

7.—Industrial and Commercial Failures by Industrial Group 1954-56—concluded

Industrial Group	Failures			Liabilities		
	1954	1955	1956	1954	1955	1956
	No.	No.	No.	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
Retail Trade	688	673	637	15,002	15,226	14,159
Foods.....	121	130	110	1,506	1,660	1,377
Farm supplies, general stores.....	22	24	32	344	702	1,075
General merchandise.....	32	19	19	584	337	553
Apparel.....	116	119	83	2,305	2,496	1,715
Furniture, household furniture.....	116	79	114	3,311	1,998	3,949
Lumber, building materials, hardware.....	33	45	38	739	1,248	1,112
Automotive products.....	109	94	86	3,768	4,283	2,430
Restaurants.....	76	95	100	1,134	1,164	1,171
Drugs.....	10	10	7	78	139	107
All other.....	53	58	48	1,233	1,199	670
Construction	199	233	270	9,030	7,464	14,117
General contractors.....	86	115	129	3,953	3,766	6,372
Carpenters and builders.....	11	10	13	377	102	298
Building sub-contractors.....	97	103	119	3,508	2,923	6,391
Other contractors.....	5	5	9	1,192	673	1,056
Commercial Service	90	109	103	1,994	2,803	2,191
Cleaners and dyers, tailors.....	11	18	13	88	368	177
Haulage, buses, taxis, etc.....	34	34	38	1,027	836	680
Hotels.....	6	17	12	273	541	666
Laundries.....	2	4	7	125	514	188
Undertakers.....	—	3	2	—	72	79
All other.....	37	33	31	481	472	401
Totals	1,381	1,352	1,320	52,017	38,148	51,678