



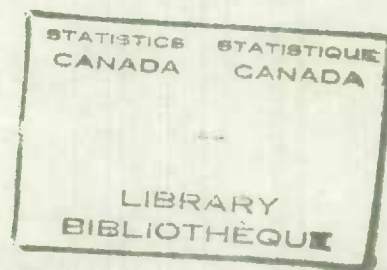
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WHOLESALE TRADE

July, 1960

Canadian wholesalers reported sales estimated at \$663,004,000 for the month of July, a decline of 7.9% from sales of \$720,257,000 reported for the same month in 1959. These sales cover "wholesalers proper" and do not include the business transactions of manufacturers' sales branches or agents and brokers. They are not adjusted for price changes, seasonal variations or number of business days in the respective months.

All trade groups, except four, recorded decreases in sales ranging from 30.9% for farm machinery to 0.1% for newsprint, paper and paper products. The four trade groups reporting increases were: groceries and food specialties (5.4%), automotive parts and accessories (2.6%), commercial, institutional and service equipment and supplies (1.1%) and drugs and drug sundries (0.7%). January - July sales at \$4,977,673,000, were 2.0% higher than sales for the corresponding period in 1959, with increases registered for 10 of the specified trade groups.

More detail on the sales of the various trade groups will be found on the reverse side of this page.

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## Preliminary Estimates of Wholesale Sales and Percentage Changes

Kind of Business	July			January - July		
	Sales		% Change	Sales		% Change
	1959 \$'000	1960 \$'000	1960/1959 %	1959 \$'000	1960 \$'000	1960/1959 %
TOTAL, All Trades .....	720,257	663,004	- 7.9	4,878,782	4,977,673	+ 2.0
Fresh Fruits and Vegetables .....	26,815	26,040	- 2.9	153,369	163,433	+ 6.6
Groceries and Food Specialties .....	128,919	135,888	+ 5.4	811,036	871,520	+ 7.5
Meat and Dairy Products .....	14,637	14,438	- 1.4	85,685	87,102	+ 1.7
Clothing and Furnishings .....	4,670	4,458	- 4.5	44,490	44,105	- 0.9
Footwear .....	1,855	1,648	-11.2	15,220	15,413	+ 1.3
Other Textile and Clothing Accessories	14,477	13,226	- 8.6	112,842	111,145	- 1.5
Coal and Coke .....	8,906	8,111	- 8.9	71,865	71,093	- 1.1
Drugs and Drug Sundries .....	16,102	16,215	+ 0.7	120,429	122,765	+ 1.9
Newsprint, Paper and Paper Products ..	22,347	22,314	- 0.1	149,725	154,652	+ 3.3
Tobacco, Confectionery and Soft Drinks	54,355	53,636	- 1.3	346,836	362,784	+ 4.6
Automotive Parts and Accessories .....	33,739	34,600	+ 2.6	227,047	227,982	+ 0.4
Commercial, Institutional and Service Equipment and Supplies .....	10,957	11,077	+ 1.1	71,825	75,428	+ 5.0
Construction Materials and Supplies, including lumber .....	83,019	65,965	-20.5	466,021	425,661	- 8.7
Farm Machinery .....	13,964	9,650	-30.9	62,435	54,792	-12.2
Hardware .....	26,359	23,766	- 9.8	166,843	170,367	+ 2.1
Household Electrical Appliances .....	12,781	10,447	-18.3	91,458	87,779	- 4.0
Industrial and Transportation Equipment and Supplies .....	66,332	52,428	-21.0	419,350	403,177	- 3.9
All Other Trades .....	180,023	159,097	-11.6	1,462,306	1,528,475	+ 4.5

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