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## Wholesale rrade in Canada, 1935

Final.figures on wholesale trade in canada as compiled for the annual Census of Merchandising and Service Establishments show total sales of $\$ 1,080,742,000$ in 1935 compared with $\$ 1,023,296,000$ in 1934 and $\$ 900,-$ 496,000 in 1933. Wholesale sales were 5.6 per cent greater in 1935 than in 1934, more than 20 per cent in advance of 1933 and were within four per cent of the level obtaining in 1931. The index of wholesale sales on the base 1930 equals 100 was 81.6 in 1931, 68.7 in 1932, 65.7 in 1933, 74.7 in 1934, and 78.9 in 1935.

For the second consecutive year, the largest annual percentage increases were reported by dealers in producors' goods, kinds of wholesale business which experienced the greatest contraction in trade during the depression years. Sales of machinery, equipment and supplies dealers in 1935 were $\$ 33,757,000$ or 20.0 per cent greater than in 1934 ; dealers in waste materials reported in increase of 15.7 per cent; the electrical group was up by 14.9 per cent; metals and metal work, 13.9 per cent, and lumber and building materials advanced 10.9 per cent.

Gains over 1904 as reported by wholesale merchants in staple lines of consumers' goods, while less pronounced than those recorded by dealers in producers' goods, were still substantial. Sales of dealers in food products in 1935 were $\$ 444,529,000$ or 5.3 per cent greater than in 1934. The food group includes four separate classilications, gains for which ranged from an increase of 3.4 per cent for wholesale grocers to an increase of 11.8 per cent for dairy and poultry products. Wholesalers in meats and fish reported a gain of 7.1 per cent while the fruit and vegetable trade advanced 4.4 per cent. In other important lines of wholesale trade the following increases were reported: tobacco and confectionery, 8.8 per cent; automotive, 8.3 per cent; hardware, 6.6 per cent; drugs and drug sundries, 6.3 per cent, and petroleum products, 1.3 per cent.

The Dominion coal and coke sales show a small gain over 1934 which, in turn, appears slightly greater than the 1930 figure. The largest increase took place in the Prairie Provinces while Quebec decreased 3.3 per cent. In this connection, it may be well to note that, while the dollar value of sales as reported by the wholesale trades has increased rapidly, actual consumption has not recovered to the same extent. Thus, it would seem that the disorganized state of the bituminous market in 1930 and the stabilization of conditions in later yeurs would account for this discrepancy. Since 1930 is used as the base period, the indexes on this base do not present an entirely accurate picture of movements in the coal trade in recent years.

The largest increase in trade was reported in British columbia, where sales in 1935 were $\$ 102,171,000$ or 8.5 per cent greater than in 1934; the Prairie Provinces reported a slightly smaller gain of 8.4 per cent. Increases for each of the other economic divisions were 4.9 per cent for Ontario, 4.3 per cent for the Maritime Provinces and 4.0 per cent for Quebec.

## Maritime Provinces

Wholesale trade in the Maritime Provinces totalled $\$ 74,101,000$ in 1935 compared with $\$ 71,044,000$ in 1934 , the yearly comparison reflecting an increase of 4.3 per cent. The incex stood at 80.3 in $1935(1930=$ 100) and indexes on the same base for earlier years are 85.6 in 1931, 70.3 in 1932, 67.9 in 1933, and 77.0 in 1934.

Increases in sales over 1934 for $\varepsilon$ number of important lines of trade were: automotive, 14.7 per cent; petroleum products, 9.3 per cent; meats and fish, 3.6 per cent, and groceries, 2.3 per cent.

Quebec
Sales of wholesalers in Quebec province in 1935 were $\$ 299,999$, 000 or 4.0 per cent greater than the $288,417,000$ recorded for 1934.
Indexes of sales on the base 1930 equals 100 are 77.7 in 1935, 74.7 in 1934 , and 65.9 in 1933.

Increased trade over 1934 was recorded by all kind-of-business groups excepting only coal and coke and petroleum products, where recessions of 3.3 per cent and 4.2 per cent respectively were reported. A substantial increase of 12.8 per cent for dairy and poultry products was modified by smaller increases of 1.5 per cent for wholesale grocers, 4.9 per cent for fruits and vegetables, and 4.0 per cent for meats and fish, resulting in a net increase of 5.1 per cent over 1934 for the food group as a whole. Other important groups and their increases were: machinery, equipment and supplies, 12.1 per cent; tobacco and confectionery, 11.2 per cent; metals and metal work, 7.5 per cent; hardwere, 4.9 per cent; dry goods and apparel, 4.7 per cent, and drugs and drug sundries, 4.5 per cent.

## ontario

Wholesale trade in ontario for 1935 totalled $\$ 392,73 \mathrm{Q}, 000$ compared with $\$ 374,288,000$ in 1934 and $\$ 324,828,000$ in 1933. Sales in 1935 were 4.9 per cent greater than in 1934 and approximately 21 per cent greater than in 1933. Indexes of sales for recent years on the base 1930 equals 100 are 84.4 in 1931, 70.9 in 1932, 68.9 in 1933, 79.4 in 1934, and 83.3 in 1935.

Dealers in metals and metal work reported an increase of 27.0 per cent over the preceding year; the machinery, equipment and supplies group was up by 14.7 per cent and lumber and building materials by 14.4 per cent. Sales in the wholesale grocery trade were $\$ 61,705,000$ or 1.8 per cent greater than in 1934. Wholesale fruits and vegetables with $\$ 26,387,000$ sales reported a like percentage gain, while the wholesale meat and fish trade advanced 5.8 per cent and dairy and poultry products were up by 10.7 per cent. Sales of the food group as a whole in 1935 were $\$ 140,605,000$ or 3.5 per cent greater than the amount recorded for 1934. Gains for other important groups were: tobacco and confectionery, 9.5 per cent; drugs and drug sundries, 9.5 per cent; hardware, 8.2 per cent, and coal and coke, 5.5 per cent. The jewellery and optical goods trade, although accounting for a small proportion of the total wholesale business, reported an important advance of 18.8 per cent. On the other hand, the petroleum products group, second in importance only to the food group, reported a slight recession in business from the preceding year. Sales for this classification in 1935 were $\$ 68,610,000$ or .9 per cent below the $\$ 69,244,000$ reported for 1934.

