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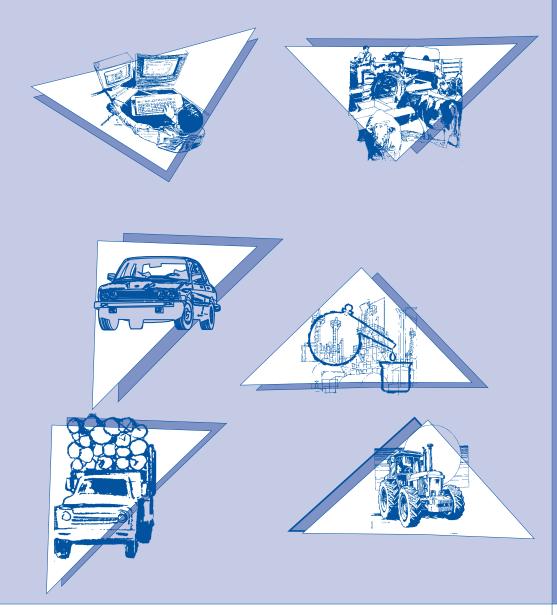
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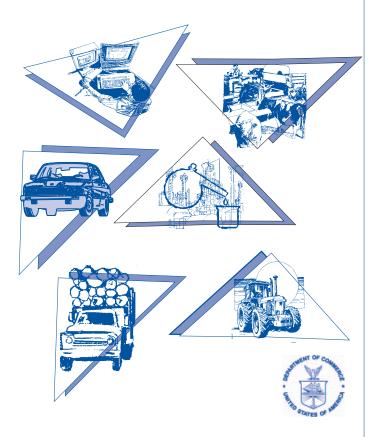
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INTRODUCTION

The U.S. Census Bureau produces the *Annual Benchmark Report for Wholesale Trade* to provide national estimates by kind of business of monthly and annual sales and end-of-month non-LIFO (last-in, first-out) inventories for merchant wholesale establishments. Estimates of annual purchases and gross margin are also provided.

We develop the estimates in this report using data from the Annual Wholesale Trade Survey (AWTS), Monthly Wholesale Trade Survey (MWTS), and administrative records. For each survey, questionnaires are mailed to a probability sample of firms located in the United States and having paid employees. The samples are updated regularly and periodically reselected. These samples include firms of all sizes. Additional information on AWTS and MWTS can be found on the Census Bureau website at:

http://www.census.gov/econ/www/retmenu.html#WHOL

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The estimates in this publication are summarized by kind-of-business classification based on the 1997 North American Industry Classification System (NAICS). NAICS groups establishments into industries based on the activities in which they are primarily engaged. This system was developed by the joint efforts of statistical agencies in Canada, Mexico, and the United States. The common industry definitions allow for statistics to be compared by business activity across North America.

Wholesale trade, as defined by NAICS Sector 42, includes establishments organized to sell or arrange the purchase or sale of 1) goods to other wholesalers or retailers, 2) capital or durable nonconsumer goods, and 3) raw and intermediate materials and supplies used in production.

MWTS and AWTS cover merchant wholesalers who take title to the goods they sell, such as wholesale merchants or jobbers, drop shippers, and import/export merchants. Manufacturers' sales branches of ferrous metals service centers with inventories, which are classified as Metal Service Centers and Offices (NAICS 421510), are also included.

New samples were introduced with the 1999 Annual Wholesale Trade Survey (AWTS) and with the March 2001 Monthly Wholesale Trade Survey (MWTS). The new samples were designed to produce NAICS-based estimates and replace the samples designed to produce SIC-based estimates. Detailed information about NAICS and a comparison of the SIC and NAICS systems can be found on the Census Bureau website at:

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www.census.gov/epcd/www/naics.html

A summary of changes from the prior benchmark report and the procedures for producing the revised estimates are described below.

SUMMARY OF CHANGES

Unadjusted estimates of monthly sales were revised for January 1999 through December 2003. The revised, unadjusted sales estimates reflect results from the 1999, 2000, 2001 and 2002 annual surveys. Unadjusted estimates of end-of-month inventories were also revised for January 1992 through December 2003. The revised, unadjusted end-of-month inventory estimates reflect revised end-of-year inventory estimates for the years 1992 through 2002. We derived revised annual purchases estimates for 1998 through 2001. Gross margin estimates were revised for 1993 through 2001. New purchases and gross margin estimates were derived for the year 2002.

New seasonal and trading-day adjustment factors were computed and used to adjust sales for January 1996 through December 2003. Adjusted estimates were derived beginning January 1996 instead of January 1999 because the revised 1999 unadjusted estimates can affect the computation of seasonal factors as far back as 1996. New seasonal adjustment factors were computed and used to adjust inventories for January 1992 through December 2003. Factors for both sales and inventories were developed by using unadjusted estimates as input to the seasonal adjustment program.

The revision procedures were applied to sales and inventory estimates at detailed industry levels. All other sales and inventory series were obtained by summing appropriate detail level estimates, thereby assuring additivity.

REVISIONS TO PREVIOUSLY PUBLISHED ESTIMATES

Annual Estimates

Sales, end-of-year inventories, and purchases for 2002 were estimated from the 2002 AWTS. For 2001, 2000, 1999 and 1998; revisions were applied to the previously published estimates of sales, end-of-year inventories, and purchases. There were no revisions to the previously published 1998 annual sales estimates. However, the 1998 inventory estimates were revised by using inventory-to-sales ratios estimated from 1998 data collected from the 1999 NAICS-based sample. The revised 1998 inventory estimates were derived by multiplying each revised 1998 inventory-to-sales ratio from the 1999 AWTS by the published 1998 annual sales estimates. Revised 1992 through 1997 end-of-year inventory estimates were derived by multiplying each previously published inventory estimates by the ratio of the revised-to-previously published 1998 inventory estimates. For purchases, the revised 1998 purchase estimates were derived by

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¹The annual sales estimates for 1998 and prior years were developed by restating the SIC-based estimates to NAICS-based estimates.

multiplying each revised 1998 purchases-to-sales ratio from the 1999 AWTS by the published 1998 annual sales estimates. Because the revisions to the 1998 purchase-to-sales ratios were small, we did not revise purchase estimates prior to 1998.

Estimates of Monthly Sales

For December 1998 through December 2003, merchant wholesale sales estimates were input to the benchmarking program. The December 1998 through February 2001 estimates were developed by restating the SIC-based estimates on a NAICS basis. Estimates from March 2001 through December 2003 were derived from the NAICS-based sample. For selected kinds of business, corrections were applied to estimates. The estimates were revised in a manner that –

- constrained the sum of the 12 monthly sales estimates for a particular year to equal the corresponding annual sales estimates (benchmarks) derived for the years 1999 through 2002
- minimized the differences between the month-to-month changes of the input and revised estimates
- used the previously published December 1998 estimate to link the revised estimates to the previously published estimates.

A mathematical result of the benchmarking methodology is that all input estimates following the end of the last benchmark year (2002) are derived by multiplying these estimates by the ratio of the benchmarked-to-input estimate for the last month of the last benchmark year. Therefore, for a specified sales series, a ratio of the December 2002 benchmarked estimate to the December 2002 input estimate was computed. Estimates for periods following December 2002 were multiplied by these constant ratios (called carry-forward factors) to derive published sales estimates. The carry-forward factors remain constant until the next benchmarking operation.

Estimates of End-of-Month Inventories

For January 1992 through December 2003, merchant wholesale end-of-month inventory estimates were input to the benchmarking program. The January 1992 through February 2001 estimates were developed by restating the SIC-based estimates on a NAICS basis. Estimates from March 2001 through December 2003 were derived from the NAICS-based sample. For selected kinds of business, corrections were applied to estimates. The estimates were revised in a manner that –

- constrained the December inventory estimates for 1992 through 2002 (derived from the monthly survey) to the December inventory estimates derived from the annual survey
- minimized the differences between the month-to-month changes of the input and revised estimates.

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Estimates subsequent to December 2002 were derived by multiplying the input estimates by the ratio of the December 2002 published estimate to the input estimate for December 2002. This ratio is the carry-forward factor for inventory and remains constant for all series until the next benchmarking operation.

The table shown below compares the annual unadjusted sales and inventory estimates for 2003 prior to and after the revision. Revisions shown are for the sum of the monthly estimates for 2003.

NAICS	Kind of business	(mill	Sales ions of dolla	rs)		year invente ons of dolla	
code	Mild of pushless	Revised	Previously published	Percent difference	Revised	Previously published	Percent difference
4 2	Merchant wholesale, total	2,885,034	2,893,527	-0.3	298,234	297,236	0.3
421	Durable goods, total	1,369,285	1,373,750	-0.3	173,806	173,512	0.2
4211	Motor vehicle and motor vehicle parts and supplies	221,965	218,314	1.7	26,044	25,935	0.4
4212	Furniture and home furnishings	45,043	44,520	1.2	5,675	5,506	3.1
4213	Lumber and other construction materials	87,528	90,608	-3.4	7,883	7,586	3.9
4214	Professional and commercial equipment and supplies	252,922	250,973	0.8	23,752	23,747	0.0
42143	Computer, computer peripheral equipment, and software	110,258	112,817	-2.3	7,134	7,412	-3.8
4215	Metals and minerals, excluding petroleum	89,672	88,895	0.9	14,201	14,089	0.8
4216	Electrical goods	209,415	214,857	-2.5	21,566	22,357	-3.5
4217	Hardware, plumbing and heating equipment, and supplies	66,444	66,356	0.1	10,139	10,193	-0.5
4218	Machinery, equipment, and supplies	230,388	231,520	-0.5	43,353	43,056	0.7
4219	Miscellaneous durable goods	165,908	167,707	-1.1	21,193	21,043	0.7
422	Nondurable goods, total	1,515,749	1,519,777	-0.3	124,428	123,724	0.6
4221	Paper and paper products	77,053	73,627	4.7	6,710	6,565	2.2
4222	Drugs and druggists' sundries	260,853	261,777	-0.4	31,616	31,053	1.8
4223	Apparel, piece goods, and notions	86,030	84,680	1.6	11,807	11,676	1.1
4224	Groceries and related products	417,893	427,510	-2.2	22,989	23,440	-1.9
4225	Farm products raw materials	125,245	128,456	-2.5	14,867	13,981	6.3
4226	Chemicals and allied products	62,890	64,150	-2.0	6,109	6,099	0.2
4227	Petroleum and petroleum products	226,903	229,802	-1.3	5,676	5,636	0.7
1228	Beer, wine, and distilled alcoholic beverages	84,389	86,708	-2.7	7,050	7,079	-0.4
4229	Miscellaneous nondurable goods	174,493	163,067	7.0	17,604	18,195	-3.2

Reasons for Revisions

There are several reasons for revisions. The main contributors to the revision from the previously published estimates are:

Timing. Respondents have more time to prepare their annual reports than their monthly reports. The annual responses are requested at a time when many firms have already compiled unaudited book figures for their own use. This includes adjustments for returns, allowances, and other customer transactions. The timing of the annual survey is such that we are also able to obtain independent verification of the reported data from

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such sources as a company's annual report. On the other hand, respondents to the monthly survey have just a few weeks to provide reports of their sales and end-of-month inventories. Sometimes these reports are based on incomplete or unaudited records, including estimates by the respondents to represent their understanding of their business.

- **Sampling.** The annual sample is larger than the samples used to develop the estimates for any given month. As described in more detail in Appendix A of this report, the sample used to produce the sales estimates each month consists of certainty companies and noncertainty Employer Identification Number (EINs).
- Response. The annual estimates are based on more reported data than are the monthly estimates. The response to the Annual Wholesale Trade Survey is required by law. This requirement results in a dollar volume response rate for sales above 89 percent and for inventories above 87 percent. The response to our monthly survey is not mandatory. The corresponding response rates for the monthly survey are usually around 70 percent for sales and 68 percent for inventories. The sales and inventories for nonresponding firms are accounted for by an imputation process. This process assumes that nonresponding firms have trends similar to the responding firms in their respective kind-of-business.

To reduce respondent burden some of the data from the Annual Wholesale Trade Survey were obtained from data collected for single unit establishments on the 2002 Census of Wholesale Trade.

DEFINITION OF TERMS

Dollar Values

All dollar values presented are expressed in current dollars (not adjusted to a constant dollar series). Consequently, when comparing estimates to prior years, users also should consider price level changes.

Confidentiality

Title 13 of the United States Code authorizes the Census Bureau to conduct censuses and surveys. Section 9 of the same Title requires that any information collected from the public under the authority of Title 13 be maintained as confidential. Section 214 of Title 13 and Sections 3559 and 3571 of Title 18 of the United States Code provide for the imposition of penalties of up to five years in prison and up to \$250,000 in fines for wrongful disclosure of confidential census information. In accordance with Title 13, no estimates are published that would disclose the operations of an individual firm.

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Disclosure Limitation

A disclosure of data occurs when an individual can use published statistical information to identify either an individual or firm that has provided information under a pledge of confidentiality. Disclosure limitation is the process used to protect the confidentiality of the survey data provided by an individual or firm. Using disclosure limitation procedures, the Census Bureau modifies or removes the characteristics that put confidential information at risk for disclosure. Although it may appear that a table shows information about a specific individual or business, the Census Bureau has taken steps to disguise or suppress the original data while making sure the results are still useful. The techniques used by the Census Bureau to protect confidentiality in tabulations vary, depending on the type of data.

Unpublished Estimates

Additional statistics, such as dollar volume estimates for some kinds of business not separately shown in this report, are produced as a byproduct of the regularly published statistics. These additional estimates have not been included in this publication because of high sampling variability, poor response, or other factors that may make them potentially misleading. Upon written request, for a nominal fee the Census Bureau will release these estimates for individual use, though not for publication. It should be noted that some unpublished estimates can be derived directly from this report by subtracting published estimates from their respective totals. However, the estimates obtained by such subtraction would be subject to the poor response rates or high sampling variability described previously for unpublished kinds of business.

Individuals who use estimates in this report to create new estimates should cite the Census Bureau as the source of only the original estimates.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

E-Commerce Data

Data for e-commerce sales and electronic data interchange (EDI) can be found on the Census Bureau website at: http://www.census.gov/estats. Data for survey year 2002 will be released April 2004.

Survey Questionnaires

The Annual Wholesale Trade Survey questionnaires can be found on the Census Bureau website at: http://www.census.gov/svsd/www/atsforms.html.

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[Sales and inventory estimates are shown in millions of dollars. Estimates are based on data from the Monthly Wholesale Trade Survey, Annual Wholesale Trade Survey, and administrative records. Except for NAICS code 4225, estimates have been adjusted using results of the 1997 Economic Census]

NAICS	16.1.11	2003											
code	Kind of business	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec. ^p
	ADJUSTED ¹												
	Sales, total	235,662	236,716	239,542	234,998	234,073	237,209	239,113	240,029	241,527	246,430	247,737	250,236
421 4211	Durable goods	111,331	109,787	112,095	111,922	111,706	113,230	113,964	113,581	115,505	117,342	118,235	119,902
4212 4213	supplies	18,313 3,642	17,592 3,676	18,381 3,662	18,163 3,647	18,110 3,710	18,482 3,742	18,441 3,850	18,315 3,815	18,509 3,830	18,695 3,810	19,127 3,834	19,771 3,859
4214	materials	6,781	6,598	6,727	6,749	6,786	7,062	7,337	7,502	7,864	7,947	8,128	7,945
42143		20,960 9.148	20,906 9,128	21,091 9,132	21,099 9,342	20,825 9,020	20,836 9,039	21,001 9,062	20,590 8,681	20,963 9,053	21,169 9,266	21,422 9,460	21,792 9,675
4215 4216 4217	equip. & software	7,218 16,738	7,104 16,820	7,315 17,097	7,341 17,150	7,450 16,894	7,346 17,482	7,522 17,519	7,447 17,421	7,568 17,686	7,680 18,307	7,793 18,227	7,893 18,014
4218 4219	equip. & supplies Machinery, equipment, & supplies Miscellaneous durable goods	5,501 18,565 13,613	5,370 18,202 13,519	5,492 18,544 13,786	5,466 18,684 13,623	5,478 18,868 13,585	5,522 19,165 13,593	5,554 19,461 13,279	5,554 19,799 13,138	5,633 19,649 13,803	5,621 19,672 14,441	5,663 19,422 14,619	5,667 20,223 14,738
422 4221	Nondurable goods	124,331 6,455	126,929 6.405	127,447	123,076 6,384	122,367 6.377	123,979 6,418	125,149 6,371	126,448 6,209	126,022 6.439	129,088 6,561	129,502 6,322	130,334 6,520
4222	Paper & paper products Drugs & druggists' sundries	20,076	20,480	6,548 20,886	21,098	21,559	21,652	22,230	22,444	22,117	22,634	22,607	22,854
4223 4224	Apparel, piece goods, & notions Groceries & related products	7,250 34,239	7,073 34,619	7,055 34,588	6,987 34,917	7,042 34.977	7,056 34,945	7,074 35,127	7,074 35,128	7,255 35,118	7,229 35,009	7,317 34,824	7,651 34,410
4225 4226	Farm product raw materials Chemicals & allied products	10,377 5,236	10,028 5,170	9,499 5,361	9,742 5,242	9,617 5,133	10,221 5,200	9,549 5,271	9,780 5,166	9,965 5,250	11,746 5,259	12,085 5,291	11,766 5,319
4227 4228	Petroleum & petroleum products Beer, wine, & distilled alcoholic	19,331	21,581	22,105	17,152	16,584	17,396	18,021	18,816	18,478	18,696	19,193	19,698
4229	beverages	6,770 14,597	6,840 14,733	6,902 14,503	6,874 14,680	6,936 14,142	6,922 14,169	7,176 14,330	7,168 14,663	7,010 14,390	7,265 14,689	7,170 14,693	7,193 14,923
	Inventories, total	288,367	289,611	290,876	290,655	289,756	289,727	290,210	289,961	291,248	292,549	293,534	294,980
421 4211	Motor vehicle & motor vehicle parts &	173,234	174,700	175,088	175,090	174,278	174,040	173,386	172,905	173,153	174,216	174,682	176,286
4211 4212 4213	supplies	24,889 5,383	25,150 5,460	25,401 5,536	25,538 5,604	25,284 5,634	25,636 5,638	25,229 5,566	24,952 5,638	24,593 5,621	25,396 5,669	25,298 5,733	26,096 5,797
4214	materials	7,454	7,648	7,522	7,563	7,538	7,581	7,555	7,629	7,658	7,796	8,037	8,177
42143	Professional & commercial equip. & supplies	23,765	23,932	24,086	23,540	23,906	23,927	24,122	24,249	24,230	24,285	24,394	24,065
4215	equip. & software	7,344 13,373	7,400 13,513	7,437 13,569	7,220 13,610	7,359 13,480	7,352 13,445	7,362 13,303	7,289 13,241	7,182 13,343	7,284 13,368	7,293 13,605	7,294 13,909
4216 4217	Electrical goods	22,566	22,451	22,453	22,568	22,238	22,127	21,938	21,848	22,041	21,832	21,375	21,872
4218 4219	equip. & supplies	10,236 45,801 19,767	10,564 46,047 19,935	10,635 45,890 19,996	10,478 45,871 20,318	10,408 45,671 20,119	10,340 45,356 19,990	10,374 45,089 20,210	10,219 45,055 20,074	10,239 44,841 20,587	10,304 44,717 20,849	10,323 44,862 21,055	10,325 44,419 21,626
422	Nondurable goods	115,133	114,911	115,788	115,565	115,478	115,687	116,824	117,056	118,095	118,333	118,852	118,694
4221	Paper & paper products	6,209	6,359	6,336	6,358	6,342	6,357	6,390	6,407	6,364	6,431	6,436	6,604
4222 4223	Drugs & druggists' sundries Apparel, piece goods, & notions	29,606 12,535	30,245 12,315	30,883 12,542	31,091 12,554	31,365 12,399	30,882 12,483	31,551 12,462	31,788 12,322	31,383 12,152	31,008 11,903	31,328 12,064	30,429 11,963
4224 4225	Groceries & related products	22,287	22,331	22,135	21,852 9,885	21,565	21,470	21,682 10,445	21,733	22,167	21,805 12,202	21,906 11,824	22,472 11,762
4226	Farm product raw materials Chemicals & allied products	9,759 6,083	9,721 6,022	9,715 5,982	5,976	10,067 5,978	10,442 5,991	6,015	10,533 5,927	10,785 5,961	5,946	5,861	6,085
4227 4228	Petroleum & petroleum products Beer, wine, & distilled alcoholic beverages	4,748 7,508	4,469 7,424	4,401 7,466	4,178 7,422	4,342 7,489	4,461 7,499	4,496 7,566	4,694 7,451	4,862 7,566	4,886 7,534	4,958 7,778	5,127 7,613
4229	Miscellaneous nondurable goods	16,398	16,025	16,328	16,249	15,931	16,102	16,217	16,201	16,855	16,618	16,697	16,639
	Inventories/sales ratios, total .	1.22	1.22	1.21	1.24	1.24	1.22	1.21	1.21	1.21	1.19	1.18	1.18
421 4211	Durable goods	1.56	1.59	1.56	1.56	1.56	1.54	1.52	1.52	1.50	1.48	1.48	1.47
4212	supplies	1.36 1.48	1.43 1.49	1.38 1.51	1.41 1.54	1.40 1.52	1.39 1.51	1.37 1.45	1.36 1.48	1.33 1.47	1.36 1.49	1.32 1.50	1.32 1.50
4213 4214	Lumber & other construction materials	1.10	1.16	1.12	1.12	1.11	1.07	1.03	1.02	0.97	0.98	0.99	1.03
	supplies	1.13	1.14	1.14	1.12	1.15	1.15	1.15	1.18	1.16	1.15	1.14	1.10
42143	Computer & computer peripheral equip. & software	0.80	0.81	0.81	0.77	0.82	0.81	0.81	0.84	0.79	0.79	0.77	0.75
4215 4216 4217	Metals & minerals, ex. petroleum Electrical goods	1.85 1.35	1.90 1.33	1.85 1.31	1.85 1.32	1.81 1.32	1.83 1.27	1.77 1.25	1.78 1.25	1.76 1.25	1.74 1.19	1.75 1.17	1.76 1.21
4218 4219	equip. & supplies	1.86 2.47 1.45	1.97 2.53 1.47	1.94 2.47 1.45	1.92 2.46 1.49	1.90 2.42 1.48	1.87 2.37 1.47	1.87 2.32 1.52	1.84 2.28 1.53	1.82 2.28 1.49	1.83 2.27 1.44	1.82 2.31 1.44	1.82 2.20 1.47
422	Nondurable goods	0.93	0.91	0.91	0.94	0.94	0.93	0.93	0.93	0.94	0.92	0.92	0.91
4221	Paper & paper products	0.96	0.99	0.97	1.00	0.99	0.99	1.00	1.03	0.99	0.98	1.02	1.01
4222 4223	Drugs & druggists' sundries	1.47 1.73	1.48 1.74	1.48 1.78	1.47 1.80	1.45 1.76	1.43 1.77	1.42 1.76	1.42 1.74	1.42 1.67	1.37 1.65	1.39 1.65	1.33 1.56
4224 4225	Groceries & related products Farm product raw materials	0.65 0.94	0.65 0.97	0.64 1.02	0.63 1.01	0.62 1.05	0.61 1.02	0.62 1.09	0.62 1.08	0.63 1.08	0.62 1.04	0.63 0.98	0.65 1.00
4226	Chemicals & allied products	1.16	1.16	1.12	1.14	1.16	1.15	1.14	1.15	1.14	1.13	1.11	1.14
4227 4228	Petroleum & petroleum products Beer, wine, & distilled alcoholic beverages	0.25 1.11	0.21 1.09	0.20 1.08	0.24 1.08	0.26 1.08	0.26 1.08	0.25 1.05	0.25 1.04	0.26 1.08	0.26 1.04	0.26 1.08	0.26 1.06
4229	Miscellaneous nondurable goods	1.12	1.09	1.13	1.11	1.13	1.14	1.13	1.10	1.17	1.13	1.14	1.11
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NAICS		2003												
code	Kind of business	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.p	Total
	UNADJUSTED ²													
	Sales, total	227,770	216,868	242,813	237,965	236,074	240,136	243,623	237,647	247,100	263,351	234,591	257,096	2,885,034
421 4211	Durable goods	104,147	98,777	114,461	113,014	112,123	116,810	116,760	112,729	120,840	126,553	111,670	121,401	1,369,285
4212	supplies	16,885 3,358	15,798 3,297	19,098 3,680	19,235 3,618	18,291 3,695	18,852 3,802	18,810 3,900	18,168 3,903	18,065 4,067	19,686 4,195	18,515 3,765	20,562 3,763	221,965 45,043
4213	Lumber & other construction materials	6,171	5,694	6,606	7,005	7,119	7,507	8,100	7,960	8,399	8,964	7,226	6,777	87,528
4214 42143	Professional & commercial equip. & supplies	19,556	18,523	21,850	20,403	20,221	21,919	21,400	19,869	23,059	22,270	19,815	24,037	252,922
42143	Computer & computer peripheral equip. & software	8,544	7,987 6,585	9,497	8,856	8,524	9,681	9,162	8,455	10,230	9,748	8,419	11,155	110,258
4216 4217	Metals & minerals, ex. petroleum Electrical goods	7,139 15,834	15,306	7,271 17,388	7,576 16,807	7,614 16,455	7,559 17,639	7,951 17,817	7,641 17,282	7,795 18,853	8,218 20,247	7,006 17,935	7,317 17,852	89,672 209,415
4218 4219	equip. & supplies	5,193 17,433 12,578	4,833 16,182 12,559	5,459 18,896 14,213	5,625 19,394 13,351	5,714 19,755 13,259	5,859 20,162 13,511	5,798 19,811 13,173	5,621 19,423 12,862	5,836 20,494 14,272	6,110 20,675 16,188	5,216 17,091 15,101	5,180 21,072 14,841	66,444 230,388 165,908
422	Nondurable goods	123,623	118,091	128,352	124,951	123,951	123,326	126,863	124,918	126,260	136,798	122,921	135,695	1,515,749
4221 4222	Paper & paper products Drugs & druggists' sundries	6,513 20,899	5,880 19,005	6,535 20,844	6,352 21,372	6,249 21,171	6,482 21,349	6,454 22,252	6,277 21,210	6,690 22,758	7,073 24,173	5,924 21,183	6,624 24,637	77,053 260,853
4223 4224	Apparel, piece goods, & notions Groceries & related products	6,938 32,767	7,158 31,261	7,676 35,072	6,749 34,812	6,422 36,481	6,689 35,190	7,378 36,673	7,541 35,128	7,908 35,083	8,191 36,444	6,907 33,849	6,473 35,133	86,030 417,893
4225 4226	Farm product raw materials Chemicals & allied products	11,633 5,267	9,757 4,870	9,376 5,415	9,576 5,384	8,973 5,359	9,219 5,356	8,661 5,455	8,626 5,161	9,686 5,287	13,296 5,559	12,617 4,735	13,825 5,042	125,245 62,890
4227 4228	Petroleum & petroleum products Beer, wine, & distilled alcoholic beverages	20,162 5,416	20,394 5,711	21,641 6,536	17,890 6.874	17,115 7,290	17,448 7,282	17,931 7,729	19,230 7,419	17,887 6,772	19,724 7,781	17,389 6,976	20,092 8,603	226,903 84,389
4229	Miscellaneous nondurable goods	14,028	14,055	15,257	15,942	14,891	14,311	14,330	14,326	14,189	14,557	13,341	15,266	174,493
421	Inventories, total	292,511 172,248	291,297 175,034	292,191 175,404	291,448 177,221	286,462 175,222	286,825 174,867	288,497 175,467	285,243 172,796	288,043 172,355	295,215 173,437	296,364 173,114	298,234 173,806	X X
4211	Motor vehicle & motor vehicle parts & supplies	25,138	25,980	25,985	26,125	25,284	25,405	24,876	23,555	23,978	25,523	25,551	26,044	x
4212 4213	Furniture & home furnishings Lumber & other construction	5,275	5,362	5,398	5,486	5,634	5,706	5,750	5,818	5,773	5,737	5,670	5,675	X
4214	materials	7,402	7,694	7,785	7,820	7,734	7,748	7,600	7,583	7,566 24,303	7,508	7,764	7,883	X
42143	supplies	23,765 7,285	23,764 7,274	23,652 7,214	23,775 7,400	23,571 7,337	23,736 7,323	24,580 7,642	24,443 7,376	7,132	24,601 7,357	24,565 7,315	23,752 7,134	
4215 4216 4217	Metals & minerals, ex. petroleum	13,400 22,543	13,554 22,226	13,583 22,004	13,664 22,455	13,426 22,238	13,418 22,171	13,409 22,245	13,228 22,198	13,290 22,350	13,154 21,963	13,428 21,354	14,201 21,566	X X X
4218 4219	equip. & supplies	10,072 44,748 19,905	10,596 45,863 19,995	10,763 46,578 19,656	10,698 46,880 20,318	10,575 46,721 20,039	10,495 46,218 19,970	10,509 46,126 20,372	10,291 45,325 20,355	10,188 44,258 20,649	10,077 43,733 21,141	10,044 43,830 20,908	10,139 43,353 21,193	X X X
422	Nondurable goods	120,263	116,263	116,787	114,227	111,240	111,958	113,030	112,447	115,688	121,778	123,250	124,428	x
4221 4222	Paper & paper products Drugs & druggists' sundries	6,215 31,146	6,359 29,882	6,292 31,315	6,447 31,122	6,462 30,173	6,351 30,511	6,352 31,235	6,298 30,358	6,243 31,101	6,386 31,473	6,462 31,485	6,710 31,616	X
4223 4224	Apparel, piece goods, & notions Groceries & related products	12,848 22,532	12,216 22,041	11,953 22,024	11,926 21,459	12,077 21,112	12,808 21,212	13,060 21,335	12,987 21,646	12,589 22,234	11,903 22,372	11,557 22,454	11,807 22,989	X X
4225 4226	Farm product raw materials Chemicals & allied products	12,091 6,071	11,150 6,040	10,376 6,012	9,450 5,988	8,416 6,056	8,103 6,033	7,761 6,087	7,826 5,891	8,628 5,889	14,179 5,839	15,076 5,802	14,867 6,109	X X X X X
4227 4228	Petroleum & petroleum products Beer, wine, & distilled alcoholic	4,957	4,545	4,419	4,053	4,116	4,274	4,348	4,605	4,915 7,740	4,783	5,013	5,676	
4229	beverages	7,185 17,218	7,172 16,858	7,399 16,997	7,533 16,249	7,534 15,294	7,611 15,055	7,657 15,195	7,332 15,504	16,349	8,009 16,834	8,120 17,281	7,050 17,604	X
421	Inventories/sales ratios, total . Durable goods	1.28 1.65	1.34 1.77	1.20 1.53	1.22 1.57	1.21 1.56	1.19 1.50	1.18 1.50	1.20 1.53	1.17 1.43	1.12 1.37	1.26 1.55	1.16 1.43	X X
4211	Motor vehicle & motor vehicle parts & supplies	1.49	1.64	1.36	1.36	1.38	1.35	1.32	1.30	1.33	1.30	1.38	1.27	×
4212 4213	Furniture & home furnishings Lumber & other construction materials	1.57 1.20	1.63	1.47 1.18	1.52 1.12	1.52 1.09	1.50	1.47 0.94	1.49 0.95	1.42 0.90	1.37 0.84	1.51	1.51 1.16	X
4214	Professional & commercial equip. & supplies	1.22	1.28	1.08	1.17	1.17	1.08	1.15	1.23	1.05	1.10	1.24	0.99	X
42143	Computer & computer peripheral equip. & software	0.85	0.91	0.76	0.84	0.86	0.76	0.83	0.87	0.70	0.75	0.87	0.64	х
4215 4216 4217	Metals & minerals, ex. petroleum Electrical goods	1.88 1.42	2.06 1.45	1.87 1.27	1.80 1.34	1.76 1.35	1.78 1.26	1.69 1.25	1.73 1.28	1.70 1.19	1.60 1.08	1.92 1.19	1.94 1.21	X X X
4218	equip. & supplies	1.94 2.57	2.19 2.83	1.97 2.46	1.90 2.42	1.85 2.37	1.79 2.29	1.81 2.33	1.83 2.33	1.75 2.16	1.65 2.12	1.93 2.56	1.96 2.06	X X X
4219 422	Miscellaneous durable goods	1.58 0.97	1.59 0.98	1.38 0.91	1.52 0.91	1.51 0.90	1.48 0.91	1.55 0.89	1.58 0.90	1.45 0.92	1.31 0.89	1.38 1.00	1.43 0.92	X X
4221	Paper & paper products	0.95	1.08	0.96	1.01	1.03	0.91	0.98	1.00	0.92	0.90	1.09	1.01	l
4222 4223	Drugs & druggists' sundries	1.49 1.85	1.57 1.71	1.50 1.56	1.46 1.77	1.43 1.88	1.43 1.91	1.40 1.77	1.43 1.72	1.37 1.59	1.30 1.45	1.49 1.67	1.28 1.82	X X X X X X
4224 4225	Groceries & related products Farm product raw materials	0.69 1.04	0.71 1.14	0.63 1.11	0.62 0.99	0.58 0.94	0.60 0.88	0.58 0.90	0.62 0.91	0.63 0.89	0.61 1.07	0.66 1.19	0.65 1.08	X
4226 4227	Chemicals & allied products Petroleum & petroleum products	1.15 0.25	1.24 0.22	1.11 0.20	1.11 0.23	1.13 0.24	1.13 0.24	1.12 0.24	1.14 0.24	1.11 0.27	1.05 0.24	1.23 0.29	1.21 0.28	X X
4228 4229	Beer, wine, & distilled alcoholic beverages	1.33 1.23	1.26 1.20	1.13 1.11	1.10 1.02	1.03 1.03	1.05 1.05	0.99 1.06	0.99 1.08	1.14 1.15	1.03 1.16	1.16 1.30	0.82 1.15	X
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NAICS		2002											
code	Kind of business	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
	ADJUSTED ¹												
	Sales, total	221,219	223,009	223,315	226,696	227,493	228,840	229,345	232,391	231,790	231,287	233,819	232,033
421 4211	Durable goods	109,142	110,754	109,419	111,397	112,015	112,555	112,164	113,081	111,974	110,555	111,036	109,456
4212 4213	supplies	17,281 3,716	17,707 3,616	17,488 3,661	17,805 3,655	17,700 3,653	17,868 3,809	17,987 3,662	18,814 3,614	18,266 3,602	17,790 3,555	18,362 3,638	18,270 3,418
4214	materials	6,501	6,838	6,682	6,819	6,590	6,477	6,224	6,407	6,426	6,385	6,262	6,307
42143	Supplies	20,239 9,301	20,325 9,236	20,253 9,165	19,932 8,891	20,691 9,450	21,205 9,833	20,841 9,666	21,248 9,855	21,446 9.877	20,972 9,538	21,396 9,330	20,855 9,353
4215 4216 4217	equip. & software	7,170 17,055	7,165 17,169	7,118 16,893	7,645 17,376	7,589 17,621	7,860 17,187	7,826 17,164	7,704 17,021	7,610 16,820	7,745 16,645	7,260 16,764	6,876 16,634
4218 4219	equip. & supplies Machinery, equipment, & supplies Miscellaneous durable goods	5,585 18,284 13,311	5,725 18,569 13,640	5,613 18,515 13,196	5,636 18,878 13,651	5,504 19,098 13,569	5,471 18,948 13,730	5,463 18,765 14,232	5,607 18,317 14,349	5,428 18,741 13,635	5,396 18,453 13,614	5,355 18,121 13,878	5,271 18,336 13,489
422 4221	Nondurable goods	112,077 6,243	112,255 6.298	113,896 6.255	115,299 6,291	115,478 6.332	116,285 6,423	117,181 6,489	119,310 6.463	119,816 6,469	120,732 6.487	122,783 6.494	122,577 6,442
4222	Drugs & druggists' sundries	18,519	18,816	19,116	19,277	19,160	19,583	19,092	19,294	19,783	19,608	20,531	20,176
4223 4224	Apparel, piece goods, & notions Groceries & related products	7,142 33,190	7,550 33,533	7,640 33,502	7,647 32,740	7,784 33,024	7,678 33,378	7,776 33,500	7,825 33,882	7,557 33,840	7,409 34,016	7,656 34,197	7,248 34,229
4225 4226	Farm product raw materials Chemicals & allied products	8,643 4,968	8,509 5,000	8,397 4,807	8,807 5,060	8,582 5,132	8,793 5,016	9,226 5,004	9,353 5,129	9,449 5,200	9,830 5,092	10,257 5,068	10,764 4,944
4227 4228	Petroleum & petroleum products Beer, wine, & distilled alcoholic	12,896	12,067	13,684	14,922	14,539	14,615	14,843	15,671	16,118	17,301	17,219	17,455
4229	beverages	6,419 14,057	6,556 13,926	6,618 13,877	6,617 13,938	6,589 14,336	6,657 14,142	6,581 14,670	6,662 15,031	6,672 14,728	6,539 14,450	6,640 14,721	7,084 14,235
421	Inventories, total	286,992 174,876	284,403 172,755	284,480 172,065	282,634 171,129	283,003 170,763	284,474 171,157	286,818 172,362	287,743 173,518	288,358 173,641	286,628 172,992	286,810 173,437	288,990 173,906
4211	Motor vehicle & motor vehicle parts & supplies	23,629	23,256	23,194	22,735	23,425	23,713	24,084	23,882	24,598	24,842	25,493	25,107
4212 4213	Furniture & home furnishings Lumber & other construction	5,323	5,324	5,192	5,215	5,192	5,197	5,274	5,301	5,331	5,302	5,308	5,384
4214	materials		7,025	7,053	7,128	7,149	7,144	7,173	7,233	7,296	7,341	7,339	7,364
42143	Supplies	23,502	23,097	23,456	23,900	23,635	23,911	23,801	24,349	23,876	23,375	23,421	23,605
4215 4216 4217	equip. & software	7,580 13,007 23,603	7,571 12,951 23,310	7,807 12,848 23,031	8,099 12,792 22,793	7,878 12,883 22,861	8,000 12,969 22,494	7,809 13,250 22,753	8,030 13,472 23,226	7,767 13,802 22,961	7,361 13,638 23,002	7,207 13,694 22,808	7,242 13,639 22,759
4218 4219	equip. & supplies	10,386 48,598 19,752	10,194 47,984 19,614	10,172 47,540 19,579	10,011 46,877 19,678	10,168 46,214 19,236	10,131 46,186 19,412	10,185 46,567 19,275	10,174 46,329 19,552	10,239 46,004 19,534	10,152 45,628 19,712	10,142 45,641 19,591	10,241 46,128 19,679
422	Nondurable goods	112,116	111,648	112,415	111,505	112,240	113,317	114,456	114,225	114,717	113,636	113,373	115,084
4221 4222	Paper & paper products	6,376 28,522	6,275	6,220	6,165 27,851	6,236 27,690	6,347	6,238 27,601	6,239 27,492	6,288 28,130	6,226 28,797	6,306	6,292 29,812
4223	Drugs & druggists' sundries Apparel, piece goods, & notions	12,862	28,271 12,618	28,373 12,434	12,027	12,049	28,054 12,237	12,379	12,646	12,984	12,642	28,710 12,517	12,579
4224 4225	Groceries & related products Farm product raw materials	20,859 10,352	20,819 10,650	21,162 10,914	21,241 10,733	21,673 10,745	22,132 10,960	22,296 11,909	22,480 11,526	21,856 11,377	22,266 9,674	21,991 9,804	21,922 9,862
4226 4227 4228	Chemicals & allied products Petroleum & petroleum products Beer, wine, & distilled alcoholic	5,749 4,368	5,749 4,434	5,747 4,538	5,725 4,594	5,791 4,538	5,780 4,417	5,669 4,470	5,886 4,388	5,943 4,514	5,962 4,313	6,025 4,305	5,991 4,671
4229	beverages	6,866 16,162	6,818 16,014	6,988 16,039	7,096 16,073	7,075 16,443	7,001 16,389	7,049 16,845	6,950 16,618	7,116 16,509	7,243 16,513	7,341 16,374	7,435 16,520
	Inventories/sales ratios, total .	1.30	1.28	1.27	1.25	1.24	1.24	1.25	1.24	1.24	1.24	1.23	1.25
421	Durable goods	1.60	1.56	1.57	1.54	1.52	1.52	1.54	1.53	1.55	1.56	1.56	1.59
4211 4212	supplies	1.37 1.43	1.31 1.47	1.33 1.42	1.28 1.43	1.32 1.42	1.33 1.36	1.34 1.44	1.27 1.47	1.35 1.48	1.40 1.49	1.39 1.46	1.37 1.58
4213	Lumber & other construction materials	1.09	1.03	1.06	1.05	1.08	1.10	1.15	1.13	1.14	1.15	1.17	1.17
4214 42143	Professional & commercial equip. & supplies	1.16	1.14	1.16	1.20	1.14	1.13	1.14	1.15	1.11	1.11	1.09	1.13
	equip. & software	0.81	0.82	0.85	0.91	0.83	0.81	0.81	0.81	0.79	0.77	0.77	0.77
4215 4216 4217	Metals & minerals, ex. petroleum Electrical goods	1.81	1.81 1.36	1.81 1.36	1.67 1.31	1.70 1.30	1.65 1.31	1.69 1.33	1.75 1.36	1.81	1.76 1.38	1.89 1.36	1.98 1.37
4218 4219	equip. & supplies	1.86 2.66 1.48	1.78 2.58 1.44	1.81 2.57 1.48	1.78 2.48 1.44	1.85 2.42 1.42	1.85 2.44 1.41	1.86 2.48 1.35	1.81 2.53 1.36	1.89 2.45 1.43	1.88 2.47 1.45	1.89 2.52 1.41	1.94 2.52 1.46
422	Nondurable goods	1.00	0.99	0.99	0.97	0.97	0.97	0.98	0.96	0.96	0.94	0.92	0.94
4221 4222	Paper & paper products Drugs & druggists' sundries	1.02 1.54	1.00 1.50	0.99 1.48	0.98 1.44	0.98 1.45	0.99 1.43	0.96 1.45	0.97 1.42	0.97 1.42	0.96 1.47	0.97 1.40	0.98 1.48
4223	Apparel, piece goods, & notions	1.80	1.67	1.63	1.57	1.55	1.59	1.59	1.62	1.72	1.71	1.63	1.74
4224 4225	Groceries & related products Farm product raw materials	0.63 1.20	0.62 1.25	0.63 1.30	0.65 1.22	0.66 1.25	0.66 1.25	0.67 1.29	0.66 1.23	0.65 1.20	0.65 0.98	0.64 0.96	0.64 0.92
4226 4227 4228	Chemicals & allied products Petroleum & petroleum products Beer, wine, & distilled alcoholic	1.16 0.34	1.15 0.37	1.20 0.33	1.13 0.31	1.13 0.31	1.15 0.30	1.13 0.30	1.15 0.28	1.14 0.28	1.17 0.25	1.19 0.25	1.21 0.27
4229	beverages	1.07 1.15	1.04 1.15	1.06 1.16	1.07 1.15	1.07 1.15	1.05 1.16	1.07 1.15	1.04 1.11	1.07 1.12	1.11 1.14	1.11 1.11	1.05 1.16
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NAICS		2002												
code	Kind of business	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Total
	UNADJUSTED ²													
	Sales, total	213,472	203,864	226,091	229,700	235,918	225,812	233,778	237,194	229,709	247,599	227,911	231,237	2,742,285
421 4211	Durable goods	102,406	99,727	111,618	112,672	115,587	112,838	114,594	115,959	113,256	119,636	107,934	107,839	1,334,066
4212	supplies	15,933 3,437	15,919 3,247	18,362 3,676	18,731 3,699	18,337 3,711	17,886 3,718	18,275 3,684	19,059 3,842	17,280 3,692	18,840 3,942	18,289 3,685	18,526 3,278	215,437 43,611
4213	Lumber & other construction materials	5,870	5,881	6,562	7,024	7,229	6,717	6,859	7,067	6,587	7,138	5,767	5,178	77,879
4214	Professional & commercial equip. & supplies	19,045	18,008	20,780	19,175	20,753	21,693	21,133	21,312	22,926	22,335	20,069	22,190	249,419
42143	Computer & computer peripheral equip. & software	8,762	8,091	9,422	8,304	9,252	10,285	9,772	9,954	10,875	10,129	8,453	10,242	113,541
4215 4216 4217	Metals & minerals, ex. petroleum Electrical goods	7,148 16,151	6,671 15,641	7,203 17,315	7,783 17,063	8,022 17,603	7,891 16,878	8,162 17,387	8,097 17,395	7,542 17,375	8,310 18,409	6,766 16,948	6,216 16,185	89,811 204,350
4218 4219	equip. & supplies	5,278 17,205 12,339	5,147 16,582 12,631	5,568 18,811 13,341	5,873 19,973 13,351	5,884 20,588 13,460	5,619 18,967 13,469	5,736 19,197 14,161	5,843 18,665 14,679	5,406 18,704 13,744	5,892 19,413 15,357	5,098 16,671 14,641	4,744 18,519 13,003	66,088 223,295 164,176
422	Nondurable goods	111,066	104,137	114,473	117,028	120,331	112,974	119,184	121,235	116,453	127,963	119,977	123,398	1,408,219
4221 4222	Paper & paper products Drugs & druggists' sundries	6,287 19,408	5,775 17,480	6,236 19,135	6,253 19,528	6,452 19,505	6,250 18,584	6,625 19,111	6,728 18,889	6,508 19,466	6,967 21,020	6,299 20,018	6,339 21,044	76,719 233,188
4223 4224	Apparel, piece goods, & notions Groceries & related products	6,892 31,862	7,648 30,247	8,381 33,301	7,303 32,936	7,286 34,906	7,225 32,911	8,087 35,108	8,608 34,932	7,874 33,096	8,498 35,513	7,449 33,855	5,820 34,024	91,071 402,691
4225 4226	Farm product raw materials Chemicals & allied products	9,801 4,993	8,271 4,720	8,380 4,869	8,701 5,181	8,282 5,496	7,764 5,026	8,479 5,184	8,474 5,314	8,608 5,039	11,304 5,382	11,129 4,713	12,109 4,529	111,302 60,446
4227 4228	Petroleum & petroleum products Beer, wine, & distilled alcoholic beverages	13,025 5,135	11,403 5,461	13,643 6,360	15,355 6,551	15,673 7,248	14,162 6,797	15,021 7,002	16,047 7,122	15,489 6,205	17,716 6,997	16,289 6,799	17,315 8,083	181,138 79,760
4229	Miscellaneous nondurable goods	13,663	13,132	14,168	15,220	15,483	14,255	14,567	15,121	14,168	14,566	13,426	14,135	171,904
421	Inventories, total	291,040 173,737	286,144 172,903	285,704 172,276	283,416 173,106	279,877 171,695	281,585 172,107	284,770 174,581	282,987 173,514	284,989 172,842	289,025 172,305	289,121 172,025	291,358 171,335	X X
4211	Motor vehicle & motor vehicle parts & supplies	23,842	24,000	23,727	23,258	23,425	23,476	23,771	22,640	24,032	24,917	25,773	25,007	×
4212 4213	Furniture & home furnishings Lumber & other construction	5,217	5,218	5,062	5,090	5,182	5,259	5,459	5,471	5,480	5,376	5,250	5,271	X
4214	materials	6,998	7,039	7,286	7,363	7,349	7,323	7,245	7,204	7,223	7,077	7,082	7,077	X
42143	Supplies	23,526 7,557	22,982 7,457	23,034 7,549	24,163 8,293	23,304 7,831	23,720 7,928	24,229 8,082	24,446 8,086	23,900 7,713	23,726 7,449	23,608 7,279	23,322 7,119	X
4215 4216 4217	equip. & software	13,020 23,603	12,977 23,124	12,848 22,593	12,818 22,656	12,844 22,815	12,956 22,539	13,382 23,072	13,472 23,574	13,761 23,259	13,447 23,140	13,516 22,808	13,884 22,440	x X
4218 4219	equip. & supplies	10,220 47,480 19,831	10,214 47,696 19,653	10,274 48,206 19,246	10,211 47,908 19,639	10,321 47,277 19,178	10,293 47,110 19,431	10,317 47,638 19,468	10,255 46,607 19,845	10,188 45,406 19,593	9,939 44,715 19,968	9,878 44,637 19,473	10,067 45,021 19,246	X X X
422	Nondurable goods	117,303	113,241	113,428	110,310	108,182	109,478	110,189	109,473	112,147	116,720	117,096	120,023	x
4221 4222	Paper & paper products Drugs & druggists' sundries	6,382 30,091	6,244 27,960	6,183 28,713	6,245 27,879	6,361 26,610	6,334 27,717	6,201 27,325	6,133 26,227	6,181 27,849	6,201 29,258	6,344 28,882	6,374 30,975	X
4223 4224	Apparel, piece goods, & notions Groceries & related products	13,209 20,984	12,530 20,507	11,862 21,035	11,450 20,880	11,772 21,261	12,518 21,889	12,936 21,917	13,278 22,345	13,412 21,922	12,655 22,867	11,991 22,585	12,428 22,404	x x
4225 4226	Farm product raw materials Chemicals & allied products	12,837 5,732	12,216 5,772	11,667 5,776	10,325 5,736	9,026 5,860	8,494 5,815	8,813 5,748	8,575 5,851	9,147 5,872	11,280 5,861	12,412 5,965	12,367 6,021	X X X X X
4227 4228	Petroleum & petroleum products Beer, wine, & distilled alcoholic	4,490	4,483	4,543	4,479	4,325	4,267	4,358	4,327	4,546	4,244	4,361	5,115	
4229	beverages	6,543 17,035	6,586 16,943	6,904 16,745	7,195 16,121	7,132 15,835	7,120 15,324	7,141 15,750	6,867 15,870	7,287 15,931	7,692 16,662	7,642 16,914	6,877 17,462	X
421	Inventories/sales ratios, total . Durable goods	1.36 1.70	1.40 1.73	1.26 1.54	1.23 1.54	1.19 1.49	1.25 1.53	1.22 1.52	1.19 1.50	1.24 1.53	1.17 1.44	1.27 1.59	1.26 1.59	X X
4211	Motor vehicle & motor vehicle parts & supplies	1.50	1.51	1.29	1.24	1.28	1.31	1.30	1.19	1.39	1.32	1.41	1.35	X
4212 4213	Furniture & home furnishings Lumber & other construction materials	1.52	1.61	1.38	1.38	1.40	1.41	1.48	1.42	1.48	1.36 0.99	1.42	1.61 1.37	X X
4214	Professional & commercial equip. & supplies	1.24	1.28	1.11	1.26	1.12	1.09	1.15	1.15	1.04	1.06	1.18	1.05	×
42143	Computer & computer peripheral equip. & software	0.86	0.92	0.80	1.00	0.85	0.77	0.83	0.81	0.71	0.74	0.86	0.70	
4215 4216 4217	Metals & minerals, ex. petroleum Electrical goods	1.82 1.46	1.95 1.48	1.78 1.30	1.65 1.33	1.60 1.30	1.64 1.34	1.64 1.33	1.66 1.36	1.82 1.34	1.62 1.26	2.00 1.35	2.23 1.39	X X X
4218	equip. & supplies	1.94 2.76	1.98 2.88	1.85 2.56	1.74 2.40	1.75 2.30	1.83 2.48	1.80 2.48	1.76 2.50	1.88 2.43	1.69 2.30	1.94 2.68	2.12 2.43	X X X
4219	Miscellaneous durable goods	1.61	1.56	1.44	1.47	1.42	1.44	1.37	1.35	1.43	1.30	1.33	1.48	
422 4221	Nondurable goods	1.06 1.02	1.09 1.08	0.99 0.99	0.94 1.00	0.90 0.99	0.97 1.01	0.92 0.94	0.90 0.91	0.96 0.95	0.91 0.89	0.98 1.01	0.97 1.01	X X
4222 4223	Drugs & druggists' sundries	1.55 1.92	1.60 1.64	1.50 1.42	1.43 1.57	1.36 1.62	1.49 1.73	1.43 1.60	1.39 1.54	1.43 1.70	1.39 1.49	1.44 1.61	1.47 2.14)
4224 4225	Groceries & related products Farm product raw materials	0.66 1.31	0.68 1.48	0.63 1.39	0.63 1.19	0.61 1.09	0.67 1.09	0.62 1.04	0.64 1.01	0.66 1.06	0.64 1.00	0.67 1.12	0.66 1.02)
4226 4227	Chemicals & allied products Petroleum & petroleum products	1.15 0.34	1.40 1.22 0.39	1.19 0.33	1.11 1.11 0.29	1.09 1.07 0.28	1.16 0.30	1.11 0.29	1.10 1.10 0.27	1.17 0.29	1.09 0.24	1.12 1.27 0.27	1.33 0.30	X X X X X X
4228	Beer, wine, & distilled alcoholic beverages	1.27	1.21	1.09	1.10	0.98	1.05	1.02	0.96	1.17	1.10	1.12	0.85	X
4229	Miscellaneous nondurable goods	1.25	1.29	1.18	1.06	1.02	1.07	1.08	1.05	1.12	1.14	1.26	1.24	X

