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## The Trend Trom 1947

In each of the ten retail trades surveyed, total accounts receivable at the end of June 1948 were greater than at the end of June 1947, ranging from a very slight increase in hardware stores to one of approximately 86 per cent in household appliance and radio stores.

The recent trends of greater credit buying and reduced cash purchasine were continued in the first half of $194 \varepsilon$. Per cent of sales which were on a cash basis fell from 62,6 per cent in the first half of 1947 to 60.5 per cent in the first half of 1948 . With the exception of one trade, furriers, the proportion of cash sales to total sales was reduced during the first half of 1948 from the same period in 1947 in all lines surveyed.

A comparison of the indexes of credit sales between the first half of 1947 and 1948 reveals a marked gain in charge sales of department stores (from 222.5 to 275.0) while their instalment sales gaired 19.2 points. Household appliance and radio stores showed the greatest instalment sale increase with jewellery next. The only decline in credit indexes from 1947 were in instalment sales of furriers and charge sales of furniture stores.

With no previous figures available on a quarterly basis as reeards credit purchasing in the various trades, analysis of the quarterly trends at present should be made with caution. The results of this study are illustrated in greater detail in the charts and tables following.

Chanc in Period of Reporting from to Quarter Year Period

This report contains sales and receivables indexes (average half-year $1941=100$ ) for the period July 1945 to June 1948, by half years, and for the first two quarters of 1948 . Beginnine in 1948 the survey was compiled on a quarterly basis and this bulletin carries tre trends up to June 30, 1948. The first three months represent a coverage comparable to the 1947 results while the second quarter figures are preliminary and will be finalized in the next quarterly report.

To show a figure comparable to 1947, the two quarters of 1948 were combined to produce sales indexes and percentages of sales composition for the first six months of 1948. While this figure will be slightly revised in the next quarterly bulletin to the extent that the second quarter will be revised, it is considered ouite comparable to the results of the first half of 1947. No adjustment to the quarterly fieures has been made to take into account the effect of seasonal variation. As in the initial bulletin, the base for sales indexes is 1941. With only a full year's figure available for that year, the base for sales in the current quarters is obtained by diviaing the 1941 figure by 4. The base for accounts receivable is the amount outstanding on the books of the sample firms at December 31, 1941.

With a three month period of sales as against previous six months, the sales-receivable ratio is only half what it would be if continued on a half-year basis. Days credit outstandine, however, is directly comparable to previous dates, because a 90 day factor was used in place of the 180 days used in the previous half-year periods.

It was found necessary to revise furniture store indexes recently published, (P. 12) and this resulted in a slight shift in the indexes for the ten combined trades.

## RETAIL CONSUMER CREDIT INDEXES OF SALES AND RECEIVABLES





Table 1. - Consumer Credit - Combined Trades

| INDEX:- |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Period | Sales during period |  |  |  | Accounts receivable at end of period |  |  |
|  | Cash | Instalment | Charge | Total | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Instal- } \\ & \text { ment } \end{aligned}$ | Charge | Total |
| 1941 - Helf year average | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| 1945 - July - Dec. ..... | 156.6 | 45.9 | 148.4 | 131.8 | ( not | availab |  |
| 1946 - Jan. - June ..... | 151.0 | 49.6 | 165.8 | 132.2 | 26.9 | 116.8 | 62.5 |
| - July $=$ Dec. | 191.3 | 69.0 | 212.7 | 169.7 | 37.6 | 138.4 | 77.5 |
| 1947 - Jan. - June ..... | 174.6 | 89.2 | 226.1 | 165.4 | 53.6 | 151.8 | 91.5 |
| - July - Dec. ..... | 216.9 | 121.5 | 257.4 | 204.7 | 86.6 | 188.8 | 126.0 |
| 1948 - Jan. - June ..... | 184.7 | 108.9 | 255.7 | 180.1 | 85.5 | 200.4 | 129.7 |
| Jan. - Mar. ... | 163.9 | 99.8 | 226.5 | 161.6 | 79.4 | 150.7 | 107.7 |
| Apr. - June ... | 208.6 | 1194 | 291.7 | 201.5 | 85.5 | 200.4 | 129.7 |

PERCENTAGE COMPOSITION

| 1941 - Half year average | 60.2 | 21.7 | 18.1 | 100.0 | 60.6 | 39.4 | 100.0 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1945 - July - Dec. .... | 67.1 | 7.9 | 25.0 | 100.0 | ( not | ailab | 1e) |
| 1946 - Jan. - June | 66.1 | 8.7 | 25.2 | 100.0 | 36.3 | 63.7 | 100.0 |
| - July - Dec. | 65.3 | 9.2 | 25.5 | 100.0 | 38.1 | 61.9 | 100.0 |
| 1947 - Jan. - June | 62.6 | 12.2 | 25.2 | 100.0 | 45.2 | 54.8 | 100.0 |
| - July - Dec. | 62.6 | 13.4 | 24.0 | 100.0 | 48.4 | 51.6 | 100.0 |
| 1948 - Jan. - June | 60.5 | 13.8 | 25.7 | 100.0 | 49.4 | 50.6 | 100.0 |
| Quarter Year: <br> Jan. - Mar. ... | 59.7 | 13.9 | 26.4 | 100.0 | 51.2 | 48.8 | 100.0 |
| Apr. - June | 61.4 | 13.8 | 24.8 | 100.0 | 49.4 | 50.6 | $10 \mathrm{C}, 0$ |

