

**Table 3-2**  
**Wholesale merchants — Inventories, by NAICS, seasonally adjusted — Percentage change from previous month**

	October <sup>p</sup> 2012	September <sup>r</sup> 2012	August <sup>r</sup> 2012	July <sup>r</sup> 2012
	percent			
<b>NAICS - Canada</b>				
<b>Wholesale trade[41]</b>	<b>0.2</b>	<b>-0.4</b>	<b>0.9</b>	<b>1.3</b>
<b>Farm product wholesaler-distributors[411]</b>	<b>3.2</b>	<b>12.7</b>	<b>-7.9</b>	<b>-4.4</b>
<b>Food, beverage and tobacco wholesaler-distributors[413]</b>	<b>0.8</b>	<b>0.7</b>	<b>0.8</b>	<b>0.6</b>
Food[4131]	0.9	0.4	0.9	0.8
Beverage[4132]	-1.0	5.1	1.6	-1.2
Cigarette and tobacco product[4133]	3.1	2.0	-3.4	0.6
<b>Personal and household goods wholesaler-distributors[414]</b>	<b>-1.1</b>	<b>-1.0</b>	<b>-0.9</b>	<b>0.7</b>
Textile, clothing and footwear[4141]	0.2	-0.4	-3.9	2.2
Home entertainment equipment and household appliance[4142]	-3.9	-2.6	-0.1	-2.3
Home furnishings[4143]	-3.1	0.6	-1.7	-0.3
Personal goods[4144]	-3.7	0.4	-0.4	2.1
Pharmaceuticals and pharmacy supplies[41451]	0.8	-1.8	0.6	0.4
Toiletries, cosmetics and sundries[41452]	-6.2	-1.3	-3.5	0.2
<b>Motor vehicle and parts wholesaler-distributors[415]</b>	<b>0.2</b>	<b>-3.9</b>	<b>5.4</b>	<b>2.3</b>
Motor vehicle[4151]	1.5	-7.8	9.3	0.1
New motor vehicle parts and accessories[4152]	-1.2	1.1	1.1	4.9
Used motor vehicle parts and accessories[4153]	-1.1	-5.0	2.4	2.1
<b>Building material and supplies wholesaler-distributors[416]</b>	<b>-0.5</b>	<b>-0.3</b>	<b>-0.1</b>	<b>2.4</b>
Electrical, plumbing, heating and air-conditioning equipment and supplies[4161]	0.7	-0.6	-0.1	1.5
Metal service centres[4162]	-2.1	-0.8	-1.1	2.8
Lumber, millwork, hardware and other building supplies[4163]	-0.1	0.2	0.7	2.8
<b>Machinery, equipment and supplies wholesaler-distributors[417]</b>	<b>0.6</b>	<b>0.8</b>	<b>0.3</b>	<b>1.1</b>
Farm, lawn and garden machinery and equipment[4171]	0.0	2.6	1.5	2.8
Construction, forestry, mining, and industrial machinery, equipment and supplies[4172]	1.2	1.1	1.2	-0.1
Computer and communications equipment and supplies[4173]	2.8	1.9	-2.0	1.7
Other machinery, equipment and supplies[4179]	-1.4	-2.7	-1.9	2.2
<b>Miscellaneous wholesaler-distributors[418]</b>	<b>1.1</b>	<b>0.7</b>	<b>1.5</b>	<b>0.2</b>
Recyclable material[4181]	-7.8	3.9	5.3	-6.1
Paper, paper product and disposable plastic product[4182]	-2.6	-1.2	-0.4	-0.8
Agricultural supplies[4183]	3.9	0.4	3.3	2.1
Chemical (except agricultural) and allied product[4184]	-2.9	2.4	0.5	1.6
Other miscellaneous[4189]	3.3	-0.2	-0.1	-0.5

**Note(s):** NAICS: North American Industry Classification System Canada