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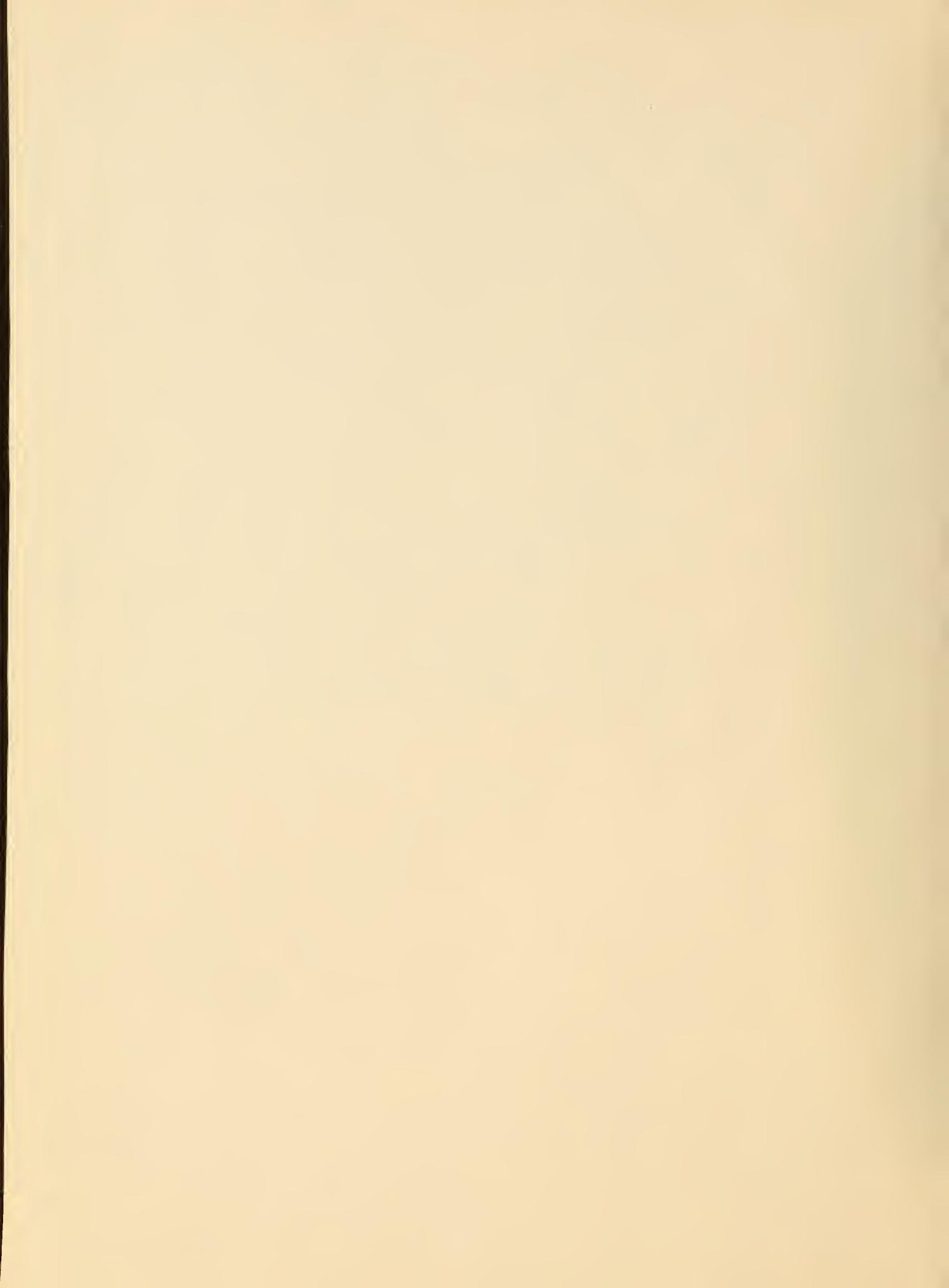
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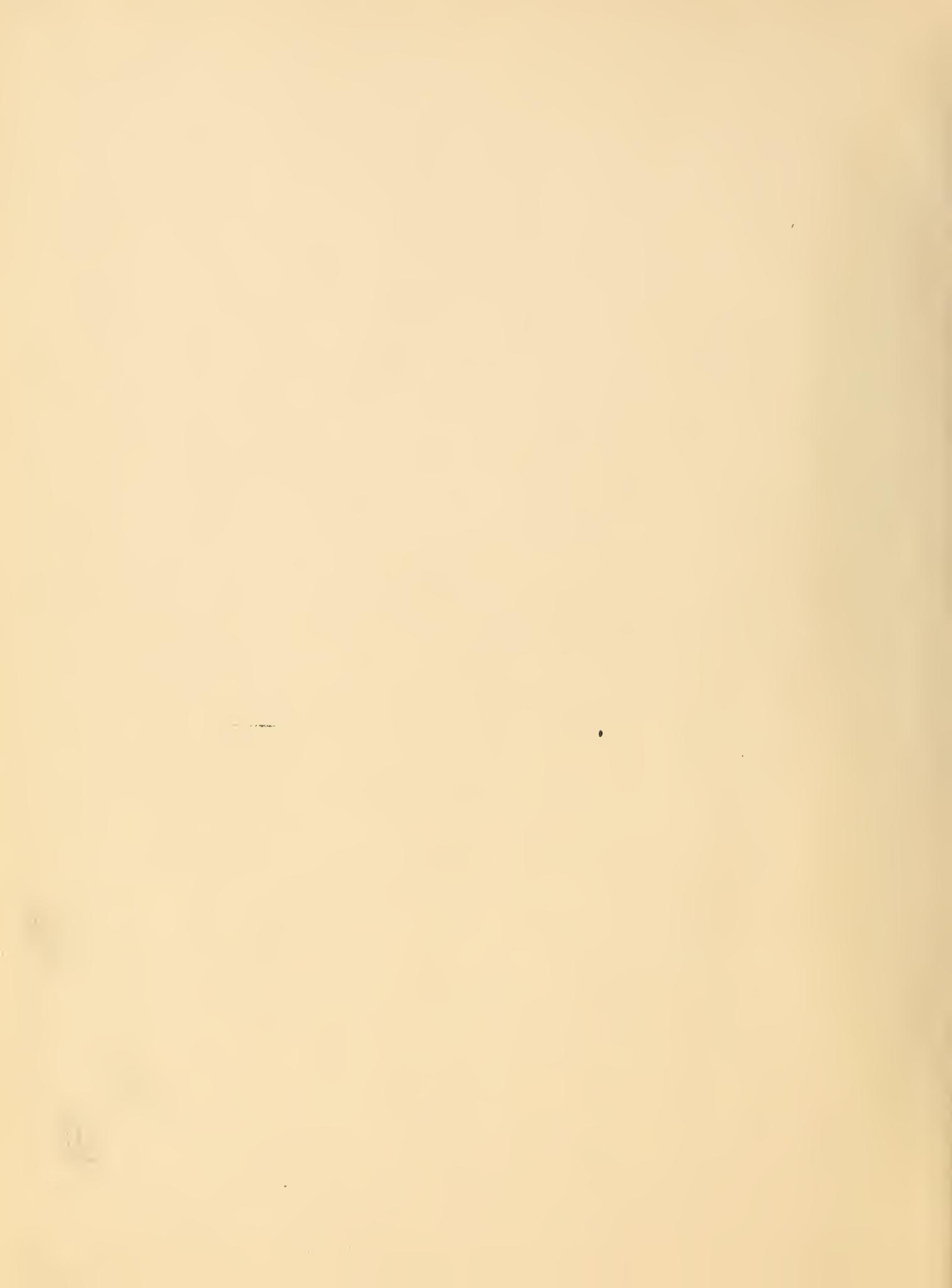
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This is one of a series of reports presenting the findings of the 1933 Census of American Business. The statistics were collected in 1934 by a field canvass of wholesale establishments in every State, city, and county in the United States, with funds provided by the Federal Civil Works Administration. They cover the operations of wholesale establishments during the year 1933.

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UNITED STATES SUMMARY OF WHOLESALE TRADE
KIND OF BUSINESS IN DETAIL
1933 AND 1929

In this report are presented comparative statistics on wholesale trade for the years 1933 and 1929. Data are shown, first, by type of establishment; second, by kind of business in detail for all types of establishments combined; and third, by kind of business in detail for each of the important types of wholesale organizations.

For census purposes a wholesale establishment is a place of business, the primary function of which is to sell or distribute goods on a wholesale basis. It may be in the form of a store, a wholesale warehouse, a sales or brokerage office, or part of an office as when the office is shared with other similar organizations. Sales at wholesale may be made to retailers, to institutions, to industrial consumers or to wholesale organizations. No merchandising establishment has been classified as "wholesale" unless fifty percent or more of its sales were made in a wholesale manner or on a wholesale basis.

The Wholesale Census was taken on the basis of establishments in order to facilitate the canvass and to make it possible to present data by geographic areas. A separate report was required for each establishment regardless of whether or not it was owned or operated as a part of a large business organization. Wholesale peddlers and others who sell goods at wholesale but who maintain no regularly established places of business were not included in this census.

To facilitate comparisons every effort has been made to have classifications for 1933, both by type of establishment and kind of business, similar to those presented for 1929. It should be remembered, however, that the two censuses are not exactly alike due largely to differences in canvass, coverage, and classification. The differences in canvass, as in Pennsylvania, were due largely to conditions over which the Bureau had no control. As to differences in coverage, establishments with annual sales of \$1,000, or \$500 in the case of assemblers and country buyers, are not included in the 1933 figures but were included in 1929. On the other hand, cream stations are included in the figures for 1933 but were not included to any large extent in 1929. These differences naturally affect the number of establishments materially although they have little influence on the volume of business.

Differences in classification were due to the abbreviated schedule used in 1933 and to the methods employed in classifying wholesale establishments. The 1929 schedule made provision for comprehensive commodity information which was not called for on the form used in 1933. Some shifts in classification may have resulted from the fact that the establishments were classified in 1933 primarily on the basis of the information contained in the report submitted for that year; in most cases no account was taken of the classification of the establishment in 1929. A certain latitude, therefore, must be allowed for variations between the kind of business classifications which may have been caused by the lack of uniformity in phraseology used by enumerators throughout the country.

WHOLESALE TRADE, BY TYPE OF ORGANIZATION.--In presenting the data for the United States, wholesale establishments have been divided into six groups, some of which have been further subdivided, according to the type of establishment or the nature of the functions performed (See Table I).

The first of the six functional type groups for which data are shown is called "wholesalers proper" and consists of more or less regular wholesalers in domestic and foreign trade who take title to the goods they buy and sell and are largely independent in ownership. The second division comprises "manufacturers' sales branches," consisting of wholesale outlets owned by manufacturers largely for the disposal of their own goods. The third type, "bulk tank stations," perform wholesale functions in the distribution of gasoline, oil and other petroleum products. While primarily distributing their products to retail stations, they also sell goods at wholesale to tank wagons and to industrial users. The fourth type, "chain store warehouses," are distribution stations maintained by retail chains to supply their stores with merchandise. They carry on wholesale operations in addition to warehousing in that they break bulk, deliver and bill merchandise, and in some cases exercise supervision over a chain of stores. Wholesale commissaries, prepared food depots which serve their own restaurants, and distribution centers for bakery chains are also included in this group.

The fifth division is called "assemblers and country buyers." Their principal operation is in the purchase and assembly of farm products such as grain, cotton, tobacco and other forms of farm produce. This group also includes cooperative marketing associations; packers and shippers; cream stations; and independent, line, and cooperative elevators as differentiated from terminal elevators. The sixth and last group is called "agents and brokers," and includes auction companies, brokers, commission merchants, export and import agents, manufacturers' agents, selling agents, resident buyers, etc.

Of the total number of wholesale establishments in the United States, 50.5 percent were wholesalers proper and 10.3 percent represented manufacturers' sales branches; 0.3 percent were chain store warehouses; 15.9 percent constituted bulk tank stations; 14.6 percent were assemblers and country buyers; while agents and brokers accounted for 8.4 percent of the total. The total volume of wholesale business was distributed as follows: wholesalers proper, 40.5 percent; manufacturers' sales branches, 23.4 percent; chain stores warehouses, 4.5 percent; bulk tank stations, 5.9 percent; assemblers and country buyers, 5.4 percent; and agents and brokers, 20.3 percent. Of the manufacturers' sales branches, 73.7 percent carried stocks and did almost 68 percent of the business. Among the agents and brokers, manufacturers' agents were the most numerous, but commission merchants led from the standpoint of volume of business.

The total number of wholesale establishments declined but 3.3 percent since 1929. However, declines were not registered by all types of wholesale establishments, nor were the declines uniform in size. For example, increases in numbers are shown by bulk tank stations and by wholesalers proper, the former having an increase of 33.5 percent in the number of establishments, as compared with 1929, and the latter registering an increase of 3.6 percent. On the other hand, assemblers and country buyers showed a decrease of 30 percent in the number of establishments, followed by agents and brokers with a decrease of 24.9 percent.

The total volume of business reported by wholesale establishments for the year 1933 was 53.5 percent less than the amount of business done by such establishments during 1929. The largest decrease in volume of business was reported by assemblers and country buyers, with a 63 percent decline, while the smallest decreases were reported by bulk tank stations and chain store warehouses, the decline in volume being 21.2 percent and 25.8 percent, respectively.

WHOLESALE TRADE, BY KIND OF BUSINESS.--In addition to being classified according to functional type, each establishment was also classified by kind of business, on the basis of the chief line or lines of merchandise in which it dealt. Following this basis of classification, wholesale establishments were divided into twenty-five major kind of business groups, which were further subdivided into 166 detailed kind of business classifications according to the degree of merchandise specialization. For example, a wholesaler of silks and velvets obviously deals in dry goods and must, therefore, be classified in the dry goods group. However, it would not be proper to compare the operations of such a concern with those of wholesalers of motions or with wholesalers handling a general line of dry goods. For this reason the establishment wholesaling silks and velvets, while included in the dry goods group total, is classified under the subdivision "piece goods" so that comparisons may be made of homogeneous businesses.

The importance of breaking down wholesale establishments into detailed kind of business classifications becomes apparent as soon as one attempts to make specific use of the figures. Trade associations, code authorities, economists, and statisticians may thus determine, from the data shown in Table 2, the total number of wholesale establishments operating in a given line of business, their net sales, operating expenses, the average number of full-time employees engaged in such trade, the pay roll disturbed during the year 1933, and the stocks on hand at the end of the year. These data can be compared, first, with similar information for 1929 in order to discern changes and, second, with similar data for other kinds of business as a means of determining the relative importance, operating costs, etc. of the kind of business under consideration.

Total stocks on hand in the various wholesale establishments operating in a given line of business constitute an interesting and important item of information, showing the amounts of merchandise in the wholesale channels at a given time. It is of utmost importance, however, not to confuse kind of business information with commodity data. The two are quite different. For example, wholesale establishments are classified as electric refrigerator concerns because the bulk of their business is in such merchandise and not because they handle refrigerators to the exclusion of all other goods. On the other hand, electric refrigerators are handled also by wholesale establishments in the automotive trade, by hardware wholesalers, and by wholesalers engaged principally in the sale of other merchandise than electrical goods. Consequently, it would be erroneous to regard the business of electric refrigerator wholesale establishments as synonymous with the business in electric refrigerators as a commodity.

TYPES OF ESTABLISHMENTS, BY KIND OF BUSINESS.--Important as it is to have information for each kind of business or line of trade in detail, it is even more significant to have such data presented separately for each type of wholesaling organization. This has been done in Table 3 of this report. In that manner the accomplishments of a wholesaler in a given line of business may be compared with the accomplishments of all wholesalers operating therein, while the achievements of a manufacturer's sales branch can be compared with those of manufacturers' sales branches in the same line of trade. Such comparisons are of special interest to individual business enterprises and to the student of marketing.

Moreover, the information contained in Table 3 is specific and pointed. To illustrate, under Wholesalers Proper, the classification known as "Groceries and Foods (except farm products)" is shown to be composed of wholesalers handling a general line of groceries, wholesalers specializing in confectionery and soft drinks, wholesalers of fish and sea foods, wholesalers of meats and meat products, and wholesalers handling other food and grocery specialties. For the entire grocery and food group the figures for 1933 show an increase in the number of establishments of 18.8 percent, as compared with 1929. However, wholesalers of general line groceries decreased in numbers during the same period by 35 percent, while wholesalers of confectionery and soft drinks increased in numbers by 41 percent. The increase in the number of establishments specializing in fish and sea foods was 29.7 percent, in the case of meats and meat products the increase was 2.5 percent, while wholesalers dealing in other food and grocery specialties a little more than doubled in the number of establishments. Obviously, the figure showing a change in the total number of wholesalers dealing in groceries and foods would be of little value to a wholesaler handling a general line of such items, or to any of the wholesalers specializing in some limited line of groceries.

From the standpoint of business volume, a detailed kind of business analysis throws much additional light. Illustrating again with wholesalers dealing in groceries and foods, the decrease in business in 1933 as compared with 1929 for the group as a whole was 42.1 percent, although the number of establishments for the group as a whole increased 18.8 percent. In contrast to the increase in the number of establishments for the group as a whole, it is significant to note that wholesalers handling a general line of groceries decreased in numbers to the extent of 35 percent but the decline in their business was only 51.7 percent. On the other hand, wholesalers specializing in confectionery and soft drinks, while showing a healthy growth in numbers (41 percent increase) reported a decline in volume for the group of 30 percent. Similarly interesting is the fact that wholesalers dealing in "other food and grocery specialties" showed an increase of 100.7 percent in the number of establishments but a decline in volume of business of 21.4 percent. From these figures it would appear that, on the basis of average sales per establishment, general line wholesale grocers fared better during the depression than did specialty wholesalers in the grocery business.

Operating expenses reveal other important differences between wholesale establishments of the same type due largely to differences in the degree of specialization in merchandise. Wholesalers handling a general line of groceries reported a cost of doing business of 9.9 percent of net sales, as against 14.3 percent for specialty wholesalers in the grocery business, 14.5 percent for wholesalers of meats and meat products, 18.4 percent for wholesalers of confectionery and soft drinks, and 19.7 percent for wholesalers of fish and sea foods.

From the statistics presented in this report, particularly in Table 3, it should be possible for every wholesale establishment to compare its accomplishments with those of others operating on a similar basis. It should also be possible for anyone interested in a single line of business to compile from the data in Table 3 a table which sets forth the relevant information by type of establishment in detail. An example of such a compilation for hardware wholesaling is appended below. Those interested in general line hardware wholesaling may exclude from the figures concerns dealing in hardware specialty lines exclusively.