Table z. - Consuner Credit - Department Stores
A. INDEXE

| Period | Sales during period |  |  |  | Accounts receivable at end of period |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Cash | Instalment | Chare | Total | Instalment | Charge | Total |
| 1941 - Half year average | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| 1342-Jan, - June ..... | 106.7 | 77.7 | 103.2 | 102. 5 | 61.7 | 60.5 | 61.3 |
| - July - Dec. | 127.4 | 94.5 | 117.2 | 121.5 | 62.9 | 80.9 | 70.3 |
| 1943 - Jan. - June | 114.5 | 66.5 | 104.6 | 106.8 | 36.4 | 57.9 | 45.3 |
| - July - Dec. | 130.1 | غ2. 5 | 123.4 | 123.0 | 42.4 | 82.1 | 58.8 |
| 1944 - Jen, - June | 125.5 | 55.7 | 108.5 | 115.1 | 29.2 | 61.6 | 42.5 |
| - July - Dec. | 147.4 | 84.0 | 133.3 | 137.0 | 39.8 | 90.1 | 60.5 |
| 1945 - Jan. - June | 139.1 | 64.4 | 119.7 | 123.4 | 28.1 | 68.4 | 44.7 |
| - July - Dec. | 168.5 | 91.1 | 164.9 | 159.5 | ( not | avail | 1e) |
| 1946 - Jan, - June | 150.1 | 83.7 | 173,5 | 146.2 | 34.8 | 188.7 | 70.7 |
| - July - Lec. | 192.7 | 123.7 | 223.8 | 189,5 | 54.9 | 191.8 | 107.3 |
| 1947 - Jan. - June | 150.8 | 142.0 | 288. 5 | 157.4 | 83.9 | 173.0 | 118.0 |
| - July - Dec. | 208.1 | 201.1 | 27E. 4 | 217.2 | 142.2 | 256.8 | 186.1 |
| 1948 - Jan. - June | 175.9 | 161.2 | 275.0 | 187.7 | 125.5 | 192.4 | 150.5 |
| $\frac{\text { - Quarter Year: }}{\text { Jan. - Liar. }}$ | 157.1 | 145.4 | 244.0 | 167.5 | 118.5 | 175.3 | 140.4 |
| hpr. - June | 195.5 | 177.5 | 307.6 | 208.5 | 125.5 | 192.4 | 150.6 |

## B. PERCMTAGE COMPOSTIION

| 1941 - Half year average | 75.1 | 10,9 | 14.0 | 100.0 | 61.7 | 38.3 | 100.0 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 194\% - Jan. - June ..... | 75.2 | 9,4 | 17.4 | 100.0 | 59.2 | 40.8 | 100.0 |
| - July - Dec. | 73.7 | 9.7 | 16.5 | 100.0 | 52.5 | 47.4 | 100.0 |
| 1943 - Jan. - June | 75.3 | 7.8 | 16.9 | 100.0 | 47.2 | 52.8 | 100.0 |
| - July - Dec. | 74.3 | 8.4 | 17.3 | 100.0 | 42.4 | 57.5 | 100.0 |
| 1944 - Jan. - June | 76.5 | 7.1 | 16.3 | 100.0 | 40.3 | 59.7 | 100.0 |
| - Trlv - Dec. | 75.4 | 7.5 | 16.1 | 100.0 | 37.7 | 62.3 | 100.0 |
| 1945 - Jan. - June | 77.4 | 6.4 | 16.2 | 100.0 | 35.9 | 64.1 | 100.0 |
| - July - Dec. ..... | 79.3 | 6.2 | 14.5 | 100.0 | (not available) |  |  |
| 1946 - Jun. - June | 77.1 | 6.2 | 16.7 | 100.0 | 30.4 | 59.5 | 100.0 |
| - July - Dec. | 76.3 | 7.1 | 16.5 | 100.0 | 31.5 | 68.4 | 100.0 |
| 1947 - Jen. - June | 72.1 | 9.2 | 18.7 | 100.0 | 43.9 | 56.1 | 100.0 |
| - July - Dec. | 71.9 | 10.1 | 18.0 | 100.0 | 47.2 | 52.8 | 100.0 |
| 1948 - Jan. - June .... | 70.0 | 10.0 | 20.0 | 100.0 | 52.0 | 48.0 | 100.0 |
| $\frac{\text { - Quarter Year }}{\text { Jan. }- \text { Mar. }}$ | 70.1 | 10.1 | 19.8 | 100.0 | 51.9 | 48.1 | 100.0 |
| fipr - - June | 70.0 | 10.0 | 20.0 | 100.0 | 52.0 | 48.0 | 100.0 |

Note - A revision in the series occurred after June 1945.

Table 2. $($ Cont'd $)$ Consumer Credit - Department Stores

| C. ShLES - RECEIVABIES RATIO |  |  |  | DAYS CREDIT OUTSTANDING |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Date | Total sales <br> (incl. cash) to total receivables | Instalment sales to instalment receivables | Charge sales to charge receivables | Instalment | Charge |
| Six month sales |  |  |  |  |  |
| to receivables at: |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1941 - Dec. 31 ... | 6.2 | 1.1 | 2.3 | 164 | 78 |
| 1942 - June 30 .... | 7.8 | 1.2 | 3.3 | 150 | 55 |
| - Dec. $31 . .$. | 8.1 | 1.5 | 2.8 | 120 | 64 |
| 1943 - June $30 \ldots$. | 11.0 | 1.8 | 3.5 | 100 | 51 |
| - Dec. $31 . .$. | 9.8 | 1.9 | 2.9 | 95 | 62 |
| 1944 - June 30 ... | 12.7 | 2.2 | 3.4 | 82 | 53 |
| - Dec. 31. | 10.6 | 2.0 | 2.9 | 90 | 62 |
| 1945 - June 30. | 12.9 | 2.2 | 3.4 | 82 | 53 |
| - Dec. $31 \ldots$ |  | (not available) |  |  |  |
| 1946-June $30 \ldots$. | 12.7 | 2.6 | 3.0 | 69 | 60 |
|  | 10.8 | 2.4 | 2.6 | 75 | 69 |
| 1947- June 30. | 8.7 | 1.8 | 2.9 | 100 | 62 |
|  | 7.2 | 1.5 | 2.4 | 120 | 75 |
| 1948 - June 30 .... Three month sales to receivables at: | 6.9 | 1.3 | 2.9 | 138 | 62 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1948- Mar. $31 \ldots$ | 3.3 | 0.6 | 1.3 | 150 | 69 |
|  | 3.8 | 0.7 | 1.6 | 129 | 56 |

Note - A revision in the series occurred after June 1945.