## Prairie Provinces

Sales of wholesale dealers in the Prairie Provinces in 1935
were $\$ 211,741,000$ or 8.4 per cent greater than the $\$ 195,416,000$ reported for 1934. Indexes of sales for recent years on the base 1930 equals 100 are 73.0 in 1931, 65.2 in 1932, 60.6 in 1933, 67.7 in 1934, and 73.4 in 1935.

Contributing largely to the greater increase in wholesale trade in the Prairie Provinces as compared with gains reported in Eastern and Central Canada was the better showing made by wholesale distributors of food products. Sales of wholesale grocers in the prairie provinces in 1935 were $\$ 56,104,000$ or 7.0 per cent greater than in 1934. Wholesale dealers in meats and fish reported an increase of 16.8 per cent, and increases of 4.9 per cent were reported by dealers both in dairy and poultry products and in fruits and vegetables. The food group as a whole advanced by 8.7 per cent.

Machinery, equipment and supplies reported the marked improvement of 39.8 per cent; petroleum products with $\$ 42,269,000$ sales were up by 4.5 per cent.

## British Columbia

Wholesale sales in British Columbia in 1935 were \$102,171,000 or 8.5 per cent greater in value than in 1934 and 22.5 per cent greater than in 2933. Indexes of sales on the base 1930 equals 100 are 81.9 in 1931, 64.8 in $1932,63.5$ in $1933,71.6$ in 1934 , and 77.7 in 1935.

Increases in business were reported for all lines of trade, the percentage gains ranging from 1.7 per cent for dairy and poultry products to 31.7 per cent for plumbing and heating equipment and supplies. Substantial gains recorded by other lines of wholesale trade are as follows: electrical, 31.3 per cent; lumber and building materials, 26.8 per cent; machinery, equipment and supplies, 17.8 per cent; hardware, 14.0 per cent; jewellery and optical goods, 12.6 per cent, and tobacco and confectionery, 9.5 per cent.

Sales in the food group totalled $\$ 43,706,000$ compared with $\$ 40,980,000$ in the preceding year. Wholesale grocery business was up by 4 per cent; dealers in meats and fish reported an increase of 7.9 per cent, and fruits and vegetables were up by 14.1 per cent.

## Comparison of Indexes of Wholesale Sales and Wholesale prices

In the period 1930 to 1935 the dollar value of wholesale sales was affected not only by changes in the physical volume of goods distributed but also by changes in the prices of commodities. The measurement of the influence of these two factors cannot be made accurately as sales are reported by kinds of business and not by commodities and also because comparable price indexes are not available. Nevertheless, the general trends in wholesale prices and dollar volume of sales give some indication of the relative movements in the physical volume of goods handled. The total sales of wholesale firms and the indexes of value of sales and of prices for the period 1930 to 1935 are as follow:

| Year | Sales | Indexes (1930 $=100$ ) |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Sales | Prices (Consumers' Goods) |
|  | \$ |  |  |
| 1930 | 1,370,066,000 | 100.0 | 100.0 |
| 1931 | 1,118,364,000 | 81.6 | 85.3 |
| 1932 | 940,658,000 | 68.7 | 79.8 |
| 1933 | 900,496,000 | 65.7 | 79.6 |
| 1934 | 1,023,296,000 | 74.7 | 83.0 |
| 1935 | 1,080,742,000 | 78.9 | 82.4 |

A somewhat clearer indication of relative movements in price
and volume is given by price indexes in some of the leading lines of wholesale trade.

|  | 1930 | 1931 | 1932 | 1933 | 1934 | 1935 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Consumers' Goods, Total | 100.0 | 85.3 | 79.8 | 79.0 | 83.0 | 82.4 |
| Foods, beverages, tobacc | 100.0 | 75.6 | 66.1 | 68.5 | 74.9 | 75.6 |
| Coal ......... | 100.0 | 99.5 | 96.5 | 91.6 | 91.7 | 91.2 |
| Drugs and pharmaceutical chemicals. | 100.0 | 91.6 | 83.5 | 70.9 | 72.9 | 71.7 |
| Other Goods -- |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Building and construction materials | 100.0 | 90.2 | 85.0 | 86.2 | 90.9 | 89.4 |
| Chemicals and allied products | 100.0 | 93.4 | 90.4 | 87.6 | 87.5 | 85.2 |
| Hardware | 100.0 | 97.9 | 96.0 | 94.2 | 94.9 | 95.1 |
| Petroleum and its products | 100.0 | 86.9 | 88.8 | 89.0 | 90.8 | 89.2 |

## Comparability with 1930 Census

In constructing an annual index of wholesale sales, the chief objective has been to derive the most representative measure of the trend from year to year in wholesale trade and particularly in pre-retail business. For this reason, it has been necessary to make some alterations in the classifications used in the decennial census and to omit certain groups from the annual survey. Certain adjustments in the figures shown in the results of the decennial census have also been necessary to bring the data for subsequent years to a comparable basis. The more important revisions made in the 1930 figures were for Drugs and drug sundries (Maritimes and Prairies), Groceries (Ontario, Prairies and British Columbia), Fruits and vegetables (Prairies), and Plumbing and heating equipment and supplies (quebec and Prairies).

In the main, the current census is confined to wholesalers Proper with the exception of dealers in meats and petroleum products. In the case of meats, the sales of packing houses as well as of wholesale branches are now included and the entire group of petroleum products is now taken. A detailed description of the classifications used in the annual census will be found in the census report for 1933.