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NAICS	16.1.11	2001											
code	Kind of business	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
	ADJUSTED ¹												
	Sales, total	231,919	231,106	227,998	226,514	227,599	223,126	224,580	224,778	224,550	219,797	220,125	219,506
421 4211	Durable goods	116,387	116,372	115,216	113,586	113,789	111,587	112,006	112,300	110,072	108,047	108,726	108,190
4212 4213	supplies	16,960 3,892	16,770 3,884	17,038 3,875	17,172 3,805	17,424 3,701	17,142 3,712	17,329 3,671	17,462 3,719	16,662 3,631	17,360 3,702	17,278 3,663	17,011 3,604
4214	materials	5,870	5,974	5,943	6,088	6,310	6,134	6,180	6,213	6,081	6,141	6,226	6,380
42143	supplies	21,642 11.440	21,733 11,186	21,432 10,892	21,500 10,527	21,663 10,724	21,334 10,563	21,287 10,271	20,662 9,816	20,336 9,956	19,552 9,332	20,038 9,419	20,208 9,425
4215 4216 4217	Metals & minerals, ex. petroleum Electrical goods	7,997 19,969	8,104 19,232	7,824 19,017	7,951 18,204	8,011 17,713	7,841 16,804	7,750 17,092	7,877 17,036	7,653 16,904	7,426 17,072	7,337 17,326	6,910 16,876
4218 4219	equip. & supplies Machinery, equipment, & supplies Miscellaneous durable goods	5,503 20,598 13,956	5,559 21,304 13,812	5,429 21,003 13,655	5,109 20,376 13,381	5,437 20,239 13,291	5,208 19,918 13,494	5,273 19,937 13,487	5,377 20,350 13,604	5,353 20,238 13,214	5,473 18,658 12,663	5,522 19,025 12,311	5,535 18,926 12,740
422 4221	Nondurable goods	115,532 6,731	114,734 6.710	112,782	112,928 6,629	113,810 6.568	111,539 6,446	112,574	112,478 6,362	114,478 6.069	111,750 6.127	111,399 6,260	111,316 6,264
4222	Paper & paper products Drugs & druggists' sundries	15,798	15,640	6,615 15,486	15,621	15,949	16,376	6,374 16,557	16,897	17,692	18,301	18,010	18,335
4223 4224	Apparel, piece goods, & notions Groceries & related products	7,287 32,312	7,324 32,299	6,959 32,483	7,239 32,761	7,619 32,426	7,205 32,388	7,175 32,475	7,254 32,307	7,291 32,335	7,439 32,245	7,568 32,661	7,420 32,709
4225 4226	Farm product raw materials Chemicals & allied products	9,323 5,016	9,781 5,122	9,871 5,128	9,276 4,964	9,138 4,985	8,414 4,952	9,057 5,040	9,198 4,903	8,801 4,881	8,578 4,871	8,394 4,901	8,256 4,845
4227 4228	Petroleum & petroleum products Beer, wine, & distilled alcoholic	17,721	16,620	15,581	15,844	16,344	15,045	14,471	14,224	15,903	13,281	13,002	12,748
4229	beverages	6,416 14,928	6,316 14,922	5,953 14,706	6,236 14,358	6,201 14,580	6,245 14,468	6,313 15,112	6,187 15,146	6,152 15,354	6,159 14,749	6,388 14,215	6,649 14,090
	Inventories, total	301,262	301,029	300,988	301,755	303,033	300,740	298,082	297,651	296,387	293,852	290,403	287,913
421 4211	Motor vehicle & motor vehicle parts &	194,225	193,161	192,230	191,391	190,872	187,488	185,748	184,241	182,676	182,082	178,351	176,014
4211 4212 4213	supplies	25,745 5,953	25,768 5,880	25,540 5,901	25,407 5,808	25,056 5,755	24,740 5,608	24,815 5,560	24,829 5,472	24,892 5,539	25,195 5,488	24,501 5,477	23,791 5,369
4214	materials	6,963	6,950	6,929	6,815	6,834	6,777	6,909	7,062	7,110	7,275	7,132	7,087
42143	Professional & commercial equip. & supplies	26,997	26,921	26,392	26,602	26,159	25,803	25,641	25,378	24,568	24,280	23,528	23,707
4215	equip. & software	10,461 14,548	10,275 14,373	9,949 14,193	9,972 14,038	9,666 14,041	9,140 13,969	9,148 13,884	8,806 13,904	8,367 13,634	8,283 13,578	7,913 13,294	7,767 13,189
4216 4217	Electrical goods	29,417	29,134	29,135	29,330	28,664	28,017	26,971	26,410	26,010	25,710	24,826	24,034
4218 4219	equip. & supplies	10,743 51,666 22,193	10,667 51,676 21,792	10,630 51,781 21,729	10,505 51,312 21,574	10,401 52,138 21,824	10,458 51,628 20,488	10,419 51,120 20,429	10,603 50,445 20,138	10,575 50,307 20,041	10,507 50,097 19,952	10,428 49,130 20,035	10,359 48,638 19,840
422	Nondurable goods	107,037	107,868	108,758	110,364	112,161	113,252	112,334	113,410	113,711	111,770	112,052	111,899
4221	Paper & paper products	6,938 22,241	7,079	6,974	6,955	6,955	6,843 25,399	6,729 25,166	6,665 26,209	6,649	6,613	6,526 27,991	6,439
4222 4223	Drugs & druggists' sundries	12,807	22,005 13,185	22,951 13,335	23,646 13,578	24,767 13,854	13,920	13,633	13,601	27,475 13,573	27,129 13,546	13,094	28,625 12,691
4224 4225	Groceries & related products Farm product raw materials	21,468 10,191	21,419 10,375	21,373 10,192	21,419 10,283	21,193 10,665	21,285 10,681	20,830 10,965	21,059 11,032	20,887 10,827	20,416 9,900	20,717 10,082	20,843 10,176
4226	Chemicals & allied products	5,678	5,599	5,787	5,990	5,892	5,911	5,879	5,844	5,903	5.932	5,847	5,808
4227 4228	Petroleum & petroleum products Beer, wine, & distilled alcoholic beverages	4,211 6,856	4,273 6,824	4,231 6,736	4,218 6,760	4,295 6,720	4,289 6,874	4,343 6,761	4,256 6,794	4,126 6,803	4,261 6,767	4,222 6,649	4,189 6,732
4229	Miscellaneous nondurable goods	16,647	17,109	17,179	17,515	17,820	18,050	18,028	17,950	17,468	17,206	16,924	16,396
421	Inventories/sales ratios, total . Durable goods	1.30 1.67	1.30 1.66	1.32 1.67	1.33 1.68	1.33 1.68	1.35 1.68	1.33 1.66	1.32 1.64	1.32 1.66	1.34 1.69	1.32 1.64	1.31 1.63
4211	Motor vehicle & motor vehicle parts &												
4212 4213	supplies	1.52 1.53	1.54 1.51	1.50 1.52	1.48 1.53	1.44 1.55	1.44 1.51	1.43 1.51	1.42 1.47	1.49 1.53	1.45 1.48	1.42 1.50	1.40 1.49
4214	materials	1.19	1.16	1.17	1.12	1.08	1.10	1.12	1.14	1.17	1.18	1.15	1.11
42143	supplies	1.25	1.24	1.23	1.24	1.21	1.21	1.20	1.23	1.21	1.24	1.17	1.17
4215 4216	equip. & software	0.91 1.82 1.47	0.92 1.77 1.51	0.91 1.81 1.53	0.95 1.77 1.61	0.90 1.75 1.62	0.87 1.78 1.67	0.89 1.79 1.58	0.90 1.77 1.55	0.84 1.78 1.54	0.89 1.83 1.51	0.84 1.81 1.43	0.82 1.91 1.42
4217 4218	Hardware, & plumbing & heating equip. & supplies	1.95 2.51	1.92 2.43	1.96 2.47	2.06 2.52	1.91 2.58	2.01 2.59	1.98 2.56	1.97 2.48	1.98 2.49	1.92 2.69	1.89 2.58	1.87 2.57
4219 422	Miscellaneous durable goods	1.59 0.93	1.58 0.94	1.59 0.96	1.61 0.98	1.64 0.99	1.52 1.02	1.51 1.00	1.48 1.01	1.52 0.99	1.58 1.00	1.63 1.01	1.56 1.01
4221	Paper & paper products	1.03	1.05	1.05	1.05	1.06	1.02	1.06	1.01	1.10	1.00	1.01	1.03
4222	Drugs & druggists' sundries	1.41	1.41	1.48	1.51	1.55	1.55	1.52	1.55	1.55	1.48	1.55	1.56
4223 4224	Apparel, piece goods, & notions Groceries & related products	1.76 0.66	1.80 0.66	1.92 0.66	1.88 0.65	1.82 0.65	1.93 0.66	1.90 0.64	1.87 0.65	1.86 0.65	1.82 0.63	1.73 0.63	1.71 0.64
4225 4226	Farm product raw materials Chemicals & allied products	1.09 1.13	1.06 1.09	1.03 1.13	1.11	1.17	1.27 1.19	1.21	1.20	1.23 1.21	1.15 1.22	1.20	1.23 1.20
4226 4227 4228	Petroleum & petroleum products Beer, wine, & distilled alcoholic	0.24	0.26	0.27	1.21 0.27	1.18 0.26	0.29	1.17 0.30	1.19 0.30	0.26	0.32	1.19 0.32	0.33
4229	beverages	1.07 1.12	1.08 1.15	1.13 1.17	1.08 1.22	1.08 1.22	1.10 1.25	1.07 1.19	1.10 1.19	1.11 1.14	1.10 1.17	1.04 1.19	1.01 1.16
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NAICS		2001												
code	Kind of business	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Total
	UNADJUSTED ²													
	Sales, total	223,799	211,304	238,094	222,414	237,128	227,133	221,827	235,302	216,665	235,697	219,934	212,177	2,701,474
421 4211	Durable goods	109,047	104,961	121,426	111,024	117,927	115,198	111,116	118,410	108,216	116,833	108,550	103,184	1,345,892
4212	supplies	15,535 3,581	15,110 3,484	18,231 4,038	17,481 3,721	18,138 3,779	17,673 3,731	17,242 3,631	18,108 4,028	15,529 3,584	18,350 4,091	17,554 3,875	16,654 3,319	205,605 44,862
4213	Lumber & other construction materials	5,248	5,114	6,044	6,058	6,941	6,643	6,557	7,132	6,002	6,810	5,933	5,123	73,605
4214 42143	Professional & commercial equip. & supplies	20,300	19,299	22,761	20,167	21,858	22,145	20,797	21,550	21,149	20,823	19,277	20,936	251,062
42143	Computer & computer peripheral equip. & software	10,811	9,844 7,593	11,622 8,168	9,643	10,563 8,484	11,165	9,901	10,317	10,693 7,408	9,967	8,684	10,132	123,342
4216 4217	Electrical goods	7,933 18,791	17,520	20,025	7,792 17,276	17,748	8,115 17,039	7,781 16,972	8,539 17,905	17,039	7,894 18,779	7,066 17,967	6,019 15,863	92,792 212,924
4218 4219	equip. & supplies	5,189 19,589 12,881	4,975 19,131 12,735	5,510 22,284 14,365	5,094 20,763 12,672	5,850 21,838 13,291	5,562 20,715 13,575	5,484 19,758 12,894	5,727 21,286 14,135	5,139 19,165 13,201	5,987 19,777 14,322	5,439 18,340 13,099	4,782 18,245 12,243	64,738 240,891 159,413
422	Nondurable goods	114,752	106,343	116,668	111,390	119,201	111,935	110,711	116,892	108,449	118,864	111,384	108,993	1,355,582
4221 4222	Paper & paper products Drugs & druggists' sundries	6,805 16,620	6,140 14,545	6,767 16,059	6,384 15,152	6,706 16,316	6,459 16,130	6,285 16,011	6,890 17,150	5,905 16,754	6,629 19,600	6,254 18,244	5,938 18,280	77,162 200,861
4223 4224	Apparel, piece goods, & notions Groceries & related products	7,010 31,246	7,448 29,134	7,905 33,393	6,653 32,302	7,154 34,372	7,032 32,518	7,139 32,995	8,204 33,664	7,517 30,945	8,540 33,825	7,409 32,857	5,765 32,480	87,776 389,731
4225 4226	Farm product raw materials Chemicals & allied products	10,610 5,031	9,458 4,845	10,138 5,369	8,636 4,880	9,092 5,339	7,808 5,150	8,061 5,030	8,545 5,231	7,789 4,593	9,959 5,153	9,225 4,690	8,760 4,322	108,081 59,633
4227 4228	Petroleum & petroleum products Beer, wine, & distilled alcoholic beverages	18,058 5,101	15,689 5,236	15,488 5,917	15,987 5,918	17,080 6,827	15,241 6,695	14,312 6.401	15,149 6,868	14,869 5,598	13,852 6,572	12,612 6,816	12,264 7,207	180,601 75,156
4229	Miscellaneous nondurable goods	14,271	13,848	15,632	15,478	16,315	14,902	14,477	15,191	14,479	14,734	13,277	13,977	176,581
421	Inventories, total	304,912 193,034	303,003 193,285	301,927 192,196	302,685 193,321	300,230 191,925	297,891 188,494	296,477 188,217	293,114 184,382	292,961 181,916	296,316 181,396	292,745 176,952	289,933 173,333	X X
4211	Motor vehicle & motor vehicle parts & supplies	25,977	26,618	26,102	25,991	25,106	24,468	24,492	23,637	24,369	25,245	24,746	23,672	x
4212 4213	Furniture & home furnishings Lumber & other construction	5,840	5,757	5,742	5,651	5,726	5,675	5,766	5,658	5,700	5,581	5,417	5,251	X
4214	materials	6,859	6,936	7,137	7,040	7,032	6,960	7,020	7,055	7,053	7,020	6,875	6,789	X
42143	Supplies	27,078	26,840	25,970	26,921	25,819	25,545	26,026	25,378 8,824	24,519	24,644	23,787	23,470	X
4215 4216 4217	equip. & software	10,482 14,577 29,417	10,131 14,402 28,959	9,621 14,179 28,611	10,211 14,052 29,095	9,569 14,013 28,607	9,012 13,969 28,073	9,395 14,037 27,403	13,932 26,806	8,300 13,593 26,296	8,382 13,401 25,813	8,055 13,134 24,851	7,689 13,387 23,698	X X X
4217 4218 4219	Hardware, & plumbing & heating equip. & supplies	10,571 50,478 22,237	10,667 51,314 21,792	10,715 52,402 21,338	10,715 52,390 21,466	10,557 53,285 21,780	10,646 52,609 20,549	10,544 52,296 20,633	10,688 50,748 20,480	10,522 49,703 20,161	10,286 49,195 20,211	10,178 48,049 19,915	10,183 47,519 19,364	X X X
422	Nondurable goods	111,878	109,718	109,731	109,364	108,305	109,397	108,260	108,732	111,045	114,920	115,793	116,600	x
4221 4222	Paper & paper products Drugs & druggists' sundries	6,931 23,509	7,008 21,851	6,953 23,158	7,059 23,693	7,080 23,752	6,822 25,069	6,689 24,940	6,565 25,030	6,556 27,173	6,613 27,617	6,572 28,131	6,503 29,684	X
4223 4224	Apparel, piece goods, & notions Groceries & related products	13,217 21,511	13,119 21,076	12,735 21,223	12,967 21,076	13,563 20,875	14,198 21,051	14,192 20,497	14,227 20,891	13,967 20,929	13,560 21,049	12,570 21,359	12,577 21,239	X X
4225 4226	Farm product raw materials Chemicals & allied products	12,667 5,667	11,931 5,621	10,936 5,822	9,933 6,002	8,948 5,963	8,246 5,941	8,059 5,967	8,175 5,815	8,737 5,826	11,613 5,825	12,724 5,789	12,679 5,837	X X X X X
4227 4228	Petroleum & petroleum products Beer, wine, & distilled alcoholic	4,270	4,282	4,214	4,138	4,136	4,177	4,265	4,213	4,143	4,227	4,294	4,520	
4229	beverages	6,493 17,613	6,592 18,238	6,635 18,055	6,841 17,655	6,774 17,214	6,998 16,895	6,849 16,802	6,746 17,070	6,980 16,734	7,193 17,223	6,922 17,432	6,214 17,347	X
421	Inventories/sales ratios, total . Durable goods	1.36 1.77	1.43 1.84	1.27 1.58	1.36 1.74	1.27 1.63	1.31 1.64	1.34 1.69	1.25 1.56	1.35 1.68	1.26 1.55	1.33 1.63	1.37 1.68	X X
4211	Motor vehicle & motor vehicle parts & supplies	1.67	1.76	1.43	1.49	1.38	1.38	1.42	1.31	1.57	1.38	1.41	1.42	
4212 4213	Furniture & home furnishings Lumber & other construction	1.63	1.65	1.42	1.52	1.52	1.52	1.59	1.40	1.59	1.36	1.40	1.58	X
4214	materials	1.31	1.36 1.39	1.18	1.16	1.01	1.05	1.07	0.99	1.18	1.03	1.16	1.33	X
42143	supplies	1.33 0.97	1.03	1.14 0.83	1.33	1.18 0.91	1.15 0.81	1.25 0.95	1.18 0.86	1.16 0.78	1.18 0.84	1.23 0.93	1.12 0.76	X
4215 4216	Metals & minerals, ex. petroleum	1.84 1.57	1.90 1.65	1.74 1.43	1.80	1.65	1.72 1.65	1.80 1.61	1.63 1.50	1.83 1.54	1.70 1.37	1.86	2.22 1.49	X X X
4217	Electrical goods	2.04	2.14	1.43	1.68 2.10	1.61	1.91	1.92	1.87	2.05	1.72	1.38 1.87	2.13	
4218 4219	equip. & supplies	2.58 1.73	2.68	2.35 1.49	2.52	2.44 1.64	2.54 1.51	2.65 1.60	2.38	2.59 1.53	2.49 1.41	2.62	2.13 2.60 1.58	X X X
4219 422	Miscellaneous durable goods	0.97	1.71 1.03	0.94	1.69 0.98	0.91	0.98	0.98	1.45 0.93	1.02	0.97	1.52 1.04	1.07	x
4221 4222	Paper & paper products	1.02 1.41	1.14 1.50	1.03 1.44	1.11 1.56	1.06 1.46	1.06 1.55	1.06 1.56	0.95 1.46	1.11	1.00 1.41	1.05	1.10	l
4223	Drugs & druggists' sundries	1.89	1.76	1.61	1.95	1.90	2.02	1.99	1.73	1.62 1.86	1.59	1.54 1.70	1.62 2.18	,
4224 4225	Groceries & related products	0.69 1.19	0.72 1.26	0.64 1.08	0.65 1.15	0.61 0.98	0.65 1.06	0.62 1.00	0.62 0.96	0.68 1.12	0.62 1.17	0.65 1.38	0.65 1.45	X X X X X X
4226 4227	Chemicals & allied products Petroleum & petroleum products	1.13 0.24	1.16 0.27	1.08 0.27	1.23 0.26	1.12 0.24	1.15 0.27	1.19 0.30	1.11 0.28	1.27 0.28	1.13 0.31	1.23 0.34	1.35 0.37	X
4228 4229	Beer, wine, & distilled alcoholic beverages	1.27 1.23	1.26 1.32	1.12 1.16	1.16 1.14	0.99 1.06	1.05 1.13	1.07 1.16	0.98 1.12	1.25 1.16	1.09 1.17	1.02 1.31	0.86 1.24	X
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NAICS		2000											
code	Kind of business	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
	ADJUSTED ¹												
	Sales, total	224,266	223,581	226,181	227,475	227,656	230,653	229,532	229,118	231,415	232,197	230,377	233,327
421 4211	Durable goods	119,266	117,832	118,159	119,031	119,087	119,162	118,602	118,965	119,109	119,141	117,526	116,742
4212 4213	supplies	16,747 3,791	16,704 3,826	16,547 3,818	16,792 3,901	16,529 3,942	16,632 3,926	16,431 3,910	16,653 3,925	16,597 3,992	16,631 3,938	16,686 3,920	16,662 3,863
4214	materials	6,240	6,060	6,074	5,980	5,975	5,940	5,761	5,747	5,775	5,843	5,776	5,948
42143	supplies	23,138 13,457	22,918 13,172	23,066 13,404	22,851 13,143	22,528 12,806	22,239 12,274	22,199 12,221	22,631 12,528	22,645 12,276	22,677 12,472	21,986 12,051	21,181 11,085
4215 4216 4217	Metals & minerals, ex. petroleum Electrical goods	9,005 19,721	8,625 19,236	8,774 19,250	8,662 19,711	8,547 20,002	8,578 20,419	8,541 20,456	8,471 20,671	8,425 20,657	8,373 20,226	8,385 19,896	8,358 20,173
4218 4219	equip. & supplies	5,469 21,053 14,102	5,507 20,797 14,159	5,582 20,691 14,357	5,605 21,081 14,448	5,703 20,838 15,023	5,674 21,294 14,460	5,598 21,316 14,390	5,612 21,147 14,108	5,629 21,141 14,248	5,645 21,225 14,583	5,577 21,208 14,092	5,612 20,647 14,298
422 4221	Nondurable goods	105,000 6.627	105,749 6.583	108,022	108,444	108,569 6.698	111,491	110,930 6.762	110,153 6.778	112,306 6.782	113,056	112,851	116,585 6,785
4222	Paper & paper products Drugs & druggists' sundries	12,822	12,964	6,728 13,445	6,672 13,574	13,845	6,678 14,079	14,286	14,444	14,393	6,779 14,774	6,756 14,936	15,167
4223 4224	Apparel, piece goods, & notions Groceries & related products	7,080 31,270	7,247 31,580	7,328 31,487	7,426 31,850	7,452 31,959	7,525 32,171	7,365 32,016	7,299 31,928	7,271 31,940	7,409 32,040	7,323 32,131	7,510 33,452
4225 4226	Farm product raw materials Chemicals & allied products	8,297 4,770	8,338 4,574	8,771 4,839	9,069 4,912	9,046 4,840	9,184 4,967	9,289 4,929	9,010 5,009	8,859 5,032	9,058 5,080	8,883 5,009	9,525 5,170
4227 4228	Petroleum & petroleum products Beer, wine, & distilled alcoholic	13,680	14,586	14,758	14,449	14,268	15,821	16,082	15,587	17,124	17,054	17,056	17,752
4229	beverages	5,827 14,627	5,727 14,150	5,826 14,840	5,828 14,664	5,877 14,584	6,012 15,054	5,858 14,343	6,034 14,064	6,133 14,772	6,164 14,698	6,149 14,608	6,114 15,110
404	Inventories, total	287,126	288,530	290,687	293,054	294,918	296,952	297,781	298,914	299,055	300,589	302,276	301,618
421 4211	Durable goods	185,771	186,779	187,970	189,606	191,124	193,033	193,367	194,155	193,556	194,099	194,736	193,835
4212 4213	supplies	25,299 5,371	25,365 5,416	25,743 5,487	26,028 5,577	26,253 5,656	26,440 5,771	26,166 5,863	26,169 5,948	25,613 5,765	25,645 5,868	25,756 5,933	25,951 5,871
4214	materials	6,964	7,029	7,079	7,108	7,131	7,180	7,130	7,018	6,991	6,994	7,000	7,085
42143	Supplies	28,205	27,708	27,351	27,285	27,366	27,216	27,199	27,155	27,707	27,946	27,836	27,310
4215 4216	equip. & software	12,277 14,397 25,727	12,225 14,681 25,907	11,214 15,006 26,075	11,043 15,417 26,029	10,712 15,344 26,393	10,671 15,473 27,014	10,655 15,539 27,583	10,582 15,529 27,855	11,118 15,446 28,058	11,669 15,257 28,716	11,102 15,048 29,085	10,595 14,633 29,165
4217	Hardware, & plumbing & heating equip. & supplies	9,845	10,052	10,077	10,304	10,412	10,588	10,610	10,714	10,638	10,734	10,759	10,824
4218 4219	Machinery, equipment, & supplies Miscellaneous durable goods	49,711 20,252	49,864 20,757	50,218 20,934	50,635 21,223	51,018 21,551	51,363 21,988	50,967 22,310	51,599 22,168	51,652 21,686	51,276 21,663	51,587 21,732	51,113 21,883
422	Nondurable goods	101,355	101,751	102,717	103,448	103,794	103,919	104,414	104,759	105,499	106,490	107,540	107,783
4221 4222	Paper & paper products Drugs & druggists' sundries	6,402 18,846	6,415 18,993	6,590 19,324	6,647 19,446	6,705 19,330	6,764 19,964	6,834 20,468	6,919 20,530	6,927 21,010	7,059 21,416	7,060 21,685	7,058 22,561
4223 4224	Apparel, piece goods, & notions Groceries & related products	12,959 21,061	12,921 21,165	12,896 21,096	13,078 21,236	13,212 21,102	12,851 20,904	12,960 21,074	12,807 21,086	12,934 21,477	12,832 21,807	12,829 22,270	12,745 21,703
4225	Farm product raw materials	9,597	9,537	10,010	10,267	10,426	10,115	9,827	9,753	9,798	9,699	9,998	10,199
4226 4227 4228	Chemicals & allied products Petroleum & petroleum products Beer, wine, & distilled alcoholic	5,850 4,057	5,889 4,151	5,978 4,218	5,982 4,179	5,919 4,126	5,967 4,355	5,930 4,267	5,974 4,457	5,841 4,315	5,800 4,384	5,763 4,662	5,744 4,438
4229	beverages	6,553 16,030	6,611 16,069	6,580 16,025	6,653 15,960	6,722 16,252	6,592 16,407	6,634 16,420	6,711 16,522	6,714 16,483	6,786 16,707	6,830 16,443	6,908 16,427
	Inventories/sales ratios, total .	1.28	1.29	1.29	1.29	1.30	1.29	1.30	1.30	1.29	1.29	1.31	1.29
421	Durable goods	1.56	1.59	1.59	1.59	1.60	1.62	1.63	1.63	1.63	1.63	1.66	1.66
4211 4212	supplies	1.51 1.42	1.52 1.42	1.56 1.44	1.55 1.43	1.59 1.43	1.59 1.47	1.59 1.50	1.57 1.52	1.54 1.44	1.54 1.49	1.54 1.51	1.56 1.52
4213 4214	Lumber & other construction materials	1.12	1.16	1.17	1.19	1.19	1.21	1.24	1.22	1.21	1.20	1.21	1.19
42143	supplies	1.22	1.21	1.19	1.19	1.21	1.22	1.23	1.20	1.22	1.23	1.27	1.29
	equip. & software	0.91	0.93	0.84	0.84	0.84	0.87	0.87	0.84	0.91	0.94	0.92	0.96
4215 4216 4217	Metals & minerals, ex. petroleum Electrical goods	1.60 1.30	1.70 1.35	1.71 1.35	1.78 1.32	1.80 1.32	1.80 1.32	1.82 1.35	1.83 1.35	1.83 1.36	1.82 1.42	1.79 1.46	1.75 1.45 1.93
4218 4219	equip. & supplies	1.80 2.36 1.44	1.83 2.40 1.47	1.81 2.43 1.46	1.84 2.40 1.47	1.83 2.45 1.43	1.87 2.41 1.52	1.90 2.39 1.55	1.91 2.44 1.57	1.89 2.44 1.52	1.90 2.42 1.49	1.93 2.43 1.54	1.93 2.48 1.53
422	Nondurable goods	0.97	0.96	0.95	0.95	0.96	0.93	0.94	0.95	0.94	0.94	0.95	0.92
4221 4222	Paper & paper products	0.97	0.97 1.47	0.98 1.44	1.00 1.43	1.00 1.40	1.01 1.42	1.01	1.02 1.42	1.02 1.46	1.04 1.45	1.04 1.45	1.04 1.49
4223	Drugs & druggists' sundries Apparel, piece goods, & notions	1.47 1.83	1.78	1.76	1.76	1.77	1.71	1.43 1.76	1.75	1.78	1.73	1.75	1.70
4224 4225	Groceries & related products Farm product raw materials	0.67 1.16	0.67 1.14	0.67 1.14	0.67 1.13	0.66 1.15	0.65 1.10	0.66 1.06	0.66 1.08	0.67 1.11	0.68 1.07	0.69 1.13	0.65 1.07
4226 4227 4228	Chemicals & allied products Petroleum & petroleum products Beer, wine, & distilled alcoholic	1.23 0.30	1.29 0.28	1.24 0.29	1.22 0.29	1.22 0.29	1.20 0.28	1.20 0.27	1.19 0.29	1.16 0.25	1.14 0.26	1.15 0.27	1.11 0.25
4229	beverages	1.12 1.10	1.15 1.14	1.13 1.08	1.14 1.09	1.14 1.11	1.10 1.09	1.13 1.14	1.11 1.17	1.09 1.12	1.10 1.14	1.11 1.13	1.13 1.09
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NAICS		2000												
code	Kind of business	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Total
	UNADJUSTED ²													
	Sales, total	203,286	213,401	242,609	217,241	237,597	241,166	220,456	240,327	230,520	241,843	230,239	224,872	2,743,557
421 4211	Durable goods	105,186	111,437	127,955	112,901	123,054	126,565	113,934	125,913	120,863	125,359	117,067	111,228	1,421,462
4212	supplies	14,486 3,294	15,852 3,600	18,152 4,055	16,742 3,683	17,190 4,009	17,514 4,111	15,807 3,711	17,302 4,263	15,966 4,068	17,213 4,296	16,769 4,073	16,529 3,562	199,522 46,725
4213	Lumber & other construction materials	5,154	5,375	6,366	5,753	6,561	6,694	5,951	6,598	5,885	6,188	5,545	4,830	70,900
4214	Professional & commercial equip. & supplies	20,593	21,245	25,326	20,954	22,573	23,729	21,178	23,876	23,890	23,425	21,436	21,689	269,914
42143	Computer & computer peripheral equip. & software	12,084	12,105	14,865	11,881	12,601	13,145	11,671	13,292	13,283	12,746	11,497	11,628	150,798
4215 4216 4217	Metals & minerals, ex. petroleum Electrical goods	8,330 17,473	8,582 18,409	9,529 20,771	8,333 18,134	8,957 20,002	9,118 21,358	8,131 19,617	9,174 21,870	8,408 21,566	8,624 21,804	8,092 20,254	7,439 19,104	102,717 240,362
4218 4219	equip. & supplies	4,829 18,674 12,353	5,166 19,757 13,451	5,727 22,739 15,290	5,353 20,512 13,437	6,136 22,588 15,038	6,310 23,040 14,691	5,632 20,208 13,699	6,010 22,035 14,785	5,601 20,718 14,761	6,074 21,883 15,852	5,404 20,275 15,219	4,866 19,697 13,512	67,108 252,126 172,088
422	Nondurable goods	98,100	101,964	114,654	104,340	114,543	114,601	106,522	114,414	109,657	116,484	113,172	113,644	1,322,095
4221 4222	Paper & paper products Drugs & druggists' sundries	6,229 12,501	6,287 12,718	7,185 14,427	6,205 12,705	6,886 14,163	6,872 14,304	6,417 13,215	7,327 14,747	6,843 14,163	7,159 15,276	6,729 15,070	6,412 15,182	80,551 168,471
4223 4224	Apparel, piece goods, & notions Groceries & related products	6,351 29,331	7,783 29,433	8,559 32,809	6,780 30,672	6,908 34,068	7,442 32,847	7,188 32,368	8,336 33,269	7,780 31,078	8,150 32,681	7,177 32,677	5,813 32,649	88,267 383,882
4225 4226	Farm product raw materials Chemicals & allied products	8,546 4,474	8,596 4,533	9,245 5,192	8,198 4,691	9,218 5,184	8,706 5,320	7,840 4,776	8,514 5,350	8,257 4,901	10,136 5,197	9,638 4,804	10,125 4,622	107,019 59,044
4227 4228	Petroleum & petroleum products Beer, wine, & distilled alcoholic	13,133	14,221	15,201	13,987	15,096 6,453	16,296 6,691	15,439 5,653	16,101 6,650	16,799 5,906	17,344 6,343	16,510 6,543	17,574 6,701	187,701 71,551
4229	beverages	13,281	13,428	16,012	15,734	16,567	16,123	13,626	14,120	13,930	14,198	14,024	14,566	175,609
	Inventories, total	290,684	290,675	291,643	294,154	292,639	294,269	296,551	294,881	295,723	303,198	304,668	302,922	Х
421 4211	Durable goods	184,712	187,027	187,923	191,431	192,277	194,016	195,873	194,395	192,815	193,518	193,297	190,874	Х
4212 4213	supplies	25,577 5,274	26,253 5,291	26,335 5,339	26,575 5,421	26,332 5,622	26,096 5,846	25,826 6,068	25,096 6,156	25,126 5,949	25,645 5,979	25,962 5,868	25,691 5,736	X
4214	materials	6,825	6,994	7,270	7,335	7,345	7,395	7,280	7,039	6,956	6,749	6,741	6,759	Х
42143	supplies	28,318	27,653	26,995	27,612	27,065	26,944	27,525	27,019	27,541	28,365	28,198	27,092	Х
4215 4216	equip. & software	12,375 14,455 25,727	12,042 14,725 25,829	10,866 15,006 25,606	11,286 15,432 25,795	10,594 15,329 26,314	10,500 15,504 27,122	10,879 15,725 28,079	10,519 15,560 28,301	10,996 15,384 28,339	11,844 15,043 28,745	11,368 14,837 29,085	10,584 14,823 28,757	X X X
4217 4218	Hardware, & plumbing & heating equip. & supplies	9,687 48,617	10,052 49,515	10,137 50,720	10,510 51,698	10,579 52,140	10,789 52,288	10,727 52,088	10,800 51,857	10,585 51,032	10,519 50,507	10,522 50,504	10,640 50,040	X X X
4219 422	Miscellaneous durable goods	20,232 105,972	20,715 103,648	20,515 103,720	21,053 102,723	21,551 100,362	22,032 100,253	22,555 100,678	22,567 100,486	21,903 102,908	21,966 109,680	21,580 111,371	21,336 112,048	X X
4221	Paper & paper products	6,402	6,325	6,610	6,767	6,779	6,730	6,807	6,836	6,844	7,066	7,102	7,122	
4222 4223	Drugs & druggists' sundries Apparel, piece goods, & notions	19,996 13,426	18,936 12,895	19,459 12,354	19,504 12,529	18,537 12,961	19,665 13,069	20,284 13,440	19,688 13,294	20,737 13,231	21,844 12,832	21,793 12,354	23,283 12,681	X X X X X X
4224 4225	Groceries & related products Farm product raw materials	21,019 12,006	20,784 11,044	20,927 10,761	20,917 9,949	20,870 8,706	20,716 7,758	20,758 7,193	20,854 7,149	21,498 7,897	22,570 11,484	23,072 12,598	22,050 12,637	X
4226 4227 4228	Chemicals & allied products Petroleum & petroleum products Beer, wine, & distilled alcoholic	5,844 4,073	5,924 4,118	6,020 4,163	5,994 4,112	5,984 4,019	5,991 4,259	6,019 4,212	5,944 4,426	5,759 4,328	5,690 4,410	5,711 4,760	5,778 4,722	
4229	beverages	6,166 17,040	6,380 17,242	6,455 16,971	6,720 16,231	6,742 15,764	6,724 15,341	6,727 15,238	6,698 15,597	6,922 15,692	7,227 16,557	7,110 16,871	6,362 17,413	X X
	Inventories/sales ratios, total .	1.43	1.36	1.20	1.35	1.23	1.22	1.35	1.23	1.28	1.25	1.32	1.35	х
421	Durable goods	1.76	1.68	1.47	1.70	1.56	1.53	1.72	1.54	1.60	1.54	1.65	1.72	Х
4211 4212 4213	supplies	1.77 1.60	1.66 1.47	1.45 1.32	1.59 1.47	1.53 1.40	1.49 1.42	1.63 1.64	1.45 1.44	1.57 1.46	1.49 1.39	1.55 1.44	1.55 1.61	X
4214	materials	1.32	1.30	1.14	1.27	1.12	1.10	1.22	1.07	1.18	1.09	1.22	1.40	Х
42143	supplies	1.38	1.30	1.07	1.32	1.20	1.14	1.30	1.13	1.15	1.21	1.32	1.25	Х
4215	equip. & software	1.02 1.74	0.99 1.72	0.73 1.57	0.95 1.85	0.84 1.71	0.80 1.70	0.93 1.93	0.79 1.70	0.83 1.83	0.93 1.74	0.99 1.83	0.91 1.99	X X X
4216 4217	Electrical goods	1.47	1.40	1.23	1.42	1.32	1.27	1.43	1.29	1.31	1.32	1.44	1.51	x
4218	equip. & supplies	2.01 2.60	1.95 2.51	1.77 2.23	1.96 2.52	1.72 2.31	1.71 2.27	1.90 2.58	1.80 2.35	1.89 2.46	1.73 2.31	1.95 2.49	2.19 2.54	X X X
4219	Miscellaneous durable goods	1.64	1.54	1.34	1.57	1.43	1.50	1.65	1.53	1.48	1.39	1.42	1.58	
422 4221	Nondurable goods	1.08 1.03	1.02 1.01	0.90 0.92	0.98 1.09	0.88 0.98	0.87 0.98	0.95 1.06	0.88 0.93	0.94 1.00	0.94 0.99	0.98	0.99	X
4222	Paper & paper products	1.60	1.49	1.35	1.54	1.31	1.37	1.53	1.34	1.46	1.43	1.06 1.45	1.11	ŝ
4223 4224	Apparel, piece goods, & notions Groceries & related products	2.11 0.72	1.66 0.71	1.44 0.64	1.85 0.68	1.88 0.61	1.76 0.63	1.87 0.64	1.59 0.63	1.70 0.69	1.57 0.69	1.72 0.71	2.18 0.68	X
4225 4226	Farm product raw materials Chemicals & allied products	1.40 1.31	1.28 1.31	1.16 1.16	1.21 1.28	0.94 1.15	0.89 1.13	0.92 1.26	0.84 1.11	0.96 1.18	1.13 1.09	1.31 1.19	1.25 1.25	X X X X X
4227 4228	Petroleum & petroleum products Beer, wine, & distilled alcoholic	0.31	0.29	0.27	0.29	0.27	0.26	0.27	0.27	0.26	0.25	0.29	0.27	
4229	beverages	1.45 1.28	1.28 1.28	1.07 1.06	1.25 1.03	1.04 0.95	1.00 0.95	1.19 1.12	1.01 1.10	1.17 1.13	1.14 1.17	1.09 1.20	0.95 1.20	X