Table 3. - Consumer Credit - Men's Clothing Stores
A. INLEXES

| Period | Sales during period |  |  |  | Accounts receivable at end of period |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Cash | $\begin{gathered} \text { Instal- } \\ \text { ment } \end{gathered}$ | Charge | Total | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Instal- } \\ & \text { ment } \end{aligned}$ | Charge | Total |
| 1941 - Half year average | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | $\begin{gathered} 100.0\|100.0\| 100.0 \\ \text { (not available) } \end{gathered}$ |  |  |
| 1945 - July - Dec. | 176.8 | 11.0 | 109.7 | 158.7 |  |  |  |
| 1946 - Jan. - June | 158.7 | 12.0 | 110.1 | 144.3 | 10.8 | 80.5 | 62.4 |
| - July - Dec. | 180.9 | 17.3 | 130.1 | 165.3 | 16.8 | 107.2 | 83.8 |
| 1947 - Jan - June | 164.8 | 33.3 | 147.9 | 155.5 | 22.7 | 117.6 | 92.7 |
| - July - Dec. | 201.5 | 39.3 | 154.2 | 188.0 | 51.7 | 142.7 | 118.8 |
| 1948 - Jan. - June | 186.1 | 61.6 | 179.4 | 178.4 | 75.7 | 162.0 | 137.6 |
| Quarter Year: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1948 - Jan. - Mar. ... | 170.9 | 55.0 | 148.2 | 161.4 | 72.9 | 134.6 | 117.8 |
| - Apr. - June . | 202.8 | 68.5 | 214.7 | 197.1 | 75.7 | 162.0 | 137.6 |

## B. PERCENTAGE COMPOSITION

| 1941 - Hale year average | 80.3 | 5.0 | 14.7 | 100.0 | 25.9 | 74.1 | 100.0 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1945 - July - Dec. ..... | 89.5 | 0.3 | 10.2 | 100.0 | ( not availab |  |  |
| 1946 - Jan. - June | 88.4 | 0.4 | 11.2 | 100.0 | 4.5 | 95.5 | 100.0 |
| - July - Dec. | 87.9 | 0.5 | 11.6 | 100.0 | 5.2 | 94.8 | 100.0 |
| 1947 - Jan. - June | 85.6 | 1.1 | 13.3 | 100.0 | 6.4 | 93.5 | 100.0 |
| - July - Dec. | 85.7 | 1.1 | 12.2 | 100.0 | 11.4 | 88.6 | 100.0 |
| 1948 - Jan. - June | 83.6 | 1.9 | 14.5 | 100.0 | 15.5 | 84.4 | 100.0 |
| Quarter Year: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1948 - Jan. - Mar. | 84.7 | 1.8 | 13.5 | 100.0 | 16.9 | 83.1 | 100.0 |
| - Apr. - June ... | 82.5 | 1.9 | 15.5 | 100.0 | 15.5 | 84.4 | 100.0 |


| C. SALES - RECEIVABLES MMTLO |  |  |  | DAYS CREDIT OUTSTANDING |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Date | ```Total sales (incl. cash) to total receivables``` | ```Instalment sales to instalment receivables``` | Charge sales to charge receivables | Instal- ment | Charge |
| Six month sales to receivables at: |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1941 - Dec. 31. | 12.0 | 2.3 | 2.4 | 78 | 75 |
| 1946-June 30. | 27.6 | 2.6 | 3.2 | 69 | 56 |
|  | 23.6 | 2.4 | 2.9 | 75 | 62 |
| 1947- June 30.. | 21.7 | 3.7 | 3.1 | 49 | 58 |
|  | 20.4 | 1.9 | 2.8 | 95 | 64 |
| 1948 - June $30 \ldots$ <br> Three month sales | 16.0 | 2.0 | 2.8 | 90 | 64 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| to receivables at:$1948 \text { - Mar, } 31 \text {.... }$ |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | $\begin{aligned} & 8.4 \\ & 8.8 \end{aligned}$ | 0.9 1.1 | 1.4 1.6 | $\begin{array}{r} 100 \\ 82 \end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 64 \\ & 56 \end{aligned}$ |
| - June $30 \ldots$ |  |  |  |  |  |

