

3.—Industrial and Commercial Failures in Canada, by Divisions of Industry, 1939-41
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Industry and Division	Failures			Liabilities		
	1939	1940	1941	1939	1940	1941
	No.	No.	No.	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Wholesale Trade—						
Farm products, foods, groceries.....	20	18	15	372	540	144
Clothing and furnishings.....	9	6	1	193	102	18
Dry goods and textiles.....	6	2	2	215	53	11
Lumber, building materials, hardware.....	7	9	4	137	123	22
Chemicals and drugs.....	2	3	1	48	16	1
Fuels.....	Nil	Nil	3	—	—	37
Automotive products.....	2	3	7	15	50	113
Supply houses.....	Nil	Nil	3	—	—	44
All other.....	31	31	6	313	244	149
Totals, Wholesale Trade.....	77	72	42	1,293	1,128	539
Retail Trade—						
Foods.....	213	272	213	683	837	968
Farm supplies, general stores.....	101	82	74	829	557	381
General merchandise.....	46	33	23	214	205	156
Apparel.....	183	117	82	989	754	347
Furniture, household furniture.....	41	28	16	360	208	93
Lumber, building materials, hardware.....	45	43	32	392	482	198
Automotive products.....	66	47	46	722	351	388
Restaurants.....	90	72	64	252	180	191
Drugs.....	20	25	17	88	98	115
All other.....	69	55	47	417	277	281
Totals, Retail Trade.....	874	774	614	4,946	3,949	3,118
Construction—						
General contractors.....	13	19	20	499	266	209
Carpenters and builders.....	9	10	5	97	99	24
Building sub-contractors.....	31	25	27	197	182	253
Other contractors.....	Nil	2	3	—	22	33
Totals, Construction.....	53	56	55	793	569	519
Commercial Service—						
Cleaners and dyers, tailors.....	10	20	4	77	197	29
Haulage, buses, taxis, etc.....	10	15	14	109	104	210
Hotels.....	11	3	3	239	57	34
Laundries.....	7	1	1	269	Nil	18
Undertakers.....	2	6	4	9	31	25
All other.....	21	14	15	71	61	48
Totals, Commercial Service.....	61	59	41	774	450	364
Grand Totals.....	1,299	1,158	882	11,635	9,578	6,959

Section 2.—Commercial Failures from Administrations under
Dominion Legislation

Under the Bankruptcy and Winding Up Acts (R.S.C. 1927, cc. 11 and 213) certain documents relating to estates administered under these Acts have, since July, 1920, been forwarded to the Dominion Statistician for statistical analysis. However, changes in the Acts effective in 1923 affected the comparability with 1921 and 1922, the two earliest full years for which statistics are compiled. The series in the tables below, therefore, begin with 1923, except for the analysis by branches of business, in Table 5, in which case 1924 is the first year for which the analysis