CANADA

## RETAIL CREDIT

SECOND QUARTER, 1959


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## RETAIL CREDIT

Retail credit, as measured by accounts outstanding on the books of retail dealers, rose 4.3 per cent at June 30,1959 over the same date a year earlier. The $\$ 877.0$ million was comprised of $\$ 457.4$ million instalment accounts receivable and $\$ 420.2$ million charge accounts. Instalment receivables on the books of motor vehicle dealers and the amount owing to garages and filling stations were below last year's level. All other trades had more outstanding at June 30, 1959 than at June 30, 1958; the percentage increases ranged downward from 11.4 per cent for fuel dealers, 10.9 per cent for hardware stores and 8.0 per cent for department stores.

The totals of accounts receivable shown in this second quarter report 1959 are comparable to the first quarter report in that lumber and building material dealers and farm implement dealers have not been included.

## Percentage Change in Accounts Receivable

on the Books of Retailers
June 30, 1959, over June 30, 1958

| Trade | Instalment Receivables | Charge Account Receivables | Total <br> Receivables |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| TOTAL, ALL TRADES .......... | + 2.7 | + 6.1 | $+4.3$ |
| Department Stores ................ | + 7.3 | +11.3 | $+8.0$ |
| Motor Vehicle Dealers | -21.8 | $+7.7$ | + 0.8 |
| Men's Clothing Stores | + 2.5 | +6.5 | + 5.3 |
| Family Clothing Stores | + 8.2 | + 6.2 | + 7.3 |
| Women's Clothing Stores | +19.0 | $+4.7$ | +7.5 |
| Hardware Stores | +25.9 | + 7.3 | +10.9 |
| Furniture, Appliance and Radio Stores ........... | + 1.1 | + 9.3 | + 2.1 |
| Jewellery Storea | + 1.6 | + 2.0 | + 1.7 |
| Fuel Dealers ... | +23.1 | +10.8 | +11.4 |
| Grocery and Combination <br> (Independent) Stores .. | n/a | + 6.8 | + 6.3 |
| General Stores ................... | n/a | + 5.0 | + 5.0 |
| Garages and Filling Stations .... | $\mathrm{n} / \mathrm{a}$ | - 5.0 | - 5.0 |

Accounts Receivable - Retail Trade
(dollar estimates in millions)

| Date | Amount |  |  | Percentage Composition |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Instalment | Charge | Total | Instalment | Charge | Total |
|  | $\underline{5}$ | \$ | $\$$ | $\%$ | $\%$ | $\%$ |
|  | Total, 111 Trades |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1958 - March 31 | 444.3 |  |  |  |  |  |
| June $30 \ldots$ | 445.3 | 396.1 | 841.4 | 52.9 | 47.1 | 100.0 |
| Sept. $30 \ldots$ | 451.2 | 407.1 | 858.3 | 52.6 | 47.4 | 100.0 |
| Dec. $31 . .$. | 489.6 | 447.6 | 937.2 | 52.2 | 47.8 | 100.0 |
| 1959 - March 31 (r). | 454.1 | 410.9 | 865.0 | 52.5 | 47.5 | 100.0 |
| June 30 ..... | 457.4 | 420.2 | 877.6 | 52.1 | 48.9 | 100.0 |
|  | Motor Vehicle Dealers |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1958 - March 31 | 22.9 | $\begin{aligned} & 76.3 \\ & 80.2 \\ & 79.4 \\ & 76.6 \end{aligned}$ | 99.2 | 23.1 | 76.9 | 100.0 |
|  | 24.8 |  | 105.0 | 23.6 | 76.4 | 100.0 |
|  | 23.6 |  | 103.0 | 22.9 | 77.1 | 100.0 |
|  | 17.8 |  | 94.4 | 18.9 | 81.1 | 100.0 |
| 1959 - March 31 | 18.1 | $\begin{aligned} & 80.2 \\ & 86.4 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 98.3 \\ 105.8 \end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 18.4 \\ & 18.3 \end{aligned}$ | 81.6 | 100.0 |
|  | 19.4 |  |  |  | 81.7 | 100.0 |
|  | Men's Clothing Stores |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1958 - March 31 <br> June 30 <br> Sept. 30 <br> Dec. 31 |  | 9.49.38.611.0 | $\begin{aligned} & 13.4 \\ & 13.3 \\ & 12.3 \\ & 15.4 \end{aligned}$ | 29.9 |  |  |
|  | 4.0 3.7 |  |  | 29.9 | 70.1 | 100.0 |
|  | 4.4 |  |  | 29.8 | 71.6 | 100.0 |
| 1959 - March 31June 30 | 3.9 | $\begin{aligned} & 9.6 \\ & 9.9 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 13.5 \\ 14.0 \end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 29.1 \\ & 29.3 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | 70.9 | 100.0 |
|  | 4.1 |  |  |  | 70.7 | 100.0 |
|  | Family Clothirg Stores |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1958 - March 31June 30Sept. 30Dec. 31 | 9.7 | $\begin{aligned} & 8.1 \\ & 8.1 \\ & 8.5 \\ & 9.9 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 17.8 \\ & 17.8 \\ & 18.0 \\ & 21.7 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 54.6 \\ & 54.4 \\ & 52.6 \\ & 54.3 \end{aligned}$ | 45.4 | 100.0 |
|  | 9.7 |  |  |  | 45.6 | 100.0 |
|  | 9.5 |  |  |  | 47.4 | 100.0 |
|  | 11.8 |  |  |  | 45.7 | 100.0 |
| $1959 \text { - March } 31 \text {.... }$ | 10.5 | 8.68.6 | $\begin{aligned} & 19.1 \\ & 19.1 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 55.0 \\ & 55.1 \end{aligned}$ | 45.0 | 100.0 |
|  | 10.5 |  |  |  | 44.9 | 100.0 |

