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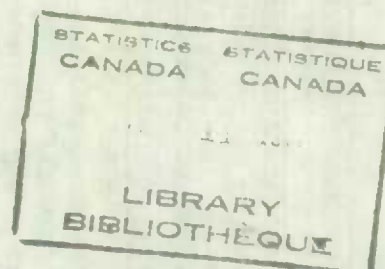
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WHOLESALE TRADE

August 1966



Sales of Canadian wholesalers for the month of August 1966 are estimated at \$1,029,772,000, an increase of 9.1% 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.

August sales were greater in fifteen of the eighteen specified trades, the increases ranging from 0.1% in Industrial and Transportation Equipment and Supplies to 30.4% in Farm Machinery. Decreases in the three remaining specified trades ranged from 0.6% in Footwear to 6.7% in Coal and Coke. The "All Other Trades" group showed an increase of 6.1%.

For the first eight months of the year, sales are estimated at \$8,517,137,000, an increase of 5.5% over the same period in 1965. Seventeen of the specified trades showed increases which ranged from 2.3% in Other Textile and Clothing Accessories to 21.2% in Electrical Wiring Supplies, Construction Materials, Apparatus and Equipment. The decrease in the remaining trade, Coal and Coke, was 11.5%. Sales in the "All Other Trades" group decreased by 3.4%.

Further details 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

	August			January-August		
	Sales		% Change 1966/1965	Sales		% Change 1966/1965
	1965 \$'000	1966 \$'000		1965 \$'000	1966 \$'000	
Total, All Trades	943,730	1,029,772	+ 9.1	8,072,603	8,517,137	+ 5.5
Fresh Fruits and Vegetables	30,762	35,510	+15.4	263,502	270,434	+ 2.6
Groceries and Food Specialties	206,369	230,473	+11.7	1,461,355	1,567,161	+ 7.2
Meat and Dairy Products	22,199	24,207	+ 9.0	132,809	151,582	+14.1
Clothing and Furnishings	11,669	12,120	+ 3.9	72,456	75,617	+ 4.4
Footwear	5,820	5,785	- 0.6	27,260	28,847	+ 5.8
Other Textile and Clothing Accessories ...	21,364	21,194	- 0.8	141,438	144,712	+ 2.3
Coal and Coke	12,561	11,718	- 6.7	98,062	86,787	-11.5
Drugs and Drug Sundries	26,627	31,668	+18.9	198,431	221,573	+11.7
Newsprint, Paper and Paper Products	33,403	38,735	+16.0	247,421	279,432	+12.9
Tobacco, Confectionery and Soft Drinks ...	70,624	77,024	+ 9.1	568,523	609,037	+ 7.1
Automotive Parts and Accessories	50,104	52,933	+ 5.6	331,176	356,153	+ 7.5
Commercial, Institutional and Service						
Equipment and Supplies	14,463	15,610	+ 7.9	111,757	132,034	+18.1
Electrical Wiring Supplies, Construction						
Materials, Apparatus and Equipment	21,731	25,258	+16.2	154,444	187,178	+21.2
Other Construction Materials and Supplies,						
including Lumber	84,428	94,360	+11.8	625,841	703,820	+12.5
Farm Machinery	7,109	9,272	+30.4	84,201	96,606	+14.7
Hardware	32,976	36,632	+11.1	252,476	271,142	+ 7.4
Household Electrical Appliances	16,206	20,224	+24.8	143,196	165,773	+15.8
Industrial and Transportation Equipment						
and Supplies	84,334	84,444	+ 0.1	748,225	840,745	+12.4
All Other Trades	190,980	202,605	+ 6.1	2,410,027	2,328,503	- 3.4

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

