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WHOLESALE TRADE
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Sales of Canadian wholesalers for the month of June 1966 are estimated at $\$ 1,154,333,000$, an increase of $1.6 \%$ 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.

June sales were greater in fourteen of the eighteen specified trade groups. Increases ranged from $0.8 \%$ in Fresh Fruits and Vegetables to $25.0 \%$ in Electrical Wiring Supplies, Construction Materials, Apparatus and Equipment. Decreases in the remaining four specified trade groups ranged from $0.5 \%$ in Hardware to $12.2 \%$ in Coal and Coke. Sales in the "All Other Trades" group declined 8.2\%.

For the first six months of the year, sales are estimated at $\$ 6,513,493,000$, an increase of $6.3 \%$ over the same period in 1965 . All but one of the specified trade groups showed increases ranging from $0.4 \%$ in Fresh Fruits and Vegetables to $22.5 \%$ in Electrical Wiring Supplies, Construction Materials, Apparatus and Equipment. Sales of the remaining trade, Coal and Coke, decreased by $13.2 \%$. The "All Other Trades" group sales declined 2.10.

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

|  | June |  |  | January $=$ Jume |  |  |
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|  | Sales |  | $\begin{array}{\|l\|} \hline \text { \% Change } \\ 1966 / 1965 \\ \hline \end{array}$ | Sales |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { o Change } \\ & 1966 / 1965 \end{aligned}$ |
|  | 1965 | 1966 |  | 1965 | 1966 |  |
|  | \$1000 | \$1000 |  | \$1000 | \$1000 |  |
| Total, All Trades | 1,135,660 | 1,154,333 | + 1.6 | 6,129,659 | 6,513,493 | + 6.3 |
| Fresh Fruits and Vegetables | 48,498 | 48,866 | + 0.8 | 195,215 | 195,918 | + 0.4 |
| Groceries and Food Specialties | 182,676 | 196,747 | + 7.7 | 1,050,103 | 1,131,167 | + 7.7 |
| Meat and Dairy Products | 20,519 | 23,000 | +12.1 | 93,166 | 111,270 | +19.4 |
| Clothing and Furnishings | 8,194 | 8,332 | + 1.7 | 53,770 | 54,843 | + 2.0 |
| Footwear | 2,476 | 2,689 | + 8.6 | 19,345 | 21,042 | + 8.8 |
| Other Textile and Clothing Accessories | 17,333 | 19,359 | +11.7 | 104,593 | 109,134 | $+4.3$ |
| Coal and Coke | 13,040 | 11,444 | -12.2 | 71,997 | 62,542 | -13.1 |
| Drugs and Drug Sundries | 25,804 | 28,115 | + 9.0 | 149,911 | 166,696 | +11.2 |
| Newsprint, Paper and Paper Products | 32,956 | 37,559 | $+14.0$ | 179,389 | 204,130 | +13.8 |
| Tobscco, Confectionery and Soft Drinks ... | 72,884 | 80,521 | +10.5 | 427,394 | 457,319 | + 7.0 |
| Automotive Parts and Accessories ... | 48,398 | 52,002 | + 7.4 | 240,780 | 259,478 | + 7.8 |
| Commercial, Institutional and Service Equipment and Supplies | 15,582 | 17,605 | +13.0 | 84,424 | 103,278 | +22.3 |
| Electrical Wiring Supplies, Construction Materials, Apparatus and Equipment ..... | 24,942 | 31,171 | +25.0 | 113,796 | 139,441 | +22.5 |
| Other Construction Materials and Supplies, including Lumber $\qquad$ | 88,413 | 94,455 | + 6.8 | 458,348 | 521,819 | +13.8 |
| Farm Machinery ...... | 13,044 | 11,528 | -11.6 | 64,356 | 76,042 | $+18.2$ |
| Hardware | 39,219 | 39,041 | - 0.5 | 186,897 | 201,119 | + 7.6 |
| Household Electrical Appliances ........... | 15,843 | 18,850 | +19.0 | 112,682 | 129,011 | $+14.5$ |
| Industrial and Transportation Equipment and Supplies | 120,571 | 116,104 | - 3.7 | 574,213 | 661,073 | +15.1 |
| All Other Trades | 345,267 | 316,949 | -8.2 | 1,949,277 | 1,908,173 | - 2.1 |

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

