28.—Bulk Merchandising (Wholesale and Other Non-Retail) in Cities of 20,000 Population or Over, 1930.

		All Establishments.					Wholesalers Proper.	
City and Province.	Popula- tion, 1931.	Estab- lish- ments.	Em- ployess.	Salaries and Wages.	Net Sales (1930).	Stocks on Hand, End of Year (at Cost).	Estab- lish- ments.	Net Sales (1930).
	No.	No.	No.	\$	\$	\$	No.	\$
Montreal, Que Toronto, Ont Vancouver, B.C Winnipeg, Man Hamilton, Ont Quebec, Que Ottawa, Ont Calgary, Alta Edmonton, Alta London, Ont Windsor, Ont Verdun, Que Halifax, N.S Regina, Sask Saint Jonn, N.B Saskatoon, Sask Victoria, B.C Three Rivers, Que Kitchener, Ont Brantford, Ont Hull, Que Sherbrooke, Que Outremont, Que Fort William, Ont. St. Catharines,	\$19,577 631,207 246,593 218,785 155,547 130,594 126,8722 83,761 79,197 71,148 63,108 60,745 59,275 53,209 47,514 43,291 39,082 35,450 30,107 29,433 28,933 28,933 28,641	1,838 1,835 761 768 191 249 261 200 147 92 6 163 148 181 115 65 30 51 36 11 41	21,400 19,891 5,712 8,379 1,778 2,416 1,660 2,818 1,832 1,269 725 1,462 1,964 1,462 1,964 1,462 1,964 1,462 1,964 1,462 1,964 1,462 1,964 1,462 1,964 1,462 1,462 1,462 1,463 1,462 1,463 1,462 1,463	\$ 35,649,800 33,743,000 9,757,200 14,215,600 2,904,800 3,167,800 2,447,600 4,916,100 3,115,700 2,145,000 1,155,400 22,400 2,181,600 2,283,500 417,200 75,200 540,500 292,000 650,400	766,332,800 691,738,400 211,111,800 635,722,200 47,755,800 75,180,800 92,127,900 63,940,100 32,059,000 19,141,800 592,700 42,676,900 42,676,900 49,538,200 13,704,000 5,083,500 7,391,400 7,184,400 1,138,500 9,452,200 4,572,300 15,627,100	68,043,000 60,106,000 23,059,900 25,522,100 5,578,600 11,715,600 8,193,500 3,565,000 1,818,700 28,900 3,998,200 9,713,200 4,974,800 6,323,200 1,839,400 866,700	1,035 971 341 314 119 144 114 114 82 83 56 6 84 60 83 51 36 20 52 27	\$ 287, 176, 800 227, 375, 400 78, 382, 100 72, 862, 800 21, 314, 200 33, 497, 800 26, 254, 000 30, 499, 000 24, 701, 200 15, 503, 400 9, 819, 700 20, 439, 600 17, 637, 300 17, 905, 700 17, 316, 000 8, 114, 300 2, 700, 730 3, 428, 400 3, 583, 100 310, 300 7, 146, 600 1, 127, 500 7, 897, 900 1, 378, 300
Westmount, Que Kingston, Ont Oshawa, Ont Sydney, N.S	24,235 23,439 23,439 23,089	7 39 19	173 280 286	302,400	2,059,200 7,351,100 16,689,600 6,857,000	426, 100 1,400,700 226,800	5 29 8	1,378,300 1,208,000 4,582,100 1,021,800 5,316,200
Sault Ste. Marie, Ont	23,082 22,327 21,299 21,075 20,706	25 37 21 6	136 320 138 18	497,700 196,300 18,000	4,997,100 3,874,100 9,980,700 3,430,600 478,700 6,195,800		13 19 16 4	3,433,000 2,031,400 5,969,900 2,580,800 386,800 3,254,200

Annual Wholesale Statistics.—In constructing an annual index of wholesale sales, the chief objective has been to obtain the most representative measure of wholesale trade and particularly of the pre-retail business. This annual index is confined to wholesalers proper. Wholesalers proper are mainly wholesale merchants, importers, exporters, and supply and machinery distributors. From this group are excluded such distributors as agents and brokers, manufacturers' sales branches and other types of specialized distributors. However, in order to attain the abovementioned objective of a representative measure of wholesale trade, it was later found to be necessary to make certain alterations in the classifications used in presenting the results of the Census of Merchandising and Service Establishments, 1931. These alterations were referred to at p. 612 of the 1937 Year Book.

Total sales and indexes are shown in Table 29, by provinces and kinds of business; the 1930 figures are those of the census, while those for 1931-35 are estimates based on the results of the annual surveys. Wholesale trade in Canada during 1936 totalled \$1,181,543,000 compared with \$1,370,066,000 in 1930. While sales were still 13.8 p.c. below the 1930 level, the improvement which commenced during 1933 was continued, an increase of 9.3 p.c. over the amount of trade recorded for 1935 bringing the index for 1936 more than 5 p.c. above that for 1931. The largest increases in sales in 1936 were reported by firms dealing in industrial or building