Table 4. - Consumer Credit - Vomen's Clothine Stores
4. INDEXHS

| Period | Sales during period |  |  |  | Accounts receivable at end of period |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Cash | Instalment | Charge | Total | Instalment | Charge | Total |
| 1941 - Half year average | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | $100.0 \quad 100.01100 .0$ (not available) |  |  |
| 1945 - July - Dec. | 168.2 | 67.5 | 189,8 | 163.4 |  |  |  |
| 1946 - Jan. - June | 160.7 | 62.1 | 193,1 | 157.6 | 29.0 | 1123.5 | 87.5 |
| - July - Dec. | 190.5 | 71.8 | 211.5 | 184.3 | 44.1 | 170.3 | 122.1 |
| 1947 - Jan - June | 174.2 | 62.8 | 235.7 | 175.0 | 35.3 | 158.5 | 122.2 |
| - July - Dec. | 205.0 | 77.0 | 266.8 | 204.5 | 65.4 | 238.9 | 178.5 |
| 1948 - Jan - June | 183.0 | 79.2 | 268.8 | 18 E .6 | 59.2 | 209.5 | 159.5 |
| Quarter Year: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1948 - Jan. - Mar. | 163.4 | 74.3 | 250.7 | 170.4 | 60.9 | 226.8 | 171.7 |
| Apr. - June | 205.1 | 84.8 | 289.3 | 209.2 | 59.2 | 209.5 | 159.5 |


| 1941 - Half year average | 78.8 | 7.7 | 13.5 | 100.0 | 38,2 | 51.8 | 100.0 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1945 - July - Dec. | 81.1 | 3.2 | 15.7 | 100.0 | (not available) |  |  |
| 1946 - Jan. - June ..... | 80.4 | 3.0 | 16.6 | 100.0 | 12.7 | 87.3 | 100.0 |
| - July - Dec. | 81.5 | 3.0 | 15.5 | 100.0 | 13.8 | 86.2 | 100.0 |
| 1947 - Jan. - June | 76.7 | 2.8 | 20.5 | 100.0 | 10.1 | 89.9 | 100.0 |
| - July - Dec. ..... | 77.2 | 2.9 | 17.9 | 100.0 | 12.7 | 87.3 | 100.0 |
| 1948 - Janc - June | 74,9 | 3.1 | 22.0 | 100.0 | 12.3 | 87.7 | 100.0 |
| Quarter Year: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1948 - Jan. - Mar. | 74.0 | 3.2 | 22, 2 | 100.0 | 11.8 | 88,2 | 100.0 |
| - Apr. - June . | 75.7 | 3.0 | 21.3 | 100.0 | 12.3 | 87.7 | 100.0 |


| C. SALES - RECEIVABIES RATIO |  |  |  | DAYS CREDIT OUTSTANDING |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Date | Total sales (incl. cash) to total receivables | Instalment sales to instalment receivables | Charge sales to charge receivables | Instal $=$ ment | Charge |
| Six month sales |  |  |  |  |  |
| to receivables at: |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1941 - Dec. 31 | 10.7 | 2.1 | 2.3 | 86 | 78 |
| 1946 - June 30 | 19.3 | 4.6 | 3.7 | 39 | 49 |
|  | 16.2 | 3.5 | 2.9 | 51 | 62 |
| 1947- June $30 \ldots$ | 14.0 | 3.8 | 3.2 | 47 | 56 |
|  | 11.2 | 2.5 | 2.5 | 72 | 69 |
| 1948 - June 30 .... Three month sales | 12.2 | 3.0 | 3.0 | 60 | 60 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1948 - Mar. 31 ... | 5.0 | 1.4 | 1.3 | 64 | 69 |
| - June 30. | 6.7 | 1.6 | 1.5 | 56 | 56 |

Table 5. - Consumer Credit - Family Clothing Stores
A. INDEXES

| Period | Sales during period |  |  |  | Accounts receivable at end of period |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Cash | Instal- <br> ment | Charge | Total | Instalment | Charge | Total |
| 1941 - Half year average | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | $\begin{gathered} 100.0 \mid 100.0100 .0 \\ \text { (not available) } \end{gathered}$ |  |  |
| 1945 - July - Dec. .... | 197.2 | 62.1 | 173.7 | 169.8 |  |  |  |
| 1946 - Jan. - June | 182.4 | 54.4 | 163.6 | 156.9 | 32.6 | 101.0 | 58.2 |
| - July - Dec. | 217.3 | 77.4 | 198.8 | 189.8 | 50.6 | 135.1 | 82.3 |
| 1947 - Jan. - June | 187.3 | 93.7 | 182.4 | 170.7 | 60.2 | 126.0 | 85.8 |
| - July - Dec. | 226.3 | 113.7 | 224.3 | 206.9 | 85.2 | 167.0 | 116.9 |
| 1948 - Jan. - June | 184.6 | 118.5 | 195.8 | 176.1 | 80.1 | 159.5 | 115.3 |
| Quarter Year: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1948 - Jan. - Mar. ... | 159.0 | 103.9 | 173.3 | 152.2 | 76.3 | 139.8 | 102.9 |
| - Apr. - June | 214.2 | 137.8 | 220.2 | 204.0 | 80.1 | 159.5 | 115.3 |

## B. PERCENTAGE COMPOSITION

| 1941 - Half year average | 67.5 | 17.8 | 14.7 | 100.0 | 62.6 | 37.4 | 100.0 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1945 - July - Dec. | 78.4 | 6.5 | 15.1 | 100.0 | ( not | availe | le) |
| 1946 - Jan. - June .... | 78.5 | 6.1 | 15.4 | 100.0 | 35.0 | 65.0 | 1100.0 |
| - July - Dec. | 77.3 | 7.3 | 15.4 | 100.0 | 38.5 | 61.5 | 100.0 |
| 1947 - Jan. - June | 74.7 | 9.3 | 16.0 | 100.0 | 42.9 | 57.1 | 100.0 |
| - July - Dec. | 74.5 | 9.3 | 16.2 | 100.0 | 44.6 | 55.4 | 100.0 |
| 1948 - Jan. - June | 70.7 | 10.6 | 18.7 | 100.0 | 38.7 | 61.3 | 100.0 |
| Quarter Year: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1948 - - Jan. - Mar. ... | 70.2 | 11.3 | 18.5 | 100.0 | 43.2 | 56.8 | 100.0 |
| - Apr. - June | 71.1 | 10.0 | 18.9 | 100.0 | 38.7 | 61.3 | 100.0 |