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NAICS	16.1.11	1999											
code	Kind of business	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
	ADJUSTED ¹												
	Sales, total	200,092	202,494	204,619	205,573	210,072	211,370	212,417	214,001	215,417	218,591	220,626	222,130
421 4211	Durable goods	106,797	109,337	109,622	109,628	111,596	112,282	113,416	113,506	113,954	116,195	116,817	118,341
4212 4213	supplies	14,704 3,392	16,194 3,469	15,707 3,440	15,852 3,449	16,113 3,530	16,354 3,507	16,585 3,683	16,344 3,599	16,649 3,605	17,069 3,712	16,809 3,641	16,937 3,729
4214	materials	5,467	5,624	5,710	5,769	5,940	6,048	6,101	5,986	6,039	6,108	6,291	6,147
42143		21,693 12,663	21,953 12,977	22,246 13,085	22,305 13,077	22,695 13,318	22,771 12,955	23,129 13,666	23,165 13,753	22,865 13,276	23,472 14,012	23,601 13,722	23,610 13,771
4215 4216 4217	equip. & software	8,064 15,799	7,960 16,332	7,917 16,536	7,763 16,540	7,773 16,887	7,636 17,163	7,756 17,388	7,601 17,533	7,624 17,822	8,048 18,251	8,257 18,504	8,433 19,171
4218 4219	equip. & supplies	5,215 20,006 12,457	5,198 20,001 12,606	5,255 20,402 12,409	5,228 20,132 12,590	5,298 20,473 12,887	5,303 20,579 12,921	5,333 20,574 12,867	5,339 20,632 13,307	5,312 20,383 13,655	5,298 20,592 13,645	5,326 20,547 13,841	5,396 20,688 14,230
422	Nondurable goods	93,295	93,157	94,997	95,945	98,476	99,088	99,001	100,495	101,463	102,396	103,809	103,789
4221 4222	Paper & paper products Drugs & druggists' sundries	5,943 11,353	6,026 11,464	5,744 11,627	6,034 11,963	6,200 12,119	6,287 12,187	6,334 12,290	6,352 12,446	6,456 12,383	6,581 12,420	6,551 12,851	6,314 13,196
4223 4224	Apparel, piece goods, & notions Groceries & related products	6,963 29,072	6,876 29,096	7,363 29,428	7,097 29,477	7,201 30,049	7,095 29,772	6,993 29,811	7,066 30,398	7,162 30,872	7,007 31,192	7,092 31,315	7,103 31,534
4225	Farm product raw materials	8,313	8,550	8,444	8,061	8,900	8,888	8,513	8,292	8,693	8,625	8,471	8,156
4226 4227 4228	Chemicals & allied products Petroleum & petroleum products Beer, wine, & distilled alcoholic	4,562 9,201	4,293 8,813	4,518 9,967	4,448 10,586	4,544 11,017	4,774 11,048	4,625 11,691	4,661 12,247	4,611 12,273	4,691 12,193	4,772 12,816	4,767 12,871
4229	beverages	5,427 12,461	5,422 12,617	5,385 12,521	5,465 12,814	5,537 12,909	5,550 13,487	5,544 13,200	5,621 13,412	5,829 13,184	5,834 13,853	5,838 14,103	5,757 14,091
	Inventories, total	268,119	270,166	270,995	271,144	271,643	271,926	274,763	275,806	277,416	280,028	283,445	284,396
421	Durable goods	174,489	175,290	175,822	174,792	176,120	176,888	178,200	178,230	179,598	181,165	183,816	184,639
4211 4212 4213	supplies	22,629 5,018	22,743 5,068	23,083 5,065	23,061 4,991	23,532 5,018	23,645 5,116	24,051 5,153	24,268 5,127	24,529 5,154	24,548 5,328	25,054 5,205	25,085 5,343
4213	materials	6,167	6,168	6,280	6,391	6,514	6,538	6,695	6,710	6,782	6,855	6,780	6,834
42143	Professional & commercial equip. & supplies	26,083	26,710	26,528	25,532	26,135	26,400	26,301	26,244	26,422	26,966	27,555	27,699
4215	equip. & software	11,894 14,260	12,550	11,836	10,964 13,452	11,735	11,824	11,719 13,426	11,709	11,547	12,003	12,218	12,351
4216 4217	Metals & minerals, ex. petroleum Electrical goods	22,822 9,647	13,836 23,099 9,567	13,448 22,903 9,640	22,693 9,587	13,568 23,058 9,619	13,580 23,239 9,629	23,900	13,324 23,952 9,559	13,443 24,227 9,662	13,628 24,608	13,901 25,193 9,887	14,112 25,799 9,829
4218 4219	equip. & supplies	48,903 18,960	49,208 18,891	49,569 19,306	50,042 19,043	49,636 19,040	49,862 18,879	50,204 18,744	50,114 18,932	50,114 19,265	9,728 50,077 19,427	50,368 19,873	49,997 19,941
422	Nondurable goods	93,630	94,876	95,173	96,352	95,523	95,038	96,563	97,576	97,818	98,863	99,629	99,757
4221 4222	Paper & paper products	5,885 15,618	5,941 15,882	5,994	6,034	6,042 17,126	6,105	6,180	6,235	6,265 17,860	6,267	6,346	6,161 18,399
4223	Drugs & druggists' sundries	13,053	13,678	16,045 13,181	16,776 12,903	12,745	17,390 12,458	17,752 12,467	17,962 12,427	12,246	18,427 12,339	18,354 12,534	12,693
4224 4225	Groceries & related products Farm product raw materials	19,272 9,250	19,640 9,164	19,869 9,268	20,412 9,572	20,234 9,400	19,777 9,234	20,431 9,232	20,552 9,791	20,662 9,803	20,880 9,749	21,277 9,392	21,182 9,201
4226	Chemicals & allied products	5,751	5,756	5,655	5,656	5,618	5,582	5,671	5,601	5,640	5,676	5,705	5,870
4227 4228	Petroleum & petroleum products Beer, wine, & distilled alcoholic beverages	3,674 6,160	3,728 6,356	3,762 6,681	3,831 6,434	3,814 6,624	3,946 6,452	4,043 6,569	3,980 6,550	4,111 6,418	4,056 6,414	4,096 6,385	3,875 6,461
4229	Miscellaneous nondurable goods	14,967	14,731	14,718	14,734	13,920	14,094	14,218	14,478	14,813	15,055	15,540	15,915
421	Inventories/sales ratios, total . Durable goods	1.34 1.63	1.33 1.60	1.32 1.60	1.32 1.59	1.29 1.58	1.29 1.58	1.29 1.57	1.29 1.57	1.29 1.58	1.28 1.56	1.28 1.57	1.28 1.56
4211	Motor vehicle & motor vehicle parts &	1.54	1.40	1.47	1.45	1.46	1.45	1.45	1.48	1.47	1.44	1.49	1.48
4212 4213	supplies	1.48	1.46	1.47	1.45	1.42	1.46	1.40	1.42	1.43	1.44	1.43	1.43
4214	materials	1.13	1.10	1.10	1.11	1.10	1.08	1.10	1.12	1.12	1.12	1.08	1.11
42143		1.20	1.22	1.19	1.14	1.15	1.16	1.14	1.13	1.16	1.15	1.17	1.17
4215 4216	equip. & software	0.94 1.77 1.44	0.97 1.74 1.41	0.90 1.70 1.39	0.84 1.73 1.37	0.88 1.75 1.37	0.91 1.78 1.35	0.86 1.73 1.37	0.85 1.75 1.37	0.87 1.76 1.36	0.86 1.69 1.35	0.89 1.68 1.36	0.90 1.67 1.35
4217 4218	Hardware, & plumbing & heating equip. & supplies	1.85 2.44	1.84 2.46	1.83 2.43	1.83 2.49	1.82 2.42	1.82 2.42	1.82 2.44	1.79 2.43	1.82 2.46	1.84 2.43	1.86 2.45	1.82 2.42
4219 422	Miscellaneous durable goods	1.52 1.00	1.50 1.02	1.56 1.00	1.51 1.00	1.48 0.97	1.46 0.96	1.46 0.98	1.42 0.97	1.41 0.96	1.42 0.97	1.44 0.96	1.40 0.96
4221	Paper & paper products	0.99	0.99	1.04	1.00	0.97	0.90	0.98	0.98	0.90	0.97	0.90	0.98
4222	Drugs & druggists' sundries	1.38	1.39	1.38	1.40	1.41	1.43	1.44	1.44	1.44	1.48	1.43	1.39
4223 4224	Apparel, piece goods, & notions Groceries & related products	1.87 0.66	1.99 0.68	1.79 0.68	1.82 0.69	1.77 0.67	1.76 0.66	1.78 0.69	1.76 0.68	1.71 0.67	1.76 0.67	1.77 0.68	1.79 0.67
4225 4226	Farm product raw materials Chemicals & allied products	1.11 1.26	1.07 1.34	1.10 1.25	1.19 1.27	1.06 1.24	1.04 1.17	1.08 1.23	1.18 1.20	1.13 1.22	1.13 1.21	1.11 1.20	1.13 1.23
4227 4228	Petroleum & petroleum products Beer, wine, & distilled alcoholic	0.40	0.42	0.38	0.36	0.35	0.36	0.35	0.32	0.33	0.33	0.32	0.30
4229	beverages	1.14 1.20	1.17 1.17	1.24 1.18	1.18 1.15	1.20 1.08	1.16 1.05	1.18 1.08	1.17 1.08	1.10 1.12	1.10 1.09	1.09 1.10	1.12 1.13
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NAICS							19	99						
code	Kind of business	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Total
	UNADJUSTED ²													
	Sales, total	180,736	184,616	220,538	207,606	207,032	221,548	209,876	217,659	221,156	221,422	220,633	226,744	2,539,566
421 4211	Durable goods	94,122	98,735	119,076	110,441	108,606	119,178	112,285	116,512	119,288	118,612	116,250	119,944	1,353,049
4212	supplies	12,895 2,931	14,656 3,098	17,262 3,640	16,613 3,511	15,887 3,406	17,286 3,602	16,519 3,617	16,507 3,819	16,283 3,782	17,308 3,875	16,910 3,849	17,598 3,662	195,724 42,792
4213	Lumber & other construction materials	4,510	4,752	5,893	5,948	6,065	6,828	6,571	6,597	6,413	6,291	5,976	5,440	71,284
4214	Professional & commercial equip. & supplies	19,242	19,604	24,537	21,480	21,379	24,456	22,528	23,536	25,220	23,542	22,563	25,759	273,846
42143	Computer & computer peripheral equip. & software	11,283	11,601	14,695	12,292	12,346	14,134	13,215	13,932	14,936	13,970	12,844	15,244	160,492
4215 4216 4217	Metals & minerals, ex. petroleum Electrical goods	7,604 14,045	7,538 14,862	8,598 17,793	7,988 16,143	7,571 15,975	8,170 17,815	7,601 17,266	7,867 18,199	7,799 19,105	8,072 19,145	7,985 18,874	8,020 19,133	94,813 208,355
4218 4219	equip. & supplies	4,584 17,685 10,626	4,590 18,201 11,434	5,371 22,667 13,315	5,306 21,340 12,112	5,340 20,637 12,346	5,876 21,978 13,167	5,594 20,121 12,468	5,633 20,941 13,413	5,413 20,485 14,788	5,489 20,263 14,627	5,305 20,033 14,755	4,943 21,102 14,287	63,444 245,453 157,338
422	Nondurable goods	86,614	85,881	101,462	97,165	98,426	102,370	97,591	101,147	101,868	102,810	104,383	106,800	1,186,517
4221 4222	Paper & paper products Drugs & druggists' sundries	5,586 11,171	5,508 10,673	6,204 12,499	6,004 12,107	5,921 11,428	6,494 12,370	6,138 11,860	6,682 12,272	6,747 12,581	6,772 12,333	6,551 13,082	6,301 14,173	74,908 146,549
4223 4224	Apparel, piece goods, & notions Groceries & related products	6,295 26,804	7,034 26,245	8,630 30,929	6,806 29,271	6,128 31,011	7,201 30,338	7,154 30,526	7,681 30,915	7,892 30,841	7,589 31,098	6,844 31,691	5,789 32,259	85,043 361,928
4225 4226	Farm product raw materials Chemicals & allied products	8,587 4,279	8,217 4,061	9,153 4,825	7,763 4,541	8,366 4,576	8,639 5,122	7,474 4,644	7,637 4,805	8,232 4,597	9,177 4,677	9,479 4,605	9,176 4,538	101,900 55,270
4227 4228	Petroleum & petroleum products Beer, wine, & distilled alcoholic beverages	9,063 4,038	8,284 4,441	10,087 5,487	10,893 5,492	10,940 5,598	11,236 6,188	11,516 5,633	12,431 5,902	12,138 5,841	12,376 5,863	12,624 6,194	13,489 6,787	135,077 67,464
4229	Miscellaneous nondurable goods	10,791	11,418	13,648	14,288	14,458	14,782	12,646	12,822	12,999	12,925	13,313	14,288	158,378
421	Inventories, total	271,719	272,281	271,882	272,387	269,805	269,369	273,629	271,625	273,805	282,655	285,699	285,215	X X
421	Durable goods	173,572	175,414	175,790	176,457	177,396	177,688	180,478	178,436	178,737	180,647	182,446	181,802	
4212 4213	supplies	22,901 4,928	23,585 4,946	23,568 4,938	23,522 4,846	23,650 4,983	23,314 5,188	23,762 5,323	23,419 5,312	24,087 5,324	24,523 5,429	25,204 5,153	24,659 5,220	X
4214	materials	6,025	6,137	6,437	6,589	6,703	6,747	6,856	6,750	6,762	6,615	6,522	6,520	Х
42143	supplies	26,239	26,603	26,289	25,838	25,900	26,110	26,538	26,034	26,184	27,370	27,941	27,533	X
4215 4216 4217	equip. & software	12,061 14,346 22,822	12,349 13,891 23,053	11,528 13,488 22,514	11,161 13,479 22,489	11,594 13,582 22,989	11,623 13,607 23,402	11,895 13,587 24,402	11,580 13,337 24,383	11,408 13,362 24,397	12,183 13,424 24,510	12,560 13,679 25,143	12,425 14,281 25,438	X X X
4217 4218 4219	Hardware, & plumbing & heating equip. & supplies	9,483 47,925 18,903	9,557 48,864 18,778	9,698 50,015 18,843	9,779 51,043 18,872	9,802 50,728 19,059	9,812 50,610 18,898	9,814 51,208 18,988	9,626 50,264 19,311	9,604 49,463 19,554	9,543 49,476 19,757	9,679 49,411 19,714	9,662 49,047 19,442	X X X
422	Nondurable goods	98,147	96,867	96,092	95,930	92,409	91,681	93,151	93,189	95,068	102,008	103,253	103,413	X
4221 4222	Paper & paper products Drugs & druggists' sundries	5,914 16,618	5,870 15,914	6,036 16,125	6,149 16,860	6,060 16,372	6,074 17,060	6,180 17,610	6,166 17,297	6,209 17,610	6,261 18,796	6,352 18,427	6,210 18,896	X
4223 4224	Apparel, piece goods, & notions Groceries & related products	13,588 19,214	13,692 19,247	12,641 19,670	12,400 20,106	12,503 20,052	12,657 19,579	12,891 20,165	12,800 20,244	12,479 20,662	12,302 21,736	12,108 22,086	12,693 21,436	Ŷ
4225 4226	Farm product raw materials Chemicals & allied products	11,673 5,751	10,704 5,796	10,000 5,706	9,323 5,679	7,811 5,674	7,073 5,593	6,721 5,733	7,040 5,584	7,813 5,544	11,591 5,562	11,871 5,665	11,391 5,905	X X X X X X
4227 4228	Petroleum & petroleum products	3,674 5,760	3,672 6,121	3,683 6,527	3,781 6,485	3,753 6,584	3,851 6,588	3,990 6,681	3,964 6,557	4,119 6,649	4,137 6,869	4,202 6,691	4,084 5,944	
4229	Miscellaneous nondurable goods	15,955	15,851	15,704	15,147	13,600	13,206	13,180	13,537	13,983	14,754	15,851	16,854	X
421	Inventories/sales ratios, total . Durable goods	1.50 1.84	1.47 1.78	1.23 1.48	1.31 1.60	1.30 1.63	1.22 1.49	1.30 1.61	1.25 1.53	1.24 1.50	1.28 1.52	1.29 1.57	1.26 1.52	X X
4211	Motor vehicle & motor vehicle parts & supplies	1.78	1.61	1.37	1.42	1.49	1.35	1.44	1.42	1.48	1.42 1.40	1.49	1.40	X
4212 4213	Furniture & home furnishings Lumber & other construction materials	1.68 1.34	1.60 1.29	1.36 1.09	1.38	1.46 1.11	1.44 0.99	1.47 1.04	1.39	1.41	1.40	1.34	1.43 1.20	X
4214	Professional & commercial equip. & supplies	1.36	1.36	1.07	1.20	1.21	1.07	1.18	1.11	1.04	1.16	1.24	1.07	Х
42143	Computer & computer peripheral equip. & software	1.07	1.06	0.78	0.91	0.94	0.82	0.90	0.83	0.76	0.87	0.98	0.82	X
4215 4216 4217	Metals & minerals, ex. petroleum Electrical goods	1.89 1.62	1.84 1.55	1.57 1.27	1.69 1.39	1.79 1.44	1.67 1.31	1.79 1.41	1.70 1.34	1.71 1.28	1.66 1.28	1.71 1.33	1.78 1.33	X X X
4218	equip. & supplies	2.07 2.71	2.08 2.68	1.81 2.21	1.84 2.39	1.84 2.46	1.67 2.30	1.75 2.55	1.71 2.40	1.77 2.41	1.74 2.44	1.82 2.47	1.95 2.32	X X X
4219 422	Miscellaneous durable goods	1.78 1.13	1.64 1.13	1.42 0.95	1.56 0.99	1.54 0.94	1.44 0.90	1.52 0.95	1.44 0.92	1.32 0.93	1.35 0.99	1.34 0.99	1.36 0.97	X X
4221	Paper & paper products	1.06	1.07	0.97	1.02	1.02	0.94	1.01	0.92	0.92	0.92	0.97	0.99	
4222 4223	Drugs & druggists' sundries Apparel, piece goods, & notions	1.49 2.16	1.49 1.95	1.29 1.46	1.39 1.82	1.43 2.04	1.38 1.76	1.48 1.80	1.41 1.67	1.40 1.58	1.52 1.62	1.41 1.77	1.33 2.19	X
4224 4225	Groceries & related products Farm product raw materials	0.72 1.36	0.73 1.30	0.64 1.09	0.69 1.20	0.65 0.93	0.65 0.82	0.66 0.90	0.65 0.92	0.67 0.95	0.70 1.26	0.70 1.25	0.66 1.24	X X X X X
4226 4227	Chemicals & allied products Petroleum & petroleum products	1.34 0.41	1.43 0.44	1.18 0.37	1.25 0.35	1.24 0.34	1.09 0.34	1.23 0.35	1.16 0.32	1.21 0.34	1.19 0.33	1.23 0.33	1.30 0.30	X X
4228 4229	Beer, wine, & distilled alcoholic beverages	1.43 1.48	1.38 1.39	1.19 1.15	1.18 1.06	1.18 0.94	1.06 0.89	1.19 1.04	1.11 1.06	1.14 1.08	1.17 1.14	1.08 1.19	0.88 1.18	X

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NAICS	16.1.11						19	98					
code	Kind of business	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
	ADJUSTED ¹												
	Sales, total	197,373	197,332	198,588	198,442	198,398	197,191	198,259	197,049	197,780	199,016	199,066	200,492
421	Durable goods	104,898	105,085	106,248	106,175	105,522	105,693	105,776	105,424	104,835	105,179	105,023	105,548
4211 4212	supplies	13,949 3,452	13,850 3,303	14,510 3,368	14,428 3,356	14,390 3,314	14,255 3,386	14,469 3,341	14,634 3,390	14,775 3,360	14,410 3,309	14,714 3,452	14,756 3,394
4213	Lumber & other construction materials	5,144	5,138	5,106	5,147	5,205	5,203	5,364	5,425	5,398	5,474	5,535	5,559
4214	Professional & commercial equip. & supplies	20,901	21,102	21,139	21,223	20,828	21,312	21,299	21,366	21,052	21,372	20,776	21,233
42143	Computer & computer peripheral	12,457	12,594	12,870	12,993	12,736	13,261	12,900	12,518	12,127	12,212	11,978	11,952
4215	equip. & software	8,273	8,236	8,466	8,182	8,153	8,131	8,081	8,116	8,000	7,907	7,821	7,712
4216 4217	Electrical goods	15,248	15,382	15,486	15,607	15,680	15,514	15,556	15,562	15,500	15,994	15,604	15,543
4218	equip. & supplies	5,033 20,214	5,018 20,360	4,849 20,159	4,942 20,469	5,024 20,558	5,071 20,346	5,123 19,988	5,029 20,026	5,016 20,201	5,002 19,743	5,138 20,096	5,206 20,145
4219 422	Miscellaneous durable goods Nondurable goods	12,684 92,475	12,696 92,247	13,165 92,340	12,821 92,267	12,370 92,876	12,475 91,498	12,555 92,483	11,876 91,625	11,533 92,945	11,968 93,837	11,887 94,043	12,000 94,944
4221	Paper & paper products	5,659	5,677	5,788	5,811	5,853	5,884	5,822	5,834	5,885	5,882	5,852	5,969
4222 4223	Drugs & druggists' sundries Apparel, piece goods, & notions	9,893 7,411	10,083 7,428	10,345 7,341	9,980 7,112	10,040 6,922	10,019 6,856	10,315 6,923	10,382 6,969	10,540 6,609	10,758 7,078	10,863 6,814	11,208 6,827
4224 4225	Groceries & related products Farm product raw materials	27,743 10,078	28,564 9,244	28,193 9,056	28,404 8,899	28,636 8,897	28,700 8,521	29,026 8,697	28,731 8,748	29,083 8,716	29,142 8,867	29,008 8,877	29,106 9,227
4226 4227	Chemicals & allied products Petroleum & petroleum products	4,733 10,169	4,680 9,876	4,548 9,886	4,559 9,802	4,613 9,924	4,528 9,925	4,505 9,786	4,570 9,214	4,553 9,503	4,635 9,697	4,622 9,543	4,547 9,288
4228	Beer, wine, & distilled alcoholic beverages	4,915	4,929	5,048	5,095	5,080	4,944	5,124	5,083	5,461	5,348	5,256	5,387
4229	Miscellaneous nondurable goods	11,874	11,766	12,135	12,605	12,911	12,121	12,285	12,094	12,595	12,430	13,208	13,385
421	Inventories, total	255,293 165,155	257,917 166,955	259,462 168,538	259,025 168,516	260,842 169,353	260,365 168,487	260,670 168,619	263,308 170,844	264,903 171,741	265,423 172,663	266,777 172,686	267,689 174,107
4211	Motor vehicle & motor vehicle parts & supplies	22,449	22,763	23,314	22,337	21,919	21,545	21,262	21,713	21,839	22,310	21,937	22,696
4212 4213	Furniture & home furnishings Lumber & other construction	4,905	4,886	4,828	4,949	4,988	4,991	5,030	5,047	5,062	5,140	5,049	5,046
4214	materials	6,368	6,336	6,263	6,358	6,269	6,243	6,269	6,440	6,149	6,171	6,172	6,109
42143	supplies	28,103	28,162	28,710	28,752	28,710	27,757	27,651	27,654	27,198	26,713	26,796	26,306
4215	equip. & software	13,431 13,538	13,389 13,589	14,176 13,664	13,942 13,641	13,912 13,755	13,314 13,670	12,862 13,614	13,017 14,003	12,463 14,037	12,142 14,066	12,153 14,193	12,190 14,114
4216 4217	Electrical goods	21,042	21,308	21,758	22,072	22,287	22,386	22,286	22,451	22,637	22,487	22,573	22,824
4218	equip. & supplies	8,893 42,329	9,165 42,989	9,159 43,276	9,272 43,474	9,306 44,287	9,420 44,620	9,379 45,275	9,475 45,712	9,437 46,520	9,466 47,251	9,495 47,504	9,551 48,536
4219	Miscellaneous durable goods	17,528	17,757	17,566	17,661	17,832	17,855	17,853	18,349	18,862	19,059	18,967	18,925
422 4221	Nondurable goods	90,138 5,654	90,962 5,999	90,924 6,055	90,509 6,049	91,489 6,035	91,878 6,012	92,051 5,989	92,464 5,983	93,162 5,931	92,760 5,782	94,091 5,919	93,582 5,946
4222	Paper & paper products	13,686	14,151	14,357	14,519	14,873	14,541	14,619	14,715	14,696	14,850	15,190	15,347
4223 4224	Apparel, piece goods, & notions Groceries & related products	13,536 19,222	13,262 19,449	13,321 18,946	13,388 19,419	13,342 19,630	13,454 19,488	13,388 19,542	13,572 19,572	13,442 19,449	13,525 19,265	13,586 19,354	13,552 19,163
4225 4226	Farm product raw materials Chemicals & allied products	9,086 5,453	8,893 5,312	8,658 5,292	7,992 5,451	7,943 5,590	8,535 5,379	8,580 5,552	8,729 5,515	9,289 5,624	9,395 5,585	9,562 5,666	9,436 5,648
4227 4228	Petroleum & petroleum products Beer, wine, & distilled alcoholic	4,094	3,899	3,915	3,971	4,100	3,977	3,904	3,837	4,040	3,836	3,677	3,548
4229	beverages	5,622 13,785	5,757 14,240	6,081 14,299	5,740 13,980	5,762 14,214	5,984 14,508	5,917 14,560	6,082 14,459	6,139 14,552	6,195 14,327	6,356 14,781	6,060 14,882
	Inventories/sales ratios, total .	1.29	1.31	1.31	1.31	1.31	1.32	1.31	1.34	1.34	1.33	1.34	1.34
421 4211	Durable goods	1.57	1.59	1.59	1.59	1.60	1.59	1.59	1.62	1.64	1.64	1.64	1.65
4212	supplies	1.61 1.42	1.64 1.48	1.61 1.43	1.55 1.47	1.52 1.51	1.51 1.47	1.47 1.51	1.48 1.49	1.48 1.51	1.55 1.55	1.49 1.46	1.54 1.49
4213	Lumber & other construction materials	1.24	1.23	1.23	1.24	1.20	1.20	1.17	1.19	1.14	1.13	1.12	1.10
4214	Professional & commercial equip. & supplies	1.34	1.33	1.36	1.35	1.38	1.30	1.30	1.29	1.29	1.25	1.29	1.24
42143	Computer & computer peripheral equip. & software	1.08	1.06	1.10	1.07	1.09	1.00	1.00	1.04	1.03	0.99	1.01	1.02
4215 4216	Metals & minerals, ex. petroleum Electrical goods	1.64 1.38	1.65 1.39	1.61 1.41	1.67 1.41	1.69 1.42	1.68 1.44	1.68 1.43	1.73 1.44	1.75 1.46	1.78 1.41	1.81 1.45	1.83 1.47
4217	Hardware, & plumbing & heating equip. & supplies	1.77	1.83	1.89	1.88	1.85	1.86	1.83	1.88	1.88	1.89	1.85	1.83
4218 4219	Machinery, equipment, & supplies Miscellaneous durable goods	2.09 1.38	2.11 1.40	2.15 1.33	2.12	2.15 1.44	2.19 1.43	2.27 1.42	2.28 1.55	2.30 1.64	2.39 1.59	2.36 1.60	2.41 1.58
422	Nondurable goods	0.97	0.99	0.98	0.98	0.99	1.00	1.00	1.01	1.00	0.99	1.00	0.99
4221 4222	Paper & paper products Drugs & druggists' sundries	1.00 1.38	1.06 1.40	1.05 1.39	1.04 1.45	1.03 1.48	1.02 1.45	1.03 1.42	1.03 1.42	1.01 1.39	0.98 1.38	1.01 1.40	1.00 1.37
4223 4224	Apparel, piece goods, & notions Groceries & related products	1.83	1.79	1.81	1.88	1.93	1.96	1.93	1.95	2.03	1.91	1.99	1.99 0.66
4224 4225 4226	Farm product raw materials	0.69 0.90	0.68 0.96	0.67 0.96	0.68 0.90	0.69 0.89	0.68 1.00	0.67 0.99	0.68 1.00	0.67 1.07	0.66 1.06	0.67 1.08	1.02
4226 4227 4228	Chemicals & allied products Petroleum & petroleum products	1.15 0.40	1.14 0.39	1.16 0.40	1.20 0.41	1.21 0.41	1.19 0.40	1.23 0.40	1.21 0.42	1.24 0.43	1.20 0.40	1.23 0.39	1.24 0.38
	Beer, wine, & distilled alcoholic beverages	1.14	1.17	1.20	1.13	1.13	1.21	1.15	1.20	1.12	1.16	1.21	1.12
4229	Miscellaneous nondurable goods	1.16	1.21	1.18	1.11	1.10	1.20	1.19	1.20	1.16	1.15	1.12	1.11

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NAICS							19	98						
code	Kind of business	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Total
	UNADJUSTED ²													
	Sales, total	184,392	180,071	207,369	200,773	195,061	206,548	200,794	195,033	203,169	208,499	192,656	205,459	2,379,824
421 4211	Durable goods	95,655	94,923	112,128	106,783	102,518	112,124	107,292	104,858	109,844	111,156	100,934	107,540	1,265,755
4212	supplies	12,484 3,079	12,548 2,940	15,656 3,513	14,962 3,363	14,419 3,208	15,011 3,532	14,773 3,341	14,254 3,437	14,583 3,525	14,900 3,587	14,258 3,524	15,391 3,374	173,239 40,423
4213	Lumber & other construction materials	4,398	4,321	5,024	5,312	5,309	5,822	5,981	5,826	5,727	5,885	5,114	4,942	63,661
4214	Professional & commercial equip. & supplies	19,375	18,907	22,534	20,799	19,370	22,633	21,363	21,216	23,010	22,205	19,301	23,356	254,069
42143	Computer & computer peripheral equip. & software	11,573	11,347	13,822	12,642	11,590	14,189	12,874	12,505	13,425	12,566	11,008	13,243	150,784
4215 4216 4217	Metals & minerals, ex. petroleum Electrical goods	8,033 13,906	7,808 13,998	8,949 16,307	8,452 15,030	8,088 14,927	8,554 16,135	8,121 15,836	7,994 15,609	8,264 16,802	8,144 17,290	7,305 15,354	7,396 15,527	97,108 186,721
4218 4219	equip. & supplies	4,525 18,617 11,238	4,386 18,589 11,426	4,825 21,852 13,468	4,898 21,492 12,475	5,024 20,558 11,615	5,715 22,035 12,687	5,538 20,148 12,191	5,094 19,445 11,983	5,207 20,201 12,525	5,377 20,256 13,512	4,953 18,810 12,315	4,810 20,528 12,216	60,352 242,531 147,651
422	Nondurable goods	88,737	85,148	95,241	93,990	92,543	94,424	93,502	90,175	93,325	97,343	91,722	97,919	1,114,069
4221 4222	Paper & paper products Drugs & druggists' sundries	5,450 10,130	5,206 9,377	6,077 10,697	5,823 10,070	5,560 9,498	6,049 10,109	5,845 10,346	5,939 9,790	6,203 10,793	6,235 11,113	5,647 10,581	5,903 12,060	69,937 124,564
4223 4224	Apparel, piece goods, & notions Groceries & related products	6,922 26,550	7,591 25,736	8,148 28,757	6,877 28,432	5,835 28,951	6,856 29,475	7,345 30,042	7,401 29,104	7,422 28,676	7,941 30,075	6,262 28,718	5,591 29,921	84,191 344,437
4225 4226	Farm product raw materials Chemicals & allied products	10,743 4,591	8,911 4,423	9,464 4,680	8,507 4,668	8,443 4,673	8,282 4,863	7,862	7,672 4,570	8,594 4,535	9,656 4,788	9,294 4,322	10,565 4,324	107,993 55,073
4227 4228	Petroleum & petroleum products Beer, wine, & distilled alcoholic	10,067	9,293	9,738	9,959	10,073	9,895	4,636 10,031	9,085	9,465	9,852	9,409	9,530	116,397
4229	beverages	3,799 10,485	4,022 10,589	4,902 12,778	5,095 14,559	5,243 14,267	5,453 13,442	5,442 11,953	5,113 11,501	5,521 12,116	5,589 12,094	5,351 12,138	6,292 13,733	61,822 149,655
	Inventories, total	259,197	260,188	260,299	260,402	259,250	257,705	259,756	259,379	261,260	267,848	268,941	268,462	Х
421 4211	Durable goods	164,507	167,125	168,467	170,000	170,549	169,049	170,815	171,142	170,885	172,199	171,361	171,480	х
4212 4213	supplies	22,741 4,812	23,651 4,764	23,757 4,727	22,739 4,810	22,072 4,958	21,243 5,071	21,049 5,176	21,040 5,234	21,446 5,234	22,243 5,227	22,047 5,004	22,151 4,930	X
4214	materials	6,215	6,323	6,420	6,536	6,445	6,443	6,413	6,479	6,137	5,949	5,944	5,840	X
42143	supplies	28,328	28,021	28,566	29,040	28,480	27,452	27,900	27,405	26,872	27,060	27,171	26,227	Х
4215 4216	equip. & software	13,686 13,646 21,042	13,148 13,630 21,287	13,907 13,746 21,366	14,123 13,696 21,895	13,731 13,783 22,242	13,114 13,711 22,610	13,042 13,764 22,821	12,835 14,003 22,922	12,264 13,925 22,773	12,336 13,813 22,307	12,493 13,909 22,460	12,324 14,283 22,459	X X X
4217 4218	Hardware, & plumbing & heating equip. & supplies	8,733 41,567	9,156 42,731	9,214 43,579	9,457 44,343	9,511 45,173	9,571 45,111	9,445 46,090	9,522 45,803	9,390 45,869	9,315 46,826	9,315 46,696	9,379 47,759	X X X
4219	Miscellaneous durable goods	17,423	17,562	17,092	17,484	17,885	17,837	18,157	18,734	19,239	19,459	18,815	18,452	
422 4221	Nondurable goods	94,690 5,739	93,063 5,945	91,832 6,097	90,402 6,158	88,701 6,011	88,656 5,994	88,941 6,001	88,237 5,911	90,375 5,889	95,649 5,770	97,580 5,889	96,982 5,994	X
4222 4223	Drugs & druggists' sundries	14,603 14,105	14,250 13,315	14,386 12,815	14,592 12,906	14,189 13,062	14,192 13,656	14,502 13,816	14,244 13,898	14,490 13,644	15,147 13,417	15,236 13,151	15,669 13,606	X X
4224 4225	Groceries & related products Farm product raw materials	19,184 11,585	19,002 10,521	18,738 9,385	19,147 7,840	19,453 6,577	19,293 6,521	19,366 6,255	19,200 6,163	19,488 7,273	20,151 11,143	20,109 12,106	19,355 11,682	X X
4226 4227 4228	Chemicals & allied products Petroleum & petroleum products Beer, wine, & distilled alcoholic	5,453 4,086	5,370 3,825	5,356 3,809	5,478 3,931	5,646 4,067	5,390 3,866	5,591 3,849	5,509 3,829	5,517 4,056	5,462 3,947	5,626 3,776	5,682 3,718	X X X X X
4229	beverages	5,240 14,695	5,527 15,308	5,917 15,329	5,769 14,581	5,681 14,015	6,092 13,652	6,035 13,526	6,094 13,389	6,397 13,621	6,672 13,940	6,699 14,988	5,575 15,701	X
	Inventories/sales ratios, total .	1.41	1.44	1.26	1.30	1.33	1.25	1.29	1.33	1.29	1.28	1.40	1.31	х
421 4211	Durable goods	1.72	1.76	1.50	1.59	1.66	1.51	1.59	1.63	1.56	1.55	1.70	1.59	Х
4211 4212 4213	supplies	1.82 1.56	1.88 1.62	1.52 1.35	1.52 1.43	1.53 1.55	1.42 1.44	1.42 1.55	1.48 1.52	1.47 1.48	1.49 1.46	1.55 1.42	1.44 1.46	X
4214	materials	1.41	1.46	1.28	1.23	1.21	1.11	1.07	1.11	1.07	1.01	1.16	1.18	X
42143	supplies	1.46	1.48	1.27	1.40	1.47	1.21	1.31	1.29	1.17	1.22	1.41	1.12	X
4215	equip. & software	1.18 1.70	1.16 1.75	1.01 1.54	1.12 1.62	1.18 1.70	0.92 1.60	1.01 1.69	1.03 1.75	0.91 1.69	0.98 1.70	1.13 1.90	0.93 1.93	X X X
4216 4217	Electrical goods	1.51	1.52	1.31	1.46	1.49	1.40	1.44	1.47	1.36	1.29	1.46	1.45	
4218	equip. & supplies	1.93 2.23	2.09 2.30	1.91 1.99	1.93 2.06	1.89 2.20	1.67 2.05	1.71 2.29	1.87 2.36	1.80 2.27	1.73 2.31	1.88 2.48	1.95 2.33	X X X
4219	Miscellaneous durable goods	1.55	1.54	1.27	1.40	1.54	1.41	1.49	1.56	1.54	1.44	1.53	1.51	
422 4221	Nondurable goods	1.07 1.05	1.09 1.14	0.96 1.00	0.96 1.06	0.96 1.08	0.94 0.99	0.95 1.03	0.98 1.00	0.97 0.95	0.98 0.93	1.06 1.04	0.99 1.02	X X
4222 4223	Drugs & druggists' sundries	1.44	1.52 1.75	1.34 1.57	1.45 1.88	1.49 2.24	1.40 1.99	1.40 1.88	1.45 1.88	1.34 1.84	1.36 1.69	1.44	1.30	ŷ
4224 4225	Groceries & related products Farm product raw materials	0.72 1.08	0.74 1.18	0.65 0.99	0.67 0.92	0.67 0.78	0.65 0.79	0.64 0.80	0.66 0.80	0.68 0.85	0.67 1.15	0.70 1.30	0.65 1.11	ŷ
4225 4226 4227	Chemicals & allied products	1.19	1.21	1.14	1.17	1.21	1.11	1.21	1.21	1.22	1.14	1.30	1.31	X X X X X X
4227	Petroleum & petroleum products Beer, wine, & distilled alcoholic	0.41	0.41 1.37	0.39	0.39	0.40	0.39	0.38	0.42	0.43	0.40	0.40	0.39	
4229	beverages	1.38 1.40	1.45	1.21 1.20	1.13 1.00	1.08 0.98	1.12 1.02	1.11 1.13	1.19 1.16	1.16 1.12	1.19 1.15	1.25 1.23	0.89 1.14	X

