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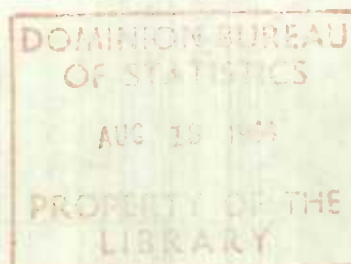
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WHOLESALE TRADE

May, 1964



Sales of Canadian wholesalers for the month of May are estimated at \$991,570,000, an increase of 0.5% over the same month of 1963. These sales are those of 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.

May sales were larger in ten of the eighteen specified trade groups. Increases ranged from 13.3% for Footwear to 0.3% for Industrial and Transportation Equipment and Supplies. Decreases in the eight remaining trade groups ranged from 8.3% for Meat and Dairy Products to 0.4% for Automotive Parts and Accessories. The "All Other Trades" group showed an increase of 1.2%.

For the first five months of the year, sales are estimated at \$4,693,552,000, an increase of 11.9% over the same period of 1963. With the exception of a 4.7% decrease in Coal and Coke, all of the specified trade groups showed increases ranging from 30.8% for Farm Machinery to 0.9% for Automotive Parts and Accessories. The residual group of trades showed an increase of 17.3%.

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

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May, 1964

## Preliminary Estimates of Wholesale Sales and Percentage Changes

	May			January - May		
	Sales		% Change 1964/1963	Sales		% Change 1964/1963
	1963	1964		1963	1964	
	\$'000	\$'000		\$'000	\$'000	
Total, All Trades .....	986,831	991,570	+ 0.5	4,193,171	4,693,552	+11.9
Fresh Fruits and Vegetables .....	30,587	30,174	- 1.4	125,285	130,033	+ 3.8
Groceries and Food Specialties .....	168,760	166,558	- 1.3	766,477	819,530	+ 6.9
Meat and Dairy Products .....	14,670	13,448	- 8.3	58,988	64,962	+10.1
Clothing and Furnishings .....	9,048	8,829	- 2.4	39,498	43,027	+ 8.9
Footwear .....	3,146	3,564	+13.3	16,166	16,831	+ 4.1
Other Textile and Clothing Accessories ...	14,949	15,970	+ 6.8	80,129	89,344	+11.5
Coal and Coke .....	12,345	12,429	+ 0.7	58,822	56,081	- 4.7
Drugs and Drug Sundries .....	21,575	21,809	+ 1.1	103,057	109,813	+ 6.6
Newsprint, Paper and Paper Products .....	28,892	29,692	+ 2.8	124,484	136,460	+ 9.6
Tobacco, Confectionery and Soft Drinks ...	74,566	73,962	- 0.8	324,276	329,878	+ 1.7
Automotive Parts and Accessories .....	43,535	43,347	- 0.4	179,933	181,559	+ 0.9
Commercial, Institutional and Service Equipment and Supplies .....	11,508	11,361	- 1.3	60,110	61,003	+ 1.5
Electrical Wiring Supplies, Construction Materials, Apparatus and Equipment .....	14,967	16,898	+12.9	68,784	84,765	+23.2
Other Construction Materials and Supplies, including Lumber .....	80,766	81,987	+ 1.5	303,981	380,217	+25.1
Farm Machinery .....	10,989	11,751	+ 6.9	36,131	47,253	+30.8
Hardware .....	33,086	31,896	- 3.6	135,467	143,701	+ 6.1
Household Electrical Appliances .....	16,453	17,068	+ 3.7	85,416	89,521	+ 4.8
Industrial and Transportation Equipment and Supplies .....	90,829	91,100	+ 0.3	358,364	422,135	+17.8
All Other Trades .....	306,160	309,727	+ 1.2	1,267,803	1,487,439	+17.3

Note: 1963 figures are revised.