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HARDWARE WHOLESALE TRADE FOR THE UNITED STATES, BY TYPE OF ESTABLISHMENT

1933 AND 1929

(All values expressed in thousands of dollars)

Type of establishment and kind of business	Number of establishments		Net sales		Total expenses		Full-time employees (average)	Pay roll		Stocks on hand (end of year)
	1933	1929	1933	1929	Amount	% of sales		Total	Part- time	
Total	1,495	1,789	\$394,180	\$266,153	\$79,035	20.1	30,103	\$42,117	\$557	\$120,030
WHOLESALEERS PROPER	1,176	1,249	342,066	714,528	73,277	21.4	28,407	39,147	533	115,162
MANUFACTURERS' SALES BRANCHES	131	195	34,140	79,439	4,491	13.2	1,289	2,363	13	4,508
With stocks	97	...	20,811	...	3,753	18.1	1,123	1,950	12	4,508
Without stocks (Spe- cialty lines)	34	...	13,329	...	735	5.5	166	413	1	...
CHAIN STORE WAREHOUSES	4	1	597	508	166	27.6	76	84	...	127
AGENTS AND BROKERS	184	314	17,377	71,633	1,101	6.3	329	523	11	163
Brokers	6	11	135	1,018	24	3.5	11	11	...	...
Commission merchants	4	1	178	13	17	9.6	5	16	...	7
Export agents	7	11	429	5,657	65	15.5	17	23	...	...
Import agents	4	...	74	...	17	23.0	6	6	...	2
Manufacturers' agents	145	270	13,783	51,460	863	6.3	248	413	8	106
Selling agents	16	46	2,188	9,571	115	5.5	42	56	3	49
Other agents	...	5	...	3,314	...	...	...	...	...	...

TABLE 1 - SUMMARY OF WHOLESALE TRADE FOR THE UNITED STATES: 1933
BY TYPE OF ESTABLISHMENT

(All values are expressed in thousands of dollars. A leader indicates no information or an amount less than \$500.)

Type of establishment and kind of business	Number of establishments			Net sales			Total expenses			Full-time employees (average)			Pay roll			Stocks on hand (end of year)	
	1933	1929	Percent change	1933	1929	Percent change	Amount	% of sales	Total	Total	Part-time	Total	Part-time	Total	Part-time		
Total	164,101	169,634	-3.5	\$38,050,504	\$69,950,108	-53.5	\$3,696,801	11.8	\$1,094,878	\$110,441	69,804	\$12,266,699	521	432	1,971,093		
WHOLESALEERS PROPER 2/	82,844	79,784	+3.8	12,959,914	29,288,220	-55.8	1,942,201	15.0	636,194	925,451	30,784						
MANUFACTURERS' SALES BRANCHES 3/	16,542	17,086	-3.1	7,496,226	16,535,917	-54.1	926,715	12.5	231,799	424,831	6,537						
With stocks	12,417	14,425	-14%	5,089,489	9,406,737	-47%	780,466	14.9	192,224	335,841	5,185						
Without stocks							177,249	7.4	39,575	88,990	1,352						
BULK TANK STATIONS 5/	26,176	19,611	+35.5	1,884,644	2,390,213	-21.2	372,514	19.8	95,787	152,752	2,141						
CHAIN STORE WAREHOUSES	462	559	-17.4	1,431,563	1,929,681	-25.8	64,767	4.5	16,450	28,393	516						
ASSEMBLERS AND COUNTRY BUYERS	23,961	34,226	-30.0	1,756,903	4,749,382	-63.0	173,120	9.8	61,876	77,202	15,764						
Assemblers of farm products	11,233	21,684	-48.4	718,588	2,304,250	-68.8	77,757	10.8	28,106	35,021	10,187						
Cooperative marketing associations 2/	2,720	4,308	-35.1	665,682	1,458,366	-54.4	64,250	9.7	20,657	27,915	4,578						
Cream stations	2,862	4,134	-30.1	34,651	338,002	-936,786	4/	5,664	16.4	2,959	2,495	175					
Liquor dealers 6/	7,087	8,134	-12.9				65.7	25,449	7.5	10,153	11,781	824					
AGENTS AND BROKERS	13,316	18,358	-24.9	6,501,254	14,256,695	-54.4	207,684	3.2	50,775	101,822	4,060						
Brokers	3,014	3,669	-17.3	2,088,970	4,077,944	-49.5	54,554	1.0	8,243	16,746	357						
Commission merchants	3,127	3,479	-10.1	2,225,893	4,694,934	-52.6	71,996	3.2	19,740	36,919	1,444						
Export agents	240	260	-7.7	135,126	398,559	-66.1	5,736	4.2	1,640	2,572	60						
Import agents	179	85	-51.6	50,541	57,158	-11.6	3,230	6.4	424	826	25						
Manufacturers' agents	4,972	6,987	-23.8	573,964	1,775,355	-67.7	38,901	6.8	10,362	18,631	813						
Selling agents	1,224	3,260	-62.2	988,251	2,622,663	-62.5	41,349	4.2	8,444	20,379	411						
Other agents	650	628	+5.5	441,109	4,550	-34.2	12,116	2.7	3,920	6,052	752						

See footnotes at end of Table 3.

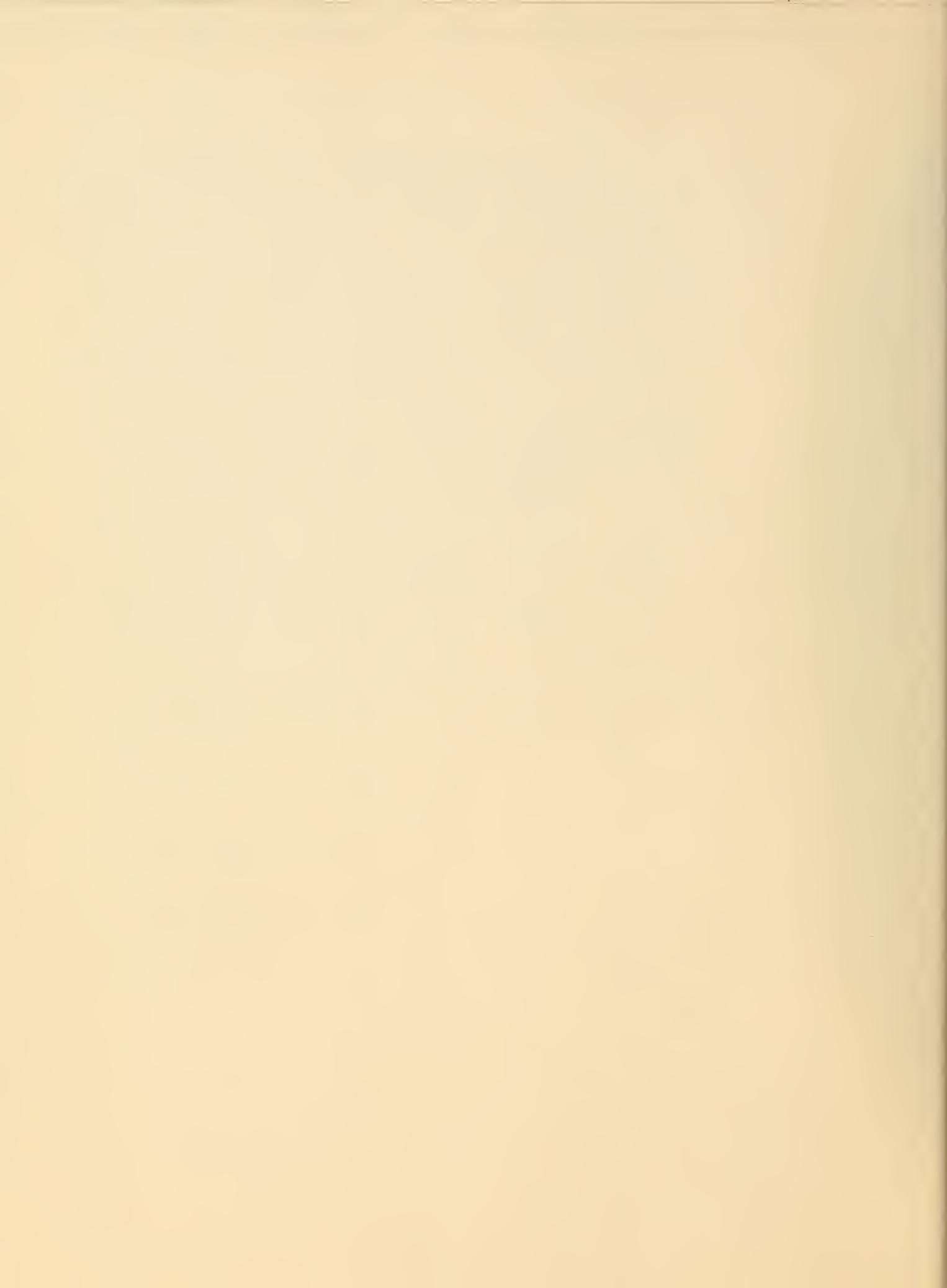


TABLE 2 - SUMMARY OF WHOLESALE TRADE FOR THE UNITED STATES: 1933

ALL TYPES OF ESTABLISHMENTS IN FIELD OF BUSINESS

(All values expressed in thousands of dollars. A leader indicates no information or an average less than \$25,000.)

Type of establishment and kind of business	Number of establishments		Net sales		Total expenses		Full-time employees (average)	Net retail sales	Stocks on hand (end of year)	
	1933	1929 ¹	Percent change	1933	1929 ¹	Percent change	Amount	% of sales	Total	Rate time
Total	164,101	169,654	-3.3	\$32,080,504	\$60,950,108	-53.5	\$7,896,901	11.2	\$1,004,928	\$1,720,441
Amusement and sporting goods	1,548	1,446	+7.1	270,428	425,400	-34.3	46,593	18.0	14,350	24,446
Cameras and motion picture equipment and supplies	87	138	-31.9	32,362	80,849	-60.0	3,031	9.4	927	1,747
Moving picture films	443	553	-20.6	155,648	245,417	-34.8	27,302	17.3	7,558	14,353
Sporting goods (general line)	200	281	-28.8	23,928	74,112	-67.7	6,312	26.5	2,140	2,30
Toys, novelties, and fireworks	508	272	+86.0	32,052	49,214	-33.7	6,904	19.0	2,328	3,018
All other	312	177	+76.3	32,908	57,797	-39.4	5,644	23.8	2,416	2,310
Automotive products	8,303	4,600	+57.0	\$74,209	2,255,525	-91.2	164,728	18.2	34,105	32,004
Automobiles and other motor vehicles	678	743	-8.7	249,075	1,220,647	-79.6	35,081	15.3	12,583	19,812
Automotive equipment (including accessories and parts)	4,708	3,202	+47.0	322,360	642,574	-50.7	62,234	19.7	31,925	43,215
Tires and tubes	917	655	+40.0	300,934	386,804	-22.2	42,621	14.1	9,205	18,437
Chemicals	2,470	2,823	+10.8	645,529	1,102,802	-45.7	101,928	15.7	22,437	43,855
Dyestuffs	100	79	+26.6	45,387	49,700	-8.0	7,996	17.0	4,226	2,679
Explosives	100	118	-15.3	24,454	107,252	-77.2	4,500	18.8	827	2,165
Industrial chemicals	352	549	-30.4	271,257	402,045	-44.9	25,284	9.3	5,029	11,718
Neutral stores	54	65	-16.9	59,855	92,582	-47.4	2,009	3.0	420	703
Paints and varnishes	1,221	1,027	+18.9	166,177	304,995	-45.5	41,028	24.7	11,276	16,325
All other	613	395	+55.2	100,788	146,020	-31.0	21,040	20.9	5,429	5,993
Clothing and furnishings	4,374	5,519	-20.7	904,045	2,180,350	-54.4	108,210	11.0	30,257	52,149
Clothing and furnishings (general line)	283	425	+35.4	55,027	133,720	-58.1	4,387	7.8	1,335	1,965
Clothing, men's and boys'	476	569	-16.0	77,029	214,264	-64.0	8,254	10.7	2,443	4,294
Clothing, women's and children's	977	989	-1.2	262,150	312,790	-16.2	23,082	9.1	7,028	12,861
Furnishings (general line)	275	513	+12.1	53,059	113,624	-56.0	5,085	10.7	1,806	2,970
Furnishings, men's and boys'	601	607	-6.9	106,933	207,979	-48.6	15,648	14.2	3,316	7,525
Furnishings, women's and children's	333	317	+8.6	54,125	104,461	-47.5	5,164	15.1	1,511	2,473
Hosiery	361	420	+14.0	131,562	300,355	-58.2	2,975	8.8	2,065	4,489
Millinery and millinery supplies	475	459	-2.9	46,820	118,023	-59.6	6,901	14.7	2,496	3,601
Shoes and other footwear	426	756	+34.4	226,520	560,673	-50.6	29,120	11.9	7,240	12,311
Clothing second-hand	7	52	/	3,547	7,644	/	7	/	7	7
Furs, dressed, and fur clothing	7	342	/	70,324	118,405	/	7	/	7	7
Clovee	7	122	/	37,405	72,884	/	7	/	7	7
Other clothing and furnishings	7	16	/	2,884	7,284	/	7	/	7	7
Coal	1,371	1,343	+2.1	631,808	1,160,260	-45.5	52,675	8.3	12,514	24,131
Drugs and drug sundries	1,558	1,713	-8.0	521,913	844,419	-38.2	90,173	17.3	25,122	39,520
Drugs (general line)	404	638	+36.7	344,462	875,100	-60.1	44,068	12.5	15,196	21,514
Drugs (specialty lines)	350	308	+18.6	79,075	72,332	+8.9	20,110	25.2	6,805	45
Patent medicines	136	217	+37.3	12,512	55,754	-62.7	5,827	29.9	872	1,220
Toilet articles and preparations	375	303	+25.1	46,454	66,334	-21.5	14,947	32.0	2,625	5,105
All other	280	247	+15.4	31,500	45,589	-21.2	5,321	16.8	1,612	2,521
Dry goods	4,783	5,160	-7.4	2,245,322	3,808,558	-41.0	170,642	7.6	47,394	57,320
Dry goods (general line)	632	1,071	+2.0	444,758	889,502	-50.0	45,274	10.7	16,324	23,262
Knit goods	428	257	+68.5	106,095	72,707	+45.9	11,558	10.9	3,356	5,725
Notions	874	996	+12.2	120,922	166,266	-27.3	18,190	15.0	6,720	9,725
Piece goods	2,235	2,696	+15.2	1,513,382	2,824,281	-42.1	83,976	5.9	10,678	44,880
All other	577	160	+280.6	55,234	30,106	+10.2	6,643	12.0	1,619	3,427
Electrical goods	3,232	3,870	-16.5	705,411	2,435,149	-71.0	121,695	17.2	37,341	61,243
Electrical appliances, equipment and supplies	2,511	2,692	-18.2	567,001	1,039,226	-49.7	93,592	16.8	29,268	48,593
Radio and radio equipment	533	806	+33.9	62,284	40,581	+53.1	12,810	15.4	2,858	6,000
Refrigerators	128	172	+9.3	64,166	104,292	-38.4	15,293	23.8	4,415	7,355
Farm products - raw materials	16,308	20,312	+42.2	3,868,656	11,716,452	-67.2	175,269	4.7	45,155	70,346
Cotton	2,116	5,234	+52.6	861,503	3,061,610	-71.2	42,492	4.8	6,007	10,229
Grain	9,220	13,193	+21.3	1,163,720	3,791,862	-68.8	60,683	5.1	16,521	26,635
Hides, skins, and furs (raw)	1,235	1,503	+18.2	166,595	524,087	-53.2	12,951	7.3	5,962	8,351
Horses and mules	227	252	+0.9	21,200	38,920	-45.1	1,637	7.2	425	511
Livestock	2,353	7,283	+84.6	997,638	3,170,313	-62.5	81,048	2.1	6,082	10,522
Silk (raw)	28	33	+54.3	72,069	170,946	-47.3	2,191	3.0	240	565
Tobacco (leaf)	822	1,003	+18.0	277,985	468,142	-40.8	22,159	8.0	6,363	11,427
Wool and mohair	261	403	+34.5	187,276	334,063	-43.9	12,260	6.5	1,886	4,125
All other	312	1,693	+81.6	59,425	185,646	-61.3	3,868	6.7	675	112
Farm products - consumer goods	23,655	20,896	+18.2	3,101,375	5,805,111	-45.6	403,516	12.8	137,821	131,724
Dairy products (general line)	1,721	736	+133.6	299,686	474,650	-37.0	81,277	27.2	22,200	38,374
Butter	340	367	+94.0	36,725	336,280	-52.3	3,863	10.5	1,183	1,921
Cheese	364	367	+494.0	50,968	336,280	-52.3	11,050	12.6	1,988	2,423
Milk and cream	3,043	707	+382.3	113,357	242,934	-52.3	24,572	21.3	11,147	16,341
All other dairy products	582	261	+100.0	75,217	66,977	+16.8	24,646	21.3	7,250	10,630
Poultry and poultry products	3,308	3,830	+5.8	316,437	700,795	-38.4	20,365	9.7	11,645	12,926
Dairy and poultry products	2,807	3,021	+3.1	455,793	370,160	-52.0	45,860	10.8	12,174	22,880
Fruits and vegetables (fresh)	9,057	11,194	+19.1	1,217,533	3,252,975	-67.2	173,741	10.1	55,231	76,302
All other	345	41	/	51,207	41	/	5,020	11.8	2,563	2,005
Farm supplies	2,445	1,973	+34.1	303,514	809,273	-50.5	50,957	14.0	17,025	21,344
Feed	1,322	1,223	+16.5	169,306	571,061	-70.3	18,173	10.7	7,021	8,021
Fertilizer	379	279	+33.3	103,036	167,470	-45.0	11,630	11.2	3,220	4,417
Seeds	447	316	+41.5	67,028	116,062	-12.3	16,107	27.0	5,840	7,199
All other	100	94	+0.4	23,024	23,873	+1.1	3,141	13.1	944	1,609