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NAICS	16 1 (1)						19	97					
code	Kind of business	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
	ADJUSTED ¹												
	Sales, total	190,891	195,484	194,038	192,815	194,107	194,091	194,118	194,000	196,804	195,953	196,059	195,203
421 4211	Durable goods	98,053	101,558	100,160	101,222	101,186	102,061	102,778	101,831	104,316	103,475	104,012	103,041
4212 4213	supplies	13,836 3,208	14,052 3,378	14,119 3,177	13,789 3,214	14,212 3,121	14,353 3,124	14,034 3,166	13,226 3,120	14,197 3,427	14,118 3,409	13,885 3,319	12,832 3,394
4214	materials	4,897	5,193	5,104	5,229	5,054	5,154	5,145	5,173	5,157	5,036	5,008	5,144
42143	Supplies	18,566 10,953	19,493 11,434	19,060 11,126	19,431 11,566	19,577 11,576	19,848 11,896	19,521 11,693	19,570 11,978	20,200 12,364	20,104 12,042	20,686 12,576	20,725 12,447
4215 4216 4217	equip. & software	8,032 14,556	8,282 14,821	8,084 15,016	8,347 14,997	8,250 15,121	8,529 15,258	8,379 15,581	8,427 15,664	8,597 15,501	8,533 15,202	8,519 15,233	8,541 15,417
4218 4219	equip. & supplies Machinery, equipment, & supplies Miscellaneous durable goods	4,637 17,521 12,800	4,664 18,584 13,091	4,672 18,001 12,927	4,852 18,265 13,098	4,708 18,357 12,786	4,705 18,601 12,489	4,859 19,060 13,033	4,772 18,737 13,142	4,810 18,970 13,457	4,910 19,269 12,894	4,884 19,248 13,230	4,892 19,297 12,799
422 4221	Nondurable goods	92,838 5.473	93,926 5.688	93,878	91,593 5,583	92,921 5,363	92,030	91,340 5.406	92,169 5,563	92,488 5.616	92,478 5,610	92,047 5,731	92,162 5,569
4222	Paper & paper products Drugs & druggists' sundries	8,354	8,464	5,481 8,683	8,668	8,812	5,351 8,946	9,110	9,175	9,189	9,187	9,322	9,385
4223 4224	Apparel, piece goods, & notions Groceries & related products	6,969 27,387	7,110 27,595	6,851 28,100	7,086 27,557	6,946 27,830	6,887 27,781	7,284 27,392	7,094 27,522	7,122 27,160	6,930 27,011	7,018 27,434	7,157 27,450
4225 4226	Farm product raw materials Chemicals & allied products	10,483 4,467	10,789 4,533	10,171 4,623	10,416 4,665	10,437 4,603	10,184 4,750	9,750 4,820	9,916 4,739	10,509 4,798	11,673 4,698	10,322 4,665	10,159 4,666
4227 4228	Petroleum & petroleum products Beer, wine, & distilled alcoholic	13,227	12,683	12,551	10,996	11,581	11,373	11,198	11,713	11,213	10,811	11,181	10,949
4229	beverages	4,657 11,821	4,705 12,359	4,836 12,582	4,589 12,033	4,874 12,475	4,771 11,987	4,926 11,454	4,897 11,550	4,980 11,901	4,901 11,657	4,890 11,484	5,160 11,667
	Inventories, total	239,666	239,748	241,203	241,626	242,733	247,240	246,427	247,435	249,583	250,620	252,632	254,763
421 4211	Durable goods	153,617	153,822	155,326	155,963	157,174	160,865	159,403	159,815	161,736	161,478	162,150	164,148
4211 4212 4213	supplies	21,948 4,721	21,483 4,611	21,849 4,524	21,447 4,745	21,913 4,803	22,790 4,693	22,653 4,631	22,789 4,741	22,908 4,795	22,451 4,751	22,200 4,825	22,222 4,842
4214	materials	5,809	5,946	5,993	6,140	6,225	6,339	6,360	6,449	6,425	6,329	6,405	6,332
42143	supplies	24,244	24,435	24,441	25,114	25,498	26,406	26,549	26,083	27,046	27,387	27,338	27,505
4215	equip. & software	11,087 12,726	11,267 13,056	11,263 13,135	11,573 13,266	11,981 13,285	12,776 13,440	12,851 13,411	12,513 13,421	13,337 13,374	13,463 13,302	13,044 13,289	13,273 13,390
4216 4217	Electrical goods	21,101	21,093	21,482	21,213	21,214	21,548	21,444	21,559	21,481	21,258	20,982	21,163
4218 4219	equip. & supplies	8,564 38,268 16,236	8,563 38,331 16,304	8,432 38,774 16,696	8,623 39,239 16,176	8,637 39,850 15,749	8,623 40,625 16,401	8,526 39,344 16,485	8,578 39,418 16,777	8,701 40,103 16,903	8,673 40,764 16,563	8,720 41,428 16,963	8,721 42,399 17,574
422	Nondurable goods	86,049	85,926	85,877	85,663	85,559	86,375	87,024	87,620	87,847	89,142	90,482	90,615
4221 4222	Paper & paper products Drugs & druggists' sundries	5,345 12,025	5,381 11,829	5,370 12,080	5,400 11,839	5,490 12,037	5,354 12,312	5,638 12,461	5,835 12,948	5,764 13,083	5,747 12,780	5,805 13,260	5,889 13,416
4223	Apparel, piece goods, & notions	12,202	12,357	12,505	12,573	12,698	12,941	12,995	12,983	12,950	13,556	13,549	13,498
4224 4225	Groceries & related products Farm product raw materials	18,242 8,958	18,125 9,219	18,135 9,122	17,928 9,302	18,133 9,087	18,272 9,133	18,229 9,516	18,155 9,078	18,168 8,808	18,779 9,658	18,939 10,229	18,993 9,394
4226 4227	Chemicals & allied products Petroleum & petroleum products	5,227 4,641	5,238 4,576	5,285	5,216 4,295	5,080 4,295	5,415 4,105	5,441 4,077	5,441 4,032	5,431 4,133	5,451 4,154	5,512 4,125	5,417 4,161
4228	Beer, wine, & distilled alcoholic beverages	5,303	5,168	4,401 5,029	5,204	5,040	5,282	5,212	5,255	5,402	5,304	5,371	5,716
4229	Miscellaneous nondurable goods	14,106	14,033	13,950	13,906	13,699	13,561	13,455	13,893	14,108	13,713	13,692	14,131
421	Inventories/sales ratios, total . Durable goods	1.26 1.57	1.23 1.51	1.24 1.55	1.25 1.54	1.25 1.55	1.27 1.58	1.27 1.55	1.28 1.57	1.27 1.55	1.28 1.56	1.29 1.56	1.31 1.59
4211	Motor vehicle & motor vehicle parts &	1.59	1.53	1.55	1.56	1.54	1.59	1.61	1.72	1.61	1.59	1.60	1.73
4212 4213	supplies	1.47	1.37	1.42	1.48	1.54	1.50	1.46	1.52	1.40	1.39	1.45	1.43
4214	materials	1.19	1.15	1.17	1.17	1.23	1.23	1.24	1.25	1.25	1.26	1.28	1.23
42143	supplies	1.31	1.25	1.28	1.29	1.30	1.33	1.36	1.33	1.34	1.36	1.32	1.33
4215 4216 4217	equip. & software	1.01 1.58 1.45	0.99 1.58 1.42	1.01 1.62 1.43	1.00 1.59 1.41	1.03 1.61 1.40	1.07 1.58 1.41	1.10 1.60 1.38	1.04 1.59 1.38	1.08 1.56 1.39	1.12 1.56 1.40	1.04 1.56 1.38	1.07 1.57 1.37
4217 4218 4219	Hardware, & plumbing & heating equip. & supplies	1.85 2.18	1.84 2.06	1.80 2.15	1.78 2.15	1.83 2.17	1.83 2.18	1.75 2.06	1.80 2.10	1.81 2.11	1.77 2.12	1.79 2.15	1.78 2.20
4219 422	Miscellaneous durable goods	1.27 0.93	1.25 0.91	1.29 0.91	1.23 0.94	1.23 0.92	1.31 0.94	1.26 0.95	1.28 0.95	1.26 0.95	1.28 0.96	1.28 0.98	1.37 0.98
4221	Paper & paper products	0.98	0.95	0.98	0.97	1.02	1.00	1.04	1.05	1.03	1.02	1.01	1.06
4222 4223	Drugs & druggists' sundries	1.44 1.75	1.40 1.74	1.39 1.83	1.37 1.77	1.37 1.83	1.38 1.88	1.37 1.78	1.41 1.83	1.42 1.82	1.39 1.96	1.42 1.93	1.43 1.89
4224	Groceries & related products	0.67	0.66	0.65	0.65	0.65	0.66	0.67	0.66	0.67	0.70	0.69	0.69
4225 4226	Farm product raw materials Chemicals & allied products	0.85 1.17	0.85 1.16	0.90 1.14	0.89 1.12	0.87 1.10	0.90 1.14	0.98 1.13	0.92 1.15	0.84 1.13	0.83 1.16	0.99 1.18	0.92 1.16
4227 4228	Petroleum & petroleum products	0.35	0.36	0.35	0.39	0.37	0.36	0.36	0.34	0.37	0.38	0.37	0.38
4229	Miscellaneous nondurable goods	1.19	1.14	1.11	1.16	1.10	1.13	1.17	1.20	1.19	1.18	1.19	1.21
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NAICC							19	97						
NAICS code	Kind of business	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Total
	UNADJUSTED ²													
	Sales, total	183,724	178,387	196,672	195,113	196,698	196,145	196,895	191,839	202,506	211,516	184,931	200,069	2,334,495
421 4211	Durable goods	92,009	91,651	102,323	101,736	101,431	104,325	104,308	101,341	109,713	112,768	97,311	104,861	1,223,777
4212	supplies	12,688 2,903	12,759 2,993	14,811 3,183	14,465 3,214	14,581 3,149	14,626 3,136	14,385 3,172	13,028 3,148	13,885 3,670	14,909 3,774	13,205 3,269	13,332 3,387	166,674 38,998
4213	Lumber & other construction materials	4,353	4,352	4,869	5,355	5,352	5,541	5,685	5,582	5,456	5,666	4,507	4,583	61,301
4214	Professional & commercial equip. & supplies	17,990	17,524	19,822	18,887	18,735	20,404	19,716	19,257	21,877	21,572	18,721	22,673	237,178
42143	Computer & computer peripheral equip. & software	10,690	10,348	11,816	11,219	10,800	12,372	11,751	11,714	13,390	12,813	11,381	13,766	142,060
4215 4216 4217	Metals & minerals, ex. petroleum Electrical goods	8,080 13,610	7,835 13,472	8,213 15,181	8,764 14,502	8,431 14,803	8,640 15,334	8,396 15,861	8,419 15,852	8,760 16,943	9,122 16,920	7,778 14,563	8,114 15,294	100,552 182,335
4218 4219	equip. & supplies	4,229 16,662 11,494	4,053 16,986 11,677	4,415 18,721 13,108	4,818 19,196 12,535	4,802 19,073 12,505	5,096 19,271 12,277	5,291 19,212 12,590	4,858 18,081 13,116	5,132 19,255 14,735	5,430 20,444 14,931	4,576 17,131 13,561	4,554 19,818 13,106	57,254 223,850 155,635
422	Nondurable goods	91,715	86,736	94,349	93,377	95,267	91,820	92,587	90,498	92,793	98,748	87,620	95,208	1,110,718
4221 4222	Paper & paper products Drugs & druggists' sundries	5,484 8,905	5,244 7,855	5,558 8,527	5,650 8,850	5,191 8,618	5,314 8,597	5,455 9,192	5,685 8,680	5,908 9,428	6,165 9,894	5,336 8,763	5,502 10,070	66,492 107,379
4223 4224	Apparel, piece goods, & notions Groceries & related products	6,669 26,702	7,224 24,891	7,372 28,521	6,873 27,171	5,953 29,027	6,618 27,920	7,838 28,378	7,619 27,302	7,920 27,024	8,046 28,280	6,393 26,584	5,833 28,411	84,358 330,211
4225 4226	Farm product raw materials Chemicals & allied products	11,594 4,449	10,401 4,275	10,140 4,618	10,343 4,810	10,197 4,870	9,267 4,916	9,038 4,926	8,835 4,748	10,320 4,774	12,969 4,975	10,425 4,264	11,723 4,423	125,252 56,048
4227 4228	Petroleum & petroleum products Beer, wine, & distilled alcoholic beverages	13,716 3,758	11,947 3,825	12,036 4.454	11,315 4,635	11,743 5,210	11,089 5,057	11,086 5,231	11,865 5,034	11,000 4,970	11,525 5,342	10,700 4,831	11,486 5,965	139,508 58,312
4229	Miscellaneous nondurable goods	10,438	11,074	13,123	13,730	14,458	13,042	11,443	10,730	11,449	11,552	10,324	11,795	143,158
421	Inventories, total	243,781 153,173	242,239 153,954	241,967 155,082	243,078 157,298	241,111 158,340	244,249 161,146	245,336 161,492	243,262 160,078	245,872 160,877	252,974 161,097	254,916 160,960	255,572 161,736	X X
4211	Motor vehicle & motor vehicle parts & supplies	22,255	22,364	22,155	21,854	22,110	22,471	22,472	22,105	22,473	22,406	22,333	21,578	X
4212 4213	Furniture & home furnishings Lumber & other construction	4,627	4,505	4,447	4,622	4,784	4,763	4,747	4,916	4,958	4,808	4,786	4,735	X
4214	materials	5,687	5,958	6,161	6,294	6,387	6,535	6,481	6,475	6,406	6,095	6,181	6,085	Х
42143	supplies	24,486	24,240	24,392	25,340	25,294	26,089	26,841	25,874	26,667	27,688	27,666	27,505	X
4215 4216	equip. & software	11,342 12,853 21,080	11,030 13,056 21,072	11,128 13,240 21,052	11,689 13,346 21,065	11,837 13,312 21,214	12,584 13,494 21,807	13,044 13,559 22,002	12,338 13,408 22,076	13,084 13,254 21,610	13,665 13,049 21,003	13,357 12,983 20,814	13,432 13,551 20,803	X X X
4217 4218	Hardware, & plumbing & heating equip. & supplies	8,401 37,694	8,554 38,178	8,483 39,007	8,778 39,985	8,844 40,567	8,726 40,909	8,569 39,973	8,621 39,457	8,675 39,542	8,552 40,519	8,563 40,807	8,581 41,763	X X X
4219	Miscellaneous durable goods	16,090	16,027	16,145	16,014	15,828	16,352	16,848	17,146	17,292	16,977	16,827	17,135	
422 4221	Nondurable goods	90,608 5,479	88,285 5,365	86,885 5,397	85,780 5,497	82,771 5,430	83,103 5,349	83,844 5,649	83,184 5,742	84,995 5,724	91,877 5,741	93,956 5,741	93,836 5,942	X X
4222 4223	Drugs & druggists' sundries	12,879 12,727	11,983 12,431	12,068 12,067	11,886 12,108	11,459 12,368	11,955 13,135	12,361 13,398	12,560 13,282	12,900 13,144	13,048 13,393	13,313 13,129	13,671 13,592	X
4224 4225	Groceries & related products Farm product raw materials	18,242 11,538	17,654 11,081	17,899 9,980	17,677 9,190	17,934 7,551	18,071 6,996	18,101 6,956	17,756 6,300	18,259 6,747	19,737 11,280	19,640 12,940	19,164 11,677	X
4226 4227 4228	Chemicals & allied products Petroleum & petroleum products Beer, wine, & distilled alcoholic	5,211 4,618	5,311 4,475	5,359 4,269	5,247 4,265	5,141 4,286	5,431 3,970	5,452 4,020	5,452 4,044	5,322 4,162	5,326 4,295	5,468 4,228	5,433 4,340	X X X X X
4229	beverages	4,948 14,966	4,956 15,029	4,878 14,968	5,225 14,685	4,944 13,658	5,340 12,856	5,327 12,580	5,266 12,782	5,645 13,092	5,755 13,302	5,709 13,788	5,264 14,753	X X
	Inventories/sales ratios, total .	1.33	1.36	1.23	1.25	1.23	1.25	1.25	1.27	1.21	1.20	1.38	1.28	х
421 4211	Durable goods	1.66	1.68	1.52	1.55	1.56	1.54	1.55	1.58	1.47	1.43	1.65	1.54	Х
4212 4213	supplies	1.75 1.59	1.75 1.51	1.50 1.40	1.51 1.44	1.52 1.52	1.54 1.52	1.56 1.50	1.70 1.56	1.62 1.35	1.50 1.27	1.69 1.46	1.62 1.40	X
4214	materials	1.31	1.37	1.27	1.18	1.19	1.18	1.14	1.16	1.17	1.08	1.37	1.33	Х
42143	supplies	1.36	1.38	1.23	1.34	1.35	1.28	1.36	1.34	1.22	1.28	1.48	1.21	X
4215	equip. & software	1.06 1.59	1.07 1.67	0.94 1.61	1.04 1.52	1.10 1.58	1.02 1.56	1.11 1.61	1.05 1.59	0.98 1.51	1.07 1.43	1.17 1.67	0.98 1.67	X X X
4216 4217	Electrical goods	1.55	1.56	1.39	1.45	1.43	1.42	1.39	1.39	1.28	1.24	1.43	1.36	
4218	equip. & supplies	1.99 2.26	2.11 2.25	1.92 2.08	1.82 2.08	1.84 2.13	1.71 2.12	1.62 2.08	1.77 2.18	1.69 2.05	1.57 1.98	1.87 2.38	1.88 2.11	X X X
4219 422	Miscellaneous durable goods	1.40 0.99	1.37 1.02	1.23 0.92	1.28 0.92	1.27 0.87	1.33 0.91	1.34 0.91	1.31 0.92	1.17 0.92	1.14 0.93	1.24 1.07	1.31 0.99	X X
4221	Paper & paper products	1.00	1.02	0.92	0.92	1.05	1.01	1.04	1.01	0.92	0.93	1.07	1.08	
4222 4223	Drugs & druggists' sundries	1.45 1.91	1.53 1.72	1.42 1.64	1.34 1.76	1.33 2.08	1.39 1.98	1.34 1.71	1.45 1.74	1.37 1.66	1.32 1.66	1.52 2.05	1.36 2.33	X X
4224 4225	Groceries & related products Farm product raw materials	0.68 1.00	0.71 1.07	0.63 0.98	0.65 0.89	0.62 0.74	0.65 0.75	0.64 0.77	0.65 0.71	0.68 0.65	0.70 0.87	0.74 1.24	0.67 1.00	X
4226 4227	Chemicals & allied products Petroleum & petroleum products	1.17 0.34	1.24 0.37	1.16 0.35	1.09 0.38	1.06 0.36	1.10 0.36	1.11 0.36	1.15 0.34	1.11 0.38	1.07 0.37	1.28	1.23 0.38	X X X X X X
4228 4229	Beer, wine, & distilled alcoholic beverages	1.32 1.43	1.30 1.36	1.10 1.14	1.13 1.07	0.95 0.94	1.06 0.99	1.02 1.10	1.05 1.19	1.14 1.14	1.08 1.15	1.18 1.34	0.88 1.25	X
7443	missonarieous nondurable goods	1.40	1.00	1.14	1.07	0.54	0.55	1.10	1.19	1.14	1.13	1.04	1.20	^

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NAICS							19	96					
code	Kind of business	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
	ADJUSTED ¹												
	Sales, total	180,514	181,534	183,910	183,751	184,293	185,330	186,883	188,271	188,101	189,382	190,788	188,783
421	Durable goods	93,730	94,090	95,784	94,953	95,391	95,829	95,282	95,843	97,002	97,324	99,417	97,673
4211 4212	supplies	14,083 2,814	13,979 2,908	14,005 2,880	13,940 2,925	13,484 3,061	13,685 3,113	13,749 3,055	13,530 3,006	13,500 3,120	13,692 3,080	13,689 3,206	13,808 3,190
4213	Lumber & other construction materials	4,586	4,640	4,814	4,743	4,835	5,001	4,928	5,026	5,104	5,040	5,160	4,956
4214	Professional & commercial equip. & supplies	17,257	17,730	18,176	18,000	18,573	18,311	18,385	18,627	18,429	18,125	19,563	18,363
42143	Computer & computer peripheral equip. & software	17,237 NA	17,750 NA	NA	NA	NA	NA NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	13,305 NA	NA
4215 4216	Metals & minerals, ex. petroleum	7,820 14,635	7,827 14,349	7,538 14,643	7,840 14,259	7,975 13,834	7,772	7,740 14,168	7,919 14,068	7,749	7,827 14,426	8,082 14,352	8,050 13,556
4217	Electrical goods						14,299			14,369			
4218	equip. & supplies	4,347 16,706	4,304 16,644	4,409 17,153	4,334 17,157	4,380 16,781	4,516 16,858	4,445 16,641	4,512 16,813	4,748 17,052	4,718 17,639	4,706 18,203	4,651 18,002
4219 422	Miscellaneous durable goods Nondurable goods	11,482 86,784	11,709 87,444	12,166 88,126	11,755 88,798	12,468 88,902	12,274 89,501	12,171 91,601	12,342 92,428	12,931 91,099	12,777 92,058	12,456 91,371	13,097 91,110
4221	Paper & paper products	5,297	5,406	5,426	5,371	5,432	5,395	5,420	5,444	5,345	5,358	5,316	5,374
4222 4223	Drugs & druggists' sundries Apparel, piece goods, & notions	7,415 5,130	7,391 5,394	7,414 5,842	7,551 5,901	7,662 5,998	7,735 6,281	7,797 6,314	7,882 6,168	8,231 6,570	8,276 6,508	8,210 6,163	8,291 6,745
4224 4225	Groceries & related products Farm product raw materials	26,545 11,002	26,428 11,150	26,206 11,571	25,976 11,284	26,060 11,066	25,703 11,705	26,803 12,113	26,957 12,386	26,185 11,583	27,002 10,917	26,804 11,054	26,049 10,946
4226 4227	Chemicals & allied products Petroleum & petroleum products	4,293 11,078	4,262 11,365	4,399 11,573	4,485 11,848	4,515 11,763	4,499 11,528	4,482 11,640	4,498 11,677	4,500 11,999	4,521 12,751	4,451 12,750	4,447 13,015
4228	Beer, wine, & distilled alcoholic beverages	4,635	4,714	4,578	4,610	4,685	4,691	4,657	4,735	4,575	4,636	4,677	4,600
4229	Miscellaneous nondurable goods	11,389	11,334	11,117	11,772	11,721	11,964	12,375	12,681	12,111	12,089	11,946	11,643
421	Inventories, total	235,669 150,444	235,366 150,156	235,388 150,022	238,825 151,034	238,519 150,496	237,791 150,267	238,312 151,064	238,116 151,835	236,210 152,164	236,901 152,019	237,128 152,576	237,186 152,637
4211	Motor vehicle & motor vehicle parts & supplies	21,920	22,170	21,267	22,205	22,027	22,105	22,349	22,169	21,524	21,945	22,224	21,515
4212 4213	Furniture & home furnishings Lumber & other construction	4,593	4,695	4,738	4,631	4,686	4,723	4,727	4,728	4,747	4,682	4,732	4,708
4214	materials	5,526	5,526	5,529	5,517	5,537	5,631	5,619	5,748	5,933	5,805	5,795	5,847
42143	supplies	23,558	23,332	23,702	23,492	23,438	23,492	23,283	23,961	24,325	23,427	24,007	24,379
4215	equip. & software	NA 11,962	NA 11,843	NA 11,861	NA 11,788	NA 11,797	NA 11,637	NA 11,829	NA 11,962	NA 11,903	NA 12,189	NA 12,358	NA 12,556
4216 4217	Electrical goods	21,887	21,738	21,693	21,984	22,060	21,229	21,186	20,963	20,684	20,853	21,035	20,834
4217	Hardware, & plumbing & heating equip. & supplies	8,007	8,024	8,124	8,069	8,116	8,112 37,059	8,288	8,289	8,257 38,418	8,422	8,422	8,543 37,954
4219	Machinery, equipment, & supplies Miscellaneous durable goods	36,650 16,341	36,745 16,083	36,968 16,140	36,883 16,465	36,725 16,110	16,279	37,373 16,410	37,565 16,450	16,373	37,903 16,793	37,744 16,259	16,301
422	Nondurable goods	85,225	85,210	85,366	87,791	88,023	87,524	87,248	86,281	84,046	84,882	84,552	84,549
4221 4222	Paper & paper products	5,293 10,460	5,205 10,614	5,212 10,589	5,215 10,838	5,222 10,663	5,275 10,758	5,196 11,028	5,199 11,047	5,400 10,642	5,260 11,331	5,137 11,550	5,255 11,790
4223 4224	Apparel, piece goods, & notions Groceries & related products	11,527 18,450	11,736 18,369	11,476 18,649	11,867 18,736	11,880 18,609	11,811 18,640	11,755 18,934	11,532 19,013	11,609 18,762	11,432 18,537	11,120 18,211	11,935 18,180
4225 4226	Farm product raw materials Chemicals & allied products	11,249 4,831	11,124 4,948	11,246 4,986	11,971 5,065	12,465 4,901	12,143 4,887	11,054 4,858	10,427 5,027	8,905 4,991	9,029 5,136	8,965 5,388	8,834 5,180
4227 4228	Petroleum & petroleum products Beer, wine, & distilled alcoholic	4,353	4,376	4,431	4,428	4,255	4,186	4,244	4,443	4,364	4,545	4,593	4,720
4229	beverages	4,912 14,150	4,941 13,897	5,126 13,651	5,167 14,504	5,157 14,871	5,225 14,599	5,339 14,840	5,192 14,401	5,253 14,120	5,420 14,192	5,423 14,165	5,286 13,369
	Inventories/sales ratios, total .	1.31	1.30	1.28	1.30	1.29	1.28	1.28	1.26	1.26	1.25	1.24	1.26
421	Durable goods	1.61	1.60	1.57	1.59	1.58	1.57	1.59	1.58	1.57	1.56	1.53	1.56
4211 4212	supplies	1.56 1.63	1.59 1.61	1.52 1.65	1.59 1.58	1.63 1.53	1.62 1.52	1.63 1.55	1.64 1.57	1.59 1.52	1.60 1.52	1.62 1.48	1.56 1.48
4213	Lumber & other construction materials	1.20	1.19	1.15	1.16	1.15	1.13	1.14	1.14	1.16	1.15	1.12	1.18
4214	Professional & commercial equip. & supplies	1.37	1.32	1.30	1.31	1.26	1.28	1.27	1.29	1.32	1.29	1.23	1.33
42143	Computer & computer peripheral equip. & software	NA											
4215 4216	Metals & minerals, ex. petroleum Electrical goods	1.53 1.50	1.51 1.51	1.57 1.48	1.50 1.54	1.48 1.59	1.50 1.48	1.53 1.50	1.51 1.49	1.54 1.44	1.56 1.45	1.53 1.47	1.56 1.54
4217	Hardware, & plumbing & heating equip. & supplies	1.84	1.86	1.84	1.86	1.85	1.80	1.86	1.84	1.74	1.79	1.79	1.84
4218 4219	Machinery, equipment, & supplies	2.19 1.42	2.21 1.37	2.16	2.15 1.40	2.19 1.29	2.20	2.25 1.35	2.23	2.25 1.27	2.15 1.31	2.07	2.11 1.24
422	Nondurable goods	0.98	0.97	0.97	0.99	0.99	0.98	0.95	0.93	0.92	0.92	0.93	0.93
4221 4222	Paper & paper products	1.00	0.96 1.44	0.96	0.97 1.44	0.96 1.39	0.98 1.39	0.96	0.95 1.40	1.01 1.29	0.98 1.37	0.97	0.98 1.42
4223	Drugs & druggists' sundries	1.41 2.25	2.18	1.43 1.96	2.01	1.98	1.88	1.41 1.86	1.87	1.77	1.76	1.41 1.80	1.77
4224 4225	Groceries & related products	0.70 1.02	0.70 1.00	0.71 0.97	0.72 1.06	0.71 1.13	0.73 1.04	0.71 0.91	0.71 0.84	0.72 0.77	0.69 0.83	0.68 0.81	0.70 0.81
4226 4227	Chemicals & allied products Petroleum & petroleum products	1.13 0.39	1.16 0.39	1.13 0.38	1.13 0.37	1.09 0.36	1.09 0.36	1.08 0.36	1.12 0.38	1.11 0.36	1.14 0.36	1.21 0.36	1.16 0.36
4228	Beer, wine, & distilled alcoholic beverages	1.06	1.05	1.12	1.12	1.10	1.11	1.15	1.10	1.15	1.17	1.16	1.15
4229	Miscellaneous nondurable goods	1.24	1.23	1.23	1.23	1.27	1.22	1.20	1.14	1.17	1.17	1.19	1.15

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NAICS							19	96						
code	Kind of business	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Total
	UNADJUSTED ²													
	Sales, total	174,993	172,716	185,519	186,192	191,663	181,631	189,335	192,262	187,089	205,354	185,427	187,603	2,239,784
421 4211	Durable goods	88,582	88,747	97,501	95,573	98,129	94,806	96,365	98,836	98,746	106,955	95,919	96,458	1,156,617
4212	supplies	12,900 2,538	13,196 2,707	14,915 2,889	14,525 2,983	14,239 3,156	13,671 2,992	14,065 3,037	13,584 3,150	12,744 3,232	14,513 3,450	13,374 3,251	13,987 3,152	165,713 36,537
4213	Lumber & other construction materials	4,059	4,074	4,607	4,824	5,323	5,161	5,381	5,644	5,227	5,680	4,835	4,277	59,092
4214	Professional & commercial equip. & supplies	17,050	16,773	18,630	17,406	18,239	18,219	18,477	18,962	19,406	19,648	18,057	19,373	220,240
42143	Computer & computer peripheral equip. & software	NA												
4215 4216 4217	Metals & minerals, ex. petroleum Electrical goods	7,843 13,713	7,670 13,617	7,794 14,819	8,138 13,831	8,493 13,876	7,725 13,913	7,647 14,338	8,117 14,659	7,617 15,246	8,422 16,172	7,581 14,194	7,406 13,149	94,453 171,527
4218	equip. & supplies	3,969 16,038	3,899 15,945	4,144 17,719	4,351 18,324	4,529 17,956	4,697 16,571	4,841 16,907	4,765 16,947	4,919 16,609	5,284 18,786	4,598 16,838	4,279 17,948	54,275 206,588
4219 422	Miscellaneous durable goods Nondurable goods	10,472 86,411	10,866 83,969	11,984 88,018	11,191 90,619	12,318 93,534	11,857 86,825	11,672 92,970	13,008 93,426	13,746 88,343	15,000 98,399	13,191 89,508	12,887 91,145	148,192 1,083,167
4221	Paper & paper products	5,361	5,184	5,480	5,419	5,454	5,185	5,550	5,705	5,398	5,878	5,087	5,143	64,844
4222 4223	Drugs & druggists' sundries Apparel, piece goods, & notions	7,979 4,915	7,169 5,647	7,266 6,268	7,717 5,571	7,754 5,224	7,147 5,992	7,859 6,756	7,724 6,902	8,083 7,043	9,021 7,679	8,046 5,861	8,556 5,254	94,321 73,112
4224 4225	Groceries & related products Farm product raw materials	26,173 12,586	24,948 11,139	26,023 11,710	25,872 11,273	27,493 11,132	25,266 10,324	27,848 11,410	27,577 11,469	25,583 10,587	28,325 12,249	26,456 11,518	26,257 12,128	317,821 137,525
4226 4227	Chemicals & allied products Petroleum & petroleum products	4,263 11,344	4,198 10,990	4,425 11,411	4,642 12,109	4,935 12,481	4,530 10,767	4,554 11,628	4,664 11,934	4,320 11,555	4,756 13,197	4,237 12,737	4,065 13,340	53,589 143,493
4228	Beer, wine, & distilled alcoholic beverages	3,699 10,091	3,983 10,711	4,262 11,173	4,619 13,397	5,219 13,842	4,836 12,778	4,941 12,424	5,062 12,389	4,365 11,409	5,012 12,282	4,850 10,716	5,097 11,305	55,945 142,517
7223	Inventories, total	240,633	238,395	236,123	240,267	236,457	234,045	236,807	233,455	232,416	239,083	239,064	237,871	X
421	Durable goods	150,150	150,267	149,509	152,163	151,632	150,404	153,190	152,215	151,375	151,718	151,495	150,360	х
4211	Motor vehicle & motor vehicle parts & supplies	22,249	23,079	21,458	22,627	22,247	21,796	22,193	21,504	21,115	21,901	22,424	20,805	Х
4212 4213	Furniture & home furnishings Lumber & other construction	4,501	4,601	4,686	4,534	4,686	4,794	4,822	4,889	4,904	4,715	4,694	4,604	X
4214	materials	5,432 23,841	5,565 23,075	5,723 23,655	5,638 23,656	5,675 23,250	5,794 23,210	5,698 23,632	5,748 23,817	5,897 23,936	5,579 23,661	5,598 24,199	5,660 24,403	X
42143	supplies	25,641 NA	23,073 NA	25,033 NA	25,030 NA	23,230 NA	23,210 NA	23,032 NA	23,617 NA	23,930 NA	23,001 NA	24,199 NA	24,403 NA	
4215 4216 4217	Metals & minerals, ex. petroleum Electrical goods	12,082 21,843	11,807 21,695	11,956 21,194	11,871 21,808	11,809 22,082	11,707 21,505	11,971 21,779	11,950 21,529	11,796 20,829	11,970 20,582	12,024 20,825	12,719 20,438	X X X
4218	Hardware, & plumbing & heating equip. & supplies	7,863 36,210	8,008 36,708	8,173 37,153	8,198 37,547	8,311 37,349	8,161 37,207	8,313 37,896	8,330 37,603	8,257 37,842	8,329 37,751	8,279 37,291	8,415 37,423	X X X
4219	Miscellaneous durable goods	16,129	15,729	15,511	16,284	16,223	16,230	16,886	16,845	16,799	17,230	16,161	15,893	
422 4221	Nondurable goods	90,483 5,473	88,128 5,205	86,614 5,238	88,104 5,314	84,825 5,128	83,641 5,280	83,617 5,201	81,240 5,090	81,041 5,335	87,365 5,265	87,569 5,070	87,511 5,302	X X
4222 4223	Drugs & druggists' sundries Apparel, piece goods, & notions	11,244 12,000	10,826 11,795	10,547 11,109	10,849 11,392	10,119 11,512	10,392 12,012	10,907 12,108	10,705 11,786	10,514 11,806	11,558 11,295	11,608 10,775	12,049 12,054	X
4224 4225	Groceries & related products	18,505 14,624	17,873 13,594	18,369 12,427	18,474 11,923	18,386 10,446	18,454 9,326	18,783 8,158	18,519 7,184	18,893 6,652	19,519 10,293	18,867 11,242	18,380 10,998	ŷ
4226	Farm product raw materials	4,802	5,027	5,066	5,090	4,975	4,916	4,843	5,057	4,896	5,023	5,334	5,180	X X X X X X
4227 4228	Petroleum & petroleum products Beer, wine, & distilled alcoholic beverages	4,309 4,598	4,275 4,733	4,276 4,962	4,393 5,193	4,255 5,044	4,044 5,246	4,202 5,451	4,487 5,192	4,412 5,500	4,704 5,913	4,699 5,781	4,899 4,879	
4229	Miscellaneous nondurable goods	14,928	14,800	14,620	15,476	14,960	13,971	13,964	13,220	13,033	13,795	14,193	13,770	X
421	Inventories/sales ratios, total . Durable goods	1.38 1.70	1.38 1.69	1.27 1.53	1.29 1.59	1.23 1.55	1.29 1.59	1.25 1.59	1.21 1.54	1.24 1.53	1.16 1.42	1.29 1.58	1.27 1.56	X X
4211	Motor vehicle & motor vehicle parts & supplies	1.72	1.75	1.44	1.56	1.56	1.59	1.58	1.58	1.66	1.51	1.68	1.49	
4212 4213	Furniture & home furnishings Lumber & other construction	1.77	1.70	1.62	1.52	1.48	1.60	1.59	1.55	1.52	1.37	1.44	1.46	X
4214	materials	1.34	1.37	1.24	1.17	1.07	1.12	1.06	1.02	1.13	0.98	1.16	1.32	X
42143	supplies	1.40	1.38	1.27	1.36	1.27	1.27	1.28	1.26	1.23	1.20	1.34	1.26	X
4215	equip. & software	NA 1.54	NA 1.54	NA 1.53	NA 1.46	NA 1.39	NA 1.52	NA 1.57	NA 1.47	NA 1.55	NA 1.42	NA 1.59	NA 1.72	X X X
4216 4217	Electrical goods	1.59	1.59	1.43	1.58	1.59	1.55	1.52	1.47	1.37	1.27	1.47	1.55	
4218	equip. & supplies	1.98 2.26	2.05 2.30	1.97 2.10	1.88 2.05	1.84 2.08	1.74 2.25	1.72 2.24	1.75 2.22	1.68 2.28	1.58 2.01	1.80 2.21	1.97 2.09	X X X
4219	Miscellaneous durable goods	1.54	1.45	1.29	1.46	1.32	1.37	1.45	1.29	1.22	1.15	1.23	1.23	
422 4221	Nondurable goods	1.05 1.02	1.05 1.00	0.98 0.96	0.97 0.98	0.91 0.94	0.96 1.02	0.90 0.94	0.87 0.89	0.92 0.99	0.89 0.90	0.98 1.00	0.96 1.03	X X
4222 4223	Drugs & druggists' sundries	1.41 2.44	1.51 2.09	1.45 1.77	1.41 2.04	1.31	1.45 2.00	1.39 1.79	1.39 1.71	1.30 1.68	1.28 1.47	1.44 1.84	1.41 2.29	X X
4224 4225	Groceries & related products Farm product raw materials	0.71	0.72 1.22	0.71 1.06	0.71	0.67 0.94	0.73 0.90	0.67 0.71	0.67 0.63	0.74 0.63	0.69 0.84	0.71 0.98	0.70 0.91) ŝ
4226	Chemicals & allied products	1.16	1.20	1.14	1.06 1.10	1.01	1.09	1.06	1.08	1.13	1.06	1.26	1.27	X X X X X
4227 4228	Petroleum & petroleum products Beer, wine, & distilled alcoholic	0.38 1.24	0.39 1.19	0.37	0.36 1.12	0.34	0.38 1.08	0.36 1.10	0.38 1.03	0.38 1.26	0.36	0.37 1.19	0.37 0.96	
4229	beverages	1.48	1.38	1.16 1.31	1.16	1.08	1.09	1.10	1.03	1.14	1.18 1.12	1.32	1.22	X

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ADJUSTED** ADJUST	NAICS	10.1.11						19	95					
Sales, total		Kind of business	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
Durable goods		ADJUSTED ¹												
Motion verticals & motion vert		Sales, total	171,989	173,509	171,765	174,247	174,973	176,509	176,413	177,577	178,342	179,075	181,040	183,607
Supplies		Durable goods	90,345	91,109	90,002	90,820	91,907	91,999	91,680	92,756	93,398	93,569	94,714	96,685
April	4212	supplies	13,442 2,867	13,237 2,851	13,230 2,985	13,570 2,946	14,178 2,953	13,779 2,853	13,497 2,896	13,668 2,900		13,346 2,833	13,686 2,917	13,770 2,931
August A		materials	4,784	4,732	4,653	4,635	4,623	4,525	4,457	4,547	4,550	4,642	4,530	4,642
Continue		supplies	15,649	15,617	15,823	15,840	16,369	16,554	16,589	16,601	16,994	17,277	17,213	17,712
Excitaci goods 13,946 13,966 13,474 13,860 13,774 13,865 13,771 14,146 14,538 14,473 14,708 14,733 14,734 14,735 14,7	-	equip. & software					NA 7 704							NA 7.017
capp. 8 supplies 4,298 4,278 4,282 4,268 4,277 4,282 4,368 4,277 4,282 4,368 4,277 4,282 4,284 12,097 12,444 12,371 12,655 12,650 12,682 12,692 12,693	4216	Electrical goods												
Miscellamicous duratiles goods		equip. & supplies	4,298 15,362				4,278 15.673		4,352 15,958					4,570 17,518
Paper & paper products	4219	Miscellaneous durable goods	12,526	13,104	12,105	12,443	12,265	12,849	12,097	12,444	12,371	12,565	12,650	12,892
Drugs & Gruggieist sundres 6.558 6.559 6.765 6.967 6.987 6.988 6.938 6.933 6.948 7.123 7.117 7.229 7.983 7.429 7.4224 7.4224 7.424 7			,	,	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	· /	· · ·	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	· · ·	´	· 1	· /	· ·	,
Circle of the February Computer & residual products 25,334 24,938 25,019 25,539	4222	Drugs & druggists' sundries	6,528	6,659	6,795	6,967	6,838	6,933	6,948	7,123	7,117	7,229	7,363	7,429
Chemicals & allied products 4,063 4,163 4,163 4,163 4,163 4,163 4,163 4,163 4,165 4,165 4,165 10,264	4224	Groceries & related products	25,334	24,928	25,019	25,539	25,695	25,592	25,519	25,921	26,327	26,616	26,469	26,644
Beer, wine, & distilled alcoholic	4226	Chemicals & allied products	4,063	4,148	4,058	4,202	4,198	4,181	4,190	4,149	4,171	4,264	4,365	4,374
Miscelarieous nondurable goods 10,568 10,699 10,690 10,549 11,159 11,160 10,958 11,403 11,419 11,711		Beer, wine, & distilled alcoholic												
Durable goods 148,989 140,723 142,415 143,524 144,221 145,241 146,246 146,369 146,910 148,393 149,137 149,642 141 141,000 140,000 14	4229	Miscellaneous nondurable goods	10,568	10,899	10,839	10,806	10,549	11,154	11,592	11,166	10,958	11,403	11,419	11,711
Motor vehicle & motor vehicle parts & 1,171			,	,		· /							· · · · · ·	
Supplies 21,716 22,158 22,089 22,896 22,915 22,536 22,437 22,179 21,900 22,001 22,011 24,013 24,014			138,969	140,723	142,415					146,369			149,137	
materials	4212	supplies												
supplies 20,924 21,244 21,667 21,646 21,755 22,096 22,671 22,669 23,071 23,404 23,621 42174 Caregip, & software 12,720 12,803 12,764 12,790 12,710 12,591 12,648 12,668 12,403 12,321 12,118 12,004 42174 Caregip, & software 12,720 12,803 12,767 18,955 19,261 19,722 19,911 20,413 20,647 20,949 21,289 21,478 4218 Hardware, & plumbing & heating 7,722 7,751 80,055 7,817 7,845 7,825 7,805 7,817 7,845 7,825 7,8		materials	5,571	5,706	5,633	5,570	5,521	5,388	5,264	5,303	5,440	5,389	5,484	5,539
equip. & software NA		supplies	20,924	21,244	21,667	21,646	21,785	22,096	22,671	22,698	22,669	23,071	23,404	23,621
Hardware, & plumbling & heating equip. & supplies 7,732 7,751 8,035 7,817 7,845 7,832 7,783 7,805 7,911 8,086 8,037 7,988 7,981 84,218 32,557 32,350 33,440 33,869 34,224 34,529 34,829		Metals & minerals, ex. petroleum	12,720	12,603	12,764	12,790	12,710	12,591	12,648	12,566	12,403	12,321	12,184	12,060
Machinery, equipment, & supplies 32,126 32,767 15,773 33,360 33,440 33,869 34,324 34,529 34,848 35,761 35,761 36,007		Hardware, & plumbing & heating												
Age		Machinery, equipment, & supplies	32,126	32,567	32,773	33,360	33,440	33,869	34,324	34,529	34,848	35,754	35,701	36,097
A222 Drügs & drüggists sundries 10,735 10,486 10,952 11,105 11,245 11,248 11,023 11,007 11,041 10,793 10,594 10,395 12,486 12,273 12,205 12,307 12,267 12,044 11,891 11,595 11,595 12,486 12,775 18,113 12,05 12,307 12,267 12,044 11,891 11,595 18,293 12,486 18,296 19,923 19,918 11,007 11,326 10,923 11,001 11,007 11,326 10,923 11,001 11,007 11,326 10,923 11,001 11,007 11,326 10,923 11,001 11,007 11,326 10,923 11,001 11,007 11,326 10,923 11,001 11,007 11,326 10,923 11,001 11,007 11,326 10,923 11,001 11,007 11,326 10,923 11,001 11,007 11,326 10,923 11,001 11,007 11,326 10,923 11,001 11,007 11,326 10,923 11,001 11,007 11,326 10,923 11,001 11,007 11,326 10,923 11,001 11,007 11		_												
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Farm product raw materials 9,238 9,252 9,456 9,192 9,383 9,789 10,910 11,607 11,326 10,923 11,061 11,088 4226 Petroleum & petroleum products 4,377 4,441 4,514 4,592 4,674 4,626 4,596 4,449 4,406 4,267 4,249 4,297 4,297 4,228 Petroleum & petroleum products 4,377 4,441 4,514 4,592 4,674 4,626 4,596 4,449 4,406 4,267 4,249 4,297 4,297 4,229 Miscellaneous nondurable goods 12,78 12,538 12,538 12,538 13,396 13,397 13,363 13,172 13,461 14,075 13,884 13,838 13,896 13,397 13,363 13,172 13,461 14,075 13,884 13,838 13,996 13,996 13,397 13,363 13,172 13,461 14,075 13,884 13,838 13,896 13,996 13,397 13,363 13,172 13,461 14,075 13,884 13,838 13,996 13,996 13,397 13,363 13,172 13,461 14,075 13,884 13,838 13,996	4223	Apparel, piece goods, & notions	12,312	12,419	12,385	12,463	12,273	12,205	12,337	12,267	12,044	11,891	11,777	11,550
Petroleum & petroleum products 4,377 4,441 4,514 4,592 4,674 4,626 4,596 4,449 4,406 4,267 4,249 4,297	4225	Farm product raw materials	9,238	9,252	9,456	9,192	9,383	9,789	10,910	11,607	11,326	10,923	11,061	11.088
beverages	4227	Petroleum & petroleum products												4,297
Durable goods 1.54 1.54 1.58 1.57 1.58 1.60 1.58 1.57 1.59 1.57 1.55		beverages	4,828 12,378					4,788 13,337						4,919 13,838
Motor vehicle & motor vehicle parts & supplies			_	1.28	1.31	1.30	1.30	1.30	1.31	1.31	1.31	1.31	1.29	
Supplies 1.52 1.57 1.57 1.55 1.55 1.57 1.71 1.66 1.65 1.66 1.64 1.61 1.58 1.54 1.57 1.57 1.55 1.55 1.55 1.57 1.71 1.66 1.65 1.66 1.64 1.61 1.58 1.68 1.64 1.61 1.58 1.58 1.58 1.58 1.57 1.71 1.66 1.65 1.66 1.64 1.61 1.58 1.58 1.58 1.58 1.59 1.57 1.33 1.33 1.37 1.37 1.33 1.34 1.36 1.33 1.34 1.36 1.33 1.34 1.36 1.33 1.34 1.36 1.33 1.34 1.36 1.33 1.34 1.36 1.33 1.34 1.36 1.33 1.34 1.36 1.33 1.34 1.36 1.33 1.34 1.36 1.34 1.36 1.36 1.36 1.36 1.36 1.36 1.39 1.40 1.42 1.43 1.44 1.42 1.45 1.45 1.45 1.46 1.47 1.48 1.44 1.42 1.45 1.45 1.45 1.46 1.49 1.4		Motor vehicle & motor vehicle parts &												
materials	4212	Furniture & home furnishings												
Supplies 1.34 1.36 1.37 1.37 1.38 1.37 1.38 1.37 1.38 1.40 1.42 1.45 1.4		materials	1.16	1.21	1.21	1.20	1.19	1.19	1.18	1.17	1.20	1.16	1.21	1.19
equip. & software		supplies	1.34	1.36	1.37	1.37	1.33	1.33	1.37	1.37	1.33	1.34	1.36	1.33
4216 Electrical goods	4215	equip. & software												
equip. & supplies 1.80 1.81 1.88 1.83 1.81 1.79 1.79 1.79 1.79 1.79 1.86 1.84 1.75 Machinery, equipment, & supplies 2.09 2.07 2.12 2.17 2.13 2.18 2.15 2.12 2.16 2.21 2.15 2.06 Miscellaneous durable goods 1.25 1.20 1.33 1.30 1.32 1.27 1.36 1.28 1.30 1.29 1.29 1.26 Mondurable goods 1.00 0.99 1.01 1.00 1.01 1.00 1.01 1.01 1.02 1.00 0.98 0.97 Machinery, equipment, & supplies 2.09 2.07 2.12 2.15 2.12 2.16 2.21 2.15 2.16 Miscellaneous durable goods 1.25 1.20 1.33 1.30 1.32 1.27 1.36 1.28 1.30 1.29 1.29 1.26 Mondurable goods 1.00 0.99 1.01 1.00 1.01 1.01 1.01 1.02 1.00 0.98 0.97 Machinery, equipment, & supplies 2.15 2.15 2.15 1.55 1.49 1.44 1.40 Machinery, equipment, & supplies 2.15 2.15 2.15 1.55 1.49 1.44 1.40 Miscellaneous durable goods 1.28 1.30 1.29 1.29 1.26 Miscellaneous durable goods 1.28 1.30 1.29 1.29 1.29 1.26 Miscellaneous durable goods 1.28 1.30 1.29 1.29 1.29 1.29 1.29 Miscellaneous durable goods 1.28 1.30 1.29 1.29 1.29 1.29 1.29 1.29 Miscellaneous durable goods 1.28 1.30 1.29 1.20	4216	Electrical goods												
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4221 Paper & paper products 0.93 0.94 0.94 0.96 0.94 0.93 0.93 0.96 0.95 1.00 0.96 0.96 4222 Drugs & druggists' sundries 1.64 1.57 1.61 1.59 1.64 1.62 1.59 1.55 1.55 1.49 1.44 1.40 4223 Apparel, piece goods, & notions 2.25 2.23 2.27 2.25 2.19 2.15 2.15 2.17 2.13 2.05 2.04 1.94 4224 Groceries & related products 0.71 0.71 0.71 0.70 0.71 0.70 0.69 0.69 4225 Farm product raw materials 0.98 0.95 0.98 0.93 0.99 0.98 1.09 1.14 1.10 1.06 1.04 1.09 4226 Chemicals & allied products 1.13 1.13 1.16 1.13 1.15 1.17 1.16 1.16 1.20 1.13 1.09 1.12 4227		Miscellaneous durable goods									I	I		
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4226 Chemicals & allied products 1.13 1.16 1.13 1.15 1.17 1.16 1.16 1.20 1.13 1.09 1.12 4227 Petroleum & petroleum products 0.42 0.42 0.43 0.42 0.43 0.42 0.42 0.42 0.42 0.41 0.40	4224	Groceries & related products	0.71	0.71	0.71	0.71	0.70	0.71	0.72	0.70	0.71	0.70	0.69	0.69
	4226	Chemicals & allied products	1.13	1.13	1.16	1.13	1.15	1.17	1.16	1.16	1.20	1.13	1.09	1.12
	4227 4228	Beer, wine, & distilled alcoholic												
beverages	4229	Miscellaneous nondurable goods												