## Method of Constructing Indexes of Wholesale Sales

The figures for 1930 shown in this report are taken from the results of the complete Census of Merchandising and Service Establishments taken in 1931 in connection with the Seventh Decennial Census, for which returns were received from all trading establishments in the country giving details regarding the business transacted in the preceding year. While the census of 1931 covered every firm, the annual census is more limited in its scope and includes only those wholesalers proper with sales of $\$ 100,000$ or more in 1930 together with some large firms which have commenced operations since that year. The reports received for the annual census are used in determining the trend in wholesale business from year to year. The trend value is then applied to the total sales for the base year 1930 in order to arrive at the most probable value of total business flor each year. It should, therefore, be clearly understood that the sales figures shown in this report for years subsequent to 1930 do not refer only to those establishments from which reports are annually secured but are the most accurate estimates possible of the total wholesale trade, including both contributing and non-contributing firms. The method makes no allowance for contraction or expansion in the total number of firms operating in the wholesale field. While the figures shown herein are believed to closely approximate actual conditions, it must be borne in mind that the disappearance of old firms and the use of new concerns are not fully reflected in the indexes.

| Division and Kind of Business | Total Net Sales |  |  |  |  | Indexes of Sales$(1930=100.0)$ |  |  |  |  |  | Per cent Change 1934-35 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\begin{gathered} 1930 \\ \text { Actual) } \end{gathered}$ | (Estimated) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  | 1932 | 1933 | 1934 | 1935 | 1930 | 1931 | 1932 | 1933 | 1934 | 1935 |  |
|  | \$ | \$ | ¢ | \% | \$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Maritime P | 92,302,000 | 64,880,000 | 62,666,000 | 71,044,000 | 74,101,000 | 100.0 | 85.6 | 70.3 | 67.9 | 77.0 | 80.3 | $+4.3$ |
| Quebec | 386,229,000 | 267,905,000 | 254,696,000 | 288,417,000 | 299,999,000 | 100.0 | 83.7 | 69.4 | 65.9 | 74.7 | 77.7 | + 4.0 |
| Ontario | 471,618,000 | 334,559,000 | 324,828,000 | 374,288,000 | 392,730,000 | 100.0 | 84.4 | 70.9 | 68.9 | 79.4 | 83.3 | + 4.9 |
| Prairie Prov | 288,503,000 | 188,212,000 | 174,888,000 | 195,416,000 | 211,741,000 | 100.0 | 73.0 | 65.2 | 60.6 | 67.7 | 73.4 | + 8.4 |
| British Columbia | 131,414,000 | 85,102,000 | 83,418,000 | 94,131,000 | 102,171,000 | 100.0 | 81.9 | 64.8 | 63.5 | 71.6 | 77.7 | + 8.5 |
| CANADA, TOTAL | 1,350,066,000 | 940,658,000 | 900,496,000 | 1,023,296,000 | 1,080,742,000 | 100.0 | 81.6 | 68.7 | 65.7 | 74.7 | 78.9 | + 5.6 |
| Amusement, photographic and sport- |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 4,278,000 | 2,897,000 | 2,464,000 | 2,739,000 | 2,933,000 | 100.0 | 82.9 | 67.7 | 57.6 | 64.0 | 68.6 | + 7.1 |
| Automotive $=\ldots . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . .$. | 20,990,000 | 13,715,000 | 13,473,000 | 15,618,000 | 16,913,000 | 100.0 | 84.3 | 65.3 | 64.2 | 74.4 | 80.6 | + 8.3 |
| Chemicals and paints | 8,387,000 | 6,265,000 | 7,743,000 | 9,061,000 | 9,852,000 | 100.0 | 84.1 | 74.7 | 92.3 | 108.0 | 117.5 | $+\quad 8.7$ |
| Drugs and drug sundries | 27,973,000 | 23,831,000 | 22,139,000 | 23,340,000 | 24,814,000 | 100.0 | 96.3 | 85.2 | 79.1 | 83.4 | 88.7 | + 6.3 |
| Coal and coke | 50,252,000 | 42,142,000 | 42,881,000 | 51,047,000 | 52,227,000 | 100.0 | 87.9 | 83.9 | 85.3 | 101.6 | 103.9 | 2.3 |
| Dry goods and app | 102,358,000 | 66,823,000 | 64,396,000 | 73,283,000 | 75,450,000 | 100.0 | 79.0 | 65.3 | 62.9 | 71.6 | 73.7 | + 3.0 |
| Electrical | 22,982,000 | 11,993,000 | 9,973,000 | 12,997,000 | 14,940,000 | 100.0 | 78.4 | 52.2 | 43.4 | 56.6 | 65.0 | +14.9 |
| Farm supplies | 16,037,000 | 10,386,000 | 8,719,000 | 10,849,000 | 11,153,000 | 100.0 | 87.2 | 64.8 | 54.4 | 67.6 | 69.5 | + 2.8 |
| Foods | 540,820,000 | 381,745,000 | 377,670,000 | 422,162,000 | 444,529,000 | 100.0 | 83.4 | 70.6 | 69.8 | 78.1 | 82.2 | + 5.3 |
| Furniture and house furnishings | 13,632,000 | 7,908,000 | 7,293,000 | 8,751,000 | 9,404,000 | 100.0 | 76.7 | 58.0 | 53.5 | 64.2 | 69.0 | + 7.5 |
| General merchandise | 13,478,000 | 9,302,000 | 8,668,000 | 10,256,000 | 11,097,000 | 100.0 | 78.1 | 69.0 | 64.3 | 76.1 | 82.3 | + 8.2 |
| Hardware | 65,943,000 | 39,195,000 | 38,025,000 | 46,209,000 | 49,260,000 | 100.0 | 76.5 | 59.4 | 57.7 | 70.1 | 74.7 | + 6.6 |
| Jewellery and optical goods ....... | 10,858,000 | 7,358,000 | 6,935,000 | 8,397,000 | 9,711,000 | 100.0 | 85.8 | 67.8 | 63.9 | 77.3 | 89.4 | + 15.7 |
| Leather and leather goods ... | 7.377,000 | 4,961,000 | 5,325,000 | 5,965,000 | 6,512,000 | 100.0 | 76.8 | 67.2 | 72.2 | 80.9 | 88.3 | + 9.2 |
| Lumber and buijding matorials | 51,872,000 | 22,885,000 | 18,912,000 | 24,869,000 | 27,584,000 | 100.0 | 73.8 | 44.1 | 36.5 | 47.9 | 53.2 | + 10.9 |
| Machinery, equipment and supplies | 59,321,000 | 24,141,000 | 21,789,000 | 28,121,000 | 33,757,000 | 100.0 | 55.1 | 40.7 | 36.7 | 47.4 | 56.9 | + 20.0 |
| Metals and metal wor | 14,059,000 | 7,314,000 | 6,817,000 | 9,761,000 | 11,122,000 | 100.0 | 71.2 | 52.0 | 48.5 | 69.4 | 79.1 | + 13.9 |
| Paper and paper products ......... | 22,462,000 | 18,488,000 | 17,263,000 | 19,140,000 | 20,103,000 | 100.0 | 92.7 | 82.3 | 76.9 | 85.2 | 89.5 | + 5.0 |
| Petroleum products ................. | 230,169,000 | 179,546,000 | 163,315,000 | 176,097,000 | 178,367,000 | 100.0 | 83.8 | 78.0 | 71.0 | 76.5 | 77.5 | + 1.3 |
| Plumbing and heating equipment and supplies | 14,512,000 | 6,400,000 | 5,508,000 | 6,803,000 | 7,554,000 | 100.0 | 75.5 | 44.1 | 38.0 | 46.9 | 52.1 | + 11.0 |
| Tobacco and confectionery | 45,890,000 | 35,091,000 | 32,165,000 | 35,447,000 | 38,568,000 | 100.0 | 89.1 | 76.5 | 70.1 | 77.3 | 84.1 | + 8.8 |
| Waste materials | 10,118,000 | 5,290,000 | 6,335,000 | 8,404,000 | 9,721,000 | 100.0 | 78.7 | 52.3 | 62.6 | 83.1 | 96.1 | $+15.7$ |
| All other | 16,318,000 | 12,982,000 | 12,688,000 | 13,980,000 | 15,171,000 | 100.0 | 86.2 | 79.6 | 77.8 | 85.7 | 93.0 | + 8.5 |