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Accounts Receivable - Retail Trade (dollar estimates in millions)

| Date | Amount |  |  | Percentag | Composition |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Instalment | Charge | Total | Instalment | Charge | Total |
|  | $\$$ | $\$$ | $\$$ | \% | \% | \% |
|  | Women's Clothing Stores |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1958 - March $31 . . .$. | 2.3 | 8.6 | 11.1 | 20.5 | 79.5 | 100.0 |
| June $30 . . .$. | 2.1 | 8.6 | 10.7 | 19.8 | 80.2 | 100.0 |
| Sept. 30 .... | 2.1 | 9.1 | 11.2 | 18.8 | 81.2 | 100.0 |
| Dec. $31 . . .$. | 2.6 | 10.3 | 12.9 | 19.8 | 80.2 | 100.0 |
| 1959 - March $31 . .$. | 2.2 | 9.3 | 11.5 | 19.3 | 80.7 | 100.0 |
| June 30. | 2.5 | 9.0 | 11.5 | 21.4 | 78.6 | 100.0 |
|  | Hardware Stores |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1958-March $31 . .$. | $\begin{aligned} & 5.5 \\ & 5.8 \\ & 6.3 \\ & 6.8 \end{aligned}$ |   <br> 20.8 26.3 |  |  | $79.0 \times 100.0$ |  |
| June $30 . . .$. |  | 24.6 | 30.4 | 19.2 | 80.8 | 100.0 |
| Sept. $30 \ldots$ |  | 25.6 | 31.9 | 19.8 | 80.2 | 100.0 |
| Dec. 31 ..... |  | 25.0 | 31.8 | 21.5 | 78.5 | 100.0 |
| $\begin{array}{r} 1959 \text { - March } 31 \text {.... } \\ \text { June } 30 \text {..... } \end{array}$ | $6.6$ | 22.0 | $\begin{aligned} & 28.6 \\ & 33.7 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 23.2 \\ & 21.7 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 76.8 \\ & 78.3 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 100.0 \\ & 100.0 \end{aligned}$ |
|  | $7.3$ | 26.4 |  |  |  |  |

Furniture, Appliance and Radio Stores

| 1958 - March 3I | 159.7 | 23.5 | 183.2 | 87.2 | 12.8 | 100.0 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| June $30 \ldots$ | 160.7 | 23.6 | 184.3 | 87.2 | 12.8 | 100.0 |
| Sept. $30 \ldots$ | 164.9 | 25.1 | 190.0 | 86.8 | 13.2 | 100.0 |
| Dec. $31 . . .$. | 169.6 | 27.0 | 196.6 | 86.3 | 13.7 | 100.0 |
| 1959 - March 31 .... | 161.2 | 24.5 | 185.7 | 86.8 | 13.2 | 100.0 |
| June 30 ..... | 162.4 | 25.8 | 188.2 | 86.3 | 13.7 | 100.0 |
|  | Jewellery Stores |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1958 - March 31 ... | 13.3 | 4.9 | 18.2 | 73.1 | 26.9 | 100.0 |
| June 30 .... | 12.6 | 5.0 | 17.6 | 71.5 | 28.5 | 100.0 |
| Sept. $30 \ldots$ | 12.1 | 4.9 | 17.0 | 71.6 | 28.4 | 100.0 |
| Dec. $31 . .$. | 16.0 | 7.9 | 23.9 | 67.0 | 33.0 | 100.0 |
| 1959 - March 31 | 13.3 | 4.9 | 18.2 | 72.8 | 27.2 | 100.0 |
| June 30 ..... | 12.8 | 5.1 | 17.9 | 71.3 | 28.7 | 100.0 |


