

## 7.—Industrial and Commercial Failures, by Classes, 1940-48, and by Provinces, 1949

(From Dun and Bradstreet, Incorporated)

NOTE—Figures for 1934-39 are given at p. 628 of the 1946 Year Book.

Year and Province	Manu- facturing		Wholesale Trade		Retail Trade		Con- struction		Commercial Service		Totals	
	No.	Lia- bilities	No.	Lia- bilities	No.	Lia- bilities	No.	Lia- bilities	No.	Lia- bilities	No.	Lia- bilities
		\$'000		\$'000		\$'000		\$'000		\$'000		\$'000
<b>Totals, 1940</b> .....	197	3,482	72	1,128	774	3,949	56	569	59	450	1,158	9,578
<b>Totals, 1941</b> .....	130	2,419	42	539	614	3,118	55	519	41	364	882	6,959
<b>Totals, 1942</b> .....	87	3,630	33	516	393	2,499	61	526	35	173	609	7,344
<b>Totals, 1943</b> .....	36	2,357	7	137	96	500	32	519	15	121	186	3,634
<b>Totals, 1944</b> .....	33	1,042	12	242	33	514	15	265	3	56	96	2,119
<b>Totals, 1945</b> .....	37	1,511	7	246	26	250	20	240	5	58	95	2,305
<b>Totals, 1946</b> .....	41	2,684	19	421	41	451	21	231	8	216	130	4,003
<b>Totals, 1947</b> .....	126	3,815	42	1,225	84	882	36	941	16	365	301	7,228
<b>Totals, 1948</b> .....	158	6,734	62	1,395	198	2,278	48	899	27	449	493	11,755
<b>1949</b>												
Newfoundland <sup>1</sup> .....	—	...	—	...	2	28	—	...	—	...	2	28
P. E. Island.....	—	...	—	...	2	58	—	...	—	...	2	58
Nova Scotia.....	1	750	1	75	1	5	—	...	—	...	3	830
New Brunswick.....	1	38	—	...	13	109	3	23	2	18	19	188
Quebec.....	114	4,007	54	2,759	172	2,219	44	572	24	525	408	10,082
Ontario.....	42	2,595	11	556	32	340	9	282	7	104	101	3,877
Manitoba.....	2	156	—	...	7	139	3	350	3	46	15	691
Saskatchewan.....	—	—	1	9	2	31	—	...	1	2	4	42
Alberta.....	1	65	—	...	3	20	—	...	1	9	5	94
British Columbia.....	16	795	2	117	13	303	4	102	2	72	37	1,389
<b>Totals, 1949</b> .....	177	8,406	69	3,516	247	3,252	63	1,329	40	776	596	17,279

<sup>1</sup> Nine months.

In 1949, Quebec and Ontario accounted for 68 p.c. and 17 p.c., respectively, of the total failures. As regards liabilities, Quebec accounted for 58 p.c. of the total as compared with 22 p.c. registered for Ontario.

According to Dun and Bradstreet, Incorporated, the number of commercial failures during the war years 1939-45 showed a steady decrease year by year and, whereas before the War the great majority of failures were in retail trading establishments, the proportion in that group also showed a steady decrease during those years. Since the end of the War, however, the numbers of failures have shown substantial increases amounting to 134 p.c. in 1947 over 1946, 62 p.c. in 1948 over 1947 and 21 p.c. in 1949 over 1948. Each group contributed to the advance in 1949.

## 8.—Industrial and Commercial Failures, by Divisions of Industry, 1947-49

(Source: Dun and Bradstreet, Incorporated)

NOTE.—Comparable figures for 1934-46 are given in the corresponding tables of previous Year Books.

Industry and Division	Failures			Liabilities		
	1947	1948	1949 <sup>1</sup>	1947	1948	1949 <sup>1</sup>
	No.	No.	No.	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
<b>Manufacturing—</b>						
Foods.....	10	10	12	270	311	1,332
Textiles.....	13	17	37	309	849	2,315
Forest products.....	28	49	40	942	2,617	1,499
Paper, printing and publishing.....	3	6	15	60	81	511
Chemicals and drugs.....	4	11	8	24	546	82
Fuels.....	1	1	1	6	58	6
Leather and leather products.....	7	12	10	124	224	361
Stone, clay, glass and products.....	3	5	7	43	222	276
Iron and steel.....	4	8	3	301	519	66
Machinery.....	17	14	16	835	444	1,131
Transportation equipment.....	1	6	2	18	340	70
All other.....	35	19	26	883	523	757
<b>Totals, Manufacturing</b> .....	126	158	177	3,815	6,734	8,406

<sup>1</sup> Includes Newfoundland from Mar. 31, 1949.