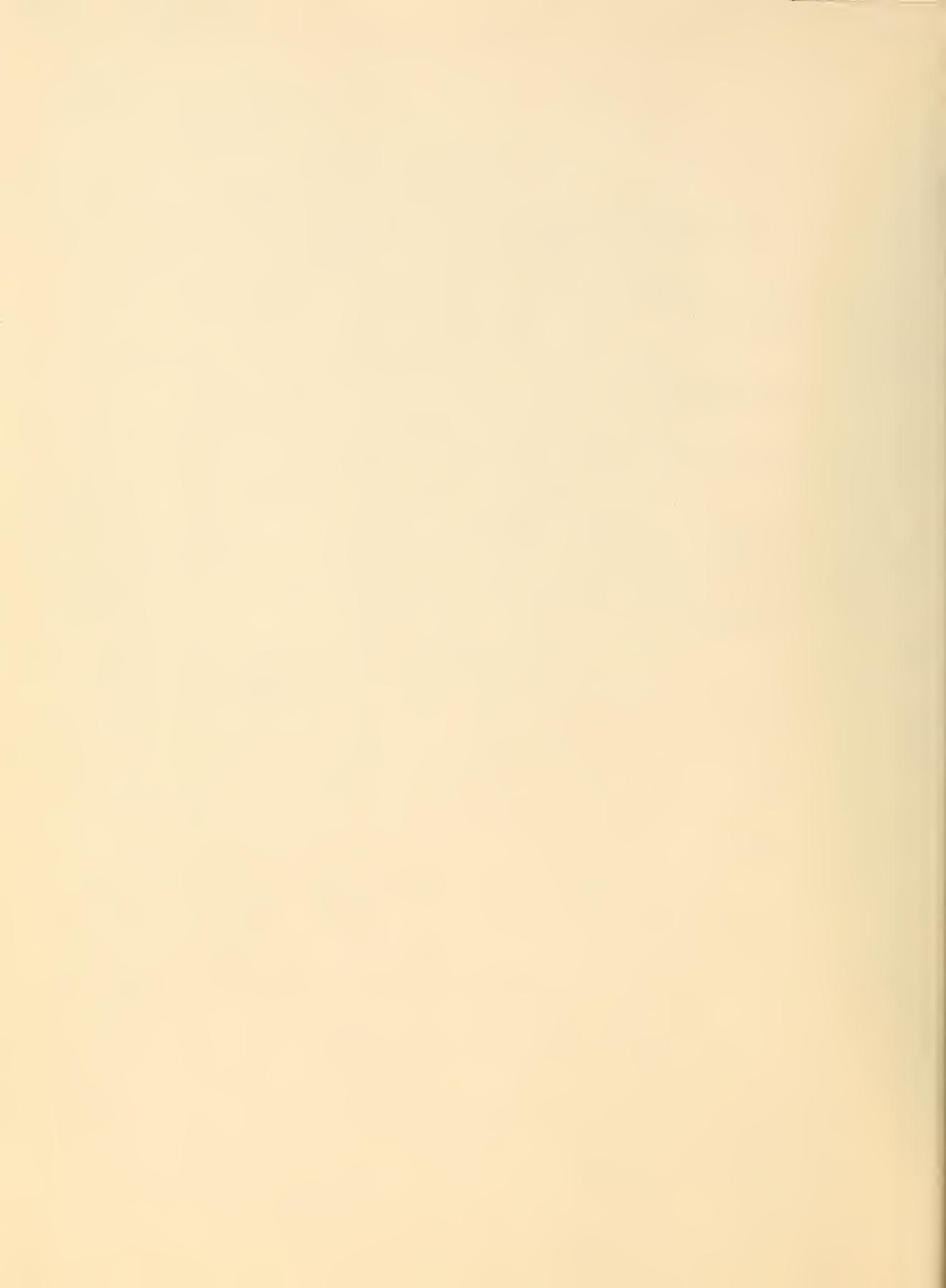


TABLE 2 - SUMMARY OF WHOLESALE TRADE FOR THE UNITED STATES: 1933

Type of establishment and kind of business	Number of establishments		Net sales		Total expenses		Full-time employees (average)	Pay roll		Stocks on hand (end of year)		
	1933	1929 ¹	Percent change	1933	1929 ¹	Percent change		Amount	% of sales			
Furniture and house furnishings	2,784	2,977	-6.5	334,826	394,052	-16.3	459,946	16.9	18,660	\$20,464	\$1,534	960,000
Chin, glassware and crockery	317	411	-23.9	38,575	66,777	-43.7	6,122	17.1	1,797	2,026	10	5,477
Floor coverings	395	463	-14.7	126,228	321,075	-59.9	13,495	10.7	3,339	6,601	195	19,320
Furniture	700	1,146	-36.3	82,630	344,630	-76.0	15,036	15.5	5,103	7,496	282	10,559
House furnishings (except as specified)	1,823	779	+57.0	94,650	131,328	-27.7	18,761	19.8	6,220	8,679	475	18,233
Musical instruments and sheet music	119	178	-33.1	15,043	58,424	-74.2	6,832	43.4	2,171	5,350	76	6,300
General merchandise	193	370	-47.8	243,319	596,066	-59.2	22,081	9.1	6,264	8,654	177	84,181
Groceries and foods (except farm products)	23,833	22,006	+8.3	7,625,937	13,239,533	-43.2	712,277	9.5	221,319	526,633	8,113	495,490
Groceries (general line)	6,023	6,500	-8.1	2,876,503	5,203,417	-46.5	189,197	7.3	53,344	97,193	1,265	545,582
Confectionery and soft drinks	3,832	2,959	+29.5	252,237	358,242	-20.8	53,936	19.1	17,335	22,558	860	18,109
Fish and sea foods	1,880	1,443	+29.8	166,533	243,682	-31.6	29,377	17.6	10,144	13,241	1,224	7,622
Meats and meat products	3,222	3,605	-10.6	1,110,156	3,102,286	-64.2	111,698	10.1	33,957	56,882	1,050	22,512
Other food and grocery specialties	10,876	7,094	+53.3	3,330,463	4,333,906	-21.8	328,069	9.7	86,533	136,233	3,105	191,421
Hardware	1,495	1,789	-16.4	394,180	866,158	-54.3	78,035	20.1	20,110	42,117	567	120,032
Hardware (general line)	739	1,227	-39.8	309,994	754,594	-58.9	64,995	21.0	25,346	34,532	442	102,104
Hardware (specialty line)	758	582	+43.8	84,156	111,564	-24.5	14,039	16.7	4,754	7,455	115	17,275
Jewelry and optical goods	2,071	2,365	-12.4	148,523	494,581	-70.0	35,064	22.6	11,129	16,956	312	46,782
Jewelry (general line)	756	1,098	-31.1	54,740	192,664	-71.6	10,691	19.5	3,245	5,049	159	38,532
Clocks and watches	159	140	+13.6	18,324	66,664	-71.8	3,581	16.6	845	1,606	12	5,421
Diamonds and other precious stones	241	497	-51.5	16,311	124,728	-87.7	1,994	12.0	440	736	25	2,791
Other jewelry specialties	397	150	+108.9	27,604	65,265	-53.1	55,923	21.5	1,766	2,781	70	7,791
Optical goods	518	440	+17.7	32,104	44,492	-27.8	12,775	39.8	4,233	6,821	36	6,245
Lumber and building materials (other than metal)	3,713	5,613	-32.7	522,075	2,144,052	-75.7	94,612	16.1	22,733	47,356	3,590	79,735
Lumber and millwork	1,505	2,291	-34.3	215,353	1,134,205	-81.0	32,056	14.9	10,192	13,465	1,149	38,553
Asbestos products	101	124	-18.5	26,335	75,610	-64.9	4,245	17.1	1,149	2,859	93	881
Brick and tile	231	426	-46.0	25,174	89,855	-74.5	4,612	18.3	1,050	2,380	125	5,232
Cement	191	153	+20.9	39,766	142,726	-72.1	7,207	16.5	1,561	3,613	150	4,244
Glass	374	284	+47.2	76,998	89,449	-13.9	11,430	14.8	3,783	6,508	783	8,666
All other	1,311	2,268	-41.9	138,247	603,206	-77.1	34,723	25.2	10,963	16,897	1,273	20,729
Machinery, equipment and supplies (except electrical)	11,448	11,855	-3.4	1,264,412	3,068,150	-53.7	268,359	21.2	84,128	130,835	4,199	247,665
Commercial machinery, equipment and supplies	2,010	1,804	+11.4	126,013	250,329	-49.8	36,859	20.6	15,275	22,410	336	19,475
Office equipment and supplies (except furniture)	942	689	+59.9	73,873	72,521	+1.9	22,767	30.8	10,500	15,223	125	8,474
Store equipment and supplies	266	585	-54.5	9,264	55,321	-84.1	3,765	29.8	936	1,366	52	1,515
All other	502	620	+27.3	42,376	120,058	-64.3	11,327	23.4	3,840	5,761	199	6,487
Construction machinery, equipment and supplies	589	486	+18.3	52,275	132,590	-59.3	12,419	22.3	3,633	6,052	150	12,616
Construction machinery	89	178	-50.0	7,227	65,631	-85.9	1,693	23.2	418	600	36	3,494
Road machinery and equipment	191	119	+60.5	22,259	30,763	-27.7	5,379	24.2	1,495	2,459	22	5,055
All other	309	201	+53.7	23,723	46,271	-43.7	5,347	22.5	1,720	2,763	22	4,106
Farm and dairy machinery and equipment	801	560	+43.0	117,175	335,833	-69.6	33,165	22.3	10,793	15,915	417	55,340
Industrial machinery, equipment and supplies	5,019	6,142	-18.3	671,384	1,643,820	-59.3	114,584	17.1	35,719	59,739	2,363	108,832
Bottles and bottling equipment	272	190	+43.2	27,440	56,417	-24.7	4,000	14.6	1,062	1,813	44	5,232
Mechanical tools	150	297	-49.5	25,511	102,160	-75.0	2,815	11.0	747	1,397	88	3,528
Mechanical rubber goods	162	174	-6.9	21,474	63,433	-65.1	5,281	15.3	1,974	3,485	48	2,003
Mill and mine supplies (general line)	1,350	1,418	-4.8	134,308	410,973	-55.1	35,604	19.5	11,472	18,197	884	53,102
All other	3,065	4,063	-24.1	412,561	1,005,697	-60.2	68,824	16.7	15,491	38,458	1,319	41,938
Professional equipment and supplies	1,078	1,000	+7.8	119,265	207,816	-42.6	30,719	28.8	10,214	18,230	507	26,364
Dental equipment and supplies	313	337	-6.5	30,669	48,767	-37.1	9,580	31.2	3,181	4,809	42	9,912
Surgical, medical and hospital equipment and supplies	334	335	-0.3	26,422	56,413	-49.6	8,006	22.1	2,450	4,441	98	4,580
All other	429	328	+30.8	60,155	102,636	-41.4	13,153	21.6	4,603	6,280	561	13,932
Service equipment and supplies	1,446	1,439	+0.5	101,723	201,098	-49.4	29,087	23.6	9,077	14,487	222	20,910
Barber and beauty parlor equipment and supplies	629	532	+8.1	27,050	50,443	-45.4	8,481	31.4	3,210	4,157	66	6,322
Laundry equipment and supplies	181	141	+20.4	24,599	46,216	-56.8	6,495	26.4	1,710	3,280	47	4,197
Other service equipment and supplies	636	713	-11.2	50,109	104,459	-52.0	14,111	23.2	4,157	7,040	109	10,301
Transportation equipment and supplies	505	412	+22.6	75,568	230,879	-57.2	11,526	18.3	1,411	6,002	154	6,097
Aircraft and aeronautical equipment and supplies	11	14	-31.4	4,250	2,341	+61.5	776	16.3	42	224	44	249
Railroad equipment and supplies	239	257	-7.0	41,988	201,942	-79.2	8,406	15.5	861	3,463	95	1,230
All other	255	141	+80.9	29,350	26,595	+10.3	4,344	14.8	506	2,310	59	4,618
Metals (except scrap)	1,377	2,277	-13.2	1,227,714	4,439,813	-72.3	77,652	6.3	19,157	39,592	1,822	62,757
Iron and steel	1,516	1,643	-19.9	917,941	2,659,961	-67.7	50,163	3.5	13,736	27,193	1,507	66,073
Sheet metal products	175	253	-30.8	34,734	202,459	-82.8	3,401	15.5	1,650	2,615	234	5,359
Other metal and metal works	436	331	+27.6	275,059	1,397,327	-80.1	21,692	8.0	3,761	9,751	91	11,614
Paper and its products	2,649	3,103	-18.2	600,525	1,132,583	-47.0	98,253	16.4	29,522	50,151	229	52,345
Paper and its products (general line)	769	1,563	-51.0	309,556	679,014	-64.4	60,023	16.2	14,283	24,373	323	53,422
Paper and its products (specialty lines)	1,277	584	+18.7	238,637	307,813	-22.5	32,705	13.7	9,666	17,921	242	21,733
Stationery and stationery supplies	479	713	-33.4	57,677	113,568	-55.8	9,763	25.9	3,732	4,998	101	7,067
Wall paper	324	232	+39.7	14,855	32,188	-53.8	5,762	28.8	1,641	2,256	107	5,220



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	1933	1929 ^{1/}	Percent change	1933	1929 ^{1/}	Percent change		Amount	% of sales	
	28,421	28,007	+03.5	\$2,288,929	\$3,273,563	-29.2	\$42,017	16.5	103,903	\$173,509
Petroleum and its products	28,421	28,007	+03.5	\$2,288,929	\$3,273,563	-29.2	\$42,017	16.5	103,903	\$173,509
Plumbing and heating equipment and supplies	2,243	2,785	-19.3	265,157	819,687	-67.6	62,825	23.5	18,617	29,755
Heating equipment (general line)	216	397	-45.6	17,034	72,809	-76.9	4,071	23.9	1,184	2,050
Pipe, valves and fittings	118	217	-45.6	18,530	85,559	-72.5	3,701	20.0	1,089	1,837
Plumbing and heating equipment (general line)	1,019	1,607	-36.6	140,437	640,323	-74.0	34,638	26.7	11,139	16,484
Stoves and ranges	100	137	-27.0	11,824	26,849	-56.9	2,456	20.5	707	1,263
All other	795	428	+05.7	77,274	92,328	-16.3	17,447	22.6	4,458	8,073
Tobacco and its products (except leaf)	1,986	2,016	-1.5	1,260,583	1,691,173	-26.5	73,197	5.6	15,501	25,146
Waste materials	3,410	4,000	-14.8	282,602	552,280	-48.8	33,102	10.7	12,683	14,152
Iron and steel scrap	739	644	+17.9	55,001	238,794	-74.6	9,757	14.8	3,221	4,150
Junk and scrap (general line)	1,921	3,063	-37.7	175,340	234,062	-25.1	12,299	7.0	5,287	644
Waste paper, rags and rubber	730	275	+167.4	41,461	59,404	-30.2	8,052	19.4	4,072	3,584
All other products	9,110	7,205	+26.4	1,369,027	2,807,410	-52.2	167,635	12.1	51,104	78,658
Bags and bagging	217	162	+33.3	37,557	66,680	-43.5	4,506	12.0	2,323	2,115
Beer	2,384	4	/	132,104	132,104	/	24,210	18.3	5,407	5,945
Books and periodicals	191	403	-53.2	37,123	169,429	-78.1	12,921	34.6	3,631	6,488
Cordage and twine	77	105	-26.7	23,538	54,281	-47.4	2,334	8.2	612	1,250
Flowers and nursery stock	723	833	+14.2	29,816	71,531	-58.6	7,145	24.2	2,641	3,215
Forest products (except lumber)	603	1,020	-40.9	102,437	205,420	-50.1	10,866	10.5	2,837	3,141
Lumber	423	509	+24.3	156,992	230,752	-52.0	8,500	6.0	2,004	3,803
Leather goods	791	993	-20.3	49,930	129,473	-70.4	8,871	17.8	5,022	4,460
Newspapers and magazines	711	223	+211.6	125,252	33,612	+222.6	22,514	22.3	10,744	12,650
Oils and greases (animal and vegetable)	165	171	-3.5	121,730	316,791	-51.6	8,365	6.9	2,495	3,279
Rubber, cruds	30	49	+38.8	33,244	220,611	-36.2	1,207	4.2	232	555
Rubber goods (general line)	20	25	+42.0	88,048	121,229	-38.6	6,672	17.6	2,194	937
Wines and spirituous liquors	762	77	+493.5	87,349	20,913	+317.2	9,585	10.7	2,247	3,777
Yarn	167	285	+41.4	160,648	202,370	-25.9	8,151	3.2	975	2,282
Miscellaneous kinds of business	1,784	2,423	+26.4	228,422	734,512	-50.4	20,277	10.1	9,734	14,764

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BY TYPE OF ESTABLISHMENT AND KIND OF BUSINESS

(All values are expressed in thousands of dollars. A dash indicates no information or an amount less than \$500.)

