

**Wholesale Trade in Urban Centres.**—The wholesale trade for 1941 in urban centres of over 30,000 population according to the 1941 Census is shown in Table 18. Almost one-half of the total trade was transacted in the two great distributing centres of Montreal and Toronto. These two cities together with Vancouver and Winnipeg transacted 64 p.c. of the total trade while the proportion for all cities of over 30,000 population taken together was 81·8 p.c.

**18.—Wholesale Trade in Urban Centres of Over 30,000 Population, 1941**

Urban Centre	Estab- lish- ments	Total Sales		Employees		Salaries, Wages and Com- missions	Stocks on Hand, End of Year	
		On Own Account	On Com- mission	Male	Female		Owued	Held on Consign- ment
		No.	\$'000	\$'000	No.		No.	\$'000
Brantford.....	55	7,140	250	199	38	355	414	Nil
Calgary.....	376	77,884	30,269	2,330	501	4,442	9,610	743
Edmonton.....	261	65,420	18,567	1,983	459	3,831	7,908	993
Fort William.....	60	14,632	3,572	383	65	689	1,539	165
Halifax.....	223	91,706	10,287	1,787	494	3,591	6,192	364
Hamilton.....	277	84,391	12,727	1,705	407	3,602	6,255	315
Hull.....	26	2,665	Nil	101	27	182	195	Nil
Kingston.....	49	8,937	787	291	61	491	1,237	1
Kitchener.....	73	12,206	1,826	330	71	642	1,239	33
London.....	177	37,148	2,654	1,201	282	2,280	4,300	496
Montreal.....	2,974	1,163,695	285,114	19,630	5,432	44,698	80,486	3,938
Ottawa.....	273	63,074	5,336	1,567	345	3,067	5,196	66
Outremont.....	35	8,202	405	160	28	315	808	7
Quebec.....	386	107,456	14,805	2,471	387	4,197	10,979	425
Regina.....	177	42,903	6,880	1,499	411	2,901	6,260	898
St. Catharines.....	58	8,288	184	178	36	285	389	Nil
Saint John.....	183	48,217	7,009	1,509	424	2,837	4,786	99
Saskatoon.....	145	36,289	6,437	1,147	239	1,897	5,061	418
Sherbrooke.....	67	13,715	539	456	68	786	1,464	29
Sudbury.....	35	13,259	69	279	55	471	936	1
Toronto.....	2,787	956,220	179,819	18,232	6,432	44,235	97,468	3,896
Three Rivers.....	78	7,354	391	341	27	446	840	84
Vancouver.....	1,085	225,818	78,449	6,522	1,700	14,045	27,868	1,314
Verdun.....	21	2,213	Nil	74	19	169	300	Nil
Victoria.....	105	20,999	862	590	108	1,052	2,363	21
Windsor.....	165	45,511	1,552	948	188	1,889	3,488	43
Winnipeg.....	917	258,343	235,884	6,353	1,636	12,826	33,466	3,254
<b>Totals, Urban Centres of Over 30,000.....</b>	<b>11,068</b>	<b>3,423,655</b>	<b>904,674</b>	<b>72,266</b>	<b>19,940</b>	<b>156,221</b>	<b>321,047</b>	<b>17,603</b>

**Wholesale Trade by Number of Employees.**—In Table 19 the wholesale trading establishments are grouped according to the average number of persons employed in the business during the year. There were 7,053 wholesale establishments in 1941, or about 28·5 p.c. of the total, which operated without the aid of paid employees. These represent mainly agents and some assemblers of primary products such as country buyers of farm produce, the work in these cases being carried on by the proprietor alone. There were only 90 establishments with as many as 100 employees and these transacted 8·7 p.c. of the total business.