5.—Bankruptcies and Insolvencies.	by	Industry and	Economic Area, 1964	

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Industry	Atlantic Provinces	Quebec	Ontario	Prairie Provinces	British Columbia	Total	Total Liabilities
	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	No.	\$'000
Primary Industries	2	73	54	5	12	146	7,136
Manufacturing. Foods and beverages. Textiles. Clothing. Wood. Paper and allied industries. Primary and fabricated metal, machinery, transportation equip-	1 1 - -	194 14 4 45 47 20	113 10 - 6 18 22	- 11 - 2 2 2 3	- 1 4 1	327 29 4 54 71 46	32,167 1,296 1,391 3,504 6,330 2,978
ment, electrical products and non- metallic mineral products. Chemical	=	27 3 34	31 3 23	= 2	=	60 6 57	9,921 263 6,484
Construction General contractors. Special trade contractors.	19 14 5	355 150 205	264 107 157	45 22 23	23 15 8	706 308 398	49,976 35,663 14,313
Transportation, Communications and Other Utilities	3	100	62		7	181	6,497
Trade Food General merchandise Automotive products Apparel and shoes Hardware Household furniture and appliances Drugs Other trades	I	769 148 21 222 109 66 72 9 122	559 74 24 147 77 68 49 9	78 7 6 23 9 8 10 3 12	48 6 4 10 6 3 2 3 14	1,492 240 60 412 202 152 136 25 265	58,420 6,138 4,054 10,576 7,107 10,943 7,272 1,168 11,162
Finance, Insurance and Real Estate	-	58	31	2	1	92	27,818
Service Education, health and welfare Recreational Business Personal Other	_ 4 _ 2 _ 2	323 11 19 46 222 25	198 11 13 32 124 18	13 - 1 8 4	17 = 2 13 2	555 22 32 83 369 49	26,720 990 2,681 3,983 17,392 1,674
Totals	67	1,872	1,281	163	116	3,499	208,734

PART IV.—PRICES*

Section 1.—Index Numbers of Wholesale Prices

The term "wholesale prices" refers to transactions that occur below the retail level. It has more of a connotation of bulk purchase and sale than of any homogeneous level of distribution. Wholesale price indexes and individual price series have numerous uses. One of the most important is in escalator contracts which contain a price adjustment clause. Other major uses include: study of replacement and construction costs in investment projects; analysis of price movements of both individual items and commodity groups in relation to purchases and sales; industrial planning and market analysis; valuation for tax purposes and inventory analysis; and study of changes in physical volume. They are also used by business firms abroad in connection with sales and purchases in Canada.

General Wholesale Index.—The general wholesale index mainly includes manufacturers' prices but also incorporates those of wholesalers proper, assemblers of primary products, agents and operators of other types of commercial enterprises which trade in commodities of a type, or in quantities characteristic of primary marketing functions.

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