|  | Fuel Dealers |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1958 - March $31 . .$. | 1.4 | 43.7 | 45.1 | 3.1 | 96.9 | 100.0 |
| June $30 . .$. | 1.3 | 29.5 | 30.8 | 4.1 | 95.9 | 100.0 |
| Sept. $30 . .$. | 1.4 | 28.3 | 29.7 | 4.8 | 95.2 | 100.0 |
| Dec. $31 . . .$. | 1.6 | 47.3 | 48.9 | 3.4 | 96.6 | 100.0 |
| 1959 - March $31 . .$. | 1.6 | 50.7 | 52.3 | 3.1 | 96.9 | 100.0 |
| June 30 .... | 1.6 | 32.7 | 34.3 | 4.5 | 95.5 | 100.0 |

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\frac{\text { Accounts Receivable - Retail Trade }}{\text { (dollar estimates in millions) }}
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Department Stores

| Date | Amount |  |  |  | Percentage Composition |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Instalment |  | Charge | Total | Instalment |  | Charge | Total |
|  | C.S.A ${ }^{1 /}$ | Other ${ }^{2}$ |  |  | C.S.A. 1 | Other ${ }^{2 /}$ |  |  |
|  | \$ | \$ | \$ | \$ | \% | \% | $\%$ | $\%$ |
| $1958$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| March $31 . .$. | 161.6 | 30.8 | 38.8 | 231.2 | 69.9 | 13.3 | 16.8 | 100.0 |
| June $30 \ldots$ | 162.4 | 28.7 | 39.7 | 230.8 | 70.4 | 12.4 | 17.2 | 100.0 |
| Sept. $30 \ldots$ | 164.0 | 28.7 | 43.0 | 235.7 | 69.6 | 12.2 | 18.2 | 100. |
| Dec. $31 . .$. | 186.5 | 37.1 | 58.2 | 281.8 | 66.2 | 13.2 | 20.6 | 100.0 |
| $\frac{1959}{\text { March } 31(r) . .}$ | 172.6 | 32.1 | 42.6 | 247.3 | 69.8 | 13.0 | 17.2 | 100.0 |
| June $30 . . .$. | 171.8 | 33.3 | 44.2 | 249.3 | 68.9 | 13.4 | 17.7 | 100.0 |

1 Conditional-sale agreements
2/ Other deferred payment plans

Grocery and Combination
Stores (Independent)

| Date | Charge |
| :---: | :---: |
|  | \$ |
| 1958 |  |
| March $31 . .$. | 31.5 |
| June $30 . . .$. | 32.4 |
| Sept. $30 . .$. | 32.2 |
| Dec. $31 . . .$. | 35.3 |
| 1959 |  |
| March $31 . .$. | 33.4 |
| June 30 ..... | 34.6 |

Garages and
Filling Stations

| Date | Charge |
| :---: | :---: |
|  | \$ |
| 1958 |  |
| March $31 . .$. | 28.9 |
| June $30 \ldots$ | 29.8 |
| Sept. $30 . .$. | 30.2 |
| Dec. $31 . . .$. | 28.6 |
| 1959 |  |
| March 31 .... | 27.3 |
| June $30 \ldots$ | 28.3 |

All Other Trades

| Date | Amount |  |  | Percentage Composition |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Instalment | Charge | Total | Instalment | Charge | Total |
|  | - | \$ | \$ | \% | $\%$ | \% |
| 1958 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| March 31 | 32.9 | 64.8 | 97.7 | 33.7 | 66.3 | 100.0 |
| June 30. | 33.0 | 77.5 | 110.5 | 29.9 | 70.1 | 100.0 |
| Sept. 30 | 34.7 | 82.9 | 117.6 | 29.5 | 70.5 | 100.0 |
| Dec. 31. | 35.1 | 81.8 | 116.9 | 30.0 | 70.0 | 100.0 |
| 1959 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| March 31 | 31.7 | 70.7 80.4 | 102.4 | 31.0 27.9 | 69.0 72.1 | 100.0 |

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