Type of establishment and kind of business	Number of establishments		Net sales		Total expenses		Full-time employees (average)	Pay roll		Stocks on hand (end of year)
	1933	1929 ^{1/}	Percent change	1933	1929 ^{1/}	Percent change		Amount	% of sales	
	5,237	3,451	+51.3	437,975	1,835,057	-58.3	120,562	22.0	38,688	12,761
WHOLESALEERS PROPER	5,237	3,451	+51.3	437,975	1,835,057	-58.3	120,562	22.0	38,688	12,761
Amusement and sporting goods	1,064	916	+16.2	\$103,182	\$172,621	-39.8	\$21,856	21.1	5,883	2,942
Cameras and motion picture equipment and supplies	76	117	-33.3	2,746	16,771	-85.6	655	21.4	256	399
Moving picture films	149	325	-55.5	40,982	62,328	-30.3	6,224	15.2	870	2,722
Sporting goods (general line)	175	186	+12.2	20,155	50,553	-34.0	5,645	23.0	1,903	2,463
Toys, novelties, and fireworks	408	196	+106.2	23,955	34,955	-30.4	5,454	22.6	1,874	2,427
All other	254	112	+16.8	15,016	8,523	+87.9	3,572	22.9	953	1,637
Automotive products	5,237	3,451	+51.3	437,975	1,835,057	-58.3	120,562	22.0	38,688	12,761
Automobiles and other motor vehicles	276	640	+41.3	133,004	950,948	-38.0	17,264	12.0	8,753	183
Automotive equipment, accessories and parts	4,308	2,596	+65.9	253,270	404,610	-37.4	73,831	28.2	29,040	38,783
Tires and tubes	553	215	+137.2	81,701	27,511	+87.9	9,627	18.6	3,153	4,265
Chemicals	1,375	1,133	+21.4	225,410	400,215	-43.7	43,818	19.2	10,500	12,755
Dye stuffs	67	57	+17.5	21,589	32,234	-32.2	3,217	19.7	1,128	3,027
Explosives	25	38	-34.2	915	4,611	-79.4	131	14.3	34	17
Industrial chemicals	143	241	-32.6	58,823	120,987	-51.4	7,780	13.2	1,302	3,568
Naval stores	30	37	-16.3	23,703	56,507	-57.9	307	3.6	655	10
Paints and varnishes	627	605	+36.7	72,741	129,527	-46.8	19,472	25.5	6,020	6,226
All other	278	155	+79.4	37,603	56,472	-33.4	8,811	23.4	2,225	2,716
Clothing and furnishings	3,005	3,824	-21.4	415,854	1,102,458	-64.3	55,350	16.0	19,582	51,242
Clothing and furnishings (general line)	218	353	-32.2	25,890	15,223	+77.2	5,658	14.2	1,108	3,039
Clothing, men's and boys'	350	417	-16.1	37,953	106,171	-64.2	5,726	15.1	1,757	73
Clothing, women's and children's	641	644	-0.5	116,776	192,105	-38.3	17,584	15.3	1,759	6,760
Furnishings (general line)	167	216	-22.7	14,056	47,932	-70.8	2,293	16.3	5,122	3,218
Furnishings, men's and boys'	499	479	+4.2	45,444	99,682	-54.4	8,076	15.9	2,735	4,078
Furnishings, women's and children's	222	465	-49.6	20,150	103,655	-81.1	3,635	18.0	1,052	1,625
Ecclesiary	193	225	-14.2	24,511	104,120	-76.5	2,821	11.5	823	1,232
Millinery and millinery supplies	336	350	-4.0	33,999	85,809	-60.1	6,356	18.0	2,265	3,014
Shoes and other footwear	369	519	-23.9	97,510	272,261	-64.3	15,712	15.1	3,689	6,464
Clothing, second-hand	2	60	/	3,427	3,427	/	2	/	2	/
Gloves	2	87	/	26,785	26,785	/	7	/	7	/
Other clothing and furnishings	2	11	/	1,287	1,287	/	2	/	2	/

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	1933	1929 ^a /Percent change	1933	1929 ^a /Percent change	Amount	% of expenses				
WHOLESALE TRADE (continued)										
Coal	972	+12.0	\$ 316,327	\$ 379,102 -16.0	\$ 22,913	11.3	8,397	\$ 14,134	1.1	
Drugs and drug sundries	1,188	+4.7	350,725	534,267 -35.0	59,404	17.2	10,057	21,164	1.1	
Drugs and drug sundries (general lines)	353	+3.6	274,753	451,152 -39.7	42,457	18.1	9,490	20,234	1.1	
Drugs (specialty lines)	221	+27.7	74,754	45,152 -38.2	8,004	24.3	1,511	2,701	1.1	
Potent medicines	102	-13.8	8,419	51,305 -83.9	1,476	22.0	279	521	1.1	
Toilet articles and preparations	233	+21.1	11,502	36,182 -68.6	1,341	34.4	1,241	1,110	1.1	
All other	229	+2.7	22,847	31,082 -28.5	4,400	17.8	1,215	1,300	1.1	
Drug goods	3,380	+3.9	846,330	1,109,765 -26.3	118,765	15.8	34,160	57,404	1.1	
Drug goods (general line)	526	+39.3	231,586	589,823 -58.7	45,045	16.9	14,324	20,811	1.1	
Unit goods	256	+51.5	58,196	38,919 +42.1	9,485	17.3	2,675	4,841	1.1	
Notions	521	+0.8	53,325	50,491 -57.5	11,837	20.3	4,034	8,011	1.1	
Piece goods	1,453	+19.2	444,507	387,711 +15.0	50,043	11.3	1,283	23,328	1.1	
All other	483	+90.3	21,212	33,190 -30.6	5,015	18.2	1,235	2,724	1.1	
Electrical goods	2,126	+2.6	575,202	546,852 +47.4	61,450	21.3	21,251	30,876	1.1	
Electrical appliances, equipment and supplies	1,564	+5.7	148,745	451,583 -68.5	41,186	21.5	18,624	20,667	1.1	
Radios and radio equipment	426	+55.5	32,409	316,274 -97.5	5,028	22.9	2,765	4,322	1.1	
Refrigerators	158	+80	47,055	32,755 +42.0	11,035	22.5	3,764	5,623	1.1	
Farm products—raw materials	2,435	+24.9	1,224,637	3,685,900 -64.8	54,725	4.3	18,123	27,813	1.1	
Cotton	226	+21.7	423,282	1,553,324 -72.5	35,275	1.3	2,416	5,313	1.1	
Grain	741	+69.3	330,582	1,011,358 -67.8	21,785	5.8	4,592	5,149	1.1	
Hides, skins, and furs (raw)	659	+1,000	117,382	324,501 -63.8	10,129	9.2	2,100	4,108	1.1	
Horses and mules	82	+53.8	5,200	12,855 -59.8	471	1.1	101	57	1.1	
Livestock	147	+11.5	25,118	152,830 -83.0	1,201	4.8	386	452	1.1	
Silk (raw)	17	+22.7	72,358	146,154 -38.7	2,172	3.0	243	1,301	1.1	
Tobacco (leaf)	244	+44.5	61,563	149,867 -58.1	8,273	10.4	4,350	6,121	1.1	
Wool and mohair	125	+22.2	122,532	224,326 -49.2	6,935	7.0	1,388	2,153	1.1	
All other	102	+28.5	22,180	32,853 -38.4	1,739	7.5	372	477	1.1	
Farm products—consumer goods	10,386	+12.4	2,482,861	8,051,504 -68.1	254,261	10.3	70,596	127,941	1.1	
Dairy products (general line)	2,118	+11.7	127,082	211,241 -37.5	20,073	16.3	21,484	24,107	1.1	
Butter	150	+10.0	10,000	1,177 +10.7	1,077	11.2	420	978	1.1	
Cheese	183	+47.1	45,099	172,275 -73.8	8,309	12.1	1,252	1,172	1.1	
Milk and cream	523	+2.4	58,587	158,588 -66.8	8,043	16.3	6,172	7,325	1.1	
All other dairy products	346	+140.0	37,154	12,858 +411.0	10,708	27.3	3,453	4,588	1.1	
Poultry and poultry products	1,458	+177	152,857	412,888 -64.7	18,358	10.0	5,251	7,131	1.1	
Dairy and poultry products	1,059	+81.9	72,158	351,777 -77.0	22,768	11.3	5,684	16,218	1.1	
Fruits and vegetables (fresh)	5,462	+9.2	781,591	1,316,047 -42.6	69,979	11.6	35,223	39,571	1.1	
All other	113	4	19,116	2/	2,036	12.9	1,112	616	1.1	
Farm supplies	1,244	+156	245,342	565,915 -55.2	38,201	15.4	12,981	18,500	1.1	
Feed	1,185	+42.3	125,345	379,725 -68.1	15,153	15.8	8,427	8,932	1.1	
Fertilizer	123	+10.0	81,341	91,378 -16.9	3,181	8.0	1,582	1,185	1.1	
Seeds	350	+28.1	84,077	97,552 -14.2	10,585	20.2	5,285	7,583	1.1	
All other	74	+24.5	10,775	20,340 -42.8	2,114	15.4	673	1,147	1.1	
Furniture and house furnishings	1,288	+2.2	174,755	434,777 -64.5	29,445	18.5	18,176	18,146	1.1	
China, glassware and crockery	203	+15.1	18,938	42,357 -56.7	4,324	22.7	1,478	2,334	1.1	
Floor coverings	233	+11.5	45,283	102,200 -55.8	7,217	14.3	2,170	2,453	1.1	
Furniture	321	+56.9	82,280	128,247 -34.5	7,701	22.9	2,074	4,941	1.1	
House furnishings (except as specified)	863	+48.6	50,801	115,792 -57.5	12,564	22.3	4,855	8,208	1.1	
Musical instruments and sheet music	104	+12.1	14,125	28,461 -50.4	6,000	43.5	2,061	3,107	1.1	
General merchandise	103	+50.7	174,953	453,191 -67.4	20,503	11.4	5,973	9,781	1.1	
Groceries and foods (except farm products)	18,068	+15,224	415,6	8,121,150 -68.1	5,365,651	12.8	142,818	184,813	1.1	
Groceries (general line)	5,707	+7,748	1,451,077	2,329,577 -35.0	140,894	9.8	28,337	35,151	1.1	
Confectionery and soft drinks	5,684	+411.0	195,322	284,386 -30.1	36,321	15.4	14,320	17,141	1.1	
Fish and sea foods	1,707	+1,513	240,768	325,321 -29.4	27,186	11.9	8,865	12,404	1.1	
Meats and meat products	2,281	+2,230	2,145,077	365,978 -84.2	32,851	14.5	12,032	20,121	1.1	
Other food and grocery specialties	6,599	+5,557	4,101,677	8,150,352 -51.4	142,354	14.3	45,522	57,124	1.1	
Hardware	1,176	+1,249	5,565	714,258 -92.1	73,277	21.4	28,421	33,142	1.1	
Hardware (general line)	592	+183	320,356	653,150 -51.7	64,400	21.3	24,330	43,326	1.1	
Hardware (specialty lines)	473	+296	51,033	42,352 -13.9	8,573	22.7	3,251	4,733	1.1	
Jewelry and allied goods	1,507	+1,922	114,3	304,561 -58.1	35,700	28.4	8,172	10,781	1.1	
Jewelry (general line)	553	+178	45,358	125,650 -61.7	17,705	27.0	5,773	6,124	1.1	
Clocks and watches	150	+106	43,649	137,714 -68.7	12,270	21.3	3,778	4,164	1.1	
Diamonds and other precious stones	263	+446	14,485	112,610 -87.8	1,368	11.3	435	781	1.1	
Other jewelry specialties	301	+126	411,615	57,040 +70.3	22,311	21.7	1,380	1,821	1.1	
Optical goods	511	+258	21,155	17,552 +21.3	3,574	59.7	2,933	3,386	1.1	
Timber and building materials (other than metal)	2,656	+3,774	+36.2	276,721	1,283,291 -73.3	50,551	22.7	51,141	51,141	1.1
Timber and millwork	1,183	+2,588	-32.5	143,377	772,145 -80.5	22,104	15.3	5,985	12,184	1.1
Asbestos products	53	+1	-45.8	1,427	11,567 -81.8	527	31.4	1,241	3,728	1.1
Brick and tile	102	+241	+37.7	8,132	45,724 -48.2	1,371	20.8	1,528	1,311	1.1
Cement	106	+81	+60.0	10,374	42,350 -74.8	2,031	21.3	647	1,107	1.1
Glass	208	+271	+51.3	10,333	45,378 -64.4	1,508	34.3	1,203	1,203	1.1
All other	994	+1,302	+35.2	94,128	365,112 -74.8	26,117	10.5	5,709	12,742	1.1



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	1933	1932	Percent change	1933	1932	Percent change	Amount (below)	% of (average)	Total	Part- time	
WHOLESALEERS PROPER (continued)											
Machinery, equipment and supplies (except electrical)	5,915	6,177	-4.2	\$486,003	\$1,123,304	-32.9	\$131,605	24.0	40,167	\$1,403	12,210
Commercial machinery, equipment and supplies	873	812	+7.5	44,761	116,353	-51.5	13,358	29.8	4,730	6,210	562
Office equipment and supplies (except furniture)	184	219	-15.1	8,755	17,721	-49.6	2,827	32.4	1,120	2,903	54
Store equipment and supplies	159	151	+5.3	5,315	16,456	-67.7	1,713	32.3	600	729	40
All other	528	442	+19.5	50,692	52,205	-0.2	8,656	28.7	3,016	4,466	158
Construction machinery, equipment and supplies	217	252	-13.9	71,014	56,171	-22.6	6,351	25.5	1,470	2,825	61
Construction machinery	55	83	-57.8	2,212	22,102	-90.0	520	30.2	180	320	54
Road machinery and equipment	91	69	+51.9	8,906	16,154	-40.6	2,827	25.5	801	979	19
All other	91	100	-9.0	9,806	18,915	-48.2	2,305	24.4	686	1,016	35
Farm and dairy machinery and equipment	272	209	+30.8	26,313	58,351	-34.9	5,894	21.6	1,743	2,716	147
Industrial machinery, equipment and supplies	2,467	3,004	-17.9	258,826	685,719	-62.3	56,164	21.7	10,287	28,458	1,423
Bottles and bottling equipment	223	113	+90.0	10,034	9,971	+0.6	1,616	18.0	601	823	39
Mechine tools	63	71	-11.3	11,383	25,373	-53.2	1,474	12.4	403	723	13
Mechanical rubber goods	68	55	+17.2	4,842	12,040	-59.8	1,234	25.5	418	636	34
Mill-and mine supplies (general line)	994	1,022	-2.7	153,619	295,672	-48.0	29,231	19.4	10,235	15,628	610
All other	1,119	1,735	-35.5	76,218	345,653	-77.2	21,800	27.9	7,583	10,622	537
Professional equipment and supplies	755	696	+8.5	57,263	110,633	-48.2	18,102	31.5	6,323	9,576	240
Dental equipment and supplies	265	276	-4.0	21,787	30,901	-35.7	7,269	33.3	2,690	3,701	33
Surgical, medical and hospital equipment and supplies	200	194	+3.1	18,617	27,629	-31.1	4,258	31.2	1,387	2,170	84
All other	290	226	+28.5	21,859	45,002	-55.3	6,595	30.2	2,416	3,615	123
Service equipment and supplies	1,091	1,010	+7.1	56,508	110,591	-46.2	17,645	29.7	6,173	8,776	170
Barber and beauty parlor equipment and supplies	587	548	+7.1	24,021	45,701	-47.4	7,953	33.1	3,054	3,893	64
Laundry equipment and supplies	94	97	-3.1	12,511	23,654	-47.2	2,681	21.4	709	1,339	20
All other	410	374	+8.6	22,376	41,206	-44.2	7,011	30.5	2,410	3,544	83
Transportation equipment and supplies	230	188	+29.0	20,518	50,546	-59.4	5,324	25.9	436	2,840	77
Aircraft and aeronautical equipment	9	10	-10.0	930	1,601	-43.2	229	28.5	16	155	...
Railroad equipment and supplies	39	67	+41.8	5,957	26,016	-77.1	1,475	24.7	64	742	24
All other	122	109	+76.1	13,652	22,931	-40.5	3,592	26.3	288	1,940	53
Metals (except scrap)	748	856	-12.6	160,496	672,581	-70.1	25,371	15.8	8,032	13,501	820
Iron and steel	427	580	-26.4	98,698	270,033	-61.5	17,705	18.0	5,666	9,303	624
Sheet metal products	125	131	-4.6	15,312	26,632	-41.0	3,141	20.5	1,070	1,907	182
Other metal and metal works	196	148	+35.2	46,483	368,656	-57.4	4,434	9.5	1,284	2,291	84
Paper and its products	2,221	2,297	-3.3	333,385	704,333	-52.7	69,125	20.7	23,644	37,580	695
Paper and its products (general line)	648	1,267	-46.2	160,496	410,030	-56.0	36,103	20.0	12,391	20,171	317
Paper and its products (specialty line)	897	378	+137.3	112,815	196,585	-33.3	20,512	18.2	6,938	11,490	205
Stationery and stationery supplies	354	427	-17.1	29,361	68,832	-61.9	0,735	28.6	2,774	3,503	55
Wall paper	322	223	+43.1	14,843	30,800	-51.9	5,760	35.8	1,041	2,256	107
Petroleum and its products	1,940	3,114	-37.4	235,027	723,967	-67.4	35,866	15.9	10,180	15,626	456
Plumbing and heating equipment and supplies	1,438	1,704	-15.6	142,618	498,210	-71.3	35,002	28.8	11,268	17,620	565
Heating equipment (general line)	62	137	+47.0	9,938	19,830	-59.7	1,372	24.9	482	623	922
Pipe, valves and fittings	81	127	-36.2	10,678	37,636	-71.6	2,401	23.3	727	1,322	40
Plumbing and heating equipment (general line)	771	1,243	-39.0	90,420	404,917	-77.7	22,471	24.9	7,361	11,213	284
Stoves and ranges	68	62	+9.7	7,116	10,616	-32.9	1,623	23.8	530	963	26
All other	438	155	+104.2	20,676	25,655	+16.4	8,045	26.2	2,162	3,839	150
Tobacco and its products (except leaf)	1,738	1,721	+1.0	523,570	658,329	-33.0	33,720	6.4	10,463	15,476	333
Waste materials	3,330	3,919	-14.3	272,173	474,633	-42.6	29,499	10.2	12,527	12,825	1,247
Iron and steel scrap	743	600	+20.8	69,537	207,733	-76.9	9,680	15.6	3,274	4,001	384
Junk and scrap (general line)	1,904	3,021	-37.8	171,823	213,733	-10.6	12,186	9.1	5,230	5,071	341
Waste paper, rags and rubber	713	258	+176.4	59,823	52,911	-24.7	7,851	10.7	4,013	5,753	212
All other products	7,141	4,940	+44.6	571,432	1,272,633	-55.1	201,321	17.7	35,227	49,094	5,157
Bags and bagging	161	127	+42.3	13,297	19,610	-7.6	3,007	16.6	2,056	1,672	82
Bricks	2,193	4/	4/	20,433	4/	4/	15,086	17.7	4,005	5,427	266
Books and periodicals	131	243	-40.1	19,021	97,807	-80.5	6,421	35.7	2,000	3,347	142
Cordage and twine	38	56	-32.1	18,559	18,065	-6.2	900	6.0	288	528	3
Flowers and nursery stock	617	515	+19.8	13,032	46,133	-60.9	5,059	25.1	1,738	2,210	116
Forest products (except lumber)	330	648	-41.4	42,000	107,327	-60.9	5,552	13.5	1,948	2,837	255
Leather	307	367	-23.7	53,112	129,821	-50.1	5,282	9.9	1,404	2,411	27
Leather goods	660	784	-14.7	38,652	52,544	-31.6	7,027	16.7	2,484	3,489	144
Newspapers and magazines	561	178	+226.4	70,035	29,759	+165.7	17,191	21.6	7,742	11,363	502
Oils and greases (animal and vegetable)	78	61	+21.9	28,125	66,186	-60.8	5,780	22.1	1,954	2,133	10
Rubber, crude	20	17	+17.0	28,224	76,237	-62.7	1,303	4.8	213	324	...
Rubber goods (general line)	39	30	+50.0	2,163	14,620	-85.2	576	25.6	189	290	225
Wines and spirituous liquors	637	42	+185.7	33,510	12,765	+201.2	5,955	16.5	1,684	2,751	54
Yarn	64	105	-37.9	18,645	83,143	-80.3	1,335	10.0	376	588	61
Miscellaneous kinds of business	1,156	1,733	-33.4	85,290	470,034	-81.6	19,423	22.0	7,060	10,028	555

