

2.—Industrial and Commercial Failures, by Divisions of Industry, 1945-47

(From Dun and Bradstreet, Incorporated)

NOTE.—Comparable figures for 1934-44 are given in the corresponding table of previous Year Books.

Industry and Division	Failures			Liabilities		
	1945	1946	1947	1945	1946	1947
	No.	No.	No.	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Manufacturing—						
Foods.....	1	2	10	8	20	270
Textiles.....	3	4	13	24	102	309
Forest products.....	12	7	28	341	108	942
Paper, printing and publishing.....	5	2	3	343	126	60
Chemicals and drugs.....	Nil	2	4	-	99	24
Fuels.....	"	Nil	1	-	-	6
Leather and leather products.....	"	"	7	-	-	124
Stone, clay, glass and products.....	"	"	3	-	-	43
Iron and steel.....	"	2	4	-	909	301
Machinery.....	4	4	17	192	84	835
Transportation equipment.....	3	2	1	90	51	18
All other.....	9	16	35	513	1,185	883
Totals, Manufacturing.....	37	41	126	1,511	2,684	3,815
Wholesale Trade—						
Farm products, foods, groceries.....	5	5	6	115	156	292
Clothing and furnishings.....	Nil	Nil	Nil	-	-	-
Dry goods and textiles.....	"	"	3	-	-	27
Lumber, building materials, hardware.....	"	5	4	-	59	127
Chemicals and drugs.....	"	Nil	5	-	-	55
Fuels.....	"	"	1	-	-	30
Automotive products.....	"	"	Nil	-	-	-
Supply houses.....	"	"	"	-	-	-
All other.....	2	9	23	131	206	694
Totals, Wholesale Trade.....	7	19	42	246	421	1,225
Retail Trade—						
Foods.....	7	5	25	105	37	187
Farm supplies, general stores.....	8	8	8	74	70	158
General merchandise.....	Nil	1	2	-	3	12
Apparel.....	1	5	7	10	115	80
Furniture, household furniture.....	Nil	1	2	-	26	23
Lumber, building materials, hardware.....	1	3	5	25	21	84
Automotive products.....	1	4	18	11	72	119
Restaurants.....	4	6	5	6	44	16
Drugs.....	Nil	1	1	-	10	20
All other.....	4	7	11	19	53	183
Totals, Retail Trade.....	26	41	84	250	451	882
Construction—						
General contractors.....	13	13	20	182	186	642
Carpenters and builders.....	1	1	2	18	1	6
Building sub-contractors.....	6	7	14	40	44	293
Other contractors.....	Nil	Nil	Nil	-	-	-
Totals, Construction.....	20	21	36	240	231	941
Commercial Service—						
Cleaners and dyers, tailors.....	Nil	1	1	-	3	8
Haulage, buses, taxis, etc.....	3	4	5	51	203	208
Hotels.....	Nil	Nil	1	-	-	81
Laundries.....	"	1	1	-	5	14
Undertakers.....	"	Nil	1	-	-	26
All other.....	2	2	7	7	5	28
Totals, Commercial Service.....	5	8	16	58	216	365
Grand Totals.....	95	130	304	2,305	4,003	7,228