| C. SALESS - RECEIVABLES RATIO |  |  |  | DAYS CREDIT OUTSTANDING |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Date | Total sales (incl. cash) to total receivables | Instalment sales to instalment receivables | Charge sales to charge receivables | Instalment | Charge |
| Six month sales to receivables at: |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1941 - Dec. 31 .... | 4.4 | 1.2 | 1.7 | 150 | 106 |
| 1946 - June $30 \ldots$ | 11.8 | 2.1 | 2.8 | 86 | 64 |
| - Dec. $31 . .$. | 10.1 | 1.9 | 2.5 | 95 | 72 |
| 1947 - June $30 \ldots$ | 9.4 | 2.0 | 2.6 | 90 | 69 |
| - Dec. $31 . .$. | 8.3 | 1.7 | 2.4 | 106 | 75 |
| $1948-$ June $30 \ldots . .$. <br> Three month sales 6.8 1.8 2.2 100 <br> to receivables at:   82  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1948 - Mar. $31 . .$. | 3.3 | 0.9 | 1.1 | 100 | 82 |
| - June $30 . .$. | 4.0 | 1.0 | 1.2 | 90 | 75 |

Table 6. - Consumer Credit - Furriers
4. INDEXES

| Period | Sales during period |  |  |  | Accounts receivable at end of period |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Cash | Instalment | Charge | Total | $\begin{gathered} \text { Instal- } \\ \text { ment } \end{gathered}$ | Charge | Total |
| 1941 - Half year average | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |  |  |
| 1945 - July - Dec. .... | 239.4 | 170.2 | 248.9 | 208.7 | (not avallable) |  |  |
| 1946 - Jan. - June | 134.9 | 79.5 | 136.1 | 109.0 | 62.6 | 128.5 | 77.7 |
| - July - Dec. | 275.3 | 199.8 | 285.4 | 241.8 | 92.5 | 131.3 | 101.4 |
| 1947 - Jan. - June | 147.6 | 104.9 | 186.4 | 133.8 | 92.2 | 191.8 | 113.4 |
| - July - Dec. | 285.4 | 243.4 | 320.5 | 271.3 | 138.5 | 210.1 | 153.7 |
| 1948 - Jan. - June | 150.2 | 101.9 | 204.3 | 140.4 | 88.4 | 213.8 | 124.4 |
| Quarter Year: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1948 - Jan. - Mar. | 193.2 | 139.1 | 198.1 | 168.8 | 118.2 | 140.1 | 123.4 |
| - Apr. - June | 103.6 | 56.5 | 210.2 | 108.9 | 88.4 | 213.8 | 124.4 |

B. PERCENTAGE COMPOSITION

| 1941 - Half year average | 32.2 | 47.2 | 20.6 | 100.0 | 77.1 | 22.9 | 100.0 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1945 - July - Dec. .... | 36.9 | 38.5 | 24.6 | 100.0 | (not available) |  |  |
| 1946 - Jan. - June | 39.9 | 34.4 | 25.7 | 100.0 | 62.1 | 37.9 | 100.0 |
| - July - Dec. | 36.7 | 39.0 | 24.3 | 100.0 | 70.3 | 29.7 | 100.0 |
| 1947 - Jan - June | 34.8 | 38.8 | 26.4 | 100.0 | 64.0 | 36.0 | 100.0 |
| - July - Dec. | -33.2 | 44.4 | 22.4 | 100.0 | 70.9 | 29.1 | 100.0 |
| 1948 - Jan. - June | 35.3 | 32.7 | 32.0 | 100.0 | 50.7 | 49.3 | 100.0 |
| Quarter Year: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1948 - Jan. - Mar. | 37.4 | 38.8 | 23.8 | 100.0 | 72.9 | 27.1 | 100.0 |
| - Apr. - June | 31.8 | 22.2 | 46.0 | 100.0 | 50.7 | 49.3 | 100.0 |


|  |  |  |  | DAYS CREDIT OUTSTANDING |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Date | $\begin{gathered} \text { Total sales } \\ \text { (incl. cash) } \\ \text { to total } \\ \text { raceivables } \end{gathered}$ | Instalment sales to instalment receivables | Charge sales to charge receivables | Instalment | Charge |
| Six month sales |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1941 - Dec. $31 . .$. |  |  |  |  | 113 |
|  | 1.8 | 1.1 | 1.6 |  |  |
| 1946 - Juse $30 \ldots$ | 2.5 | 1.4 | 1.7 | 129 75 | 106 51 |
|  | 4.3 | 2.4 | 3.5 | 75 | 51 |
| 1947 - June $30 \ldots$ | 2.2 | 1.3 | 1.6 | 138 | 113 |
|  | 3.3 | 2.0 | 2.5 | 90 | 72 |
| 1948 - June 30 .... Three monts seles to rucervables at: | 2.2 | 1.4 | 1.6 | 129 | 113 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1948-Mar. $31 . .$. | 1.3 | 0.7 | 1.2 | 129 | 75 |
|  | 0.9 | 0.4 | 0.8 | 225 | 113 |