Table 2．－CANADA－Total Sales and Sales Indexes by Kinds of Business

| Kind of Business | Total Net Sales |  |  |  |  | Indexes of Sales$(1930=100.0)$ |  |  |  |  |  | Per cent <br> Change <br> $1234-35$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\begin{gathered} 1930 \\ \text { (Actual) } \end{gathered}$ | （Estimated） |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  | 1932 | 1933 | 1934 | 1935 | 1930 | 1231 | 1932 | 1933 | 1234 | 1935 |  |
| Total | $1,370,066,000$ | $940,658,000$ | $900,496,000$ | $1,023,296,000$ | $1,080,742,000$ | 100.0 | 81.6 | 68.7 | 65.7 | 74.7 | 78.9 | $\pm 5.6$ |
| Amusement，photographic and sporting goods | 4，278，000 | 2，897，000 | 2，464，000 | 2，739，000 | 2，933，000 | 100.0 | 82．9 | 67.7 | 57.6 | 64.0 | 68.6 | $+\quad 7.1$ |
| Automotive．．．．．．．．．．．．．．． | 20，990，000 | 13，715，000 | 13，473，000 | 15，618，000 | 16，913，000 | 100.0 | 84.3 | 65.3 | 64.2 | T6． 4 | 80.6 | ＋ 8.3 |
| Automotive equipment and parts | 18，953，000 | 12，303，000 | 11，894，000 | 13，864，000 | 14，921，000 | 100.0 | 83.9 | 64.9 | 62.8 | 73.1 | 78.7 | ＋ 7.6 |
| Tires ．．．．．． | 2，037，000 | 1，412，000 | 1，579，000 | 1，754，000 | 1，992，000 | 100.0 | 88.1 | 69.3 | 77.5 | 86.1 | 97.8 | ＋ 13.9 |
| Chemicals and paints | 8，387，000 | 6，265，000 | 7，743，000 | 9，061，000 | 9，852，000 | 100.0 | 84.1 | 74.7 | 92.3 | 108.0 | 117.5 | ＋ 8.7 |
| Drugs and drug sundries | 27，973，000 | 23，831，000 | 22，139，000 | 23，340，000 | 24，814，000 | 100．0 | 96.3 | 85.2 | 79.1 | 83.4 | 88.7 | ＋ 6.3 |
| Coal and coke． | 50，252，000 | 42，142，000 | 42，881，000 | 51，047，000 | 52，227，000 | 200.0 | 87.9 | 83.9 | 85.3 | 101.6 | 103.9 | +2.3 |
| Dry goods and apparel | 102，358，000 | 66，823，000 | 64，396，000 | 73，283，000 | 75，450，000 | 100.0 | 79.0 | 65.3 | 62.9 | 71.6 | 73.7 | ＋ 3. |
| Clothing and furnishings（including millinery and shoes）．．．．．．．．．．．．．． | 24，451，000 | 17，712，000 | 16，703，000 | 18，533，000 | 19，677，000 | 100．0 | 83.5 | 72.4 | 68.3 | 75.8 | 80.5 | $\pm 6.2$ |
| Dry goods（including notions and piece goods） | 77，907，000 | 49，111，000 | 47，693，000 | 54，750，000 | 55，773，000 | 100.0 | 77.7 | 63.0 | 61.2 | 70.3 | 71.6 | ＋ 1.9 |
|  | 22，982，000 | 11，993，000 | 9，973，000 | 12，997，000 | 14，940，000 | 100．0 | 78.4 | 52.2 | 43.4 | 56.6 | 65.0 | ＋ 14.9 |
| Farm supplies | 16，037，000 | 10，386，000 | 8，719，000 | 10，849，000 | 11，153，000 | 100．0 | 87.2 | 64.8 | 54.4 | 67.6 | 69.5 | $\pm 2$. |
| Foods ．．．． | 540，820，000 | 381，745，000 | 377，670，000 | 422，162，000 | 444，529，000 | 100，0 | 83.4 87 | 70.6 | 69.8 | 78.1 | 82.2 | $+\quad 5.3$ $+\quad 3.4$ |
| Groceries | 223，838， 000 | 177，738，000 | 184，436，000 | 196，503，000 | 203，245，000 | 100．0 | 87.7 | 79.4 | 82． 4 | 87.8 | 90.8 | 3.4 $+\quad 8$ |
| Dairy and poultry products | 48，771，000 | $33,856,000$ $69,437,000$ | $32,185,000$ $63,176,000$ | $32,436,000$ $72,266,000$ | $36,273,000$ $75,480,000$ | 100.0 100.0 | 81.4 <br> 83.5 | 69.4 70.1 | 66.0 | 66.5 72.9 | 74.4 76.2 | $\begin{array}{r} +11.8 \\ +\quad 4.4 \end{array}$ |
| Fruits and vegeta Meats and fish．．． | 169，102，000 | 109，437，000 | 67，873，000 | 120，957，000 | 129，531，000 | 100.0 | 78 | 59.6 | 57.9 | 71.5 | 76.6 | ＋ 7.1 |
