

## 8.—Industrial and Commercial Failures, by Industrial Group, 1951-53

(Source: Dun and Bradstreet, Incorporated)

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

Industrial Group	Failures			Liabilities		
	1951	1952	1953	1951	1952	1953
	No.	No.	No.	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
<b>Manufacturing—</b>						
Foods.....	15	21	12	317	863	705
Textiles.....	60	60	62	1,338	2,459	2,810
Forest products.....	41	40	42	2,324	1,728	1,327
Paper, printing and publishing.....	11	12	7	350	484	147
Chemicals and drugs.....	4	6	3	54	185	254
Fuels.....	—	—	2	—	—	586
Leather and leather products.....	5	12	5	230	436	94
Stone, clay, glass and products.....	5	7	2	41	304	35
Iron and steel.....	7	4	7	279	92	1,132
Machinery.....	7	13	8	631	299	445
Transportation equipment.....	1	2	2	329	100	262
All other.....	18	28	33	516	837	1,146
<b>Totals, Manufacturing.....</b>	<b>174</b>	<b>205</b>	<b>185</b>	<b>6,499</b>	<b>7,787</b>	<b>8,943</b>
<b>Wholesale Trade—</b>						
Farm products, foods, groceries.....	19	22	19	366	477	616
Clothing and furnishings.....	6	3	4	60	253	125
Dry goods and textiles.....	—	8	13	—	139	929
Lumber, building materials, hardware.....	6	7	10	201	286	609
Chemicals and drugs.....	3	3	5	101	15	216
Fuels.....	1	—	—	129	—	—
Automotive products.....	3	2	3	75	17	66
All other.....	34	28	31	1,960	1,098	1,044
<b>Totals, Wholesale Trade.....</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>85</b>	<b>2,892</b>	<b>2,285</b>	<b>3,685</b>
<b>Retail Trade—</b>						
Foods.....	98	102	117	1,155	1,233	1,419
Farm supplies, general stores.....	17	16	30	404	200	634
General merchandise.....	17	23	25	470	212	446
Apparel.....	54	60	78	653	880	1,442
Furniture, household furniture.....	39	36	64	745	854	2,716
Lumber, building materials, hardware.....	27	24	35	529	528	573
Automotive products.....	40	58	85	815	1,720	3,287
Restaurants.....	53	55	71	440	534	604
Drugs.....	3	8	7	59	172	83
All other.....	39	36	56	423	522	575
<b>Totals, Retail Trade.....</b>	<b>387</b>	<b>418</b>	<b>568</b>	<b>5,693</b>	<b>6,885</b>	<b>11,779</b>
<b>Construction—</b>						
General contractors.....	44	49	59	1,039	1,267	2,028
Carpenters and builders.....	9	9	7	147	56	166
Building sub-contractors.....	59	46	74	1,267	841	1,931
Other contractors.....	4	2	2	107	32	352
<b>Totals, Construction.....</b>	<b>116</b>	<b>106</b>	<b>142</b>	<b>2,560</b>	<b>2,196</b>	<b>4,477</b>
<b>Commercial Service—</b>						
Cleaners and dyers, tailors.....	7	5	7	40	60	51
Haulage, buses, taxis, etc.....	15	14	13	428	213	322
Hotels.....	9	7	6	563	146	92
Laundries.....	3	2	2	113	146	8
Undertakers.....	2	—	3	18	—	564
All other.....	12	13	28	332	105	463
<b>Totals, Commercial Service.....</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>1,494</b>	<b>670</b>	<b>1,500</b>
<b>Grand Totals.....</b>	<b>797</b>	<b>843</b>	<b>1,039</b>	<b>19,648</b>	<b>19,823</b>	<b>30,304</b>