Table 7. - Consumer Credit - Household Appliance and Radio Stores
A. INDEXES

| Period | Sales during period |  |  |  | Accounts receivable at end of period |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Cash | Instal- ment | Charge | Total | Instalment | Charge | Total |
| 1941 - Half year average | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | $100.0\|100.0\| 100.0$(not available) |  |  |
| 1945 - July - Dec. ..... | 146.6 | 26.2 | 132.0 | 92.9 |  |  |  |
| 1946 - Jan. - June ..... | 200.7 | 38.5 | 186.8 | 129.6 | 10.3 | 75.9 | 20.9 |
| - July - Dec. | 259.8 | 58.6 | 226.0 | 168.2 | 15.6 | 102.4 | 29.7 |
| 1947 - Jan. - June | 261.0 | 92.6 | 269.5 | 179.2 | 24.8 | 135.6 | 38.7 |
| - July - Dec. | 298.8 | 122.8 | 334.4 | 217.8 | 43.2 | 177.8 | 60.1 |
| 1948 - Jan. - June | 268.6 | 129.3 | 303.2 | 205.4 | 54.3 | 185.2 | 71.9 |
| Quarter Year: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1948 - Jan. - Mar. ... | 261.4 | 119.4 | 268.8 | 191.7 | 50.4 | 109.7 | 60.2 |
| - Apr. - June ... | 276.3 | 140.4 | 342.0 | 220.5 | 54.3 | 185.2 | 71.9 |

## B. PERCENTAGE COMPOSITION

| 1941 - Half year average | 37.6 | 42.1 | 20.3 | 100.0 | 83.8 | 16.2 | 100.0 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1945 - July - Dec. | 59.2 | 11.9 | 28.9 | 100.0 | ( not | availa | 1e) |
| 1946 - Jan. - June | 58.2 | 12.5 | 29.3 | 100.0 | 41.2 | 58.8 | 100.0 |
| - July - Dec. | 58.0 | 14.7 | 27.3 | 100.0 | 44.2 | 55.8 | 100.0 |
| 1947 - Jan. - June | 48.9 | 25.6 | 25.5 | 100.0 | 56.0 | 44.0 | 100.0 |
| - July - Dec. | 46.1 | 27.9 | 26.0 | 100.0 | 62.9 | 37.1 | 100.0 |
| 1948 - Jan. - June | 43.4 | 31.3 | 25.3 | 100.0 | 65.4 | 34.6 | 100.0 |
| Quarter Year: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1948 - Jan. - Mar. ... | 44.6 | 31.2 | 24.2 | 100.0 | 70.0 | 30.0 | 100.0 |
| - Apr. - June ... | 42.3 | 31.4 | 26.3 | 100.0 | 65.4 | 34.6 | 100.0 |

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| C. SALES - RECEIVABIES RATIO |  |  |  | DAYS CREDIT OUTSTANDING |  | CREDIT SOLD <br> TO BANKS ETC. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Date | Total (sales incl. cash) | Instelment | Charge | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Instal- } \\ & \text { ment } \end{aligned}$ | Charge | Percent of Instalment Sales |
| Six month sales to receivables at: 1941 - Dec. 31 .... | 1.5 | 0.8 | 1,9 | 225 | 95 | (not available) |
| 1946 - June 30 | 9.3 | 2.8 | 4.7 | 64 | 38 | 9.7 |
| - Dec. 31 | 8.5 | 2.8 | 4.2 | 64 | 43 | 6.3 |
| 1947 - June $30 \ldots$ | 7.0 | 3.2 | 4.1 | 56 | 44 | 7.3 |
| - Dec. 31 .... | 5.5 | 2.4 | 3.8 | 75 | 47 | 8.5 |
| 1948 - June 30 .... Three month sales to receivables at: | 4.7 | 2.2 | 3.4 | 82 | 53 | 16.3 |
| 1948-Mar. $31 . .$. | 2.5 | 1.1 | 2.0 | $8{ }^{2}$ | 45 | 16.5 |
| - June $30 . .$. | 2.5 | 1.2 | 1.9 | 75 | 47 | 16.1 |

Table 8. - Consumer Credit - Furniture Stores
A. INDEXES

| Period | Sales during period |  |  |  | Accounts receivable at end of period |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Cash | Instalment | Charge | Total | $\begin{array}{\|c\|} \hline \text { Instal- } \\ \text { ment } \\ \hline \end{array}$ | Charge | Total |
| 1941 - Half year average | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | $\begin{aligned} & 100.0\|100.0\| 100.0 \\ & \text { (not available) } \end{aligned}$ |  |  |
| 1945 - July - Dec. .... | 242.0 | 67.4 | 143.3 | 115.6 |  |  |  |
| 1946 - Jan. - June | 282.9 | 76.3 | 205.0 | 139.2 | 24.7 | 62.5 | 28.8 |
| - July - Dec. | 326.4 | 76.2 | 228.0 | 150.9 | 24.4 | 60.4 | 28.3 |
| 1947 - Jan. - June | 288.0 | 107.9 | 198.1 | 160.1 | 42.3 | 65.0 | 44.9 |
| - July - Dec. | 319.6 | 125.2 | 196.9 | 177.6 | 61.0 | 73.9 | 62.5 |
| 1948 - Jan. - June | 268.4 | 117.0 | 178.6 | 159.1 | 68.5 | 82.4 | 70.2 |
| Quarter Year: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1948 - Jan. - Mar. | 250.5 | 102.9 | 166.7 | 144.7 | $64.2$ | $72.6$ | 65.2 |
| Apr. - June | 287.4 | 131.8 | 190.8 | 174.1 | 68.5 | 8E. 4 | 70.2 |


| 1941 - Half year average | 21.1 | 63.9 | 15.0 | 100.0 | 89.2 | 10.8 | 100.0 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1945 - July - Dec. .... | 44.1 | 37.2 | 18.7 | 100.0 | (not available) |  |  |
| 1946 - Jan - - June | 42.8 | 35.0 | 22.2 | 100.0 | 76.4 | 23.6 | 1100.0 |
| - July - Dec. | 45.6 | 32.3 | 22.1 | 100.0 | 76.9 | 23.1 | 100.0 |
| 1947 - Jan. - June | 38.0 | 42.6 | 19.4 | 100.0 | 83.4 | 16.6 | 100.0 |
| - July - Dec. | 36.1 | 44.5 | 17.4 | 100.0 | 86.4 | 13.6 | 100.0 |
| 1948 - Jan. - June | 35.3 | 45.7 | 19.0 | 100.0 | 85.1 | 14.9 | 100.0 |
| Quarter Year: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1948 - Jan. - Mar.... | 36.6 | 44.3 | 19.1 | 100.0 | 86.3 | 13.7 | 100.0 |
| - Apr. - June ... | 34.2 | 47.0 | 18.8 | 100.0 | 85.1 | 14.9 | 100.0 |