| Furniture anis house furnishings | 13，632，000 | 7，908，000 | 7，293，000 | 8，751，000 | 9，404，000 | 100．0 | 76.7 | 58.0 | 53.5 | 64.2 | 69．0 | ＋ 7.5 |
| General merchandise ．．．．．．．．．． | 13，478，000 | 9，302，000 | 8，668，000 | 3．0，256，000 | 11，097，000 | 100．0 | 78.1 | 69．0 | 64．3 | 76.1 | 82.3 | －8．2 |
| Handware | 65，943，000 | 39，195，000 | 38，025，000 | 46，209，000 | 49，260，000 | 100.0 | 76.5 | 59.4 | 57.7 | 70.1 | 74.7 | ＋ 6.6 |
| Jewellery exd optical goods | 10，858，000 | 7，258，000 | 6，935，000 | 8，397，000 | 9，711，000 | 100.0 | 85.8 | 67.8 | 63.9 | 77.3 | 89.4 | ＋ 15.7 |
| Jeweligry | 8，070，心ご | $4,893,0001$ | 4，430，000 | 5，533，000 | 6，559，000 | 100．0 | 82．9 | 60.6 | 54.8 | 68.5 | 81.2 | 18.5 |
| Optical gocds | 2，780，000 | 2，465，000 | 2，505，000 | 2，864，000 | 3，752，000 | 100．0 | 94.0 | 88.7 | 90.1 | 103.0 | 113.4 | $+10.1$ |
| Leathe and leather goods | 7，377，000 | 4，961，000 | 5，325，000 | 5，965，000 | 6，512，000 | 100.0 | 76.8 | 67．2 | 72.2 | 80.9 | 88.3 | ＋ 9.2 |
| Lumber and building materials ：．．．．．． | 51，872，000 | 22，885，000 | 18，912，000 | 21，869，000 | 27，584，000 | 100.0 | 73.8 | 44.1 | 36.5 | 47.9 | 53.2 | ＋ 10.9 |
| Machinery，equipment and suppiies ．．． | 59，321，000 | 24，141，000 | 21．789，000 | 28，121，000 | 33，757，000 | 100.0 | 55.1 | 40.7 | 36.7 | 47.4 | 56.9 | ＋ 20. |
| Commercial and service equipment and supplies | 6，710，000 | 4，237，000 | 0 | 4，044，000 | 4，550，000 | 100.0 | 78.3 | 63.1 | 52.5 | 60.3 | 67.8 | ＋ 22.5 |
| Farm machinery and equipment ．．．．． | 14，305，000 | 3，086，000 | 2，698，000 | 3，851，000 | 5，975，000 | 100.0 | 21.0 | 21.6 | 18.9 | 26.9 | 41.8 | $\pm 55.2$ |
| Professional equipment and supplies | 7，810，000 | 6，024，000 | 5，849，000 | 6，487，000 | 6，907，000 | 100.0 | 91.2 | 77.1 | 74.9 | 83.1 | 88.4 | $\pm 6.5$ |
| All other machinery，equipment and supplies | 30，496，000 | 10，794，000 | 9，721，000 | 13，739，000 | 16，325，000 | 100.0 | 56.7 | 35.4 | 31.9 | 45.1 | 53.5 | ＋ 18.8 |
| Metais and metal work | 14，059，000 | 7，314，000 | 6，817，000 | 9，761，000 | 11，122，000 | 100.0 | 71.2 | 52.0 | 48.5 | 69.4 | 79.1 | ＋ 13.9 |
| Paper and paper products | 22，462，000 | 18，488，000 | 17，263，000 | 19，140，000 | 20，103，000 | 100.0 | 82．7 | 82.3 | 76.9 | 85.2 | 89.5 | +5.0 $+\quad 1.3$ |
| Petroleum products． | 230，169，000 | 179，546，000 | 163，315，000 | 176，097，000 | 178，367，000 | 100.0 | 83.8 | 78.0 | 71.0 | 76.5 | 77.5 | $\pm 2.3$ |
| Plumbing and heating equipment and supplies | 14，512，000 | 6，400，000 | 5，508，000 | 6，803，000 | 7，554，000 | 100.0 | 75.5 | 44.1 | 38.0 | 46.9 | 52.1 | $+21.8$ |
| Tobacco and confectionery | 45，870，000 | 35，091，000 | 32，165，000 | 35，447，000 | 38，568，000 | 100.0 | 89.1 | 76.5 | 70.1 | 87.3 | 84.1 |  |
| Waste materials ．．． | $10,118,000$ $16,318,000$ | $5,290,000$ $12,982,000$ | $6,335,000$ $12,688,000$ | $\begin{array}{r}8,404,000 \\ 13,980,000 \\ \hline\end{array}$ | 15，721，000 | 100.0 <br> 100.0 | 78．7 | 52.3 79.6 | 62.8 <br> 77.8 | 85.7 | 96.1 | $\begin{array}{r} +85.7 \\ +\quad 8.5 \\ \hline \end{array}$ |


