

on the results of the annual surveys. Wholesale trade in Canada during 1935 totalled \$1,080,742,000 compared with \$1,370,066,000 in 1930. While sales were still 21.1 p.c. below the 1930 level, the improvement which commenced during 1933 was continued, an increase of 5.6 p.c. over the amount of trade recorded for 1934 bringing the index for 1935 within 4 p.c. of that for 1931. The largest increases in sales in 1934 were reported by firms dealing in industrial equipment and supplies which had suffered the most severe losses in trade between 1930 and 1933. To what extent movements in the value of wholesale sales are due to changes in prices or to variations in the physical volume of goods handled cannot be determined accurately.

29.—Total Sales and Indexes of Sales made by Wholesalers Proper, by Provinces and Kinds of Business, 1930-35.

Province or Kind of Business.	Total Net Sales.				Indexes of Sales. (1930=100.)						Per cent Change, 1934-35.
	1930.	1933.	1934.	1935.	1930.	1931.	1932.	1933.	1934.	1935.	
	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000							p.c.
Prince Edward Island.....	7,518	4,662	5,315	5,309	100.0	83.5	57.2	62.0	70.7	70.6	- 0.1
Nova Scotia.....	46,464	32,812	37,425	39,031	100.0	85.6	73.5	70.6	80.5	84.0	+ 4.3
New Brunswick.....	38,320	25,192	28,304	29,761	100.0	85.9	68.9	65.7	73.9	77.7	+ 5.1
Quebec.....	386,229	254,696	288,417	299,999	100.0	83.7	69.4	65.9	74.7	77.7	+ 4.0
Ontario.....	471,618	324,828	374,288	392,730	100.0	84.4	70.9	68.9	79.4	83.3	+ 4.9
Manitoba.....	98,960	64,461	72,992	80,099	100.0	77.7	68.5	65.1	73.8	80.9	+ 9.7
Saskatchewan.....	90,210	48,555	53,580	59,206	100.0	66.2	59.5	53.8	59.4	65.6	+ 10.5
Alberta.....	99,333	61,872	68,844	72,436	100.0	74.6	67.2	62.3	69.3	72.9	+ 5.2
British Columbia.....	131,414	83,418	94,131	102,171	100.0	81.9	64.8	63.5	71.6	77.7	+ 8.5
Canada.....	1,370,066	900,496	1,023,296	1,080,742	100.0	81.6	68.7	65.7	74.7	78.9	+ 5.6
Amusement, photographic and sporting goods.....	4,278	2,464	2,739	2,933	100.0	82.9	67.7	57.6	64.0	68.6	+ 7.1
Automotive.....	20,990	13,473	15,618	16,913	100.0	84.3	65.3	64.2	74.4	80.6	+ 8.3
Chemicals and paints.....	8,387	7,743	9,061	9,852	100.0	84.1	74.7	92.3	108.0	117.5	+ 8.7
Drugs and drug sundries.....	27,973	22,139	23,340	24,814	100.0	96.3	85.2	79.1	83.4	88.7	+ 6.3
Coal and coke.....	50,252	42,581	51,047	52,227	100.0	87.9	83.9	85.3	101.6	103.9	+ 2.3
Dry goods and apparel.....	102,358	64,396	73,283	75,450	100.0	79.0	65.3	62.9	71.6	73.7	+ 3.0
Electrical.....	22,982	9,973	12,907	14,940	100.0	78.4	52.2	43.4	56.6	65.0	+ 14.9
Farm supplies.....	16,037	8,719	10,849	11,153	100.0	87.2	64.8	54.4	67.6	69.5	+ 2.8
Foods.....	540,820	377,670	422,162	444,529	100.0	83.4	70.6	69.8	78.1	82.2	+ 5.3
Groceries.....	288,838	184,436	196,509	203,245	100.0	87.7	79.4	82.4	87.8	90.8	+ 3.4
Dairy and poultry products.....	48,771	32,185	32,436	36,273	100.0	81.4	69.4	66.0	66.5	74.4	+ 11.8
Fruits and vegetables.....	99,102	63,176	72,266	75,480	100.0	83.5	70.1	63.7	72.9	76.2	+ 4.4
Meats and fish.....	169,109	97,873	120,957	129,531	100.0	78.4	59.6	57.9	71.5	76.6	+ 7.1
Furniture and house furnishings.....	13,632	7,293	8,751	9,404	100.0	76.7	58.0	53.5	64.2	69.0	+ 7.5
General merchandise.....	13,478	8,668	10,256	11,097	100.0	78.1	69.0	64.3	76.1	82.3	+ 8.2
Hardware.....	65,943	38,025	46,209	49,260	100.0	76.5	59.4	57.7	70.1	74.7	+ 6.6
Jewellery and optical goods.....	10,858	6,935	8,397	9,711	100.0	85.8	67.8	63.9	77.3	89.4	+ 15.7
Leather and leather goods.....	7,377	5,325	5,965	6,512	100.0	76.8	67.2	72.2	80.9	88.3	+ 9.2
Lumber and building materials.....	51,872	18,912	24,869	27,584	100.0	73.8	44.1	36.5	47.9	53.2	+ 10.9
Machinery, equipment and supplies.....	59,321	21,789	28,121	33,757	100.0	55.1	40.7	36.7	47.4	56.9	+ 20.0
Metals and metal work.....	14,059	6,817	9,761	11,122	100.0	71.2	52.0	48.5	69.4	79.1	+ 13.9
Paper and paper products.....	22,482	17,263	19,140	20,103	100.0	92.7	82.3	76.9	85.2	89.5	+ 5.0
Petroleum products.....	230,169	163,315	176,097	178,367	100.0	83.8	78.0	71.0	76.5	77.5	+ 1.3
Pumbing and heating equipment and supplies.....	14,512	5,508	6,803	7,554	100.0	75.5	44.1	38.0	46.9	52.1	+ 11.0
Tobacco and confectionery.....	45,870	32,165	35,447	38,568	100.0	89.1	76.5	70.1	77.3	84.1	+ 8.8
Waste materials.....	10,118	6,335	8,404	9,721	100.0	78.7	62.3	62.6	83.1	96.1	+ 15.7
All other.....	16,318	12,688	13,980	15,171	100.0	86.2	79.6	77.8	85.7	93.0	+ 8.5

¹ The difference between this total and that shown under the heading of wholesalers proper on pp. 671-672 of the 1934-35 Year Book is due to a reclassification of some firms as between wholesalers proper and other bulk distributors.