29.—Summary Statistics of Dry Cleaning and Dyeing Plants, 1930 and 1940-47, and by Provinces, 1947

Year and Province	Plants	Em- ployees ¹	Salaries and Wages	Cost of Materials	Value of Work Performed
	No.	No.	\$	\$	\$
1930 1940 1941 1942 1943 1943 1944 1945	126 300 363 365 362 399 385 452	2,785 5,474 6,554 6,990 7,388 7,732 8,147 9,880	3,109,768 4,956,024 6,125,635 6,969,167 7,865,795 8,212,917 8,847,948 11,613,011	624,392 1,156,454 1,433,790 1,453,234 1,518,897 1,694,284 1,951,752 2,503,762	6,412,325 10,056,735 12,678,275 14,355,069 15,218,369 16,886,713 18,618,074 23,720,940
1947					
Prince Edward Island and Nova Scotia. New Brunswick. Quebec. Ontario. Manitoba Saskatchewan. Alberta. British Columbia ² . Totals.	25 21 73 250 26 34 46 55	406 334 2,560 4,876 960 432 587 751	480, 629 358, 690 3, 405, 831 6, 430, 892 1, 230, 843 536, 386 712, 448 988, 745	100, 218 92, 683 742, 440 1, 332, 448 282, 115 113, 261 165, 406 212, 935	1,009,137 817,275 6,866,353 13,036,255 2,267,682 1,088,474 1,445,202 2,053,907

¹ Includes salaried employees and wage-earners. In addition, there were 244 male and 15 female proprietors who received salaries of \$538,853 and 287 male and 23 female proprietors who received no regular salary in 1947.
² Includes Yukon and Northwest Territories.

Operating Results of Retail Chain Stores.—Studies on operating results of retail-chain firms were undertaken for the first time in 1948, covering the year 1947. All firms in ten major trades were canvassed and results were published late in 1948. Statistics on gross and net profits in retail chains were collected during the 1930's but no detailed expenses were then available from the chain firms.

