

18.8 Vending machine operators, 1961-73

Year	Firms No.	Annual change %	Machines ¹ No.	Annual change %	Sales \$'000	Annual change %
1961	579	+11.1	65,028	+36.1	44,959.7	+16.1
1962	600	+3.6	73,397	+12.9	57,799.2	+28.6
1963	673	+12.2	78,477	+6.9	67,580.0	+16.9
1964	651	-3.3	75,392	-3.9	78,561.8	+16.2
1965	764	+17.4	85,091	+12.9	89,815.4	+14.3
1966	769	+0.7	84,154	-1.1	107,539.6	+19.7
1967	790	+2.8	91,289	+8.5	119,650.9	+11.3
1968	791	+0.1	95,867	+5.0	127,058.6	+6.2
1969	..	..	100,948	+5.3	142,909.6	+12.5
1970	768	..	103,751	+2.8	156,822.1	+9.7
1971	697	-9.2	97,965	-5.6	162,249.1	+3.5
1972*	692	-0.7	106,758	+9.0	178,909.0	+10.3
1973	648	-6.4	104,253	-2.3	207,081.4	+15.7

¹Maximum during the year; ovens, coin and bill changers are excluded.

*Beginning 1972, data of small operators excluded.

18.9 Sales through vending machines, distribution and percentage change, by selected type of machine, 1972 and 1973

Type of machine	1972		1973		Percentage change 1972-73
	\$'000	%	\$'000	%	
Cigarettes	87,428.7	48.9	99,730.9	48.2	+14.1
Beverages	..	..	..	..	..
Coffee	28,241.7	15.8	32,030.2	15.5	+13.4
Soft drinks	..	..	..	..	..
Can or bottle	13,950.4	7.8	13,406.3	6.5	-3.9
Disposable cups	15,095.1	8.4	17,838.9	8.6	+18.2
Packaged milk	4,185.0	2.3	6,523.9	3.2	+55.9
Other beverages	..	..	302.3	0.1	..
Confections and foods	..	..	..	..	..
Bulk confectionery	1,608.1	0.9	2,544.9	1.2	+58.3
Packaged confectionery	8,128.6	4.5	10,193.3	4.9	+25.4
Pastries	7,452.5	4.2	6,250.4	3.0	-16.1
Snack food	..	..	1,536.9	0.7	..
Hot canned foods and soups	2,779.1	1.6	3,384.5	1.6	+21.8
Ice cream	433.2	0.2	684.2	0.3	+57.9
Fresh food (casseroles, hot dogs, sandwiches, salads, etc.)	9,311.3	5.2	12,139.5	5.9	+30.4
Other vending machines for food	..	..	135.8	0.1	..
All other food and non-food	295.3	0.2	379.4	0.2	+28.5
Total	178,909.0	100.0	207,081.4	100.0	+15.7

18.10 Direct sales by commodity, 1970-73

Commodity	1970 \$'000	1971 \$'000	1972 \$'000	1973 \$'000	Percentage change 1972-73
Meat, fish and poultry	10,672	11,612	12,571	14,263	+13.5
Frozen food plans	19,282	18,062	23,568	29,352	+24.5
Dairy products	184,000	185,000	184,075 ^F	187,757 ^P	+2.0
Bakery products	42,471	42,897	42,082 ^F	45,533 ^P	+8.2
All other foods and beverages	34,308	33,148 ^F	34,362 ^F	35,712	+3.9
Canvas, awnings, sails, tents, etc.	5,314	6,437	5,549	6,032	+8.7
Clothing	13,284	12,981	9,244	9,878	+6.9
Fur goods	6,115	7,046	7,067	8,262	+16.9
Furniture, re-upholstery and repairs	31,000	32,535	35,980 ^F	39,290	+9.2
Books	51,197	53,975	63,287	72,022	+13.8
Newspapers	120,005	130,000	136,670 ^F	146,237 ^P	+7.0
Magazines	14,013	16,348	18,227	20,135	+10.5
Aluminum windows, doors, screens and awnings	15,656	16,944	18,386	21,354	+16.1
Dinnerware, kitchenware and utensils	26,863	25,535	31,625	38,731	+22.5
Sail boats and pleasure craft	8,397	8,799	9,186	12,528	+36.4
Household electrical appliances	38,154	46,582	63,053	84,750	+34.4
Pharmaceuticals and medicines	5,964	4,897	5,172	3,455	-33.2