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			Amount	% of sales		Total	Part- time	
MANUFACTURERS' SALES BRANCHES WITH STOCKS X								
Amusement and sporting goods	215	\$ 97,545	\$ 14,741	15.1	4,923	\$ 6,397	24	\$ 4,663
Cameras and motion picture equipment and supplies	6	29,589	2,160	7.3	737	1,343	...	1,327
Moving picture films	153	80,710	10,322	17.0	3,493	6,059	227	884
Sporting goods (general lines)	9	1,531	521	34.0	202	239	1	374
Toys, novelties, and fireworks	20	1,942	384	16.7	119	181	4	767
All other	27	3,773	1,204	36.2	338	345	17	1,161
Automotive products	726	332,631	54,312	16.3	12,485	25,600	148	35,676
Automobiles and other motor vehicles	264	98,897	19,850	20.1	5,909	10,190	84	19,181
Automotive equipment, accessories and parts	188	20,331	8,320	31.2	2,072	2,614	24	4,118
Tires and tubes	294	213,413	28,122	13.2	5,505	12,701	58	16,777
Chemicals	702	238,842	45,394	18.2	9,397	19,520	96	34,282
Dye stuffs	12	2,551	788	22.1	112	206	...	431
Explosives	66	23,172	4,405	18.0	703	2,065	27	2,428
Industrial chemicals	139	162,473	13,877	2.4	2,574	6,280	20	15,808
Paints and varnishes	303	59,228	18,974	31.5	4,179	7,220	40	12,244
All other	182	40,416	9,582	23.6	1,744	3,549	9	5,770
Clothing and furnishings	337	199,582	28,556	13.8	8,402	12,031	222	23,392
Clothing and furnishings (general line)	3	138	65	35.1	11	25	...	51
Clothing, men's and boys'	54	21,420	1,805	8.6	522	884	12	4,764
Clothing, women's and children's	44	10,295	1,994	19.4	681	1,238	11	542
Furnishings (general line)	28	8,630	1,412	16.0	395	778	10	1,658
Furnishings, men's and boys'	73	32,879	5,143	15.6	1,058	2,213	72	2,727
Furnishings, women's and children's	25	8,021	1,169	13.8	292	511	20	1,828
Hosiery	30	15,278	1,795	11.7	376	604	11	2,284
Hatters and millinery supplies	16	985	208	21.1	61	114	4	53
Shoes and other footwear	61	101,566	12,030	11.8	3,005	5,380	46	10,347
Coal	80	13,117	2,059	16.0	615	946	11	922
Drugs and drug sundries	213	66,896	24,890	22.7	4,223	6,361	24	7,209
Drugs (general line)	11	8,159	322	10.1	91	182	1	357
Drugs (specialty lines)	91	47,621	12,584	23.3	2,905	5,821	11	4,013
Patent medicines	17	12,394	4,023	32.5	282	314	2	439
Toilet articles and preparations	79	22,338	6,823	30.6	799	1,647	8	2,853
All other	15	1,211	224	18.8	85	127	2	136
Dry goods	233	115,132	15,022	13.0	3,872	7,525	56	21,559
Dry goods (general line)	6	1,766	113	3.4	32	51	...	223
Knit goods	24	2,500	489	17.5	115	177	11	354
Notions	72	25,924	3,355	12.9	1,196	1,976	8	2,987
Piece goods	114	77,768	10,212	13.1	2,287	4,980	36	16,722
All other	17	7,215	923	12.8	242	374	1	1,203
Electrical goods	447	328,041	49,878	15.5	14,477	26,541	108	37,629
Electrical appliances, equipment and supplies	393	291,150	49,927	16.1	12,402	23,007	85	51,113
Radio and radio equipment	33	15,893	8,072	13.0	483	836	9	2,173
Refrigerators	20	15,779	3,923	24.9	893	1,668	14	3,352
Farm products—raw materials	5	868	20	5.4	10	19	...	16
Farm products—consumer goods	344	106,918	24,993	22.4	5,910	8,389	224	8,217
Dairy products (general line)	68	24,129	4,879	20.2	1,288	2,001	18	2,301
Butter	28	6,123	475	9.3	218	294	8	72
Cheese	33	51,450	8,534	17.6	398	969	1	1,941
All other dairy products	177	32,403	11,233	35.6	3,057	4,974	106	607
Poultry and poultry products	11	1,232	109	8.6	37	42	18	4
Dairy and poultry products	22	11,972	1,935	16.4	849	1,073	58	480
All other	10	589	93	15.8	27	48	23	67
Farm supplies	109	42,537	6,953	16.3	2,445	2,755	73	10,818
Feed	17	7,503	534	12.0	221	310	2	649
Fertilizer	89	37,446	6,324	15.5	2,207	2,412	65	9,645
All other	3	585	75	12.8	18	23	2	23
Furniture and household furnishings	344	71,809	10,615	14.6	2,772	5,326	107	3,413
China, glassware and crockery	10	2,018	547	17.2	55	130	1	310
Floor coverings	59	28,241	2,123	7.5	452	1,038	2	3,787
Furniture	135	25,511	4,650	18.1	1,181	2,464	33	3,159
House furnishings (except as specified)	123	15,763	3,465	21.9	1,018	1,616	65	2,383
Musical instruments and sheet music	2	278	85	23.6	15	21	1	16
Groceries and foods (except farm products)	3,185	1,612,867	203,251	12.6	51,261	84,115	3,108	74,563
Groceries (general line)	3	276	42	11.2	11	26	1	25
Confectionery and soft drinks	110	61,432	15,412	21.8	2,369	4,011	67	2,795
Fish and sea foods	4	1,509	109	12.5	79	126	...	586
Meats and meat products	823	618,271	82,454	8.5	19,231	27,855	353	17,581
Other food and grocery specialties	2,225	931,207	137,754	14.3	29,401	52,319	722	33,164
Hardware	97	20,211	3,758	18.1	1,123	1,930	12	4,895
Hardware (general line)	2	1,570	353	24.2	115	204	...	200
Hardware (specialty lines)	69	19,241	3,275	17.5	1,005	1,746	12	4,308
Jewelry and optical goods	269	25,221	8,221	31.4	2,853	3,943	27	5,437
Jewelry (general line)	10	670	213	55.2	137	155	2	168
Clocks and watches	5	2,423	515	13.0	55	87	2	380
Other jewelry specialties	61	9,493	1,956	20.3	493	926	16	3,313
Optical goods	103	15,738	3,732	21.7	1,270	2,792	1	2,696

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Type of establishment and kind of business	Number of establishments 1933	Net sales 1933	Total expenses		Full-time employees (average)	Avg. roll Total		Stocks on hand (end of year)
			Amount	% of sales		Total	Per cent change	
MANUFACTURERS' SALES BRANCHES WITH STOCKS (continued)								
Lumber and building materials (other than metal)	232	\$ 107,902	\$ 18,513	17.2	4,972	\$ 9,704	-301	\$ 18,767
Lumber and millwork	51	10,343	1,501	14.7	312	532	10	1,917
Asbestos products	37	21,234	3,404	16.0	210	1,921	...	310
Brick and tile	46	7,897	1,067	13.8	214	501	10	3,940
Cement	43	16,131	2,827	17.5	579	1,614	8	2,660
Glass	58	36,111	5,503	15.2	1,730	3,121	792	5,611
All other	87	16,187	4,171	25.8	1,275	1,834	82	3,341
Machinery, equipment and supplies (except electrical)	2,927	420,249	112,853	26.8	36,187	60,810	1,428	112,575
Commercial machinery, equipment and supplies	696	64,270	20,084	31.2	8,340	13,839	62	9,647
Office equipment and supplies (except furniture)	553	55,382	17,917	32.4	8,327	12,349	56	6,346
Store equipment and supplies	38	2,620	685	26.1	202	233	4	341
All other	98	6,288	1,458	25.2	505	797	11	973
Construction machinery, equipment and supplies	181	20,051	4,925	24.6	1,596	2,502	24	6,164
Construction machinery	20	3,171	560	17.7	141	230	...	2,468
Road machinery and equipment	68	7,744	2,267	29.3	683	1,107	2,370	...
All other	103	9,116	2,098	23.0	752	1,245	24	1,303
Farm and dairy machinery and equipment	475	82,164	26,018	31.7	8,743	12,386	269	46,583
Industrial machinery, equipment and supplies	1,137	179,346	38,962	21.2	10,061	21,151	628	37,723
Bottles and bottling equipment	22	12,242	1,984	16.2	358	281	2	1,956
Machine tools	15	3,552	525	14.6	147	225	63	1,045
Mechanical rubber goods	44	10,030	1,370	13.7	344	833	8	1,006
Mill and mine supplies (general line)	269	23,351	4,980	19.6	1,660	2,197	240	12,338
All other	707	128,061	30,105	23.5	8,152	16,533	512	21,758
Professional equipment and supplies	235	56,558	11,651	20.9	3,685	5,303	240	7,725
Dental equipment and supplies	45	8,596	2,256	26.6	658	1,093	15	1,590
Surgical, medical and hospital equipment and supplies	94	13,091	3,449	26.3	997	1,725	1	1,190
All other	99	34,969	6,116	17.9	2,060	2,472	224	4,545
Service equipment and supplies	231	33,182	10,473	31.6	2,661	5,218	34	5,523
Barber and beauty parlor equipment and supplies	21	2,641	453	16.1	121	200	1	220
Laundry equipment and supplies	73	10,704	2,662	31.2	971	1,385	26	1,718
All other	137	19,837	6,378	32.2	1,569	3,121	7	3,523
Transportation equipment and supplies	35	2,600	580	22.3	116	323	20	655
Railroad equipment and supplies	22	1,659	448	24.0	76	227	20	249
All other	11	731	122	18.1	28	66	...	306
Metals (except scrap)	417	212,375	24,536	11.5	5,789	11,312	93	28,750
Iron and steel	271	95,159	11,140	11.7	3,762	5,723	37	19,411
Sheet metal products	15	17,137	2,140	12.5	510	822	38	2,034
Other metal and metal works	118	100,669	11,253	11.2	1,487	4,716	8	6,305
Paper and its products	203	94,012	15,700	16.7	2,959	5,268	43	7,128
Paper and its products (general line)	35	59,355	7,793	19.7	973	1,459	7	2,194
Paper and its products (specialty lines)	108	49,265	6,513	13.2	1,450	3,023	9	3,504
Stationery and stationery supplies	60	5,162	1,393	27.0	490	757	43	1,018
Petroleum and its products	121	25,200	5,990	15.8	922	1,554	8	2,719
Plumbing and heating equipment and supplies	482	62,831	20,865	33.2	5,969	9,332	247	16,476
Heating equipment (general line)	60	6,106	1,655	23.8	411	724	0	1,229
Pipes, valves and fittings	16	3,184	710	22.3	220	380	1	970
Plumbing and heating equipment (general line)	221	45,956	11,530	25.2	3,891	5,000	195	12,216
Stoves and ranges	22	3,550	671	19.0	155	240	5	433
All other	143	24,025	6,250	28.0	1,680	3,023	87	3,520
Tobacco and its products (except leaf)	85	612,474	36,256	6.5	3,155	6,555	25	20,527
All other products	354	869,403	39,313	14.7	8,914	16,010	270	35,825
Bags and bagging	17	18,630	4,193	24	214	383	...	1,651
Beer	93	37,141	7,693	20.7	1,174	2,899	47	2,416
Books and periodicals	21	31,930	4,813	40.4	1,157	2,381	14	4,575
Cordage and twine	25	10,301	1,155	10.9	236	633	4	1,725
Forest products (except lumber)	90	19,394	2,691	14.6	493	1,023	90	4,514
Leather	21	23,216	1,747	7.5	274	725	5	5,323
Leather goods	53	4,062	1,105	26.4	351	616	7	1,200
Newspapers and magazines	10	58,093	6,099	15.9	1,052	1,120	15	4,700
Oils and greases (animal and vegetable)	29	16,031	1,359	8.5	397	625	0	2,561
Rubber goods (general line)	32	35,428	5,002	17.0	1,296	3,557	7	3,291
Wines and spirituous liquors	25	17,251	1,239	7.2	350	622	3	3,553
Yarn	7	6,342	277	4.4	82	113	1	120
Miscellaneous kinds of business	111	33,025	3,946	11.9	1,130	1,963	82	2,596
MANUFACTURERS' SALES BRANCHES WITHOUT STOCKS								
Amusements and sporting goods	154	57,873	10,850	18.7	3,372	5,638	1	...
Moving picture films	139	56,744	10,632	18.9	3,217	5,547	1	...
Toys, novelties, and fireworks	6	1,355	132	9.7	32	58
All other	9	74	26	35.1	12	23

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			Amount	% of sales		Total	Per- cent time	
MANUFACTURERS' SALES BRANCHES WITHOUT STOCKS (continued)								
Automotive products	95	\$ 54,761	6,314	11.8	645	\$ 2,170	3	8
Automobiles and other motor vehicles	11	13,041	1,345	10.3	246	552	***	***
Automotive equipment, accessories and parts	33	7,882	602	7.6	102	267	***	1
Tires and tubes	46	33,833	4,397	12.9	497	1,331	4	1
Chemicals	165	68,073	9,025	13.3	1,529	3,637	23	18
Dyestuffs	14	9,823	898	9.3	142	430	1	***
Industrial chemicals	19	26,644	2,517	9.6	381	1,201	1	***
Paints and varnishes	46	20,588	3,278	17.4	748	1,587	5	18
All other	66	11,233	2,002	17.0	261	684	21	***
Clothing and furnishings	192	68,512	6,011	8.8	1,377	3,333	45	5
Clothing and furnishings (general line)	7	2,076	33	1.6	15	40	***	***
Clothing, men's and boys'	26	11,621	539	4.8	110	316	1	***
Clothing, women's and children's	19	7,125	962	13.0	173	436	52	***
Furnishings (general line)	33	7,948	1,287	16.7	444	703	2	0
Furnishings, men's and boys'	53	15,145	1,487	9.8	307	876	9	***
Furnishings, women's and children's	14	912	118	12.9	31	75	***	***
Hosiery	22	20,398	1,358	6.7	248	794	1	***
Millinery and millinery supplies	9	675	53	8.3	16	29	***	***
Shoes and other footwear	9	1,735	101	5.7	25	69	***	***
Coal	73	50,751	4,365	8.3	766	1,979	18	33
Drugs and drug sundries	33	9,634	2,426	25.3	483	908	6	31
Drugs (specialty lines)	13	2,933	148	5.7	36	65	3	***
Patent medicines	5	359	245	66.4	7	17	2	***
Toilet articles and preparations	13	2,335	915	39.2	92	212	1	31
All other	7	4,365	1,178	27.0	288	709	***	***
Dry goods	171	142,467	6,943	4.9	1,831	3,957	10	1
Dry goods (general line)	6	8,756	660	6.4	92	275	***	***
Knit goods	19	8,162	320	3.8	71	206	2	***
Notions	47	10,421	1,419	13.6	286	1,081	18	***
Piece goods	92	115,789	4,543	3.9	863	2,377	3	1
All other	7	389	45	13.3	13	28	***	***
Electrical goods	286	72,528	6,630	9.0	1,612	3,795	24	2
Electrical appliances, equipment and supplies	267	61,806	5,700	11.1	1,403	3,154	22	1
Radios and radio equipment	17	22,020	924	4.2	202	606	***	***
Refrigerators	2	10	6	60.0	1	5	***	1
Farm products-consumer goods	19	6,243	700	11.2	220	341	1	***
Farm supplies	51	20,551	2,504	10.5	467	928	10	44
Fertilizer	42	17,313	1,756	10.1	334	767	6	44
All other	9	5,549	448	12.6	83	221	4	***
Furniture and house furnishings	141	34,769	3,154	9.1	737	1,840	23	8
China, glassware and crockery	31	5,149	274	5.3	83	175	***	***
Floor coverings	44	22,775	2,261	9.0	410	1,095	9	***
Furniture	28	5,763	315	8.4	177	205	9	***
House furnishings (except as specified)	22	2,083	304	9.9	67	184	5	0
Groceries and foods (except farm products)	232	189,562	26,152	13.8	5,725	10,492	13	5
Confectionery and soft drinks	11	2,705	1,178	35.7	185	421	4	***
Meats and meat products	21	61,008	4,508	7.1	1,050	1,750	2	***
Other food and grocery specialties	200	125,453	20,568	16.5	4,437	8,251	7	5
Hardware (specialty lines)	34	15,329	733	5.5	186	418	1	***
Jewelry and optical goods	43	11,316	1,291	10.9	390	732	1	***
Jewelry (general line)	34	11,430	1,265	10.9	257	705	1	***
Optical goods	8	336	48	11.5	23	51	***	***
Lumber and building materials (other than metal)	223	57,744	7,101	12.5	1,492	8,524	57	115
Lumber and millwork	31	5,182	824	17.4	210	424	9	2
Asbestos products	23	3,462	427	14.1	125	361	***	***
Brick and tile	32	6,790	802	11.8	155	407	2	110
Concrete	33	12,310	1,703	14.3	308	862	29	***
Glass	24	21,133	264	1.2	60	163	***	***
All other	73	10,661	2,892	13.3	656	1,412	17	4
Machinery, equipment and supplies (except electrical)	1,057	246,783	\$1,884	7.8	4,685	12,153	136	52
Commercial machinery, equipment and supplies	184	10,783	1,920	17.9	701	1,412	8	10
Office equipment and supplies (except furniture)	122	8,267	1,501	18.2	574	1,172	4	9
Store equipment and supplies	9	183	22	15.8	18	50	2	***
All other	53	2,233	599	17.1	114	220	2	1
Construction machinery, equipment and supplies	102	9,733	1,332	16.7	433	896	38	***
Construction machinery	17	1,573	394	23.0	74	191	1	***
Road machinery and equipment	11	3,943	458	11.6	130	271	***	***
All other	74	4,215	630	16.1	229	454	21	***
Farm and dairy machinery and equipment	27	7,207	1,267	17.4	204	418	9	***
Industrial machinery, equipment and supplies	534	179,104	13,012	7.3	2,743	7,030	76	42
Bottles and bottling equipment	9	2,756	90	5.3	23	63	***	***
Machine tools	22	1,302	312	20.8	60	172	2	***
Mechanical rubber goods	22	8,544	370	10.4	107	232	***	***
Mill and mine supplies (general line)	27	2,513	360	14.3	71	108	3	***
All other	505	162,779	11,881	7.0	2,468	6,362	65	42