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| C. SALES - RECEIVABIES RATIO |  |  |  | DAYS CREDIT OUTSTIANDING |  | CREDIT SOLD TO BANKS ETC. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Date | Total (asles incl. cash) | Instalment | Charge | Instalment | Charge | Percent of Instalment suies |
| Six month sales |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| to receivables at: | 1.1 | 0.8 | 1.3 | 225 | 138 | (not available) |
| 1946 - June 30 .... | 5.1 | 2.4 | 4.4 | 75 | 41 | 0.5 |
| - Dec. $31 \ldots$ | 5.5 | 2.5 | 4.8 | 72 | 38 | 0.6 |
| 1947 - June $30 \ldots$ | 3.7 | 1.9 | 4.3 | 95 | 42 | 1.2 |
| - Dec. 31 ... | 2.9 | 1.5 | 3.8 | 120 | 47 | 1.5 |
| 1948 - June 30 ... | 2.4 | 1.4 | 2.8 | 129 | 64 | 3.4 |
| Three month sales to receivables at: |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1948-Mar. $31 . .$. | 1.2 | 0.6 | 1.7 | 150 | 53 | 3.1 |
| - June 30 .... | 1.2 | 0.7 | 1.6 | 129 | 56 | 3.8 |

Table 9. - Consumer Credit - Hardware Stores
A. INDEXES

| Period | Sales during period |  |  |  | Accounts receivable at end of period |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Cash | Instal- <br> ment | Charge | Total | Instal- ment | Charge | Total |
| 1941 - Half year average | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | (not available) |  |  |
| 1945 - July - Dec. | 193.8 | 36.5 | 157.1 | 174.4 |  |  |  |
| 1946 - Jan. - June | 194.8 | 45.2 | 169.8 | 179.6 | 19.1 | 111.9 | 100.9 |
| - July - Dec. | 235.3 | 60.0 | 183.1 | 210.1 | 25.3 | 107.4 | 97.6 |
| 1947 - Jan. - June | 206.1 | 42.? | 200.1 | 194.7 | 25.9 | 141.2 | 125.5 |
| - July - Dec. | 251.1 | 58.1 | 225.6 | 232.0 | 38.0 | 143.3 | 129.0 |
| 1948 - Jan. - June | 206.8 | 53.5 | 207.3 | 193.1 | 24.0 | 160.0 | 125.8 |
| Quarter Year: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1948 - Jan. - Mar. ... | 150.3 | 42.3 | 161.4 | 150.3 | 12.6 | 132.3 | 103.2 |
| - Apr. - June | 257.6 | 64.9 | 255.8 | 239.0 | 24.0 | 160,0 | 125.8 |

B. PERCENTAGE COMPOSITION

| 1941 - Half year average | 62.8 | 4.8 | 32.4 | 100.0 | 11.9 | 88.1 | 100.0 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1945 - July - Dec. .... | 69.8 | 1.0 | 29.2 | 100.0 | ( not available) |  |  |
| 1946 - Jan. - June | 68.2 | 1.2 | 30.6 | 100.0 | 2.3 | 97.7 | 100.0 |
| - July - Dec. | 70.4 | 1.4 | 28.2 | 100.0 | 3.1 | 96.9 | 100.0 |
| 1947 - Jan. - June | 67.2 | 1.3 | 31.5 | 100.0 | 2.8 | 97.2 | 100.0 |
| - July - Dec. | 68.7 | 1.5 | 29.8 | 100.0 | 4.0 | 96.0 | 100.0 |
| 1948 - Jan. - June | 63.6 | 2.5 | 33.9 | 100.0 | 4.8 | 95.2 | 100.0 |
| Quarter Year: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1948 - Jan. - Mar. | 63.9 | 2.5 | 33.6 | 100.0 | 3.0 | 97.0 | 100.0 |
| - Apr. - June . | 63.4 | 2.5 | 34.1 | 100.0 | 4.8 | 95.2 | 100.0 |


| C. SALES - RECEIVABIES RITIT |  |  |  | DAYS CREDIT OUTSTANDING |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Date | Total sales <br> (incl. cash) to total receivables | Instalment sales to instalment receivables | Charge sales to charge receivables | Instalment | Charge |
| Six month sales |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1941 - Dec. $31 . .$. | 4.6 | 1.8 | 1.7 | 100 | 106 |
| 1946 - June $30 \ldots$ | 8.2 | 4.3 | 2.6 | 42 | 69 |
| - Dec. $31 \ldots$ | 9.9 | 4.3 | 2.9 | 42 | 62 |
| 1947 - June $30 \ldots$ | 7.4 | 3.4 | 2.4 | 53 | 75 |
| - Dec. 31 .... | 8.6 | 3.2 | 2.7 | 56 | 67 |
| 1948 - June $30 \ldots$ | 61 | 3.3 | 2.2 | 55 | 82 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1948 - Mar. 31 ... | 3.0 | 2.5 | 1.0 | 36 | 90 |
| - June 30. | 3.8 | 2.0 | 1.3 | 45 | 69 |