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NAICC							19	95						
NAICS code	Kind of business	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Total
	UNADJUSTED ²													
	Sales, total	162,088	157,940	182,972	166,562	181,967	182,702	168,809	187,091	177,824	189,196	180,895	176,674	2,114,720
421 4211	Durable goods	83,265	82,087	96,874	85,996	94,486	96,321	87,176	98,553	95,245	100,168	94,264	92,362	1,106,797
4212	supplies	12,071 2,546	12,046 2,515	14,778 3,188	13,489 2,781	14,816 3,045	14,482 2,936	13,065 2,702	14,119 3,091	12,925 2,927	13,867 3,147	13,549 3,045	13,591 2,773	162,798 34,696
4213	Lumber & other construction materials	4,095	3,975	4,816	4,431	5,076	4,986	4,493	5,265	4,709	5,032	4,417	3,876	55,171
4214	Professional & commercial equip. & supplies	15,070	14,165	17,231	14,478	15,993	17,200	15,726	17,331	17,912	18,003	16,731	18,084	197,924
42143	Computer & computer peripheral equip. & software	NA												
4215 4216	Metals & minerals, ex. petroleum Electrical goods	7,885 12,292	7,454 12,332	8,867 14,082	7,935 12,558	8,285 13,774	8,240 14,247	7,313 13,341	8,324 15,150	7,939 15,497	8,256 15,895	7,594 14,914	7,070 13,834	95,162 167,916
4217	Hardware, & plumbing & heating equip. & supplies	3,825	3,709	4,218	3,972	4,432	4,784	4,456	4,758	4,593	4,792	4,367	4,072	51,978
4218 4219	Machinery, equipment, & supplies Miscellaneous durable goods	14,333 11,148	14,307 11,584	17,093 12,601	15,041 11,311	16,849 12,216	16,469 12,977	15,096 10,984	16,988 13,527	15,667 13,076	16,890 14,286	15,859 13,788	16,660 12,402	191,252 149,900
422	Nondurable goods	78,823	75,853	86,098	80,566	87,481	86,381	81,633	88,538	82,579	89,028	86,631	84,312	1,007,923
4221 4222	Paper & paper products Drugs & druggists' sundries	5,194 6,802	4,963 6,186	5,788 7,128	5,145 6,570	5,604 6,927	5,826 6,912	5,524 6,455	6,030 7,251	5,654 6,996	5,781 7,677	5,432 7,496	5,128 7,332	66,069 83,732
4223 4224	Apparel, piece goods, & notions Groceries & related products	5,059 24,397	5,655 22,485	6,158 25,870	4,915 24,466	4,865 27,185	5,664 26,078	5,663 25,545	6,711 26,828	6,165 25,748	6,606 27,281	5,677 26,787	4,457 26,378	67,595 309,048
4225 4226	Farm product raw materials Chemicals & allied products	10,445 3,909	9,393 3,891	10,460 4,375	9,154 4,101	9,856 4,597	9,325 4,486	8,782 3,964	9,989 4,431	9,417 4,046	11,146 4,307	11,085 4,256	10,536 3,902	119,588 50,265
4227 4228	Petroleum & petroleum products Beer, wine, & distilled alcoholic beverages	10,527 3,370	10,074 3,484	10,582 4,269	10,453 3.994	11,348 4,715	10,824 4,974	10,117 4,223	10,965 5,000	10,072 4,235	10,387 4,554	10,302 4,851	10,827 4,826	126,478 52,495
4229	Miscellaneous nondurable goods	9,120	9,722	11,468	11,768	12,384	12,292	11,360	11,333	10,246	11,289	10,745	10,926	132,653
421	Inventories, total	224,735 138,787	224,721 140,783	225,182 141,800	228,386 144,480	226,372 145,404	226,341 145,258	230,567 148,271	227,434 146,853	228,669 146,179	236,183 148,188	236,391 148,230	235,536 147,446	X X
4211	Motor vehicle & motor vehicle parts & supplies	22,019	23,044	22,244	23,032	23,121	22,198	22,233	21,626	21,758	21,900	22,309	21,314	X
4212 4213	Furniture & home furnishings Lumber & other construction	4,323	4,408	4,512	4,501	4,651	4,934	4,866	4,916	4,829	4,669	4,657	4,549	x
4214	materials	5,521	5,763	5,875	5,681	5,659	5,528	5,311	5,276	5,375	5,173	5,292	5,395	Х
42143	supplies	21,238	21,010	21,580	21,754	21,633	21,831	23,079	22,630	22,306	23,302	23,521	23,668	Х
4215 4216	equip. & software	NA 12,834 18,073	NA 12,515 18,386	NA 12,853 18,269	NA 12,880 18,803	NA 12,710 19,280	NA 12,704 19,978	NA 12,812 20,488	NA 12,528 20,985	NA 12,316 20,792	NA 12,136 20,698	NA 11,818 21,056	NA 12,217 21,068	X X X
4217	Electrical goods	7,593	7,743	8,083	7,919	8,025	7,840	7,806	7,860	7,927	8,013	7,900	7,884	
4218 4219	Machinery, equipment, & supplies Miscellaneous durable goods	31,805 15,381	32,567 15,347	32,937 15,447	33,894 16,016	33,942 16,383	33,937 16,308	34,702 16,974	34,633 16,399	34,325 16,551	35,611 16,686	35,380 16,297	35,556 15,795	X X X
422	Nondurable goods	85,948	83,938	83,382	83,906	80,968	81,083	82,296	80,581	82,490	87,995	88,161	88,090	Х
4221 4222	Paper & paper products Drugs & druggists' sundries	5,128 11,572	5,087 10,769	5,153 10,886	5,328 11,083	5,092 10,615	5,275 10,821	5,298 10,891	5,195 10,611	5,225 10,909	5,383 11,009	5,224 10,668	5,388 10,689	X X
4223 4224	Apparel, piece goods, & notions Groceries & related products	12,780 18,028	12,444 17,170	12,038 17,473	11,902 17,878	11,843 17,817	12,437 17,903	12,695 18,212	12,537 17,716	12,285 18,794	11,760 19,507	11,400 18,923	11,712 18,604	X
4225 4226	Farm product raw materials Chemicals & allied products	12,074 4,522	11,445 4,768	10,553 4,782	9,256 4,778	8,004 4,904	7,567 4,949	8,095 4,839	7,951 4,890	8,268 4,919	12,081 4,708	13,704 4,720	13,782 4,894	X X X X X X
4227 4228	Petroleum & petroleum products Beer, wine, & distilled alcoholic	4,316	4,334	4,347	4,541	4,655	4,487	4,573	4,538	4,472	4,416	4,342	4,430	
4229	beverages	4,543 12,985	4,645 13,276	4,663 13,487	4,793 14,347	4,785 13,253	4,774 12,870	5,025 12,668	5,025 12,118	5,247 12,371	5,422 13,709	5,296 13,884	4,545 14,046	X
404	Inventories/sales ratios, total .	1.39	1.42	1.23	1.37	1.24	1.24	1.37	1.22	1.29	1.25	1.31	1.33	Х
421 4211	Durable goods	1.67	1.72	1.46	1.68	1.54	1.51	1.70	1.49	1.53	1.48	1.57	1.60	X
4212	supplies	1.82 1.70	1.91 1.75	1.51 1.42	1.71 1.62	1.56 1.53	1.53 1.68	1.70 1.80	1.53 1.59	1.68 1.65	1.58 1.48	1.65 1.53	1.57 1.64	X
4213 4214	Lumber & other construction materials	1.35	1.45	1.22	1.28	1.11	1.11	1.18	1.00	1.14	1.03	1.20	1.39	х
42143	supplies	1.41	1.48	1.25	1.50	1.35	1.27	1.47	1.31	1.25	1.29	1.41	1.31	Х
4215	equip. & software	NA 1.63	NA 1.68	NA 1.45	NA 1.62	NA 1.53	NA 1.54	NA 1.75	NA 1.51	NA 1.55	NA 1.47	NA 1.56	NA 1.73	X X X
4216 4217	Electrical goods	1.47	1.49	1.30	1.50	1.40	1.40	1.54	1.39	1.34	1.30	1.41	1.52	Х
4218	equip. & supplies	1.99 2.22	2.09 2.28	1.92 1.93	1.99 2.25	1.81 2.01	1.64 2.06	1.75 2.30	1.65 2.04	1.73 2.19	1.67 2.11	1.81 2.23	1.94 2.13	X
4219 422	Miscellaneous durable goods Nondurable goods	1.38 1.09	1.32 1.11	1.23 0.97	1.42 1.04	1.34 0.93	1.26 0.94	1.55 1.01	1.21 0.91	1.27 1.00	1.17 0.99	1.18 1.02	1.27 1.04	X X X
422	Paper & paper products	0.99	1.11	0.89	1.04	0.93	0.94	0.96	0.91	0.92	0.99	0.96	1.04	
4222 4223	Drugs & druggists' sundries	1.70 2.53	1.74 2.20	1.53 1.95	1.69 2.42	1.53 2.43	1.57 2.20	1.69 2.24	1.46 1.87	1.56 1.99	1.43 1.78	1.42 2.01	1.46 2.63	X
4224 4225	Groceries & related products Farm product raw materials	0.74 1.16	0.76 1.22	0.68 1.01	0.73 1.01	0.66 0.81	0.69 0.81	0.71 0.92	0.66 0.80	0.73 0.88	0.72 1.08	0.71 1.24	0.71 1.31	X
4226 4227	Chemicals & allied products Petroleum & petroleum products	1.16 0.41	1.23	1.09 0.41	1.17 0.43	1.07 0.41	1.10 0.41	1.22 0.45	1.10 0.41	1.22 0.44	1.09 0.43	1.11	1.25 0.41	X X X X X
4228	Beer, wine, & distilled alcoholic beverages	1.35	1.33	1.09	1.20	1.01	0.96	1.19	1.01	1.24	1.19	1.09	0.94	X
4229	Miscellaneous nondurable goods	1.42	1.37	1.18	1.22	1.07	1.05	1.12	1.07	1.21	1.21	1.29	1.29	X

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NAICS	16.1.41						19	94					
code	Kind of business	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
	ADJUSTED ¹												
	Sales, total	153,649	154,307	157,063	156,658	157,825	159,359	160,764	165,445	164,606	167,360	167,970	170,352
421 4211	Durable goods	78,490	79,061	80,383	80,877	81,763	82,363	83,348	86,757	86,091	87,796	88,151	89,453
4212 4213	supplies	13,116 2,437	13,547 2,489	13,387 2,462	13,562 2,484	13,239 2,441	13,309 2,501	13,619 2,615	14,834 2,689	13,392 2,740	13,789 2,818	14,089 2,764	13,731 2,850
4214	materials	4,451	4,388	4,541	4,526	4,688	4,661	4,822	4,710	4,694	4,793	4,809	4,943
42143		13,320 NA	13,096 NA	13,363 NA	13,250 NA	13,238 NA	13,242 NA	13,611 NA	13,957 NA	14,086 NA	14,362 NA	14,587 NA	15,255 NA
4215 4216 4217	equip. & software	6,616 10,598	6,888 10,625	7,063 11,216	7,070 11,253	7,348 11,939	7,483 11,742	7,414 11,643	7,771 12,013	7,886 12,113	7,961 12,569	7,826 12,621	7,974 12,845
4218 4219	equip. & supplies Machinery, equipment, & supplies Miscellaneous durable goods	3,803 13,815 10,334	3,926 13,855 10,247	4,043 13,880 10,428	4,039 13,876 10,817	4,031 14,128 10,711	4,048 14,577 10,800	3,973 14,674 10,977	4,182 15,013 11,588	4,252 15,149 11,779	4,246 15,121 12,137	4,294 15,170 11,991	4,444 15,480 11,931
422 4221	Nondurable goods	75,159 4.412	75,246 4,371	76,680 4,435	75,781 4,489	76,062 4.528	76,996 4,566	77,416 4,597	78,688 4.694	78,515 4.715	79,564 4.793	79,819 4,760	80,899 5,202
4222	Paper & paper products Drugs & druggists' sundries	6,149	5,857	6,047	6,675	6,298	6,301	6,522	6,498	6,496	6,750	6,546	6,492
4223 4224	Apparel, piece goods, & notions Groceries & related products	5,795 23,311	5,896 23,560	6,071 23,753	5,869 23,563	5,635 23,766	5,786 23,918	5,546 23,950	5,650 24,347	5,612 24,599	5,579 24,653	5,655 25,291	5,569 25,292
4225 4226	Farm product raw materials Chemicals & allied products	7,838 3,340	7,683 3,349	8,003 3,438	7,993 3,442	8,477 3,520	8,359 3,533	8,316 3,597	8,344 3,755	8,180 3,740	8,648 3,812	8,463 3,873	8,860 3,959
4227 4228	Petroleum & petroleum products Beer, wine, & distilled alcoholic	10,555	10,526	10,599	9,524	9,903	10,383	10,685	11,191	10,613	10,623	10,617	10,552
4229	beverages	4,218 9,541	4,237 9,767	4,343 9,991	4,357 9,869	4,264 9,671	4,392 9,758	4,381 9,822	4,290 9,919	4,348 10,212	4,357 10,349	4,417 10,197	4,411 10,562
	Inventories, total	201,216	202,887	202,255	202,920	206,462	206,212	208,192	209,668	211,333	214,205	215,913	218,119
421	Durable goods	125,100	126,079	125,509	126,652	129,409	129,502	131,529	132,019	133,008	135,370	136,207	137,800
4211 4212 4213	supplies	20,571 4,247	20,362 4,236	19,893 4,222	20,207 4,279	20,313 4,245	20,407 4,183	20,766 4,212	20,454 4,261	20,803 4,319	21,294 4,361	21,344 4,318	21,451 4,369
4214	materials	5,177	5,173	5,206	5,191	5,295	5,416	5,441	5,477	5,452	5,508	5,587	5,625
42143	Professional & commercial equip. & supplies	18,408	18,485	18,536	18,927	19,615	19,291	19,633	19,497	19,711	20,396	20,403	20,752
4215	equip. & software	NA 10,933	NA 11,024	NA 11,092	NA 11,107	NA 11,341	NA 11,719	NA 11,588	NA 11,786	NA 11,987	NA 12,156	NA 12,366	NA 12,437
4216 4217	Metals & minerals, ex. petroleum Electrical goods	15,477	15,848	15,749	15,976	16,354	16,440	16,895	17,009	17,294	17,279	17,170	18,007
4218 4219	equip. & supplies	6,763 28,705 14,819	6,891 29,257 14,803	6,951 29,141 14,719	6,997 29,230 14,738	7,180 29,831 15,235	7,269 29,712 15,065	7,413 30,265 15,316	7,558 30,810 15,167	7,662 31,125 14,655	7,624 31,433 15,319	7,645 31,998 15,376	7,801 31,869 15,489
422	Nondurable goods	76,116	76,808	76,746	76,268	77,053	76,710	76,663	77,649	78,325	78,835	79,706	80,319
4221 4222	Paper & paper products	4,714 10,164	4,716 10,045	4,663 9,902	4,650 9,985	4,661	4,613	4,704	4,672	4,659 10,199	4,709 10,569	4,817 10,690	4,859 10,688
4223	Drugs & druggists' sundries	10,938	10,959	11,050	10,666	10,154 10,787	10,055 10,661	10,245 10,972	10,241 11,398	11,475	11,590	11,803	11,935
4224 4225	Groceries & related products Farm product raw materials	17,287 8,777	17,490 8,968	17,788 8,939	17,235 9,050	17,209 9,199	17,583 8,798	16,941 8,451	17,388 8,377	17,630 8,612	17,696 8,454	17,652 8,947	17,840 9,254
4226	Chemicals & allied products	4,091	4,064	4,028	4,067	4,137	4,095	4,163	4,212	4,296	4,348	4,386	4,463
4227 4228	Petroleum & petroleum products Beer, wine, & distilled alcoholic beverages	3,896 4,662	4,042 4,738	4,020 4,632	4,049 4,740	4,111 4,820	4,194 4,724	4,357 4,737	4,377 4,736	4,393 4,725	4,378 4,780	4,480 4,764	4,412 4,777
4229	Miscellaneous nondurable goods	11,587	11,786	11,724	11,826	11,975	11,987	12,093	12,248	12,336	12,311	12,167	12,091
421	Inventories/sales ratios, total . Durable goods	1.31 1.59	1.31 1.59	1.29 1.56	1.30 1.57	1.31 1.58	1.29 1.57	1.30 1.58	1.27 1.52	1.28 1.54	1.28 1.54	1.29 1.55	1.28 1.54
4211	Motor vehicle & motor vehicle parts &	1.57	1.50	1.49	1.49	1.53	1.53	1.52	1.38	1.55	1.54	1.51	1.56
4212 4213	supplies	1.74	1.70	1.71	1.72	1.74	1.67	1.61	1.58	1.58	1.55	1.56	1.53
4214	materials	1.16	1.18	1.15	1.15	1.13	1.16	1.13	1.16	1.16	1.15	1.16	1.14
42143		1.38	1.41	1.39	1.43	1.48	1.46	1.44	1.40	1.40	1.42	1.40	1.36
4215 4216 4217	equip. & software	NA 1.65 1.46	NA 1.60 1.49	NA 1.57 1.40	NA 1.57 1.42	NA 1.54 1.37	NA 1.57 1.40	NA 1.56 1.45	NA 1.52 1.42	NA 1.52 1.43	NA 1.53 1.37	NA 1.58 1.36	NA 1.56 1.40
4218 4219	equip. & supplies	1.78 2.08 1.43	1.76 2.11 1.44	1.72 2.10 1.41	1.73 2.11 1.36	1.78 2.11 1.42	1.80 2.04 1.39	1.87 2.06 1.40	1.81 2.05 1.31	1.80 2.05 1.24	1.80 2.08 1.26	1.78 2.11 1.28	1.76 2.06 1.30
422	Nondurable goods	1.01	1.02	1.00	1.01	1.01	1.00	0.99	0.99	1.00	0.99	1.00	0.99
4221	Paper & paper products	1.07	1.08	1.05	1.04	1.03	1.01	1.02	1.00	0.99	0.98	1.01	0.93
4222 4223	Drugs & druggists' sundries Apparel, piece goods, & notions	1.65 1.89	1.72 1.86	1.64 1.82	1.50 1.82	1.61 1.91	1.60 1.84	1.57 1.98	1.58 2.02	1.57 2.04	1.57 2.08	1.63 2.09	1.65 2.14
4224	Groceries & related products	0.74	0.74	0.75	0.73	0.72	0.74	0.71	0.71	0.72	0.72	0.70	0.71
4225 4226	Farm product raw materials Chemicals & allied products	1.12 1.22	1.17 1.21	1.12 1.17	1.13 1.18	1.09 1.18	1.05 1.16	1.02 1.16	1.00 1.12	1.05 1.15	0.98 1.14	1.06 1.13	1.04 1.13
4227 4228	Petroleum & petroleum products Beer, wine, & distilled alcoholic beverages	0.37	0.38	0.38	0.43	0.42	0.40	0.41	0.39	0.41	0.41	1.08	0.42
4229	Miscellaneous nondurable goods	1.21	1.21	1.17	1.20	1.24	1.23	1.23	1.23	1.21	1.19	1.19	1.14
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NAICS							19	94						
code	Kind of business	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Total
	UNADJUSTED ²													
	Sales, total	140,955	140,153	167,858	153,899	159,599	164,922	153,899	174,153	168,455	172,577	168,232	168,896	1,933,598
421	Durable goods	70,285	71,119	86,785	78,932	81,834	85,859	79,508	91,948	90,135	91,591	88,132	88,025	1,004,153
4211 4212	supplies	11,411 2,096	12,341 2,195	15,167 2,637	13,765 2,422	13,716 2,483	13,775 2,531	13,469 2,419	14,849 2,877	13,138 2,951	13,899 3,035	14,061 2,844	13,800 2,802	163,391 31,292
4213	Lumber & other construction materials	3,663	3,690	4,686	4,521	4,955	5,080	4,856	5,416	4,994	5,023	4,722	4,389	55,995
4214	Professional & commercial equip. & supplies	12,721	11,891	14,472	12,614	12,338	13,705	12,876	14,697	15,072	14,735	14,237	16,063	165,421
42143	Computer & computer peripheral equip. & software	NA												
4215 4216	Metals & minerals, ex. petroleum Electrical goods	6,239 9,517	6,406 9,679	7,861 11,766	7,098 10,668	7,620 11,497	7,977 12,036	6,947 11,166	8,237 12,878	8,099 13,239	7,961 13,499	7,396 12,924	7,288 12,395	89,129 141,264
4217	Hardware, & plumbing & heating equip. & supplies	3,248	3.412	3,978	3,873	4,100	4.404	4.084	4.588	4,571	4,522	4,367	4.071	49.218
4218 4219	Machinery, equipment, & supplies Miscellaneous durable goods	12,461 8,929	12,539 8,966	15,435 10,783	14,084 9,887	14,735 10,390	15,335 11,016	13,779 9,912	15,764 12,642	15,255 12,816	15,287 13,630	14,427 13,154	15,310 11,907	174,411 134,032
422	Nondurable goods	70,670	69,034	81,073	74,967	77,765	79,063	74,391	82,205	78,320	80,986	80,100	80,871	929,445
4221 4222	Paper & paper products Drugs & druggists' sundries	4,209 6,118	3,986 5,435	4,674 6,374	4,359 6,401	4,456 6,210	4,726 6,282	4,413 6,072	5,060 6,602	4,833 6,645	5,033 6,892	4,765 6,729	4,921 6,615	55,435 76,375
4223 4224	Apparel, piece goods, & notions Groceries & related products	5,129 22,309	5,849 21,275	6,969 24,632	5,241 23,186	4,700 24,455	5,907 24,492	5,446 23,591	6,616 25,223	6,319 24,451	6,221 25,023	5,672 25,493	4,455 25,773	68,524 289,903
4225 4226	Farm product raw materials	8,285	7,376	8,939	7,633 3,463	8,562	7,841 3,794	7,343 3,414	8,277 3,988	7,509	8,933	8,912	9,480	99,090 43,290
4227 4228	Chemicals & allied products Petroleum & petroleum products	3,106 10,186	3,138 9,905	3,754 10,747	9,676	3,738 10,101	10,175	10,300	11,672	3,744 10,560	3,694 10,676	3,819 10,596	3,638 10,805	125,399
4229	Beer, wine, & distilled alcoholic beverages	3,075 8,253	3,377 8,693	4,443 10,541	4,261 10,747	4,460 11,083	4,985 10,861	4,324 9,488	4,719 10,048	4,374 9,885	4,248 10,266	4,784 9,330	4,971 10,213	52,021 119,408
4223	Inventories, total	205,389	205,463	202,689	204,000	204,894	203,385	207,194	205,818	207,620	215,949	217,902	219,265	X
421	Durable goods	124,908	126,098	124,881	127,411	130,341	129,459	133,274	132,464	132,373	135,229	135,470	135,929	х
4211	Motor vehicle & motor vehicle parts & supplies	20,838	21,156	20,032	20,631	20,475	20,060	20,496	19,738	20,429	21,315	21,728	20,850	X
4212 4213	Furniture & home furnishings Lumber & other construction	4,166	4,181	4,214	4,219	4,292	4,242	4,263	4,363	4,414	4,348	4,283	4,286	X
4214	materials	5,172	5,230	5,461	5,295	5,433	5,541	5,474	5,417	5,359	5,288	5,380	5,501	X
42143	Supplies	18,703	18,319	18,425	18,965	19,478	19,040	20,026	19,478	19,396	20,580	20,444	20,814	X
4215	equip. & software	11,020	NA 10,914	NA 11,147	NA 11,196	NA 11,318	NA 11,871	NA 11,750	NA 11,739	NA 11,927	12,010	NA 11,970	NA 12,611	X X X
4216 4217	Electrical goods	15,400 6,641	15,769 6,884	15,324 6,993	15,816 7,074	16,370	16,637	17,402	17,502 7,626	17,432	17,123	17,015	17,683 7,707	
4218 4219	equip. & supplies	28,475	29,286	29,258	29,698	7,338 30,219	7,247 29,771	7,443 30,537	30,933	7,693 30,658	7,571 31,307	7,515 31,774	31,391	X X X
4219 422	Miscellaneous durable goods	14,493 80,481	14,359 79,365	14,027 77,808	14,517 76,589	15,418 74,553	15,050 73,926	15,883 73,920	15,668 73,354	15,065 75,247	15,687 80,720	15,361 82,432	15,086 83,336	x
4221	Paper & paper products	4,912	4,716	4,710	4,743 9,935	4,544	4,599	4,699	4,546 9,821	4,575	4,695	4,764	4,932	
4222 4223	Drugs & druggists' sundries Apparel, piece goods, & notions	10,977 11,321	10,376 10,937	9,833 10,785	10,143	9,545 10,366	9,663 10,885	10,091 11,279	11,649	10,087 11,727	10,780 11,497	10,786 11,425	11,051 12,162	X
4224 4225	Groceries & related products	17,391 11,498	17,070 11,192	17,450 10,074	17,045 9,177	17,002 7,939	17,407 6,810	16,704 6,313	16,779 5,755	17,753 6,192	18,581 9,113	18,340 10,933	18,250 11,447	X X X X X X
4226 4227	Chemicals & allied products Petroleum & petroleum products	4,026 3,830	4,129 3,941	4,105 3,863	4,087 3,980	4,211 4,070	4,152 4,102	4,130 4,366	4,284 4,500	4,219 4,485	4,239 4,527	4,329 4,574	4,427 4,509	x
4228	Beer, wine, & distilled alcoholic beverages	4,406	4,558	4,502	4,778	4,733	4,681	4,813	4,727	4,909	5,248	5,102	4,419	X
4229	Miscellaneous nondurable goods Inventories/sales ratios, total .	12,120 1.46	12,446 1.47	12,486 1.21	12,701 1.33	12,143 1.28	11,627 1.23	11,525 1.35	11,293 1.18	11,300 1.23	12,040 1.25	12,179 1.30	12,139 1.30	×
421	Durable goods	1.78	1.77	1.44	1.61	1.59	1.51	1.68	1.44	1.47	1.48	1.54	1.54	X
4211	Motor vehicle & motor vehicle parts & supplies	1.83	1.71	1.32	1.50	1.49	1.46	1.52	1.33	1.55	1.53	1.55	1.51	X
4212 4213	Furniture & home furnishings Lumber & other construction	1.99	1.90	1.60	1.74	1.73	1.68	1.76	1.52	1.50	1.43	1.51	1.53	
4214	materials	1.41	1.42	1.17	1.17	1.10	1.09	1.13	1.00	1.07	1.05	1.14	1.25	X
42143	supplies	1.47	1.54	1.27	1.50	1.58	1.39	1.56	1.33	1.29	1.40	1.44	1.30	X
4215	equip. & software	NA 1.77	NA 1.70	NA 1.42	NA 1.58	NA 1.49	NA 1.49	NA 1.69	NA 1.43	NA 1.47	NA 1.51	NA 1.62	NA 1.73	X X X
4216 4217	Electrical goods	1.62	1.63	1.30	1.48	1.42	1.38	1.56	1.36	1.32	1.27	1.32	1.43	
4218	equip. & supplies	2.04 2.29	2.02 2.34	1.76 1.90	1.83 2.11	1.79 2.05	1.65 1.94	1.82 2.22	1.66 1.96	1.68 2.01	1.67 2.05	1.72 2.20	1.89 2.05	X X X
4219 422	Miscellaneous durable goods	1.62 1.14	1.60 1.15	1.30 0.96	1.47 1.02	1.48 0.96	1.37 0.94	1.60 0.99	1.24 0.89	1.18 0.96	1.15 1.00	1.17 1.03	1.27 1.03	X X
4221	Paper & paper products	1.17	1.18	1.01	1.09	1.02	0.97	1.06	0.90	0.95	0.93	1.00	1.00	
4222 4223	Drugs & druggists' sundries Apparel, piece goods, & notions	1.79 2.21	1.91 1.87	1.54 1.55	1.55 1.94	1.54 2.21	1.54 1.84	1.66 2.07	1.49 1.76	1.52 1.86	1.56 1.85	1.60 2.01	1.67 2.73	X X X X X X
4224 4225	Groceries & related products Farm product raw materials	0.78 1.39	0.80 1.52	0.71 1.13	0.74 1.20	0.70 0.93	0.71 0.87	0.71 0.86	0.67 0.70	0.73 0.82	0.74 1.02	0.72 1.23	0.71 1.21	X
4226 4227	Chemicals & allied products Petroleum & petroleum products	1.30 0.38	1.32 0.40	1.09 0.36	1.18 0.41	1.13 0.40	1.09 0.40	1.21 0.42	1.07 0.39	1.13 0.42	1.15 0.42	1.13 0.43	1.22 0.42	X
4228	Beer, wine, & distilled alcoholic beverages	1.43	1.35	1.01	1.12	1.06	0.94	1.11	1.00	1.12	1.24	1.07	0.89	X
4229	Miscellaneous nondurable goods	1.47	1.43	1.18	1.18	1.10	1.07	1.21	1.12	1.14	1.17	1.31	1.19	X

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NAICS							19	93					
code	Kind of business	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
	ADJUSTED ¹												
	Sales, total	150,578	149,325	146,865	150,091	152,720	149,890	151,342	151,798	152,033	152,549	152,560	149,960
421 4211	Durable goods	74,556	74,364	72,502	74,747	75,837	75,074	76,968	76,843	76,708	77,421	77,073	76,687
4212	supplies	12,858 2,495	12,670 2,478	12,008 2,358	12,676 2,505	13,158 2,572	12,382 2,557	12,937 2,551	12,898 2,555	13,103 2,503	13,098 2,522	12,619 2,399	12,278 2,363
	Lumber & other construction materials	4,151	4,595	4,183	4,229	4,148	4,147	4,161	4,225	4,259	4,270	4,495	4,483
42143	Professional & commercial equip. & supplies	12,399	13,062	12,263	12,772	12,487	12,831	12,925	13,227	13,227	13,576	13,339	12,947
	equip. & software	NA 6,666	NA 6,400	NA 6,418	NA 6,541	NA 6,657	NA 6,702	NA 6,652	NA 6,522	NA 6,545	NA 6,438	NA 6,481	NA 6,590
4216 I	Electrical goods	8,833	8,989	8,949	9,371	9,532	9,634	10,048	10,198	10,403	10,541	10,568	10,576
4218	equip. & supplies	3,466 13,247	3,491 13,114	3,433 13,145	3,475 13,454	3,591 13,737	3,533 13,579	3,575 13,812	3,689 13,556	3,608 13,498	3,705 13,536	3,705 13,528	3,730 13,544
4219 I 422	Miscellaneous durable goods Nondurable goods	10,441 76,022	9,565 74,961	9,745 74,363	9,724 75,344	9,955 76,883	9,709 74,816	10,307 74,374	9,973 74,955	9,562 75,325	9,735 75,128	9,939 75,487	10,176 73,273
4221	Paper & paper products	4,046	4,111	4,080	4,113	4,142	4,166	4,151	4,142	4,224	4,264	4,395	4,347
4222 I 4223 I	Drugs & druggists' sundries	5,731 5,378	5,745 5,151	5,663 5,060	5,649 5,437	5,667 5,504	5,682 5,416	5,592 5,415	5,692 5,647	5,780 5,860	5,875 5,778	5,946 5,982	5,929 4,994
4224	Groceries & related products	24,373	23,494	23,491	23,920	23,945	23,956	23,801	23,503	23,523	23,309	23,431	23,159
4225 I	Farm product raw materials Chemicals & allied products	8,399 3,343	8,372 3,466	8,204 3,370	8,322 3,346	8,800 3,318	8,028 3,300	7,952 3,263	8,006 3,244	7,859 3,347	7,883 3,255	7,836 3,316	8,380 3,315
4227 I	Petroleum & petroleum products Beer, wine, & distilled alcoholic	10,707	10,919	11,019	10,926	11,225	10,509	10,321	10,569	10,733	10,872	10,498	9,313
4229 I	beverages	4,124 9,921	4,107 9,596	4,168 9,308	4,254 9,377	4,290 9,992	4,163 9,596	4,274 9,605	4,253 9,899	4,312 9,687	4,296 9,596	4,221 9,862	4,233 9,603
	Inventories, total	193,774	193,473	195,067	195,879	195,707	196,093	196,197	198,225	199,201	198,342	199,490	201,184
421	Durable goods	119,256	119,373	120,727	120,997	120,651	120,806	121,152	122,408	122,888	123,140	123,530	124,892
7211	supplies	20,851	20,664	21,082	20,883	20,555	19,937	20,259	20,759	20,465	20,350	20,300	21,130
	Furniture & home furnishings Lumber & other construction materials	4,097 5,181	4,104 5,195	4,164 5,319	4,148 5,487	4,169 5,287	4,180 5,243	4,106 5,212	4,115 5,212	4,123 5,192	4,177 5,240	4,184 5,070	4,200 5,229
	Professional & commercial equip. & supplies	16,638	16,699	17,063	17,079	17,145	17,239	17,353	17,525	17,671	17,662	17,798	17,923
42143	Computer & computer peripheral equip. & software	NA											
4216 I	Metals & minerals, ex. petroleum Electrical goods	10,242 14,382	10,282 14,391	10,343 14,854	10,537 14,624	10,494 14,814	10,698 14,926	10,794 14,905	10,765 15,129	10,826 15,363	10,839 15,588	10,794 15,456	11,020 15,303
	Hardware, & plumbing & heating equip. & supplies	6,506 28,329	6,459 28,405	6,492 28,331	6,461 28,357	6,349 28,306	6,386 28,509	6,383 28,217	6,407 28,202	6,451 28,355	6,576 28,284	6,718 28,481	6,688 28,568
	Miscellaneous durable goods	13,030 74,518	13,174 74,100	13,079 74,340	13,421 74,882	13,532 75,056	13,688 75,287	13,923 75,045	14,294 75,817	14,442 76,313	14,424 75,202	14,729 75,960	14,831 76,292
	Paper & paper products	4,506	4,448	4,493	4,508	4,530	4,533	4,512	4,562	4,545	4,527	4,426	4,672
4222 I	Drugs & druggists' sundries	9,701	9,486	9,604	9,481	9,483	9,502	9,624	9,766	9,929	9,786	9,979	10,253
4223 A	Apparel, piece goods, & notions Groceries & related products	10,377 17,825	10,235 18,000	10,275 17,809	10,150 18,290	10,772 17,890	10,974 17,368	10,744 17,120	10,838 17,221	11,493 17,103	11,147 17,221	11,062 17,488	11,161 17,480
4225 I	Farm product raw materials	7,805	7,824	7,859	8,116	8,201	8,549	8,932	8,923	8,221	7,976	8,608	8,626
4226 (4227	Chemicals & allied products Petroleum & petroleum products	3,787 4,288	3,795 4,195	3,867 4,139	3,840 4,155	3,956 4,128	3,975 4,153	4,028 4,092	4,072 4,217	4,166 4,186	4,197 4,155	4,112 4,072	4,113 3,705
4228 I	Beer, wine, & distilled alcoholic beverages	4,538	4,533	4,595	4,599	4,493	4,492	4,411	4,349	4,493	4,539	4,510	4,672
4229 I	Miscellaneous nondurable goods	11,691	11,584	11,699	11,743	11,603	11,741	11,582	11,869	12,177	11,654	11,703	11,610
421	Inventories/sales ratios, total . Durable goods	1.29 1.60	1.30 1.61	1.33 1.67	1.31 1.62	1.28 1.59	1.31 1.61	1.30 1.57	1.31 1.59	1.31 1.60	1.30 1.59	1.31 1.60	1.34 1.63
	Motor vehicle & motor vehicle parts &	1.62	1.63	1.76	1.65	1.56	1.61	1.57	1.61	1.56	1.55	1.61	1.72
	supplies	1.64	1.66	1.77	1.66	1.62	1.63	1.61	1.61	1.65	1.66	1.74	1.78
	materials	1.25	1.13	1.27	1.30	1.27	1.26	1.25	1.23	1.22	1.23	1.13	1.17
42143	supplies	1.34	1.28	1.39	1.34	1.37	1.34	1.34	1.32	1.34	1.30	1.33	1.38
4215 I	equip. & software	NA 1.54	NA 1.61	NA 1.61	NA 1.61	NA 1.58	NA 1.60	NA 1.62	NA 1.65	NA 1.65	NA 1.68	NA 1.67	NA 1.67
4216 I	Electrical goods	1.63	1.60	1.66	1.56	1.55	1.55	1.48	1.48	1.48	1.48	1.46	1.45
	equip. & supplies	1.88 2.14	1.85 2.17	1.89 2.16	1.86 2.11	1.77	1.81 2.10	1.79 2.04	1.74 2.08	1.79 2.10	1.77 2.09	1.81	1.79 2.11
4219 I	Miscellaneous durable goods	1.25	1.38	1.34	1.38	2.06 1.36	1.41	1.35	1.43	1.51	1.48	2.11 1.48	1.46
422	Nondurable goods	0.98	0.99	1.00	0.99	0.98	1.01	1.01	1.01	1.01	1.00	1.01	1.04
4221 I 4222 I	Paper & paper products Drugs & druggists' sundries	1.11 1.69	1.08 1.65	1.10 1.70	1.10 1.68	1.09 1.67	1.09 1.67	1.09 1.72	1.10 1.72	1.08 1.72	1.06 1.67	1.01 1.68	1.07 1.73
4223	Apparel, piece goods, & notions	1.93	1.99	2.03	1.87	1.96	2.03	1.98	1.92	1.96	1.93	1.85	2.23 0.75
4225 I	Groceries & related products Farm product raw materials	0.73 0.93	0.77 0.93	0.76 0.96	0.76 0.98	0.75 0.93	0.72 1.06	0.72 1.12	0.73 1.11	0.73 1.05	0.74 1.01	0.75 1.10	1.03
4226	Chemicals & allied products Petroleum & petroleum products	1.13 0.40	1.09 0.38	1.15 0.38	1.15 0.38	1.19 0.37	1.20 0.40	1.23 0.40	1.26 0.40	1.24 0.39	1.29 0.38	1.24 0.39	1.24 0.40
	Beer, wine, & distilled alcoholic beverages	1.10	1.10	1.10	1.08	1.05	1.08	1.03	1.02	1.04	1.06	1.07	1.10
4229 I	Miscellaneous nondurable goods	1.18	1.21	1.26	1.25	1.16	1.22	1.21	1.20	1.26	1.21	1.19	1.21