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			Amount	% of sales		Total	Part- time					
MANUFACTURERS' SALES BRANCHES WITHOUT STOCKS (continued)												
Machinery, equipment and supplies (except electrical) (continued)												
Professional equipment and supplies	39	\$ 3,229	\$ 367	11.4	90	\$ 169	\$ 14	...				
Surgical, medical and hospital equipment and supplies	24	664	164	24.7	51	63	13	...				
All other	15	2,565	203	7.9	50	160	1	...				
Service equipment and supplies	32	2,332	329	14.0	85	194	5	...				
Barber and beauty parlor equipment and supplies	12	266	75	28.2	31	52	...	...		
All other	20	2,066	232	12.2	54	136	3	...				
Transportation equipment and supplies	89	37,342	3,458	9.3	536	2,059	35	...				
Railroad equipment and supplies	30	24,306	3,073	12.7	489	1,847	36	...				
All other	9	13,036	361	2.9	47	192	...	...		
Metals (except scrap)	510	719,632	21,895	3.0	4,362	12,500	724	\$ 91				
Copper	4	557	50	9.0	13	25	...	...		
Iron and steel	425	652,991	19,824	3.0	3,588	10,274	770	90				
Sheet metal products	4	250	54	21.6	7	24	3	...				
Other metal and metal works	77	65,904	3,927	6.0	732	2,185	11	1				
Paper and its products	226	144,108	11,730	8.1	2,263	6,400	25	...				
Paper and its products (general lines)	36	75,465	5,426	7.2	851	2,837	2	...				
Paper and its products (specialty lines)	158	62,851	4,033	6.5	1,054	2,946	21	14				
Stationery and stationery supplies	31	5,992	1,471	24.5	404	628	...	...		
Petroleum and its products	19	55,722	4,438	8.0	1,233	2,379	1	...				
Plumbing and heating equipment and supplies	123	24,585	4,509	17.5	1,039	2,197	10	...				
Heating equipment (general lines)	52	5,353	859	16.0	220	454	4	...				
Pipe, valves and fittings	7	2,920	449	15.3	110	258	3	...				
Plumbing and heating equipment (general line)	3	2,045	405	22.7	150	206	...	...		
All other	52	14,017	2,503	17.9	523	1,249	...	...		
Tobacco and its products (except leaf)	122	286,727	5,238	1.8	1,302	2,650	1	...				
All other kinds of businesses	470	125,957	15,758	12.6	3,720	6,775	116	13				
Bags and bagging	6	2,105	711	34	50	1	...	...		
Beer	14	825	53	16.5	19	27	89	...				
Books and periodicals	17	4,452	1,492	32.5	347	742	...	...		
Forest products (except lumber)	34	6,519	715	11.4	95	255	1	1				
Lather	22	3,461	303	8.9	68	163	1	2				
Leather goods	15	5,555	344	10.2	65	177	...	...		
Newspapers and magazines	65	5,622	3,783	10.1	1,423	1,915	5	...				
Oils and greases (animal and vegetable)	6	8,317	354	4.2	56	157	...	...		
Rubber goods (general line)	2	453	94	21.8	8	52	...	...		
Wines and spirituous liquors	13	22,062	1,937	8.7	308	799	2	...				
Yarn	18	41,286	1,328	3.2	196	512	...	9				
Miscellaneous	230	21,302	5,121	14.3	925	1,768	47	1				

^a - Inasmuch as the 1929 data are available only for all manufacturers' sales branches combined, for comparison purposes those with stocks and those without stock are consolidated for each of the 25 kinds of business below.

Type of establishment and kind of business	Number of establishments 1933	Net sales		Total expenses		Full-time employment (average)	Pay roll		Stocks on hand (end of year)			
		1929/	Percent change	1933	1929/		Total	Part- time				
MANUFACTURERS' SALES BRANCHES WITH AND WITHOUT STOCKS												
Manufacturing and sporting goods												
Automotive products	369	566	+0.8	\$ 153,413	\$ 280,357	-44.8	\$ 25,591	18.5	8,251 \$ 4,653			
Chemicals	621	748	+9.8	557,592	743,827	+17.9	62,656	15.7	18,331 \$ 56,073			
Clothing and furnishings	347	733	+14.8	886,916	800,005	-10.8	94,416	14.8	10,926 \$ 14,210			
Coal	529	608	+12.7	268,074	512,153	+87.7	31,887	11.6	7,775 \$ 15,399			
Drugs and drug sundries	105	685	+23.5	72,265	118,191	+62.8	6,454	8.0	1,281 \$ 2,923			
Dry goods	251	283	+11.3	96,810	168,814	+78.8	27,432	28.4	4,646 \$ 9,338			
Electrical goods	404	315	+27.3	237,599	413,027	+87.6	21,971	8.5	5,703 \$ 11,526			
Farm products-Raw materials	733	960	+23.6	536,379	1,413,593	+73.0	55,552	14.3	16,050 \$ 29,238			
Farm products-consumer goods	5	60	+21.7	558	70,201	+86.3	50	5.4	20 19			
Farm supplies	362	461	+21.3	112,161	294,970	+51.6	23,693	22.7	6,130 \$ 9,716			
Furniture and house furnishings	160	142	+12.7	62,388	118,244	+15.5	8,127	14.4	2,913 \$ 7,743			
Groceries and foods (except farm products)	428	535	+9.3	106,588	312,272	+66.0	14,769	12.9	5,929 \$ 5,963			
Hardware	3,417	3,907	+12.5	1,302,929	3,917,357	+34.0	280,022	12.8	56,956 \$ 94,607			
Jewelry and optical goods	131	196	+32.6	34,140	70,489	+57.1	4,491	12.2	1,238 \$ 2,553			
Lumber and building materials (other than metal)	511	265	+16.3	38,057	68,826	+57.5	9,512	25.0	2,863 \$ 4,875			
Machinery, equipment and supplies (except electrical)	555	777	+23.6	172,647	480,147	+53.9	28,514	14.6	6,455 \$ 13,328			
Metals (except scrap)	4,046	3,352	+20.5	687,938	1,424,962	+61.7	134,777	19.6	41,045 \$ 13,342			
Paper and its products	927	1,004	+7.7	532,807	1,151,787	+70.4	45,431	10.0	10,131 \$ 23,820			
Petroleum and its products	429	464	+7.5	238,120	315,637	+45.3	27,430	11.8	8,223 \$ 11,576			
Plumbing and heating equipment and supplies	140	120	+7.7	50,903	64,400	+28.7	8,225	10.4	2,125 \$ 3,063			
Tobacco and its products (except leaf)	207	236	+12.3	719,261	704,091	-6.3	38,485	3.4	4,477 \$ 2,815			
Waste materials	3	5	+33.3	185	4,572	+66.5	41	24.3	11 23			
All other products	1,022	781	+30.9	304,286	673,187	+41.4	62,026	13.0	12,623 \$ 22,760			

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Type of establishment and kind of business	Number of establishments		Net sales		Total expenses, full-time employees		Avg. per employee		Sales in each year	
	1933	1929 ¹	Percent change	1933	1929 ¹ /Percent change	Amount	% of sales	Total	Per cent	Value of year
BULK TANK STATIONS										
Petroleum and its products	26,178	12,611	+33.5	\$1,834,644	\$2,390,213	-21.2	3	\$72,714	19.8	\$5,707
CHAIN STORE WAREHOUSES										
Automotive products	4	8	-50.0	\$8,618	\$5,404	+59.5	420	\$2.0	170	\$162
Clothing and furnishings	13	64	-81.3	\$18,862	\$11,426	-37.1	700	3.0	270	\$74
Drugs and drug sundries	19	41	-53.7	\$56,239	\$77,301	-27.2	1,710	3.0	612	1,117
Dry goods	2	8	+18.5	\$63,018	\$6,087	+288.7	1,925	3.1	\$18	\$1,041
Electrical goods	3	17	-82.4	\$3,886	\$12,139	-58.3	527	15.6	111	\$163
Farm products-consumer goods	85	45	+88.9	\$11,753	\$76,306	+7.1	6,547	3.0	1,384	1,942
Farm supplies	4	6	-33.5	\$1,152	\$1,614	-36.5	168	14.6	52	\$92
Furniture and house furnishings	5	13	-61.5	\$4,209	\$24,353	-22.7	761	18.0	295	\$341
General merchandise	3	7	-57.1	\$1,291	\$5,951	-76.4	142	11.0	45	\$53
Groceries and foods (except farm products)	288	267	+7.0	\$1,172,607	\$1,569,705	-25.5	50,755	4.3	14,114	\$22,504
Groceries (general line)	231	217	+6.5	\$1,111,503	\$1,422,028	-25.3	49,378	2.6	12,413	\$20,302
Fish and sea foods	4	1	+350.0	\$41	\$25	+11.6	85	15.7	16	\$36
Mats and meat products	12	23	-31.7	\$33,935	\$40,777	-16.5	1,411	4.3	220	\$70
Other food and grocery specialties	35	26	+34.6	\$26,622	\$70,402	-52.2	1,723	6.7	295	1,000
Hardware	4	1	+300.0	\$97	\$93	+17.5	166	27.2	73	\$84
Tobacco and its products (except leaf)	20	27	-25.9	\$15,400	\$61,551	-45.4	879	5.7	225	\$13
All other kinds of business	6	55	-89.1	\$4,116	\$24,055	-82.9	52	0.9	12	\$13
ASSEMBLERS AND COUNTRY BUYERS										
ASSEMBLERS OF FARM PRODUCTS										
Farm products-raw materials	4,168	12,868	-67.8	\$37,285	\$1,633,009	-78.7	22,184	2.4	5,240	\$1,253
Cotton	1,228	4,182	-70.6	\$12,718	\$78,322	-30.2	6,318	4.4	2,025	2,223
Grain	797	1,543	-42.5	\$2,565	\$21,855	-75.1	5,317	6.1	1,180	1,547
Hides, skins, and furs (raw)	436	340	+28.3	\$14,631	\$7,734	+49.8	1,480	16.0	491	4,347
Horses and mules	124	95	+60.5	\$2,502	\$2,487	+0.8	320	15.2	120	1,656
Livestock	1,132	4,902	-76.4	\$5,516	\$70,973	-28.0	2,581	4.6	647	162
Tobacco (leaf)	192	522	-40.4	\$1,637	\$145,417	-55.9	7,334	11.4	1,233	3,511
Wool and mohair	70	111	-35.9	\$3,552	\$9,213	-38.1	555	6.2	150	863
All other	170	1,473	-38.5	\$7,355	\$5,521	-36.6	667	8.8	307	455
Farm products-consumer goods	6,777	8,187	-17.2	\$356,053	\$61,297	+45.0	51,698	16.4	26,510	\$23,955
Dairy products (general line)	182	-	-	\$8,873	-	-	2,032	20.3	673	1,029
Butter	54	-	-	\$2,646	-	-	315	11.9	109	117
Cheese	29	192	+212.5	\$10,710	\$13,222	+115.2	323	34.9	119	218
Milk and cream	334	-	-	\$15,725	-	-	1,333	3.5	484	435
All other dairy products	5	-	-	\$373	-	-	115	30.4	26	8
Poultry and poultry products	1,269	2,284	-18.2	\$75,456	\$150,642	-53.0	7,020	10.5	5,935	3,510
Dairy and poultry products	2,456	2,746	-10.6	\$6,488	\$142,329	-54.0	7,115	10.9	5,063	2,970
Fruits and vegetables (fresh)	1,722	2,955	-41.7	\$143,800	\$290,024	-50.4	20,612	21.3	11,039	15,027
All other	124	4	-	\$11,938	4	-	1,403	11.8	632	597
Farm supplies	128	273	-65.7	\$4,327	\$11,012	-56.0	457	10.5	186	160
Groceries and foods (except farm products)	135	291	-50.9	\$27,412	\$21,005	+44.2	2,650	9.7	945	1,292
All other products	91	175	-48.0	\$3,501	\$4,705	-25.6	773	22.1	237	318
COOPERATIVE MARKETING ASSOCIATIONS										
Farm products-raw materials	329	2,813	-67.0	\$252,552	\$632,707	-60.1	6,016	3.0	2,623	4,351
Cotton	263	34	+328.2	\$6,528	\$49,591	+34.9	2,074	3.1	533	1,326
Grain	265	1,503	-21.1	\$23,321	\$21,529	-36.0	1,283	5.7	755	837
Livestock	305	1,193	-74.4	\$129,293	\$320,452	-59.4	2,613	2.2	823	1,543
Tobacco (leaf)	19	2	+250.0	\$2,785	\$4,051	-52.5	327	12.5	47	191
Wool and mohair	9	11	-19.2	\$19,187	\$2,589	+225.7	1,837	9.6	163	223
All other	18	18	0.0	\$1,127	\$24,491	-25.4	73	6.3	27	34
Farm products-consumer goods	1,546	1,313	+17.5	\$567,516	\$111,977	-54.7	45,543	15.3	18,037	21,427
Dairy products (general line)	302	-	-	\$74,228	-	-	12,373	19.0	4,320	3,044
Butter	144	-	-	\$12,503	-	-	1,504	12.4	457	562
Cheese	112	-	-	\$3,704	-	-	531	8.2	170	203
Milk and cream	116	223	+321.6	\$11,920	\$207,724	-19.2	1,255	10.5	648	579
All other dairy products	11	-	-	\$3,014	-	-	1,424	49.3	323	857
All other	75	-	-	\$8,771	-	-	905	10.3	381	350
Dairy and poultry products	140	-	-	\$52,317	-	-	8,942	7.6	1,430	2,658
Poultry and poultry products	106	106	-5.7	\$33,708	\$29,894	+12.8	4,052	12.0	1,783	1,463
Fruits and vegetables (fresh)	228	323	-10.9	\$168,293	\$876,633	-71.0	20,933	12.6	6,240	9,323
Farm supplies	158	34	+438.2	\$14,772	\$4,095	+251.3	1,744	11.3	576	741
Groceries and foods (except farm products)	14	31	-54.8	\$24,016	\$9,219	+416.5	4,030	16.9	920	1,016
All other products	55	12	+258.3	\$5,455	\$1,035	+452.7	779	12.0	268	378
ELEVATORS										
Farm products-raw materials	7,058	8,134	-12.9	\$257,405	\$986,765	-65.7	25,345	7.5	10,105	11,722
Farm supplies	19	-	-	797	-	-	104	10.0	45	42
CREAM STATICS										
Farm products-consumer goods	2,862	4	-	\$6,631	4	-	5,665	16.4	2,939	175

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Type of establishment and kind of business	Number of establishments		Net sales		Total expenses		Retail-time employees (averaged)	Per cent change in sales from 1929	Per cent change in sales from 1932
	1933	1929	Percent change	1933	1929	Percent change	Amount	% of sales	
AGENTS AND BROKERS									
BROKERS									
Amusement and sporting goods	4	5	-20.0	\$ 200	\$ 305	-36.4	\$ 8	4.0	3
Automotive products	3	3	0.0	90	314	-71.3	10	21.1	7
Chemicals	15	20	-42.5	2,400	17,150	-83.5	52	2.1	16
Industrial chemicals	7	6	-1/	1,374	5/	-	11	8.5	4
All other	8	6	-1/	1,116	5/	-	42	3.6	11
Clothing and furnishings	24	16	+50.0	3,700	9,585	-69.5	152	4.0	81
Clothing, women's and children's	5			1,922			40	2.1	25
Furnishings, men's and boys'	4			98			11	11.2	22
Furnishings, women's and children's	6	12	+50.0	200	6,813	-50.8	23	11.0	6
All other	3			1,121			35	5.8	44
Millinery and millinery supplies	3	1	+200.0	134	93	+76.3	2	1.2	...
Shoe and other footwear	3	3	0.0	274	2,679	-89.8	12	4.4	4
Coal	64	28	-25.6	16,461	33,588	-51.0	1,092	3.6	20
Drugs and drug sundries	9	20	-55.0	3,702	7,225	-48.7	101	2.7	26
Drugs (specialty lines)	5	15	-88.7	237	4,848	-94.0	23	6.7	6
All other	4	5	-20.0	3,463	2,375	+42.6	78	2.3	1
Dry goods	89	77	+15.6	171,833	180,593	-4.8	902	0.5	272
Dry goods (general line)	4	8	-50.0	1,113	2,079	-54.5	54	2.6	10
Notions	3	1	+200.0	278	23	+108.7	55	12.6	13
Piece goods	69	65	+6.2	169,828	175,765	-3.4	780	0.5	223
All other	13	3	+328.5	502	2,184	-78.9	53	0.0	7
Electrical goods	11	8	+22.3	269	828	-55.6	41	11.1	18
Electrical appliances, equipment and supplies	9	5	+50.0	231	765	-61.9	32	11.0	14
All other	2	1	+100.0	77	85	+12.5	9	11.7	7
Farm products—raw materials	517	790	-35.3	201,082	1,220,333	-76.1	4,801	1.6	1,036
Cotton	126	272	-32.4	106,534	412,393	-74.2	1,342	1.3	272
Grain	111	172	-35.8	72,902	372,827	-79.9	209	1.1	164
Hides, skins, and furs (raw)	79	57	+38.6	20,597	102,345	-79.5	811	3.0	128
Horses and mules	4	3	+33.3	401	1,001	-63.2	65	16.2	14
Livestock	74	205	-64.8	59,745	235,194	-77.5	1,046	1.3	288
Silk (raw)	3	2	+80.0	510	3,586	-85.7	3	0.6	1
Tobacco (leaf)	52	19	+66.4	11,825	2,863	+17.6	698	8.0	127
Wool and mohair	20	59	-62.3	8,765	43,547	-80.0	105	1.2	18
All other	10	6	+25.0	7,933	8,717	-8.3	112	1.4	21
Farm products—consumer goods	562	495	+14.3	169,193	233,374	-25.8	4,814	2.8	975
Dairy products (general line)	10			1,886			42	2.1	6
Cheese	4	17	+35.8	1,590	12,503	-34.3	55	2.2	21
All other dairy products	11			2,583			78	3.0	33
Poultry and poultry products	13	16	-13.8	5,504	8,501	-15.3	123	2.4	50
Dairy and poultry products	28	18	+55.6	22,682	15,649	+53.2	303	1.3	49
Fruits and vegetables (fresh)	403	444	+12.2	153,838	227,821	-41.3	4,213	3.2	865
Farm supplies	91	126	-27.8	27,289	104,067	-73.8	586	2.2	141
Feed	43	52	-51.0	10,401	90,948	-78.5	455	2.3	106
Fertilizer	33	19	+73.7	7,104	10,848	-24.5	110	1.5	27
Seeds	8	9	+11.1	462	2,406	-71.2	18	4.1	4
All other	2			200			10	3.8	2
Furniture and house furnishings	32	15	+113.3	2,121	4,400	-50.7	208	2.5	106
Furniture	9	8	+50.0	632	3,212	-80.3	36	5.7	9
Chairs, glassware and crockery	2			175			29	15.4	14
House furnishings	15	9	+155.5	1,052	1,128	+29.3	105	10.0	51
All other	4			312			38	12.2	43
General merchandise	55	18	+205.6	43,623	8,160	+475.8	465	1.1	181
Groceries and foods (except farm products)	1,277	1,327	-0.7	1,175,084	1,686,294	-29.5	15,924	1.4	4,022
Groceries (general line)	48	542	-91.1	27,707	80,748	-74.5	602	1.5	119
Confectionery and soft drinks	9	13	-30.8	8,099	3,400	+335.4	317	3.9	25
Fish and sea foods	22	25	-12.0	3,969	4,282	-7.4	121	3.0	47
Meats and meat products	23	48	-41.7	17,501	55,708	-73.6	226	1.4	57
Other food and grocery specialties	1,270	739	+67.3	1,117,725	1,072,725	+4.2	14,866	1.3	3,800
Hardware	6	11	-45.5	235	1,612	-54.6	26	5.7	11
Jewelry and optical goods	32	41	-4.9	1,480	3,641	-50.1	89	6.8	25
Jewelry (general line)	17	5	-	589	4/	-	55	9.3	17
Diamonds and other precious stones	16	5	-	633	5/	-	23	3.1	2
Other jewelry specialties	6	5	-	217	5/	-	21	9.7	4
Lumber and building materials (other than metal)	139	148	-8.1	16,310	50,310	-78.8	908	5.2	248
Lumber and millwork	112	124	-8.9	14,532	47,837	-69.5	872	6.0	287
Brick and tile	8	24	+8.3	302	2,523	-63.8	50	9.9	21
All other	12			1,369			98	7.0	36
Machinery, equipment and supplies (except electrical)	87	54	+81.1	5,774	4,737	+22.7	473	6.3	130
Commercial machinery, equipment and supplies	12	9	+33.5	111	306	-83.6	11	6.6	3
Construction machinery, equipment and supplies	4	2	+100.0	42	487	-91.4	7	16.7	1
Industrial machinery, equipment and supplies	47	23	+42.4	3,987	2,952	+35.1	322	7.3	101
Transportation equipment and supplies	20	5	+200.0	1,202	403	+104.2	107	8.6	22
Professional equipment and supplies	3	5	-20.0	505	169	+155.6	44	12.4	5
Other machinery, equipment and supplies	1			127			2	1.6	...