| Kind of Business | Total Net Sales |  |  |  |  | Indexes of Sales$(1930=100.0)$ |  |  |  |  |  | Per cent Change 1934-35 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\begin{gathered} 1930 \\ (\text { Actual) } \end{gathered}$ | (Estimated) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  | 1932 | 1933 | 1934 | 1935 | 1930 | 1931 | 1232 | 1233 | 1934 | 1935 |  |
| Total | 92,302,000 | 64,880,000 | 62,666,000 | 71,044,000 | 74,101,000 | 200.0 | 85.6 | 70.3 | 67.9 | 77.0 | 80.3 | $\begin{array}{r} \\ +\quad 4.3 \\ \hline\end{array}$ |
| Automotive | 1,609,000 | 1,009,000 | 975,000 | 1,052,000 | 1,207,000 | 100.0 | 75.3 | 62.7 | 60.6 | 65.4 | 75.0 | + 14.7 |
| Drugs and drug sundries | 2,112,000 | 1,742,000 | 1,445,000 | 1,529,000 | 1,542,000 | 100.0 | 92.6 | 82.5 | 68.4 | 72.4 | 73.0 | + 0.9 |
| Coal and coke... | 561,000 | 489,000 | 448,000 | 462,000 | 479,000 | 100.0 | 94.9 | 87.2 | 79.9 | 82.4 | 85.4 | + 3.7 |
| Dry goods and apparel | 3,665:000 | 2,287,000 | 2,171,000 | 2,455,000 | 2,627,000 | 100.0 | 78.6 | 62.4 | 59.2 | 67.0 | 71.7 | + 7.0 |
| Farm supplies | 792,000 | 597,000 | 576,000 | 691,000 | 642,000 | 100.0 | 88.7 | 75.4 | 72.7 | 87.3 | 81.0 | + 7.1 |
| Foods | 49,380,000 | 34,586,000 | 34,685,000 | 38,528,000 | 39,721,000 | 100.0 | 84.6 | 70.0 | 70.2 | 78.0 | 80.4 | +3.1 $+\quad 2.3$ |
| Groceries | 27,282,000 | 21,017,000 | 21, 717,000 | 23,616,000 | 24,154,000 | 100.0 | 86.3 | 77.0 | 79.6 | 86.6 | 88.5 | +2.3 |
| Dairy and poultry products | 1,857,000 | 1,045,000 | 1,083,000 | 1,123,000 | 1,304,000 | 100.0 | 56.3 | 56.3 | 58.3 | 60.5 | 70.2 | + 16.1 |
| Fruits and vegetables | 7,218,000 | 4,309,000 | 4,049,000 | 4,699,000 | 4,850,000 | 100.0 | 79.7 | 59.7 | 56.1 | 65.1 | 67.2 | + 3.2 |
| Meats and fish | 13,023,000 | 8,215,000 | 7,836,000 | 9,090,000 | 9,413,000 | 100.0 | 87.9 | 63.1 | 60.2 | 69.8 | 72.3 | +3.6 |
| Furniture and house furnishings | 984,000 | 622,000 | 563,000 | 686,000 | 703,000 | 100.0 | 90.6 | 63.2 | 57.2 | 69.7 | 71.4 | $+\quad 2.5$ $+\quad 6.6$ |
| General merchandise | 1,330,000 | 842,000 | 870,000 | 992,000 | 1,057,000 | 100.0 | 76.1 | 63.2 | 65.4 | 74.6 | 79.5 | $\pm 6.6$ |
| Hardware | 8,082,000 | 4,865,000 | 4,607,000 | 5,480,000 | 5,455,000 | 100.0 | 84.0 | 60.2 | 57.0 | 67.8 | 67.5 | - 0.5 |
| Jewellery and optical goods ... | 307,000 | 225,000 | 221,000 | 257,000 | 270,000 | 100.0 | 87.3 | 73.3 | 72.0 | 83.7 | 87.9 | + 5.1 |
| Lumber and building materials. | 1,544,000 | 644,000 | 512,000 | 736,000 | 773,000 | 100.0 | 84.3 | 41.7 | 33.2 | 47.7 | 50.1 | + 5.0 |
| Machinery, equipment and supplies | 1,786,000 | 890,000 | 701,000 | 933,000 | 964,000 | 100.0 | 64.9 | 49.8 | 39.2 | 52.2 | 54.0 | $+3.3$ |
| Paper and paper products | 924,000 | 742,000 | 678,000 | 782,000 | 783,000 | 100.0 | 90.2 | 80.3 | 73.4 | 84.6 | 84.7 | + 0.1 |
| Petroleum products ............ | 15,641,000 | 12,888,000 | 11,918,000 | 13,920,000 | 15,219,000 | 100.0 | 93.2 | 82.4 | 76.2 | 89.0 | 97.3 | + 9.3 |
| Tobacco and confectionery | 1,628,000 | 1,184,000 | 1,053,000 | 1,156,000 | 1,158,000 | 100.0 | 89.1 | 72.7 | 64.7 | 71.0 | 71.1 | $+\quad 0.2$ $+\quad 8.4$ |
| All other | 1,957,000 | 1,269,000 | 1,243,000 | 1,385,000 | 1,501,000 | 100.0 | 83.0 | 64.8 | 63.5 | 70.8 | 76.7 | + 8.4 |