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NAICS		1993												
code	Kind of business	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Total
	UNADJUSTED ²													
	Sales, total	138,122	135,456	156,575	151,526	150,551	154,825	149,582	155,649	155,383	157,105	153,004	152,212	1,809,990
421 4211	Durable goods	66,832	66,841	77,943	75,259	73,520	78,243	75,849	79,643	79,741	80,755	77,389	77,064	909,079
4212	supplies	11,289 2,128	11,568 2,183	13,221 2,525	13,297 2,553	13,105 2,521	12,828 2,572	13,222 2,434	12,859 2,703	12,723 2,673	13,425 2,694	12,606 2,505	12,389 2,372	152,532 29,863
4213 4214	Lumber & other construction materials	3,441	3,869	4,338	4,352	4,256	4,524	4,327	4,652	4,502	4,501	4,414	4,129	51,305
42143	supplies	11,915	11,847	13,330	12,465	11,363	13,139	12,705	13,386	14,113	13,929	13,019	13,996	155,207
4215	equip. & software	NA 6,326	NA 5,933	NA 7,124	NA 6,737	NA 6,690	NA 7,218	NA 6,386	NA 6,750	NA 6,722	NA 6,483	NA 6,047	NA 6,214	NA 78,630
4216 4217	Electrical goods	7,932	8,189	9,379	9,109	8,941	9,875	9,917	10,647	11,319	11,310	10,906	10,428	117,952
4218 4219	equip. & supplies	2,974 11,869 8,958	3,044 11,829 8,379	3,371 14,657 9,998	3,430 14,127 9,189	3,512 13,764 9,368	3,872 14,380 9,835	3,768 13,494 9,596	3,973 13,922 10,751	3,832 13,511 10,346	3,964 13,604 10,845	3,805 13,055 11,032	3,514 13,612 10,410	43,059 161,824 118,707
422	Nondurable goods	71,290	68,615	78,632	76,267	77,031	76,582	73,733	76,006	75,642	76,350	75,615	75,148	900,911
4221 4222	Paper & paper products Drugs & druggists' sundries	3,908 5,725	3,741 5,343	4,309 5,929	4,101 5,649	3,960 5,299	4,341 5,710	4,051 5,385	4,287 5,624	4,313 5,867	4,516 6,045	4,399 6,136	4,286 6,285	50,212 68,997
4223	Apparel, piece goods, & notions	4,776	5,084	5,672	4,969	4,431	5,530	5,415	6,494	6,721	6,523	5,922	4,145	65,682
4224 4225	Groceries & related products Farm product raw materials	23,057 8,802	21,215 7,987	24,407 9,270	23,896 8,106	24,520 8,606	24,267 7,667	24,182 7,252	23,597 7,694	23,688 7,254	23,356 8,088	23,642 8,095	23,877 9,218	283,704 98,039
4226 4227 4228	Chemicals & allied products Petroleum & petroleum products Beer, wine, & distilled alcoholic	3,129 10,439	3,251 10,231	3,680 11,394	3,426 11,297	3,414 11,113	3,584 10,404	3,191 10,156	3,325 10,738	3,367 10,497	3,154 11,133	3,240 10,529	3,126 9,797	39,887 127,728
4229	beverages	3,031 8,423	3,261 8,502	4,160 9,811	4,377 10,446	4,307 11,381	4,696 10,383	4,458 9,643	4,457 9,790	4,364 9,571	4,236 9,299	4,500 9,152	4,974 9,440	50,821 115,841
	Inventories, total	197,584	195,930	195,565	196,842	194,301	193,380	194,748	194,099	195,604	199,923	201,651	202,428	Х
421 4211	Durable goods	119,095	119,508	120,175	121,710	121,566	120,689	122,592	122,736	122,319	123,092	123,030	123,264	Х
4211 4212 4213	supplies	21,101 4,023	21,470 4,063	21,272 4,160	21,342 4,102	20,719 4,232	19,558 4,239	19,894 4,147	19,949 4,193	20,117 4,193	20,431 4,156	20,726 4,146	20,644 4,129	X
4214	materials	5,207	5,247	5,601	5,597	5,430	5,358	5,243	5,134	5,078	5,030	4,867	5,119	Х
42143	supplies	16,937	16,582	16,926	17,079	17,042	17,015	17,700	17,525	17,388	17,821	17,816	17,959	х
4215 4216	equip. & software	NA 10,314 14,296	NA 10,169 14,319	NA 10,374 14,423	NA 10,611 14,463	NA 10,473 14,814	NA 10,869 15,090	NA 10,945 15,367	NA 10,711 15,553	NA 10,783 15,501	NA 10,741 15,463	NA 10,449 15,332	NA 11,185 15,058	X X X
4217	Hardware, & plumbing & heating equip. & supplies	6,395	6,459	6,524	6,526	6,489	6,348	6,415	6,477	6,483	6,537	6,597	6,614	
4218 4219	Machinery, equipment, & supplies Miscellaneous durable goods	28,131 12,691	28,433 12,766	28,444 12,451	28,811 13,179	28,646 13,721	28,538 13,674	28,443 14,438	28,371 14,823	27,901 14,875	28,143 14,770	28,339 14,758	28,111 14,445	X X X
422 4221	Nondurable goods	78,489 4,695	76,422 4,439	75,390 4,560	75,132 4,589	72,735 4,412	72,691 4,519	72,156 4,494	71,363 4,430	73,285 4,477	76,831 4,504	78,621 4,386	79,164 4,756	X
4222	Drugs & druggists' sundries	10,496	9,846	9,537	9,415	8,895	9,122	9,470	9,327	9,810	9,982	10,089	10,663	ŷ
4223 4224	Apparel, piece goods, & notions Groceries & related products	10,709 17,950	10,163 17,622	10,080 17,453	9,612 18,107	10,309 17,693	11,226 17,194	11,034 16,812	11,076 16,567	11,769 17,189	11,091 18,030	10,719 18,205	11,429 17,969	ŝ
4225 4226	Farm product raw materials Chemicals & allied products	10,217 3,719	9,819 3,848	8,920 3,940	8,262 3,863	7,143 4,031	6,634 4,039	6,681 3,996	6,130 4,158	5,870 4,091	8,447 4,084	10,416 4,059	10,627 4,064	X X X X X X
4227 4228	Petroleum & petroleum products Beer, wine, & distilled alcoholic	4,207	4,082	3,965	4,059	4,066	4,095	4,129	4,356	4,291	4,300	4,162	3,757	
4229	beverages	4,302 12,194	4,370 12,233	4,476 12,459	4,636 12,589	4,421 11,765	4,438 11,424	4,468 11,072	4,340 10,979	4,646 11,142	4,984 11,409	4,835 11,750	4,312 11,587	X
421	Inventories/sales ratios, total . Durable goods	1.43 1.78	1.45 1.79	1.25 1.54	1.30 1.62	1.29 1.65	1.25 1.54	1.30 1.62	1.25 1.54	1.26 1.53	1.27 1.52	1.32 1.59	1.33 1.60	X X
4211	Motor vehicle & motor vehicle parts & supplies	1.87	1.86	1.61	1.61	1.58	1.52	1.50	1.55	1.58	1.52	1.64	1.67	
4212 4213	Furniture & home furnishings Lumber & other construction	1.89	1.86	1.65	1.61	1.68	1.65	1.70	1.55	1.57	1.54	1.66	1.74	X
4214	materials	1.51	1.36 1.40	1.29 1.27	1.29	1.28 1.50	1.18 1.29	1.21	1.10 1.31	1.13 1.23	1.12 1.28	1.10 1.37	1.24	X
42143	supplies	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA								
4215	Metals & minerals, ex. petroleum	1.63	1.71	1.46	1.58	1.57	1.51	1.71	1.59	1.60	1.66	1.73	1.80	X X X
4216 4217	Electrical goods	1.80	1.75	1.54	1.59	1.66	1.53	1.55	1.46	1.37	1.37	1.41	1.44	
4218	equip. & supplies	2.15 2.37	2.12 2.40	1.94 1.94	1.90 2.04	1.85 2.08	1.64 1.98	1.70 2.11	1.63 2.04	1.69 2.07	1.65 2.07	1.73 2.17	1.88 2.07	X X X
4219 422	Miscellaneous durable goods	1.42 1.10	1.52 1.11	1.25 0.96	1.43 0.99	1.46 0.94	1.39 0.95	1.50 0.98	1.38 0.94	1.44 0.97	1.36 1.01	1.34 1.04	1.39 1.05	X X
4221	Paper & paper products	1.20	1.19	1.06	1.12	1.11	1.04	1.11	1.03	1.04	1.00	1.00	1.11	
4222 4223	Drugs & druggists' sundries	1.83 2.24	1.84 2.00	1.61 1.78	1.67 1.93	1.68 2.33	1.60 2.03	1.76 2.04	1.66 1.71	1.67 1.75	1.65 1.70	1.64 1.81	1.70 2.76	X
4224 4225	Groceries & related products Farm product raw materials	0.78 1.16	0.83 1.23	0.72 0.96	0.76 1.02	0.72 0.83	0.71 0.87	0.70 0.92	0.70 0.80	0.73 0.81	0.77 1.04	0.77 1.29	0.75 1.15	X
4226 4227	Chemicals & allied products Petroleum & petroleum products	1.19 0.40	1.18 0.40	1.07 0.35	1.13	1.18 0.37	1.13 0.39	1.25 0.41	1.25 0.41	1.22 0.41	1.29 0.39	1.25 0.40	1.30 0.38	X X X X X
4228	Beer, wine, & distilled alcoholic beverages	1.42	1.34	1.08	1.06	1.03	0.95	1.00	0.97	1.06	1.18	1.07	0.87	X
4229	Miscellaneous nondurable goods	1.45	1.44	1.27	1.21	1.03	1.10	1.15	1.12	1.16	1.23	1.28	1.23	Х

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NAICS	15.1.11	1992											
code	Kind of business	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
	ADJUSTED ¹												
	Sales, total	140,555	141,037	142,205	142,469	141,139	143,070	146,114	144,479	146,259	146,181	146,552	145,554
421	Durable goods	65,818	67,136	67,852	68,754	67,528	69,401	70,242	69,588	69,957	70,303	71,747	71,356
4211 4212	supplies	12,020 2,329	12,162 2,326	12,296 2,331	12,146 2,372	12,193 2,343	12,615 2,396	12,468 2,306	12,497 2,313	12,649 2,365	12,809 2,331	12,787 2,542	12,457 2,465
4213	Lumber & other construction materials	3,630	3,736	3,726	3,816	3,826	3,862	3,821	3,835	3,917	3,858	3,855	3,772
4214	Professional & commercial equip. & supplies	10,362	10,530	10,595	11,506	10,954	10,939	11,272	11,100	11,036	11,254	11,674	11,692
42143	Computer & computer peripheral equip. & software	NA											
4215 4216	Metals & minerals, ex. petroleum Electrical goods	6,218 8,159	6,309 8,157	6,355 8,036	6,213 8,015	6,298 7,875	6,328 8,035	6,460 8,227	6,692 8,099	6,391 8,035	6,159 8,104	6,553 8,533	6,555 8,632
4217	Hardware, & plumbing & heating equip. & supplies	3,412	3,408	3,362	3,554	3,435	3,469	3,470	3,378	3,413	3,412	3,468	3,456
4218 4219	Machinery, equipment, & supplies Miscellaneous durable goods	11,285 8,403	11,577 8,931	12,255 8,896	12,285 8,847	11,965 8,639	12,360 9,397	12,061 10,157	12,367 9,307	12,667 9,484	12,934 9,442	12,682 9,653	12,538 9,789
422 4221	Nondurable goods	74,737 4.046	73,901 3.979	74,353 4,015	73,715 3,998	73,611 3.970	73,669 3,918	75,872 4,151	74,891 3,935	76,302 3.908	75,878 3,977	74,805 3.983	74,198 4,078
4222 4223	Drugs & druggists' sundries	5,491	5,473	5,515 5,105	5,444	5,518	5,653	5,616	5,562 5,443	5,512	5,661	5,585	5,735 5,401
4224	Apparel, piece goods, & notions Groceries & related products	5,278 22,849	5,215 23,062	23,047	4,860 22,925	5,084 22,511	4,769 22,342	5,229 23,035	22,690	5,180 22,942	5,456 22,752	5,330 22,763	23,010
4225 4226	Farm product raw materials Chemicals & allied products	8,633 3,138	8,600 3,147	8,810 3,197	8,558 3,140	8,659 3,230	8,487 3,312	9,030 3,358	9,024 3,354	9,894 3,348	8,916 3,338	8,793 3,120	8,583 3,346
4227 4228	Petroleum & petroleum products Beer, wine, & distilled alcoholic	11,111 4,302	10,835	11,040	11,093	11,287	11,899	11,977	11,595	11,718	12,121	11,449	11,087
4229	beverages	9,889	4,323 9,267	4,199 9,425	4,397 9,300	4,159 9,193	4,091 9,198	4,109 9,367	4,116 9,172	4,093 9,707	4,095 9,562	4,169 9,613	4,169 8,789
40.4	Inventories, total	184,846	185,861	187,080	186,363	185,594	189,314	188,381	189,020	189,690	189,876	191,537	193,056
421 4211	Durable goods	113,944	114,338	114,688	114,467	114,293	116,437	115,553	116,691	117,319	117,248	118,349	119,334
4212	supplies	19,942 3,992	20,173 4,036	20,438 4,001	20,019 4,208	19,929 4,075	19,976 4,050	19,932 4,045	20,110 3,980	20,716 3,975	20,868 3,976	21,097 4,051	21,380 4,130
4213 4214	Lumber & other construction materials	4,614	4,507	4,539	4,810	4,686	4,723	4,815	4,814	4,833	4,928	4,903	4,982
42143	supplies	16,674	16,649	16,121	16,148	16,357	16,873	16,357	16,754	16,870	16,272	16,689	16,720
4215	equip. & software	NA 9,985	NA 10,226	NA 10,189	NA 10,199	NA 10,225	NA 10,267	NA 10,089	NA 10,078	NA 10,193	NA 10,277	NA 10,243	NA 10,227
4216 4217	Electrical goods	13,617	13,530	13,523	13,738	13,578	13,656	13,710	13,692	13,747	14,414	14,165	14,451
4218	equip. & supplies	6,553 26,496	6,573 26,339	6,546 26,769	6,614 26,976	6,677 26,686	6,624 27,386	6,697 27,486	6,699 27,772	6,564 27,641	6,524 27,215	6,422 27,913	6,334 28,224
4219 422	Miscellaneous durable goods	12,071 70,902	12,305 71,523	12,562 72,392	11,755 71,896	12,080 71,301	12,882 72,877	12,422 72,828	12,792 72,329	12,780 72,371	12,774 72,628	12,866 73,188	12,886 73,722
4221	Paper & paper products	4,099	4,192	4,289	4,309	4,346	4,439	4,450	4,488	4,606	4,629	4,591	4,520
4222 4223	Drugs & druggists' sundries Apparel, piece goods, & notions	8,317 9,700	8,451 9,885	8,440 10,321	8,469 10,217	8,372 10,215	8,721 10,474	8,716 10,433	8,718 10,187	8,856 10,239	8,990 10,292	8,729 10,263	9,249 10,432
4224 4225	Groceries & related products Farm product raw materials	17,106 8,313	17,245 8,424	17,378 8,440	17,668 8,233	17,791 8,166	17,946 7,898	17,940 7,613	17,870 7,528	17,665 7,700	17,546 7,589	17,887 7,480	17,907 7,537
4226 4227	Chemicals & allied products Petroleum & petroleum products	3,452 4,060	3,523 4,007	3,628 4,019	3,700 3,914	3,629 3,908	3,734 4,047	3,818 4,013	3,726 3,973	3,566 4,060	3,579 4,138	3,742 4,153	3,661 4,127
4228	Beer, wine, & distilled alcoholic beverages	4,783	4,706	4,861	4,651	4,638	4,728	4,719	4,733	4,584	4,593	4,655	4,525
4229	Miscellaneous nondurable goods	11,072	11,090	11,016	10,735	10,236	10,890	11,126	11,106	11,095	11,272	11,688	11,764 1.33
421	Inventories/sales ratios, total . Durable goods	1.32 1.73	1.32 1.70	1.32 1.69	1.31 1.66	1.31 1.69	1.32 1.68	1.29 1.65	1.31 1.68	1.30 1.68	1.30 1.67	1.31 1.65	1.67
4211	Motor vehicle & motor vehicle parts & supplies	1.66	1.66	1.66	1.65	1.63	1.58	1.60	1.61	1.64	1.63	1.65	1.72
4212 4213	Furniture & home furnishings Lumber & other construction	1.71	1.74	1.72	1.77	1.74	1.69	1.75	1.72	1.68	1.71	1.59	1.68
4214	materials	1.27	1.21	1.22	1.26	1.22	1.22	1.26 1.45	1.26	1.23	1.28 1.45	1.27	1.32
42143	supplies	1.61 NA	1.58 NA	1.52 NA	1.40 NA	1.49 NA	1.54 NA	1.45 NA	1.51 NA	1.53 NA	1.45 NA	1.43 NA	1.43 NA
4215	Metals & minerals, ex. petroleum	1.61	1.62	1.60	1.64	1.62	1.62	1.56	1.51	1.59	1.67	1.56	1.56
4216 4217	Electrical goods	1.67	1.66	1.68	1.71	1.72	1.70	1.67	1.69	1.71	1.78	1.66	1.67
4218	equip. & supplies	1.92 2.35	1.93 2.28	1.95 2.18	1.86 2.20	1.94 2.23	1.91 2.22	1.93 2.28	2.25	1.92 2.18	1.91 2.10	1.85 2.20	1.83 2.25
4219 422	Miscellaneous durable goods	1.44 0.95	1.38 0.97	1.41 0.97	1.33 0.98	1.40 0.97	1.37 0.99	1.22 0.96	1.37 0.97	1.35 0.95	1.35 0.96	1.33 0.98	1.32 0.99
4221	Paper & paper products	1.01	1.05	1.07	1.08	1.09	1.13	1.07	1.14	1.18	1.16	1.15	1.11
4222 4223	Drugs & druggists' sundries	1.51 1.84	1.54 1.90	1.53 2.02	1.56 2.10	1.52 2.01	1.54 2.20	1.55 2.00	1.57 1.87	1.61 1.98	1.59 1.89	1.56 1.93	1.61 1.93
4224 4225	Groceries & related products Farm product raw materials	0.75 0.96	0.75 0.98	0.75 0.96	0.77 0.96	0.79 0.94	0.80 0.93	0.78 0.84	0.79 0.83	0.77 0.78	0.77 0.85	0.79 0.85	0.78 0.88
4226 4227	Chemicals & allied products Petroleum & petroleum products	1.10 0.37	1.12 0.37	1.13 0.36	1.18 0.35	1.12	1.13 0.34	1.14	1.11	1.07 0.35	1.07 0.34	1.20 0.36	1.09 0.37
4228	Beer, wine, & distilled alcoholic beverages	1.11	1.09	1.16	1.06	1.12	1.16	1.15	1.15	1.12	1.12	1.12	1.09
4229	Miscellaneous nondurable goods	1.12	1.20	1.17	1.15	1.11	1.18	1.19	1.21	1.14	1.18	1.22	1.34

[Sales and inventory estimates are shown in millions of dollars. Estimates are based on data from the Monthly Wholesale Trade Survey, Annual Wholesale Trade Survey, and administrative records. Except for NAICS code 4225, estimates have been adjusted using results of the 1997 Economic Census]

NAICS	W. 1 (1)	1992												
code	Kind of business	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Total
	UNADJUSTED ²													
	Sales, total	136,122	130,247	147,671	143,975	138,904	147,825	147,729	144,152	148,933	155,068	142,675	148,322	1,731,623
421 4211	Motor vehicle & motor vehicle parts &	62,262	61,348	71,291	68,969	65,474	72,649	70,742	69,926	72,644	75,741	69,689	72,072	832,807
4212 4213	supplies	10,938 2,105	11,347 2,070	13,501 2,464	12,608 2,396	12,278 2,268	13,019 2,456	12,830 2,246	11,985 2,368	12,345 2,509	13,578 2,580	12,339 2,572	12,818 2,477	149,586 28,511
4214	als	3,220	3,194	3,715	3,919	3,952	4,194	4,100	4,077	4,156	4,205	3,635	3,474	45,841
42143	supplies	10,662	9,740	11,040	11,287	9,902	11,169	11,407	11,022	11,720	11,986	11,032	12,546	133,513
4215 4216 4217	equip. & software	NA 6,237 7,702	NA 5,899 7,570	NA 6,882 8,173	NA 6,381 7,783	NA 6,392 7,387	NA 6,790 8,252	NA 6,421 8,309	NA 6,679 8,261	NA 6,608 8,734	NA 6,331 8,939	NA 5,937 8,567	NA 6,188 8,503	NA 76,745 98,180
4218 4219	equip. & supplies Machinery, equipment, & supplies Miscellaneous durable goods	3,078 10,732 7,588	3,009 10,570 7,949	3,231 13,309 8,976	3,465 12,752 8,378	3,380 11,881 8,034	3,823 13,361 9,585	3,748 12,001 9,680	3,500 12,243 9,791	3,659 12,756 10,157	3,743 13,568 10,811	3,440 11,655 10,512	3,269 12,714 10,083	41,345 147,542 111,544
422 4221	Nondurable goods Paper & paper products	73,860 4.151	68,899 3,657	76,380 4,103	75,006 4.010	73,430 3,823	75,176 4,036	76,987 4,209	74,226 3,931	76,289 3,998	79,327 4,295	72,986 3,899	76,250 4,017	898,816 48,129
4222 4223 4224 4225 4226 4227 4228	Drugs & druggists' sundries Apparel, piece goods, & notions Groceries & related products Farm product raw materials Chemicals & allied products Petroleum & petroleum products Beer, wine, & distilled alcoholic bev-	5,897 4,982 22,506 9,557 3,116 11,322	5,112 5,236 21,494 8,308 3,012 10,217	5,620 5,570 23,277 9,576 3,376 11,139	5,406 4,525 23,154 8,455 3,218 11,193	5,170 4,098 22,804 8,460 3,340 11,310	5,693 4,745 22,632 8,037 3,564 11,887	5,616 5,360 23,703 8,515 3,368 12,205	5,217 6,096 22,645 8,365 3,331 11,479	5,622 5,941 22,942 9,290 3,408 11,566	6,040 6,356 23,412 9,397 3,328 12,630	5,540 5,159 22,513 8,617 2,920 11,254	6,136 4,591 23,746 9,647 3,189 11,331	67,069 62,659 274,828 106,224 39,170 137,533
4229	erages	3,459 8,870	3,458 8,405	4,002 9,717	4,564 10,481	4,221 10,204	4,529 10,053	4,466 9,545	4,137 9,025	4,126 9,396	4,259 9,610	4,240 8,844	4,936 8,657	50,397 112,807
	Inventories, total	188,677	188,492	187,676	187,136	184,250	186,766	187,042	185,313	186,336	191,393	193,585	194,199	х
421 4211	Durable goods	113,870	114,490	114,124	115,111	115,172	116,277	116,809	116,965	116,779	117,208	117,923	117,827	Х
4212 4213	supplies Furniture & home furnishings Lumber & other construction materials	20,201 3,928 4,646	20,960 3,996 4,548	20,642 3,997 4,784	20,459 4,174 4,906	20,068 4,144 4,817	19,576 4,107 4,822	19,533 4,077 4,844	19,306 4,044 4,732	20,385 4,031 4,712	20,972 3,952 4,726	21,540 4,006 4,697	20,952 4,060 4,877	X X
4214	Professional & commercial equip. & supplies	16,991	16,549	15,960	16,148	16,275	16,654	16,700	16,754	16,600	16,418	16,689	16,737	X
42143	Computer & computer peripheral equip. & software	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	
4215 4216 4217	Metals & minerals, ex. petroleum Electrical goods Hardware, & plumbing & heating equip. & supplies	10,045 13,535 6,442	10,114 13,449 6,573	10,209 13,131 6,579	10,270 13,573 6,680	10,194 13,578 6,817	10,452 13,806 6,578	10,230 14,135 6,730	10,018 14,075 6,779	10,162 13,898 6,603	10,195 14,313 6,485	9,915 14,052 6,306	10,380 14,234 6,264	X X X
4218 4219	Machinery, equipment, & supplies Miscellaneous durable goods	26,337 11,745	26,365 11,936	26,876 11,946	27,381 11,520	27,006 12,273	27,413 12,869	27,678 12,882	27,966 13,291	27,199 13,189	27,079 13,068	27,801 12,917	27,772 12,551	X X X
422 4221	Nondurable goods Paper & paper products	74,807 4.271	74,002 4,175	73,552 4,366	72,025 4,382	69,078 4,229	70,489 4,430	70,233 4.419	68,348 4.349	69,557 4,551	74,185 4,601	75,662 4,554	76,372 4,606	X X
4222 4223 4224 4225 4226 4227	Drugs & druggists' sundries Apparel, piece goods, & notions Groceries & related products Farm product raw materials Chemicals & allied products Petroleum & petroleum products	9,007 10,010 17,209 10,865 3,386 3,983	8,789 9,796 16,917 10,597 3,565 3,895	8,389 10,156 17,030 9,605 3,697 3,842	8,401 9,645 17,491 8,389 3,719 3,808	7,845 9,755 17,631 7,137 3,702 3,842	8,363 10,725 17,784 6,121 3,797 4,002	8,568 10,704 17,581 5,702 3,791 4,061	8,308 10,421 17,155 5,172 3,812 4,112	8,741 10,495 17,718 5,475 3,505 4,178	9,170 10,271 18,336 7,968 3,479 4,287	8,834 9,945 18,656 9,006 3,697 4,249	9,647 10,714 18,462 9,271 3,610 4,168	X X X X X
4228 4229	Beer, wine, & distilled alcoholic beverages	4,539 11,537	4,546 11,722	4,735 11,732	4,693 11,497	4,568 10,369	4,671 10,596	4,771 10,636	4,724 10,295	4,731 10,163	5,038 11,035	4,986 11,735	4,177 11,717	X
	Inventories/sales ratios, total .	1.39	1.45	1.27	1.30	1.33	1.26	1.27	1.29	1.25	1.23	1.36	1.31	X
421 4211	Durable goods	1.83	1.87	1.60	1.67	1.76	1.60	1.65	1.67	1.61	1.55	1.69	1.63	х
4212 4213	supplies	1.85 1.87	1.85 1.93	1.53 1.62	1.62 1.74	1.63 1.83	1.50 1.67	1.52 1.82	1.61 1.71	1.65 1.61	1.54 1.53	1.75 1.56	1.63 1.64	X
4213	Lumber & other construction materials	1.44	1.42	1.29	1.25	1.22	1.15	1.18	1.16	1.13	1.12	1.29	1.40	Х
42143	supplies	1.59	1.70	1.45	1.43	1.64	1.49	1.46	1.52	1.42	1.37	1.51	1.33	Х
4215 4216 4217	equip. & software	NA 1.61 1.76	NA 1.71 1.78	NA 1.48 1.61	NA 1.61 1.74	NA 1.59 1.84	NA 1.54 1.67	NA 1.59 1.70	NA 1.50 1.70	NA 1.54 1.59	NA 1.61 1.60	NA 1.67 1.64	NA 1.68 1.67	X X X
4218	equip. & supplies	2.09 2.45	2.18 2.49	2.04 2.02	1.93 2.15	2.02 2.27	1.72 2.05	1.80 2.31	1.94 2.28	1.80 2.13	1.73 2.00	1.83 2.39	1.92 2.18	X X X
4219 422	Miscellaneous durable goods	1.55 1.01	1.50 1.07	1.33 0.96	1.38 0.96	1.53 0.94	1.34 0.94	1.33 0.91	1.36 0.92	1.30 0.91	1.21 0.94	1.23 1.04	1.24 1.00	X X
4221 4222	Paper & paper products	1.03 1.53	1.14 1.72	1.06 1.49	1.09	1.11 1.52	1.10 1.47	1.05	1.11 1.59	1.14	1.07 1.52	1.17 1.59	1.15 1.57	
4223 4224	Drugs & druggists' sundries Apparel, piece goods, & notions Groceries & related products	2.01 0.76	1.72 1.87 0.79	1.82 0.73	1.55 2.13 0.76	2.38 0.77	2.26 0.79	1.53 2.00 0.74	1.71 0.76	1.55 1.77 0.77	1.62 0.78	1.93 1.93 0.83	2.33 0.78	X X X X X
4225 4226	Farm product raw materials Chemicals & allied products	1.14 1.09	1.28 1.18	1.00 1.10	0.99 1.16	0.84 1.11	0.76 1.07	0.67 1.13	0.62 1.14	0.59 1.03	0.85 1.05	1.05 1.27	0.96 1.13	X
4227 4228	Petroleum & petroleum products Beer, wine, & distilled alcoholic bev-	0.35	0.38	0.34	0.34	0.34	0.34	0.33	0.36	0.36	0.34	0.38	0.37	
4229	erages	1.31 1.30	1.31 1.39	1.18 1.21	1.03 1.10	1.08 1.02	1.03 1.05	1.07 1.11	1.14 1.14	1.15 1.08	1.18 1.15	1.18 1.33	0.85 1.35	X

PPreliminary estimates. (NA) Not available. (X) Cumulative estimates are not applicable for inventories or inventories/sales ratios.

Estimates are adjusted for seasonal variations and, in the case of sales, also for trading-day differences. Cumulative seasonally adjusted sales estimates are not tabulated. Estimates are not adjusted for seasonal variations or trading-day differences.

Note: Estimates have not been adjusted for price changes. Tables 3 and 4 provide measures of sampling variability of estimated monthly and annual totals, respectively. The introduction and appendixes give information on confidentiality protection, sampling error, nonsampling error, sample design, and definitions. Links to this information on the Internet may be found at www.census.gov/svsd/www/whitable.html.

Table 2. Estimated Annual Purchases, Gross Margins and Gross Margins as a Percent of Sales for Merchant Wholesalers by Kind of Business: 1993 through 2002

[Purchases and gross margins estimates are shown in millions of dollars. Estimates are based on data from the Annual Wholesale Trade Survey and administrative records. Except for NAICS code 4225, estimates have been adjusted using results of the 1997 Economic Census]

NAICS code	Kind of business	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002
421	Purchases, total	1,454,639 702,455	1,552,452 780,580	1,684,737 851,768	1,783,255 886,539	1,870,696 946,388	1,904,330 979,757	2,030,167 1,047,406	2,201,353 1,097,217	2,151,205 1,023,140	2,182,758 1,009,855
4211 4212 4213	Motor vehicle & motor vehicle parts & supplies	125,192 21,165	133,786 22,452	130,452 24,581	132,055 25,702	132,315 27,747	137,190 29,191	156,279 30,718	157,565 33,226	162,048 31,180	170,046 30,404
4214	materials	41,952	46,389	45,292	48,154	50,364	52,215	58,778	58,203	59,684	63,444
42143	supplies	115,919	127,968	154,635	169,044	184,485	198,258	214,433	209,961	189,060	184,500
4215 4216 4217	equip. & software . Metals & minerals, ex. petroleum Electrical goods	NA 63,313 90,456	NA 72,445 109,026	NA 75,099 128,655	NA 75,380 131,385	118,562 81,121 142,142	127,204 79,174 145,893	136,557 76,190 162,285	127,238 81,951 187,331	100,882 73,052 163,877	91,552 70,663 157,420
4218 4219 422	equip. & supplies Machinery, equipment, & supplies Miscellaneous durable goods Nondurable goods	31,691 118,761 94,006 752,184	36,819 129,238 102,457 771,872	38,739 142,032 112,283 832,969	40,613 153,130 111,076 896,716	43,249 165,740 119,225 924,308	45,568 179,124 113,144 924,573	47,728 180,961 120,034 982,761	50,400 185,940 132,640 1,104,136	46,680 176,158 121,401 1,128,065	47,891 161,557 123,930 1,172,903
4221 4222 4223 4224 4225 4226 4227 4228	Paper & paper products Drugs & druggists' sundries Apparel, piece goods, & notions Groceries & related products Farm product raw materials Chemicals & allied products Petroleum & petroleum products Beer, wine, & distilled alcoholic	37,668 62,018 47,855 239,874 89,229 30,692 115,402	42,331 67,145 49,890 244,903 89,065 33,675 112,611	51,692 73,828 48,738 258,072 105,914 38,700 113,930	50,675 82,896 52,204 264,979 122,086 40,798 129,948	52,082 94,006 59,510 277,468 115,331 42,607 126,159	54,772 108,696 59,850 291,173 99,757 41,482 104,592	58,572 127,712 59,197 303,950 93,782 41,321 121,962	63,186 148,375 61,901 323,014 99,374 44,417 171,144	60,366 326,008 99,071 44,376 164,915	59,892 62,993 335,310 102,591 44,316 166,156
4229	beverages	38,633 90,813	40,039 92,213	39,862 102,233	42,445 110,685	44,317 112,828	46,702 117,549	50,589 125,676	53,305 139,420	55,461 140,066	58,802 137,495
421	Gross margins, total	363,580 212,061	397,983 236,238	446,254 266,546	458,864 272,992	481,500 288,765	488,384 295,742	526,152 315,965	559,911 333,317	537,280 305,211	560,952 322,213
4211 4212 4213	Motor vehicle & motor vehicle parts & supplies Furniture & home furnishings Lumber & other construction	27,032 8,767	29,811 8,997	32,810 10,378	33,149 10,890	35,132 11,382	36,622 11,427	41,953 12,364	42,989 14,015	41,538 13,197	46,726 13,227
4214	material survey of the construction materials	9,595	9,988	9,773	11,203	11,362	11,201	13,186	12,936	13,951	14,723
42143	supplies	40,510	40,308	46,143	51,931	55,795	54,533	60,719	59,512	58,380	64,771
4215 4216 4217	equip. & software Metals & minerals, ex. petroleum Electrical goods Hardware, & plumbing & heating	NA 16,122 28,320	NA 18,110 34,863	NA 19,669 42,646	NA 19,575 39,512	NA 20,263 40,558	22,472 18,666 42,484	24,036 18,621 49,049	21,719 21,308 56,350	19,565 18,304 43,988	21,419 19,645 45,672
4218 4219	equip. & supplies	11,718 43,402 26,595	13,492 48,453 32,216	13,416 53,385 38,326	14,193 55,325 37,214	14,171 62,450 37,652	15,582 69,403 35,824	15,999 65,780 38,294	17,686 67,179 41,342	17,601 62,212 36,040	18,081 59,240 40,128
422	Nondurable goods	151,519	161,745	179,708	185,872	192,735	192,642	210,187	226,594	232,069	238,739
4221 4222 4223 4224 4225 4226 4227	Paper & paper products Drugs & druggists' sundries Apparel, piece goods, & notions Groceries & related products Farm product raw materials Chemicals & allied products Petroleum & petroleum products Beer, wine, & distilled alcoholic	12,694 7,995 18,542 43,337 10,166 9,649 11,915	13,280 9,618 19,367 45,281 10,845 9,978 13,540	14,833 9,542 18,407 51,330 16,009 12,032 12,469	14,083 12,785 21,250 52,618 12,655 13,077 14,014	15,050 14,995 26,386 53,527 10,600 13,694 12,790	15,217 17,866 24,355 53,455 8,241 13,840 11,183	16,552 22,064 24,933 60,059 7,827 14,172 13,481	18,277 24,483 26,354 61,482 8,891 14,500 17,195	16,010 29,993 27,306 62,912 9,052 15,316 15,484	16,742 29,087 27,929 68,546 8,399 16,314 15,577
4228 4229	beer, whe, & distilled alcoholic beverages	12,323 24,898	12,089 27,747	12,759 32,327	13,834 31,556	14,380 31,313	15,431 33,054	17,244 33,855	18,664 36,748	19,547 36,449	21,621 34,524
421	Gross margins/sales ratio, total	20.09 23.33	20.58 23.53	21.10 24.08	20.49 23.60	20.63 23.60	20.52 23.36	20.72 23.35	20.41 23.45	19.89 22.68	20.46 24.15
4211 4212	Motor vehicle & motor vehicle parts & supplies	17.72 29.36	18.25 28.75	20.15 29.91	20.00 29.81	21.08 29.19	21.14 28.27	21.43 28.89	21.55 29.99	20.20 29.42	21.69 30.33
4212 4213	Lumber & other construction materials	18.70	17.84	17.71	18.96	18.53	17.59	18.50	18.25	18.95	18.90
4214	Professional & commercial equip. &	26.10	24.37	23.31	23.58	23.52	21.46	22.17	22.05	23.25	25.97
42143 4215 4216	supplies Computer & computer peripheral equip. & software Metals & minerals, ex. petroleum Electrical goods	NA 20.50 24.01	NA 20.32 24.68	NA 20.67 25.40	NA 20.72 23.04	NA 20.15 22.24	14.90 19.22 22.75	14.98 19.64 23.54	14.40 20.74 23.44	15.86 19.73 20.66	18.86 21.87 22.35
4217 4218 4219	Hardware, & plumbing & heating equip. & supplies	27.21 26.82 22.40	27.41 27.78 24.04	25.81 27.91 25.57	26.15 26.78 25.11	24.75 27.90 24.19	25.82 28.62 24.26	25.22 26.80 24.34	26.35 26.65 24.02	27.19 25.83 22.61	27.36 26.53 24.44
422	Nondurable goods	16.82	17.40	17.83	17.16	17.35	17.29	17.71	17.14	17.12	16.95
4221 4222 4223 4224 4225 4226 4227	Paper & paper products Drugs & druggists' sundries Apparel, piece goods, & notions Groceries & related products Farm product raw materials Chemicals & allied products Petroleum & petroleum products	25.28 11.59 28.23 15.28 10.37 24.19 9.33	23.96 12.59 28.26 15.62 10.94 23.05 10.80	22.45 11.40 27.23 16.61 13.39 23.94 9.86	21.72 13.55 29.06 16.56 9.20 24.40 9.77	22.63 13.96 31.28 16.21 8.46 24.43 9.17	21.76 14.34 28.93 15.52 7.63 25.13 9.61	22.10 15.06 29.32 16.59 7.68 25.64 9.98	22.69 14.53 29.86 16.02 8.31 24.56 9.16	20.75 14.93 31.11 16.14 8.38 25.68 8.57	21.82 12.47 30.67 17.02 7.55 26.99 8.60
4228 4229	Beer, wine, & distilled alcoholic beverages	24.25 21.49	23.24 23.24	24.31 24.37	24.73 22.14	24.66 21.87	24.96 22.09	25.56 21.38	26.08 20.93	26.01 20.64	27.11 20.08

(NA) Not available.

Note: Estimates have not been adjusted for price changes. Table 4 provides estimated measures of sampling variability. The introduction and appendixes give information on confidentiality protection, sampling error, nonsampling error, sample design, and definitions. Links to this information on the Internet may be found at www.census.gov/svsd/www/whltable.html.

Table 3. Estimated Coefficients of Variation of Monthly Sales and End-of-Month Inventories

[Estimates are shown as percents. Estimates are based on data from the Monthly Wholesale Trade Survey and administrative records.]

NAICS	Kind of Business	Sa	les	Inventories	
CODE	5. 240665	Range	Median	Range	Median
	Merchant Wholesalers, total	1.1-1.4		1.5-1.7	1.6
421	Durable goods	1.1-1.8	1.3	1.4-1.9	1.5
4211	Motor Vehicle and Motor Vehicle Parts and Supplies	2.3-4.2	3.4	3.9-4.9	4.4
4212	Furniture and Home Furnishings	4.2-7.4	5.4	6.5-8.5	7.4
4213	Lumber & Other Construction Materials	4.0-5.5	5.0	5.2-6.9	6.2
4214	Professional and Commercial Equipment and Supplies	4.5-6.0	4.9	5.7-7.0	6.6
42143	Computer and Computer Peripheral Equipment and Software	7.5-9.8	8.2	6.5-8.9	7.4
4215	Metals and Minerals, ex. Petroleum		6.9	8.7-10.8	9.8
4216	Electrical Goods		3.5	4.5-5.5	4.9
4217	Hardware, and Plumbing and Heating Equipment and Supplies	7.3-8.8	7.9	10.4-11.3	10.8
4218	Machinery, Equipment, and Supplies	3.2-5.0	3.9	3.0-3.4	3.2
4219	Miscellaneous Durable Goods	3.6-5.7	4.6	6.9-8.2	7.5
422	Nondurable goods	1.4-2.1	1.9	2.2-2.8	2.5
4221	Paper and Paper Products	4.0-5.1	4.4	3.1-3.9	3.6
4222	Drugs and Druggists' Sundries		5.7	5.3-5.7	5.5
4223	Apparel, Piece Goods, and Notions	4.0-6.2	5.0	4.3-5.5	4.9
4224	Groceries and Related Products		3.8	5.7-9.5	6.6
4225	Farm Product Raw Materials	4.8-8.3	6.7	7.2-12.5	10.0
4226	Chemicals and Allied Products		5.1	6.9-7.7	7.1
4227	Petroleum and Petroleum Products	5.5-7.3	6.8	5.4-11.0	7.5
4228	Beer, Wine, and Distilled Alcoholic Beverages	3.6-4.3	4.0	4.5-5.7	5.2
4229	Miscellaneous Nondurable Goods		7.8	7.5-9.1	8.2

Note: The estimated coefficients of variation are based on estimates unadjusted for seasonal variation or trading-day differences. The ranges and medians were computed using the latest monthly estimates for January 2003 Through December 2003. The introduction and appendixes give information on confidentiality protection, sampling error, nonsampling error, sample design, and definitions. Links to this information on the Internet may be found at www.census.gov/svsd/www/mwts.html

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Table 4. Estimated Coefficients of Variation of Annual Sales, End-of-Year Inventories, Purchases, Gross Margins, and Gross Margin/Sales Ratios

[Estimates are shown as percents. Estimates are based on data from the 2002 Annual Wholesale Trade Survey and administrative records.]

NAICS	Kind of Business					Gross margin/
CODE	Killu of busilless	Sales	Inventories	Purchases	Gross margin	sales ratios
	Merchant Wholesalers, total	1.1	1.4	1.2	1.4	0.8
421	Durable goods	1.6	1.9	1.8	1.7	1.0
4211	Motor Vehicle and Motor Vehicle Parts and Supplies	3.3	2.4	3.7	2.3	1.9
4212	Furniture and Home Furnishings	4.1	6.1	4.0	5.6	2.4
4213	Lumber & Other Construction Materials	7.2	4.8	8.5	4.7	4.7
	Professional and Commercial Equipment and Supplies	4.6	6.9	5.1	4.7	3.3
42143	Computer and Computer Peripheral Equipment and Software.	7.2	8.8	7.5	8.4	6.4
	Metals and Minerals, ex. Petroleum	4.0	5.5	4.5	5.9	4.5
4216	Electrical Goods	4.2	3.8	4.3	5.3	2.4
4217	Hardware, and Plumbing and Heating Equipment and Supplies.	1.8	4.9	2.0	2.9	2.4
4218	Machinery, Equipment, and Supplies	3.2	3.8	3.6	3.2	2.2
4219	Miscellaneous Durable Goods	4.3	5.0	4.7	6.0	4.4
422	Nondurable goods	1.0	1.6	0.9	2.2	1.4
4221	Paper and Paper Products	2.4	3.0	2.7	3.0	2.5
	Drugs and Druggists' Sundries	3.0	3.1	2.8	6.2	4.8
4223	Apparel, Piece Goods, and Notions	4.4	3.9	4.6	4.9	2.7
4224	Groceries and Related Products	2.7	3.7	2.3	6.4	4.2
4225	Farm Product Raw Materials	4.3	6.7	4.3	7.9	7.0
4226	Chemicals and Allied Products	4.1	4.6	4.5	5.7	3.9
4227	Petroleum and Petroleum Products	4.3	4.5	4.1	7.5	4.1
4228	Beer, Wine, and Distilled Alcoholic Beverages	2.7	3.5	2.8	3.3	1.5
4229	Miscellaneous Nondurable Goods	5.1	6.4	5.4	4.9	3.4

Note: The introduction and appendixes give information on confidentiality protection, sampling error, nonsampling error, sample design, and definitions.