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Type of establishment and kind of business	Number of establishments		Net sales		Total expenses		Full-time employees		Pay roll		Weeks on hand (end of year)	
	1933	1929 ¹	Percent change	1933	1929 ¹	Percent change	Amount	% of sales	(average)	Total	Per cent	Total	Per cent
AGENTS AND BROKERS (continued)												
BROKERS (continued)												
Metals (except scrap)	50	18	+26.7	\$ 9,001	\$ 17,880	-49.7	\$ 285	1.3	\$ 75	2	114	2
Iron and steel	22	47	+47.0	6,862	8,100	-15.4	298	4.1	47	115	...	32
Other metal and metal works	6	4	+4.0	2,138	4,100	-47.7	108	5.0	23	34	...	...
Paper and its products	21	55	+67.7	2,471	5,351	-53.8	101	7.7	80	81	7	7
Paper and its products (general line)	4	15	+66.7	723	2,015	-64.5	17	2.4	4	9	...	...
Paper and its products (specialty lines)	11	17	+35.5	1,270	1,007	+27.0	150	11.7	43	62	...	2
Stationery and stationery supplies	6	36	+50.3	475	2,320	-79.5	25	5.1	30	12	...	1
Petroleum and its products	40	73	+48.5	44,338	20,181	+14.2	971	2.2	125	420	11	9
Plumbing and heating equipment and supplies	7	5	+40.0	365	1,117	-67.3	17	4.7	4	6	...	...
Tobacco and its products (except leaf)	6	7	+42.0	467	602	-32.4	23	5.7	6	5	...	...
Waste materials	35	53	+31.0	8,592	53,690	-84.1	403	4.7	84	226	5	32
Iron and steel scrap	11	39	+71.3	4,373	47,037	-93.8	203	4.7	59	121	...	30
June and scrap (general line)	17	7	+142.9	3,742	3,870	-3.3	175	4.7	46	92	2	2
Waste paper, rags and rubber	7	7	0.0	476	2,320	-79.4	22	4.6	8	4	1	23
All other products	140	172	+18.3	91,503	252,829	-74.1	1,509	1.7	328	362	16	124
Books	11	4	+4.0	910	455	+405.0	76	7.7	14	27	1	2
Flowers and nursery stock	5	1	+400.0	450	85	+405.0	95	22.1	38	40	...	...
Forest products (except lumber)	16	29	+44.8	2,100	11,517	-81.6	145	5.0	27	60	9	10
Leather	5	3	+200.0	2,693	651	+497.1	258	9.8	43	72	...	1
Leather goods	4	3	+200.0	1,558	651	+497.1	21	1.7	5	8	...	...
Oils and greases (animal and vegetable)	30	45	+33.3	62,567	165,367	-59.7	502	0.8	69	197	2	29
Wines and spirituous liquors	17	4	+4.0	1,224	45	+27.8	97	7.5	10	50	...	36
Rubber, crude	7	7	+4.0	4,602	165,189	-86.1	74	1.8	0	25	...	7
Yarn	15	94	+44.7	7,510	165,189	-86.1	150	1.7	25	50	...	19
Miscellaneous kinds of business	26			8,632			203	2.4	49	84	5	...
COMMISSION MERCHANTS												
Automotive products	17	8	+112.5	870	2,893	-70.8	78	9.0	25	78	1	47
Chemicals	22	23	-4.3	14,350	23,522	-43.4	281	6.4	181	277	2	216
Explosives	4	4	+4.0	94	45	+100.0	12	12.6	2	4	2	6
Naval stores	13	4	+4.0	12,931	24,520	-49.0	207	5.2	113	243	...	110
All other	5	5	+4.0	533	45	+100.0	42	11.6	16	30	...	53
Clothing and furnishings	48	80	+30.0	35,037	71,974	-50.1	1,493	4.2	372	800	20	457
Clothing, men's and boys'	5	2	+4.0	252	14,906	+100.0	21	8.3	7	11	...	1
Clothing, women's and children's	12	14	+4.0	14,906	10,794	+37.8	201	1.8	53	87	4	42
Furnishings (general line)	5	59	+35.6	10,794	67,404	-50.0	203	2.8	50	207	2	127
Furnishings, woman's and children's	5	59	+35.6	157	6,620	+100.0	60	32.1	51	84	1	1
Hosiery	13	17	+4.0	5,620	1,015	+497.1	312	5.8	57	116	11	145
Other clothing and furnishings	2	17	+44.7	895	3,883	-81.0	81	5.0	12	40	1	20
Millinery and millinery supplies	6	17	+44.7	895	914	+70.0	448	28.6	78	97	...	120
Shoes and other footwear	4	4	0.0	1,550	914	+70.0	69	9.9	22	51	1	15
Coal	18	34	+47.1	1,035	11,930	-99.0	185	15.0	33	78	5	8
Drugs and drug sundries	7	7	0.0	3,270	1,441	+123.8	89	2.4	38	42	...	5
Liqu goods	133	148	+10.7	560,211	512,571	+86.2	12,223	3.6	2,532	7,157	25	2,310
Dry goods (general line)	6	17	+32.0	24,295	29,924	-25.7	617	1.8	197	370	...	13
Notions	23	23	0.0	10,908	22,712	-52.3	1,105	5.6	259	337	7	1,388
Pieces goods	83	102	+13.7	280,653	585,679	-47.2	10,308	3.7	2,084	8,322	17	914
Knit goods	6	7	+100.0	4,925	3,053	+41.2	199	4.0	47	90	...	1
All other	6	7	+100.0	333	9,053	+41.2	24	10.0	11	6	1	3
Electrical goods	24	11	+112.2	1,782	3,918	-52.2	197	11.0	74	114	2	148
Electrical appliances, equipment and supplies	21	5	+820.0	1,667	773	+114.3	179	10.7	65	103	1	149
Radios and radio equipment	3	6	+50.0	151	3,040	+25.7	18	18.7	9	11	1	...
Farm products—raw materials	1,204	1,207	+5.5	1,180,058	2681,719	-60.1	24,428	2.1	6,175	11,781	802	12,713
Cotton	70	114	+38.6	59,948	185,757	-65.2	1,300	2.0	291	519	2	2,867
Grain	210	242	+2.9	545,788	785,170	-32.8	7,093	2.1	1,301	2,883	49	3,839
Hides, skins, and furs (raw)	26	42	+38.1	4,236	20,924	-79.3	120	3.0	41	42	3	60
Horses and mules	24	23	+0.1	10,432	23,520	-48.3	473	6.6	149	237	51	160
Livestock	826	723	+13.9	716,030	1,006,249	-32.5	12,934	1.6	3,630	7,070	296	1,003
Tobacco (leaf)	85	29	+186.2	23,439	8,223	+172.8	1,013	4.5	383	549	178	1,033
Wool and mohair	23	37	+10.8	27,727	39,420	-20.6	1,044	5.3	180	374	15	2,717
All other	13	15	+13.5	2,533	12,013	-72.5	33	1.0	11	17	10	6
Farm products—consumer goods	1,015	1,047	+3.1	370,928	558,050	-30.3	23,433	6.2	5,121	12,204	476	4,034
Poultry and poultry products	142	162	+22.0	33,572	122,032	-35.4	2,277	5.9	570	1,122	33	327
Dairy and poultry products	80	28	+165.7	13,831	13,364	+11.7	601	4.4	163	359	23	333
Fruits and vegetables (fresh)	776	825	+5.9	323,938	409,040	-20.9	20,461	5.5	5,161	9,761	555	3,067
All other	17	12	+41.7	3,227	13,475	-75.5	134	3.2	30	49	6	32
Farm supplies	26	63	+7.0	2,722	26,722	-85.5	194	7.0	48	63	13	13
Feed	26	49	+25.6	2,266	22,639	-49.0	131	6.7	38	54	13	9
Fertilizer	16	9	+77.8	209	1,346	-86.3	10	6.5	4	26	2	...
Seeds	5	1	+20.0	190	1,070	-47.2	26	10.1	2	4	...	17
All other	1	1	+20.0	102	1,070	-47.2	13	12.7	4	7	...	14
Furniture and house furnishings	35	26	+34.6	4,219	3,511	+20.8	597	13.2	177	301	3	22
Furniture	14	12	+16.7	1,005	1,053	+6.4	237	11.9	78	131	3	32
Floor coverings	7	7	+30.0	276	1,112	+18.2	178	13.2	80	102	...	6
House furnishings (except as specified)	9	14	+30.0	1,022	1,318	+52.4	104	9.6	52	59	2	34
All other	5	5	+25.0	256			40	10.8	12	33	...	5

TABLE 3 - WHOLESALE TRADE FOR THE UNITED STATES: 1933

Type of establishment and kind of business	Number of establishments		Net sales		Total expenses			Full-time employment (average)		Pay roll		Sales in \$ billions (part of year)	
	1933	1922 ¹	Percent change	1933	1922 ¹	Percent change	Amount	% of sales	Total	Part- time	Total	Part- time	
AGENTS AND BROKERS (continued)													
COMMISSION MERCHANTS (continued)													
General merchandise	3	12	-76.6	1,801	9	-73.2	\$ 87	5.4	78	2	20	2	170
Groceries and foods (except farm products)	121	264	-54.2	45,730	165,397	-71.5	\$ 1,850	4.0	337	4	51	4	610
Candy, confectionery and soft drinks	5	6	-40.0	420	1,621	-412.9	50	7.0	5	12	...	3	3
Fish and sea foods	40	74	-65.9	10,584	28,279	-65.0	971	9.3	274	566	12	54	54
Meat and meat products	12	52	-70.7	12,452	48,705	-70.8	135	1.3	45	58	...	7	7
Other food and grocery specialties	66	126	-47.8	23,333	98,212	-75.2	285	3.9	211	302	37	246	246
Hardware	4	1	+20.0	178	13	+126.8	27	1.5	5	6	22	2	7
Jewelry and optical goods	5	12	-78.2	104	1,850	-90.1	39	10.3	5	5	2	1	1
Lumber and building materials (other than metal)	47	180	-63.2	5,683	59,785	-85.5	560	6.8	118	273	37	353	353
Lumber and millwork	24	115	-61.7	8,451	57,513	-85.3	522	6.3	113	246	13	246	246
All other	3	13	-50.0	232	2,243	-60.7	88	35.0	6	27	8	...	...
Machinery, equipment and supplies (except electrical)	21	86	-63.2	5,782	17,652	-87.7	182	3.3	52	88	2	16	16
Metals (except scrap)	4	12	-57.6	781	101,550	-90.2	35	2.9	13	11	2	...	...
Paper and its products	4	15	-75.5	209	11,085	-97.8	82	10.7	9	8	10	42	42
Petroleum and its products	68	16	+277.8	4,897	6,505	-45.6	473	10.3	131	127	2	702	702
Waste materials	4	8	-50.0	523	5,944	-86.8	31	6.5	7	11	...	...	...
All other kinds of business	175	254	-21.1	131,689	116,286	+55.2	4,962	3.7	1,241	8,410	40	1,373	1,373
Bear	5	4	81	4/	10	12.3	2	2	...	...	1	1	1
Flowers and nursery stock	70	97	-12.6	10,232	24,127	-57.6	1,771	17.4	507	274	24	232	232
Forest products (except lumber)	4	22	-81.8	5,306	8,805	-38.6	226	4.3	31	177	...	62	62
Leather	15	37	-30.5	11,706	26,523	-55.3	305	3.1	22	144	3	64	64
Leather goods	4	8	-35.3	2,157	2,244	-2.5	74	3.4	10	48	...	...	...
Newspapers and magazines	9	8	823	87	12.7	37	52	4	32	...	32	32	
Oils and greases (animal and vegetable)	5	5	5,533	37	0.7	11	20	...	30	...	30	30	
Yarn	29	92	-26.1	24,004	34,727	+177.5	1,120	4.7	200	527	2	684	684
Miscellaneous	25	1	121,620	1,247	1.0	232	506	7	506	...	506	506	
EXPORT AGENTS													
Amusement and sporting goods	3	4	+25.0	579	555	+4.4	60	10.4	10	22	1	...	...
Automotive products	22	17	+64.7	9,203	12,633	-28.4	572	6.2	118	273	3	78	78
Chemicals	5	4	+25.0	3,880	11,778	-71.7	94	2.8	17	25	1	105	105
Clothing and furnishings	6	5	0.0	554	655	-15.5	64	12.0	10	28	...	42	42
Drugs and drug sundries	6	5	+20.0	212	8,688	-27.6	23	10.2	11	16	...	1	1
Dry goods	13	23	-45.0	1,938	7,829	-79.3	95	4.6	29	53	...	11	11
Electrical goods	15	5	+30.0	1,667	5,688	+242.3	200	10.1	46	68	2	13	13
Farm products-raw materials	36	20	+20.0	46,125	135,090	-65.3	2,279	4.6	978	274	38	923	923
Farm products-consumer goods	12	16	-23.0	2,691	5,095	-55.1	152	5.0	26	65	2	4	4
General merchandise	15	59	-21.5	1,705	101,982	-98.3	84	4.9	33	48	5	1	1
Groceries and foods (except farm products)	17	17	0.0	4,609	28,911	-83.4	205	4.3	43	52	6	26	26
Hardware	7	11	-26.4	412	5,357	-92.6	85	18.5	17	23	...	...	...
Lumber and building materials (other than metal)	14	9	+35.6	9,008	9,902	-9.0	202	3.4	60	131	...	4	4
Machinery, equipment and supplies (except electrical)	32	17	+35.2	7,663	12,141	-26.9	790	10.3	92	223	6	63	63
Metals (except scrap)	3	3	0.0	11,335	8,212	+117.5	133	1.5	46	92	...	60	60
Paper and its products	5	2	212	4/	60	27.5	13	27	13	27	...	1	1
Petroleum and its products	6	4	+30.0	31,134	3,754	+750.7	433	1.5	76	274	...	...	...
All other kinds of business	13	48	-65.8	2,183	49,509	-35.6	101	4.6	26	34	...	9	9
EXPORT AGENTS													
Amusement and sporting goods	7	6	+75.0	1,154	633	+38.0	111	9.6	27	81	1	43	43
Chemicals	10	1	+900.0	1,643	116	+1291.3	113	5.2	23	69	2	51	51
Clothing and furnishings	6	2	+200.0	920	1,173	-21.6	29	8.2	9	41	...	56	56
Drugs and drug sundries	11	4	+175.0	1,028	1,203	-14.9	80	4.8	13	32	...	10	10
Dry goods	24	14	+71.4	5,283	4,698	-12.0	409	12.0	67	174	5	379	379
Farm products-raw materials	10	9	+111.1	22,442	8,467	+165.1	1,037	7.4	46	97	2	182	182
Farm products-consumer goods	3	6	-50.0	431	2,063	-66.0	24	5.6	5	11	...	5	5
Furniture and house furnishings	9	3	+200.0	746	410	-21.4	134	38.7	29	49	...	51	51
General merchandise	3	2	4/	1,059	6/	6/	63	5.9	3	40	...	11	11
Groceries and foods (except farm products)	32	15	+112.8	12,276	13,233	-7.3	105	1.6	63	21	2	116	116
Hardware	4	4	74	274	540	-49.3	55	23.0	3	9	...	1	1
Jewelry and optical goods	3	2	+50.0	274	540	-49.3	55	23.0	3	9	...	116	116
Lumber and building materials (other than metal)	5	1	+400.0	301	266	+6.0	12	4.0	1	7	6	...	...
Machinery, equipment and supplies (except electrical)	6	5	+20.0	101	303	-74.3	13	34.8	17	15	...	23	23
Metals (except scrap)	4	1	+300.0	1,031	1,247	-18.1	93	9.3	23	53	1	212	212
Paper and its products	5	2	1,678	74	70	7.3	18	35.0	18	45	1	61	61
All other kinds of business	27	12	+50.0	3,005	21,400	-83.0	138	5.2	49	70	5	151	151

