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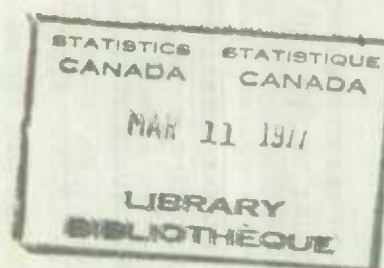
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WHOLESALE TRADE

April 1966



Sales of Canadian wholesalers for the month of April 1966 are estimated at \$1,057,872,000, an increase of 3.1% over the same month in 1965. 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.

April sales were greater in thirteen of the eighteen specified trade groups. Increases ranged from 3.4% in Tobacco, Confectionery and Soft Drinks to 35.0% in Commercial, Institutional and Service Equipment and Supplies. Decreases in the remaining five specified trade groups ranged from 2.2% in Other Textile and Clothing Accessories to 22.7% in Coal and Coke. Sales in the "All Other Trades" group declined 3.7%.

For the first four months of the year, sales are estimated at \$4,199,466,000, an increase of 8.3% over the same period in 1965. All but one of the specified trades showed increases ranging from 1.2% in Fresh Fruits and Vegetables to 27.4% in Commercial, Institutional and Service Equipment and Supplies. The "All Other Trades" group sales increased by 0.2%.

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

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Preliminary Estimates of Wholesale Sales and Percentage Changes

	April			January - April		
	Sales		% Change 1966/1965	Sales		% Change 1966/1965
	1965 \$'000	1966 \$'000		1965 \$'000	1966 \$'000	
Total, All Trades	1,026,144	1,057,872	+ 3.1	3,877,220	4,199,466	+ 8.3
Fresh Fruits and Vegetables	30,504	29,534	- 3.2	111,446	112,813	+ 1.2
Groceries and Food Specialties	175,255	185,501	+ 5.8	695,841	748,071	+ 7.5
Meat and Dairy Products	14,449	17,837	+23.4	57,220	70,248	+22.8
Clothing and Furnishings	10,594	9,762	- 7.8	35,647	37,493	+ 5.2
Footwear	3,959	4,983	+25.9	13,146	14,331	+ 9.0
Other Textile and Clothing Accessories ...	17,814	17,418	- 2.2	71,460	73,295	+ 2.6
Coal and Coke	11,410	8,824	-22.7	46,312	37,718	-18.6
Drugs and Drug Sundries	24,317	26,281	+ 8.1	100,053	110,716	+10.7
Newsprint, Paper and Paper Products	31,450	34,430	+ 9.5	115,179	130,401	+13.2
Tobacco, Confectionery and Soft Drinks ...	69,097	71,443	+ 3.4	276,230	293,331	+ 6.2
Automotive Parts and Accessories	41,078	45,391	+10.5	145,250	156,356	+ 7.6
Commercial, Institutional and Service						
Equipment and Supplies	14,607	19,712	+35.0	56,184	71,563	+27.4
Electrical Wiring Supplies, Construction						
Materials, Apparatus and Equipment	17,741	21,559	+21.5	70,600	86,078	+21.9
Other Construction Materials and Supplies,						
including Lumber	72,017	82,563	+14.6	278,828	333,784	+19.7
Farm Machinery	15,064	18,712	+24.2	38,388	48,775	+27.1
Hardware	29,999	31,413	+ 4.7	112,325	123,724	+10.1
Household Electrical Appliances	20,106	22,285	+10.8	76,758	86,188	+12.3
Industrial and Transportation Equipment						
and Supplies	94,652	90,323	- 4.6	327,590	412,782	+26.0
All Other Trades	332,030	319,900	- 3.7	1,248,762	1,251,799	+ 0.2

Note: Components may not add to totals due to rounding.
Percentages were calculated on unrounded figures.