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APPENDIX A Explanatory Material

SAMPLE DESIGN AND ESTIMATION PROCEDURES

New samples were introduced with the 1999 Annual Wholesale Trade Survey (AWTS) and with the March 2001 Monthly Wholesale Trade Survey (MWTS). The new samples were designed to produce estimates based on the North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) and replace samples designed to produce estimates based on the Standard Industrial Classification (SIC) system. This section describes the design, selection, and estimation procedures for the new samples. For descriptions of the prior samples see the *Annual Benchmark Report for Wholesale Trade for January 1990 to February 2000* or prior benchmark reports.

Sampling Frame

The same sampling frame was used for the Monthly Wholesale Trade Survey (MWTS) and the Annual Wholesale Trade Survey (AWTS). The sampling frame has two types of sampling units represented -- Employer Identification Numbers (EINs) and large, multiple-establishment firms. Both sampling units represent clusters of one or more establishments owned or controlled by the same firm. The information used to create these sampling units was extracted from data collected as part of the 1997 Economic Census and from establishment records contained on the Census Bureau's Business Register as updated to June 1999. The next few paragraphs give details about the Business Register; the distinction between firms, EINs, and establishments; and the construction of the sampling units. Though important, they are not essential to understanding the basic sample design and readers may continue to the **Stratification, Sampling Rates, and Allocation** section.

The Business Register is a multi-relational database that contains a record for each known establishment that is located in the United States or one of its territories and has employees. An *establishment* is a single physical location where business transactions take place and for which payroll and employment records are kept. Groups of one or more establishments under common ownership or control are *firms*. A *singleunit* firm owns or operates only one establishment. A *multiunit* firm owns or operates two or more establishments. The treatment of establishments on the Business Register differs according to whether the establishment is part of a *singleunit* or *multiunit* firm. In particular, the structure of an establishment's primary identifier on the Business Register differs depending on whether it is owned by a *singleunit* firm or by a *multiunit* firm.

A *singleunit* firm's primary identifier is its Employer Identification Number (EIN). The Internal Revenue Service (IRS) issues the EIN and the firm uses it as an identifier to report social security payments for its employees under the Federal Insurance Contributions Act (FICA). The same act requires all employer firms to use EINs. Each employer firm is associated with at least one EIN and only one firm can use a given EIN. Because a *singleunit* firm has only one establishment, there is a one-to-one relationship between the firm and the EIN. Thus the firm, the EIN, and the establishment all reference the same physical location and all three terms can be used interchangeably and unambiguously when referring to a *singleunit* firm.

For *multiunit* firms however, a different structure connects the firm with its establishments via the EIN. Essentially a *multiunit* firm is associated with a cluster of one or more EINs and EINs are associated with one or more establishments. A *multiunit* firm consists of at least two establishments. Each firm is associated with at least one EIN and only one firm can use a given EIN. However, one *multiunit* firm may have several EINs. Similarly, there is a one-to-many relationship between EINs and establishments. Each EIN can be associated with many establishments but each establishment is associated with only one EIN. Because of the possibility of one-to-many relationships, we must distinguish between the firm, its EINs, and its establishments. The *multiunit* firm that owns or controls a particular establishment is identified on the Business Register by way of the establishment's primary identifier.

The primary identifier of an establishment owned by a *multiunit* firm consists of a unique combination of an alpha number and a plant number. The alpha number identifies the *multiunit* firm, and the plant number identifies a particular establishment within that firm. All establishments owned or controlled by the same *multiunit* firm have the same alpha number. Different *multiunit* firms have different alpha numbers, and different establishments within the same *multiunit* firm have different plant numbers. The Census Bureau assigns both the alpha number to the *multiunit* firm and plant numbers to the corresponding establishments based on the results of the quinquennial economic census and the annual Company Organization Survey.

To create the sampling frame, we extract the records for all establishments classified as merchants within the Wholesale Trade sector as defined by the 1997 North American Industry Classification System. For these establishments, we extract sales, payroll, employment, inventory, name and address information, as well as primary identifiers and, for establishments owned by *multiunit* firms, associated EINs. To create the sampling units for *multiunit* firms, we aggregate the economic data of the establishments owned by these firms to an EIN level by tabulating the establishment data for all extracted establishment records (i.e., establishments classified in the Wholesale Trade sector) associated with the same EIN. Similarly we aggregate the data to a *multiunit* firm level by tabulating the establishment data for all extracted establishment records associated with the same alpha number. No aggregation is necessary to put *singleunit* establishment information on an EIN basis or a firm basis. Thus, the sampling units created for *singleunit* firms simultaneously represent establishment, EIN, and firm information. In summary, the sampling frame is a complex amalgam of establishments, EINs, and firms.

Stratification, Sampling Rates, and Allocation

The primary stratification of the frame is by kind-of-business group based on the detail required for this publication. We further stratify the sampling units within kind-of-business group (substratify) by a measure of size related to their annual sales. Sampling units expected to have a large effect on the precision of the estimates are selected "with certainty." This means they have a 100% chance of selection and will represent only themselves (i.e., have a selection probability of one and a sampling weight of one). Within each kind-of-business stratum we determined a substratum boundary that divides the certainty units from the noncertainty units. We based these cutoffs on a statistical analysis of data from the 1997 Economic Census. Accordingly, these

values are on a 1997 sales basis. We also used this analysis to identify companies with large 1997 inventory as certainty units, to determine the number of size substrata for each kind-of-business stratum, and to set preliminary sampling rates needed to achieve specified sampling variability objectives on sales (or inventory) estimates for different kind-of-business groups. The size substrata and sampling rates were later updated through an analysis of the sampling frame.

Sample Selection

The first step in the sample selection identified certainty firms. If a firm was selected with certainty and had more than one establishment at the time of sampling, any new establishments that the firm acquires, even if under new or different EINs, are included in the sample with certainty. However, if a *singleunit* firm was selected with certainty, only future establishments associated with that firm's originally-selected EIN are included in the sample with certainty; any new EINs that might later be associated with that firm are subjected to sampling through the quarterly birth-selection procedure (see **Sample Maintenance**).

All firms not selected with certainty were subjected to sampling on an EIN basis. If a firm had more than one EIN, we treated each of its EINs as a separate sampling unit. To be eligible for the initial sampling, an EIN used by a *singleunit* firm had to have nonzero payroll in 1998. EINs used by *multiunit* firms were required to have nonzero payroll in 1997. The EINs were stratified according to their major kind of business and their estimated annual sales (on a 1997 basis). Within each noncertainty stratum, a simple random sample of EINs was selected. We then assigned the selected noncertainty EINs to one of two groups. One group is canvassed for both the monthly and annual surveys, the other only for the annual survey. The maximum sampling weight for an EIN selected for the monthly survey was 800. The maximum sampling weight for an EIN selected for the annual survey was 400.

Sample Maintenance

Periodically, we update the samples to represent EINs issued since the initial sample selection. These new EINs, called births, are EINs recently assigned by the IRS, on the latest available IRS mailing list for FICA taxpayers, and assigned a kind-of-business classification (if possible) by the Social Security Administration (SSA).

EIN births are sampled on a quarterly basis using a two-phase selection procedure. To be eligible for selection, a birth must either have no kind-of-business classification or be classified in a kind of business within the scope of AWTS, the Annual Retail Trade Survey (ARTS), or the Service Annual Survey (SAS), and it must meet certain criteria regarding its number of paid employees or quarterly payroll. In the first phase, births are stratified by kind of business and a measure of size based on expected employment or quarterly payroll. A relatively large sample is drawn and canvassed to obtain a more reliable measure of size, consisting of sales in two recent months, and a new or more detailed kind-of-business classification.

Using this more reliable information, the selected births from the first phase are subjected to probability proportional-to-size sampling with overall probabilities equivalent to those used in drawing the initial AWTS, ARTS, and SAS samples from the June 1999 Business Register.

Because of the time it takes for a new employer firm to acquire an EIN from the IRS, and because of the time needed to accomplish the two-phase birth-selection procedure, births are added to the samples approximately nine months after they begin operation.

The processing of the EIN births differs between the monthly (MWTS) and annual (AWTS) surveys. For the MWTS, EIN births selected in a quarter are added into the survey during the next quarter. Because births are not represented in the monthly sample until they go through the two-phase selection procedure, an interim procedure is used to account for births during the period between the onset of activity and the time of birth selection. This consists of imputing data for all EINs selected in the monthly sample that go out of business but are still on the IRS mailing list.

For the AWTS, EIN births that are selected in the quarterly birth-selection procedure in November of the annual survey year are included in the initial mailing of the AWTS questionnaires in February of the following year. To better represent all EIN births in the annual survey year, and specifically to account for the time it takes to identify and select new EINs, we add births to the annual sample that are selected in February, May, and August of the year following the annual survey year. We mail survey forms to these births around June and August to supplement the initial annual survey mailing.

To be eligible for the sample canvass and tabulation, an EIN selected in the noncertainty sampling operations must meet both of the following requirements:

- It must be on the latest available IRS mailing list for FICA taxpayers from the previous quarter.
- It must have been selected from the Business Register in either the initial sampling or during the quarterly birth-selection procedure.

EINs selected into the samples with certainty are not dropped from canvass and tabulation if they are no longer on the IRS mailing list. Rather, the firm that used the EIN is contacted, and if a successor EIN is found, it is added to the survey.

Monthly Estimation Procedures

The estimates of monthly sales and end-of-month inventories published in this report are derived from data collected in the Monthly Wholesale Trade Survey (MWTS). Each month, all firms selected with certainty (sampling weight equal to 1) and one of the two groups of noncertainty (sampling weight greater than 1) EINs are asked to report their sales and inventory data for the month just ending. (As noted in the **Sample Selection** section, noncertainty EINs are assigned to one of two groups. One group is canvassed for the monthly and annual survey while the other group is canvassed only for the annual survey.) Estimates of monthly sales and end-of-month inventories are computed as the sum of weighted data (reported and imputed) for all selected sampling units that meet the tabulation criteria given in the **Sample Maintenance** section. The weight for a given sampling unit is the reciprocal of its probability of selection into the MWTS

sample. The monthly estimates are benchmarked using the corresponding annual survey estimates and economic census results. See the **Revisions to Previously Published Estimates** section located at the beginning of this report for a description of the benchmarking procedures.

Estimation Procedures for Annual Totals

Published estimates of annual sales, end-of-year inventories, and purchases for 2002 were computed by multiplying the revised 2001 annual estimates by the corresponding 2001-to-2002 change estimated from the 2001 and 2002 Annual Wholesale Trade Surveys. All firms selected with certainty and both groups of noncertainty EINs are asked to report data for the reference year. (Two years of data are requested in the year in which a new sample is introduced.) Estimates are computed as the sum of weighted data (reported and imputed) for all selected sampling units that meet the tabulation criteria given in the **Sample Maintenance** section. The weight for a given sampling unit is the reciprocal of its probability of selection into the AWTS sample. Because both groups of noncertainty EINs are canvassed for the annual survey, the annual estimates have less sampling variability than the corresponding monthly estimates. The annual estimates presented in this report have been adjusted using results of the 1997 Economic Census.

The estimates of total end-of-year inventory published in this report are on a non-LIFO basis. For those firms that reported inventory on a LIFO (last-in, first-out) basis, the LIFO reserve amount is **added** to the LIFO value to get inventory on a non-LIFO basis. In the annual survey, sampling units that used a LIFO cost basis for all or part of their inventory were asked to report LIFO reserves.

The estimates of gross margin represent sales minus the cost of goods sold (see **Definition of Terms** section) and are computed as a function of weighted sales, inventories, and purchases data from the AWTS.

RELIABILITY OF THE ESTIMATES

The total error of an estimate based on a sample survey is the difference between the estimate and the population parameter that it estimates. This error may be considered to be comprised of sampling error and nonsampling error. Sampling error is the difference between the estimate and the result that would be obtained from a complete enumeration of the sampling frame conducted under the same survey conditions. This error occurs because characteristics differ among sampling units and because only a subset of the entire population is measured in a sample survey. Nonsampling error encompasses all other factors that contribute to the total error of a sample survey estimate. The accuracy of a survey result may be affected by these two types of errors.

Sampling and nonsampling errors are often measured by the quantities, bias and variance. The *bias* of an estimator of a population parameter is the difference, averaged over all possible samples of the same size and design, between the estimator and the population parameter being estimated. (The population parameter is usually unknown.) Any systematic error, or inaccuracy

that affects all samples of a specified design in a similar way, may bias the resulting estimates. The *variance* of an estimator is the squared difference, averaged over all possible samples of the same size and design, between the estimator and its average value.

Descriptions of sampling and nonsampling errors for the Monthly Wholesale Trade Survey (MWTS) and the Annual Wholesale Trade Survey (AWTS) are provided in the following sections.

Sampling Error

Because the estimates are based on a sample, exact agreement with results that would be obtained from a complete enumeration of merchant wholesale firms on the sampling frame using the same enumeration procedures is not expected. However, because each firm represented on the sampling frame has a known probability of being selected into the sample, it is possible to estimate the sampling variability of the survey estimates.

The particular sample used in this survey is one of a large number of samples of the same size that could have been selected using the same design. If all possible samples had been surveyed under the same conditions, an estimate of a population parameter of interest could have been obtained from each sample. These samples give rise to a distribution of estimates for the population parameter. A statistical measure of the variability among these estimates is the standard error, which can be approximated from any one sample. The standard error is defined as the square root of the variance. The coefficient of variation (or relative standard error) of an estimator is the standard error of the estimator divided by the estimator. Note that measures of sampling variability, such as the standard error and coefficient of variation, are estimated from the sample and are also subject to sampling variability. (Technically, we should refer to the estimated standard error or the estimated coefficient of variation of an estimator. However, for the sake of brevity, we have omitted this detail.) It is important to note that the standard error and coefficient of variation only measure sampling variability. They do not measure any systematic biases in the estimates. Table 3 provides the minimum, maximum, and median coefficients of variation for estimates of monthly sales and end-of-month inventories for each kind of business. The ranges and medians shown in Table 3 are based on the latest available MWTS estimates for January 2003 through December 2003. Coefficients of variation for estimates of annual sales, end-of-year inventories, purchases, gross margin, and gross margin-tosales ratios for each kind of business are provided in Table 4. These coefficients of variation are based on 2002 AWTS data, adjusted using results of the 1997 Economic Census. (All coefficients of variation are expressed as percents.) The Census Bureau recommends that individuals using estimates contained in this report incorporate this information into their analyses, as sampling error could affect the conclusions drawn from these estimates.

The estimate from a particular sample and the standard error associated with the estimate can be used to construct a confidence interval. A *confidence interval* is a range about a given estimator that has a specified probability of containing the result of a complete enumeration of the sampling frame conducted under the same survey conditions. Associated with each interval is a percentage of confidence, which is interpreted as follows. If, for each possible sample, an estimate of a population parameter and its approximate standard error were obtained, then:

- 1. For approximately 90 percent of the possible samples, the interval from 1.645 standard errors below to 1.645 standard errors above the estimate would include the result of a complete enumeration.
- 2. For approximately 95 percent of the possible samples, the interval from 1.96 standard errors below to 1.96 standard errors above the estimate would include the result of a complete enumeration.

To illustrate the computation of a confidence interval for an estimate of total sales, assume that an estimate of total sales is \$10,750 million and the coefficient of variation for this estimate is 1.8 percent, or 0.018. First obtain the standard error of the estimate by multiplying the total sales estimate by its coefficient of variation. For this example, multiply \$10,750 million by 0.018. This yields a standard error of \$193.5 million. The upper and lower bounds of the 90-percent confidence interval are computed as \$10,750 million plus or minus 1.645 times \$193.5 million. Consequently, the 90-percent confidence interval is \$10,432 million to \$11,068 million. If corresponding confidence intervals were constructed for all possible samples of the same size and design, approximately 9 out of 10 (90 percent) of these intervals would contain the result obtained from a complete enumeration.

Nonsampling Errors

Nonsampling error encompasses all other factors that contribute to the total error of a sample survey estimate and may also occur in censuses. It is often helpful to think of nonsampling error as arising from deficiencies or mistakes in the survey process. In the MWTS and the AWTS, nonsampling error can be attributed to many sources: inability to obtain information about all units in the sample; response errors; differences in the interpretation of the questions; mistakes in coding or keying the data obtained; and other errors of collection, response, coverage, and processing. Additional nonsampling error may have been introduced by the method used to adjust the survey estimates using results of the 1997 Economic Census. Although no direct measurement of the potential biases due to nonsampling error has been obtained, precautionary steps were taken in all phases of the collection, processing, and tabulation of the data in an effort to minimize their influence. The Census Bureau recommends that individuals using estimates in this report incorporate this information into their analyses, as nonsampling error could affect the conclusions drawn from these estimates.

A potential source of bias in the estimates is nonresponse. Nonresponse is defined as the inability to obtain all the intended measurements or responses about all selected units. Two types of nonresponse are often distinguished. *Unit nonresponse* is used to describe the inability to obtain any of the substantive measurements about a sampled unit. In most cases of unit nonresponse, the questionnaire was never returned to the Census Bureau, after several attempts to elicit a response. *Item nonresponse* occurs either when a question is unanswered or the response to the question fails computer or analyst edits.

For both unit and item nonresponse, a missing value is replaced by a predicted value obtained from an appropriate model for nonresponse. This procedure is called *imputation* and uses survey

data and administrative records as input. In any given month, imputed data amounts to about 30 percent of the total monthly wholesale sales estimate and about 32 percent of the total wholesale end-of-month inventory estimate. For the annual survey, imputed data amounts to about 10 percent of the total wholesale sales estimate, about 13 percent of the total wholesale end-of-year inventory estimate, and nearly 15 percent of the total purchases estimate.

ADJUSTMENT FOR SEASONAL AND TRADING-DAY VARIATION

We use the X-12 ARIMA Program to derive the factors for adjusting data for seasonal variations and, in the case of sales, for trading day differences. Seasonal adjustment of estimates is an approximation based on current and past experiences. Therefore, the adjustment could become less precise because of changes in economic conditions and other elements that introduce significant changes in seasonal and trading-day patterns.

Concurrent seasonal adjustment uses all available unadjusted estimates (including the latest *preliminary* estimates) as input to the X-12 ARIMA program. When unadjusted *preliminary* and final estimates become available, all estimates are used as input to the X-12 ARIMA program and new factors are applied to the *preliminary* and final estimates (1 month before the *preliminary*) and to the previous year estimates that correspond to the *preliminary* month.

SCOPE OF SURVEY

Wholesale trade, as defined by sector 42 of the 1997 North American Industry Classification System manual, as covered in the 1997 Census of Wholesale Trade and 1999 Annual Trade Survey (AWTS), includes establishments organized to sell or arrange the purchase or sale of a) goods to other wholesalers or retailers, b) capital or durable non-consumer goods, and c) raw and intermediate materials and supplies used in production.

- Wholesalers sell merchandise to other businesses and normally operate from a
 warehouse or office with a design and location that is not intended to solicit walkin traffic and with little or no display of merchandise.
- Customers are generally reached initially via telephone, in-person marketing or by specialized advertising.
- Follow-up orders are either vendor-initiated or client-initiated generally based on previous sales, and typically exhibit strong ties between sellers and buyers.

The two principal types of establishments included in wholesale trade are:

- a) Merchant wholesalers who take title to the goods they sell such as wholesale merchants or jobbers, drop shippers, import/export merchants and sales branches.
- b) Agents, merchandise or commodity brokers, commission merchants, import/export agents and brokers, auction companies and manufacturers representatives.

DEFINITION OF TERMS

Sales. Sales include:

- 1. Merchandise sold for cash or credit at wholesale and retail by establishments primarily engaged in merchant wholesale trade;
- 2. Receipts from customers for rental or leasing of equipment, instruments, tools, etc.;
- 3. Receipts for delivery, installation, alteration, maintenance, repair, storage, and other services; and
- 4. Gasoline, liquor, tobacco, and other excise taxes which are paid by the manufacturer and passed along to the wholesaler.

Sales are net after deductions for refunds and allowances for merchandise returned by customers. Sales that are made on an agency basis for others are included as gross sales. Direct shipments on orders from wholesalers are also included in sales. Total sales do not include non-operating income from such sources as investments, rental or sale of real estate, etc.

Sales exclude sales taxes and excise taxes collected directly from customers and paid directly to a local, State, or Federal tax agency. Also excluded are receipts from customers for carrying or other credit charges.

Inventories. Inventories represent stocks on a non-LIFO basis (firms that valued inventory on a LIFO basis included the values of LIFO reserve in the total inventory levels) of merchandise owned by merchant wholesalers at the end of the month, regardless of location, except for goods held outside the United States. Goods held on consignment and items not held for sale such as fixtures, equipment, and supplies are not included. Goods held in foreign trade zones in the United States are also included. Methods of valuation may vary according to the accounting practices of the firm.

Inventories/Sales Ratios. The inventories/sales ratios are derived by dividing the dollar value of inventories by the dollar value of sales. No adjustment is made in these ratios for the markup in sales which may vary from trade to trade.

Purchases. Purchases represent the total cost of merchandise acquired for resale during the year, whether or not payment for the merchandise was made during the year. Purchases are net of returns, allowances, and trade and cash discounts but include payments by the wholesaler for freight, insurance, import duties, and credit and other charges. Purchases exclude the cost of containers, wrapping, packaging, and selling supplies. Also excluded are liquor and tobacco tax stamps.

Cost of Goods Sold. Cost of goods sold are not shown in this report but can be derived by subtracting gross margin data from annual sales data. They represent the total cost of

merchandise sold for cash or credit at wholesale and retail by establishments primarily engaged in merchant wholesale trade. Cost of goods sold is calculated by adding all purchases of merchandise (net of returns, allowances, and discounts but including charges for freight, insurance, etc.) during the year to the beginning year inventories, then deducting the end-of-year inventories from the total. Firms were instructed to exclude the cost of containers, wrapping, packaging, and selling supplies in the cost of purchases. Purchase of tax stamps and payments of excise taxes often included by tobacco and liquor wholesalers in their purchases were excluded from cost of goods sold.

Gross Margin. Gross margin represents sales less cost of goods sold. Gross margin is equivalent to the cost of all materials (as distinguished from goods to be resold) and services provided in merchant wholesale establishments, whether provided by the merchant wholesaling firm itself or purchased by it from others. To the extent that it includes cost of contract work done by others on materials of the merchant wholesale firms, gross margin includes an element of value added by manufacturing.

Gross Margins as A Percent of Sales. Gross margins as a percent of sales is derived by dividing the gross margin by dollar value of sales. No adjustments are made for service revenues that may be included in sales data.

CLASSIFICATION DIFFERENCES BETWEEN THE MONTHLY SURVEY AND THE 1997 CENSUS OF WHOLESALE TRADE

Establishments in the census that are classified in the Farm Product Raw Materials group (NAICS code 4225) include, in their sales, products purchased and transferred to other company establishments. In the monthly survey, intercompany transfers are not included in sales. Because of these differences, we use estimates from the Annual Trade Survey (AWTS).

Inventories were not benchmarked to the census inventory levels, because the census of wholesale trade does not include inventories of auxiliary and central administrative offices of merchant wholesale establishments. These offices, however, are included in the monthly and annual survey inventory estimates.

Appendix B. NAICS Codes, Titles, and Descriptions

WHOLESALE TRADE

The Wholesale Trade sector comprises establishments engaged in wholesaling merchandise, generally without transformation, and rendering services incidental to the sale of merchandise.

The wholesaling process is an intermediate step in the distribution of merchandise. Wholesalers are organized to sell or arrange the purchase or sale of (a) goods for resale (i.e., goods sold to other wholesalers or retailers), (b) capital or durable nonconsumer goods, and (c) raw and intermediate materials and supplies used in production. Wholesalers sell merchandise to other businesses and normally operate from a warehouse or office. These warehouses and offices are characterized by having little or no display of merchandise. In addition, neither the design nor the location of the premises is intended to solicit walk-in traffic. Wholesalers do not normally use advertising directed to the general public. Customers are generally reached initially via telephone, in-person marketing, or by specialized advertising that may include Internet and other electronic means. Follow-up orders are either vendor-initiated or client-initiated, generally based on previous sales, and typically exhibit strong ties between sellers and buyers. In fact, transactions are often conducted between wholesalers and clients that have long-standing business relationships.

This sector comprises two main types of wholesalers: those that sell goods on their own account and those that arrange sales and purchases for others for a commission or fee.

- Establishments that sell goods on their own account are known as wholesale merchants, distributors, jobbers, drop shippers, import/export merchants, and sales branches. These establishments typically maintain their own warehouse, where they receive and handle goods for their customers. Goods are generally sold without transformation, but may include integral functions, such as sorting, packaging, labeling, and other marketing services.
- Establishments arranging for the purchase or sale of goods owned by others or purchasing goods on a commission basis are known as agents and brokers, commission merchants, import/export agents and brokers, auction companies, and manufacturers' representatives. These establishments operate from offices and generally do not own or handle the goods they sell. Some

wholesale establishments may be connected with a single manufacturer and promote and sell the particular manufacturers' products to a wide range of other wholesalers or retailers. Other wholesalers may be connected to a retail chain or a limited number of retail chains and only provide a variety of products needed by that particular retail operation(s). These wholesalers may obtain the products from a wide range of manufacturers. Still other wholesalers may not take title to the goods, but act as agents and brokers for a commission. Although, in general, wholesaling normally denotes sales in large volumes, durable nonconsumer goods may be sold in single units. Sales of capital or durable nonconsumer goods used in the production of goods and services, such as farm machinery, medium and heavy duty trucks, and industrial machinery, are always included in wholesale trade.

421 Wholesale trade, durable goods

Industries in the Wholesale Trade, Durable Goods subsector sell or arrange the purchase or sale of capital or durable goods to other businesses. Durable goods are new or used items generally with a normal life expectancy of three years or more. Durable goods wholesale trade establishments are engaged in wholesaling products, such as motor vehicles, furniture, construction materials, machinery and equipment (including household-type appliances), metals and minerals (except petroleum), sporting goods, toys and hobby goods, recyclable materials, and parts.

The detailed industries within the subsector are organized in the classification structure based on the products sold. Within an industry, the types of establishments may vary, including wholesale merchants and/or agents and brokers.

4211 Motor Vehicle and Motor Vehicle Parts and Supplies Wholesalers

This NAICS industry group includes establishments classified in the following NAICS Industries:

- 42111, Automobile and other motor vehicle wholesalers;
- 42112, Motor vehicle supplies and new parts wholesalers;
- 42113, Tire and tube wholesalers;
- 42114, Motor vehicle parts (used) wholesalers.

42111 Automobile and Other Motor Vehicle Wholesalers

This industry comprises establishments primarily engaged in wholesaling new and used passenger automobiles, trucks, trailers, and other motor vehicles, such as motorcycles, motor homes, and snowmobiles.

421110 Automobile and Other Motor Vehicle Wholesalers

This U.S. industry comprises establishments primarily engaged in wholesaling new and used passenger automobiles, trucks, trailers, and other motor vehicles, such as motorcycles, motor homes, and snowmobiles.

4211101 Automobile and Motorcycle Wholesalers

Establishments primarily engaged in the wholesale distribution of new and used passenger vehicles (automobiles, motorcycles, motor scooters, and taxicabs), automobile trailers, and other similar vehicles.

4211102 Bus and Recreational Vehicle (Campers and Motor Homes) Wholesalers

Establishments primarily engaged in the wholesale distribution of new and used buses and recreational vehicles.

4211103 Light Truck and Van (14,000 lb or Less) Wholesalers

Establishments primarily engaged in the wholesale distribution of new and used light trucks and cargo vans under 14,000 lb. gross wt.

Establishments primarily engaged in the wholesale distribution of new and used medium trucks and tractors 14,001 to 26,000 lb. gross wt.

4211105 Heavy Truck and Tractor (Over 26,000 lb) Wholesalers

Establishments primarily engaged in the wholesale distribution of new and used heavy trucks and tractors over 26,000 lb. gross wt.

42112 Motor Vehicle Supplies and New Parts Wholesalers

This industry comprises establishments primarily engaged in wholesaling motor vehicle supplies, accessories, tools, and equipment; and new motor vehicle parts (except new tires and tubes).

421120 Motor Vehicle Supplies and New Parts Wholesalers

This U.S. industry comprises establishments primarily engaged in wholesaling motor vehicle supplies, accessories, tools, and equipment; and new motor vehicle parts (except new tires and tubes).

4211201 Motor Vehicle Supplies and New Parts-Warehouse Distributors

Establishments primarily engaged in selling for resale motor vehicle supplies and new parts from a warehouse. These establishments primarily sell to other wholesalers.

4211202 Motor Vehicle Supplies and New Parts-Jobbers

Establishments primarily engaged in the wholesale distribution of motor vehicle supplies and new parts primarily from an office or warehouse and less than half of their sales are to other wholesalers.

4211203 Petroleum Products Marketing Equipment Wholesalers

Establishments primarily engaged in the wholesale distribution of automotive service station equipment, automotive testing equipment, and automotive supplies for use in gasoline service or bulk stations.

42113 Tire and Tube Wholesalers

This industry comprises establishments primarily engaged in wholesaling new and/or used tires and tubes for passenger and commercial vehicles.

421130 Tire and Tube Wholesalers

This U.S. industry comprises establishments primarily engaged in wholesaling new and/or used tires and tubes for passenger and commercial vehicles.

42114 Motor Vehicle Parts (Used) Wholesalers

This industry comprises establishments primarily engaged in wholesaling used motor vehicle parts (except used tires and tubes) and establishments primarily engaged in dismantling motor vehicles for the purpose of selling the parts.

421140 Motor Vehicle Parts (Used) Wholesalers

This U.S. industry comprises establishments primarily engaged in wholesaling used motor vehicle parts (except used tires and tubes) and establishments primarily engaged in dismantling motor vehicles for the purpose of selling the parts.

4212 Furniture and Home Furnishing Wholesalers

This NAICS Industry Group includes establishments classified in the following NAICS Industries:

42121 Furniture wholesalers; and

42122 Home furnishings wholesalers.

42121 Furniture Wholesalers

This industry comprises establishments primarily engaged in wholesaling furniture (except hospital beds, medical furniture, and drafting tables).

421210 Furniture Wholesalers

This U.S. industry comprises establishments primarily engaged in wholesaling furniture (except hospital beds, medical furniture, and drafting tables).

4212101 Household and Lawn Furniture Wholesalers

Establishments primarily engaged in the wholesale distribution of household (including lawn) furniture, bedsprings, mattresses, and all such component furniture parts.

4212102 Office and Business Furniture Wholesalers

Establishments primarily engaged in the wholesale distribution of filing cabinets (wood or steel), office furniture, store furniture, and public furniture for public parks and buildings.

42122 Home Furnishing Wholesalers

This industry comprises establishments primarily engaged in wholesaling home furnishings and/or housewares.

421220 Home Furnishing Wholesalers

This U.S. industry comprises establishments primarily engaged in wholesaling home furnishings and/or housewares

4212201 Household China, Glassware, and Crockery Wholesalers

Establishments primarily engaged in the wholesale distribution of table and household china, glassware, and earthenware.

4212202 Linen, Domestics, Drapery, and Curtain Wholesalers

Establishments primarily engaged in the wholesale distribution of bedspreads, blankets, pillowcases, bed sheets, table linens, bathroom linens (e.g., towels, bath mats), curtains, and shades.

4212203 Floor Coverings Wholesalers

Establishments primarily engaged in the wholesale distribution of carpets, rugs, and all other types of hard and soft surface floor coverings (excluding ceramic and clay tile).

4212204 Other Home Furnishing Wholesalers

Establishments primarily engaged in the wholesale distribution of aluminum ware, lamps, glass mirrors, kitchen tools and utensils, and other general home furnishings and home wares, including antiques.

4213 Lumber and Other Construction Materials Wholesalers

This NAICS Industry Group includes establishments classified in the following NAICS Industries:

42131 Lumber, plywood, millwork, and wood panel wholesalers;

42132 Brick, stone, and related construction materials wholesalers;

42133 Roofing, siding, and insulation material wholesalers:

42139 Other construction materials wholesalers.

42131 Lumber, Plywood, Millwork, and Wood Panel Wholesalers

This industry comprises establishments primarily engaged in wholesaling lumber; plywood; reconstituted wood fiber products; wood fencing; doors and windows and their frames (all materials); wood roofing and siding; and/or other wood or metal millwork.

421310 Lumber, Plywood, Millwork, and Wood Panel Wholesalers

This U.S. industry comprises establishments primarily engaged in wholesaling lumber; plywood; reconstituted wood fiber products; wood fencing; doors and windows and their frames (all materials); wood roofing and siding; and/or other wood or metal millwork.

4213101 Lumber Wholesalers (Without Yard)

Establishments primarily engaged in the wholesale distribution of rough, dressed, and finished lumber. These establishments order the goods which are shipped direct from the supplier to the customers without intermediate storage.

4213102 Lumber Wholesalers (With Yard)

Establishments primarily engaged in the wholesale distribution of rough, dressed, and finished lumber primarily from a lot, warehouse, or office. These establishments perform warehousing and storage functions and usually make deliveries.

42131021 Lumber Wholesalers (With Yard)

Establishments primarily engaged in the wholesale distribution of rough, dressed, and finished lumber primarily from a lot, warehouse, or office. These establishments perform warehousing and storage functions and usually make deliveries.

4213103 Plywood, Veneer, Millwork, and Wood Panel Wholesalers

Establishments primarily engaged in the wholesale distribution of plywood (hardwood, softwood, and nonwood face), door and window frames, overhead doors, veneer, and other wood or metal millwork.

42131031 Plywood, Veneer, Millwork, and Wood Panel Wholesalers

Establishments primarily engaged in the wholesale distribution of plywood (hardwood, softwood, and nonwood face), door and window frames, overhead doors, veneer, and other wood or metal millwork.

42132 Brick, Stone, and Related Construction Materials Wholesalers

This industry comprises establishments primarily engaged in wholesaling stone, cement, lime, construction sand, and gravel; brick; asphalt and concrete mixtures; and/or concrete, stone, and structural clay products.

421320 Brick, Stone, and Related Construction Material Wholesalers

This U.S. industry comprises establishments primarily engaged in wholesaling stone, cement, lime, construction sand, and gravel; brick; asphalt and concrete mixtures; and/or concrete, stone, and structural clay products.

4213201 Brick, Block, Tile, Clay/Cement Sewer Pipe Wholesalers

Establishments primarily engaged in the wholesale distribution of brick (except refractory), block, and clay construction materials (except refractories).

42132011 Brick, Block, Tile, Clay/Cement Sewer Pipe Wholesalers

Establishments primarily engaged in the wholesale distribution of brick (except refractory), block, and clay construction materials (except refractories).

4213202 Sand, Gravel, and Stone Wholesalers

Establishments primarily engaged in the wholesale distribution of construction sand, gravel, and stone.

42132021 Sand, Gravel, and Stone Wholesalers

Establishments primarily engaged in the wholesale distribution of construction sand, gravel, and stone.

4213203 Cement, Lime, and Related Products Wholesalers

Establishments primarily engaged in the wholesale distribution of cement, lime, asphalt, and other related products.

42132031 Cement, Lime, and Related Products Wholesalers

Establishments primarily engaged in the wholesale distribution of cement, lime, asphalt, and other related products.

42133 Roofing, Siding, and Insulation Material Wholesalers

This industry comprises establishments primarily engaged in wholesaling nonwood roofing and nonwood siding and insulation materials.

421330 Roofing, Siding, and Insulation Material Wholesalers

This U.S. industry comprises establishments primarily engaged in wholesaling nonwood roofing and nonwood siding and insulation materials.

4213301 Roofing, Siding, and Insulation Materials Wholesalers

Establishments primarily engaged in wholesaling nonwood roofing and nonwood siding and insulation materials.

42133011 Roofing, Siding, and Insulation Materials Wholesalers

Establishments primarily engaged in wholesaling nonwood roofing and nonwood siding and insulation materials.

42139 Other Construction Material Wholesalers

This industry comprises (1) establishments primarily engaged in wholesaling manufactured homes (i.e., mobile homes) and/or prefabricated buildings and (2) establishments primarily engaged in wholesaling construction materials (except lumber, plywood, millwood, wood panel, brick, stone, roofing, siding, and insulation material).

421390 Other Construction Material Wholesalers

This U.S. industry comprises (1) establishments primarily engaged in wholesaling manufactured homes (i.e., mobile homes) and/or prefabricated buildings and (2) establishments primarily engaged in wholesaling construction materials (except lumber, plywood, millwood, wood panel, brick, stone, roofing, siding, and insulation material).

4213901 Flat Glass and Other Construction Glass Wholesalers

Establishments primarily engaged in the wholesale distribution of flat glass, glass blocks, plate glass, window glass, and building glass.

42139011 Flat Glass and Other Construction Glass Wholesalers

Establishments primarily engaged in the wholesale distribution of flat glass, glass blocks, plate glass, window glass, and building glass.

4213902 Other Construction Materials Wholesalers

Establishments primarily engaged in the wholesale distribution of building and construction paper, plastics building materials, prefabricated structural assemblies (except wood), including modular homes, and other building materials.

42139021 Other Construction Materials Wholesalers

Establishments primarily engaged in the wholesale distribution of building and construction paper, plastics building materials, prefabricated structural assemblies (except wood), including modular homes, and other building materials.

4214 Professional and Commercial Equipment and Supplies Wholesalers

This NAICS Industry Group includes establishments classified in the following NAICS Industries:

- 42141 Photographic equipment and supplies wholesalers;
- 42142 Office equipment wholesalers;
- 42143 Computer and computer peripheral equipment and software wholesalers;
- 42144 Other commercial equipment wholesalers;
- 42145 Medical, dental, and hospital equipment and supplies wholesalers;
- 42146 Ophthalmic goods wholesalers; and
- 42149 Other professional equipment and supplies wholesalers.

42141 Photographic Equipment and Supplies Wholesalers

This industry comprises establishments primarily engaged in wholesaling photographic equipment and supplies (except office equipment).

421410 Photographic Equipment and Supplies Wholesalers

This U.S. industry comprises establishments primarily engaged in wholesaling photographic equipment and supplies (except office equipment).

42142 Office Equipment Wholesalers

This industry comprises establishments primarily engaged in wholesaling office machines and related equipment (except computers and computer peripheral equipment).

421420 Office Equipment Wholesalers

This U.S. industry comprises establishments primarily engaged in wholesaling office machines and related equipment (except computers and computer peripheral equipment).

42143 Computer and Computer Peripheral Equipment and Software Wholesalers

This U.S. industry comprises establishments primarily engaged in wholesaling computers, computer peripheral equipment, loaded computer boards, and/or computer software.

421430 Computer and Computer Peripheral Equipment and Software Wholesalers

This U.S. industry comprises establishments primarily engaged in wholesaling computers, computer peripheral equipment, loaded computer boards, and/or computer software.

4214301 Computers and Peripheral Equipment Wholesalers

Establishments primarily engaged in the wholesale distribution of new and used computer hardware and peripheral equipment.

42143011 Computers and Peripheral Equipment, Sold for Resale

Establishments primarily engaged in the wholesale distribution of new and used computer hardware and peripheral equipment primarily for the purpose of resale.

42143012 Computers and Peripheral Equipment, Sold for End Use

Establishments primarily engaged in the wholesale distribution of new and used computer hardware and peripheral equipment primarily for end use.

4214302 Computer Software (Packaged) Wholesalers

Establishments primarily engaged in the wholesale distribution of packaged computer software primarily for end use.

42144 Other Commercial Equipment Wholesalers

This industry comprises establishments primarily engaged in wholesaling commercial and related machines and equipment (except photographic equipment and supplies; office equipment; and computers and computer peripheral equipment and software) generally used in restaurants and stores.

421440 Other Commercial Equipment Wholesalers

This U.S. industry comprises establishments primarily engaged in wholesaling commercial and related machines and equipment (except photographic equipment and supplies; office equipment; and computers and computer peripheral equipment and software) generally used in restaurants and stores.

4214401 Restaurant and Hotel Equipment and Supplies Wholesalers

Establishments primarily engaged in the wholesale distribution of restaurant and hotel equipment and supplies.

4214402 Store Machines and Equipment Wholesalers

Establishments primarily engaged in the wholesale distribution of store equipment (except furniture), machines, and fixtures.

42145 Medical, Dental, and Hospital Equipment and Supplies Wholesalers

This industry comprises establishments primarily engaged in wholesaling medical professional equipment, instruments, and supplies (except ophthalmic equipment, instruments and goods used by ophthalmologists, optometrists, and opticians).

421450 Medical, Dental, and Hospital Equipment and Supplies Wholesalers

This U.S. industry comprises establishments primarily engaged in wholesaling medical professional equipment, instruments, and supplies (except ophthalmic equipment, instruments and goods used by ophthalmologists, optometrists, and opticians).

4214501 Surgical, Medical, and Hospital Supplies Wholesalers

Establishments primarily engaged in the wholesale distribution of surgical and medical instruments, apparatus, and equipment; orthopedic appliances; artificial limbs; operating room and other hospital equipment; x-ray machines and parts, medical; and other scientific instruments used by physicians and in hospitals.

4214502 Dental Equipment and Supplies Wholesalers

Establishments primarily engaged in the wholesale distribution of equipment and supplies used by dentists, such as drills, teeth, dental gold, equipment, chairs, sterilizers, X-rays, cabinets, and engines.

42146 Ophthalmic Goods Wholesalers

This industry comprises establishments primarily engaged in wholesaling professional equipment, instruments, and/or goods sold, prescribed, or used by ophthalmologists, optometrists, and opticians.

421460 Ophthalmic Goods Wholesalers

This U.S. industry comprises establishments primarily engaged in wholesaling professional equipment, instruments, and/or goods sold, prescribed, or used by ophthalmologists, optometrists, and opticians.

42149 Other Professional Equipment and Supplies Wholesalers

This industry comprises establishments primarily engaged in wholesaling professional equipment and supplies (except ophthalmic goods and medical, dental, and hospital equipment and supplies).

421490 Other Professional Equipment and Supplies Wholesalers

This U.S. industry comprises establishments primarily engaged in wholesaling professional equipment and supplies (except ophthalmic goods and medical, dental, and hospital equipment and supplies).

4214901 Religious and School Supplies Wholesalers

Establishments primarily engaged in the wholesale distribution of church goods and religious articles, such as statuary, vestments, fonts, candles, religious pictures, and religious articles made from precious and semiprecious materials; and school equipment and supplies, such as black boards, chalk, rulers, and globes and wall maps.

4214902 Other Professional Equipment and Supplies Wholesalers

Establishments primarily engaged in the wholesale distribution of drafting instruments, veterinarians' equipment and supplies, professional equipment and supplies, scientific instruments and supplies, and laboratory equipment.

4215 Metal and Mineral (Except Petroleum) Wholesalers

This NAICS Industry Group includes establishments classified in the following NAICS Industries:

42151 Metal service centers and offices; and

42152 Coal and other mineral and ore wholesalers.

42151 Metal Service Centers and Offices

This industry comprises establishments primarily engaged in wholesaling products of the primary metals industries. Service centers maintain inventory and may perform functions, such as sawing, shearing, bending, leveling, cleaning, or edging, on a custom basis as part of sales transactions. Sales offices are usually affiliated or owned by a particular manufacturer and take orders but have no inventory.