TABLE 3 - WHOLESALE TRADE FOR THE UNITED STATES: 1933

Type of establishment and kind of business	Number of establishments		Net sales		Total expenses		Full-time employees (average)	Pay roll		Decade - Period (end of year)		
	1933	1939/ Percent change	1933	1939/ Percent change	Amount	# of units		Total	Per unit			
AGENTS AND BROKERS (continued)												
MANUFACTURERS' AGENTS												
Amusement and sporting goods	66	107	-10.6	\$ 7,060	\$ 25,223	-50.5	\$ 632	8.9	\$ 176	3 101		
Sporting goods (general line)	13	4/	2,006	4/	136	4/	38	64	2	19		
Toys, novelties, and fireworks	59	2/	4,201	2/	452	10.3	114	455	3	65		
All other	14	4/	734	2/	64	3.1	22	78	2	34		
Automotive products	168	379	-41.5	\$7,135	\$6,508	-59.3	1,916	7.1	\$30	974		
Automobiles and other motor vehicles	15	12	+25.0	2,780	3,020	+5.1	260	16.1	165	16		
Automotive equipment, accessories and parts	143	260	-49.3	26,619	34,302	+71.3	1,458	5.9	330	713		
Tires and tubes	9	7	+26.6	631	731	+7.3	116	10.4	33	65		
Chemicals	171	151	+13.2	23,167	50,012	+19.6	1,674	5.6	416	637		
Dye stuffs	4	170	170	-	-	-	31	21.6	5	13		
Industrial chemicals	54	106	+23.6	12,289	43,292	+35.6	783	6.3	188	270		
Naval stores	6	1,042	-	9,309	-	-	17	1.6	9	9		
All other chemicals	67	9,309	-	-	-	-	678	6.9	126	237		
Paints and varnishes	40	45	-11.1	1,641	6,720	+75.6	165	10.1	50	70		
Clothing and furnishings	489	537	-8.9	89,273	133,717	+55.7	2,621	4.3	728	1,156		
Clothing and furnishings (General line)	137	4,553	-	-	-	-	183	3.2	49	93		
Clothing, men's and boys'	37	2,744	-	-	-	-	96	2.5	28	40		
Clothing, women's and children's	149	17,713	-	-	-	-	817	4.8	234	352		
Furnishings (general line)	26	411	-9.5	5,413	111,612	+55.1	171	3.2	35	52		
Furnishings, men's and boys'	43	5,000	-	-	-	-	189	5.3	62	114		
Furnishings, women's and children's	28	8,816	-	-	-	-	159	5.6	48	73		
Hosiery	60	13,307	-	-	-	-	563	4.2	142	235		
Millinery and millinery supplies	64	59	+42.4	6,310	6,867	+22.7	272	5.1	97	113		
Shoes and other footwear	33	67	-50.7	3,890	16,228	+74.4	78	2.0	14	15		
Coal	16	18	-11.1	3,489	13,958	+75.0	319	9.1	60	161		
Drugs and drug sundries	60	162	-63.0	7,222	26,083	+75.2	604	8.4	191	203		
Drugs (general line)	5	29	-32.8	2,094	12,779	+80.5	233	9.5	30	115		
Drugs (specialty lines)	12	2,162	-	-	-	-	115	4.7	25	72		
All other	16	106	-69.8	622	6,755	+82.3	59	9.5	22	24		
Patent medicines	4	143	-	-	-	-	19	15.3	7	6		
Toilet articles and preparations	23	27	-14.8	1,499	9,528	+84.3	175	11.7	37	65		
Dry goods	481	479	+0.4	114,164	195,418	+41.5	4,303	5.8	1,127	2,289		
Dry goods (general line)	27	71	-62.0	2,804	10,855	+74.3	163	5.8	47	84		
Notions	60	95	-15.3	4,740	11,822	+60.0	332	7.0	93	124		
Pieced goods	279	265	+5.3	91,254	161,791	+42.2	3,146	3.4	855	1,898		
Knit goods	54	48	+97.9	9,308	10,839	+34.8	478	5.1	107	256		
All other	41	5,322	-	-	-	-	184	3.4	45	107		
Electrical goods	293	558	-46.6	20,454	126,807	+83.5	2,046	10.0	554	571		
Electrical appliances, equipment and supplies	245	458	-46.5	17,109	95,983	+61.6	1,682	9.7	490	745		
Radios and radio equipment	44	79	-44.3	2,863	16,961	+85.2	235	10.2	75	133		
Refrigerators	8	21	-57.1	542	10,863	+55.0	96	12.5	43	1		
Farm products—raw materials	7/	33	-	7/	5,857	-	7/	7/	7/	7/		
Farm products—consumer goods	6	19	-78.9	157	19,627	+89.3	40	25.5	11*	9		
Farm supplies	34	43	-20.9	8,131	10,645	+50.0	106	5.0	25	41		
Feed	7	8	-18.5	1,653	5,805	+56.3	57	3.9	16	23		
All other	27	33	-22.9	662	1,640	+54.0	49	7.4	12	23		
Furniture and house furnishings	345	468	-26.7	94,551	107,404	+67.6	2,620	7.5	731	1,225		
Furniture	116	417	-16.5	11,058	57,193	+50.7	770	7.0	210	208		
China, glassware and crockery	57	75	7,550	-	-	-	437	6.4	119	16		
Floor coverings	32	243	-8.2	5,380	49,177	+51.8	375	7.0	92	207		
House furnishings (except as specified)	134	10	10,714	9,381	-96.0	-	960	9.0	230	448		
Musical instruments and sheet music	4	8	-50.0	83	1,029	+91.4	22	31.8	80	24		
Crockeries and foods (except farm products)	231	397	-41.8	96,049	803,634	+52.4	4,250	5.4	999	2,008		
Confectionery and soft drinks	19	59	-37.8	9,046	7,071	-43.5	2,250	23.0	403	571		
Meats and meat products	5	9	-44.4	141	3,023	-98.3	2	1.4	***	***		
Other food and grocery specialties	207	329	-37.1	67,233	103,700	+55.0	1,973	2.3	350	1,137		
Hardware	145	270	-16.3	13,703	51,460	+73.2	687	5.3	243	418		
Hardware (general line)	26	167	-34.2	3,932	23,773	+80.9	186	4.3	51	77		
Hardware (specialty lines)	119	100	-15.5	9,361	12,587	+32.3	537	7.1	197	341		
Jewelry and optical goods	61	78	-34.6	2,309	12,052	+81.7	200	9.1	52	1		
Jewelry (general line)	22	1,114	-	-	-	-	121	10.7	23	50		
Clocks and watches	5	73	-37.3	83	11,681	+64.5	9	10.8	3	4		
Other jewelry specialties	22	501	-	-	-	-	48	5.0	10	5		
Optical goods	4	3	433.3	361	354	+10.5	22	5.6	7	10		
Lumber and building materials (other than metal)	201	443	-54.6	14,514	106,165	+86.1	1,204	8.3	250	225		
Lumber and millwork	63	122	-50.0	8,936	53,268	+83.3	350	8.9	100	189		
Asbestos products	5	239	-	-	-	-	75	31.4	20	15		
Brick and tile	23	1,265	-	-	-	-	223	18.0	51	151		
Cement	3	217	-55.5	123	30,677	+39.0	53	27.5	12	22		
Glass	6	407	-	-	-	-	21	5.2	5	10		
All other	101	3,544	-	-	-	-	472	13.3	128	215		

TABLE 2 - ESTABLISHMENTS IN THE TRADE OF RETAIL TRADE

Type of establishment and kind of business	Number of establishments									
	1937	1938	Per cent change	1938	1939	Per cent change	1939	1940	Per cent change	1940
AGENTS AND BROKERS (continued)										
SELLING AGENTS (continued)										
Coal	284	274	-3.5	274	262	-4.4	262	257	-1.9	257
Drapes and drapery supplies	24	14	-43.3	14	11	-21.4	11	10	-9.1	10
Toilet articles and preparations	7	6	-14.3	6	5	-20.0	5	4	-20.0	4
Drugs (specialty lines)	4	3	-25.0	3	2	-33.3	2	2	-50.0	2
Paints and finishes	3	2	-33.3	2	1	-50.0	1	1	-50.0	1
All other	12	11	-8.3	11	10	-9.1	10	9	-10.0	9
Dry goods	850	717	-15.9	704	611	-13.2	611	574	-5.5	574
Dry goods (general lines)	13	12	-7.7	12	11	-9.2	11	10	-9.1	10
Textiles	12	10	-16.7	10	9	-10.0	9	8	-11.1	8
Fabric goods	123	106	-13.7	108	94	-12.5	94	84	-10.6	84
Textile goods	323	295	-8.7	284	254	-10.6	254	230	-9.4	230
All other	7	6	-14.3	6	5	-16.7	5	4	-20.0	4
Electrical goods	2	2	0.0	2	2	0.0	2	2	0.0	2
Farm products-new materials	20	16	-20.0	16	14	-12.5	14	12	-14.3	12
Farm products-consumer goods	9	8	-11.1	8	7	-12.5	7	6	-14.3	6
Farm supplies	28	15	-46.4	15	10	-33.3	10	8	-20.0	8
Furniture and house furnishings	70	58	-16.7	58	54	-6.9	54	52	-3.5	52
Furniture	14	12	-14.3	12	11	-8.3	11	10	-9.1	10
Cases, glassware and crockery	15	12	-20.0	12	10	-16.7	10	9	-11.1	9
Floor coverings	19	12	-36.8	12	10	-16.7	10	9	-10.0	9
House furnishings (except as specified)	12	10	-16.7	10	8	-20.0	8	7	-14.3	7
Groceries and foods (except farm products), Confectionery and soft drinks	29	18	-37.9	18	14	-22.2	14	10	-28.6	10
Fish and sea foods	2	1	-50.0	1	1	0.0	1	1	0.0	1
Meats and meat products	3	2	-40.0	2	1	-50.0	1	1	0.0	1
Other food and grocery specialties	76	57	-28.9	57	57	0.0	57	54	-5.3	54
Hardware	15	46	-69.5	46	108	+136.0	108	15	-86.7	15
Jewelry and optical goods	7	15	-50.0	15	14	-6.7	14	12	-14.3	12
Lumber and building materials (other than metal)	114	92	-20.7	92	76	-16.7	76	52	-31.3	52
Lumber and millwork	54	50	-7.4	50	47	-6.0	47	32	-33.3	32
Asbestos products	5	1	-100.0	1	1	0.0	1	1	0.0	1
Brick and tile	13	12	-8.3	12	11	-8.3	11	10	-9.1	10
Glass	12	11	-8.3	11	10	-9.1	10	9	-11.1	9
All other	54	42	-22.2	42	37	-11.9	37	27	-27.0	27
Machinery, equipment and supplies (except electrical)	29	54	-34.5	54	50	-7.4	50	15	-71.4	15
Metals (except scrap)	27	105	-68.5	105	97	-7.6	97	67	-30.0	67
Iron and steel	5	71	-93.8	71	59	-16.7	59	47	-27.3	47
Sheet metal products	2	51	-95.2	51	51	0.0	51	1	-100.0	1
Other metal and metal works	15	51	-68.8	51	51	0.0	51	37	-26.5	37
Paper and its products	24	76	-69.2	76	56	-20.8	56	31	-50.0	31
Paper and its products (specialty lines)	24	7	-93.3	7	2	-71.4	2	1	-100.0	1
All other	11	4	-60.0	4	2	-50.0	2	1	-50.0	1
Petroleum and its products	25	26	+4.0	26	18	-30.8	18	13	-27.3	13
Plumbing and heating equipment and supplies	24	12	-50.0	12	5	-58.3	5	5	0.0	5
All other kinds of business	26	147	-37.5	147	85	-43.4	85	51	-40.0	51
Bear	7	5	-28.6	5	3	-40.0	3	2	-50.0	2
Forest products (except lumber)	16	35	-56.3	35	29	-17.1	29	21	-30.0	21
Leather	10	77	-74.3	77	71	-8.1	71	50	-33.3	50
Leather goods	4	11	-63.6	11	9	-22.7	9	7	-33.3	7
Newspaper and magazines	9	34	-73.5	34	19	-44.1	19	11	-42.1	11
Other goods (general lines)	11	1	-99.0	1	1	0.0	1	1	0.0	1
Tires	12	1	-99.0	1	1	0.0	1	1	0.0	1
Miscellaneous	16	12	-25.0	12	10	-16.7	10	7	-33.3	7
OTHER AGENTS										
Clothing and furnishings	144	77	-46.7	77	51	-28.2	51	31	-18.0	31
Clothing and furnishings (general lines)	21	12	-46.7	12	8	-46.7	8	5	-37.5	5
Clothing, men's and boys'	8	6	-25.0	6	4	-33.3	4	2	-50.0	2
Clothing, women's and children's	51	35	-30.0	35	27	-22.9	27	20	-22.2	20
Footwear, men's and children's	3	1	-100.0	1	1	0.0	1	1	0.0	1
Hilliardry and military supplies	12	2	-83.3	2	1	-50.0	1	1	0.0	1
Dry goods	21	21	0.0	21	19	-9.5	19	13	-33.3	13
Farm products-new materials	57	52	-9.1	52	47	-9.6	47	37	-22.2	37
Forages and males	22	14	-36.4	14	10	-35.7	10	7	-70.0	7
Livestock	6	54	-98.3	54	32	-40.7	32	17	-47.1	17
All other	204	194	-5.0	194	177	-8.4	177	135	-28.5	135
Tea, coffee, etc.	204	194	-5.0	194	177	-8.4	177	135	-28.5	135

TABLE 3—WHOLESALE TRADE FOR THE UNITED STATES: 1933

Type of establishment and kind of business	Number of establishments			Net sales			Total expenses			Full-time employees (in thousands)	In all sales on account
	1933	1929 ^{1/}	Percent change	1933	1929 ^{1/}	Percent change	Amount	% of sales	Employees (in thousands)		
AGENTS AND BROKERS											
OTHER AGENTS (continued)											
Farm products—consumer goods	25	24	+4.2	\$63,430	\$173,878	-61.7	\$1,614	2.1	435	5,033	1,024
Furniture and house furnishings	41	20	+105.0	2,763	3,309	-17.0	437	13.2	117	122	1
Furniture	33	19	+73.7	1,210	2,039	-40.0	327	17.0	90	120	25
House furnishings	8	1	+700.0	953	950	+0.3	110	11.9	21	40	5
General merchandise	9	38	-76.3	18,445	15,637	+16.0	607	3.3	173	350	9
Groceries and foods (except farm products)	8	15	-48.7	17,960	55,838	-67.3	547	3.0	145	294	4
Jewelry and optical goods	8	12	-33.3	182	3,438	-94.8	83	45.6	9	17	...
Machinery, equipment and supplies (except electrical)	12	9	+33.3	1,505	11,254	-86.3	181	11.3	47	93	5
All other kinds of business	23	64	-59.4	6,662	68,934	-91.5	285	5.0	91	158	5

^{1/} These are revised figures for 1929. The data previously issued include a number of concerns dealing in grain and petroleum and its products that were erroneously reported and classified in the wholesale census.

^{2/} Due to additional information which was not available at the time the previous census was taken, the 1929 data have been corrected for certain changes in classification.

^{3/} For comparison purposes wholesaling manufacturers and district and general sales offices, except those dealing in petroleum and its products, have been included in manufacturers' sales branches, 1929.

^{4/} 1929 equivalent not available.

^{5/} Figures for 1929 include data for district and general sales offices dealing in petroleum and its products.

^{6/} Includes 1,438 cooperative elevators with net sales amounting to \$28,193,000.

^{7/} 1933 equivalent not available.

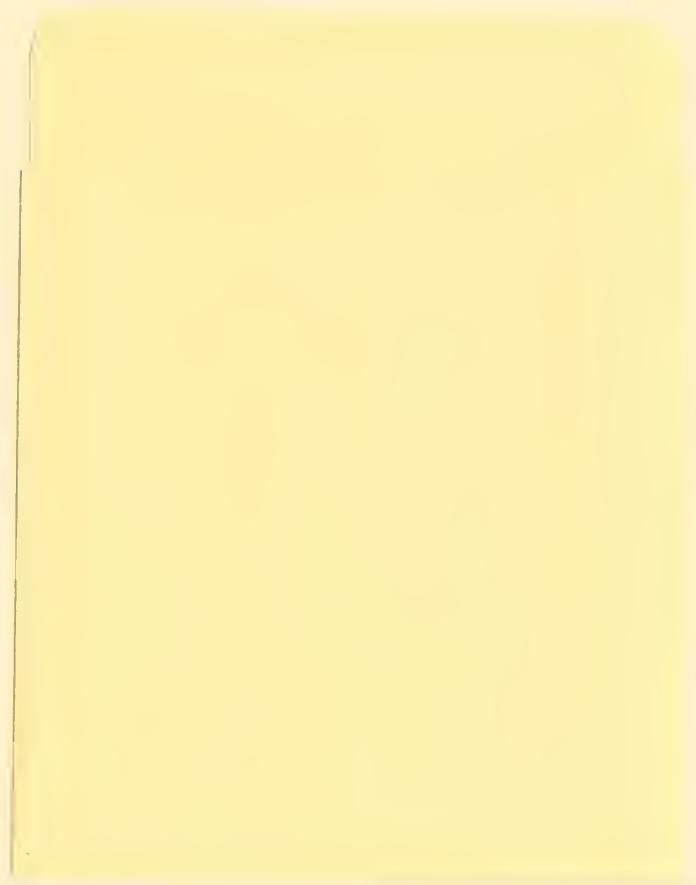
^{8/} Due in part to the Federal Government's policy of rendering financial assistance to farmers in marketing their crops, the number of assemblers and country buyers of cotton, grain, livestock, and tobacco showed substantial decreases in 1933 as compared with 1929.











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