Table 10. - Consumer Credit - Jewellery Stores
A. INDEXES


| 1941 - Half year average | 55.0 | 24.1 | 20.9 | 100.0 | 65.5 | 34.5 | 100.0 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1945 - July - Dec. .... | 71.5 | 10.9 | 17.6 | 100.0 | ( not | availa |  |
| 1946 - Jan. - June .... | 69.7 | 11.4 | 18.9 | 100.0 | 42.1 | 57.9 | 100.0 |
| - July - Dec. | 69.1 | 11.9 | 19.0 | 100.0 | 40.3 | 59.7 | 100.0 |
| 1947 - Jan. - June | 62.2 | 18.6 | 19.2 | 100.0 | 61.2 | 38.8 | 100.0 |
| - July - Dec. | 58.2 | 23.8 | 18.0 | 100.0 | 60.5 | 39.5 | 100.0 |
| 1948 - Jan - June. | 56.9 | 20.2 | 22.9 | 100.0 | 73.1 | 26.9 | 100.0 |
| Quarter Year: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1948 - Jan. - Mar. ... | 56.9 | 20.7 | 22.4 | 100.0 | 74.7 | 25.3 | 100.0 |
| - Apr. - June | 56.9 | 19.7 | 23.4 | 100.0 | 73.1 | 26.9 | 100.0 |


| C. SATES - RECEIVABLES RATIO |  |  |  | DAYS CREDIT OUTSTANDING |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Date | Total sales (incl. cash) to total receivables | Instalment sales to instalment receivables | Charge sales to charge receivables | Instalment | Charge |
| Slx month sales |  |  |  |  |  |
| to receivables at: |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1941 - Dec. $31 . .$. | 3.7 | 1.4 | 2.2 |  |  |
| 1946 - June 30 ... | 8.0 | 2.2 | 2.6 | 82 | 69 |
| - Dec. 31 .... | 7.4 | 2.2 | 2.3 | ع2 | 78 |
| 1947 - June 30 ... | 5.7 | 1.7 | 2.8 | 106 | 64 |
| - Dec. 31 .... | 4.2 | 1.7 | 1.9 | 106 | 95 |
|  | 3.8 | 1.2 | 2.9 | 150 | 62 |
| Three month sales |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1948 - Mar. $31 . .$. | 1.9 | 0.6 | 1.5 | 150 | 60 |
| - June $30 \ldots$ | 2.1 | 0.6 | 1.6 | 150 | 56 |

Table 11. - Consumer Credit - Motor Vehicle Iealers
4. INDERES

| Period | Sules during period |  |  |  | hecounts receivable at ond of period |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Cash | $\begin{gathered} \text { Instal- } \\ \text { ment } \end{gathered}$ | Charge | Total | Instalment | Charge | Total |
| 1941 - Half year average | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| 1945 - July - Dec..... | 51.4 | 6.8 | 107.5 | 48.5 | (not | availabl |  |
| 1946 - Jan. - June | 85.9 | 21.3 | 159.3 | 80.1 | 47.4 | 143.5 | 126.1 |
| - July - Dec. | 113.9 | 30.7 | 237.0 | 113.1 | 69.8 | 131.3 | 120.1 |
| 1947 - Jen. - June | 170.6 | 57.3 | 299.2 | 159.9 | 73.9 | 175.1 | 157.3 |
| - July - Dec. | 195.0 | 72.9 | 317.1 | 179.7 | 80.0 | 1178.6 | 161.2 |
| 1948 - Jon. - June | 181.5 | 76.7 | 321.3 | 174.0 | 120.9 | 1298.0 | 269.2 |
| $\frac{\text { Quarter Year: }}{\text { Jen. - Miar. }}$ | 157.0 | 70.4 | 297.5 | 159.8 | 57.9 | 176.2 | 156.5 |
| Apr. - June | 216.0 | 85.9 | 368.4 | 195.6 | 120.9 | 298.0 | 269.2 |

## B. PERCENTAGE COMPOSITION

| 1941 - Half year average | 41. 2 | 35.5 | 23.3 | 100.0 | 18.2 | 81.8 | 100.0 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1945 - July = Dec. .... | 43.5 | 5.0 | 51.5 | 100.0 | ( not | avail |  |
| 1946 - Jan. - June | 44.2 | 9.4 | 46.4 | 100.0 | 6.8 | 93.2 | 1100.0 |
| - July - Dec. | 41.5 | 9.6 | 48.9 | 100.0 | 10.5 | 89.5 | 100.0 |
| 1947 - Jen - June | 44.8 | 12.6 | 42.6 | 100.0 | 8.3 | 91.7 | 100.0 |
| - July - Dec. | 45.6 | 14.3 | 40.1 | 100.0 | 8.7 | 91.3 | 100.0 |
| 1948 - Jan. - June ..... <br> - Quarter Year: | 44.4 | 15.8 | 39.8 | 100.0 | 7.3 | 92.7 | 100.0 |
| Jan. - Mar. | 40.4 | 15.5 | 44.1 | 100.0 | 6.2 | 93.8 | 100.0 |
| Apr. - June ... | 49.3 | 16.3 | 34.4 | 100.0 | 7.3 | 92.7 | 100.0 |

C. INSTALMINT CREDIT BOID TO BANKS ETC.

| Date | Percent of <br> Instalment Sales |
| :---: | :---: |
| 1941 - Dec. 31 | $\ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots$ |
| 1946 - June $30 \ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots$ | (not available) |
| - Dec. 31 | 53.9 |
| 1947 - June 30 | $\ldots \ldots \ldots \ldots$ |
| - Dec. 31 | 54.7 |
| 1948 - Mar. 31 | 58.5 |
| - June $30 \ldots \ldots \ldots$ | 59.3 |