421510 Metal Service Centers and Offices

This U.S. industry comprises establishments primarily engaged in wholesaling products of the primary metals industries. Service centers maintain inventory and may perform functions, such as sawing, shearing, bending, leveling, cleaning, or edging, on a custom basis as part of sales transactions. Sales offices are usually affiliated or owned by a particular manufacturer and take orders but have no inventory.

4215101 Ferrous Metals Service Centers and Sales Offices

Establishments primarily engaged in the wholesale distribution of semifinished ferrous metal products of foundries and mills.

42151011 Ferrous Metals Service Centers

Establishments primarily engaged in the wholesale distribution of semifinished ferrous metal products of foundries and mills that maintain warehouse inventory.

42151012 Ferrous Metals Sales Offices

Establishments primarily engaged in the wholesale distribution of semifinished ferrous metal products primarily from an office and not maintaining inventories.

4215102 Nonferrous Metals Service Centers and Sales Offices

Establishments primarily engaged in the wholesale distribution of semifinished nonferrous metal products (except precious metals).

42151021 Nonferrous Metals Service Centers

Establishments primarily engaged in the wholesale distribution of semifinished nonferrous metal products (except precious metals) and maintaining inventories.

42151022 Nonferrous Metals Sales Offices

Establishments primarily engaged in the wholesale distribution of semifinished nonferrous metal products (except precious metals) and not maintaining inventories.

42152 Coal and Other Mineral and Ore Wholesalers

This industry comprises establishments primarily engaged in wholesaling coal, coke, metal ores, and/or nonmetallic minerals (except precious and semiprecious stones and minerals used in construction, such as sand and gravel).

421520 Coal and Other Mineral and Ore Wholesalers

This U.S. industry comprises establishments primarily engaged in wholesaling coal, coke, metal ores, and/or nonmetallic minerals (except precious and semiprecious stones and minerals used in construction, such as sand and gravel).

4215201 Coal Wholesalers

Establishments primarily engaged in the wholesale distribution of coal and coke.

4215202 Other Minerals and Ores Wholesalers

Establishments primarily engaged in the wholesale distribution of precious metal ores, copper, iron, lead and other metallic ores (including concentrates) and crude nonmetallic minerals.

4216 Electrical Goods Wholesalers

This NAICS industry Group includes establishments classified in the following NAICS Industries:

42161 Electrical apparatus and equipment, wiring supplies, and construction material wholesalers; and

42162 Electrical appliance, television, and radio set wholesalers.

42161 Electrical Apparatus and Equipment, Wiring Supplies, and Construction Material Wholesalers

This industry comprises establishments primarily engaged in wholesaling electrical construction materials; wiring supplies; electric light fixtures; light bulbs; and/or electrical power equipment for the generation, transmission, distribution, or control of electric energy.

421610 Electrical Apparatus and Equipment, Wiring Supplies, and Construction Material Wholesalers

This U.S. industry comprises establishments primarily engaged in wholesaling electrical construction materials; wiring supplies; electric light fixtures; light bulbs; and/or electrical power equipment for the generation, transmission, distribution, or control of electric energy.

42162 Electrical Appliance, Television, and Radio Set Wholesalers

This industry comprises establishments primarily engaged in wholesaling household-type electrical appliances, room air-conditioners, gas clothes dryers, and/or household-type audio or video equipment.

421620 Electrical Appliance, Television, and Radio Set Wholesalers

This U.S. industry comprises establishments primarily engaged in wholesaling household-type electrical appliances, room air-conditioners, gas clothes dryers, and/or household-type audio or video equipment.

42169 Other Electronic Parts and Equipment Wholesalers

This industry comprises establishments primarily engaged in wholesaling electronic parts and equipment (except electrical apparatus and equipment, wiring supplies and construction material; and electrical appliances, television and radio sets).

421690 Other Electronic Parts and Equipment Wholesalers

This U.S. industry comprises establishments primarily engaged in wholesaling electronic parts and equipment (except electrical apparatus and equipment, wiring supplies and construction material; and electrical appliances, television and radio sets).

4216901 Communications Equipment and Supplies Wholesalers

Establishments primarily engaged in the wholesale distribution of communications equipment.

4216902 Electronic Parts (Excluding Communications Equipment) Wholesalers

Establishments primarily engaged in the wholesale distribution of electronic parts and equipment (except communications equipment)

4217 Hardware, and Plumbing and Heating Equipment and Supplies Wholesalers

This NAICS industry Group includes establishments classified in the following NAICS Industries:

42171 Hardware wholesalers;

42172 Plumbing and heating equipment and supplies (hydronics) wholesalers;

42173 Warm air heating and air-conditioning equipment and supplies; and

42174 Refrigeration equipment and supplies wholesalers.

42171 Hardware Wholesalers

This industry comprises establishments primarily engaged in wholesaling hardware, knives, or handtools.

421710 Hardware Wholesalers

This U.S. industry comprises establishments primarily engaged in wholesaling hardware, knives, or handtools.

42172 Plumbing and Heating Equipment and Supplies (Hydronics) Wholesalers

This industry comprises establishments primarily engaged in wholesaling plumbing equipment, hydronic heating equipment, household-type gas appliances (except gas clothes dryers), and/or supplies.

421720 Plumbing and Heating Equipment and Supplies (Hydronics) Wholesalers

This U.S. industry comprises establishments primarily engaged in wholesaling plumbing equipment, hydronic heating equipment, household-type gas appliances (except gas clothes dryers), and/or supplies.

42173 Warm Air Heating and Air-Conditioning Equipment and Supplies Wholesalers

This industry comprises establishments primarily engaged in wholesaling warm air heating and air-conditioning equipment and supplies.

421730 Warm Air Heating and Air-Conditioning Equipment and Supplies Wholesalers

This U.S. industry comprises establishments primarily engaged in wholesaling warm air heating and airconditioning equipment and supplies.

42174 Refrigeration Equipment and Supplies Wholesalers

This industry comprises establishments primarily engaged in wholesaling refrigeration equipment (except householdtype refrigerators, freezers, and air-conditioners).

421740 Refrigeration Equipment and Supplies Wholesalers

This U.S. industry comprises establishments primarily engaged in wholesaling refrigeration equipment (except household-type refrigerators, freezers, and air-conditioners).

4218 Machinery, Equipment, and Supplies Wholesalers

This industry group comprises establishments primarily engaged in wholesaling construction, mining, farm, garden, industrial, service establishment, and transportation machinery, equipment and supplies.

42181 Construction and Mining (Petroleum) Machinery and Equipment Wholesalers

This industry comprises establishments primarily engaged in wholesaling specialized machinery, equipment, and related parts generally used in construction, mining (except petroleum) and logging activities.

421810 Construction and Mining (Except Oil Well) Machinery and Equipment Wholesalers

This U.S. industry comprises establishments primarily engaged in wholesaling specialized machinery, equipment, and related parts generally used in construction, mining (except oil well) and logging activities.

42182 Farm and Garden Machinery and Equipment Wholesalers

This industry comprises establishments primarily engaged in wholesaling specialized machinery, equipment, and related parts generally used in agricultural, farm, and lawn and garden activities.

421820 Farm and Garden Machinery and Equipment Wholesalers

This U.S. industry comprises establishments primarily engaged in wholesaling specialized machinery, equipment, and related parts generally used in agricultural, farm, and lawn and garden activities.

4218201 Farm Machinery and Equipment-Farm Dealers

Establishments primarily engaged in marketing farm machinery and equipment directly to farmers for farm use.

4218202 Farm Machinery and Equipment-Wholesale Distributors

Establishments primarily engaged in marketing farm machinery and equipment directly to institutions, governments, farm dealers, export sales, and other nonfarm accounts.

4218203 Lawn and Garden Machinery and Equipment Wholesalers

Establishments primarily engaged in the wholesale distribution of lawn and garden machinery and equipment.

42183 Industrial Machinery and Equipment Wholesalers

This industry comprises establishments primarily engaged in wholesaling specialized machinery, equipment, and related parts generally used in manufacturing, oil well, and warehousing activities.

421830 Industrial Machinery and Equipment Wholesalers

This U.S. industry comprises establishments primarily engaged in wholesaling specialized machinery, equipment, and related parts generally used in manufacturing, oil well, and warehousing activities.

4218301 Food Processing Machinery and Equipment Wholesalers

Establishments primarily engaged in the wholesale distribution of dairy products manufacturing machinery, milk products manufacturing equipment, bottling machinery and equipment, and other food product manufacturing machinery.

4218302 Hydraulic and Pneumatic (Fluid-Power) Machinery and Equipment Wholesalers

Establishments primarily engaged in the wholesale distribution of hydraulic and pneumatic pumps, motors, parts, accessories, and supplies.

42183021 Hydraulic and Pneumatic Pumps and Motors Wholesalers

Establishments primarily engaged in the wholesale distribution of hydraulic and pneumatic pumps and motors and the parts for them.

42183022 Hydraulic and Pneumatic Parts, Accessories, and Supplies Wholesalers

Establishments primarily engaged in the wholesale distribution of hydraulic and pneumatic (fluid-power) commodities.

4218303 Other General Purpose Industrial Machinery and Equipment Wholesalers

Establishments primarily engaged in the wholesale distribution of general purpose industrial machinery and equipment.

4218304 Metalworking Machinery and Equipment Wholesalers

Establishments primarily engaged in the wholesale distribution of metalworking machinery and equipment and machine tool accessories.

4218305 Materials Handling Equipment Wholesalers

Establishments primarily engaged in the wholesale distribution of fork lift trucks, industrial trucks and tractors, industrial cranes, conveyor systems, hoists, elevators, and other materials handling equipment.

4218306 Oil Well, Oil Refinery, and Pipeline Machinery, Equipment, and Supplies Wholesalers

Establishments primarily engaged in the wholesale distribution of oil refining and oil well machinery, equipment, and supplies.

4218307 Other Industrial Machinery and Equipment Wholesalers

Establishments primarily engaged in the wholesale distribution of specific-use industrial machinery and equipment.

42184 Industrial Supplies Wholesalers

This industry comprises establishments primarily engaged in wholesaling supplies used in machinery and equipment generally used in manufacturing, oil well, and warehousing activities.

421840 Industrial Supplies Wholesalers

This U.S. industry comprises establishments primarily engaged in wholesaling supplies used in machinery and equipment generally used in manufacturing, oil well, and warehousing activities.

4218401 General Line Industrial Supplies Wholesaler

Establishments primarily engaged in the wholesale distribution of a combination or general line of industrial materials and supplies.

4218402 Mechanical Power Transmission Supplies Wholesalers

Establishments primarily engaged in the wholesale distribution of mechanical power transmission equipment and supplies.

4218403 Welding Supplies Wholesalers

Establishments primarily engaged in the wholesale distribution of gas-welding supplies (excluding gases), arc-welding supplies, and resistance-welding supplies.

4218404 Industrial Containers and Supplies Wholesalers

Establishments primarily engaged in the wholesale distribution of industrial containers and supplies.

4218405 Industrial Valves and Fittings (Except Fluid-Power) Wholesalers

Establishments primarily engaged in the wholesale distribution of valves and fittings, other than plumbing and heating, or hydraulic and pneumatic.

4218406 Other Industrial Supplies Wholesalers

Establishments primarily engaged in the wholesale distribution of industrial supplies, not included elsewhere.

42185 Service Establishment Equipment and Supplies Wholesalers

This industry comprises establishments primarily engaged in wholesaling specialized equipment and supplies of the type used by service establishments (except specialized equipment and supplies used in offices, stores, hotels, restaurants, schools, health and medical facilities, photographic facilities, as well as specialized equipment used in transportation and construction activities).

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4218501 Beauty and Barber Shop Equipment and Supplies Wholesalers

Establishments primarily engaged in the wholesale distribution of barber shop and beauty parlor equipment and supplies (furniture, hydraulic chairs, driers, shampoos, wave solutions, permanent waving supplies, barber soaps, and manicuring supplies, etc.).

4218502 Custodial and Janitors' Equipment and Supplies Wholesalers

Establishments primarily engaged in the wholesale distribution of custodial and janitorial equipment and supplies.

4218503 Laundry and Dry-Cleaning Equipment and Supplies Wholesalers

Establishments primarily engaged in the wholesale distribution of equipment and supplies to the laundry and drycleaning trade, such as washing, drying, ironing, and pressing machines; laundry chemicals; dry-cleaning fluids; marking equipment; laundry trays and baskets.

4218504 Other Service Establishment Equipment and Supplies Wholesalers

Establishments primarily engaged in the wholesale distribution of municipality equipment and supplies (water systems, fire department supplies, and parking equipment), shoe service equipment and supplies, tailors' furriers' supplies, upholsterers' supplies, undertakers' supplies, and other service establishment equipment and supplies not included elsewhere.

42186 Transportation Equipment and Supplies (Except Motor Vehicle) Wholesalers

This industry comprises establishments primarily engaged in wholesaling transportation equipment and supplies (except marine pleasure craft and motor vehicles).

421860 Transportation Equipment and Supplies (Except Motor Vehicle) Wholesalers

This U.S. industry comprises establishments primarily engaged in wholesaling transportation equipment and supplies (except marine pleasure craft and motor vehicles).

4218601 Aircraft and Aeronautical Equipment and Supplies Wholesalers

Establishments primarily engaged in the wholesale distribution of aircraft and aeronautical equipment and frames, parts, supplies, and accessories for such equipment.

4218602 Marine Machinery, Equipment, and Supplies Wholesalers

Establishments primarily engaged in the wholesale distribution of ships, boats, and marine propulsion machinery, equipment, and parts.

4218603 Other Transportation Equipment and Supplies Wholesalers

Establishments primarily engaged in the wholesale distribution of railroad equipment, such as rolling stock and maintenance equipment, and equipment and supplies used in the maintenance and repair of subways, tramways, aerial hoists, or horse drawn vehicles.

4219 Miscellaneous Durable Goods Wholesalers

This industry group comprises establishments primarily engaged in wholesaling sporting, recreational, toy, hobby, and jewelry goods and supplies, and precious stones and metals.

42191 Sporting and Recreational Goods and Supplies Wholesalers

This industry comprises establishments primarily engaged in wholesaling sporting goods and accessories; billiard and pool supplies; sporting firearms and ammunition; and/or marine pleasure craft, equipment, and supplies.

421910 Sporting and Recreational Goods and Supplies Wholesalers

This U.S. industry comprises establishments primarily engaged in wholesaling sporting goods and accessories; billiard and pool supplies; sporting firearms and ammunition; and/or marine pleasure craft, equipment, and supplies.

42192 Toy and Hobby Goods and Supplies Wholesalers

This industry comprises establishments primarily engaged in wholesaling games, toys, fireworks, playing cards, hobby goods and supplies, and/or related goods.

421920 Toy and Hobby Goods and Supplies Wholesalers

This U.S. industry comprises establishments primarily engaged in wholesaling games, toys, fireworks, playing cards, hobby goods and supplies, and/or related goods.

42193 Recyclable Material Wholesalers

This industry comprises establishments primarily engaged in wholesaling scrap from automotive, industrial, and other recyclable materials. Included in this industry are auto wreckers primarily engaged in dismantling motor vehicles for the purpose of wholesaling scrap.

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4219301 Iron and Steel Scrap Processors and Dealers

Establishments primarily engaged in selling all forms of scrap iron and scrap steel.

42193011 Iron and Steel Scrap Processors (Using Power Processing Equipment) Wholesalers

Establishments primarily engaged in breaking up, sorting, and selling all forms of scrap iron and scrap steel using power processing equipment. Power processing equipment includes operating cranes, hydraulic or motor shears, baling equipment, cable strippers, etc.

42193012 Iron and Steel Scrap Dealers (Not Using Power Processing Equipment)

Establishments primarily engaged in selling all forms of scrap iron and scrap steel, but which do not operate power processing and preparation equipment.

4219302 Recyclable Paper and Paperboard Wholesalers

Establishments primarily engaged in the wholesale distribution of paper and paperboard scrap and waste.

4219303 Other Recyclable Materials Wholesalers

Establishments primarily engaged in the wholesale distribution of recyclable scrap and waste, nonferrous metals, textiles, glass, plastics, rubber, and oil.

42194 Jewelry, Watch, Silverware, Precious Stone, and Precious Metal Wholesalers

This U.S. industry comprises establishments primarily engaged in wholesaling jewelry, precious and semiprecious stones, precious metals and metal flatware, costume jewelry, watches, clocks, silverware, and/or jewelers' findings.

421940 Jewelry, Watch, Precious Stone, and Precious Metal Wholesalers

This U.S. industry comprises establishments primarily engaged in wholesaling jewelry, precious and semiprecious stones, precious metals and metal flatware, costume jewelry, watches, clocks, silverware, and/or jewelers' findings.

4219401 Jewelry, Watches, Clocks, Precious Stones, and Silverware Wholesalers

Establishments primarily engaged in the wholesale distribution of jewelry (including costume), precious stones, watches, clocks, silverware, and jewelers' findings.

4219402 Precious Metals (Excluding Ores) Wholesalers

Establishments primarily engaged in the wholesale distribution of precious metals.

42199 Other Miscellaneous Durable Goods Wholesalers

This industry comprises establishments primarily engaged in wholesaling durable goods (except motor vehicle and motor vehicle parts and supplies; furniture and home furnishings; lumber and other construction materials; professional and commercial equipment and supplies; metals and minerals (except petroleum); electrical goods; hardware, and plumbing and heating equipment and supplies; machinery, equipment and supplies; sporting and recreational goods and supplies; toy and hobby goods and supplies; recyclable materials; and jewelry, watches, precious stones and precious metals).

421990 Other Miscellaneous Durable Goods Wholesalers

This U.S. industry comprises establishments primarily engaged in wholesaling durable goods (except motor vehicle and motor vehicle parts and supplies; furniture and home furnishings; lumber and other construction materials; professional and commercial equipment and supplies; metals and minerals (except petroleum); electrical goods; hardware, and plumbing and heating equipment and supplies; machinery, equipment and supplies; sporting and recreational goods and supplies; toy and hobby goods and supplies; recyclable materials; and jewelry, watches, precious stones and precious metals).

4219901 Musical Instruments and Supplies Wholesalers

Establishments primarily engaged in the wholesale distribution of musical instruments and supplies.

4219902 Forest Products (Except Lumber) Wholesalers

Establishments primarily engaged in the wholesale distribution of timber products, such as ties, logs, poles, stumps, and cordwood.

4219903 General Merchandise (Durable Goods) Wholesalers

Establishments primarily engaged in the wholesale distribution of a general line of durable goods with no one line accounting for more than 25 percent of the total sales.

4219904 Prerecorded Media Wholesalers

Establishments primarily engaged in the wholesale distribution of prerecorded compact discs, tapes, phonograph records, video cassettes, and other video tapes or discs.

42199041 Compact Disks, Prerecorded Audio Tapes, and Phonograph Records Wholesalers

Establishments primarily engaged in the wholesale distribution of prerecorded compact disks, audio tapes, and phonograph records.

42199042 Prerecorded Video Tape Wholesalers

Establishments primarily engaged in purchasing and reselling prerecorded video cassettes and other videotapes or discs to other wholesalers, video rental stores, and other retailers.

4219905 Fire Extinguishers and Fire Safety Equipment Wholesalers

Establishments primarily engaged in the wholesale distribution of fire extinguishers and fire safety equipment.

4219906 Other Durable Goods Wholesalers

Establishments primarily engaged in the wholesale distribution of durable goods such as game machines, gas lighting fixtures, luggage, and signs (except electric).

422 Wholesale trade, nondurable goods

Industries in the Wholesale Trade, Nondurable Goods subsector sell or arrange the purchase or sale of nondurable goods to other businesses. Nondurable goods are items generally with a normal life expectancy of less than three years. Nondurable goods wholesale trade establishments are engaged in wholesaling products, such as paper and paper products, chemicals and chemical products, drugs, textiles and textile products, apparel, footwear, groceries, farm products, petroleum and petroleum products, alcoholic beverages, books, magazines, newspapers, flowers and nursery stock, and tobacco products.

4221 Paper and Paper Product Wholesalers

This NAICS industry Group includes establishments classified in the following NAICS Industries:

42211 Paper and paper product wholesalers;

42212 Stationery and office supplies wholesalers; and

42213 Industrial and personal service paper wholesalers.

42211 Printing and Writing Paper Wholesalers

This industry comprises establishments primarily engaged in wholesaling bulk printing and/or writing paper generally on rolls for further processing.

422110 Printing and Writing Paper Wholesalers

This U.S. industry comprises establishments primarily engaged in wholesaling bulk printing and/or writing paper generally on rolls for further processing.

42212 Stationery and Office Supplies Wholesalers

This industry comprises establishments primarily engaged in wholesaling stationery, office supplies and/or gift wrap.

422120 Stationery and Office Supplies Wholesalers

This U.S. industry comprises establishments primarily engaged in wholesaling stationery, office supplies and/or gift wrap.

42213 Industrial and Personal Service Paper Wholesalers

This industry comprises establishments primarily engaged in wholesaling wrapping and other coarse paper, paper-board, converted paper (except stationery and office supplies), and/or related disposable plastics products.

422130 Industrial and Personal Service Paper Wholesalers

This U.S. industry comprises establishments primarily engaged in wholesaling wrapping and other coarse paper, paperboard, converted paper (except stationery and office supplies), and/or related disposable plastics products.

4222 Drugs and Druggists' Sundries Wholesalers

This industry comprises establishments primarily engaged in wholesaling biological and medical products; botanical drugs and herbs; and pharmaceutical products intended for internal and external consumption in such forms as ampoules, tablets, capsules, vials, ointments, powders, solutions, and suspensions.

42221 Drugs and Druggists' Sundries Wholesalers

This industry comprises establishments primarily engaged in wholesaling biological and medical products; botanical drugs and herbs; and pharmaceutical products intended for internal and external consumption in such forms as ampoules, tablets, capsules, vials, ointments, powders, solutions, and suspensions.

422210 Drugs and Druggists' Sundries Wholesalers

This U.S. industry comprises establishments primarily engaged in wholesaling biological and medical products; botanical drugs and herbs; and pharmaceutical products intended for internal and external consumption in such forms as ampoules, tablets, capsules, vials, ointments, powders, solutions, and suspensions.

4222101 General Line Drugs Wholesalers

Establishments primarily engaged in the wholesale distribution of a combination or general line of drugs, drug proprietaries, and druggists' sundries.

4222102 Specialty Line Drugs, Pharmaceuticals, Cosmetics, and Toiletries Wholesalers

Establishments primarily engaged in the wholesale distribution of specialty-line drugs, pharmaceuticals, cosmetics, and toiletries.

4223 Apparel, Piece Goods, and Notions Wholesalers

This NAICS industry Group includes establishments classified in the following NAICS Industries:

42231 Piece goods, notions, and other dry goods wholesalers;

42232 Men's and boys' clothing and furnishings wholesalers:

42233 Women's, children's and infants' clothing and accessories wholesalers;

42234 Footwear wholesalers.

42231 Piece Goods, Notions, and Other Dry Goods Wholesalers

This industry comprises establishments primarily engaged in wholesaling piece goods, fabrics, yarns, thread and other notions, and/or hair accessories.

422310 Piece Goods, Notions, and Other Dry Goods Wholesalers

This U.S. industry comprises establishments primarily engaged in wholesaling piece goods, fabrics, yarns, thread and other notions, and/or hair accessories.

4223101 Piece Goods (Woven and Knit Fabrics) - Jobbers

Establishments primarily engaged in the wholesale distribution of woven and knit fabrics.

4223102 Notions and Other Dry Goods Wholesalers

Establishments primarily engaged in the wholesale distribution of notions (i.e., sewing accessories, etc.), and other dry goods, except piece goods.

42232 Men's and Boys' Clothing and Furnishings Wholesalers

This industry comprises establishments primarily en3gaged in wholesaling men's and/or boys' clothing and furnishings.

422320 Men's and Boys' Clothing and Furnishings Wholesalers

This U.S. industry comprises establishments primarily engaged in wholesaling men's and/or boys' clothing and furnishings.

42233 Women's, Children's, and Infants' Clothing and Accessories Wholesalers

This industry comprises establishments primarily engaged in wholesaling (1) women's, children's, infants', and/or unisex clothing and accessories and/or (2) fur clothing.

422330 Women's, Children's, and Infants' Clothing and Accessories Wholesalers

This U.S. industry comprises establishments primarily engaged in wholesaling (1) women's, children's, infants', and/or unisex clothing and accessories and/or (2) fur clothing.

42234 Footwear Wholesalers

This industry comprises establishments primarily engaged in wholesaling footwear (including athletic) of leather, rubber, and other materials.

422340 Footwear Wholesalers

This U.S. industry comprises establishments primarily engaged in wholesaling footwear (including athletic) of leather, rubber, and other materials.

4224 Grocery and Related Product Wholesalers

This NAICS industry Group includes establishments classified in the following NAICS Industries:

42241 General line grocery wholesalers;

42242 Packaged frozen food wholesalers;

42243 Dairy product (except dried or canned) wholesalers;

42244 Poultry and poultry product wholesalers;

42245 Confectionery wholesalers;

42246 Fish and seafood wholesalers;

42247 Meat and meat product wholesalers;

42248 Fresh fruit and vegetable wholesalers;

42249 Other grocery and related products wholesalers.

42241 General Line Grocery Wholesalers

This industry comprises establishments primarily engaged in wholesaling a general line (wide range) of groceries.

422410 General Line Grocery Wholesalers

This U.S. industry comprises establishments primarily engaged in wholesaling a general line (wide range) of groceries.

4224101 General Line, Grocery Wholesalers, Voluntary Group

Establishments primarily engaged in the wholesale distribution of a general line of groceries and sponsoring (or affiliated with sponsors of) voluntary organization of food retailers which distributes a general line of groceries to these voluntary groups. These also include any voluntary group grocery wholesalers commonly engaged in joint advertising or other sales promotions under a group name or identification. Wholesale establishments sponsoring such voluntary groups are included here regardless of the portion of their sales made to the retail organization's members.

4224102 General Line, Grocery Wholesalers, Retail Cooperative

Establishments primarily engaged in the wholesale distribution of a general line of groceries and owned and operated cooperatively by groups of independent food retailers buying collectively which are primarily engaged in wholesale selling and distributing a general line of groceries. These establishments function primarily as a wholesale cooperative company selling chiefly to member retailers, but sometimes do a regular wholesale business.

4224103 Other General Line Grocery Wholesalers

Establishments primarily engaged in the wholesale distribution of a general line of groceries, including cash-and carry food establishments, not sponsoring or affiliated with any voluntary or cooperative groups. Also included are agents and brokers with a general line of groceries.

42242 Packaged Frozen Food Wholesalers

This industry comprises establishments primarily engaged in wholesaling packaged frozen foods (except dairy products).

422420 Packaged Frozen Food Wholesalers

This U.S. industry comprises establishments primarily engaged in wholesaling packaged frozen foods (except dairy products).

42243 Dairy Product (Except Dried or Canned) Wholesalers

This industry comprises establishments primarily engaged in wholesaling dairy products (except dried or canned).

422430 Dairy Product (Except Dried or Canned) Wholesalers

This U.S. industry comprises establishments primarily engaged in wholesaling dairy products (except dried or canned).

4224301 Raw Milk Wholesalers

Establishments primarily engaged in the wholesale distribution of raw, dried, or canned milk.

4224302 Dairy Products, (Except Raw Milk) Wholesalers

Establishments primarily engaged in the wholesale distribution of processed dairy products, except raw, dried, or canned.

42244 Poultry and Poultry Product Wholesalers

This industry comprises establishments primarily engaged in wholesaling poultry and/or poultry products (except canned and packaged frozen).

422440 Poultry and Poultry Product Wholesalers

This U.S. industry comprises establishments primarily engaged in wholesaling poultry and/or poultry products (except canned and packaged frozen).

4224401 Live Poultry Wholesalers

Establishments primarily engaged in the wholesale distribution of live poultry.

4224402 Poultry and Poultry Products (Except Live) Wholesalers

Establishments primarily engaged in the wholesale distribution of poultry and poultry products (except canned and packaged frozen products and live poultry).

42245 Confectionery Wholesalers

This industry comprises establishments primarily engaged in wholesaling confectioneries; salted or roasted nuts; popcorn; potato, corn, and similar chips; and/or fountain fruits and syrups.

422450 Confectionery Wholesalers

This U.S. industry comprises establishments primarily engaged in wholesaling confectioneries; salted or roasted nuts; popcorn; potato, corn, and similar chips; and/or fountain fruits and syrups.

42246 Fish and Seafood Wholesalers

This industry comprises establishments primarily engaged in wholesaling fish and seafood (except canned or packaged frozen).

422460 Fish and Seafood Wholesalers

This U.S. industry comprises establishments primarily engaged in wholesaling fish and seafood (except canned or packaged frozen).

42247 Meat and Meat Product Wholesalers

This industry comprises establishments primarily engaged in wholesaling meats and meat products (except canned and packaged frozen) and/or lard.

422470 Meat and Meat Product Wholesalers

This U.S. industry comprises establishments primarily engaged in wholesaling meats and meat products (except canned and packaged frozen) and/or lard.

42248 Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Wholesalers

This industry comprises establishments primarily engaged in wholesaling fresh fruits and vegetables.

422480 Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Wholesalers

This U.S. industry comprises establishments primarily engaged in wholesaling fresh fruits and vegetables.

42249 Other Grocery and Related Products Wholesalers

This industry comprises establishments primarily engaged in wholesaling groceries and related products (except a general line of groceries; packaged frozen food; dairy products (except dried and canned); poultry products (except canned); confectioneries; fish and seafood (except canned); meat products (except canned); and fresh fruits and vegetables). Included in this industry are establishments primarily engaged in bottling and wholesaling spring and mineral waters processed by others.

422490 Other Grocery and Related Products Wholesalers

This U.S. industry comprises establishments primarily engaged in wholesaling groceries and related products (except a general line of groceries; packaged frozen food; dairy products (except dried and canned); poultry products (except canned); confectioneries; fish and seafood (except canned); meat products (except canned); and fresh fruits and vegetables). Included in this industry are establishments primarily engaged in bottling and wholesaling spring and mineral waters processed by others.

4224901 Coffee, Tea, and Spices Wholesalers

Establishments primarily engaged in the wholesale distribution of coffee, soluble coffee, tea (bagged, packaged, loose, or powdered) and spices.

4224902 Bread and Baked Goods Wholesalers

Establishments primarily engaged in the wholesale distribution of bread, cakes, biscuits, doughnuts, pastries, crackers, pretzels, and other bakery products (except frozen).

4224903 Soft Drinks and Bottled Water Wholesalers

Establishments primarily engaged in the wholesale distribution of soft drinks and unprocessed bottled water.

4224904 Canned Goods Wholesalers

Establishments primarily engaged in the wholesale distribution of canned or bottled fruits, vegetables, juice, baby food, meat, poultry, fish, seafood, and dairy products (condensed or evaporated).

4224905 Food and Beverage Basic Material Wholesalers

Establishments primarily engaged in the wholesale distribution of basic food and beverage materials.

4224906 Other Grocery Specialties Wholesalers

Establishments primarily engaged in the wholesale distribution of grocery specialties, such as flour, refined sugar, breakfast cereals, butter substitutes (e.g., margarine), cooking oils, dried fruits, dried beans (packaged), honey, jams and jellies, pickles, preserves and sauces, polished rice, sandwiches, vegetable shortening, and other grocery specialties not included elsewhere.

4225 Farm Product Raw Material Wholesalers

This industry group comprises establishments primarily engaged in wholesaling agricultural products (except raw milk, live poultry, and fresh fruit and vegetables), such as grains, field beans, livestock, and other farm product raw materials (excluding seeds).

42251 Grain and Field Bean Wholesalers

This industry comprises establishments primarily engaged in wholesaling grains, such as corn, wheat, oats, barley, and unpolished rice; dry beans; and soybeans and other inedible beans. Included in this industry are establishments primarily engaged in operating country or terminal grain elevators primarily for the purpose of wholesaling.

422510 Grain and Field Bean Wholesalers

This U.S. industry comprises establishments primarily engaged in wholesaling grains, such as corn, wheat, oats, barley, and unpolished rice; dry beans; and soybeans and other inedible beans. Included in this industry are establishments primarily engaged in operating country or terminal grain elevators primarily for the purpose of wholesaling.

42252 Livestock Wholesalers

This industry comprises establishments primarily engaged in wholesaling livestock (except horses and mules).

422520 Livestock Wholesalers

This U.S. industry comprises establishments primarily engaged in wholesaling livestock (except horses and mules).

42259 Other Farm Product Raw Material Wholesalers

This industry comprises establishments primarily engaged in wholesaling farm products (except grain and field beans, livestock, raw milk, live poultry, and fresh fruits and vegetables).

422590 Other Farm Product Raw Material Wholesalers

This U.S. industry comprises establishments primarily engaged in wholesaling farm products (except grain and field beans, livestock, raw milk, live poultry, and fresh fruits and vegetables).

4225901 Hides, Skins, and Pelts Wholesalers

Establishments primarily engaged in the wholesale distribution of untanned hides and skins, such as cattle hides, sheep skins, and goat skins; raw furs; and pelts of furbearing animals.

4225902 Leaf Tobacco Wholesalers

Establishments primarily engaged in the wholesale distribution of leaf tobacco.

4225903 Wool, Wool Tops, and Mohair Wholesalers

Establishments primarily engaged in the wholesale distribution of mohair (raw), raw wool, wool noils, wool tops, and wool clippings.

4225904 Cotton Wholesalers

Establishments primarily engaged in buying and/or marketing cotton.

4225905 Other Farm Product Raw Materials Wholesalers

Establishments primarily engaged in buying and/or marketing other farm products.

4226 Chemical and Allied Products Wholesalers

This industry group comprises establishments primarily engaged in wholesaling chemicals; plastics materials and basic forms and shapes; and allied products.

42261 Plastics Materials and Basic Forms and Shapes Wholesalers

This industry comprises establishments primarily engaged in wholesaling plastics materials and resins, and unsupported plastics film, sheet, sheeting, rod, tube, and other basic forms and shapes.

422610 Plastics Materials and Basic Forms and Shapes Wholesalers

This U.S. industry comprises establishments primarily engaged in wholesaling plastics materials and resins, and unsupported plastics film, sheet, sheeting, rod, tube, and other basic forms and shapes.

42269 Other Chemical and Allied Products Wholesalers

This industry comprises establishments primarily engaged in wholesaling chemicals and allied products (except agricultural and medicinal chemicals, paints and varnishes, fireworks, and plastics materials and basic forms and shapes).

422690 Other Chemical and Allied Products Wholesalers

This U.S. industry comprises establishments primarily engaged in wholesaling chemicals and allied products (except agricultural and medicinal chemicals, paints and varnishes, fireworks, and plastics materials and basic forms and shapes).

4226901 Industrial Gases, (Except LP) Wholesalers

Establishments primarily engaged in the wholesale distribution of industrial gases (compressed and liquefied) regardless of use, such as oxygen and acetylene.

4226902 Other Chemicals and Allied Products Wholesalers

Establishments primarily engaged in the wholesale distribution of chemicals and allied products (except industrial gases), such as acids, industrial and heavy chemicals (except gases), dyestuffs, industrial salts, naval stores, rosin, and turpentine.

4227 Petroleum and Petroleum Products Wholesalers

This NAICS Industry Group includes establishments classified in the following NAICS Industries:

42271 Petroleum bulk stations and terminals; and

42272 Petroleum and petroleum products wholesalers (except bulk stations and terminals).

42271 Petroleum Bulk Stations and Terminals

This industry comprises establishments with bulk liquid storage facilities primarily engaged in wholesaling crude petroleum and petroleum products, including liquefied petroleum gas.

422710 Petroleum Bulk Stations and Terminals

This U.S. industry comprises establishments with bulk liquid storage facilities primarily engaged in wholesaling crude petroleum and petroleum products, including liquefied petroleum gas.

4227101 Petroleum Bulk Stations and Terminals (Except LP)

Establishments primarily engaged in the wholesale distribution of liquid petroleum products (except liquified petroleum gases) from bulk liquid storage stations or terminals.

42271011 Petroleum Bulk Stations (Except LP)

Establishments primarily engaged in the wholesale distribution of liquid petroleum products (except liquefied petroleum gases) from bulk liquid storage stations for resale. Bulk storage stations have bulk storage capacity of 10,000 to 100,000 gallons, or 100,000 to 2,100,000 gallons and do not receive their supplies primarily from tanker, barge, or pipeline.

42271012 Petroleum Bulk Terminals (Except LP)

Establishments primarily engaged in the wholesale distribution of liquid petroleum products (except liquefied petroleum gases) from bulk liquid storage terminals. Bulk storage terminals have bulk storage capacity of 2,100,000 gallons or more, or have bulk storage capacity of 100,000 gallons or more and receive products primarily by tanker, barge, or pipeline.

4227102 Liquefied Petroleum Bulk Stations and Terminals

Establishments primarily engaged in the wholesale distribution of liquefied petroleum gases from bulk storage stations or terminals for resale. Bulk storage stations or terminals have bulk storage capacity of 10,000 gallons or more.

42272 Petroleum and Petroleum Products Wholesalers (Except Bulk Stations and Terminals)

This industry comprises establishments primarily engaged in wholesaling petroleum and petroleum products (except from bulk liquid storage facilities).

422720 Petroleum and Petroleum Products Wholesalers (Except Bulk Stations and Terminals)

This U.S. industry comprises establishments primarily engaged in wholesaling petroleum and petroleum products (except from bulk liquid storage facilities).

4228 Beer, Wine, and Distilled Alcoholic Beverage Wholesalers

This NAICS Industry Group includes establishments classifed in the following NAICS Industries:

42281 Beer and ale wholesalers;

42282 Wine and distilled alcoholic beverage wholesalers.

42281 Beer and Ale Wholesalers

This industry comprises establishments primarily engaged in wholesaling beer, ale, porter, and other fermented malt beverages.

422810 Beer and Ale Wholesalers

This U.S. industry comprises establishments primarily engaged in wholesaling beer, ale, porter, and other fermented malt beverages.

42282 Wine and Distilled Alcoholic Beverage Wholesalers

This industry comprises establishments primarily engaged in wholesaling wine, distilled alcoholic beverages, and/or neutral spirits and ethyl alcohol used in blended wines and distilled liquors.

422820 Wine and Distilled Alcoholic Beverage Wholesalers

This U.S. industry comprises establishments primarily engaged in wholesaling wine, distilled alcoholic beverages, and/or neutral spirits and ethyl alcohol used in blended wines and distilled liquors.

4228201 Wines and Distilled Alcoholic Beverages (Licensed Operation) Wholesalers

Establishments primarily engaged in the wholesale distribution of wines and distilled spirits under government license.

4228202 Wines and Distilled Alcoholic Beverages (State-Operated) Wholesalers

Establishments primarily engaged as state-owned and operated wholesale distributors of wines and spirits.

4229 Miscellaneous Nondurable Goods Wholesalers

This industry group comprises establishments primarily engaged in wholesaling nondurable goods, such as farm supplies; books, periodicals and newspapers; flowers; nursery stock; paints; varnishes; tobacco and tobacco products; and other miscellaneous nondurable goods, such as cut Christmas trees and pet supplies.

42291 Farm Supplies Wholesalers

This industry comprises establishments primarily engaged in wholesaling farm supplies, such as animal feeds, fertilizers, agricultural chemicals, pesticides, plant seeds, and plant bulbs.

422910 Farm Supplies Wholesalers

This U.S. industry comprises establishments primarily engaged in wholesaling farm supplies, such as animal feeds, fertilizers, agricultural chemicals, pesticides, plant seeds, and plant bulbs.

4229101 Farm Supplies-Farm Dealers

Establishments primarily engaged in the wholesale distribution of farm supplies primarily sold directly to farmers for farm use.

4229102 Farm Supplies-Wholesale Distributors

Establishments primarily engaged in the wholesale distribution of farm supplies primarily sold directly to governments, institutions, farm dealers, export sales, and other nonfarm accounts.

42292 Book, Periodical, and Newspaper Wholesalers

This industry comprises establishments primarily engaged in wholesaling books, periodicals, and newspapers.

422920 Book, Periodical, and Newspaper Wholesalers

This U.S. industry comprises establishments primarily engaged in wholesaling books, periodicals, and newspapers.

42293 Flower, Nursery Stock, and Florists' Supplies Wholesalers

This industry comprises establishments primarily engaged in wholesaling flowers, florists' supplies, and/or nursery stock (except seeds and plant bulbs).

422930 Flower, Nursery Stock, and Florists' Supplies Wholesalers

This U.S. industry comprises establishments primarily engaged in wholesaling flowers, florists' supplies, and/or nursery stock (except seeds and plant bulbs). florists' supplies.

42294 Tobacco and Tobacco Product Wholesalers

This industry comprises establishments primarily engaged in wholesaling tobacco products, such as cigarettes, snuff, cigars, and pipe tobacco.

422940 Tobacco and Tobacco Product Wholesalers

This U.S. industry comprises establishments primarily engaged in wholesaling tobacco products, such as cigarettes, snuff, cigars, and pipe tobacco.

42295 Paint, Varnish, and Supplies Wholesalers

This industry comprises establishments primarily engaged in wholesaling paints, varnishes, and similar coatings; pigments; wallpaper; and supplies, such as paint brushes and rollers.

422950 Paint, Varnish, and Supplies Wholesalers

This U.S. industry comprises establishments primarily engaged in wholesaling paints, varnishes, and similar coatings; pigments; wallpaper; and supplies, such as paint brushes and rollers.

4229501 Paints, Varnishes, and Supplies (Wholesalers)

Establishments primarily engaged in wholesaling paints, varnishes, and similar coatings; pigments; wallpaper; and supplies, such as paint brushes and rollers.

42295011 Paints, Varnishes, and Supplies (Wholesalers)

Establishments primarily engaged in wholesaling paints, varnishes, and similar coatings; pigments; wallpaper; and supplies, such as paint brushes and rollers.

42299 Other Miscellaneous Nondurable Goods Wholesalers

This industry comprises establishments primarily engaged in wholesaling nondurable goods (except printing and writing paper; stationery and office supplies; industrial and personal service paper; drugs and druggists' sundries; apparel, piece goods, and notions; grocery and related products; farm product raw materials; chemical and allied products; petroleum and petroleum products; beer, wine, and distilled alcoholic beverages; farm supplies; books, periodicals and newspapers; flower, nursery stock and florists' supplies; tobacco and tobacco products; and paint, varnishes, wallpaper, and supplies).

422990 Other Miscellaneous Nondurable Goods Wholesalers

This U.S. industry comprises establishments primarily engaged in wholesaling nondurable goods (except printing and writing paper; stationery and office supplies; industrial and personal service paper; drugs and druggists' sundries; apparel, piece goods, and notions; grocery and related products; farm product raw materials; chemical and allied products; petroleum and petroleum products; beer, wine, and distilled alcoholic beverages; farm supplies; books, periodicals and newspapers; flower, nursery stock and florists' supplies; tobacco and tobacco products; and paint, varnishes, wallpaper, and supplies).

4229901 Art Goods Wholesalers

Establishments primarily engaged in the wholesale distribution of art goods such as artists' supplies, curios, and souvenirs.

4229902 General Merchandise (Nondurable Goods) Wholesalers

Establishments primarily engaged in the wholesale distribution of a general line of nondurable goods with no one line accounting for more than 25 percent of the total sales.

4229903 Textile Bags, Bagging, and Burlap Wholesalers

Establishments primarily engaged in the wholesale distribution of textile bags, and bagging burlap, and canvas and felt products.

4229904 Other Nondurable Goods Wholesalers

Establishments primarily engaged in the wholesale distribution of nondurable goods (except office supplies, druggists' sundries, apparel, groceries, chemical products, petroleum products, alcoholic beverages, farm supplies, books, periodicals, florists supplies; paint supplies, and art goods). Return to Wholesale Trade Source: U.S. Census Bureau E-mail questions to: Monthly Wholesale Trade Survey Last Revised: August 18, 2002