Table 4.--QUEBEC - Total Sales and Sales Indexes by Kinds of Business

| Kind of Business | Total Net Sales |  |  |  |  | Indexes of Sales$(1930=100.0)$ |  |  |  |  |  | $\begin{gathered} \text { Per cent } \\ \text { Change } \\ 1934-35 \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $1930$ | (Estimated) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Actual) | 1932 | 1933 | 1934 | 1935 | 1930 | 1931 | 1932 | 1933 | 1934 | 1235 |  |
| Tot | 386,229,000 | 267,905,000 | 254,696,000 | 288,417,000 | 299,999,000 | 100.0 | 83.7 | 69.4 | 65.9 | 74.7 | 77.7 | $\begin{array}{r} \\ +\quad 4.0 \\ \hline\end{array}$ |
| Amusement, photographic and sporting goods | 787,000 | 620,000 | 491,000 | 552,000 | 574,000 | 100.0 | 88.5 | 78.8 | 62.4 | 70.2 | 72.9 | $\pm 4.0$ |
| Automotive | 3,690,000 | 2,189,000 | 2,140,000 | 2,227,000 | 2,254,000 | 100.0 | 79.8 | 59.3 | 58.0 | 60.4 | 61.1 | + 1.2 |
| Chemicals and paints | 4,150,000 | 3,229,000 | 4,042,000 | 5,055,000 | 5,424,000 | 100.0 | 86.4 | 77.8 | 97.4 | 121.8 | 130.7 | + 7.3 |
| Drugs and drug sundri | 9,159,000 | 7,455,000 | 6,869,000 | 6,997,000 | 7,309,000 | 100.0 | 93.7 | 81.4 | 75.0 | 76.4 | 79.8 | +. 4.5 |
| Coal and coke | 26,712,000 | 21,877,000 | 20,835,000 | 24,094,000 | 23,293,000 | 100.0 | 85.8 | 81.9 | 78.0 | 90.2 | 87.2 | $=3.3$ |
| Dry goods and apparel | 45,569,000 | 28,910,000 | 27,701,000 | 32,213,000 | 33,728,000 | 100.0 | 79.2 | 63.4 | 60.8 | 70.7 | 74.0 | $+\quad 4.7$ |
| Electrical. | 5,935,000 | 3,341,000 | 2,748,000 | 3,727,000 | 3,971,000 | 100.0 | 82.5 | 56.3 | 46.3 | 62.8 | 66.9 | + 6.5 |
| Farm supplies | 4,959,000 | 3,402,000 | 3,099,000 | 3,491,000 | 3,600,000 | 100.0 | 85.7 | 68.6 | 62.5 | 70.4 | 72.6 | + 3.1 |
| Foods ..... | 151,570,000 | 109,528,000 | 107,397,000 | 116,694,000 | 122,645,000 | 100.0 | 85.1 | 72.3 | 70.9 | 77.0 | 80.9 | + 5.1 |
| Groceries ............ | 49,291,000 | 37,345,000 | 37,807,000 | 38,600,000 | 39,188,000 | 100.0 | 86.7 | 74.7 | 75.6 | 77.2 | 78.4 | + 1.5 |
| Dairy and poultry products | 37,018,000 | 26,024,000 | 24,432,000 | 23,729,000 | 26,764,000 | 100.0 | 82.3 | 70.3 | 66.0 | 64.1 | 72.3 | + 12.8 |
| Fruits and vegetables Neats and fish..... | 23,193,000 | 18,114,000 | 16,235,000 | 18,578,000 | 19,482,000 | 100.0 | 88.9 | 78.1 | 70.0 | 80.1 | 84.0 | + 4.9 |
| Meats and fish ............... | $41,368,000$ $5,661,000$ | 28,045,000 | 28,923,000 | 35,787,000 | 37,211,000 | 100.0 | 83.6 | 67.8 | 69.9 | 86,5 | 90.0 | + 4.0 |
| Furniture and house furnishings General merchandise | $5,661,000$ $4,740,000$ | $3,278,000$ $2,825,000$ | $2,881,000$ $2,455,000$ | $3,617,000$ $2,835,000$ | $3,980,000$ $2,844,000$ | 100.0 | 77.9 | 57.9 | 50.9 | 63.91 | 70.3 | + 10.0 |
| Hardware .......... | $4,740,000$ $15,213,000$ | $2,825,000$ $9,356,000$ | $2,455,000$ $8,687,000$ | $2,835,000$ $10,147,000$ | $2,844,000$ $10,649,000$ | 100.0 100.0 | 72.2 81.0 | 59.6 61.5 | 51.8 57.1 | 59.8 66.7 | 60.0 | +10.0 $+\quad 0.3$ $+\quad 4.9$ |
| Jewellery and optical goods | 3,427,000 | 2:498,000 | 2,167,000 | 2,531,000 | 2,846,000 | 100.0 | 87.5 | 72.9 | 63.2 | 73.9 | 83.0 | + 12.4 |
| Leather and leather goods ... | 3,054,000 | 1,875,000 | 1,909,000 | 2,034,000 | 2,297,000 | 100.0 | 76.2 | 61.4 | 62.5 | 66.6 | 75.2 | + 12.9 |
| Lumber and building materials .... | 13,440,000 | 5,481,000 | 4,271,000 | 5,616,000 | 5,873,000 | 100.0 | 72.1 | 40.8 | 31.8 | 41.8 | 43.7 | + 4.6 |
| Machinery, equipment and supplies ........ Metals and metal work .......................... | 14,767,000 | 5,949,000 | 5,323,000 | 6,564,000 | 7,361,000 | 100.0 | 64.8 | 40.3 | 36.0 | 44.5 | 49.8 | $+12.1$ |
| Metals and metal work | $8,424,000$ $6,009,000$ | 4,490,000 | 4,178,000 | 5,770,000 | 6,200,000 | 100.0 | 70.1 | 53.3 | 49.6 | 68.5 | 73.6 | + 7.5 |
| Petroleum products | $6,009,000$ $37,398,000$ | $4,759,000$ $32,087,000$ | $4,405,000$ $28,759,000$ | 4,951,000 | 5,270,000 | 100.0 | 92.0 | 79.2 | 73.3 | 82.4 | 87.7 | + 6.4 |
| Plumbing and heating equipment and supplies | 5,431,000 | 2,493,000 | 28,113,000 | 2,569,000 | $31,863,000$ $2,764,000$ | 100.0 | 77.5 | 85.8 45.9 | 76.9 38.9 | 88.9 47.3 | 85.2 50.9 | $+\quad 4.2$ $+\quad 7.6$ |
| Tobacco and confectionery | 8,292,000 | 6,377,000 | 5,804,000 | 6,003,000 | 6,675,000 | 100.0 | 91.0 | 76.9 | 70.0 | 72.4 | 80.5 | $+\quad 7.6$ +11.2 |
| All other | 7,842,000 | 5,886,000 | 6,422,000 | 7,483,000 | 8,579,000 | 100.0 | 85.1 | 75.1 | 81.9 | 95.4 | 109.4 | $+14.6$ |

