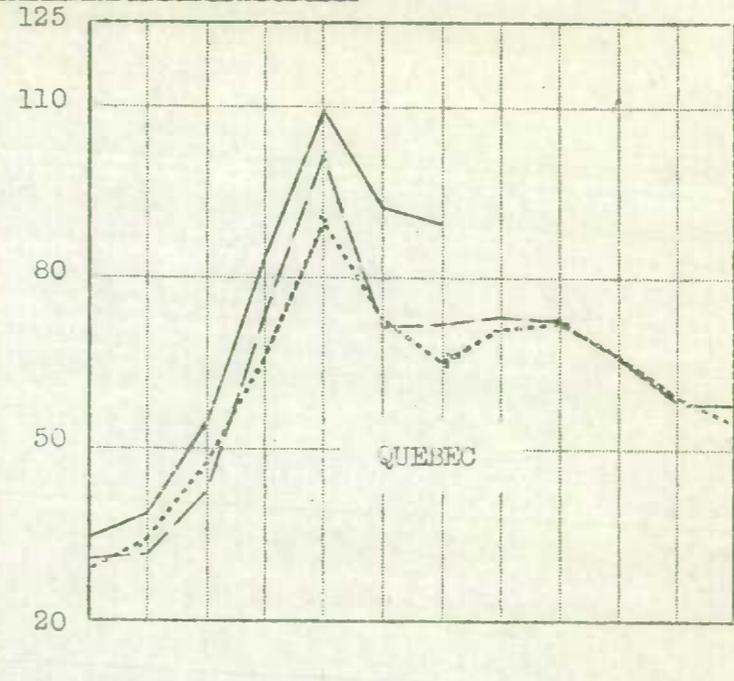
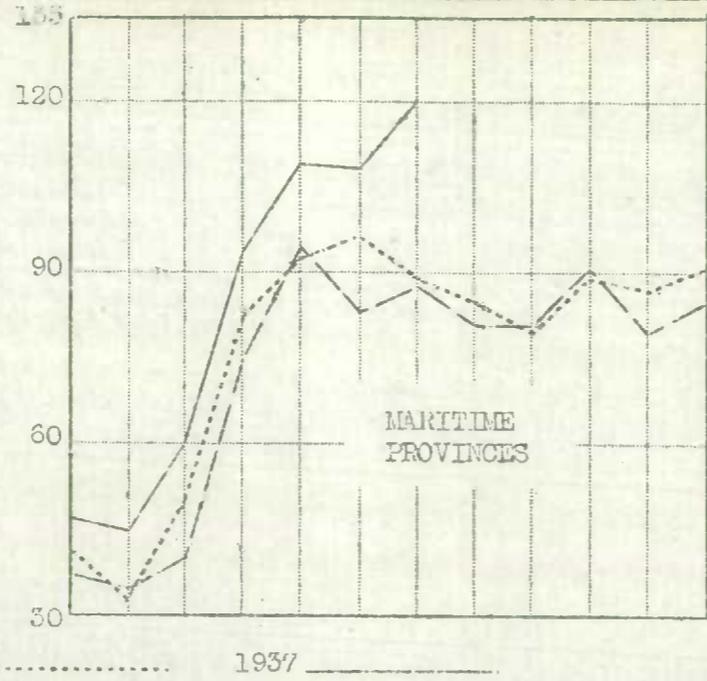
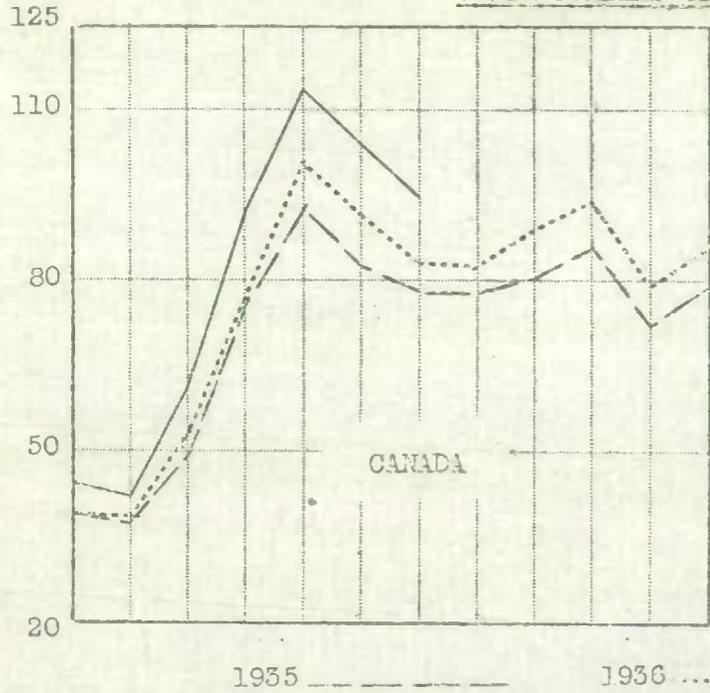
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