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MONTHLY WHOLESALE TRADE, JULY, 1937

(Value of Turnover in Comparison With Previous Year)

Value of wholesale trade increased 8 per cent in July, 1937, compared with the same month a year ago according to returns submitted by almost 200 wholesale firms covering nine different lines of business. The July increase, although substantial, was less marked than those for the immediately preceding months, which were 13 per cent for June, 11 per cent for May and 16 per cent for April.

British Columbia continues to report the best improvement with an increase of 19 per cent over July last year. The Maritime Provinces came second with a gain of 12 per cent, followed by Quebec with 11 per cent; the Prairie Provinces and Ontario both reported increases of 5 per cent. In all divisions, percentage gains for July were somewhat smaller than the corresponding June figures.

Wholesale tobacco and confectionery firms reported 19 per cent more business in July this year compared with last; the hardware trade was up 18 per cent; dry goods, 15 per cent, and the clothing group, 14 per cent. More moderate advances were reported for drugs at 10 per cent and automotive equipment, 8 per cent. The fruit and vegetables group remained unchanged compared with July, 1936, while the footwear group declined 9 per cent in the same comparison.

In the wholesale grocery trade a pronounced increase of 20 per cent in British Columbia was modified by lesser gains of 9 per cent in the Maritimes, 6 per cent in the Prairies, 3 per cent in Quebec and 2 per cent in Ontario, resulting in a net gain of 7 per cent for the group as a whole.

Value of inventories for all kinds of business combined was 16 per cent higher at the end of July this year than on the same date a year ago. The footwear group reported the greatest increase in this respect at 40 per cent, followed by fruits and vegetables at 28 per cent.

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Percentage Changes in Wholesale Trade
Pourcentage des changements dans commerce au gros

	Percentage change, 1937 compared with 1936 Pourcentage du changement, 1937 compare a 1936		
	Sales - Ventes		Inventory Inventaire
	(1) June 1937 Juin 1936	(2) July 1937 Juillet 1936	July 1937 Juillet 1936
Automotive Equipment - Equipement automoteur.	+ 10.7	+ 8.4	+ 8.0
Maritimes and Quebec	+ 16.7	+ 13.5	
Ontario	+ 17.8	+ 21.6	
Western Provinces.--de l'Ouest	+ 4.6	- 0.6	
Drugs - Drogues	+ 12.0	+ 10.1	+ 6.7
Maritimes, Quebec and Ontario	+ 13.0	+ 12.5	
Western Provinces.--de l'Ouest	+ 9.1	+ 3.7	
Clothing - Vetement	+ 10.2	+ 14.2	+ 14.9
Quebec	+ 4.3	+ 17.8	
Ontario and Western Provinces.--de l'Ouest	+ 16.5	+ 10.9	
Footwear - Chaussures	+ 7.0	- 9.1	+ 40.3
Quebec	+ 6.7	- 18.8	
Ontario	+ 7.7	+ 25.5	
Dry Goods - Marchandises seches	+ 14.5	+ 14.9	+ 12.5
Maritimes and Quebec	+ 17.2	+ 16.1	
Ontario	+ 16.3	+ 15.6	
Western Provinces.--de l'Ouest	+ 5.5	+ 11.7	
Fruits and Vegetables - Fruits et legumes ...	+ 6.9	+ 0.5	+ 28.3
Maritimes and Quebec	- 0.2	+ 10.0	
Ontario	+ 13.6	- 7.7	
Western Provinces.--de l'Ouest	+ 5.0	+ 3.6	
Groceries - Epiceries	+ 12.3	+ 6.5	+ 7.5
Maritimes	+ 15.2	+ 9.3	
Quebec	+ 17.7	+ 2.7	
Ontario	+ 7.7	+ 2.0	
Prairies	+ 6.9	+ 5.7	
British Columbia	+ 28.0	+ 20.2	
Hardware - Quincaillerie	+ 20.6	+ 17.6	+ 29.7
Maritimes	+ 15.9	+ 23.9	
Quebec	+ 20.7	+ 24.2	
Ontario	+ 20.6	+ 20.2	
Western Provinces.--de l'Ouest	+ 21.0	+ 14.4	
Tobacco and Confectionery - Tabacs et confiseries	+ 14.9	+ 19.1	- 1.5
Quebec	+ 20.2	+ 29.9	
Ontario	+ 13.0	+ 12.4	
Western Provinces.--de l'Ouest	+ 9.3	+ 8.7	
Wholesale Trade - Commerce de gros --			
Maritimes	+ 15.0	+ 11.8	
Quebec	+ 14.2	+ 10.7	
Ontario	+ 11.9	+ 4.5	
Prairies	+ 7.2	+ 5.0	
British Columbia	+ 24.3	+ 18.7	
CANADA	+ 12.7	+ 8.2	+ 16.4

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