Table 5.--ONTARIO - Total Sales and Sales Indexes by Kinds of Business



Table 7.--BRITISH COLUWBIA - Total Sales and Sales Indexes by Kinds of Business

| Kind of Business | Total Net Sales |  |  |  |  | Indexes of Sales$1930=100.0)$ |  |  |  |  |  | $\left\{\begin{array}{c} \text { Per cent } \\ \text { Change } \\ 1934-35 \end{array}\right.$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\begin{gathered} 1930 \\ \text { (Actual) } \end{gathered}$ | (Estimated) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  | 1932 | 1933 | 1934 | 1935 | 2930 | 1931 | 1932 | 1933 | 1934 | 1935 |  |
|  | ? | \% | \% | 3 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total | $231,414,000$ | 85,102,000 | $83.418,000$ | 24, 131,000 | 102,171.000 | 100.0 | 81.9 | 64.8 | 63.5 | 71.6 | 27.7 | + 8.5 |
| Sutomotive | 2,038,000 | 1,213,000 | 1.232,000 | 1,426,000 | 2, 468,000 | 100.0 | 79.2 | 59.5 | 60.5 | 70.0 | 72.0 | + 2,9 |
| Chenieais and paints | 875,000 | 690,000 | 852,000 | 921:000 | 3:005,000 | $\underline{100.0}$ | 92.8 | 78.9 | 97.4 | 1.05:2 | 11-4.9 | - 9.7 |
| Drugs and dive sundrios | 3:410,000 | 2,903,000 | 2,64,4,000 | 2,813,000 | 2,939,000 | 300.0 | 95.3 | 85.11 | 77.5 | 82.5 | 85.2 | + 4.5 |
| Ty goods and apparel | 4,6:0,000 | 2.656,000 | 2,759,000 | $3,650,000$ | 3,304,000 | 2.00.0 | 70.0́ | 55.9 | 59.2 | 65.3 | 70.7 | $\pm 8.3$ |
| mactrical ....... | $3,42,5000$ | 1.998,000 | 2,205,000 | $\therefore .573,000$ | 2,296,000 | 1.00.0 | 7-5 | 150.51 | 135.3 | 49.0 | $6 \div 3$ | + 32.3 |
| Fiouds | $59,9 ? 2,000$ | 35.857,006 | 37, 645:000 | 10, 582,000 | 43.706,000 | 100.0 | 81.0 | 63.6 | 64,9 | 70.1 | 75. | + 6.? |
| Grocer*es | 26: 734,000 | 12, 626,000 | 20,151,000 | 22, 235,000 | 22,074,000 | 7.00 .0 | 88.3 | 70.2 | 76.]. | 80.2 | 83.4 | + 4.0 |
| Datiry and poultry produc $\ddagger$ s | 1, 5!1,000 | 1,22,3,002 | 3,236,000 | 1,230,000 | i,251,000 | 100.0 | 134.1 | 77.2 | 73.7 | 78.3 | 79.6 | + 1.7 |
| Pruits and regstables .... | 9,524,000 | 5,66́7,000 | 5,705,000 | - ,227,000 | 7,205,000 | 100. 0 | 75.4 | 59.5 | 59.9 | 65.4 | 74.6 | + 14.1 |
| dasts and fis? .o.. | 20,3,3,000 | 11. 341,000 | 13,0,553:000 | 12,206, 000 | 13,256,000 | 100.0 | 73.8 | 55.6 | 151=7 | 60.2 | 64.5 | + 7.9 |
| Fusmiture and house iurnishings | 2,293,000 | 663,200 | 662,000 | 1,010,000 | 1, 1.32,000 | 100.0 | 79.9 | 55.61 | 155.3 | 84.7 | 04.9 | $\pm 12.1$ |
| Haidware ..................... | 20,314,000 | 5,229,000 | 5,631,000 | 7,282,000 | 8,303,000 | 100.0 | 73.7 | 50.7 | 54.6 | 70.6 | 80.5 | + 14.0 |
| Jewollery and optical goods ............... | 585,000 | 4.31,000 | 413,000 | 493,000 | 555,000 | 100.0 | 89.7 | 73.7 | 70.6 | 84.3 | 94.9 | + 12.6 |
| Lumber and building materials ............ | 6,310,000 | 3,275,000 | 2,345,000 | 2,509,000 | 3,182,000 | 100.0 | 79.6 | 51.9 | 37.2 | 39.8 | 50.4 | + 26.8 |
| Machinery, equipment and supplies ......... | 4,321,000 | 1,736,000 | 1,838,000 | 2,527,000 | 2,976,000 | 100.0 | 64.4 | 40.2 | 42.5 | 58.5 | 68.9 | + 17.8 |
| Metals and metal work ..................... | 867,000 | 490,000 | 552,000 | 861,000 | 929,000 | 100.0 | 94.9 | 56.6 | 63.6 | 99.3 | 107.2 | + 7.9 |
| Paper and paper products .................. | 2,619,000 | 2,252,000 | 2,103,000 | 2,265,000 | 2,396,000 | 100.0 | 99.8 | 86.0 | 80.3 | 86.5 | 91.5 | + 5.8 |
| Petroleum products .......................... | 22,826,000 | 18,466,000 | 17,485,000 | 19,219,000 | 20,406,000 | 100.0 | 92.3 | 80.9 | 76.6 | 84.2 | 89.4 | + 6.2 |
| Plumbing and heating equipment and supplies | 1,209,000 | 416,000 | 412,000 | 470,000 | 619,000 | 100.0 | 64.5 | 34.4 | 34.1 | 38.9 | 51.2 | $+31.7$ |
| Tobacco and confectionery .................. | 4,888,000 | 3,627,000 | 3,251,000 | 3,583,000 | 3,925,000 | 100.0 | 85.0 | 74.2 | 66.5 | 73.3 | 80.3 | + 9.5 |
| All other ................ | 3,902,000 | 2,210,000 | 2,391,000 | 3,049,000 | 3,130,000 | 100.0 | 72.7 | 56.6 | 61.3 | 78.1 | 80.2 | + 2.7 |



